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## Portal Administrator Report

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### Portal Applications and Support Sites

- Current applications include (new in bold):
  - shop.mpla.us (OScommerce) Online store to sell MPLA shirts. Set up and ran sale of MPLA shirts.
  - meet.mpla.us (Ellg) Online social network similar to Facebook and MySpace. In beta mode, will launch during 2009 conference.
  - mpla.us/survey (Limesurvey) Survey/poll similar to SurveyMonkey. Used to run MPLA officer election. Had over 300 members vote with minimal number of problems.
  - Soapbox.mpla.us (WordPress) blog is up and accounts are created. Secure registration process setup and tested. Updated version with additional plug-ins for functionality and security installed
  - Talk.mpla.us(PunBB) forum is up and all accounts created. Secured registration setup and tested. No updates added since last report.
  - Photos.mpla.us (minishowcase) image gallery is up and running. Still needs template redesign for improved layout.
  - Formtools form processor is up and running to process all MPLA form submissions. Added Captcha support to prevent spam submissions. Multiple modifications implemented on formtools and html forms to improve the process for Judy.
  - Mpla20.mpla.us Splash page and site introduction for portal applications is up and running.
  - Help.mpla.us provides support information for portal applications.
  
- Future applications
  - Calendar- VT Calendar has been installed to maintain the mpla calendar and events. This application allows for event submission and approval before being included on the calendar. VT Calendar offers a great deal of additional features:
    - RSS feeds
    - Download events to Outlook, iCal, and other calendar applications
    - User/admin account management
    - Searchable
    - Multiple categories and calendars
  - PHPList- Mailing list manager. phplist is a one-way email announcement delivery system. It is great for newsletters, publicity lists, notifications, and many other uses (copied from <http://www.phplist.com/details>).
  
- Site Maintenance
  - Weekly back-ups created every Friday and stored on local hard drive.

- Need current update to WordPress- version 2.7.1 is now available. I hope to upgrade after completing next backup.
  - Security vs Spam- No current spam attacks have been successful. Current security measures are working until new vulnerabilities are discovered.
- Conference Plans
  - Program w/ Dan covering MPLA 2.0 features.
  - Launch meet.mpla.us (beta) to create an online social conference.