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How you can...

Inoculate Your Computer to Fight Deadly Viruses

Talk about political connections. Copresco president Steve Johnson last month received an unexpected present from Illinois State Senator Peter Roskam—a computer virus.

Steve, of course, was the unintended victim of the virus that had infected the senator's computer. That's the way of viruses. They travel fast—and attack without warning.

No Problem Here

While "B-Trans" was wreaking havoc with thousands of computers, it was automatically destroyed before reaching Steve's workstation by Copresco's leading edge virus protection system. Copresco follows a strict regimen to protect our digital network and client files.

We update our protection daily to prevent the latest viruses from causing serious harm. We also carefully check all customer files received over the Internet or on removable media.

According to the experts, tens of thousands of viruses and worms are in existence today.

How Viruses Attack

By definition, a virus is a program or piece of code that's sent to your computer without your knowledge and runs without your consent. Many viruses can also replicate themselves.

Computer viruses are manmade. Even a simple virus is dangerous. It can use up your memory and crash your system. A more dangerous type is a virus that spreads across networks and bypasses security systems.

Incognito Arrivals

Viruses go back to the floppy disk era of files transfer. Today, they can be spread via e-mail, internet downloads or removable media. They can pose as informative messages or masquerade as screensayers.

Regardless of the means of transmission or their modus operandi,

these villains cost businesses millions of dollars each year, not to mention the frustration and anxiety of losing data and corrupting files.

Cross-Platform Woes

In recent years, viruses that attack Microsoft products have received the lion's share of attention. That's simply because the Windows operating system and Microsoft suite of applications are the most popular in the world.

Hackers can attack anywhere at any time. Therefore, thoughtful antivirus protection is required for all your company's PC, Mac or other computer platforms.

Who would have guessed that Copresco would be running seven different operating systems on our network? So, remember to protect your network servers and all of your workstations.

What to Do

Viruses are deadly, but they can be contained. As we have continued to preach, the first line of defense is to install an antivirus protection

program and update it regularly.

We also have more ammunition to help you in the crusade.

In our March issue, we will present Copresco's Ten Commandments for Fighting Deadly Viruses.

Welcome Aboard Barry

Barry Butler has joined Copresco as a sale representative.

He has extensive experience in the technical publishing, software development, training and technical products manufacturing fields.

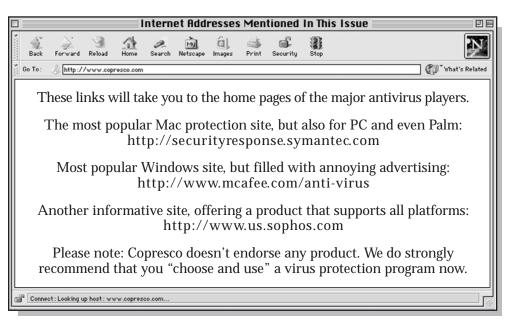
fields.

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A father, annoyed at how much time his son was spending in front of the TV, huffed, "Boy, when Abe Lincoln was your age, he was studying by the light of the fireplace."

"And when he was *your* age," the boy retorted without looking up, "he was President of the United States."

An American tourist was shopping in Paris, and entered a quaint little shop.



As she browsed through the clothes on the rack, a scowling clerk asked harshly if he could help her.

"The French are so rude!" she thought to herself. Then she noticed that every clerk in the store was glaring at her. "I bet they hate me because I'm American," she imagined darkly. She tried to ignore them and continued browsing, but grew tired of the angry stares, and stormed out. As she left she noticed the sign above the door: "Dry Cleaners."

My sister dated a tennis player. It didn't work out —to him, love meant nothing.

Sign we saw in a church: "For anyone who has children and doesn't know it, there is a day care on the first floor."

An elderly gent was invited to a friend's home for dinner, and he was impressed by the way his buddy constantly addressed his wife of fifty years with endearing pet names. He called her "Honey," "My Love," "Darling," "Sweetheart"—everything.

"I think it's wonderful," the man whispered to his



friend, "that after all these years, you still call your wife those nicknames."

The old buddy leaned close and said in a whisper, "It all started about ten years ago, when I forgot her name."

"Whatever you are, be a good one." —*Abraham Lincoln*

Just wondering: What does it say under "hair color" on the driver's licenses of bald men?

I only get five miles to the gallon in my new car. My teenagers get the other twenty.

Heresay: what toddlers do when anyone mutters a dirty word.

Trying to dress an active child is like trying to thread a sewing machine while it's running.

Independent: how we want our children to be, as long as they do everything we say.

A Sunday school teacher asked her little students, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?"

One replied, "Because people are sleeping."

Don't complain about your church. If it were perfect, they wouldn't let you in.

Rush Limbaugh recently announced he was going deaf. When he said that everything he heard from the left was fuzzy, distorted and dim, I didn't take him seriously at first—he's been saying that for years.

My uncle was co-dependent and paranoid. He was always afraid he was following somebody. One day a group of eminent scientists got together and decided that Man had come a long way and no longer needed God. "We can clone people and do many miraculous



things," one scientist explained, "so why don't You just retire?"

God listened patiently. "Very well—but first let's both make a man, like I did with Adam, and compare our work."

"You got it," the scientist said confidently as he bent down and grabbed a handful of dirt.

"No, no," God scolded. "Go get your own dirt."

"Sometimes I want to ask God why He allows hunger, injustice and violence, when He could do something about it," one man confided to his friend.

"So why don't you ask Him?" the friend responded.

"I'm afraid to," explained the first, "because He might ask me the same thing."