### The Knowledge Grows

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### Who am I? Beth Tucker Long

- PHP Developer
- Stay-at-home mom
- User group leader
- Mentor & Apprentice



#### OSMIhelp.org

#### **Open Sourcing Mental Illness**

- Handbooks to help improve workplaces
- Research
- Resources





### Storytime!



# Spoiler Alert It's me!

#### **BANDS**

\*\* 444 (hopefully) working band links! \*\*

\*\*\*WARNING: under construction\*\*\*

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Take a quick <u>survey!</u> Tell me what you think! Is there a band that you want added to the list? Click <u>here!</u>

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(some of these pages take a while to load because of their size)
We also have <u>record company</u> links, <u>radio station</u> links
<u>magazine</u> links, and lots of <u>other</u> cool links!

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#### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

-ONLY contact booking agents IF you are serious about having a concert. DO NOT contact them with messages for the bands.

-ALSO if you are SNAILING a band, please include a SASE.

since early December of 1997

THANKS FOR DROPPING BY!





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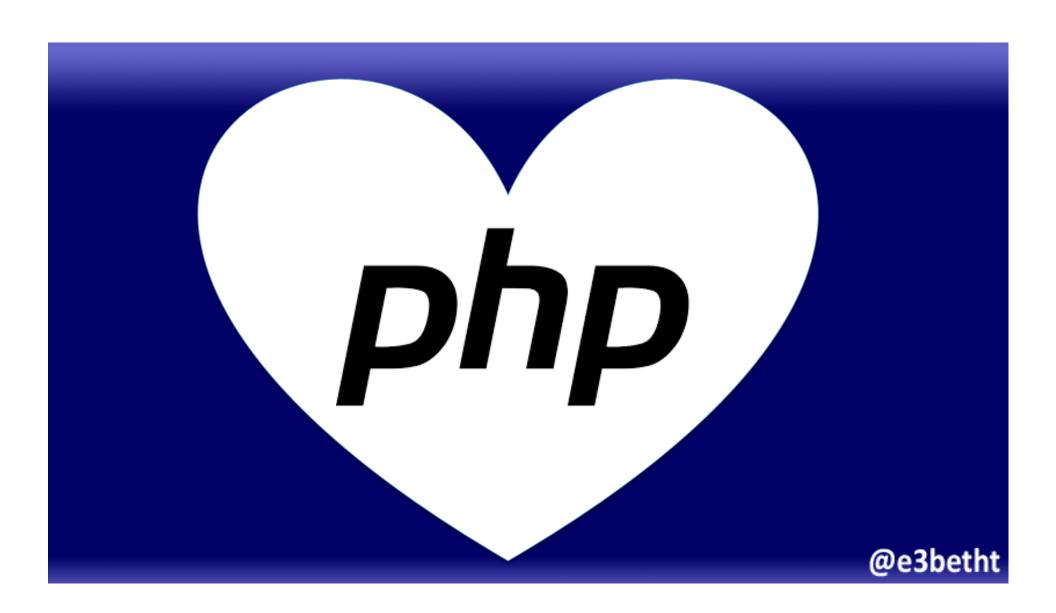


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### Why?

