

ALTERNATIVE SITES part 2

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Drool

<http://www.mit.edu:8001/afs/athena.mit.edu/user/j/b/jbreiden/game/entry.html>

You'll be well rewarded for all your efforts (if you manually type in the URL listed above) after you get to this fantastic page. It's part game and part virtual tour of Boston, Mass. (US). The premise is easy enough. You are to chase and then fetch a stick (you play the role of the dog) and then it's off to the chase! This is no easy task as you have to maneuver through evil kids, weird folks, airport terrorists and other unsavory characters in your quest for that dog-gone stick you have to fetch. You'll ride the subway and then have to navigate through Harvard Square and then you may have to wait in line at the Hard Rock Cafe or try and get through MIT's Infinite Corridor passage. All this and more awaits you - but if you succeed in bringing back the stick to your master then all will be praise and affection - but if you fail - your master will eagerly show his nasty disapproval. This has to be one of the most unique, inventive and highly imaginative web pages and/or web games out there. It just doesn't get any better than this folks. You absolutely MUST surf over to this site.

URouLette

<http://kuhttp.cc.ukans.edu/cwis/organizations/kucia/uroulette/uroulette.html>

Web "Roulette wheel" You never know where you might go. Sends you to random URLs and from there you're off surfin' again! Take a spin on the wheel!

Games Domain

<http://wcl-rs.bham.ac.uk/GamesDomain>

The infamous Games Domain site that is the central repository of games games related info and games software on the World Wide Web.

WWW Addict's Pop-Culture Scavenger Hunt

<http://www.galcit.caltech.edu/~ta/hunt/wwwhunt.html>

This is a wild and wacky scavenger hunt that will have you in wipe-out form as you surf the web looking for sites and clues. Several hunts are offered - some easy - and some very hard - but one thing is for sure - you'll be addicted in no time to this scavenger hunt. If you succeed then you get a chance to put your name up (or whatever else you want to put up) on the "Winner's Wall". Lots of folks like to win just so they get a chance to write graffiti on the wall. Tons of fun that will have you surfing for hours on end. Hang out the "Do Not Disturb" sign and start scavenging!

Amusement Parks

http://www.yahoo.com/Entertainment/Amusement_Parks/

Visit an amusement or theme park. Ride a virtual roller coaster and more!

The Worst of the Web

<http://turnpike.net/metro/mirsky/Worst.html>

Well... you've heard of the "Best of" now see the "worst of". Truly bad sites that keep getting more and more bizarre and outrageously bad as you delve further into this madness. This is so bad... that's it good fun! Truly the goofiest and most horrid web sites are all linked from this page.

Surrealist Compliment Generator

http://pharmdec.wustl.edu/cgi-bin/jardin_scripts/SCG

This has got to be tried to be believed. Outrageously weird compliments are randomly generated for you. Things like "Your hair smells of rivulets as molten steel runs down my spine" and "The ocean's foam matches the froth of hair streaming from your lips". I'm not sure if this surreal but it is lots of bizarre fun. Try these out on a friend or loved one...

Ask KEN! (web page)

http://www.enf.org/~andrec/ask_ken.html

From meaningful issues to the absurd - this page has it all. There are items ranging from "fake Christmas tree or real tree" to "how do I get the current version of Adobe Type manager?". If you have a question or problem - give this web page a try. It's a lot of fun to read even if you don't have a question or need a solution. Well worth the visit even if only for the "fun factor". Who said web pages can't be fun AND informative?

WisDOOM (Internet Scrabble server)

Telnet to: [next7.cas.muohio.edu](telnet://next7.cas.muohio.edu) 8888

Telnet to: [eel.st.usm.edu](telnet://eel.st.usm.edu) 7777

A nearly unbeatable computer scrabble opponent awaits you - and this player is *extremely* good. The ACBot computer opponent will beat the pants off you unless your at the top of your scrabble playing form. Don't even try to sneak past a non-word for ACBot will catch you every time. The interface is a bit clumsy - but once you get used to it - you'll be playing and challenging ACBot almost every chance you get. It's quite addicting fun!

Osiris Trivia Quiz

<http://osiris.sund.ac.uk/online/quiz/quiztime.html>

Various trivia quiz contests that are ongoing - you can come here anytime and see how much you know about various topics and subjects and then see how well you score and match up against other trivia players. Not only is this fun - but you'll get a chance to exercise your mind as well.

Elsewhere in Queer Cyberspace

<http://www.qrd.org/QRD/www/QueerCyber.html>

The site title is to be taken literally. All sorts of links to gay related

sites and happenings around the world including the International Gay Games and info on lesbian and gay athletes. There are more gay links here than I could begin to list and it seems that more are added daily. Unique site.

CyberSight

<http://cybersight.com/cgi-bin/cs/s?main.gmml>

Not to be confused with the online publication of the same name (and emanating from the same server) this is the URL address for an ultra-cool web page that allows "real-time" conversation between people. Easy to use clickable web interface make this a fun place to visit and meet people.

