

This is the story of KeyContent.org. Please feel free to [let me know](#) what you think or if you have any questions!

About))KeyContent.org()

))KeyContent.org <http://www.keycontent.org> - is free, open-content, collaborative effort and describe what it means to be a **content developer**. The site is a whiteboard to express your ideas, share your experiences, and ask your questions. TheKeyContent.org((site was launched in February 2005 and has undergone 2 major UI revisions.

You can read more about Tiki's role in creating a wiki-based portal for))KeyContent.org(([here](#). This is part of a presentation made at the [2006 TriXML conference](#) in Raleigh, NC, USA.

As of July 2006, KC.o is currently running:

- Tiki 1.9.2 (pending upgrade to 1.9.4)
- MySQL 4.1.19
- PHP 4.4.2
- Host: <http://www.bluehost.com/>, running Apache 1.3.36

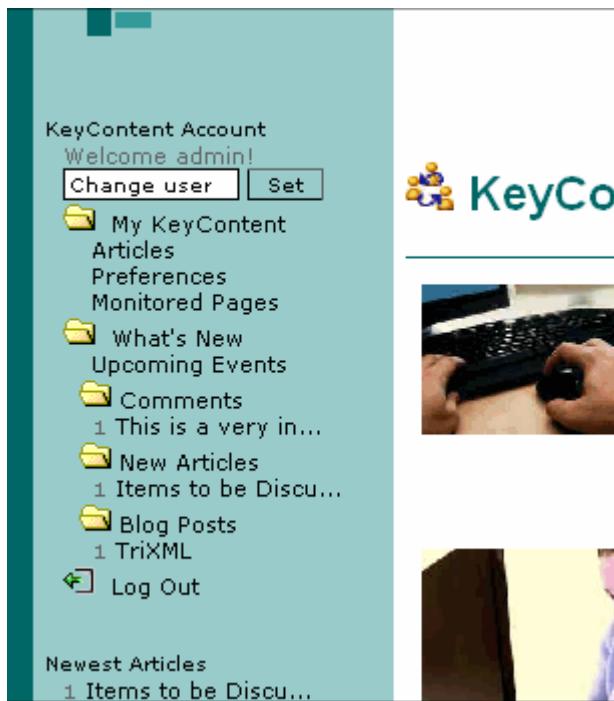
Template Changes

The current KC.o template reflects a vastly customized set of template files and stylesheets. Our theme has undergone three major revisions:

1. Initially, we started with the **geo-light** theme. This theme was used for testing and the pre-launch version of the site. I used this theme to "get my feet wet" in Tiki customization.
2. The KC.o version 1 template was based on the geo-light template, but included several major changes.
3. In early 2006 we created an entirely new template and color scheme.

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||Initial|Version 1.0|Version 2



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" method="post">
<input type="hidden" name="su" value="1" />
<input type="text" name="username" id="login-switchuser" size="15"
value="{tr}Change user{/tr}" alt="{tr}Change to a different user{/tr}." >
<input type="submit" name="actsu" value="{tr}Set{/tr}" />
</form>
{/if}
{menu id=50}

<div class="separator">
<a class="separator" href="javascript:icntoggle('whatsnew');" title="Toggle options">


{tr}What's New{/tr}</a></div> <div style="display:none;" id="whatsnew"> <div class="option"> <a
class='linkmenu'
href="tiki-calendar.php?viewlist=table&viewmode=week"
title="{tr}Upcoming Events{/tr}">{tr}Upcoming Events{/tr}</a>

</div>
{foreach key=pos item=$slvn_item from=$slvn_info.items}
{if $slvn_item.count > 0 }
{assign var=cname value=$slvn_item.cname}

<div class="separator">
<a class="separator" href="javascript:icntoggle('{$cname}');">

{$slvn_item.label}</a>

</div> <div id="{$cname}" {if $smarty.cookies.$cname ne '0'}style="display:none;"\>
{else}style="display:block;"{/if}>
{section name=ix loop=$slvn_item.list}

<span class="module">{$smarty.section.ix.index_next}</span>
<a class="linkmodule" href="{$slvn_item.listix.href|escape}"
title="{$slvn_item.listix.title|escape}">
{if $slvn_item.listix.label == ""}-{else}
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{${$slvn_item.list}{'label'}|escape|truncate:20:"...":true} {/if}
</a><br />
{/section}

</div>
{/if}
{/foreach}

</div>
{literal}<{/literal}><script language='Javascript' type='text/javascript'>
setfolderstate('whatsnew', 'd');
{literal}<{/literal}></script>

<div class="separator">
<a class='separator' href="tiki-logout.php" title="{tr}Log Out{/tr}">

