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## TECH TIPS

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### Top Geek Holiday Decorations

It's time to geek up your holidays! Check out the top Geek holiday decorations:



1. Made from recycled motherboards, you can go geeky and green this year!



2. Lego holiday ornaments can be used to build your death star once the holidays are over!



3. Video game controller ornaments. You can also get a matching set of video console ornaments.



4. Deck your desk with the USB sno-bot.

For the complete list, please go to: <http://mashable.com/2011/12/04/christmas-decorations-geeks/>

## Thank you to all that supported us throughout MOVEMBER!



Each year, thousands of men around the world sprout lip sweaters, or some generously call them moustaches, during the month of November. With their "Mo's", these men raise vital funds and awareness for prostate cancer. It has gained so much attention throughout the world, that the month of November has been re-named... **Movember!**

Our Movember team "Technology Mo's By Design" would like to thank you for your support!

**No matter the country or city, Movember will continue to work to change established habits and attitudes men have about their health, to educate men about the health risks they face, and to act on that knowledge, thereby increasing the chances of early detection, diagnosis and effective treatment.**

### November 2012 Trivia Winner: Craig Perry at Pizza Hotline!

The story of Pizza Hotline and Café 22 stems from humble beginnings, starting with one small pizza restaurant in Winnipeg in 1988. Since then, it has grown steadily into a network of market-dominating franchise operations, with ten locations in Winnipeg, and one each in Steinbach, Winkler, Brandon, and Calgary.

With several awards under their belt, including Consumers' Choice awards, and Top Choice Award for Quality, Service, Value, and Professionalism, they have developed a system for success based on nearly 20 years of industry experience. They stay in touch with the community through their fundraising options for community groups, as well as their community initiatives such as their youth employment program.

There are two franchise package options available—Pizza Hotline take-out and delivery locations, and Café 22 dine-in restaurants, which feature an expanded Pizza Hotline menu served up in a funky yet unpretentious atmosphere. There's only 1 question left to ask: Is there one near you? If not...what are you waiting for?

You can check out their menu, catering options, franchise information and more at their website: [pizzahotline.ca](http://pizzahotline.ca). Or to place your order call: 222-2222 in Winnipeg, 725-2222 in Brandon, or 777-4444 in Calgary

**Don't forget your entry for this month's trivia for a chance to win coffee & donuts...delivered to your workplace! PLUS, Your company will be featured In next month's issue of TechTips, on our blog, and our Facebook page!**

***Your feature will reach over 2000 potential customers!!***

## Winnipeg Jets Coach Claude Noel Uses his Free Time To Give Back

With a little free time on his hands, Winnipeg Jets Coach Claude Noel is finding filling it by giving back to the community that has embraced the just-back, and now on strike Winnipeg Jets. For the past few weeks, Coach Noel has been helping out Winnipeg's AAA Minor Hockey Program weekly at the MTS Ice-Plex. Too bad everyone in the NHL doesn't have this attitude!

Check out the video: <http://video.jets.nhl.com/videocenter/console?id=190381&lang=en>

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Featured Client

## HERITAGE GOLF COURSE

&

## HERITAGE ROOM RESTAURANT



Heritage Golf Course, was formerly a family farm that had been in the family for over 100 years. It was built and designed by the owners Dolf and Teresa Fandych into a beautiful 9-hole Par 3 golf course in 2001. Family-owned and operated, the golf course boasts beautiful picturesque grounds, a fully licensed clubhouse, with patio, and banquet hall. They also have a 18-hole

miniature golf course. Bookings are available for private tournaments and parties.

For more information, call: 204-757-2830. You can also view their new interactive website at: [www.heritagegolf.ca](http://www.heritagegolf.ca), where you can check out their programs, course fees, or book a tee time.



Heritage Room Restaurant opened in 2011 as a perfect compliment to the golf course. Open year-round, the restaurant boasts a warm and friendly atmosphere, is fully licensed, and has great homestyle cooking, made with fresh ingredients. There is something on the menu to intrigue everyone, and

have a breakfast buffet every 2nd Sunday. With a seating capacity of 150, booking are available for all special occasions including small corporate parties, weddings, and company functions. The are currently taking reservations for Christmas parties.

For more information, call: 204-757-2831, or go to their website at: [www.heritageroom.ca](http://www.heritageroom.ca) where you can check out their menu, specials, or make your reservation.

Heritage Golf Course and Heritage Room Restaurant are located in Lockport, on the corner of Henderson Hwy and Hwy 202.

Heritage Golf Course and Heritage Room Restaurant's websites were recently re-designed by Technology By Design to include the ability to make a reservation or book your tee time.

If your business needs a website, or a website face-lift, give us a call.

We can custom design your website to suit your needs, and your budget.



## Hppy Bday Txtg

It's the big 2-0 for texting. Yes, it was 20 years ago December 3rd that British software engineer Neil Papworth sent the very first text message, and set the spelling ability of teenagers everywhere back about 50 years. His first text: "Merry Christmas", which was sent to Richard Jarvis, who was then a director at Vodafone.

Papworth, speaking to BBC radio, states that initially text messaging was expected to be "used as an executive pager so that secretaries could get hold of their bosses while they were out and about".

Patrick Moorhead, principal analyst at Moor Insights & Strategy told ABC News that he believes texting is declining due to cross-platforms "that texting is a backup now for sophisticated users. Texting is more reliable but is declining as a primary tool.

Tell that to the millions of teens out there that use texting as their primary source (and for some, their only source) of communication.

## Mommy, Does God Have Twitter?

Everyone tweets! Beginning December 12, you can receive inspirational tweets from Pope Benedict XVI, in 8 languages from the Twitter account: @pontifex.

The Vatican states that the first few tweets will be answers to questions on matters of faith that were sent to the pope, and states that the public can start sending them now.

Even before he's begun, he already has 2,435 followers. Apparently several members of the Vatican are regular tweeters, as the institution tries to reach a younger global audience.

Apparently the pope has already received tweeting lessons.

## DECEMBER TRIVIA QUESTION:

In "How The Grinch Stole Christmas", The Grinch cleaned out the icebox. He even took the last can of...what?

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## Takes Multi-Tasking to a Whole New Level

Right up there with the invention of toilet paper, and the invention of the flush toilet, apparently social networking has influenced our personal habits more than we think.

The Nielsen company's latest report states that social networking has become the go-to while watching TV and while, ummm...going to the bathroom.

Apparently 1/3 of 18-24 year old polled admit to using social networking sites while on the potty.

I guess we now know what they're doing in there for that long...



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