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New User Interface for LISTSERV

E-mail List Owners

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On Thursday, November 3, 2005, LISTSERV was upgraded to version 14.4 and a new, feature-rich user interface became available for LISTSERV list owners.

Because the look and feel of this new interface is different from what you are used to, we have written a guide to orient you to the new interface. Please have a look at DOCWEB document D0200, "Web-based Management Interface for LISTSERV E-mail List Owners" [http://docweb.cns.ufl.edu/docs/d0200/d0200.html] to get an idea of how the new web interface will look and how it can work for you.

In the Subscriber's Corner, list owners will be able to see what lists you (as list owner) are subscribed to and will be able to change your own subscriber options. You will also have an easy way to subscribe to or signoff from lists.

Under List Management, there are many new helpful features. There is a LISTSERV Wizard that will allow owners to make changes to list characteristics (list headers) without their having to know command names or LISTSERV command syntax. You can also look up actions by keywords or by command name and implement them from the Wizard area.

There is a Reports section that allows you, the owner, to change subscription options for one, or all, of your list members and a Changelog section that will let you look at various list statistics.

In this new version of LISTSERV, the Bulk Operations function is enabled. You will be able to add and/or delete groups of subscribers from a Bulk Operations menu and a list of user names and addresses that you will provide.

You will find another handy feature under the heading of Moderation. In this area, list owners can see what messages are awaiting approval; and, you can approve them from this interface.

Is everything different? No. You will find that the old, familiar screens are easy to find and use. The two most-used screens in the current web interface will be found with slightly different names. The new Subscribers button is the same as the current Manage subscribers button. And you will find the Edit list configuration screen under the new heading of Configuration.

We believe you will enjoy the new interface and, as always, we will be happy to answer any questions you may have about using or managing your LISTSERV lists. Please write to us at listmaster@lists.ufl.edu.

Your Comments are Welcome

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