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I have added a page to my web site at <a href="www.thecomputerman.biz">www.thecomputerman.biz</a> where you can find all of my past and present newsletters so you can refer to them at any time you wish, or tell your friends about them too....

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Please change my address to thecomputerman8@yahoo.com. Thank you....

Welcome to the Early Summer edition of my Tips Newsletter.

I hope you find something in it that interests you. I try to provide informative, interesting, and some fun things for you to explore. I should mention that I check out all web sites I mention and believe they are functioning at the time I created this news letter. Perhaps at a later time when you try them they may be out of service or no longer available on the web. Enjoy.... Jules

I have had some comments that some have had problems when they try to print out my newsletters from the email or the web site. I have to admit I did not allow for this in my first ones, however I am trying to create them in a narrower format so they will print properly.

If this is still a problem for you perhaps you can use this tip:

Go to my web site at <a href="www.thecomputerman.biz">www.thecomputerman.biz</a>. Click on the link to More Pages. Then click on the Newsletters Link. Click on the link to the newsletter you want to view and print. In the Internet Explorer menu at the top of the page click on File. Click on Print Preview. If the page looks like it is all fitting on the page width then you can safely print it. If it is not fitting on the width of the page in the preview window....you need to adjust the page margins.

To adjust the page margins, Click on "Close" to exit the print preview screen. Once again click on File and then click on Page Setup. In the window that pops up, change the left and right margins each to "0" (zero) and the top and bottom margins to .25 each. Now go back and try the Print Preview and see if all the page is showing. If so, then it is safe to print.

This tip is useful to try before printing any web page. By the way, this setting should remain like that when you return to Internet Explorer, so you should not have to re-set it again. Hope this helps....

#### Here is a little tip for use in Microsoft Word....

If you repeatedly create letters, documents, and memos that use custom letterhead or special layouts, you can store each specialized design as a Microsoft Word template.

Start by creating a document with all the formatting, text, and graphics you use regularly. Once this is done, select File | Save As and choose Document Template (\*.dot) from the Save as Type dropdown list. In the File Name field, assign a descriptive name, such as Letter to Mom. Word will automatically save the template in its Template folder.

To create a new document based on your template, select File | New (if the task pane isn't already displayed on the right of the screen). In the task pane, choose Letter to Mom from the list under the heading New from Template. If you don't see your template on the list, click General Templates to bring up a full list of templates available on your system.

# Web Sites For You To Explore:

#### The Museum of Hoaxes

You can check the Museum of Hoaxes, for both current hoaxes as well as past ones. <a href="http://www.museumofhoaxes.com/">http://www.museumofhoaxes.com/</a>

#### Vintage Labels—The Lost Art of Travel

I suggest browsing this one in full screen (just hit F11), The "Image Gallery of Vintage Labels" is a history lesson of pictures.

http://www.vintagelabels.org/welcome.html

#### Stained Glass Photography

Now you can see stained glass photographed exquisitely at Stained Glass Photography. You can see the stained glass of Tiffany, William Morris, Charles Connick, Maitland Armstrong, Henry Holiday, Charles Kemp, John La Farge, Evie Hone, and many others.

http://www.stainedglassphotography.com/



Here are a couple of animated graphics you can copy or save for your own use!



#### Here's another tip for Microsoft Word....(May vary with your version of Word)

Wouldn't it be nice if you could print out a list of Word shortcuts? Well, it's right there in Word's Help! Choose Help, type "shortcuts" and click on Search, and then choose "Print a list of shortcuts." Follow the on-screen directions, and you'll have a handy printed list of Word shortcuts

### Now for some more interesting Web Sites:

#### Sign Language

"A collection of photos containing humorous, bizarre, and or confusing signs from around the world." <a href="http://www.signslanguage.com/">http://www.signslanguage.com/</a>

#### **Arresting Images**

You can see candid photos of some of your favorite celebrities.

http://www.thesmokinggun.com/mugshots/

#### Cliché Site

"ClichéSite.com has amassed a list of over 2100 clichés, euphemisms, sayings and figures of speech complete with definitions and explanations," their intro page proclaims.

http://www.clichesite.com/index.asp

#### The Phobia List

Do you need to know the name of the phobias you have? Or just want to know some of them for <u>Scrabble</u> or conversation?

http://phobialist.com/

#### **Alcatraz History**

Who hasn't heard of the famous prison Alcatraz? Do you want to know more about its rich and diverse history?

http://www.alcatrazhistory.com/

#### **Space Weather**

"Science news and information about the Sun-Earth environment," is the slogan of this sitefull of quirky, good fun. From the fabulous pictures of things like meteoroids and the aurora borealis (just to name a few) to the current space weather conditions, this is a site you'll enjoy.

http://www.spaceweather.com/

#### Radio Lovers

At Radio Lovers you can get free old time radio shows, including Abbott and Costello, Amos and Andy, A Date with Judy, Avengers, Batman, Authors Playhouse, and many more.

http://www.radiolovers.com/

#### **Essential Links**

This site is exactly what it says it is. Tons and tons of useful links that everyone should have, but they're all rolled into one site. It has News, Search Engines, Comic Strips, Weather, Directories, Stuff for your Kids, Of The Day, and much, much more.

http://www.el.com/

#### Irish Literature, Mythology, Folk Lore, and Drama

This is a great site for those of us who always wished we were Irish to those who grew up being Irish. http://www.luminarium.org/mythology/ireland/

#### I Love Pickles

Do you like pickles, peppers, or sauerkraut? If so, this site is fun, frisky and pickled. You can find lots of uses for that left over pickle juice, recipes, pickle facts, and games.

http://www.ilovepickles.org

#### Australian Wildlife

This is a great wildlife site.

http://www.australianwildlife.com.au

#### The Atrium

"The Atrium: This Day in Ancient History" is a site that tells you what interesting things happened in ancient Greece or Rome on or near the current date.

http://web.idirect.com/~atrium/thisday.html

#### The Underground Railroad

Take a trip on the Underground Railroad as a slave. Travel through it from the slave's perspective. http://www.nationalgeographic.com/railroad/

#### **Internet Sacred Text Archives**

This site is very much what the title says. It is an archive of texts, that are online, for anyone to view without establishing nation or creed, to promote religious tolerance and scholarship.

