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- *From:* Nathan <gangrif@xxxxxxxxxxxx>
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I've gotten this working using sendmail. My script writes the e-mail to temporary file, and then pipes that file through sendmail.

But, it would still be great to be able to just use a one-liner to send it through mail instead.

Any suggestions are still welcome.

Thanks!

Nathan wrote:

This may be a basic task to some of you perl guru's, but I have a problem getting a perl script i've written, when executed by httpd, to send out an e-mail.

Basically, i have a few variables passed into this script, it writes them to a a database, and then its supposed to read the "E-mail list" attached to that database entry and shoot an e-mail off to everyone in that list letting them know that there's been an update.

I have what would seem like all of the difficult things done! It takes the variables, writes them to the database, reads the list (which is currently only my e-mail address" and then sends the message. The problem is that the message is empty!

If i execute the script at a shell it works flawlessly (i need to substitute some variables instead of the HTTP POST that it uses via a browser, but it works none the less!). I'm starting to wonder weather its my code or a unix permissions thing.

Basically, when its executed from a shell, it sends the message, the subject and body are correct, but when i run it from a web browser it results in a message, with no subject, and no body.

Here's the line which i'm using to try to execute the mail command:

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system "/bin/echo $entry | /bin/mail -s \"Log entry added to TN: $ticketnum\" $maillist[0]";
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I know it may not be the best way to do it, but like i said, it works if i execute it from a shell. This is my first big perl project, so be nice. :)

Thanks!

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