



A Guide to a Star Cafe Room

The screenshot at left is how the Introductory Community Room appears as of October 9, 2006. The contents of the actual Room may change. However, the way the parts function does not change, so this brief tour will help you understand the basic design of this Room.

1 Home Link - The Home link takes you to the Main Page of whichever Room you find yourself in. The Main Page is the default view of any Room. The Main Page is what you see in this screenshot on the previous page.

2 Admin Link - The Admin link takes you to the Admin list, where you can change your password and update other personal information.

3 Room Title - Room Title displays the name of the Room you are currently in. You might be looking at the main page of a Room, or a particular record within a Web Part (see item 8), but the Room Title will stay the same.

4 Page Title - This area displays what is loaded on any particular page of your browser. If it is the main view of a Room, it displays "Home". If it is a Web Part such as Introductory Documents, it displays "Introductory Documents". This way you can always know what part of the Room you're looking at.

5 Breadcrumbs - Breadcrumbs are used on many Web sites to show users where in the site they are. In Rooms, breadcrumbs show which Room you are in, and which Rooms are above that in the Room hierarchy.

6 Up Link - The Up Link takes you to the next highest Room in the Room hierarchy, as displayed by the Breadcrumbs.

7 Navigation Area - This area contains links to lists and libraries within in the Room. It is not necessarily a complete list of everything stored in the Room. The Room Owner determines what appears in this area.

8 Web Parts - A Web Part is the basic information storage part of a Room. Some Web Parts are lists of items, such as tasks, calendar events, contacts, links to Web sites, or any other kind of information you might want to store in the Room. Other Web Parts are libraries which contain documents, pictures or other files. If you click on either the arrow or the Web Part Title to its right, you will be taken to a page that shows only the content of that particular Web Part. You will see that there are different Views for organizing the information which you can choose by clicking on their names under "Select a View".

A Note on Terms for the Star Cafe Rooms

There is a Glossary to the Star Cafe at <http://www.afscstar.org/Lists/glossary/AllItems.aspx>. You can also access it from any Star Cafe Room by clicking the Up Link until you get to the Star Cafe Lobby, then clicking the "Regulars" tab and "Glossary of Terms" at the bottom of the tab. This Glossary contains all the terms listed earlier as well as many others. Definitions may change from time to time as the Star Cafe grows.

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