TECH TIDINGS

A LETTER FROM THE EDITORS

Dear VMS Community,

My friends, I hope this issue of VMS Tech Tidings finds you well and happy.

Today I was reminded how fortunate we are to be part of such a great community. If you think about i, we have worked with each other in some way for many years. We have stood by each other in both good times and bad. We always wish the bad times never happened and could just disappear; but we are also very thankful for the many good times. Last week we had a small VMS group memorial for one of our colleagues. There were many of the previous and current HP Engineers. It was like a cool glass of water on a hot day.

This issue of Tech Tidings is full of excellent news. We have updated news from our VMS Partners, jobs, and assorted pieces of information. On the sad side for the first time we have an "In Memoriam" page. It is my hope that this is a rare occurrence.

The following is just out on the OpenVMS web site; it is a testimonial for OpenVMS on Integrity from Quest Diagnostics.   If you remember Quest gave an excellent keynote at the Boot Camp this year. Here is the URL on the HP OpenVMS web site http:// h71000.www7.hp.com/announce/cust_statements.html

Here is a quote which I think you will really like:*"We rely on HP OpenVMS running on HP systems to ensure that diagnostic tests are completed correctly, around the clock, and get into the hands of awaiting physicians — all while patient information and test results remain secure."*

Due to everyone's busy schedule Tech Tidings will be taking a Holiday break and will resume in January. Everyone enjoy your holidays and save up some stories for the January issue! If you would like to connect with with either of us in person, please feel free to add us to your LinkedIn Group or send mail to us, our addresses are on the last page.

As always your feedback and comments are very welcome.

Warm Regards,
Sue and Amanda

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eCube Announces DCE Support and Replacement Offerings Based on Industry Standard Security Frameworks and NXTera Middleware

eCube provides critical path for strategic applications built on Distributed Computing Environment (DCE) platform that major vendors are no longer supporting

Houston, TX: November 10, 2010 -- eCube Systems, a leading provider of middleware modernization, integration and management technology, announced two new offerings to help companies remove <u>DCE</u> from critical applications.

The first offering includes three components: eCube's <u>ARM</u> (Assess, Remediate, Modernize) consulting service, the implementation of industry-standard security frameworks and NXTera, eCube's high performance RPC middleware. Based on a careful assessment, this offering applies the appropriate security frameworks to deliver authorization, authentication, encryption and single sign-on.

Simultaneously, NXTera's lightweight intelligent middleware is used to replace DCE's Remote Procedure Calls (RPC), Cell Directory Service (CDS), threads (POSIX Threads) and Distributed Time Service.

While replacement plans are designed and implemented, eCube's second offering provides interim or transitional technical support for DCE, which has reached end-of-life status on many operating systems.

Both new offerings ensure that companies can continue to use these critical business applications without the high cost and risk associated with re-engineering or continuing to use DCE -- either without support or paying exorbitant costs to a major vendor for an end-of-life extended support agreement.

"For years we have worked with companies to help them remove DCE dependencies." Says Kevin Barnes eCube Systems' Managing Partner. "This offering formalizes DCE replacement within the ARM process and leverages the open security model in NXTera. Now the security framework that best suits the client's needs and environment can be implemented in the DCE replacement process."

NXTera is an open platform, standards based, light-weight high performance middleware that provides a range of distributed services similar to DCE, including solutions for authentication, authorization and encryption. Unlike DCE, NXTera is open and can leverage industry standards such as LDAP, SSL, TLS, Kerberos and SAML.

Using NXTera, eCube can replace DCE security functions such as authentication, encryption and authorization with the industry standards, such LDAP for user name and ACL authorization. The NXTera/LDAP combination provides several different methods and levels of authentication as well -- ranging from simple user name-password authentication to more stringent models that use encrypted passwords or certificates. If required, Kerberos, SSL, TLS or other security models can be implemented with NXTera, in most cases allowing developers to set encryption key-size and encryption methods at run-time to secure RPC communication.

This offering allows clients to implement their legacy DCE-based applications on contemporary hardware and operating systems including UNIX, LINUX and WINDOWS. It also supports the integration of legacy DCE applications with the Web via Java and C#/.Net Web Services.

