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Inside the lavish life of Megaupload founder, Dotcom

Jun Schmitz legally changed his surname to Dotcom at some point over the last decade, a homage to the technology that made him a millionaire and that has not landed him in a New Zealand jail.

The 38 year-old internet entrepreneur was arrested Thursday at his birthday celebration inside a 25,000 square foot mansion in Auckland. When police entered the property, Mr. Dotcom fled to a safe room where he was found with a loaded shotgun, officials said.

Mr. Dotcom was charged with a criminal copyright infringement and conspiracy to commit racketeering. The Federal Bureau of Investigation shut down his Hong Kong based website, which it claimed was used to pirate half a billion dollars worth of entertainment content.

The husky Mr. Dotcom is a kingpin in a little exposed side of the internet economy, who profited by taping changes in technology, rolling the entertainment industry.

His company, Megaupload Ltd., and similar online storage sites known as cyberlockers, have many legitimate uses, such as allowing people to share large presentation files and home movies.

But US authorities and entertainment executives say in court documents and interviews that cygerlockers are at the vanguard of



Techi Term:

Blog

A blog is a blend of the two words web and log (weblog) which is a type of website or a part of a website. Blogs are usually updated frequently and displayed in reverse chronological order (newest to oldest). Blogs are usually interactive by allowing readers to comment on posts which is what makes them so different from websites. Some blogs focus on one subject such as food, technology, fashion, parenting, or some other topic of interest. Maybe you want to start a blog to update your family in another state, or to let your readers follow along on a home renovation, adoption, etc... The topics are endless.



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online piracy. On Friday, the US Congress abandoned two controversial antipiracy bills.

Despite the legal controversy brewing around his website and a previous conviction for insider trading Mr. Dotcom didn't lay low or hide anonymously behind his computer.

Rather, Mr. Dotcom openly enjoyed a lavish lifestyle. He owned at least 18 luxury cars including a 1959 pink Cadillac and three cars with vanity license plates that read "HACKER", "MAFIA" and "STONED." according to US officials, flew helicopters, and personally funded the city of Auckland's 2010 New Year's fireworks celebration.

Gleaned from Foxnews.com

US government online security website hacked

The hackers threatened further retaliation if controversial legislation is passed in the U.S.

January 24, 2012, 2:51 AM — Hackers under the AntiSec banner appeared to have hacked late Monday the website of OnGuardOnline.gov, the U.S. federal government's online security website, in protest against controversial legislation.

In a message on the OnGuardOnline website and on Pastebin, the hackers threatened "a relentless war against the corporate internet", destroying what it said would be "dozens upon dozens" of government and company websites, if the Stop Online Privacy Act (SOPA), Protect IP Act (PIPA) and Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA) are passed.

It also threatened to dump emails, passwords, bank accounts, and other information from the hacked websites. "We are sitting on hundreds of rooted servers getting ready to drop all your mysql dumps and mail spools," the Anonymous-affiliated hacker group said.



This Month's Quote:

As a child my family's menu consisted of two choices: take it or leave it.

-Buddy Hackett



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OnGuardOnline.gov is a partnership of fourteen federal agencies managed by the U.S. Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

FTC could not be immediately reached for comment on the hack of the security website. The website of web defacement archive, Zone -H was also defaced Monday, but it wasn't clear who was responsible.

Earlier on Monday a video purported to be from Anonymous asked for people's support to launch a DDoS (distributed denial of service) attack using the Low Orbit Ion Cannon tool on Jan 28 on Facebook. AnonOps, an Anonymous account on Twitter, however said the threat to shut down Facebook was a fake. A similar threat against Facebook was made last year.

Anonymous last week claimed responsibility for attacks on some government and company websites including those of Universal Music, the U.S. Department of Justice and the Recording Industry Association of America in retaliation for the government's removal of the Megaupload online storage and file-sharing websites.

Gleaned from IT World



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Computer Fun Facts

1. It took the radio 38 years and the television only 13, but the internet reached 50 million users in only 4 years.

2. The computer mouse was invented by Doug Engelbart in 1963. It was made out of wood (weird, huh).

3. In 2009 the average number of Internet transactions per second was 2,000. The total number of goods sold was worth \$60 billion.

4. Early hard disks in personal computers held only 20 MB of data and cost around \$800. In 2010 you could get a 2 GB flash drive for around \$8. This implies that there is a 100-fold reduction in the price and a 100-fold increase in storage capacity.

5. Rear Admiral Grace Hopper, the first female admiral in the US Navy is also known in the computer world for creating the popular programming language COBOL. She also came up with the term 'debugging' after removing a moth from a computer.

6. The computing power in today's cell phones is much higher than the processing power of all the computers in the Apollo 11 Lunar Lander that put 2 men on the moon.

7. The two main components in IT (Information Technology) are hardware and software. But there is also a lesser known 'grey' component. This is the software that is stored in hardware and cannot be modified easily. It is known as 'firmware'.

8. There are over 20 billion web pages on the internet, and that number is rapidly growing every day. Also, there are over 2 billion internet users worldwide at present.

9. RIM (the BlackBerry operating system company) co-CEO and co-founder Mike Lazaridis dropped out of college to start his own company. He did so after reading Microsoft's founder, Bill Gates', book.



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10. The first hard disk drive was created in 1979 by Seagate. Its capacity was a whopping (not) 5 MB.

11. HP, Google, Microsoft, and Apple have one thing in common – apart from the obvious that they are IT companies. They were all started in garages.

12. The 12 engineers at IBM that developed the IBM PC had a code name – “The Dirty Dozen”.

13. The first and still the oldest domain name to be registered is Symbolics.com, it was created on March 15th, 1985.

14. Most Central Processing Units (CPU's) are sold as a bit slower than they actually run. By over-clocking them you can get them to run faster – for free.

15. The first micro-processor was the 4004, Intel had originally designed it for a calculator and no one had any idea to what it would lead.



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Deluxe	\$82.50	\$113.50	\$154.50	\$259.50	\$649.87
Intuit	\$79.99	\$109.99	\$149.99	\$239.99	\$599.87
Nelco	\$103.45	\$137.85	\$188.00	\$343.40	\$637.00
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