Subject: Re: IDL T-Shirt Has Arrived!
Posted by David Fanning on Wed, 14 Nov 2007 02:10:49 GMT
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Rick Towler writes:

> I hope you made it back in one piece and your wife hasn't left you.

Well, I told my wife I was going for painting supplies...again! :-)

- > I'm curious. Can you describe the t-shirt. I would assume it has the
- > obligatory ITT/IDL logo on the front, but what's on the back? I ask
- > because I was contacted by ITT a few months back regarding the text of a
- > c.l.i.p post I was alleged to have made asking for permission to use
- > it on a t-shirt. I was quite surprised and assured the ITT rep that I
- > could not possibly be the author of a post worthy of reading, let alone
- > good enough to be printed on a t-shirt that would be worn by tens, maybe
- > even hundreds of people.

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> I'm wondering if this shirt ever made it out of the focus groups.

This was a very subtle design with the IDL logo and the words "Code Contributor" on the front. On the back was a little three-line IDL program. I wish I could quote it for you, but my son asked if he could borrow the shirt to see if it had such a powerful effect on the, uh, younger generation. He took it back to the dorm with him after he did his laundry here.

But I've just gotten home from the big IDL user group meeting in Boulder this afternoon and all the attendees got a nifty little book by Ronn Kling entitled "Navigating the IDL Workbench" and a free T-shirt.

This shirt is black, too, with the IDL logo on the front, over the words "Innovation starts here". The back has a big yellow and white bulls-eye on it. I did note today was the start of the elk hunting season in Colorado, and that even though I registered for the meeting within 5 minutes of receiving my notice, I wasn't on the official list of "attendees". So, I don't know if my shirt is the same as everyone else's or not.

I'm going to lay low, though, at least until after Thanksgiving. :-)

I will say this about the ITTVIS folks: they give a hell of a party. Good beer and a table full of food, which I never quite managed to get to, what with meeting so many interesting people.

I was thinking about writing an IDL 7.0 preview review as soon as my head clears a bit. I did take a lot of notes. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")