Open source dates:

• Koha – 2000
  • Nelsonville – 2003
• Evergreen – 2006
What happened on March 13, 2007?
State of the OSS US public library market
about 1%, give or take

no figures for the academic market but they are assuredly lower
But there is a new wind blowing:

- MassCat
- WALDO
- Indiana Open Source ILS Initiative
- Michigan Library Consortium
**ILSs reflect their beginnings**

Evergreen started on PINES

- Large, resource sharing consortium with a single catalog
- Universal borrower card

OpenSRF architecture

- Service oriented architecture
- Fault-tolerant
- Able to handle large transactions load
**Modules**

Cataloging
Discovery layer
  Full javascript OPAC
  SlimPAC
Circulation
  Offline
Reports
  *Serials and Acquisitions—in development*
  *SRU and Z39.50—in development*
What have we learned from the PINES experience?

● Library users *LIKE* access to the large virtual library
  ● They don't care about our politics or the difficulties under the hood

● They will bypass libraries without access to consortial resources in favor of libraries with that access

● Welcome to the long-tail, Google world
**Silos**

- Separate, barely communicating collections of information
  - Like libraries

- Logic of IT is to break down silos and to integrate these collections

- We have these persistent silos for three reasons:
  - Legacy vendor's lack of vision
  - Our lack of vision and/or politics
  - Until now, no software to run these large consortia
OSS opens the way for us to change libraries and their interaction with our users

Evergreen offers one way
Fullfillment (tm)

- January 17, Ohio State Library

- Attempt to get past the silos to one dynamic, real time search mechanism

- Evergreen backend, with opportunistic connectors to legacy vendor software
Thanks...

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