



## **THE INTERNET - PROTECTION - BUSINESS & HOME - GET BACK TO OLD SCHOOL**

The Internet, the public version, for nearly two decades has grown as a 24/7 library. The safe parts of the Internet continue to flourish, and bad places where predators, and criminals lurk continue to plague all of us. I agree the vast majority of the Internet has served a greater purpose of globalization, connectivity, ease of use, beneficial libraries and research warehouses.

I get it. The Internet is good and bad. Who can you trust? What Internet provider is better than the rest and which anti-virus is better than the other? The answer is NONE. Each ISP is doing what they can to keep up with the allowing the good and blocking the bad. There is not a perfect solution. If there were, that would be the billion, not million, but billion dollar question and solution.

The Internet is nearly a requirement for any business to conduct daily activity, and families for their education to be completed. Then why do the most elite private schools in some rich neighborhoods and communities do not allow the Internet or electronic devices? I have to agree with these contradictory beliefs. While the rest of the world becomes dependent on technology, I believe in just the opposite. We should benefit from the gains of technology but not be enslaved to it.

## **FILTERING THE INTERNET FOR THE HOME AND BUSINESS**

In the past several months, businesses and home users have asked for solutions and suggestions on how to keep the viruses away from their computers. The first of many solutions I have found is a free product called OpenDNS which has existed for a few years and is now becoming perfected just like backup solutions like Carbonite. OpenDNS is free for the home user and small business single Internet IP address user, non-profits, etc.

OpenDNS is running on Mountain Computers and Mountain Marketing network for the past several days, and the results are good. With each network, the Web Filtering was set to high on one side of the network, and customized on the other. The High Filter pretty much locks down the bad stuff from your kids, and also from employees who are not really needing to get on the Internet but their computer is Internet accessible. The Customized set of rules have allowed Web Mail (Yahoo Mail, etc.) and Video Searches (YouTube, etc). The rest can be allowed on a per domain request. Rather than block a few and allow the rest, the block all and allow by request is a safer solution. Next week, another solution will be presented for filtering the Internet for the home and small business.

## **BUILD TO ORDER PC - PART V**

This Saturday we can focus on more Motherboard technology. My personal preferences in motherboards are the following factors: durability, price, performance and feature set. A motherboard with the CSM logo (corporate stable model) is my first choice, then price ranging from \$50 to \$130, supporting the i3/i5/i7 1155 Socket, DDR3 triple channel memory in triple channel mode (not in dual channel mode), and the new UEFI motherboard support and not the legacy BIOS.

UEFI stands for Unified Extensible Firmware Interface. This new technology supports the future of motherboard configurations. Look for it in your motherboard technology purchases.



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