

CHAT REMOVAL TO COME ON MARCH 10 - WILL IT COME BACK IN APRIL?

On Feb. 16, 2024, FP announced that chat would be removed on Mar. 10 for a month until Apr. 10, when the admins would assess whether the removal of front page chat had either resulted in OWOT being better or worse off.

OWOT's chat box is home to many figures. From realredtext to Lemuria, and the occasional bot or N-Word spammer, the community is very much concentrated. Could there be a fair amount of users who have only used OWOT's chat and never its canvas?

Though Lemuria, our editor has anecdotally encountered more canvas chatting, the chat is very much active.

FP posed a rhetorical question in chat - would the community be united enough to simply use a different world as chat during the period? Lemuria is hoping the community would be,

though again there's no saying for sure until the very day itself comes.

Let's make OWOT better. Once March 10 arrives, make great ASCII art. Be kind, be productive, and leave OWOT in a better state than when you first logged on.

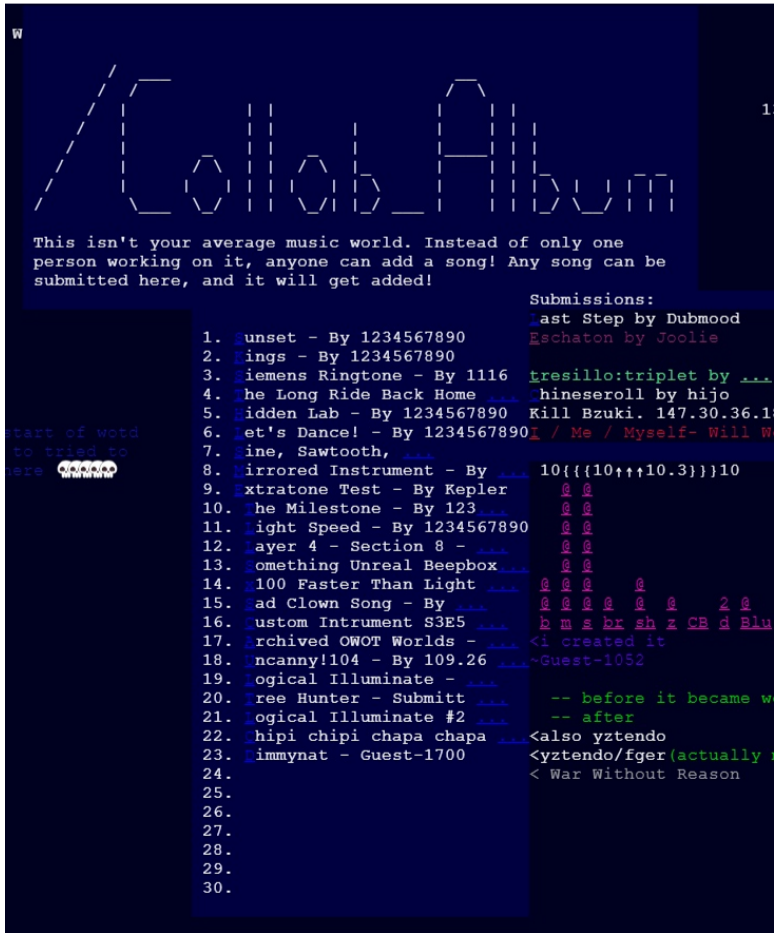
Let's prove to the admins that we will never allow the bad apples to destroy or tarnish this site's incredibly storied past.

If we can all get our act together for just one month - we may be able to keep chat.

