Base Theming With Genesis

Taking Theming Beyond “Zen”

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What Is Genesis?

- Highly Customizable Base Theme for Drupal 6 & 7
- Designed by Adaptive Themes
- Standard compliant with XHTML Strict and CSS 3
- Content source ordered for SEO
- Offers WAI ARIA roles and configuration
- Chock full of features!

Genesis - The Basics

- Base theme like Zen, Fusion & Others
- Provides 3 subthemes to work from (DARK, LITE, SUBTHEME)
- Based on 960 grid design standard
- Offers 3 layout options - fixed, fluid & elastic
  (All are easily changeable)
- Logically structures templates & CSS
- Subthemes offer common page & Drupal CSS already in place

Genesis – The Basics

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Not Your Average Base Theme

- Built in module for IE Max 30 stylesheets fix
- “Tidy” Stylesheet compression
- Uses Section Classes for pages in <body> tag
- Out of the box built in Accessibility features

  - WAI ARIA (W3 standard for users w/ disabilities)
  - Skip to main content (screen readers)
  - Valid XHTML, CSS3, WCAG AAA & Wave Validation Services

- Logical, powerful regions out of the box

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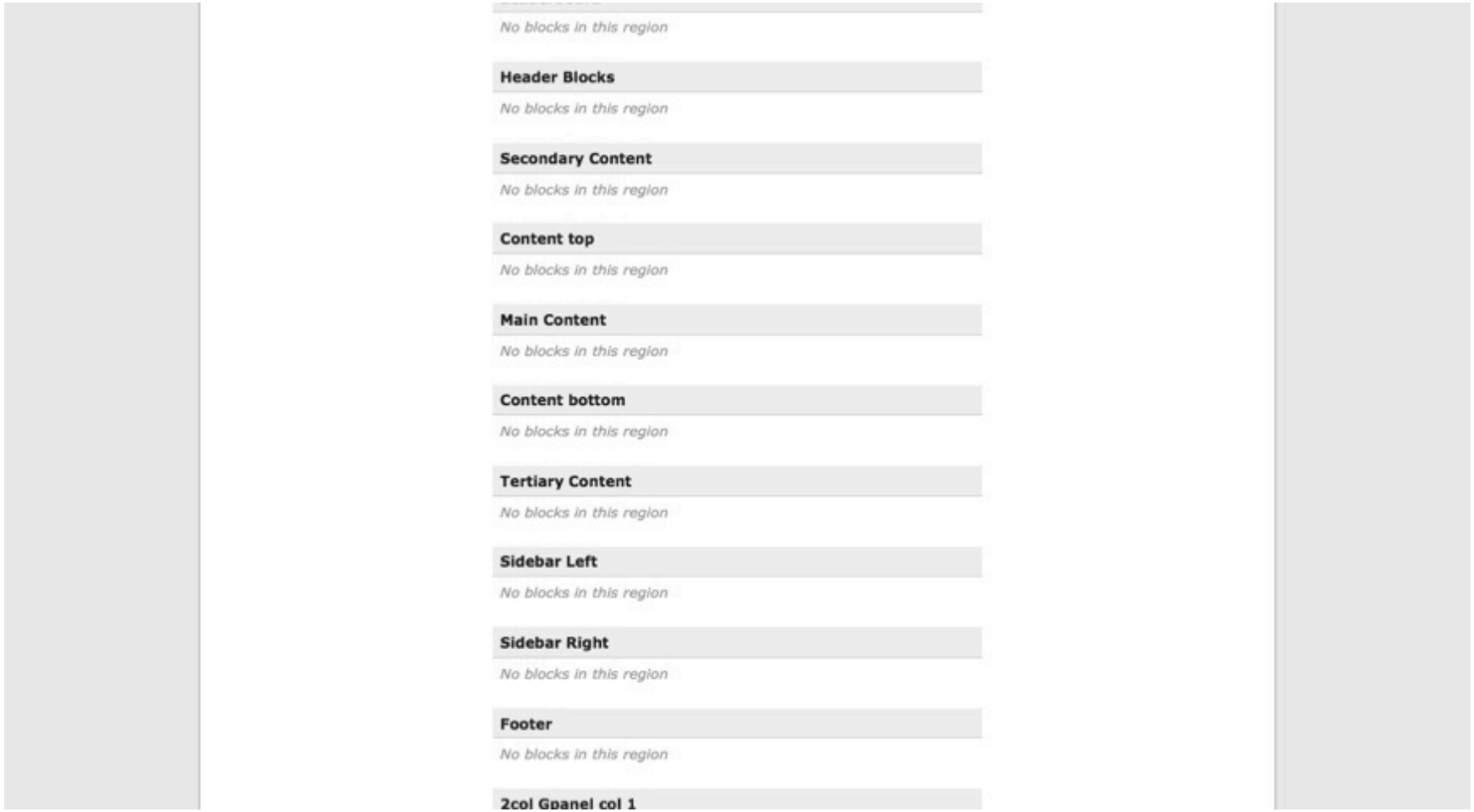

