

# THE WEEKLY GEEK



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## Welcome to The Weekly Geek

This is a new e-newsletter from the Information & Instructional Technology Departments at Dakota County Technical College. Each week will have a different technology related topic.



Programmers sometimes get bored and to entertain themselves they will write in surprise tricks to software or websites. They are called “Easter Eggs”. Here are some little fun surprises for you to tryout.

### Firefox

In the address bar type **about:robots** and hit return to find a message from the robots that wrote the programming code.

### Google

In the search box, type:

**do a barrel roll** and the page will do a 360 degree spin.

**Tilt** will tilt all the text on the page.

**Loneliest number** and the calculator will display the calculation

**The answer to life, the universe and everything** and it will display the answer

**Zerg Rush** and your search page will be overtaken by o’s – triple click on them to destroy them before they take away all your results

**Google Gravity** then click “I’m feeling lucky”

**Where is Chuck Norris** then click “I’m feeling lucky”

Type in a celebrity’s name and the words **bacon number** to find how many degrees of separation that person has from Kevin Bacon and how they are connected.

Go to <http://translate.google.com/>

Copy and paste in this text: pv zk bschk pv zk pv bschk zk pv zk bschk pv zk pv bschk zk bschk pv bschk bschk pv kkkkkkkkkk bschk bschk bschk

Then click the speaker icon in the textbox (listen) changes it to “Beatbox”

Go to <http://www.miniusa.com> - type **reverse** into the search bar on the main page.

Now a small gear shifter icon will appear in the bottom left corner of the page.

Hold down Shift on the keyboard and click the shifter icon to see the entire website spin out and reverse.

Go to <http://www.youtube.com> and in the search box – type **Do the Harlem Shake** and the page itself will do the Harlem Shake.

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