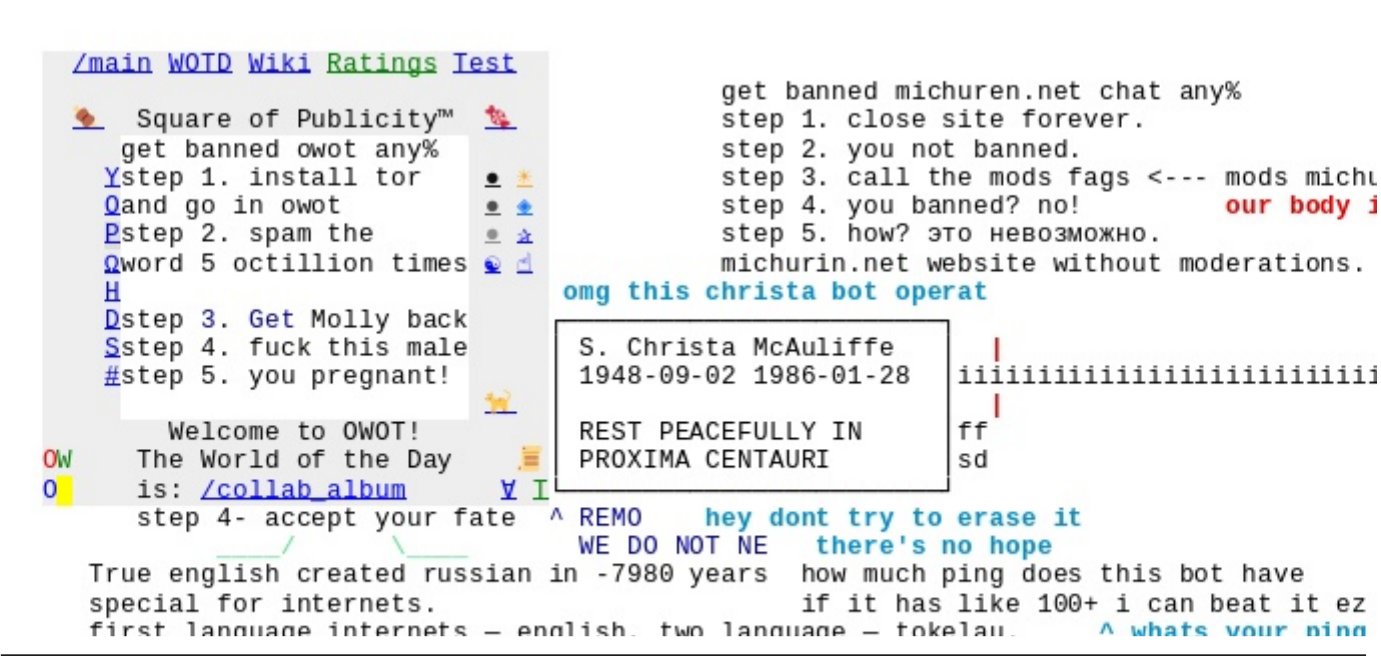
Or maybe, you don't value it. If it is never coming back, the wars that would be fought as worlds compete to be the successor to chat are wars that will help fill more pages of Our World of News. Maybe Discord or IRC will be our hub. Nobody knows just yet.

This first issue is a trial of the paper. Thank you for reading!

WORLD OF THE DAY



Why don't you groove and jam to the great music of /Collab_album? A great selection of tracks to listen to while you make ASCII art, clear out Christa pastes, or fend off the latest Starianna attack. Or browse /main at your own leisurely pace.



CHRISTA BOT OPERATOR STILL AT IT!

That annoying Christa bot operator has continued his reign of terror over the Square of Publicity! First on February 19 he roleplayed Christa in chat. Some have speculated that this mysterious man has even gotten his hands on an image paster. Now, he has a bot that keeps writing the same annoying gravestone to the right of the Square of Publicity.

On Discord, d9eoad has already pinged FP asking that he do something about the bot, though there is still no reply as of 02:21 UTC, Feb. 23, 2024.

For those who aren't in the know on Christa - she was the lady who died in the Space Shuttle Challenger disaster, on Jan. 28, 1986. 34 years later, this random person is obsessed with her. So obsessed that he's pretended to be Christa. That Christa was "resurrected in Proxima Centauri" by the "Space God."

"REST PEACEFULLY IN PROXIMA CENTAURI", screams the gravestone, as the bot writes it over and over again to the canvas.

And let's not get started with the porn (text, not images thankfully). Because, if this guy had pasted Christa AI porn all over spawn, FP would definitely ratelimit this guy harder than how hard this guy wants to really, really bang Christa.

For now, we must continue to observe the bot and see if its mysterious operator makes any moves. Maybe FP will ratelimit it, maybe the operator will finally run out of braincells and be rendered incapable of maintaining the bot, or he'll actually go outside and touch some grass for once.

Until any of that happens, the people of Spawn will have to endure its existence....

Starianna Strikes Again

Starianna attacked OWOT once more today; the infamous Chinese character spam in chat being a telltale sign. Or someone got their hands on Starianna's script. Whoever it was, it's Starianna.

Wipers once again came to the rescue while the Christa McAuliffe gravestone remains untouched. Just as quickly as the attack began it was over.

Even despite the progress we made when FP banned Starianna back on Jan. 29, 2024 - it's clear that we still have a lot to do to help rid our great website of spam.

Remember, when you see the Chinese characters, that's when you need to bring out your wiper and ping FP.