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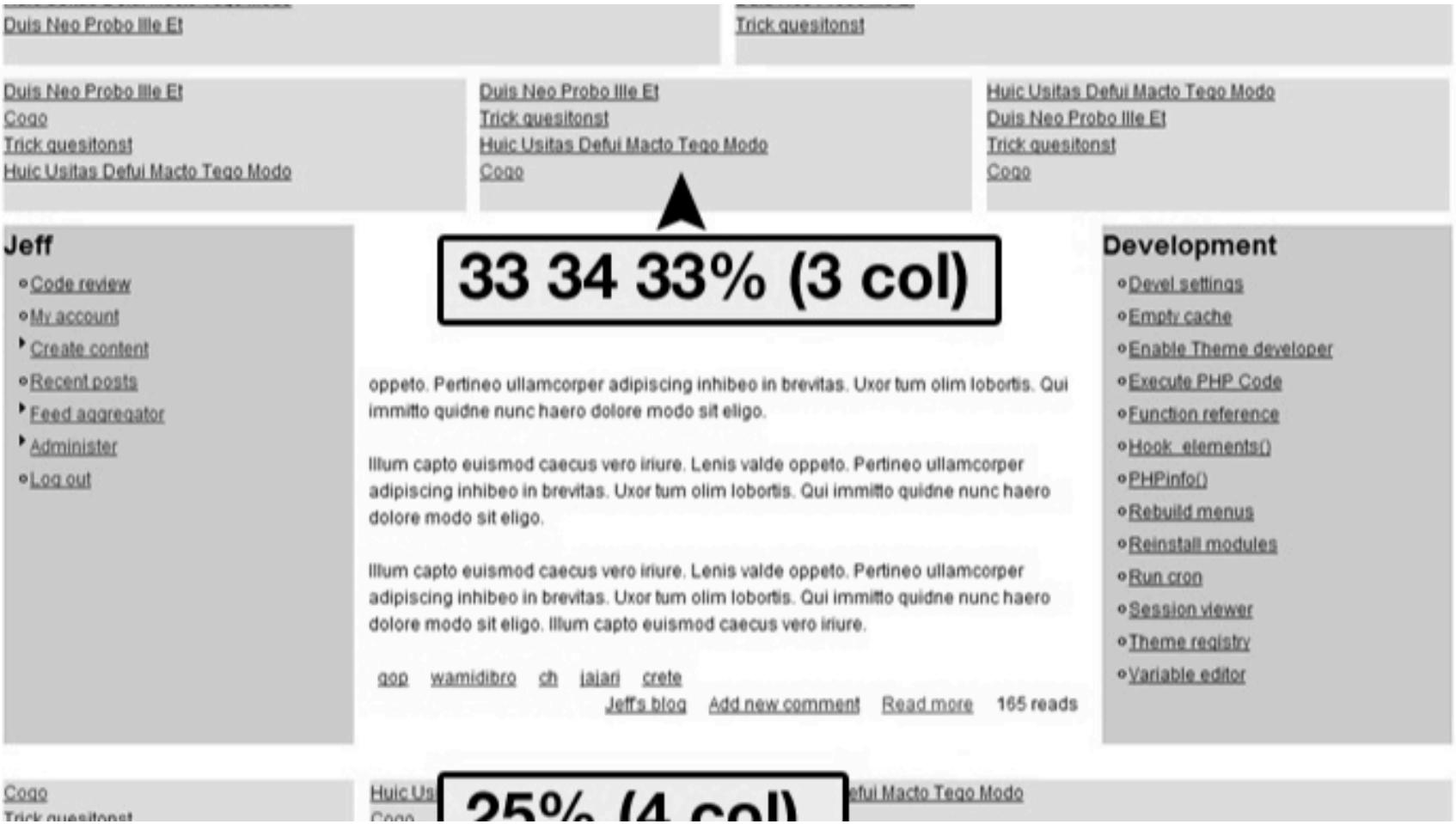
- Plays Nice with IE out of the box … almost
- Gpanels

