

indows Roasting On a Pentium II Fire ...

Well, Mac aficionados, who would've thought we'd have such a year? About 12 months ago, Robin Williams told Rosie

O'Donnell

(on her show) that "shopping for Mac software is like renting porn at the video store. You are shuttled off to a tiny, dark corner and when you emerge with your selection, everyone looks at you funny." A year later, we still have to shop in tiny, dark corners, but the funny looks have all but disappeared, at least in my neck of the woods.

With Apple's help, it's gotten to be very easy for me to take a bitter Wintel fanatic and show them the light. Trust me, I'm not a hard-core, militant, Mac Marine, but the Mac advantage is just so obvious these days.

1998 will be remembered as the year when Microsoft took a nosedive with Windows 98 and Apple emerged from the cellar in a Bondi Blue blaze of glory. No, the iMac isn't everything, but it reminded the masses that we do have a choice. We don't have to deal with corrupted registries and device driver hell. The iMac put our wonderful — though not without its quirks — operating system in the spotlight again. It's been a great year, and I for one can't wait to see what happens next!

he Happy Mac's First Ever Web Page of the Month

What happens when you cross an iMac with Cheech & Chong? Visit this site to find out!

<http://www.nationalgamereview.com/chiamac.html>

Should I continue the Web Page of the Month? Let me know by sending email (and suggestions) to daria@apple wizards.net .

These Sites Just Ooze With The Essence of Mr. Bill

Since I skipped a month of picking on Bill Gates last month, I've decided to make it up to you by discussing two of the funniest Bill Gates "fan pages" on the web. Before continuing, I'd like to make it clear that while these pages make fun of Bill's wealth, I am in no way supportive of the Department of Justice's attempt to restrict Bill from accumulating lots of money. It is our right as Americans to pursue life, liberty, and property. Rue the day that the government tries to tell me that I've become too successful.

Of course, we all know that Bill's products suck big donkey hoof. So what? This is where another American right comes into play: the freedom to make intelligent choices. That is why we have chosen the Mac OS. So why then do I pick on Bill Gates, you ask? Because he has made most of his money by playing the American public for fools. He deserves my wrath.

Bill Gates' Net Worth

<http://web.quuxuum.org/~evan/bgnw.html>

Every websurfer should visit this site at least once in their online career. This page offers a complete analysis of Bill Gates' incredible wealth by answering questions such as:

How much is Bill worth right now?
What if Bill were a country?
What does the money really mean?
How far can you make your money go?

This site changes every day to reflect fluctuations in Microsoft's stock prices. Go and visit,... now!

Make Me Richer Than Bill Gates

<http://web2.airmail.net/gandolf/you.htm>

favorite website. The
reaches out to all

This has to be my new
author of the site
Americans to send

money so that he can be
Gates. His appeal goes
emotions, a strategy typical
everywhere (no offense,

richer than Bill
straight for the
of Democrats
Democrats, I'll pick

on the Republicans next
month!). But hey, it works. After I finished reading this website, I found
myself searching for a dollar bill to send to the address at the bottom of the
page. If you don't have cold hard cash lying around, the author also has a
nice little form on the page so that you can pass along your credit card
information.

Here's just a sample of what you'll find at the website:

When you do your part to 'Make Me Richer Than Bill Gates' you insure the future of America for
yourself and your children. Your contribution enables me to invest in stocks, bonds, and other
securities that cause growth and development in the business sector, which in turn creates jobs,
increasing the tax base thereby lowering the national debt. Your non-TAX DEDUCTIBLE contribution
could be responsible for eliminating the national debt...

Reader Mail and Sig File of The Month All-In-One

You always seem to be commanding us to send you e-mails in your
appy Mac column, so if you don't like this one you only have
yourself to blame. I think your column in Apple Wizards is superb,
it is always the first column I read. However I feel in your next column you should provide us with a
photograph of yourself, just so as we can all see what a true goddess you really are.

The contender for signature file of the month I am sending you, is a short but very wise line which was
said to me during during a job interview I had five years ago, the line is this:

The problem with common sense is,
It isn't very common.

James Duffield
Edinburgh Scotland

Thanks for writing, James, and you get extra points for obeying my
command to send me email! I would honor your request to include a picture
of myself in this column, but there's a small problem. You see, sooner or
later, someone would end up pasting my head over the body of a porn star,
and before you knew it I'd be more popular than the Tommy & Pamela
videos. Then, Erik (the editor) would have to terminate my employment.

Worse yet, my bad reputation might keep me from getting that dream job at Apple that I've always wanted. Okay, maybe I'm being a bit delusional... Show me yours and I'll show you mine. :-)

Non-Denominational December Comic

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