

DVC Infotech

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The Love Bug

I remember the days when "the love bug" referred to an innocent old Volkswagen named Herbie. Well the phrase has an entirely new meaning now. The love bug computer virus hit with a fury on May 4th. Fortunately, we were able to shut down the email server before the virus spread too far. This event has heightened our collective awareness of the need to handle email attachments with caution and to keep our antivirus software updated. You can learn more about virus alerts and email hoax warnings at <http://www.data-fellows.com/virus-info/>.

Norton AntiVirus Software

All DVC computers should have an antivirus program installed on them: Norton AntiVirus for PC's and Symantec AntiVirus for Macs. Norton has a component called "Live Update" that goes to the Norton website every month (<http://www.norton.com>) to obtain and install the latest antivirus updates. In addition, it is scheduled to *scan* your disks for viruses on a weekly basis. However, if your computer is *turned off* at the time the program is scheduled to get the live update or run the scan, neither of these events will occur. If this is the case, you can either change the schedule to a more appropriate time or run the program manually. To run manually, launch the Norton Antivirus program and click on **Scan Now** or **Live Update**. To check or change the schedule at which these functions automatically occur, click the **Scheduler** button and double-click on the scan and update events.

Microsoft Campus Agreement

DVC has recently subscribed to the Microsoft Campus Agreement as negotiated by the [Foundation for California Community Colleges](#). This program entitles us to install the following applications on any DVC owned computer (including labs, offices, off-campus locations, etc.): Past, present and future versions of Office (Mac/PC), FrontPage (Mac/PC), Windows, Visual Studio and Server access licenses. Additionally, the FCCC has provided for faculty and staff of participating colleges to **purchase these programs for home use at a greatly discounted cost**. All of the details are described in a previous email that is also available at http://www.dvc.edu/technology/microsoft_fccc_announcement.htm.

Information Technology Committee and New Student Use Computers

The newly reconstituted Information & Technology Committee began meeting weekly as of April 13th. This committee reports to the Leadership Council. It is chaired by Mark Steidel and Ben Seaberry and currently consists of the following members:

- Management: Ted Wieden, Carol Maga, Mary Dolven
- Faculty: Andy Kivel, Tom Chatagnier, Carol Lokkee, Bill Hammond, Wayne Larson, Melinda Moreno
- Classified: Leslie Leong, Chris Wilson
- Students: To Be Determined

The committee's first order of business was to come up with an expedient plan in which to use the student-use computer budget to replace the oldest, verified lab computers. The result was an approved recommendation to replace all such 486's, Pentium 75's or comparable Mac computers with new computers. This order was processed, and with any luck, the computers will be received and installed this summer in time for fall semester. The committee agenda and summary notes will soon be posted at

<http://www.dvc.edu/technology/>.

Media Center Summer Hours

The Media Center will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on May 30, 31 and June 1. It will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. from 6/5 through 7/27 with a possible temporary closure during that time for the library remodel moves that will impact this area. It will be closed from 7/31 through 8/18. Normal hours of operation will resume on 8/21. The TV and Sound studios will be closed for the summer due to equipment upgrades.

Computer Center Summer Hours

The Computer Center will be open 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. from 6/5 to 6/15. It will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. from 6/19 through 7/27. It will be closed from 7/31 through 8/18. Normal hours of operation will resume on 8/21.