#### Tech Issues

#### **Labor Shortages**



#### Tech Issues

### Labor Shortages High Turnover



#### Increases Labor Pool



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#### Improves Opportunities



### Improves Opportunities Increases Job Satisfaction





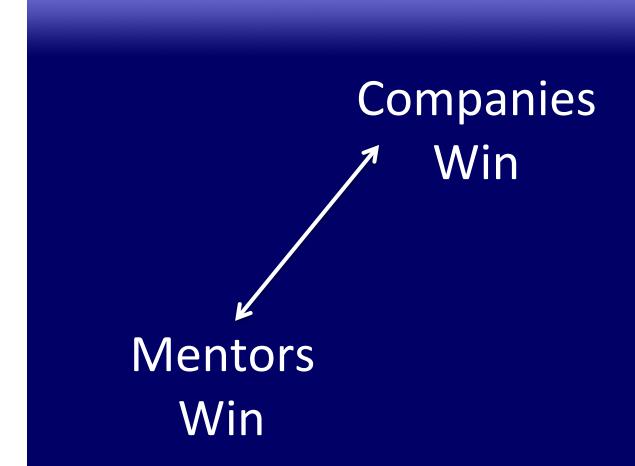
#### Being a Mentor

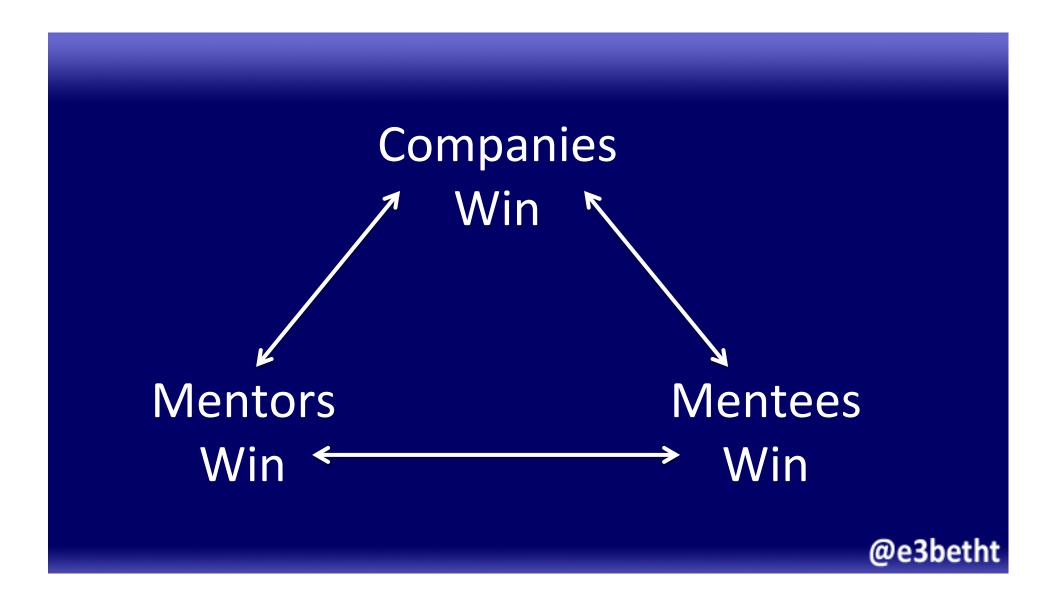
# Reduces Turnover Improves Opportunities Increases Job Satisfaction



### Companies Win







# Mentoring is Hard

# Mentoring Can Fail



# Spoiler Alert It's me again!

# Things aren't working out...



## Mentoring Works

### Apprentices



#### Step 0

#### Define Your Needs



#### Step 0: Define Your Needs

Why do you want a mentor?

 What you want to get out of the mentoring relationship?



#### Step 1

#### Define Your Goals



# Step 1: Define Your Goals

- What are three specific, measurable goals you want to accomplish?
- What is your timeline for accomplishing these goals



# Define Your Relationship



# Step 2: Define Your Relationship

 What do you expect from your mentoring relationship?



# Commit to the Work



# Step 3: Commit to the Work

 Being an apprentice is a lot of hard work.

# Find a Mentor



- 1. Ask at work
- 2. Join a user group
- 3. Check a local business org
- 4. Find someone online and ask



https://php-mentoring.org/



Join the IRC Channel:

Freenode #phpmentoring



http://webchat.freenode.net/?channels=phpmentoring
Connect to freenode IRC

Nickname:			
Channels:	#phpmentoring		
Auth to services:			
reCAPTCHA:	STATE OF THE PARTY	2322	
		Reload	
Audio captcha:			
	Connect		



http://www.slideshare.net

http://www.joind.in

http://php.net/conferences/



http://php.ug

http://www.nomadphp.com

http://www.meetup.com



http://voicesoftheelephpant.com

http://devhell.info

http://thatpodcast.io

https://www.phproundtable.com

https://www.phparch.com/podcast/



# Mentors

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# Define Your Needs



# Step 0: Define Your Needs

Why do you want to be a mentor?

 What you want to get out of the mentoring relationship?



# Set Your Boundaries



### Step 1: Set Your Boundaries

- How should your mentor contact you?
- How often are you willing to be contacted?
- What will you do when a boundary is crossed?



# Define Your Expertise



# Step 2: Define Your Expertise

- What do you know about?
- What do you want to teach about?
- What level can you teach at?



# Commit to the Work



### Step 3: Commit to the Work

Being a mentor is a lot of hard work.



# Find an Apprentice



# Step 4: Find an Apprentice

http://php-mentoring.org



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IRC Channels
Stack Overflow
Reddit



# Beginning the Relationship



# Step 1: Compatibility

- Make sure your needs align
- Make sure your goals align
- Make sure your expectations align
- Make sure your boundaries align



# Step 2: Chemistry

- Is it easy to talk to each other?
- Is it comfortable?



### Step 3: Create Deliverables

 Create at least three tangible deliverables for each of the apprentice's goals.



# Step 4: Set Deadlines

- Set real dates for your first, second, and third meetings.
- Set real dates for each of the deliverables.



# Step 5: Relationship Evaluation

 After the deliverable deadlines, set a real date for a relationship retrospective.



# Evaluating the Relationship



# Step 1: Evaluate

- Goals
- Future Path
- Chemistry
- Effectiveness

# Evaluation: Working Well, Will Continue

# Repeat Planning Phase

- Quantifiable Goals
- Tangible Deliverables
- Real Deadlines



# Evaluation: Working Well, But Won't Continue

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## **Ending the Relationship**

- Wrap-up
- Reasoning
- Gratitude

# Evaluation: Not So Great



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## Tools

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#### To-do's and Reminders

- Calendar reminders
- https://www.wunderlist.com/
- https://asana.com
- https://trello.com



#### Meetings

- Google Hangouts
- Skype
- Facetime
- Slack or IRC

#### Scheduling Email

- MailChimp
- http://hiverhq.com/blog/email-schedulingfor-gmail-outlook-thunderbird/



#### **Sharing Code/Text**

- Google docs w/ track changes
- http://collabedit.com
- https://kobra.io
- http://iprodev.com/20-best-code-editors-forreal-time-collaboration/



#### Resources

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#### Resources

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- 9. https://hbr.org/2017/11/what-mentors-wish-their-mentees-knew



#### **Final Thoughts**

Mentoring is, of course, about knowledge and skill, but more importantly, it's about being active:

Actively Learning
Actively Participating
Actively Improving



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 Madison PHP User Group (Meetup) http://www.madisonphp.com

 Slides Available on: http://www.TreelineDesign.com/slides



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