

Re: Best Way to Do Shared Logins

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The date and time was 11/18/2008 4:38 PM, and on a whim, Thomas M. pounded out on the keyboard:

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We have two conflicting needs:

- 1) We need to have a shared login account on two machines.
- 2) We need to track who actually logged in on those machines.

I could go into a long-winded explanation on why we need these two contradictory things, but it would be easier if you just accept that we do. ;-)

What I am thinking about is a shared login, and then maybe some kind of custom process like a script or custom developed application that forces the user to provide his or her individual login information. The custom process would not do any authentication, but would verify that the login is valid and then log the information to a log file somewhere that the users would not be able to access. It would be critical that the user be unable to bypass the custom process.

Any ideas on how best to accomplish both goals?

--Tom

Tom,

Pegasus is a batch file wizard who will hopefully pop in here with a batch file that would launch on login and would write input to a file that can be viewed to see who logged in.

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Well, sorry Tom. I didn't think it would be a difficult task to have a batch file prompt for user initials or something similar on login and write the input to a log file. Then upon review of the log file, the initials would be shown along with the time of login.

But I guess Pegasus didn't think he had a way to do it.

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Terry R.

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