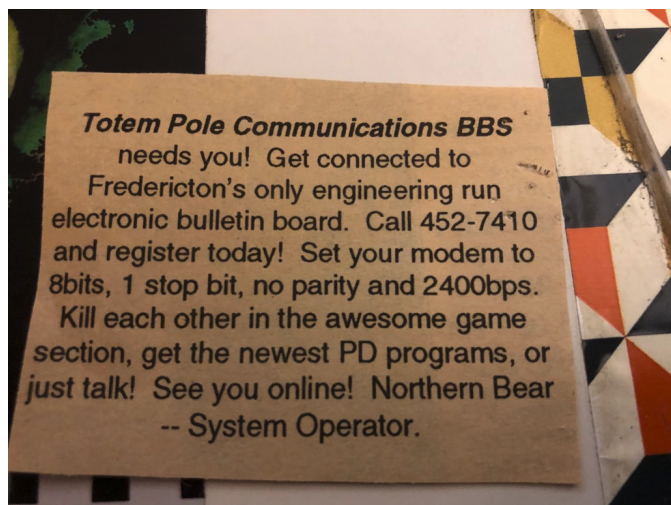


# Totem Pole Communications BBS

## Overview

Back in the mid 90's, I ran a bulletin board system (BBS) called Totem Pole Communications.

I have since, tried to bring this back from the dead. More to come on this.



## Original BBS Screen Shots



| Totem Pole Communications             |                    | SysOps: Northern Bear + Kindered Spirit |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| The Main Menu - Validated User Access |                    |                                         |
| (C)hat with SysOp                     | (B)BS List         | (F)ile Area                             |
| (I)ntro on BBS                        | (S)ystem Bulletins | (M)essage Area                          |
| (N)ote to SysOp                       | (A)Time Bank       | (O)nline Games                          |
| (L)og of Callers                      | (1)FEES            | (P)ersonal Data                         |
| (V)oting Booth                        | (G)oodbye          |                                         |
|                                       | (/G)oodbye         |                                         |

| Totem Pole Communications                |                                                                                       | SysOps: Northern Bear + Kindered Spirit |
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| The Main Menu - Un-Validated User Access |                                                                                       |                                         |
| (-)Callback Verification                 | - Have the BBS call you back to verify your phone number.                             |                                         |
| (C)hat with SysOp                        | - If he's around he'll talk with you.                                                 |                                         |
| (F)ile Menu                              | - See what files are available. (S) command in the File Menu will show you all files. |                                         |
| (G)oodbye                                | - Hangup from Totem Pole BBS. :(                                                      |                                         |
| (/G)oodbye                               | - Hangup Instantly.                                                                   |                                         |
| (N)ote to SysOp                          | - Leave a Note to the SysOp.                                                          |                                         |
| (M)essage Menu                           | - Check and Post private or general messages.                                         |                                         |
| (O)nline Games                           | - Play some <b>AWESOME</b> online games.                                              |                                         |
| (P)ersonal Data                          | - Check out your personal data.                                                       |                                         |
| (S)ystem Bulletins                       | - Those booring bulletins no one wants to read.                                       |                                         |
| (1)FEES                                  | -What it cost to register.                                                            |                                         |

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| (N)ote to SysOp                   | (S)ystem Bulletins | (O)nline Games                          |
| (L)og of Callers                  | (A)Time Bank       | (P)ersonal Data                         |
| (V)oting Booth                    | (G)oodbye          | (-)Callback Utility                     |
|                                   | (/G)oodbye         | (*)SysOp Menu                           |

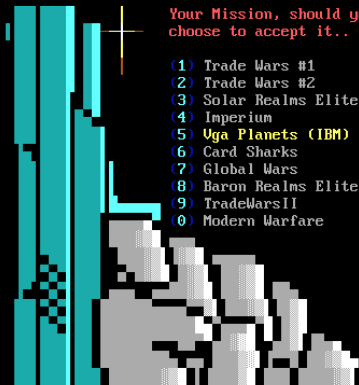
| Messages - Hit ? for a more detailed description. |                       |                    |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Area                                              | List of Message Bases | Actions            |
| (#)Area Change                                    | (0)Private Messages   | (R)ead Message     |
| (I)Previous Area                                  | (1)General Messages   | (N)ew Message Scan |
| (J)Next Area                                      | (2)Online Games Talk  | (W)aiting Messages |
| (A)rea List                                       | (3)Online Games News  | (S)can Messages    |
| (Z)Set Scan Areas                                 | (4)Uga Planets        | (P)ost Message     |
| (J)oin Conference                                 | (5)Jokes              | (D)elete Message   |
| (U)sers with Access                               | (6)Classified Ads     | (G)oodbye          |
| (?)Msg Area Stats                                 | (7)News               | (/G)oodbye         |
|                                                   |                       | (Q)uit to Main     |

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| (J)oin Conference                                 |                       | (D)elete Message   |
| (U)sers with Access                               | SysOp Commands        | (G)oodbye          |
| (?)Msg Area Stats                                 | (/Z)Pack Messages     | (/G)oodbye         |
|                                                   | (*)Sysop Menu         | (Q)uit to Main     |

The **File** Menu - Hit ? for a more detailed description of the Commands.

| Area              | Listings           | Actions              |
|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| (H)Area Change    | (B)rowse Files     | (D)ownload           |
| (P)revious Area   | (F)ind Description | (E)Batch Transfer    |
| (N)ext Area       | (L)ist Files       | (U)pload             |
| (A)rea List       | (N)ew Files        | (+)Software Requests |
|                   | (P)ointer Date     |                      |
|                   | (S)earch Filespec  |                      |
| (Y)our File Info  | (U)iew Archive     | (G)oodbye            |
| (F)ile Area Stats | (Z)et Scan Areas   | (/G)oodbye           |
|                   |                    | (Q)uit to Main       |

- (1)Computer BBS Ethics - What to do and what not to do.
- (2)Registration Fees - Support Totem Pole Communications!
- (3)Time Bank & Extra Time - How to get it.
- (4)Adult File Access - Must 18 to qualify.
- (5)Notes on the File Section - How to get around in the file section.
- (Q)uit to Main Menu



Your Mission, should you  
choose to accept it..

