Subject: Re: Pleasant Workbench Surprise
Posted by Paul Van Delst[1] on Thu, 03 Apr 2008 15:04:10 GMT
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David Fanning wrote:
> Folks,
>
> Here is something for the How-Come-I-Never-Saw-That-Before?
> file.
>
> One of the things that has annoyed me about the Workbench is
> that I am never sure where the file I am editing has come from.
> Is this the Coyote project version of the file, or my client
> version of the file?
>
> But I was just sitting here, thinking, staring into space
> and idling clicking on the editor tabs when I realized that
> for whatever file I am editing, its complete path name
> appears in the window title bar of the Workbench. Duh...

....or in the status bar in most editors.

Crikey, David, I think all those years of Windows usage has led to too-low expectations.

   :o)

Working on my trunk and various branches in my subversion working copy, I can have one
editor session/window that has the same named-file opened but from different branches, or
the trunk (for times when I'm testing pre- or post-merge). The way to tell which file I'm
working on is via the editor status bar where the full path is given.

Same goes for my terminal windows. I have one X-window, but it contains several tabs (for
different branches; or for when I'm compiling and running f95 code in one tabbed session,
and displaying the results via IDL in another.)

I've been doing that for, crikey, nearly 8-9 years now on linux. Doesn't *every* OS offer
that sort of functionality? (I don't think Mac's do, but they have that handy fn-9 key
that "splays" out your desktop. Not ideal, but sufficient... and cool to watch :o).

cheers,

paulv

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Posted by David Fanning on Thu, 03 Apr 2008 16:00:32 GMT
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Paul van Delst writes:

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I've really got to get out more. People think
giving up the day job and becoming a consultant is
great. But it's only great when its 10AM and you
are still playing tennis with your friends. Other
than that, it's pretty isolating. ;-)

Cheers,

David

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Posted by David Fanning on Thu, 03 Apr 2008 16:14:28 GMT
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By the way, I don't write these articles because
I'm fond of illustrating how ignorant I am. Let's just
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might have a better appreciation for how badly information,
any information, is needed.

I just figure if a motivated, interested user like me
doesn't know it, there are probably others who don't know
it either. My goal is to shed some light in the world.
Those of you who want *useful* information should
adjust their newsgroup filters appropriately. :-)

Cheers,

David

P.S. Heretofore, I just plain ignored what was in the status
bar as so much useless space. I guess I'll have start paying more
attention to what's in there now, too. Where does it end? :-(

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Posted by Paul Van Delst[1] on Thu, 03 Apr 2008 17:01:02 GMT
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Posted by David Fanning on Thu, 03 Apr 2008 17:27:33 GMT
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No, no. I thought you were just having a little
fun. But I am too old, apparently, to play three
hours of tennis of an evening and then still be
in a good mood in the morning. And it was a particularly
lame post on my part, but it had been bugging me,
and there the solution was in front of me all the time.
Embarrassing. So there was that... :-)

I'm just going to go chew a few more Ibuprofen.

Cheers,

David

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Posted by MarioIncandenza on Fri, 04 Apr 2008 19:11:45 GMT
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Hey!

I use EMACS+IDLWAVE, and I admit to finding myself adding a space and
saving the file so that I can see the full path. How can I have that
displayed on the window somewhere?

--Edward H.

Subject: Re: Pleasant Workbench Surprise
Posted by jschwab@gmail.com on Sat, 05 Apr 2008 15:23:00 GMT
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If you want to display the full path in the title bar, in your .emacs
add

(setq frame-title-format '("%f"))

If you just want to see what the path is

M-x eval-expression
buffer-file-name

will show you.

Josiah

On Apr 4, 3:11 pm, Ed Hyer <ejh...@gmail.com> wrote:
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Posted by Mark[1] on Sun, 06 Apr 2008 21:58:57 GMT
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Posted by R.Bauer on Mon, 21 Apr 2008 07:21:51 GMT

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