The Cloudcast - Eps.86 - "From DevOps to Private PaaS"

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Description (This is what we copy into the podcast show notes in iTunes): Aaron talks with Bart Copeland (@Bart_Copeland, CEO - ActiveState) and John Wetherall (@bcferrycoder, Developer Evangelist - ActiveState) about how developers are adopting DevOps models and how polyglot PaaS technologies are getting deployed in the Enterprise.

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[Intro] "Good Morning / Good Evening, wherever you are. Welcome to Episode 86 of The Cloudcast. Tonight we're coming to you live from our massive Cloudcast studios in Raleigh, NC (no, not the ones above the bar - but soon). We're continuing on with our recent PaaS theme tonight, as feedback from the listeners about DevOps has been very strong lately.

Tonight we're glad to have Bart Copeland (CEO) and John Wetherall (Developer Evangelist) from ActiveState.

- How Stackato is different than Cloud Foundry
- Enabling Enterprise Agility with PaaS
- http://www.activestate.com/blog/2013/05/manufacturing-devops-and-phoenix-project
- Great blog: http://www.activestate.com/blog?page=1

Topic 1 – ActiveState has been around for quite a while. You're not a startup by any means. You're like 100 years old in stratup years. For our audience that aren't developers, help us understand the evolution of the company.

Topic 2 - What are you seeing as the big trends for developers, especially at Enterprise corporations these days? What have been the major changes over the last couple years? The trend recently in Enterprise applications is to rewrite them in a "cloud friendly" way. Does this mean PaaS will be the key to Enterprise production applications? Public Cloud PaaS?

Topic 3 – ActiveStack has been involved with the CloudFoundry project for a while now, through your offering called "Stackato". What is Stackato and how is it different from other PaaS offerings

and particularly other CloudFoundry based offerings? Stackato store? http://www.activestate.com/stackato/compare-with-cloud-foundry

Topic 4 – One of the big discussion points recently with CloudFoundry had to do with uncertainty about it's future and then forked distribution. With Pivotal finally getting announced, how do you see the CloudFoundy ecosystem evolving and what are your customers telling you they want to see happen?

Topic 5 - The biggest challenge with any as-a-Service offering in the Enterprise has not been the technology as much as it's been the people and process. What are you seeing happen with your customers? Is DevOps only relevant for technology-centric companies, or can it be broadly applicable?

Topic 6 – What's a blueprint for a successful path to Enterprise PaaS look like? What are the biggest hurdles and what are the lessons you've learned so far?

We're out of time for this week!

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