Contact eCube Systems for more information on this product/service visit http://www.ecubesystems.com/dce.html or call 866-493-4224.

About ARM Methodology

eCube's modernization offerings are based on the ARM methodology (Assess, Remediate, Modernize.) ARM permits a phased approach to application transformation where each well-designed phase delivers value to the customer and the modernization process itself can respond to changing business needs.

ARM-based solutions enable companies to extend the value of their applications and enables them to lower costs by updating and consolidating hardware on LINUX, Windows or newer UNIX operating systems.

About eCube Systems, L.L.C.

eCube Systems helps companies maximize return on technology investment by providing development tools, legacy evolution products and consulting services that extend enterprise systems. Fortune 1000 companies and government agencies turn to eCube Systems to reduce risk, extend ROI and increase productivity as they develop high performance solutions and consolidate existing capabilities by evolving to and integrating with contemporary Web Services.

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eCube Systems

THE BOOT CAMP PARTNER ROUNDHOUSE,

SEPTEMBER 14, 2010

By Signe Maximous

One more wonderful memory from this year's Connect OpenVMS Technical Boot Camp was the Tuesday evening Boot Camp Partner Roundhouse.

In my previous job with HP, I worked with OpenVMS partners for 8 years and enjoyed every minute of it. My favorite times were the partner roundhouses, held at Ambassador meetings and Technical Boot Camps.

Somehow this year, I got in touch with Sue just in the nick of time and she suggested that I "take on" the partner roundhouse. What a great idea! It had been several years since I left VMS and I really missed everyone there. So, I joined the team with just a few weeks left to go before the big event.

We had a broad range of partners participating and bringing popular solutions and services to the customer attendees. The partners were: Information Builders, PARSEC Group, Comport Consulting, Multis Group, Oracle, Tributary Systems, Trilogy Solutions, eCube Systems, Process Software, Speedware, Stromasys, AdaCore, Attunity, CA Technologies, Comtek Services, MVP Systems Software, Robert Gezelter Software Consultant, Rocket-Seagull, Nemonix Engineering, PointSecure, Software Concepts International, Systems Maintenance Services, and, of course, TDi Technologies.

Several HP groups were represented: HP BCS, HP Certification and Learning, HP OpenVMS Engineering and the HP Kauai team.

Connect was there as the host and the event and dinner sponsor, and PointSecure sponsored a Happy Hour that lasted the whole evening!

This partner roundhouse was definitely a great success thanks to the quality of the partners and the level of their participation. The room was crowded and bustling with activity the entire evening. Several partners stopped by to let me know how pleased they were with the attendance and the attention they were receiving.

Near the end of the evening, drawings were held for a variety of nice gifts, and the ever-popular trinkets and T-shirts.

I certainly had a great time and hope I'll be invited back next year. I look forward to seeing you all then, if not sooner!

Customer Success Story

Filling the Void When Your VMS System Manager Retires

Don't make the same mistake by waiting until your systems are down.

The challenge

A large multimedia company in New England providing news, events, advice and information to tens of thousands of readers each day relies heavily on their DEC Alpha Servers utilizing HP OpenVMS to run their day to day business operations. However, as staff retired, they were not replaced with people trained in properly maintaining and managing OpenVMS servers – leaving the company vulnerable. A network failure in the data center one Sunday afternoon lead to a crash of their improperly configured OpenVMS Cluster. Their lack of OpenVMS expertise resulted in failed attempts to reboot and reestablish the cluster. The systems were down, and they did not have the expertise to restore availability. However, these systems are critical to their business, and they needed them to be up and running before the start of business on Monday morning.

The solution

Fortunately for the company, the director of IT was familiar with SCI from their participation in HP OpenVMS Advanced Technical Bootcamps and similar events and he had recently been in discussions with Software Concepts International (SCI) to take on the management of the DEC Alpha/OpenVMS systems. With internal options exhausted and nowhere else to turn, a phone call was placed to SCI and a real live OpenVMS technician was on the other end to answer the call. The technician listened to the problem they were experiencing, assured the client that SCI could help, and made arrangements to engage SCI's services.

