

Need

I needed to use the email address of the current user to fill out a form field. (long story as to why)

Explanation

There exist some [Wiki Argument Variables](#) that allow one to use some variables that are part of the tiki current instance. For example `{user}` will display the userid of the current user: . My first idea was to implement the same thing for to display the email id of the current user.

It is generally considered a bad idea to insert email addresses into wiki or web pages as spammers can scrape and use them. I believe this is why the idea is frowned upon. So thanks to Jonny's suggestion I came up with the following solution instead.

Method

1. Add the following custom.php to your tiki language directory, *mine is in lang/en/ or lang/en-uk/*

```
<?php // custom.php pmc 2011/05/11 global $user; if (!empty($user)) { global $userlib, $smarty; $email=$userlib->get_user_email($user); //create smarty variable assign it the value of the current user's email address $smarty->assign('curremail', $email); }
```

2. *To use the smarty variable*

1. using [Smarty plugin](#)

```
{SMARTY(name=>eval, var=>"{$curremail}")}{SMARTY}
```

2. used in a smarty template

```
email id is {$curremail}
```

Example

This is how I used it via [smarty plugin](#) and [div plugin](#) and [jquery plugin](#) to pre-fill an html form field which is within [html plugin](#). It is shown here in three parts that must be within the same page. Extraneous information has been removed &/or replaced with *blah* or ...

- html <form>
{CODE(colors=bash)}

```
{HTML()}
```

```
<form method="post" action="http://blahblah...">
```

```
Your E-mail address: <input type="text" name="email" size="30" , id=emailid>
```

```
...
```

```
</form>
```

```
{HTML()}
```

```
{CODE}
```

- retrieve field value, assign it an id for use in jquery

```
{DIV(class=hidden, id=emailactual)} {SMARTY(name=>eval,  
var=>"{$curremail}")}{SMARTY} {DIV}
```

- insert the field value in the form

```
{JQ()} if (!$jq("#emailid").val()) { $jq("#emailid").val($("#emailactual").text()); } {JQ}
```