

# Re: New maintainer needed for the Linux smb filesystem

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On Sun, Aug 21, 2005 at 08:01:57PM -0500, Steven French wrote:

>...

> *I don't mind fixing any major smbfs bugs that are found as needed, the code*

> *is not hard to follow, but I would rather focus on the three current cifs*

> *priorities:*

>...

It sounds as if you would be a great choice as new smbfs maintainer – you know both the protocols involved and the Linux kernel.

Noone expects big feature additions to the smbfs code, maintainership consists of:

– reviewing patches

– handling bugs (the 16 open bugs in the kernel Bugzilla give a rough impression of what problems people face)

cifs might be the future, but until it supports a superset of smbfs users require smbfs – and a good smbfs makes their life easier.

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Adrian

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"Is there not promise of rain?" Ling Tan asked suddenly out of the darkness. There had been need of rain for many days. "Only a promise," Lao Er said.

Pearl S. Buck - Dragon Seed

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