Terra Dotta Newsletter, August 2012

V12 Idea Forum Deadline

Suggestions for Version 12 of Terra Dotta Software will be accepted until August 15th. If you have ideas for the next version of our software, please log on to [Terra Dotta University](#) and submit them to the Idea Forum. Also, please vote and comment on the ideas that have already been submitted.

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Free Training Webinars for Clients

► [Optimizing Your Site: Terra Dotta as Culture Change:](#) Monday August, 27 11:00 AM-12:00 PM EDT

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Welcome New Clients:

► University of Melbourne
► Saginaw Valley State University
► Sweet Briar College
► Western Kentucky University
► Western Oregon University

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New Directory Providers:

► Global Experiences
► St. John's University

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People Are Talking

Terra Dotta has transformed how our office communicates with constituents across the campus and beyond... Faculty directors submit emergency

Dain Anderson: Lead Developer

Dain Anderson became Terra Dotta's first employee in January 2003, joining founders Brandon S. Lee and Garrett Christian. He is currently the lead software developer at Terra Dotta, but being a leader is nothing new for Dain.

In the late 90's, Dain became a board member of the HTML Writer's Guild and has served as co-author and technical editor for several books on ColdFusion and SQL programming. Dain's code is used and cited in over 50 books, trade journals and open-source projects.

Outside of Terra Dotta, Dain spends time with his wife Nancy, his daughter Jarah, and his son Eli. He also runs a network of websites dedicated to retro gaming systems including NintendoAge.com and SegaAge.com, the former of which gets over three million hits per month and is considered the go-to site for Nintendo game collecting. Dain served as an executive producer for the documentary "Ecstasy of Order: The Tetris Masters," about the greatest Tetris players in the world.

Dain was a study abroad student in Russia in 1991 and hopes to visit the famous Moai stone faces on Easter Island someday.

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WEBINARS: Learn what Terra Dotta Software can do for you

Risk Management Offices

Find out how your institution can track all faculty, staff and student travel to ensure their safety and reduce your liability. Learn how you can use this data most effectively, as well as how you can have direct communication with travelers before, during, and after their trip.

► [Thursday August 16, 2012 11:00 AM-12:00 PM EDT](#)
► [Wednesday September 19, 2012 11:00 AM-12:00 PM EDT](#)

ISSS Offices

Attend a product information webinar to learn how our software can benefit your International Student and Scholar Services office.

protocols prior to leading study abroad programs. If a tsunami strikes or a winter storm closes down Atlanta's streets, we can access the emergency data anywhere that we have the internet. Did I mention that students apply online for study abroad, scholarships, and more? And while navigating the site, users think that they are inside Emory's website, even though we are a hosted client.

-**Dana Tottenham**
(Associate Director, Center for International Programs Abroad)
Emory University

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Terra Dotta Software Offers Solutions for:

► Study Abroad/Mobility
► Risk Management
► ESL
► ISSS
► HR Competencies
► Application Management
► Event Management

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► Thursday August 16, 2012 3:00-4:00 PM EDT
► Wednesday September 19, 2012 3:00-4:00 PM EDT

Study Abroad Offices

Learn more about what our software can do for your Education Abroad office. Register to attend a product information webinar.

► Tuesday August 7, 2012 11:00 AM-12:00 PM EDT
► Tuesday September 4, 2012 11:00 AM-12:00 PM EDT

ESL Offices

Discover how to modernize the administration of your ESL Office with our software by attending one of our ESL webinars.

► Tuesday August 7, 2012 3:00-4:00 PM EDT
► Tuesday September 4, 2012 3:00-4:00 PM EDT

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Whether in the Olympic Village or On-Campus, Language Skills Make a Difference
By: Gary Rhodes, Ph.D., Director
SAFETI Clearinghouse, Center for Global Education at UCLA

This month's article discusses the similar language difficulties that Olympic athletes and international students often face while in a host country or at a foreign university. The piece suggests that increasing the availability and quality of translated, pre-travel, informative documents to these athletes and students will greatly improve their experiences while competing or studying abroad.

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