De Digitale Stad (The Digital City)

<http://www.dds.nl/>

A true virtual "digital city" on the web. This place teems with people and links resembling streets and sidewalks throughout the town are littered all the place making navigation questionable until you begin to realize that any large metropolis is tough to navigate (with or without a map) when you first arrive. There are reportedly over 10,000 regular "inhabitants" of this digital city and more come to visit every day. People have set up permanent shops and dwellings and there are many "nooks and crannies" to discover just like old back alley ways in a real large city. Getting lost is half the fun here but please do visit the Town Hall as this has links to the "outside" world of Amsterdam and provides info on services and other assorted sundries within the digital city and actual Amsterdam. This site is expanding and most engaging. This is the best "virtual city" on the web.

Freakshow!

<http://www.zynet.com/~meatlog/freakshow.html>

This site is even one step beyond "Dan's Gallery of the Grotesque" This site is truly "not for the squeamish or those with heart conditions or even those with any moral character". A trippy, grotesque and freakish site that will send chills up your spine for a long time to come. A digital nightmare that many folks simply refuse to leave or do without. You be the judge. I would definitely keep the youngsters away from this site. <g>

IMall Classified

<http://www.imall.com/ads/ads.html>

A non-commercial for sale and posting site that has links to all the various Usenet newsgroups that have for sale items. Also has its own page for listing and trading. Just like a "Trader pages" paper or a "local yokel" you'd pick up at a town store or local grocery. Cool!

EPages

<http://ep.com>

Another for sale, trade and buy classified site that is also non-commercial in nature and is for the general public. No links to usenet groups but it is still a great place to check out. Everything from soup to nuts here.

PC Gifts and Flowers
<http://www.pcgifts.ibm.com>

Order flowers from the web and have them sent anywhere world-wide. OK - you can't smell the flowers but there are online catalogs that you can look at.

Mind Games
<http://weber.u.washington.edu/~jlks/mindgame.html>

This is a neat place to visit for it offers a few little "mind games" games/experiments/tricks that you can take in a few minutes yet remember them for a long time to come. You've got to try this one out - really!

Sherlock Holmes Collection
<http://www.peak.org/~tirk/holmes>

Mike Krejci (aka Tirk Derango) has made available a cool collection of Sherlock Holmes related material. The game's afoot! Quick Watson!

KC Smith's Home Page
<http://www.xnet.com/~whoops>

She has links to a lot of strange goodies, like a personality test and a list of Steven Wright jokes. She also has some of the silliest links you'll ever see. Imagine titles like "Spiffydoodlefiggypudding" and "Church of the Sacred Aardvark." Now this is my kind of alternative site! Wacky good time!

Beavis 'n Butthead Page
<http://quadralay.com/Combs/BnB/BnB.html>

Yes - these guys have their own page. Get the skinny on these two morphs.

Wrecked Humor Page
<http://www.cs.odu.edu/~cashman/humor.html>

A very good site that has lots of fun stuff to see and do. Top-ten lists, satires, parodies and goofy songs plus lots of links to other fun places.

Rollercoaster! web page
<http://www.echonyc.com/~dne/Rollercoaster!>

Take a ride on the only website that needs a lapbar! Coaster trivia, new attractions, biased rants and raves and lots of cool pix. A Netscape enhanced page set-up (all the new html tags and codes). A Bulletin board is coming soon. Special section started for "wood 'coasters" only.

Coaster Compendium
<http://sunsite.unc.edu/darlene/coaster/coaster.html>

Has a database of parks with rollercoasters (all types of coaster rides). You can search the database by park, state, name of ride or type of coaster. If you enjoy rollercoasters or coaster rides - then this site is for you! This makes a great companion to the above listed "Rollercoaster!" web page.

Fun!
<http://www.ugcs.caltech.edu/~werdna/fun.html>

Comedy and otherwise fun links to all sorts of places. Surf over to here if you need a good laugh or some good fun.

Insomniac's Page of Humor
<http://rohan.sdsu.edu/home/elewis/Humor.html>

Another fun set of links to follow. Tons of places to browse. Most of the links here work fairly quickly as the web pages are quick downloads.

Jay's Comedy Club
<http://paul.spu.edu:80/~zylstra/comedy/index.html>

A fair site with moments of funniness. Has stories, techno-jokes and other comedic stuff. When it's bad-it's real bad. But when it's good-it's good.

SteveC's UUUU-UU Page
<http://ftp.std.com/homepages/stevec/index1.html>

A high-tech humor site that borders on nerdish. Still - it's fun if you happen to understand the "techie" side of life. Good satire on current scientific projects and well... it's pretty good stuff all in all. It's definitely... different and unlike most other comedy related sites.

The World-Wide Web Dating Game
<http://www.galcit.caltech.edu/~aure/date>

Just like the Dating Game except it's on the web. People send in GIF images of themselves and request to be a contestant. If chosen then you are asked five questions by your potential dating partner. The audience - web surfers who come to the site - get to vote on the answers given by the three picked contestants and... well... you get the idea. A neat idea that hasn't taken off yet but who knows...? Come here and see what's up or send in a GIF and become a contestant and see what happens... hmmm.... <g>

Spatula City
<http://www.wam.umd.edu/~twoflowr/index.html>

Interesting and different that is self-described as "Specializing in Web Silly Stuff" Quite honestly - this site is all *about* silly stuff.

