### Metro Area Personal Computer Club

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# Who's Responsible for those DNS Problems?



Some are in custody... Source: <u>http://www.dcwg.org/</u>

The FBI, the NASA-OIG and Estonian police arrested several cyber criminals in "Operation Ghost Click". The criminals operated under the company name "Rove Digital", and distributed DNS changing viruses, variously known as TDSS, Alureon, TidServ and TDL4 viruses.

The botnet operated by Rove Digital altered user DNS settings, pointing victims to malicious DNS in data centers in Estonia, New York, and Chicago. The malicious DNS servers would give fake, malicious answers, altering user searches, and promoting fake and dangerous products. Because every web search starts with DNS, the malware showed users an altered version of the Internet. Under a court order, expiring July 9, the Internet Systems Consortium is operating replacement DNS servers for the Rove Digital network. This will allow affected networks time to identify infected hosts, and avoid sudden disruption of services to victim machines.

Learn more by visiting: <a href="http://www.dcwg.org/">http://www.dcwg.org/</a>

### **'Mystart.Incredibar'** Submitted by Jo Warden

Somehow this week my search engine (My Yahoo) had been replaced by something called Mystart.incredibar. Don't know how it happened, but it was horrible. Supposed to be a search engine but it couldn't find anything. A lot of bloggers are calling it a virus, but nobody at Yahoo or anywhere else is saying that. It's intrusive, doesn't work, and WASN'T RE-QUESTED!!!

I went into the control panel and found the program and deleted it. (How did it get there in the first place ????) I suppose it really isn't a virus, but I spent all afternoon trying find out what it really was.

I know I'm an old lady, but it just seems that once in a while, they'd just leave stuff alone, especially if it works!

### It's A Fact

Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair... First novel written on a typewriter was Tom Sawyer.



IF A MAN YELLS "YOU LIE!" IN A ROOM FULL OF POLITICIANS, HOW DO THEY KNOW WHO HE'S TALKING TO?

Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when in trouble, but it is a "steering wheel" that directs the right path throughout.



**Everyone Needs a SMILE Now and Then!** 

### 'Just One More Year'

Today dear lord I'm 90 and so much I haven't done I hope dear lord you'll let me live until I'm 91 But then if I haven't finished all that I want to do Would you let me stay awhile longer, until I'm 92?

So many places I want to go, so very much to see Do you think you could manage to make it 93 The world is changing very fast; there is so much in store I'd like very much to live until I'm 94

And if by then I'm still alive I'd love to stay till 95 More planes will be up in the air So I'd really like to stick, and see what happens to the world, when I am 96

I know dear lord it's much to ask and it must be nice in heaven

But really I would like to stay until I'm 97

I know by then I won't be fast and sometimes very late

But it would be pleasant to be around when I am 98 I will have seen so many things and had a wonderful time

So I am sure I'll be willing to leave when I reach 99!

### A Pint Short of a Quart?

A guy walked into a little corner store with a shotgun and demanded all of the cash from the cash drawer.

After the cashier put the cash in a bag, the robber saw a bottle of Scotch that he wanted behind the counter on the shelf. He told the cashier to put it in the bag as well, but the cashier refused and said, 'Because I don't believe you are over 21.' The robber said he was, but the clerk still refused to give it to him because she didn't believe him.

At this point, the robber took his driver's license out of his wallet and gave it to the clerk.

The clerk looked it over and agreed that the man was in fact over 21 and she put the Scotch in the bag. The robber then ran from the store with his loot. The cashier promptly called the police and gave the name and address of the robber that he got off the license.

They arrested the robber two hours later.

### **God's Sense of Humor**

While creating wives, God promised men that obedient wives would be found in all corners of the world. And then He made the earth round

#### An Arab enters a taxi.....

Once he is seated he asks the cab driver to turn off the radio because he must not hear music as decreed by his religion and, in the time of the prophet, there was no music, especially Western music which is music of the infidel's and there were certainly no radios.

So the cab driver politely switches off the radio, stops the cab and opens the back door. The Arab asks him: "Watt are you doing man?"

The cabby answers: "In the time of the prophet there were no taxis..... So get out and wait for a camel."

## **July 17th Meeting Activities**



Photos by Fred Veleba

Leilah Simek, manager of Godfather's, 30th & Bdw'y. displays the award that our club presented to her July 17th, expressing our gratitude to Godfather's for the use of the party room.





During 'Break Time', members relax before the Demo which was **"Back To The Basics". Right:** Joe Cavallaro 3rd arranges T-shirt submissions while Secretary, Lynn Fehr studies notes. **Left to right:** Pat & Dean Cumpston, Cheryl Pennington, Dee Hindman, David Ladd, Allan Love.



Left: Bill, Dee and David look over some of the submissions for the T-Shirt logo contest. **Right:** Close-up of submissions. More to come. The winner will be chosen at the August meeting.



### Minutes of the July 17, 2012 Meeting

#### President, Joe Cavallaro called the meeting to order at 7:PM

#### **Pizza Certificate Drawing**

The drawing for the free pizza was held and Mary Cavallaro was the lucky winner.

#### **Minutes and Treasury Report**

Secretary, Lynn Fehr read the minutes of the June 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. A motion was made to accept as read. Motion was seconded and carried by the 16 members present. Treasurer, Mary Alice Fehr read the treasury report. It was accepted as read, and carried by same number of members.

#### **Unique Email Address**

Discussion ensued concerning 'alias' email addresses for members that would be re-directed ultimately to their own, original address. After extensive discussion, a motion was made to abandon the idea. The motion carried. No alias email addresses for now.

#### **Members Not Present**

Jerry Bell, Amy Bogdanovich, Fred Champy, Tammy Cooper, Larry Puls, Kris Veleba, and Jo & Fritz Warden.

#### **T-Shirt Contest Progress**

There were fifteen submissions, so far, for the contest for a club logo on T-shirts or hats we will be ordering. A motion was made, and carried to table the contest 'till the August meeting, when a winner will be chosen and the shirts will then be ordered. Embroidered hats were also discussed and we learned we can order a minimum of six (6) from the Florida based company. Only a few members were interested in wearing a hat as opposed to a T-shirt. Costs and sources were researched by Joe. A-Team Mom Dee, (also now our "**Shirt Lady**"), was to check into one or two other possible sources.

#### **Summer Picnic and Auction**

Joe asked members if they wanted to hold a picnic and auction this year. Affirmative. V.P. Fred Veleba made a motion to hold the event in September. Motion was seconded and carried. Lynn & Mary Alice will check with the Manawa Fish & Game Club for an opening on a Sunday in that month.

#### Demo

After a ten minute break, George Cuffe offered the demo. A good review was done by George, covering 'Back To The Basics'.

#### **August Demo**

August Demo will be offered by Joe, showing a slide show he created and narrated, honoring the Pioneer Photographer, **Timothy O'Sullivan**.

#### "50/50 Drawing"

Winner of the "50/50 Drawing" was Lem McIntosh who split \$20.00 with our Treasury.

#### Meeting adjourned at 9:37 P.M.