



Announcements

- DJUG@yahoogroups.com is our community connection
- <http://www.denverjug.org/index.jsp> is our content site
- Rocky Mountain Software Symposium – May 5-7, 2006

Special Interest Groups

Denver JUG Special Interest Groups provide in-depth focus beyond that offered at the monthly meetings.

Gang of Four Patterns SIG

Wed, February 15, 2006, 6-8 p.m.
Lead: John Tyler

Object-Oriented Architecture SIG

On hiatus
Leads: George Allaman and John Troxel

Interested in starting a SIG?

Is there some aspect of Java technology you would like to discuss in a SIG? Send your idea to board@denverjug.org

Book Reviews

Greg baker is leading the DJUG book reviews. Contact him at greg.baker@castlepines.net to offer time and talent.

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Tonight's Main Speaker

Grady Booch is recognized internationally for his innovative work on software architecture, software engineering, and modeling. A renowned visionary, he has devoted his life's work to improving the effectiveness of software developers worldwide. Grady has served as architect and architectural mentor for numerous complex software-intensive projects around the world in just about every domain imaginable.

In this presentation, Grady will summarize the things we know and the things we know (and speculate on the things we don't know we know) about software architecture. I'll then examine an effort to create a handbook of software architecture to help fill this gap between observation and construction.

Tonight's BC Speaker

Scott Davis is a senior software engineer at OpenLogic. He is passionate about open source solutions and agile development. He has worked on a variety of Java platforms, from J2EE to J2SE to J2ME (sometimes all on the same project).

This presentation talks about how to introduce Agile practices slowly. Think of it as refactoring your team iteratively. If you drop 25 new "best practices" on developers all at once, the chance of getting any of them to stick is slim. If you start with one practice and get buy-in on it, sneaking in the next one (especially if it is complementary) is far easier.

Local Events

Boulder JUG Meeting

Thurs February 9 06:00 PM - Bruce Snyder on Event-Driven Architecture using POJOS and ActiveMQ
07:30 PM - Bruce Snyder on Service Oriented Architecture with BPEL, JBI and ServiceMix

Breaking News:

The next release of Java, code named *Mustang* is scheduled for a first beta release this month. The schedule for a final release has been slipped to fall, 2006. In the meantime, Sun is providing early access to the full source, binaries and javadoc. Check out new features or download the code at <https://mustang.dev.java.net/>.

One of the exciting things about Mustang is Sun is soliciting input, and even code from the Java community. For more information, go to <http://java.sun.com/developer/technicalArticles/J2SE/peabody/index.html>.

The Jakarta Project (<http://jakarta.apache.org/>) released two new project versions last month: Tapestry 4.0.0 (final) and HiveMind 1.1.1.

DenverJUG is always on the lookout for speakers and topic suggestions. If there is something you would like to see, either for a Basic Concepts or a Main talk, let us know. If you have a topic you would like to present, make a proposal. Either way, contact us at board@denverjug.org.

The **No Fluff Just Stuff** Symposium presents the latest Java (and now .NET) technologies. The Denver Spring conference is May 5-7. For details, see http://nofluffjuststuff.com/show_view.jsp?showId=52.

Job Opportunities

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["What is important is to keep learning, to enjoy challenge, and to tolerate ambiguity. In the end there are no certain answers."](#)

[**Martina Horner**](#), *President of Radcliffe College*

["Whenever you are asked if you can do a job, tell 'em 'Certainly I can!' Then get busy and find out how to do it."](#)

[**Theodore Roosevelt** \(1858 - 1919\)](#)

["Learning is not compulsory... neither is survival."](#)

[**W. Edwards Deming** \(1900 - 1993\)](#)