After being granted access to the systems, the SCI technician began to work. It was discovered that there was a problem with the cluster configuration that required an unusual boot sequence to successfully boot the cluster. SCI also discovered corruption in the queue database, apparently caused by the errors made during attempts to provide some level of OpenVMS system availability. Working closely with the onsite staff, SCI was able to quickly resolve both issues and restore system and application availability within a few hours of the initial contact.

The results

When put to the test Software Concepts International was able to come through. SCI quickly identified the points of failure and rapidly implemented a solution to get the production systems back up and running with minimal down time.

Recognizing their gap in internal OpenVMS expertise and impressed with Software Concepts'

ability to work quickly and efficiently with onsite staff to resolve issues the customer was confident that Software Concepts International's Remote Managed Services for OpenVMS was a perfect fit to fill the void in their IT support staff. On Monday morning SCI was hired as their full time OpenVMS system managers taking over full responsibility for the day to day maintenance and monitoring of their OpenVMS systems.

About Software Concepts International
Software Concepts International (SCI) is a leading provider of remote OpenVMS management and database administration services, worldwide. We specialize in providing system management, database administration, consulting, software utilities, and training for mission-critical systems and databases running on the OpenVMS platform.

Founded in 1987, as a consulting firm specializing in a niche database market, Software Concepts International quickly gained an international reputation for its database expertise. Building on this expertise and international reputation, Software Concepts International now supports a global installed base of OpenVMS mission critical systems.

Our unprecedented balance of strengths – technological innovation, leadership, outstanding people and a proven track record of delivering exceptional service – allows us to provide our customers with world-class system management and database support. For more information, please visit www.sciinc.com.

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Could Your Company Use Some Extra Exposure?

The OpenVMS.Org web site receives a great deal of exposure to the VMS community and is second only to the HP OpenVMS page in activity.

There have been many requests for information regarding the ability to advertising on OpenVMS.org. I am happy to say that it is possible and your advertising not only increases your exposure, it helps support this very valuable resource for the VMS Community.

If you would like to discuss this opportunity and receive a cost matrix please send email to Susan_Skonetski@hotmail.com

Heads Up:
If you are currently an advertiser, you need to send email prior to Dec 15 if you wish to continue advertising in your current spot when your 2010 contract expires. You will be asked to provide new art for the following year.

Sue's Features

I found a great article about Cloud Computing and Ken Olsen. The article was done in June but I thought it was very good here is the URL:
http://blogs.eweek.com/masked_intentions/content/cloud_computing/

Former DEC Employee Dinner - Roma, Italy, DECember 10, 2010

A group of former Digital Employees are planning a dinner to be held in Rome, Italy, on DECember 10, 2010.
The name and address of the restaurant will be defined soon.

All the former Digital Equipment Corporation employees, mainly those based at RIO, are kindly invited to take part.
For further information please contact Enrico Monti
(Enrico.Monti@hp.com)

This is an amazing article on "Scientists claim breakthrough on Antimatter" CERN from Switzerland
http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/40249960
An international team of physicists at the European Organization for Nuclear Research , or CERN managed to keep atoms of anti-hydrogen from disappearing long enough to demonstrate that they can be studied in the lab. We actually had a chance to meet a VMS person from CERN during a VMS Technical Update day several years ago in Germany.

Many thanks to Wim on Linkedin; here is a URL for world wide VMS jobs.

http://www.careerjet.com/wsearch/jobs?s=openvms&l=Worldwide&lid=1

PointSecure would like to let you know that our PointAudit and PatchAnlayzer applications have been updated to handle the recent changes to HP's patch services. They will continue to provide the same great value they always have by allowing you to scan your systems and compare patches installed on your OpenVMS system with the OpenVMS patch listing allowing you to keep your systems up to date with the most current patches. For more information, visit http://www.pointsecure.com.

