

Re: Pandora Software Advertising

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As a matter of interest why don't you just disable the messenger service as documented in

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/newsgroups/default.asp?url=/technet/newsgroups/nodepages/sectop10.asp>

That will stop the popups from the messenger service.

Paul

"ckopasek" <member39502@dbforums.com> wrote in message news:3369397.1063585362@dbforums.com...

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> *I just posted a comment regarding Pandora Software that uses Messenger to send pop up ads. I have just recently received about 75 ads a day using the Messenger utility within Windows. These ads are advertising web sites that sell software that blocks pop ups. Before I only received about 3 ads a week, it was never that big of deal, on the internet it is much worse with banner ads and other pop ups, it beats the heck out of spam, but now it has become the annoying thing ever experienced in all my years of computing using a PC. What needs to be realized is that this is plain and simple extortion. I looked up all of the whoisit, there are about 10 or so sites, all look the same in design or text content, the whoisit for domain registration shows some names repeated, then some other names, duplicated web hosting companies, but different names. It is my suspicion that all of the sites and all of the uncountable pop ups I get every few minutes are originated from the same company, people, person, or whatever, I just know they are all the same. Who ever these people are they should be charged with extortion. If a mobster threatens you into paying money for something that will protect them from something that they will cause, then it is extortion. People are being annoyed to total frustration that they are happy to pay the 19.95 for a software that blocks the pop ups. However, the only pop ups that are frustrating and completely annoying are the never ending, pop ups that come every minute or two that advertise this software. I can provide some of those web site domains if there is something that can be done. I did have screen shots of the ads, but lost them when I had to format my hard drive to fix they reason I was not able to connect to the internet, which turned out to be a shut down for abuse using the software I bought from Pandora. But I get them constantly.*

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