What are Gpanels?

- "Gpanels are drop in multi-column snippets for displaying blocks in vertical columns, such as 2 columns, 3 columns or 4 columns”
- Fluid and flexible way to lay things out in blocks
- Copy & paste code into regions
- Come with preconfigured options
- Activated through the .info file
- Usable in page.tpl.php & node.tpl.php templates
- NOT "Panels"

Gpanels Cont.



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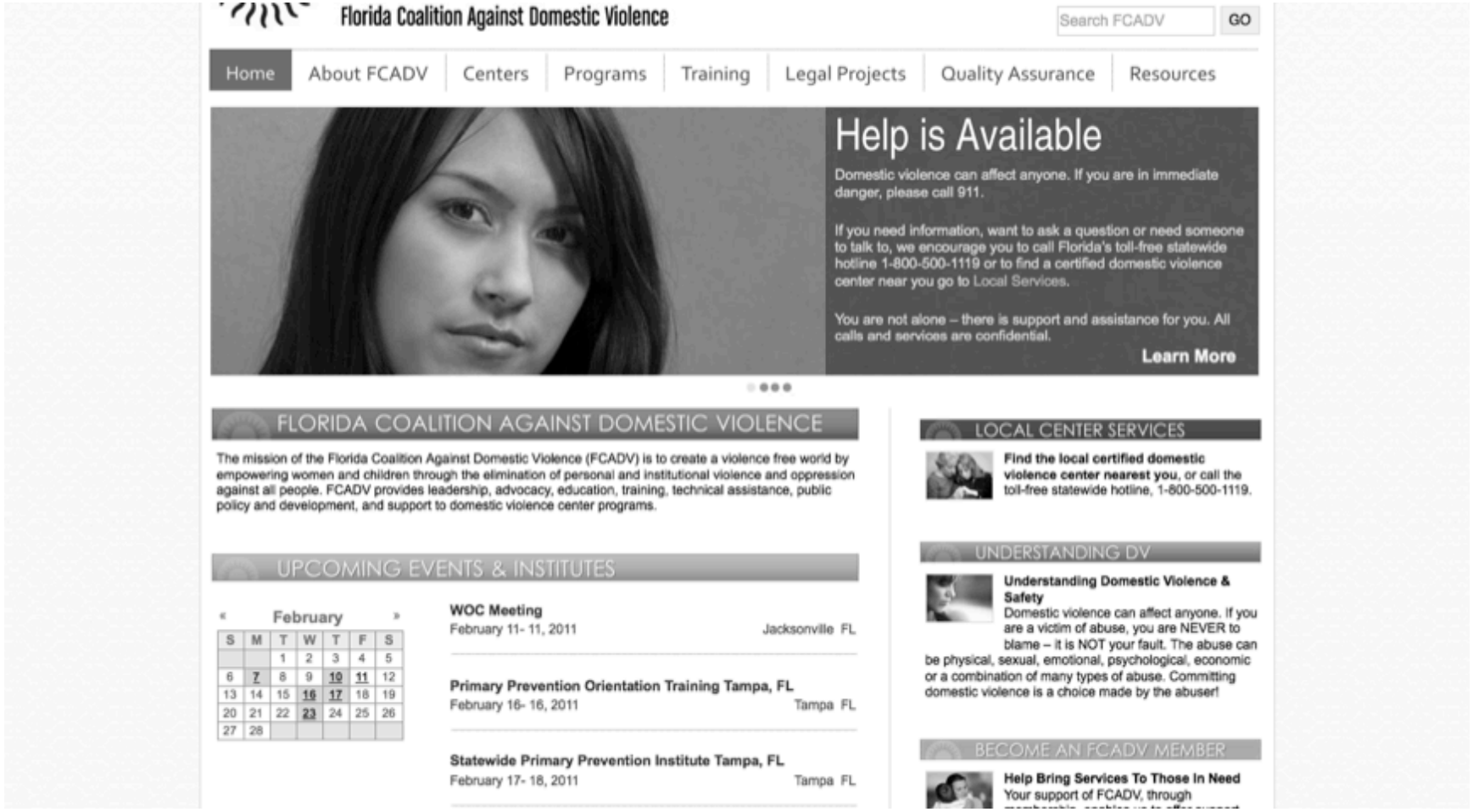

