

# Personal Information Management

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- » managing the information about you
- » managing the information you possess
  - » personal
  - » work
  - » stuff you've seen

# The Big Wigs

- » William Jones (University of Washington)
- » Harry Bruce (University of Washington)
- » Nick Belkin (Rutgers University)
- » Marcia Bates (UCLA)
- » Cathy Marshall (Microsoft)
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# some of the better points

- » each new product to help us organize frustrates its purpose
- » throwing away and forgetting have meaning
- » items change meaning through time
- » information bunching
  - » outliers

## ...more points

- » different facets of one individual?
- » incorporate social networks into PIM
  - » who knows about ...
  - » who did I send that article to...
- » having without needing to find
- » people should be allowed their messes!

## even more points

- » communication with yourself over time
- » finding and re-finding are not the same thing
- » what about remote repositories of info
  - » ny times articles
  - » bank records
- » individual is part of families, teams
  - » access to their information?

# and the solution...?

- » no coherent question!

  - » is this the domain of Information Science?

  - » is it what makes us human?

- » issues not raised

  - » juggling the digital and the physical

    - » print all your emails?

  - » what would a folder-less operating system look like? where's the dusty attic?

# the real issues

- » digital obsolescence and the loss of cultural, social, and family history
- » static information “objects” are disappearing
  - » how do you capture the stream around you?

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