

# Apple users are the best form of Mac antivirus

By Peter Corbett

The Internet community formed by Mac users is the

biggest thing standing in the way of viruses spreading to Apple computers, said a Mac technician from Holland College.

## An answer to what is needed in the environment question

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The following represents the views of one Sociology class at the University of Prince Edward Island who brainstormed on potential solutions to a continuing environmental crisis.

Of particular concern to this generation is the lack of leadership around the many issues which need immediate attention. We acknowledge that there are many green initiatives being taking by larger governing bodies and organizations, but these initiatives will not work without the support of the citizens in the global community. It is evident that the current economic crisis has put environmental issues on the back-burner.

Despite the enormity of the challenge that lay ahead, we propose the following as local solutions to preserve and restore our environment:

One idea to help preserve the environment is finding new sources of sustainable energy, which have a reduced impact on the environment. We need to find alternative ways to organize, deploy resources, and use materials. We need a commitment to developing a sustainable world. If we are not going to invest our money in

green technology now there is no way we can pay after the damage has been done.

Consumerism has taken over our lives and it has caused much damage to the environment. Today everything is commercialized and many of our material goods travel the globe until they reach our door-step. These products leave a "global foot-print" the size of those countries that were enticed by the political economy of capitalism. Being proactive and taking a stand in how we use our resources and which products we chose to buy can help to make a difference.

Education is the primary factor in solving environmental issues; it has the ability to change the way people think. We must take the initiative to learn about how we can make a difference. Making a difference could be as simple as recycling, buying locally, and using public transport.

There must be an individual commitment provoking community effort to change. Everyday people have the ability to impact our global community on the local level.

Hence, we accept the slogan - "think globally, act locally". We know the issue now is time so we add the word "daily" to reflect action now.

As security threats continue to become a concern among home computer owners, security software developers such as Symantec and Intego have been releasing antivirus software for Macs.

These releases have been coming in spite of Apple's assurances that their operating systems are not vulnerable to the viruses currently

affecting Microsoft's Windows operating systems.

Brian Langille, a Mac technician at Holland College in Charlottetown said he doesn't think Mac users are likely to run into the same problems that have plagued many Windows users in the past because Mac owners simply wouldn't stand for it. "The warning against it

would spread faster than the virus."

Miriam Howards, a graphic designer from Sydney, said she has been using Macs at work and home for six years and has never run into a virus, despite a large amount of downloading.

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