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There might be new technology, but technological progress itself was nothing new - and over the years it had not destroyed jobs, but created them.

-Margaret Thatcher

BRAND and COBRA Update

On Friday, May 30th, 100lbs of proposals left Timmins! Destination, Industry Canada BRAND office and MEOI-COBRA office. Both offices have confirmed a receipt of the proposals.



In March and April, Request for Proposals were posted with s u b m i s s i o n s received in April and May of 2003.

The successful vendors were NorthernTel for the Cochrane District, Bell Canada for the Gogama-Foley Project and a combination of NorthernTel and O.N. Telcom for the Timiskaming Project.

A team of writers assembled the plans for which were due to COBRA for June 2nd, and to Industry Canada by June 6th, 2003.

The writing and assembling of these proposals for three very distinctive projects was done with COBRA and BRAND expectations in mind. This produced a very comprehensive portrayal of our region's needs.

IT is our understanding that Industry Canada will announce the successful projects in October of 2003.

Copies of the business plans are available electronically for anyone wishing to peruse the content. For more information about BRAND or COBRA, please contact Ginette Walton at (705) 360-1353 or email at gwalton@neonet.on.ca

Buzzword

VPN

A virtual private network (VPN) is a way to use a public telecommunication infrastructure, such as the Internet, to provide remote offices or individual users with secure access to their organization's network.

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Telus Technology takes long-distance leap

The Canadian Press (May, 2003)

It's not as grand as Alexander Graham Bell's first long-distance call in 1876 or, 25 years later, Guglielmo Marconi's wireless transmission across the Atlantic, but April 22, 2002, is a day worth noting in Canadian telecommunications history.

It was on that day that Girish Pathak, chief technology officer of Telus Corp., made a long-distance phone call from Vancouver to Toronto over a national telephone network using voice-over-Internet protocol, known as VOIP...

See the Full Story:

<http://www.canada.com/search/story.aspx?id=5bd43abf-dae9-46f1-8b7f-55f85b2729f0>

GlobeandMail.com (June, 2003)

Sobig-C Worm is spreading, security experts say new mass-mailing worm sometimes poses as an email from Microsoft founder Bill Gates...

See the Full Story:

<http://www.globetechnology.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.20030602.gtsobigjune2/BNSStory/Technology/>

GIS Takes a Bite Out of the West Nile Virus

geoplace.com (June, 2003)

Before the summer of 1999, Most North Americans saw mosquitoes as simply a nuisance. "Skeeters" were unwelcome guests at picnics, barbecues, Friday night high-school football games and other outdoor activities.

That all changed in late August 1999, when the first occurrence of West Nile virus in the Western Hemisphere was identified in New York City. As the threat of the disease spreads on a national scale, public health agencies are turning to innovative technologies, including GIS, in response to the growing danger...

See the Full Story:

<http://www.geoplace.com/gw/2003/0306/0306wnv.asp>

Toronto beverage chain pours on the WiFi

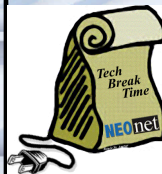
itbusiness.ca (June, 2003)

A Toronto coffee chain is now serving up free WiFi along with its lattes. miofrio! juice + java has announced a relationship with Wireless Friendly Inc., to provide wireless Internet to its customers in exchange for a minute of their attention...

See Full Story:

<http://www.itbusiness.ca/print.asp?sid=52403>

Tech Break Time



For the latest trends in technology, attend one of NEOnet's monthly Tech Break Time Luncheons.

For more information about the June 24 session on **Digital Cameras** please contact Stéphane Gallant: sgallant@neonet.on.ca

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