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Spyware plagues students who frequently download

The University's microcomputer support team helps remove unwanted programs from personal computers

BY ANTHONY LUCERO
NEWS REPORTER

These days, it's hard to go anywhere on campus without facing a bombardment of solicitors passing out concert invitations or political groups recruiting voters. However, the soliciting often gets worse for students once they start surfing the Internet. Web users are exposed to pop-up advertisements, malicious viruses and system-slowness spyware that not only annoys people, but also reveals much of their identity.

"Currently, spyware mostly reports browsing habits or other personal information back to a central server for targeted advertising or other purposes," said Dan Albrick, microcomputer services manager at the University's Micro Services. "As bad as this is, it could be a whole lot worse. What if your computer was infected with a spyware keystroke grabber (a tool that logs which keys a user hits), which was able to snatch your online banking information?"

At the Micro Services department

in McKenzie Hall, new University students are coming in droves to have accounts set up, connections configured or to cure computers infected through University networks.

"I can say that almost every Windows computer that comes in to the helpdesk here in McKenzie hall is infected in multiple ways," Albrick said. "It's typical for us to see machines with traditional viruses, spyware and worms. In many cases, the user's computer is infected with more than 100 distinct threats."

Spencer Smith, microcomputer support specialist for the Computing Center Web site, said the largest number of individual spyware components found on one machine brought to microcomputer services was 2,100.

In response, the University gives new students a DuckWare CD, which includes an Internet browser, spyware, anti-virus and pop-up ad blocking software to eliminate most of these dangers.

Albrick also advised students using Windows to regularly update their systems with the latest service

pack from Microsoft to fix dangers, many of which come from its Internet Explorer browser. Lately, attacks have been caused by holes in the operating system or IE browser, which make users vulnerable to attacks.

"Most times people are using Web mail, and they click on an attached file, which then infects the computer," said Sam Crow, a technician at the EMU Computer Lab. "I'd say to people to be diligent with e-mail and who it is sending the mail to you."

Mac users are safer from most viruses and security holes than Windows users because of Mac operating system security and also because there are far less Mac users.

Though the U.S. Senate has recently banned spyware and spam e-mail with its SPYBLOCK program, both Internet practices are slow and hard to completely remove. The Senate Commerce Committee responsible for the legislation will focus on eliminating secret software that piggybacks on other applications, such as file-sharing programs, and is installed by users who agree to the installation notice without reading what such programs will install, according to a Commerce Committee press release.

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Children among the casualties in Gaza, 68 Palestinians dead

Israeli-Palestinian conflict peaks with a five-day offensive that left a 14-year-old dead

BY IBRAHIM BARZAK
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia on Monday condemned what he called international indifference to Palestinian suffering in the face of a broad Israeli offensive into the Gaza Strip aimed at halting rocket attacks on Israel.

At least 68 Palestinians have been killed in the five-day offensive, making it the deadliest Israeli incursion into Gaza in more than four years of fighting.

Nine Palestinians died Monday in northern Gaza, including four militants and a 14-year-old girl who residents said was shot as she baked bread with her mother in their garden.

Early Tuesday, one Palestinian gunman was killed and three wounded in an Israeli missile strike, Palestinians said. Israeli military sources confirmed that armed Palestinians were the target but would not comment on reports that a pilotless drone fired the missile.

In southern Gaza, miles away from the offensive, Palestinian residents said a 4-year-old boy was killed by tank fire next to his house near the town of Khan Younis. The Israeli military said there were no shootings in the area.

Late Monday, the army said it killed a Palestinian gunman who tried to infiltrate the Israeli settlement of Netzer Hazani near Khan Younis. Also, Palestinians said an Al Aqsa militant was killed in

the Jebaliya camp.

In other developments, a spat between Israel and the United Nations escalated after a top U.N. official in the region acknowledged that some of his Palestinian employees were probably members of militant groups.

In the West Bank city of Ramallah, undercover Israeli troops ambushed a car on Monday, killing two members of an elite Palestinian security force and wounding a third, Palestinian security officials said. Army radio said an Israeli was also killed; the army declined to confirm the report.

Israel moved into northern Gaza last week after a Palestinian rocket attack killed two children in the Israeli town of Sderot. Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has said the operation will continue until the rocket attacks stop.

Harmon: Lawsuit will not rectify damage

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of Oregon, I was treated less favorably than my male peers in the terms and conditions of my employment," Harmon said in her initial complaint. "I received less pay and benefits than equally qualified or less qualified, experienced and tenured counterparts."

Harmon said in July 2000 she refused to sign her annual contract when she learned that a newly hired men's assistant coach was being paid \$50,000, while her salary was \$35,724. Despite later receiving a raise, Harmon said her salary still did not reflect her years of coaching experience in comparison with many of the male coaches.

In a recent interview, Harmon added that the discrepancy extended to past athletic programs' budgets,

with differences in the amount of money, number of opportunities and amount of resources allocated to men's and women's programs.

Since she has left the University, Harmon has earned money through contracted coaching and by acting as an expert witness in track and field lawsuits.

"You're practically going from caviar to rice," Harmon said of her household. "I'm just short of picking my children up and moving across the country for a hope and a prayer to not have to deal with what I have here."

Harmon said filing the lawsuit isn't about money; it's about values. She has spent years trying to empower women to get equal resources as men, she said.

"I've told athletes, 'The world is your oyster, and with hard work, dedication and performance, it's going to get you the same success as men,'" Harmon said. "Unfortunately, this has not been demonstrated by the University."

"(The lawsuit is) not going to rectify the damage done to me," Harmon said. "But walking away from this and not making a statement of what's been done, and that it's wrong, would be a slap in the face, and a resignation I don't feel in any way compelled to make. That would send a poor message to women who want to aspire to greater prospects and who shouldn't be subject to job loss based on gender."

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