Speakers getting ready for CFUnited

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We asked a few questions to find out what our speakers are up to prior to their trip to CFUnited.

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Joe Gautreau

Question: What are you looking forward to?

Joe: The experience of the entire trip, also hot model-glue, and coldspring tips and tricks.

Question: Has your presentation changed?

Joe: My presentation hasn't changed, but will change a bit.

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Raymond Camden

Question: What are you looking forward to?

Raymond: Talking with others about where ColdFusion is going.

Question: A recent hot topic?

Raymond: Not sure if this is "hot", but for me, anything related to ColdSpring and Transfer is on my hot list.

Question: Beer of choice if someone wants to buy you a drink.

Raymond: Anything by Sam Adams, Newcastle, or anything I haven't tried before.

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Marc Esher

Question: What are you looking forward to?

Marc: The sessions, naturally, especially the ones on frameworks and better OO programming. I'm also looking forward to meeting Luis Majano, who writes more code in a week than most people do in a year. And I'm looking forward to smoking a good stogie with anyone who will join me!

Question: A recent hot topic?

Marc: One that doesn't get much press but which is on the minds of many is whether Adobe's going to come out with a CF IDE. It's been hinted at in blogs but in typical fashion is carried out with the same degree of teasing that 8th grade girls use. It's frustrating for some of us who would choose to contribute to CFEclipse if we thought that product had a long life. I believe Adobe's hurting the CF community by not either a) committing to building an IDE or b) stopping the chatter entirely and getting behind CFEclipse. After working with FlexBuilder and seeing the productivity gains you get from it with Flex, you can't help but feel that we're crippled, productivity-wise, by lack of an enterprise-class IDE for CF.

Question: Has your presentation changed?

Marc: As I prepared the presentation, I learned a lot more about ANT, and so I'll be peppering in more tips and tricks. In addition, I've added a new section on ScriptDef... showing how to use javascript to do CF-like programming right in your ANT files

Question: Beer of choice if someone wants to buy you a drink.

Marc: Ohhhh, so many. I'm partial lately to Belgian abbey style beers like Stoudts Abbey Triple and Weyerbacher Merry Monks. And I love a good strong IPA.

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Liz Frederick

Question: What are you looking forward to?

Liz: Seeing the Exhibit Showroom come alive. We are going to have webcams all around so people can see the crowd online. I'm also looking forward to the evening event.... I know I haven't released the location but it will be so much fun its a "crime"...

Question: A recent hot topic?

Liz: I have too many secrets that I can't tell, so when they come out at CFUnited, I'm sure they will be hot topics. Question: Beer of choice if someone wants to buy you a drink.

Liz: Well seeing how I'm the one buy you all a drink, I'd better get a corona or two. Flowers work much better in my case.