How to Talk New Age

<http://www.well.com/user/mick/newagept.html>

A funny look at all the "new-age" talk going 'round. The words and phrases are defined in an A to Z list and what isn't new to you will have you both laughing and informed as you see "waz up" with the newspeak language.

Mr. Potato Head

<http://winnie.acsu.buffalo.edu/cgi-bin/potatoe>

Funny Mr. Potato Head... This is a way cool web site that serves up Mr. Potato head... ala web. Click and change Mr. Potato Head all around using a graphical browser. Easy - takes no brains at all. I like that!

Strange Things Out There on the Web

<http://darkwing.uoregon.edu/~joe/strange-things.html>

Features links to (you guessed it) strange things and places on the web. Actually this site is very entertaining and if it continues will be put on BIGSURF's "General Starting Points" section. This is a great place to start out your web surfing adventures when you're in a fun mood and want to get a little silly. Even the kids will love this one. Try it! There are so many unusual and neat links that I decided not to list all the links available through this page as separate sites. The Weird Zone and Mr. Potato Head and many more sites are to be found as links here. As you can see, I really enjoy this site and it is constantly growing. Surf here! >>> OK - so I *did* put it in the general starting points section. Yes! <<<

WWW Guide to Lock-Picking

<http://www.lysator.liu.se:7500/mit-guide/mit-guide.html>

OK folks... I told you this was the "alternative section". What more could you ask for than your very own lock-picking guide. Lots of pictures and diagrams to ease the learning curve of this most delicate of operations.

GLO Web Pages

<http://www.bprc.mps.ohio-state.edu/cgi-bin/hpp/Kurt1.html>

A list of fraternities that have a presence (or a page) on the WWW. The frat houses are linked sites and there are pointers to frat archives as well. Oh.. should I mention the fact that there is *one* sorority here too.

U.K. National Lottery Web Server

<http://www.csc.liv.ac.uk/users/rkl/lottery>

Winning lottery numbers and lottery info. Also has a helpful chart of previous winning numbers and a graph showing the frequency distribution of winning numbers and the outcomes so you can better plan your number picking strategies for the next round of tickets you buy. Lots of tips for picking winning numbers and you're always advised to pick at least one number over 31 because lots of people only choose birthdays which limits the numbers over 31 being picked (ever hear of a month with 32 days?). If you are a lottery fanatic - then get on over to this site!

Steve Mann's NetCam Home Page
<http://www-white.media.mit.edu/~steve/netcam.html>

Steve Mann is a student at MIT and walks around with a NetCam. What is a NetCam? It's a helmet device that holds a small video camera and wireless TV transmitter that instantly beams back the live video feed to the web server that then feeds YOU the resulting images. You never know where Steve might be going, but wherever he does go, you'll be along for the walk or ride... literally. Now this is super hip stuff. Way cool! Of course one day there might be an army of NetCam folks and that is no longer in the realm of way cool - gosh - that would be way scary. Hmmmm...

Wiretap Gopher Humor Archive
Gopher to: wiretap.spies.com in the --> /library/humor

All sorts of jokes and gags here. One liners and stories and all types of ethnic jokes too. Check out the Irish jokes in the /jokes directory. Also includes political humor and political satire. Nothing is sacred here and the stuff is genuinely very funny. There is even a techno-joke area and there is something for all tastes and dispositions at this gopher site.

The Mother of All Humor Archives
<http://www.tc.cornell.edu/~ckline/humor/maillist.html>

You'll quickly lose track of time here as you go through this very funny web page of jokes, sayings, excerpts from TV shows and lots more. This is a bold title for a web page and it mostly lives up to its billing. Bien!

Tarot Resources
<http://www.iii.net/dtking/tarot.html>

A fine starting point with links to all sorts of Tarot and Tarot related resources, info and files. Links to Tarot related IRC chats, Usenet FAQ, Tarot societies and much more! One of the best Tarot sites available.

Zen@SunSITE
<http://sunsite.unc.edu/zen/>

Ben Walter has put up a simply stunning rendition of what Zen is (or isn't) and created this informative page with peaceful and flowing pages and links to other Zen and Zen related info on the Internet. If nothing is what you want yet you yearn for more information before you abandon your browser and other worldly devices - flow on over here for a peaceful and informative outlook and insight into the Zen philosophy of living.

Kahune (from Aloha.com)
Telnet to: [aloha.com](telnet://aloha.com)
Log in as: child

WWW site for Aloha.com
<http://hisurf.aloha.com>

From the beautiful Aloha state comes a wonderful little gem. This is where you can speak to Kahune (the computer) by typing in a sentence and then Kahune will reply back. Kahune learns from a combined past with the many users met and interacted with over time. Not only will you be having fun but you'll be adding to Kahune's knowledge base on how to better talk with people next time Kahune is accessed and talked with. Not for kids only.