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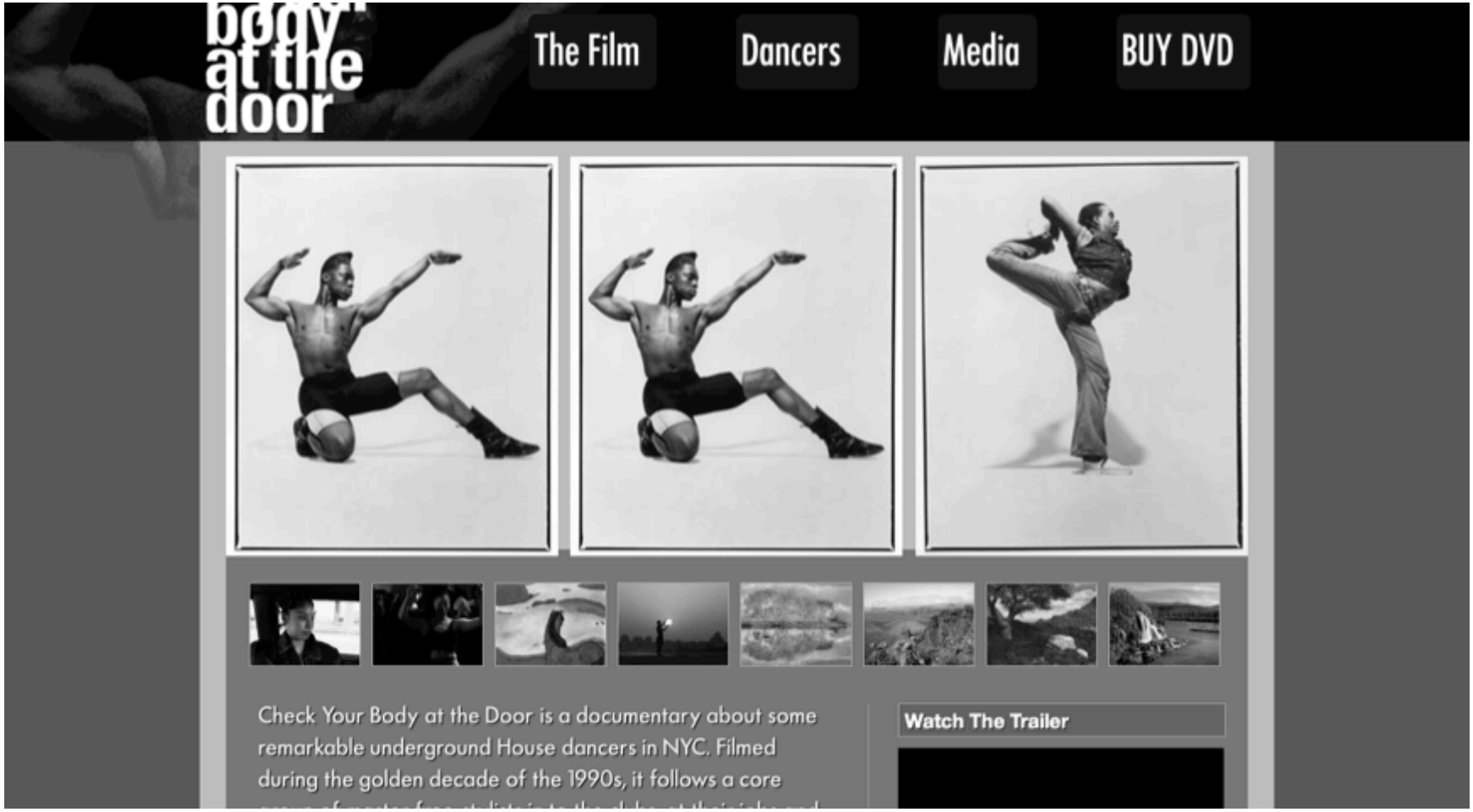

