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In S0E4 we talk with prominent (GNU/Linux|F/OSS|Ubuntu) advocate and HP employee/Openstack sysadmin Elizabeth K. Joseph.

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Notes

We ask her the following questions (you'll have to listen to find out her answers!):

- Who are you; what do you do?
- How old were you when you first got started in tech (was it for a hobby, career, etc.) and what got you first interested?
- Who has been personally influential to you in your tech experiences?
- What projects are you most proud of, and (optionally) which ones do you consider complete duds? What did you learn from them?
- How do you give back to the community?
- What do you find most remarkable about the Openstack project and its infrastructure architecture?
- What GNU/Linux distributions have you used? What did you like about them? What did you dislike about them?
- What do you like about Ubuntu? What do you think they could benefit the most from by improving?
- If you were to seek a position with a new company and were guaranteed a position, what companies interest you?
- If you were to completely switch careers/fields/etc., what would you pick and why?
- Are you currently working on any projects or have any in your TODO that you're excited about?
- What was it like working on The Official Ubuntu Book? Do you have anything else like it planned?
- Tell us about your personal life, in as much detail as you're comfortable with- what a normal day looks like, pets, hobbies, favourite food, favourite drink, people you're happy to have in your life, etc. What do you do when you aren't tapping a keyboard?
- (Plus LOTS others we asked off-the-cuff!)

You can find Lyz's twitter here, and her personal site here. Her Launchpad is here.

Errata

This one took a while to edit because it's our first interview! I also realized AS I WAS TYPING UP THE SHOW NOTES (which is like, the VERY last thing I do before publishing an episode) that there was a huge gap in the finished cut! Whoops! I did a really messy job splicing the audio back in. Can you find it? If you think you did, let us know and we'll send you something as soon as we have swag! Use our contact page - tell us which person's voice track got futzted and the timestamp of when you think it started!

- We reference grapefruits... in the pre-recording session, I usually eat an orange to help prepare for speaking. This time I grabbed what I thought was a rather large orange, only to peel the rind without looking and biting in... got quite a surprise as it was actually a grapefruit.
 - To my credit, it was rather orange in colour for a grapefruit
- Partimus can be found here (related, for those that live in Philadelphia: NTR)
- Computer Reach can be found here (seems defunct)
- Information on the Philadelphia Linux User Group (PLUG) can be found here
- Lyz mentions Xubuntu, Lubuntu, Ubuntu "Official Unofficial" variants

- Not-Canonical can be found here
- You can find info about Ubuntu Hour here
- Jthan and Lyz talk (complain) about Puppet a lot (I think they tease it 'cause they have a crush on it)
- Lyz talks about her excitement moving to Zanata, away from Transifex
- I mention HP Unix, or HP-UX. It's quite lulzy. But hey, if you're a CTO and you like inflating your budget and making your minions tear their hair out in frustration, knock yourself out..
- Yes, she really does have a website for her cat
- Lyz talks about giving talks at FOSDEM 2015 (her abstract is here), and FOSSCOMan (her abstract is here, third down from top)
- She'll be speaking at POSSCON, April 14-15 in North Carolina! Go out and support her! Her talk is the 'Tools for Open Source Systems Administration', which I had the pleasure of attending at FOSSCON in 2013 and can definitely recommend; especially if you're in DevOps (as an admin/op OR a dev)
- Lyz was drinking a Racer 5 IPA from Bear Republic Brewing Co. in Healdsburg, CA; I was drinking Knob Creek bourbon from Clermont, KY... Jthan was drinking water...
- I also mention Jefferson's Reserve and Bulleit
- PBR Lite is indeed a thing but it can be pretty hard to find (because honestly, who even drinks it?)
- Lyz mentions the venerable Gentoo wiki and Arch Wiki
- If you know a foreign language, you can help by contributing to the Openstack Translations project; she also mentions a generic 'Getting Involved' page
- We mention lame OpenSSL vulns. Turns out there were a **bunch** released on the same day (2015.03.19): CVE-2015-0207, CVE-2015-0208, CVE-2015-0209, CVE-2015-0286, CVE-2015-0287, CVE-2015-0289, CVE-2015-0290, CVE-2015-0291, CVE-2015-0292, CVE-2015-0293, CVE-2015-1787
- I bring up LibreSSL and mention MariaDB (a **vastly** superior alternative to MySQL)
- LibreSSL is in the AUR
- The incredibly silly fork of Debian specifically to remove SystemD is called Devuan
- The first official release of OpenSSL was December 23, 1998 (v0.9.1) source
- GPG is easy to use, I promise
- Email is only insecure if you don't use GPG/PGP. ;)

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