

Sendmail newbie questions

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Hello folks,

I would like to have a mail server running on my oh-so-humble 866MHz PIII FreeBSD 4.5 machine. I want to use sendmail (it is available as a package). I have a few questions to ask.

1. This is a standalone machine at home, I don't have any network cards. Do I need one? I can connect to the net using user PPP.
2. Being totally ignorant of networking, I disabled as much of networking as possible. (I did a standard install). Do I need to have such things as DNS configured.
3. What about giving my computer a name – do I have to do that + do I have to give myself an IP address.
4. Any other networking detail? I am reading FreeBSD Unleashed which is quite detailed and helpful.

I tried to look at the handbook, but what it says I need to read the networking chapter first, which makes no sense to me.

Please help me out. Thanks in advance...
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