

To: FRRS Board of Directors
From: Paul Finnegan, Webmaster
Re: Museum Web Page
Date: December 8, 2020

Website Move off Hostmonster Completed

On Friday, November 27th, I received formal notice from Hostmonster that our account had expired and if we do not renew within 30 days our data will be permanently deleted from their system. I checked and, as expected, I could no longer log into the account. This terminates our relationship with Hostmonster.

I received the FRRS Visa card for the webmaster on Wednesday, December 2nd, activated the card and updated the billing information on our Google Domains account. This completes the last open item on the move off of Hostmonster to the PhirePhly Design system project.

AOL email Saga Continues

As reported last month, Kenneth Finnegan made a major improvement to our email forwarders by turning off line length enforcement. After this was put in place, another AOL issue was found, analogous to peeling an onion. Our email server scans wplives.org email for spam. An email from an AOL user to election@wplives.org tripped the "suspected spam language analysis" subsystem, so it prepended "Suspected spam" to the subject line. Just like the issue last month, it again broke the DKIM cryptographic signature from AOL. Thus, the gmail account for the intended recipient rejected it. After consulting with the rest of the admin team, and everyone agreed that it'd be fine to turn off the "suspected spam" prepend on email that's on the fence; we can leave that to the end users' systems to decide. This should fix this issue, so there's another layer to the onion. Let's keep peeling! Just like the issue last month, this likely could have occurred at Hostmonster, but we would have been powerless to resolve it.

London email Server Moved to Boston

As shared previously, our new website infrastructure included three email servers, two in Fremont and one in London. Gradwell Communications, who hosted our system in London, is migrating out of their colocation site in London, so we were going to lose the site. They're planning on pulling the plug in May, but we decided to make the move to Boston sooner than we had to because the new Gradwell's netops group hasn't been able to implement any of the changes we needed to make the server useful for sending email. Therefore, we have migrated that server to Boston on December 1st. This change is completely transparent to our users, but helps improve the reliability of our email system. If both systems in Fremont are down (e.g. due to a major network outage), the Boston server would queue incoming mail until the Fremont site is back up.

General Items

11/10/20 – Added two photos from Greg Elems to the [Around the Museum 2020 gallery](#).

11/12/20 – Added:

- PM0034 Officer and/or Director Oath of Office and Code of Conduct
 - PM0035 Confidentiality-Conflict-Disclosure
 - PM0036 NDA Confidentiality Agreement from Kerry Cochran
- to [Policies web page](#) from Kerry Cochran.

- 11/12/20 – Posted November Board Meeting Agenda and Reports to [Minutes & Reports web page](#).
- 11/13/20 – Created new collection page for [WP 6116 gondola](#).
- 11/18/20 – Posted Preliminary Minutes to November Board Meeting to [Minutes & Reports web page](#).
- 12/1/20 – Posted the article [WESTERN PACIFIC'S Western Division 1910-1930 - Virgil C. Staff](#) on the website and listed in Latest Museum News as “*from the archives...*”