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NEWS FROM CA TECHNOLOGIES

CA Technologies has exciting news about Infrastructure Management line of products for OpenVMS. For further information, visit http://ca.com or contact Elaine Ritchie directly at Elaine.Ritchie@ca.com

1. GA announcement for CA Job Management for OpenVMS r3.0 Service Pack 1

CA Technologies is pleased to announce the availability of CA Job Management for OpenVMS r3.0 SP1. This Service Pack includes all maintenance published prior to this update. By installing this Service Pack, you ensure that your systems are current on maintenance for r3.0. Please visit the CA Job Management for OpenVMS product information page on the CA Support Online website at https://support.ca.com/ for detailed information concerning this Service Pack, up-to-date support information, and the latest technical bulletins. To obtain your copy of CA Job Management for OpenVMS r3.0 SP1 please contact CA Customer Care at +1-800-225-5224 in North America or see http://www.ca.com/phone for the local number in your country. You may also download this product online through https://support.ca.com/.

2. Certification announcements

CA Technologies is pleased to announce the following products have been certified on

OpenVMS Alpha 8.4, OpenVMS I64 8.4, TCP/IP Services V5.7 and Process Software TCPware 5.9:
* CA Console Management for OpenVMS r3.0
* CA Console Management for OpenVMS r3.1
* CA Job Management for OpenVMS 3.0 Service Pack 1
* CA Performance Management for OpenVMS 3.1
* CA System Watchdog for OpenVMS Alpha r2.4 SP3
* CA System Watchdog for OpenVMS I64 2.5
* CA NSM System Monitoring Option for OpenVMS r3.2

3. CA Technologies is pleased to announce the updated roadmap is available on CA Support Online. You will need to login to your support account, or contact CA Customer Care at +1-800-225-5224 in North America or see http://www.ca.com/phone for the local number in your country for further information. The roadmap is here: https://support.ca.com/irj/portal/phpdocs?filePath=7/4200/openvms_roadmap.pdf

A Tech Tidings Success Story

Article by Bill Pederson

Being in business for myself for over 25 years has always meant marketing myself. I have always used media and participation as mechanisms of keeping myself and my skills in front of potential clients.

Over the last year Sue Skonetski has launched her "Tech Tidings" Newsletter, publishing and distributing to the OpenVMS User Community. Along the way she has included sections for vendor and consultant marketing.

We should all be thankful she has started this publication. I definitely am thankful!

This Fall, after being heavily involved in the planning and execution of the 2010 Connect OpenVMS Boot Camp and also working with Sue to make sure I had an "ad" in the "Tech Tidings", I received an inquiry from a potential new client. In these times and while I am working to rebuild my consulting practice after a bit of a hiatus while in Vermont I am happy for any new client. To have that new client come about due to exposure through a publication like "Tech Tidings" is even more gratifying.

I am happy to say that we have a contract with this new client. The work is interesting and nice to see. The customer is not an OpenVMS shop but they have brought in an application which has been running on OpenVMS for many years. The client is primarily a Windows shop with some Linux. So this contract is a chance to show someone a bit more about an environment with which they are not familiar and also show what can be done. It is to some extent a port from OpenVMS Alpha to OpenVMS Integrity - that will be done in less than a week or so - compile and link - and we are done. Minor issues with the compiles on Integrity versus Alpha but that is also the difference from Fortran 77 versus Fortran 90 so not really an OpenVMS issue.

I also found that there were some syntax issues between Pascal on Alpha and Pascal on Integrity. Once I figured that out I fixed the SPELL utility. I will be submitting that back to the Freeware kits as soon as I have some time to pull together a new kit. Hunter Goatley will also have a copy of the SPELL kit as soon as it is done as well.

So, as you can see some nice things can come from just a bit of ongoing participation and discussions with new clients as well as working with long time associates.

Thanks for the exposure, Sue! It always helps when people know you are there.

