



Hi all,

At each of the summer Alice workshops, there was the suggestion to create an Alice newsletter. We are planning to "e-issue" such a newsletter as needed throughout the year, probably not more frequently than once a month. If you know of others who would like to be receiving this newsletter, please let us know.

Topics for this newsletter:

- 1) Running Alice on a Mac
- 2) Where can I...
- 3) Help with copies of the textbook
- 4) Topics for next issue

- 1) Running Alice on a Mac

Alice is available for running on a Mac!

Just point your browser to:

<http://www.alice.org/downloads/authoringtool/>

and download. Please note that the CD in the back of the textbook only has Alice for the PC. To get the CD worlds onto the Mac, you may wish to follow the directions presented by Kris Powers, available at: <http://www.eecs.tufts.edu/comp/10/info/AliceForMac.htm>

- 2) Where can I...

- a) Where can I find Alice curricular materials?

We have placed many curricular materials at

<http://www.aliceprogramming.net/>

To access much of the material, you will need to enter an id/pw of scooper/brillig. Please do not share the id/pw with students. Please let us know what else you'd like on this website.

- b) Where can I find an Alice community?

The Alice folks at CMU have created an online Alice community at

<http://www.alice.org/community/>

Please try it out and let us know what you think. Also, please share any suggestions for improvement.

- 3) Help with copies of the textbook
We have a slight textbook problem. It seems that Prentice Hall did not print enough copies of the textbook to meet the demand for the fall semester. Prentice Hall is printing more, but they will not be available for 4-6 weeks. If your bookstore has any extra copies of the text, and would be willing to sell some copies to students from other schools, could you send us a URL/e-mail address? Conversely, if you need copies of the text, could you let us know, and we'll try to connect buyers to sellers, so to speak.

- 4) Topics for next issue

- a) Summer 2006

If you are going to be using Alice in class this year (or are in a high school planning to use Alice next year), we are going to be inviting you to a summer Alice workshop in Summer 2006. (Even if you are not using Alice this year, you will be welcome to attend next summer's workshop.) We are currently deciding whether it would be better to run one Alice workshop (which we could run more as a conference) or three Alice workshops. Please feel free to share your thoughts with us. Details will be forthcoming next issue.

- b) What topics would you like to hear about?

We'd also love to add to this newsletter any articles/content/etc. you'd be willing to share with us!

Regards,
Wanda and Steve