Sneak Peek Favorite Resources From Heather Hershey

(Some of these links and downloads from this weekend will be on my site under the Resources tab: http://www.alphawebsolutions.net/resources.html)

Hoax, Myths and Urban Legend Checkers:

- **http://urbanlegends.about.com**
- **http://www.snopes.com**
- **http://www.truthorfiction.com**
- **http://www.scambusters.org**
- **http://www.hoax-slayer.com**

Privacy Protection:

- Try using a Internet telephone and address finder, like InfoSpace (www.infospace.com) or Switchboard (www.switchboard.com) or 411.com to see if you are listed
- To remove your name from Experian's listings, you must call 1-800-407-1088
- National Do not call registry https://www.donotcall.gov

Anti-Virus Tools:

- **http://free.avg.com**
- **http://www.microsoft.com/security_essentials/?mkt=en-us Microsoft Security Essentials**
- **Microsoft.com (security download tools) Malicious Software Removal Tool**

Anti-Spyware and Anti-Adware

http://download.cnet.com/windows/ do a search for Spybot Search and Destroy and Ad-aware and Advanced System Care Free (download them all!) (Do not download Spyware Doctor. It's a decent program, but it will slow you down immensely!) This is a good site for shareware and freeware goodies as a whole.

Life Savers

Offsite Backup Storage for your home or office computers

- **http://carbonite.com/** $55/yr 100GB STORAGE to back up your entire hard drive documents and settings in case of horrendous virus or crash (look for coupon code online for discount)
- http://www.**Mozy**.com/**Home**
- **http://www.elephantdrive.com/**
- **http://home.live.com/** Free alternative to Carbonite for 25GB storage

http://www.delicious.com Delicious Bookmark Program Keep, share, and discover the best of the Web using **Delicious**, the world's leading social bookmarking service. Never lose your bookmarks again, and access them from any computer, no matter where you are!

For Uploading and Saving Pictures:

- www.Shutterfly.com
- www.Smugmug.com
- www.Kodak.com
- www.picassa.com
  (No, I don't recommend Flikr.com for privacy issue reasons)

Password Programs

- www.Roboform.com
- www.PasswordSaf.com
- http://agilewebsolutions.com/products/1Password (for Macs)

Book Purchasing Sites:

- www.Half.com
- www.Bookfinder.com
- www.amazon.com (used)
- www.PaperBackSwap.com (and while you're at it, cdswap.com and dvdswap.com !)

Computer Hardware and Software and Accessories

- **www.NewEgg.com**
- **www.TigerDirect.com**
- **www.Buy.com**

Flights:

- **www.Wholesale-flights.com**
- **www.Cheaptickets.com**
- **www.Orbitz.com**
- **www.Expedia.com**
- **www.Travelocity.com**

Misc:

- **Free Internet Filter:** http://www1.k9webprotection.com/
- **www.Freecycle.org (Yahoo emailing group you sign up for in your local area)**
- **www.Hotels.com**
- **www.Giveawayoftheday.com Free Giveaways every day for your computer.** Must install them before midnight each night to activate them. Be sure to read the feedback/comments first to see if there's a better alternative to what they are "giving away" that day though.
- **www.Trillian.com** all your IM programs in one program (ICQ, google, facebook, yahoo, aol, msn/live)
- **www.DoPdf.com** Creates a virtual pdf printer on your computer to convert documents to pdf format in order to retain your fonts and design for someone to send to someone else and print out the same (great for Word Perfect preferences)

For many of my favorite music, mp3, devotional, Bible Study tools, and children resources, visit www.TomahBaptistChurch.com/resources.html