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"Fat people are brilliant in bed. If I'm sitting on top of you, who's going to argue?"

~ Jo Brand

Spam Filtering: Is it a MTU Conspiracy?

By Ricky Bobolz ~ Daily Bull

Recently, MTU's email service "Huskymail" has been very actively blocking what it has determined is spam. Now, it is important to understand that this spam is not the same as the spam that comes from Austin, Minnesota. This spam is far worse. I know it is very hard to imagine something worse than highly preserved meat that comes in a tin and remains in the shape of the tin until an outside force acts on it; at least it maintains Newton's first law of physics in its own way. This particular flavor of spam is the obsessive emails that are described by UrbanDictionary.com as unsolicited emails and a lot more unnecessary information including examples.

Regardless, this spam is horrendous. Hotmail.com still maintains the title "god of

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Case Mods I Wish I Had

By Jake Appold ~ Daily Bull

I recently found an old computer case in the dumpster that I decided to mod. We all want a cool, top of the line computer, but you need a cool case so you don't have to tell everyone how cool you are. All they have to do is look at your computer and they say "Woah..... That guy's really cool." Your computer is like an extension of your body and the case is like the clothing you put on that part. You don't want to have that Goodwill case that's obviously spray painted green and red with no side panels and is about seven years old. No. You want that nice, bright, red case that you got at J.C. Penny's for 40% off and free shipping and a nice window on the side so you (and more importantly everyone else) can see your sweet stuff inside. So, I have compiled a list of some mods that can improve your Goodwill case or even spruce up your already I-am-the-greatest-man-alive case.

Beer Keg- You could get one of those little ones and be everyone's best friend at LAN parties. Just think...in that short amount of time that it takes to respawn you could already have a full glass. If you attached a pump to it you could program the perfect amount of pressure to pump exactly one glass with the press of a button.

Garage Door- This would be perfect for all those people that are constantly taking off their panel to goof around on the inside of their computer. Just press the switch, it opens in two seconds, and your set.

Oven- So basically you have things generating heat and fans blowing this heat out. If there was a way that one could harness this heat with some small vents and a heating chamber the possibilities could be endless. It brings new meaning to the Easy Bake Oven, Hot Pockets, Easy Mac, and Hamburger Helper.

Lotion/Tissue Dispenser- Well....You know.

Clap On- You know how long it takes to boot up your computer? Now you can do it from across the room. Clap on and it begins to boot up. By the time you make it to your PC it's ready. No more sitting in you chair going cross eyed waiting for the worm to go by twenty times.

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+2 Armor Class- All those LAN parties, who wouldn't want armor. If it drops or falls or whatever, you don't have to sweat, your still looking as spiffy as the

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I wish I was a little kid again because then I can kick random people in the shins!

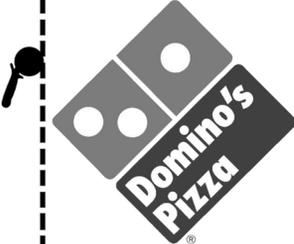


Steaming Pile

Straight from you-know-where

"Rejected Toy Ideas"

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| Slip and Die | Deuce: The Sequel to Uno |
| Harriet Tubman Underground Train Set | Chuck Norris with Kung-Fu Grip |
| Hellen Keller Light Bright | Lincoln's Log |
| Tickle Me Harder Elmo | Oops, It Broke! |
| Brokeback Mountain Action Figures | Christopher Reeve Inaction Figure |
| Mrs. Bucket (Balls pop out of her mouth) | Fabulous G.I. Quinn |
| Lady of the Night Barbie | POGs |
| Emo Dress-up Kit | Fleshlight Jr. |
| Landmine Twister (Don't hit the hot spot) | War on Terror Risk |
| Answer | Erection Set |
| | Let's Play the Race Card |
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day it birthed from the womb of bubble wrap.

A Urinal- OK hear me out on this one. We've all heard of that kid who did nothing but play WoW until he died. When I say nothing I mean nothing, like fifty hours of not taking breaks to go to the bathroom or even eat. So think of it this way. If that kid somehow had a urinal and "The Oven" he would be happily alive today probably playing WoW right now. So were would this urine go? I don't know. I don't play WoW. It's just an idea.

So there you have it. These are just a few ideas. The possibilities could be endless. If anyone actually does one of these mods and it actually works let me know because I defiantly want in. ☺

...Spam from front

spam" as they will allow anything through until you tell it not to. Certain

periods in history have had Hotmail allowing upwards of a hundred emails in a given day or more. Back to the point, Huskymail is doing everything in its power to reduce the large quantities of spam that are emailed on a daily basis, and they're doing an excellent job. So far, I have only received one piece of spam, aside from class mailing lists, that I get regularly, and I haven't noticed the filter removing anything important; however, this filter provides one problem, and that problem is the email it sends you to ensure that you are aware that the particular piece or pieces of spam that it has block aren't actually important emails sent from people who cannot seem to type any words in any language. See, when this message is received daily, it gets to the point where it might even fit into the definition of spam if our email accounts weren't owned by the university itself.

At this point it is important to note two details: paragraphs organize things and this spam filtering is a good thing. "Why is it a good thing?" some might ask. It is true it aids in the process of filling up an inbox. It is also true that after a while, nobody reads them giving into the story of the boy who cried wolf. Both these points are actually beneficial in a strategy to get students to do two things. The first thing that the university is attempting to do is



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getting students to check their emails regularly. If ever two of those messages appear in a person's inbox, it has been too long since the last time the email was checked. A feature should be implemented that if ever there are five or more of those messages in an inbox, the computer screen should shoot deadly beams of toxic light into the person's eyes making them incapable of using Huskymail as it isn't in brail.

The other lesser important idea behind these messages is proving that making all your emails with the same message in the subject box leads to nobody reading them, unless of course its always humorous, then people will

always read that email. Boring emails should contain strange and unique subject lines. That's it.

Next time you receive one of those emails, probably today or tomorrow,

or both, make sure you delete it, or create a filter to send it to the trash, or find a way to turn it off, if you are ambitious, but always remember, this filter was made to protect you from the harm of canned meat. ☺

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