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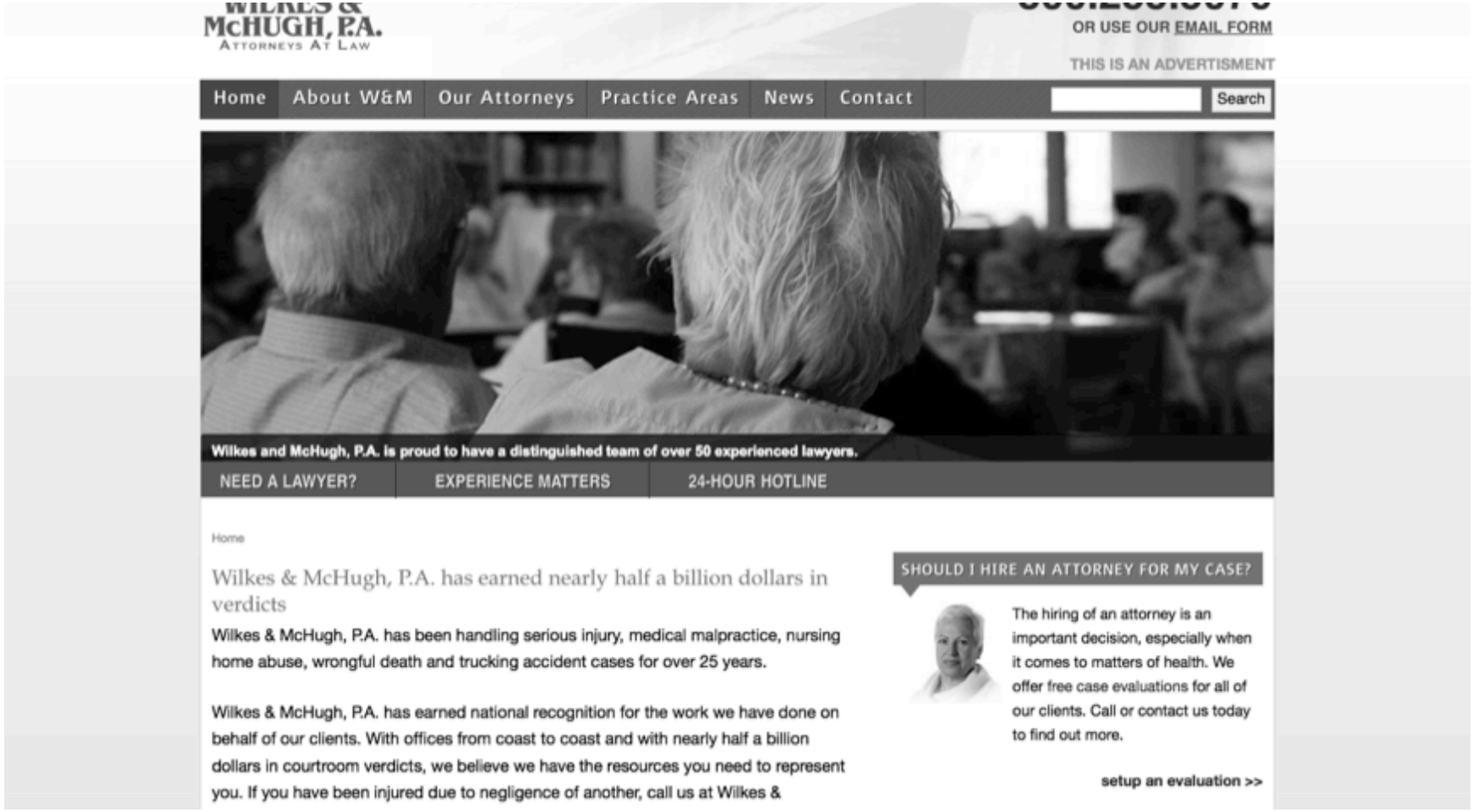

