Watching Pages

Do you remember the User Watches feature that you enabled when configuring Tiki features? This allows you to "watch" (or monitor) a part of your site (such as a wiki page). Then, if that item changes (such as another user edits the page), you will receive an email, informing you of the change.

**NOTE**

The "Watches" feature is available because you enabled the User Watches option in the User Features area of the Administration: Features page.

**NOTE**

Watching pages requires that each user has valid email address, and that your Tiki is configured properly to send email.

1. Log in as the registered user you created earlier.
2. From the Home Page, select Page Actions > Monitor page.
3. Tiki saves your selection and reloads the page.

**TIP**

Notice that the icon changes to Stop monitoring page. This option can be toggled on and off. If you click the icon again, you will stop monitoring the page.

4. Now log off, and re-log in as the admin.
5. Edit the Home Page (add some text, create a link, or upload a new picture — you already know how!).

In a few moments, you should receive an email (to the address of the registered user) that looks like this:

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The page HomePage was changed by admin at Aug 14, 2007.
You can view the page by following this link:
You can view a diff back to the previous version by following this link:
If you don't want to receive these notifications follow this link:
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**NOTE**

The email also contains the actual changes and a copy of the complete, current page.

**TIP**

You can also watch a page by enabling the Monitor this page option when editing a page:
Users can watch nearly any Tiki object (such as blogs and forums) — not just wiki pages. Watches are a great way for users to automatically receive notification each time you update the site.

Minor Edits

Do you remember seeing the minor option when you were editing a wiki page?

If you indicate that an edit is a "minor" edit, Tiki will not send notices to other users who are "watching" the page.

You should consider using the minor option when making small changes (such as correcting typographical errors) to avoid sending too many notifications to page watchers.

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