

# PC Protection

2012 National HDT Rally

## Protection

- A locked car
- In a garage
- On blocks
- May be pretty safe from getting in an accident.

## **Protection**

Protection is a compromise between

- Safety
- Function

## **What do you need to Protect?**

- Traffic from the Internet to your PC
- The stuff on your PC

### **Internet Traffic**

- Anti-Virus Software
- Anti-Malware Software
- Secured Connection

### **Internet Traffic**

- Anti-Virus Software
  - Very important
  - Scan emails if you use a local client
    - ❖ Outlook Express, etc.

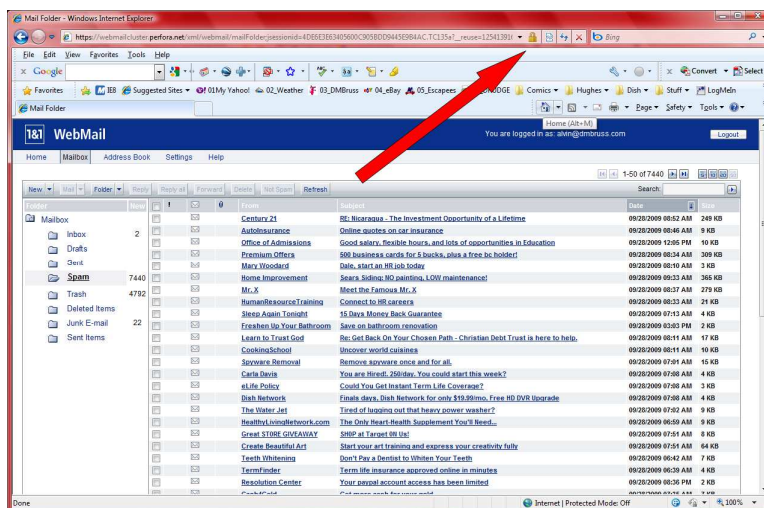
## **Internet Traffic**

- Anti-Malware Software
  - now can be a hazard, was more a pain
  - enough malware can slow your PC

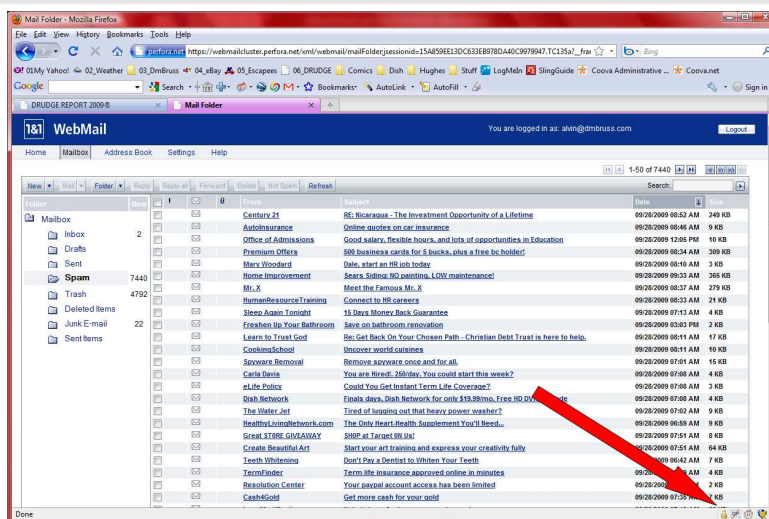
## **Internet Traffic**

- Secured Connection
  - Important when doing financial transactions
  - Look for the "lock"

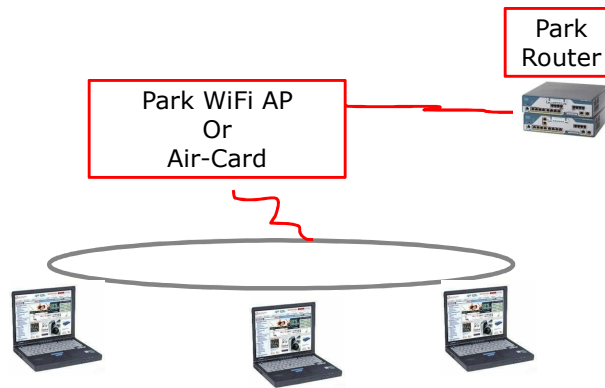
## Internet Traffic



## Internet Traffic



## Protect Your Stuff on Your PC



On a Wi-Fi or Air-Card link, you are sharing a loop.  
PCs on a loop can access each other.

## Protect Your Stuff

- Turn on a firewall
  - Main job, keeps unwanted traffic from coming into your PC
  - Can keep traffic from malware leaving your PC

### **Protect Your Stuff**

- If you have only one PC
  - Don't turn on file sharing
  - It is very hard for someone to access your data if file sharing is not enabled

### **Protect Your Stuff**

- If you share files between your PCs
  - Unless you are behind your own router, the firewall will be compromised
  - Your own router can be set to permit access by your PCs and not anybody else.

## Discussion