The Year In Review

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2007, The Year Of The Scorpio, was a fantastic year to be a ColdFusion developer. The release of **ColdFusion 8** marked a new age in web application development, with so many new features and enhancements that should see some truly outstanding next generation applications in the years to come. As a community, the CF crowd has really been flourishing, with new releases in several **major frameworks**, the introduction of the **RIAForge** open source repository for **Adobe** related technologies, widely publicized adjunct technologies like **Flex 3** and **AIR** approaching final release (spawning a **new conference** in 2008, showcasing all three technologies together), and the premier of our own developer's social networking site, **ColdFusion Community**. We saw the loss of the CFDJ albatross, while the **Fusion Authority Quarterly**, introduced at **CFUnited 2006**, has truly come out as an excellent ColdFusion developer's resource. And we can't forget our very own, ColdFusion specific, blog aggregator, **ColdFusion Bloggers**, introducing us to so many other great developers willing to share their knowledge and experiences, like the creative, and very colorful, examples provided by **Ben Nadel**.

I've always felt that a day without learning is a day that your dead from the neck up.I spent quite a bit of time this year learning new things, and sharing most. I've been slowly picking up Flex, put a little research into AIR, adopted **JQuery** heavily, run series of posts on developing on **Apache** and utilizing the outstanding components of the **ExtJS** library (the most trafficed posts on this blog). I tried to share some of the things I had learned about the new functionality of **ColdFusion 8**, started posting some **General Coding Guidelines** I've been writing for our company, and even got some first hand experience looking at the **Current ColdFusion Job Market**.

I look forward to sharing more in the year to come. I always look for, and appreciate, all of the feedback you readers send my way. I think the future for ColdFusion is extremely bright, and I can't wait to see what 2008 holds for us all.