You can read up about everything from myth and folklore to the major religions. If you want to read the Bible, the Koran, or myths about Atlantis—they are all here.

http://www.sacred-texts.com/index.htm

#### The National Obituary Archive

"The National Obituary Archive is the world's largest repository of obituaries and death records with more than 55 million individual entries on file.

http://www.nationalobituaryarchive.com/

#### The Old Timer's Page

This site's slogan is: "The way we used to do it." You can learn a lot on this site, like how to build a root cellar, or how to build a cistern. You will also find old recipes, how to cure ham, and much, much more. http://waltonfeed.com/old/index.html

#### **Kermitage**

Don't you just love the Muppets? Well if you don't your kids probably do. For those of you like me, who can remember growing up on Muppet movies, Sesame Street, and McDonald Muppet toys then you'll love this site.

Revisit the Muppet years by selecting The Episode Guide.

http://www.kermitage.com/

#### Color, Contrast, & Dimension

You can learn all about color here. This is an interactive color guide tour. So, whether you are making up a flyer for your garage sale, or making a website for your business, you can benefit from learning how colors interact with each other and how they affect a person's perspective.

http://poynterextra.org/cp/colorproject/color.html

#### **Hypography**

"Sci-Tech: Science and Technology for everyone." is the slogan of this site. Best of all, it's written in everyday English and probably won't confuse you like some science magazines/sites do. http://www.hypography.com/

#### Library Spot

Love to cozy up with a book at the library? Well why don't you save that for when you visit your local library, because this site is full of reference information (maps, dictionaries, links to online libraries, encyclopedias and quotations).

http://www.libraryspot.com/

#### The Joy of Shards

If you like mosaics, you are going to love the Joy of Shards. At this site you can learn about mosaics and how to make them yourself with their step-by-step instruction section.

http://www.thejoyofshards.co.uk/

#### **US Lighthouses**

View lighthouses from all 50 states, by state or by alphabetical listing. You can even find lighthouses near you to visit. With a quick check of this site you can plan a fun fall trip. Check the "Lighthouse Event" section for events at lighthouses near you.

http://www.us-lighthouses.org/

#### **Strong Numbers**

At this site you can find the value for everything including Camera's & Electronics, Toys & Games, Music & Instruments, and much more. So if you've got something you want to sell, you probably want to check here and see what it's blue book value is.

http://www.strongnumbers.com/

#### **National Atlas**

You'll find interactive, animated maps on hundreds of different subjects, as well as regular standard maps of the USA. There are a lot of choices as far as maps go on this site.

http://www.nationalatlas.gov/

#### Quatloos—Cyber Museum of Scams & Frauds

Quatloos.com is a public educational website covering a wide variety of financial scams and frauds, including wacky "prime bank" frauds, exotic foreign currency scams, offshore investment frauds, tax scams, "Pure Trust" structures and more.

http://www.quatloos.com/

#### Crazy Fads

Here you can view and read about crazy fads from the 1920's to the 1990's. <a href="http://www.crazyfads.com">http://www.crazyfads.com</a>

#### Virtual Italia

If you are of Italian descent, you like Italian food, or you just want some neat information, this is a site well worth visiting.

http://www.virtualitalia.com/

#### Moose Peterson's Wildlife Research Photography

Gorgeous photography with the slogan, "No photograph is worth sacrificing the welfare of the subject," to the huge how-to section on digital photography, I think you'll enjoy this. And don't forget to check out his gallery at <a href="http://www.moosegallery.com/">http://www.moosegallery.com/</a> that's where you'll find tons of wildlife photos.

http://www.moose395.net/

#### **UFO Map Displays**

Well, if you are one of the many out there that believe UFO's exist and want further your research into the unknown, you should check out these maps—they pinpoint every reported UFO sighting and displays them on a map for you to see.

http://www.larryhatch.net/MAPSMENU.html

#### Smokey the Bear

In 1944 Smokey the Bear arrived on the scene to warn us about the dangers of forest fires. Now you can surf through campaign images, memorabilia, the story of Smokey, how Smokey got his name, and Smokey on the Radio. And that's just the Smokey vault section! There are fabulous posters from when Smokey first came to tell us about fires, as well as some really awesome memorabilia.

Learn about the science of wildfires, prevention, good fires, bad fires, and fighting fires in the "Only You" section. Definitely worth looking into. This section helps provide an understanding of wildfires, notto mention very helpful information on preventing them.

Check out the "Smokey Kids" section: it's full of games, stories and more to teach your children how they can prevent forest fires.

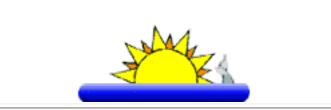
http://www.smokeybear.com/

### **Now For Some Fun and Games:**

#### **Cool Math**

An amusement park of mathematics. There is a Kids section, a "13-100" section, Parents, Teachers, Other Fun: Science, and a Games Section. Not to mention all the cool stuff on their front page. For those of you in college there is an online graphing calculator and other calculators.

http://www.coolmath.com/home.htm



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