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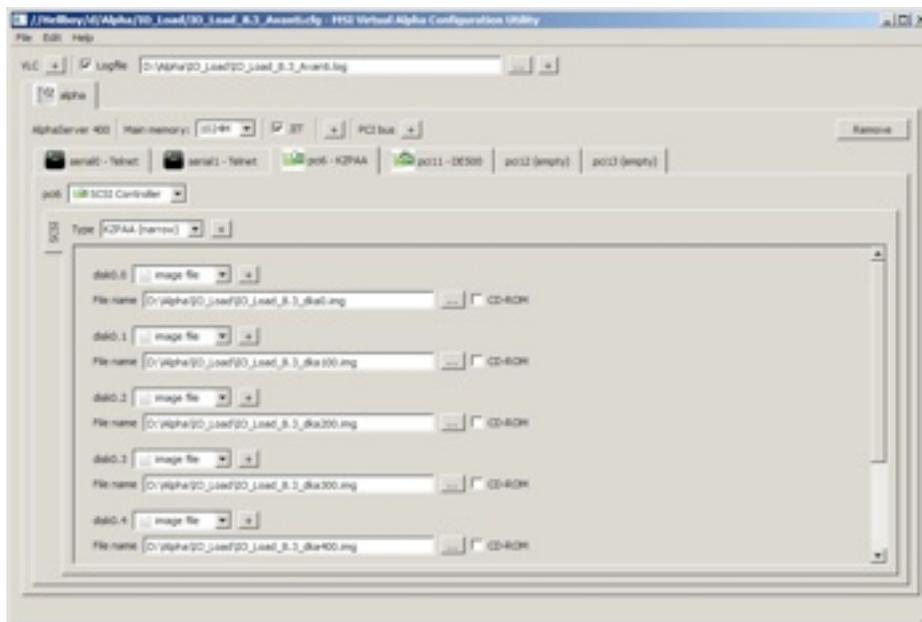*Continuity in Computing*

Virtual Alpha Developments   11-NOV-2010

Avanti *Flex*™ released on November 4. Avanti*Flex* provides al la carte ordering of Avanti features, filling the resource gap between FreeAXP™ and Avanti™. Avanti*Flex* pricing starts start at $500.00US. Visit our Virtual Alpha page for more details.

The next release of FreeAXP and Avanti will automatically generate unique MAC addresses for each NIC assigned to a virtual Alpha. When running multiple instances of FreeAXP and Avanti on a network, it will no longer be necessary to manually add unique MAC addresses to each NIC definition in the virtual Alpha configuration file. Existing configuration files will continue to work without modification, as will manual setting of a MAC address.

A new configuration utility that handles both FreeAXP and Avanti configurations is under development. The utility is designed to provide more functionality than the present configuration wizard while retaining a simple, user friendly interface. When specialized configuration parameters are required, the utility allows the user access to detailed configuration dialogs. The screen shot below provides on overview of the utility interface.

FreeAXP downloads are north of 2,400. Thank you for your continued support!

We just posted a new Virtual Alpha pricing guide that provides pricing in both Euros and US dollars. You will find the new guide at this link:
http://www.migrationspecialties.com/pdf/VirtualAlphaPricingGuide.pdf

Special Webinars Scheduled for:
December 15, 2010

As part of the continuing effort by the Connect OpenVMS Customer Team we are presenting two webinars on 15 December. See links below.

New VAX/Alpha Products using newest technologies NEW Flash & Hybrid SCSI I, II,III Drives

Imagine a DEC VAX running a solid state Flash drive! Nemonix Engineering, Inc. specializes in enhancing your investment in mission critical hardware.

Our web presentation will include a discussion of our three Ultra SCSI storage solutions: Standard HD, Flash SSD, and Hybrid drives. We are the sole source of new SCSI drives for many legacy machines, especially servers that require older SCSI I & II connectivity--including 50-pin, 68-pin, and 80-pin Ultra SCSI interfaces.

Our solutions are designed specifically for compatibility (form, fit & function) with VAX and AlphaServer. We can customize the capacity for any size between 100 Megabytes and 500 Gigabytes. And, all of our drives will work with OpenVMS as far back as version 5.5-2H4.

Speakers:

Duane Harris - VP Operations
Susan Skonetski - Customer Advocate, VP

There are two sessions of this webinar:
https://www1.gotomeeting.com/join/889744144 09:00 EST (13:00 GMT)

https://www1.gotomeeting.com/join/974407024 16:00 EST (21:00 GMT)

These webinars will be recorded and then made available on the Connect OpenVMS SIG webpage. They will be available to any member class - including GUEST for the next 90 days after the webinar. After that you will need to be a paying member to access this and other archived events.

