
Subject: Re: Coyote Library Updates

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 28 Jan 2014 20:18:48 GMT

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Helder writes:

> given the fact that I have no idea what is happening when I daily execute my svn checkout, it seems like I was using a different command and things were working. So, I'm using:

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> svn checkout <http://idl-coyote.googlecode.com/svn/trunk/coyote>

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> Now the question is: Should I use the address:

> http://idl-coyote.googlecode.com/svn/tags/coyote/coyote_library_6.0

> or

> <http://idl-coyote.googlecode.com/svn/trunk/coyote>

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> I have implemented this operation in my task scheduler not to forget checking for updates.

No, you are doing things exactly right. :-)

You start your day the way I do. (Of course, we have good and bad days, but hopefully more good than bad.) Paul wants a "stable" release. I'm never sure exactly what that means, because I update these files frequently (at least once a week and sometimes several times a day). But, if a few days go by and I haven't made any changes and Coyote remembers to remind me, I make a tagged release.

I do try very hard to have the main repository in good shape at the end of every day. I'm not perfect, but my score is pretty high.

I know it annoys people to have a lot of these files "retired". But, it is a lot of work to get all the documentation changed over to the IDLDOC style that I can have on my web page. I do it a little at a time now, and only when I find I am using a particular program. Name space is getting crowded, and I would like to have all my programs with the "cg" prefix. Eventually, I might get there. When I do make a change, I make sure all my Library files reflect the change and all the articles on my web page reflect the change. This is a BIG job, which is another reason I'm not anxious to do it often. Even a simple change to a routine that is not used much takes an hour or so to effect. Most changes take most of an afternoon. Mistakes can be made. I typically wait a couple of days to make a tagged release after a major upset. I've learned the hard way to test documentation headers before I commit the files. :-)

Cheers,

David

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