



May is finally here, can you believe it? Each year it seems like the winter months and cold will never end but Spring always finds a way to come through. Spring ushers in the beauty of fresh flowers, green leaves, and an explosion of color on winter's bare landscape.

The month of May holds a special place in my heart as Memorial Day comes along. An opportunity to reflect and honor all the men and women who have served, and are still serving, our great country. It's no surprise that May is also National Military Appreciation month. If you know a veteran, take a moment this month to recognize their commitment and remember those that are no longer with us.

It's been over a year now since Machado Consulting started volunteering around Worcester county, specifically at [St John's Food for the Poor](#). We now have 5 different teams of Machado Consulting employees on a rotating schedule that volunteer every Friday morning. We're treating those volunteers later this month with a great breakfast from [The Theatre Café](#).

As always, we'll be staying on top of all the latest technology news and events going on in the world. If you see something on the news, online, or even hear something from a friend, and you want to discuss it with us, give us a call! We love talking tech and are here to help YOU.

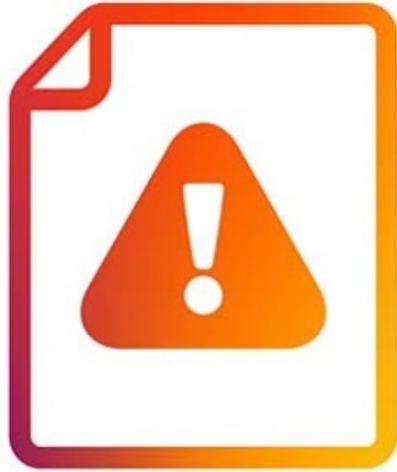
Thank you all for your continued support and enjoy the nice weather!

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Helder'.

WARNING: A New Zero-Day Threat is On Employee Spotlight

the Loose



Zero-day threats are some of the most dangerous ones out there. What we mean by “zero day” threats are those that have been discovered by hackers before an official patch has been released by the developers giving them exactly zero days before they are actively exploited in the wild. One of the more dangerous zero-day threats out there at the moment is one that takes advantage of Internet Explorer.

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Email Security Basics



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Tech Term: Modems and Routers



Email is a modern classic as far as business solutions are concerned, and you'd be hard-pressed to find an office that didn't use it in some capacity or another. However, because email is so popular, it has become a favorite attack vector of malicious users. Fortunately, there are some basic practices that will help keep your email account secure and your communications private.

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Quotes

"Those who have long enjoyed such privileges as we enjoy forget in time that men have died to win them."

Franklin D. Roosevelt



"If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door."

Milton Berle

Brain Game



Twitter is recommending that all 336 million users change their passwords as soon as possible due to the discovery of an internal security flaw. While the issue has been fixed and no data breach seems to have taken place, Twitter is clearly taking this situation seriously.

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News You Can Use

3 Industries that Smart Technology is Revolutionizing



Smart technology has been growing rapidly over the past few years. As a result, there have been many different companies popping up, trying to develop the next “big” thing. With technology becoming a hot button issue all around the world, and with a consumer base that increases by the day, today’s smart technology is seemingly just the tip of the iceberg. Today, we will look at three industries in which smart technologies are making a big impact.

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Why Nanotechnology is the Next Big Thing

One of the primary goals of technology development has long been to make technology as small as possible, while simultaneously improving its performance. The result of these efforts is the field of nanotechnology, which is now applied in a variety of uses.

Q: What has a head and a tail but no body?

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**Each person with the correct answer will be placed into a hat and drawn on Wednesday (05/23) so that everyone can get a chance in getting a \$10 Dunkin Donuts Card.*

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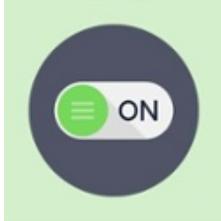
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Power Off, or Leave It On?



At the end of the day, do you shut down your computer or do you put it into sleep mode?

Depending on what you need from your device the next day, you might want to consider which option benefits you the most.

Here are some of the pros and cons of both approaches so that you can pick which one best suits your situation.

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We'll Miss You!

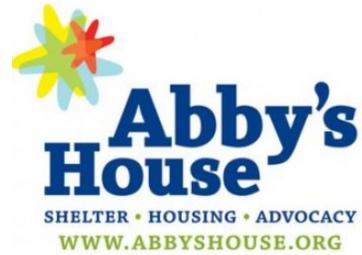


We've had the pleasure of having 3 great interns over the past quarter, and their days at Machado Consulting has come to an end. We wish KyRasia, Nickey (pictured above) and Terrell the best of success in the future endeavors!

Giving Back

St. John's Food for the Poor

Abby's House



St. John's Food for the Poor Program at the unique St. Francis Xavier Center in Worcester, Massachusetts is a nonprofit charitable organization. Volunteers serve up to 700 hot nutritious meals a day, five days a week. Free food and support programs are available to all men, women and children in need of food regardless of race, color, creed, gender or way of life.

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Abby Kelley Foster House, Inc. (Abby's House) opened in 1976 as one of the first overnight emergency shelters for women -- with or without children -- in the U.S. Abby's House is committed to ending homelessness. In this spirit, we have not expanded shelter services, but rather, have expanded the number of service-enriched, affordable housing units.

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