{tr}Log Out{/tr}</a>

</div>
{else}

<div class="module">
<form name="loginbox" action="{$login_url}" method="post"
{if $feature_challenge eq 'y'} >
<input type="text" name="user" id="login-user"
size="15" value="Username" alt="{tr}Enter your KeyContent.org username{/tr}." >
<input type="password" name="pass" id="login-pass" size="15"
value="Password" alt="Enter your password." >
<input type="submit" name="login" value="{tr}Log In{/tr}" />
{if $rememberme ne 'disabled'}<input type="checkbox"
name="rme" id="login-remember" value="on"/>
<label for="login-remember"> {tr}Remember me{/tr}</label> {/if}<br />
{if $forgotPass eq 'y' and $allowRegister eq 'y' and $change_password eq 'y'}
<a class="link" href="tiki-remind_password.php"
title="{tr}Click here if you've forgotten your password{/tr}">
{tr}Forget your password?{/tr}</a><br />
<a href="tiki-register.php" class="link"
title="{tr}Click here to register{/tr}">{tr}Sign up{/tr}</a> (free) to see more.
{/if}
</form>

</div>
{/if}
{CODE}

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Note: Certainly not the *prettiest* code... I hope to streamline it one day, when I have spare moment. 😊
[Last Modified Page](#)

After logging in, users can quickly create a new wiki page by using the Quick Edit module. I included this module within the Last Modified Page module:

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- 1 Green Chameleon

This was a simple edit to the **mod-last_modif_pages.tpl** template:



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{if !$user} <a href="tiki-page.php?pageName=Key+Collaboration+Request" class="linkmodule"
title="{tr}Start a new Key Article{/tr}.> {tr}Start new article{/tr}&nbsp; </a> &nbs;{else}{if $tiki_p_edit eq 'y'} <form method="get" action="tiki-
editpage.php"> {if $categId}<input type="hidden" name="categId" value="{$categId}" />{/if}
Customizations
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UI changes

The overwhelming number of changes to KC.o have been for UI and usability. Most require only tweaks and additions to the template files.

Click to sort

I added a small *sort* image (☒) to all of the list tables. This allows users to see how the current view is being sorted. This is a common UI element on most operating systems and users are accusomed to seeing them in lists.

For example, here is the sort image in the [tiki-listpages](#):

ARTICLES | BLOG | EVENTS | CONTACT | ABOUT | RSS

UNLOCKING COMMUNICATION

Key Articles

This page lists the current Key Articles. Feel free to look around and join the collaboration!

Ready to try it out? Start collaborating immediately with our [sample article](#), [start your own](#) (we have a [list of topic idea](#) to help you get started), or contact the [editor](#) to submit your own original work for publication!

Article	Last Modified	Last Contributor	Comments
Using a Wiki as an Organizational Portal	Jul 29, 2006	chief	
XML Cartoons	Jul 26, 2006	bill.alberg	Add a link.
Collaboration Tools	Jul 24, 2006	bill.alberg	Add a link.
What's New	Jul 20, 2006	admin	Minor edits only
Demonstration Videos for KeyContent.org	Jul 18, 2006	chief	change order of videos
Technical Manual Development Process	Jul 18, 2006	bill.alberg	add headings
How to Design Layout Using CSS and Avoiding Table Elements	Jul 11, 2006	rid.saur	Glich css design resource, discussion of accessibility requirements
Credits	Jul 10, 2006	chief	
TacCloud: Categorizing Your Content	Jul 05, 2006	admin	sample tag cloud
Summer Storm or The Next Big Wave	Jun 30, 2006	bill.alberg	fix more info section and add a link

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I simply created two small images (**sort_asc.gif** and **sort_des.gif**) and modified the template file:



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Captcha for anti-spam

All form submissions are protected by Captcha images. We use the web-based <http://www.protectwebform.com> service. The service is very easy to implement and requires only simple cut-and-paste additions to the TPL template file and its associated PHP file.

An example of our implementation can bee seen [here](#). This is a customization of the **tiki-directory_add_site** file.

The screenshot shows a web page with a sidebar on the left containing links for 'Recent News', 'TagClouds', 'Category', 'Hot Tags', 'Requested New Key...', 'Guide to Tiki...', 'Get Help When You...', 'Giffy.com Support', and 'Start new article'. Below this is a section for 'Newest Resources' with links to SLA.org, Newtelligence, Knowledge Management, Congress of the Americas, and Wikia 2006 Symposium, along with a link to 'Add a new resource'. The main content area has sections for 'Upcoming Events' (with links to TCKM 2006, Knowledge Management, Congress of the Americas, and Wikia 2006 Symposium) and 'Add an event'. A large form is centered, with fields for 'Location' (a text area with placeholder text 'Please include the city, state or province, and country.'), 'URL' (a text area with placeholder 'http://'), 'Your Name' (a text area), 'Your Email' (a text area), and 'Anti-Spam' (a text area with placeholder 'Enter the code shown in the image:'). To the right of the 'Anti-Spam' field is a small image of a CAPTCHA code ('06d9ky') enclosed in a red circle. At the bottom of the form are 'Submit Event' and 'Cancel' buttons. The footer of the page includes a copyright notice 'Copyright © 2004 - 2006 by KeyContent.co Some rights reserved. Site conforms to [Web Standards](#)' and a logo.

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What's next

My future plans for KC.o include:

- Upgrading to the current Tiki version.
- Add structured blogging and microcontent