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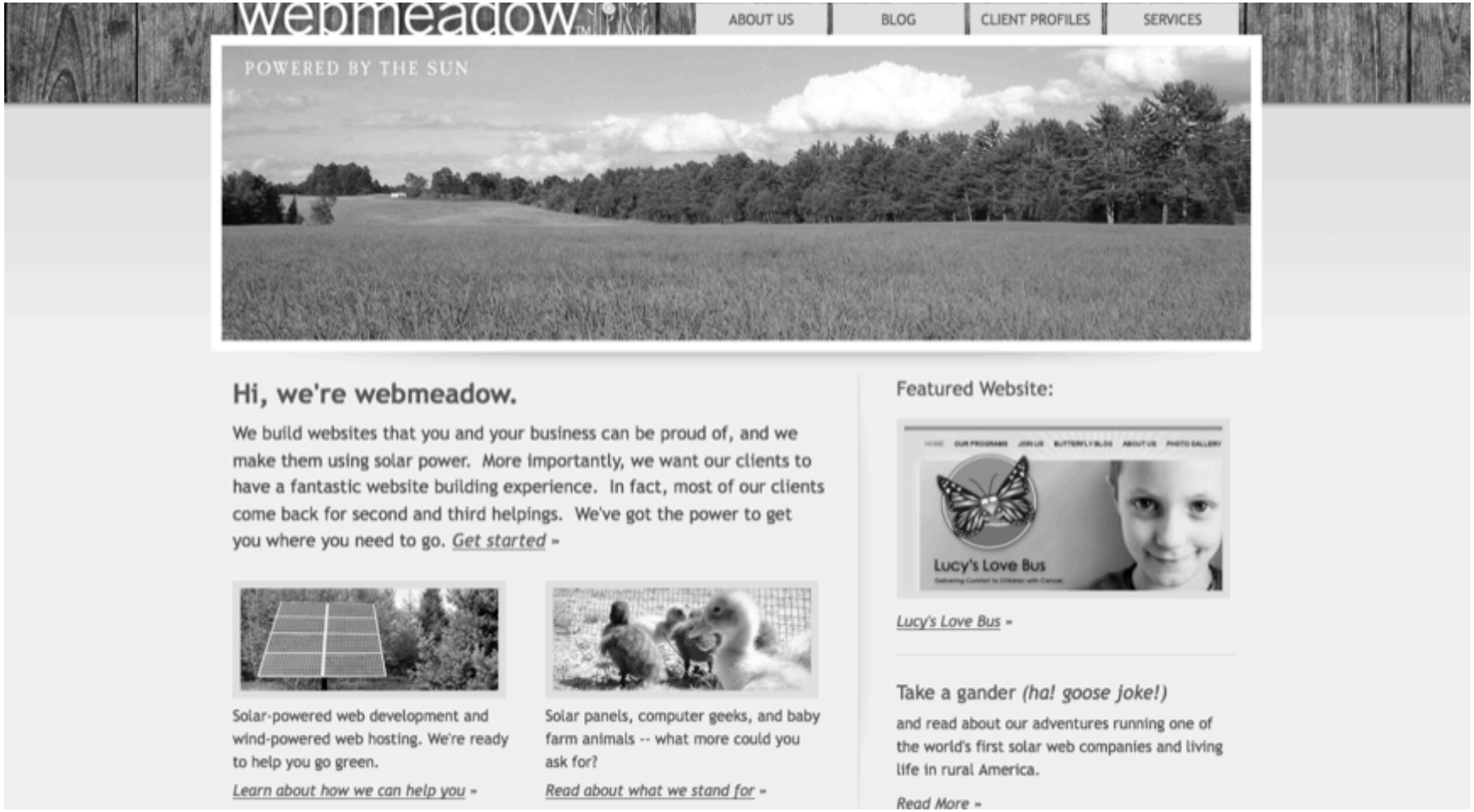

More Info

- Genesis Project Page
  http://drupal.org/projects/genesis
- Have questions about Genesis?
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