

PORTERVILLE.COM
PORTERVILLE ONLINE
PORTERVILLE WIRELESS

OCSNET.NET
OACYS.COM



OLSON
COMPUTER
SERVICES

NETWORKING THE
COMMUNITY
SINCE 1982

N E W S L E T T E R F E B R U A R Y 2 0 0 3

THE INTERNET UNDER ATTACK

OCS Defences Hold Solid

The "Sapphire" (or "Slammer") worldwide Internet attack first reported in the national news on Saturday morning (25 Jan) was detected and blocked by OCS network engineers very shortly after it started late on Friday night (24 Jan), with no harm at all to our system and no downtime. OCS firewalls, internal server protections, and bandwidth management controls added further obstacles to help fend off the attack. While major companies and many ISPs across the country were reporting significant disruption to service, OCS fiber access times to the Internet backbone remained normal. This incident represents a significant example of how your subscriber dollars are invested at OCS to provide the highest possible quality.

WIRELESS IS BETTER THAN EVER

All-New Pricing and Performance Plans

OCS has expanded our wireless service plans to include more options in the higher-end 5.8 GHz frequency range that's of primary interest to businesses. OCS wireless plans are now available from \$50 to \$250 per month with the faster 5.8 GHz plans now beginning at \$149.95, down \$100 from previous entry-level pricing in that range.

MORE NEWS ON COPYRIGHT ISSUES

Be Careful About Downloading "Free Music" and Movies

A U.S. court has ordered large ISP Verizon to turn over the name of a customer who downloaded several hundred songs over the Internet. ISPs who resist such pressures regarding "song swapping" risk becoming included in litigation, and OCS has already had to notify several subscribers after receiving notices from Sony, Columbia, and others. Our advice is to be careful about using popular file-trading utilities like Kazaa and Morpheus, which can also consume gobs of bandwidth and potentially exceed monthly limits. Your usage can be checked at any time via the User Admin button on our home page.

- OVER 210,000 VIRUSES STOPPED
- OVER 3 MILLION SPAM MESSAGES BLOCKED
- OVER 23,000 WEBSITES FILTERED

Click **USER ADMIN** on our home page main menu to manage your account preferences . . . **POPUPS** driving you crazy? See information on our home page . . . **EMAIL SECURITY?** Call us about PGP and S/MIME options for sensitive email.



*HIGH-SPEED WIRELESS INTERNET SERVICE IS NOW
AVAILABLE IN PORTERVILLE • STRATHMORE • LINDSAY
TERRA BELLA • SPRINGVILLE • PLEASANT VALLEY • RIVER
ISLAND • GLOBE DRIVE • **SUCCESS VALLEY SOON!***

OCS can connect your

home to your office or

tie multiple offices

together, all at high

speed and with full

"VPN" security, any-

where in the Valley . . .

OCS REFERRAL PROGRAM

If you refer a friend or business colleague to OCS, tell them to mention your name and you'll receive up to a month of free service! Some restrictions apply, click Referrals on our home page for details. Your referrals may simply click Subscribe to sign up online!



*Need qualified computer
or network maintenance?
Give us a call!*