We are also working on two more webinars to be presented in January and February. We will let you know what and where as soon as we have them confirmed.

Thanks for your continued support and interest in OpenVMS and the OpenVMS Community!

Regards,

Bill Pedersen
Michelle Popejoy
Sue Skonetski

Matti Patari's Plethora of Golden Eggs

Just one new thrilling entry:
http://www.goldeneggs.fi/documents/GE-COMPARE-8P-8U-A.pdf   == IBM, HP, Fujitsu and SUN ==

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In Honor and Memory of:

Chuck Graham

We are very sad to inform you that Chuck Graham passed away after an extended battle with cancer. Chuck was our Vice President of Sales here at Salem Automation, one of three founding partners and a close friend of ours. He is survived by his wife Julie, two daughters Kelli and Leah and his parents Charlie and Evelyn. Please remember his family during this time of loss...Chuck will be missed.

Dave Bernardo

Dave Bernardo passed away on Nov 8, 2010. Dave was a senior member of the HPVM team. Dave graduated from Northeastern University in Massachusetts. He joined Digital Equipment Corporation in 1984 where he first spent his time in the VMS organization working in the support group and then as a member of the VMS operating system engineering group until 1998. Dave spent several years in the Tru64 and HP-UX organizations before moving to the Integrity VM group in 2005. Dave touched the lives of many people during his career at Digital, Compaq and HP. He will be deeply missed by his friends and colleagues. Dave's funeral will be held on Friday Nov 12th, details of which can be found at: http://currentobituary.com/Memory.aspx?Memory_ObitdID=86137.

Jack Delbrocco

We are saddened to learn of Jack Delbrocco's recent passing. Jack was the VP of Engineering in PNO (Phoenix) for several years. May he rest in peace.

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The Market

Sr. Telecommunications and Network Engineer Northfield, NH

The Sr. Telecommunications & Network Engineer's responsibility is to manage, plan, develop, and implement the Company's telecommunications and Networking infrastructure. This includes installing, configuring, maintaining, supporting, and optimizing all telephone systems and services, voicemail and PBX communication systems, networking switches, routers and video conferencing environments, as well as responsibility for telecommunication/WAN vendor relationship and billing review/approval. The person will have responsibility to analyze and resolve telecommunications circuit issues in a timely and accurate fashion, and support user needs where required. This is a senior position overseeing a small staff.

Responsibilities

• Manage and administrate entire telecommunications infrastructure and its associated software, including PBXs, call management systems, voice mail, interactive voice response, and video conferencing systems.
• Develop long range telecommunications development plans in accordance with stated business strategy.
• Design and oversee telecommunications projects with a goal to improving or expanding the current infrastructure.
• Develop, implement, and maintain policies, procedures, and training plans for telecommunication systems administration and appropriate use.
• Work with end users to establish service level agreements based on user requirements.
• Administer add, move, and change requests from end users as well as new line installations as required.
• Monitor and identify capacity and performance issues for telecommunications traffic to ensure continued, uninterrupted operation of telecommunications systems.
• Generate telecommunications usage and inventory reports as required.
• Conduct testing and development disaster recovery plans to detect faults, minimize malfunctions, and backup systems.
• Assess need for any system reconfigurations (minor or significant), make recommendations, and execute them as required.
• Conduct research on emerging products, services, protocols, and standards in support of telecommunications equipment procurement and development efforts.
• Interact and negotiate with vendors, outsourcers, and contractors to secure communications products and services in a timely and professional manner.
• Administer all contracts for telecommunications equipment and services.

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• Interact with technical staff to ensure the safe and proper installation of cabling, wiring, and other electrical hardware.
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• Manage and/or provide guidance to junior members of the team.

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• Strong hands-on knowledge of the installation, implementation, and maintenance of telecommunications equipment, video teleconferencing equipment, and voice/data equipment.
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USING VMS?

If you're using OpenVMS on your machines then you'll certainly want to sign up for the Special Interest Group (SIG) Mailing List!

The list has recently been automated and you know what that means! Now you can sign up for SIG email or remove yourself from it. Not that anyone would want to do that, but we're all about freedom of choice right folks?

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