- (1) Trade Wars #1
- (2) Trade Wars #2
- (3) Solar Realms Elite
- (4) Imperium
- (5) **Vga Planets (IBM)**
- (6) Card Sharks
- (7) Global Wars
- (8) Baron Realms Elite
- (9) TradeWarsII
- (0) Modern Warfare

CALL AGAIN

TIME OUT!

Due to the fact that you haven't hit a key  
for five minutes, we have come to the conclusion  
that you are either out of reach, or dead.

Call back sometime when you are NEITHER of these!

Toten Pole Communications is currently running:

- o Telegard v2.7 BBS software
- o Supra-2400bps modem  
(etc..)

Votes as of 10:43 pm Fri Apr 30, 1993

How much should you pay for BBS access?

\$15.00

Alex Murdoch #87

Erico #146

Matrix #35

Northern Bear #1

Raiden #49

Raven #64

Turtle #72

\$20.00

Bink #6

Kindred Spirit #2

Warhammer #62

\$25.00

\$30.00

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| Welcome to Totem Pole Communications. |  
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This BBS is now operating 24 hours a day  
Monday through Sunday. The BBS will have  
to be off the hook sometimes for maintenace  
and other things. Hopefully we can both  
use use the system together.

Thank you for your cooperation.

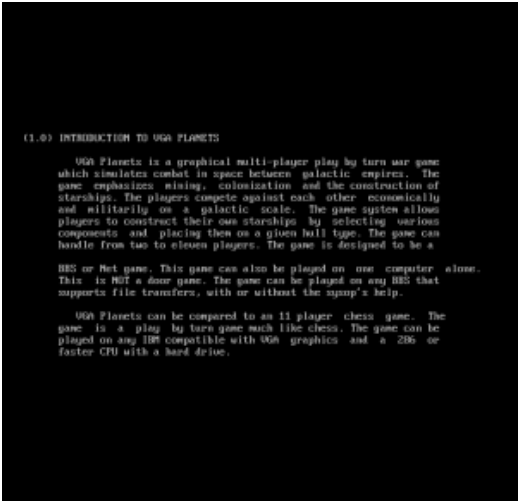
#1 Northern Bear (Sysop)

#2 Kindered Spirit (Co-Sysop)

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| WAITING FOR NEXT CALLER |                                                           |                                                |                                                                                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CONFIG:                 | B Message Base Edit<br>E vent Editor<br>F ile Base Editor | G Tfile Editor<br>I nit Votes<br>N Text Editor | P System Config # Menu Editor<br>U ser Editor \$ Conferences<br>X Protocol Edit |
| MODEM:                  | A nsuer Phone                                             | H ang Up Phone                                 | O Phone Offhook + Init Modem                                                    |
| INFO:                   | C aller List                                              | L SysOp Logs                                   | S ystem Status Z Usage Log                                                      |
| MISC:                   | D rop to DOS<br>M Quick Message                           | Q uit<br>T erm Program                         | U ote Results 0-9 WFCBATx.BAT<br>! Mini-DOS Spc Local Logon                     |
| Time :                  | DLs :                                                     | % Activity :                                   |                                                                                 |
| Mail :                  | ULs :                                                     | Disk Space :                                   |                                                                                 |
| Last Active:            | Last Caller :                                             |                                                |                                                                                 |





Utilities

| Utility  | Description                                                                                       | URL                                                                                                 |
|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| syncterm | A cross-platform ANSI-BBS terminal designed to connect to remote BBSs via telnet, rlogin, or SSH. | <a href="https://sourceforge.net/projects/syncterm/">https://sourceforge.net/projects/syncterm/</a> |
| ftelnet  | Browser Based Telnet Client                                                                       | <a href="https://www.ftelnet.ca/">https://www.ftelnet.ca/</a>                                       |

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| <b>Lunduke - setup bbs on linux</b>                                                 | <a href="https://lunduke.com/posts/2020-01-29/">https://lunduke.com/posts/2020-01-29/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Open Telegard                                                                       | <a href="https://github.com/sharkos/opentelegard/">https://github.com/sharkos/opentelegard/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| List of BBS Software                                                                | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_BBS_software">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_BBS_software</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| BBS'ing with Windows/386 & Windows 3.0 under Qemu                                   | <a href="https://virtuallyfun.com/wordpress/2011/07/01/bbsing-with-windows386-windows-3-0-under-qemu-or-how-i-learned-to-love-rlfossil/">https://virtuallyfun.com/wordpress/2011/07/01/bbsing-with-windows386-windows-3-0-under-qemu-or-how-i-learned-to-love-rlfossil/</a>                                                                                             |
| How To Play: TradeWars 2002! Retro BBSing in 2019                                   | <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ldfdU7F0H5Q">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ldfdU7F0H5Q</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Digital Distortion BBS                                                              | <a href="http://digitaldistortionbbs.com/">http://digitaldistortionbbs.com/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| ** An old DOS BBS in a Docker container                                             | <a href="https://changelog.complete.org/archives/9836-an-old-dos-bbs-in-a-docker-container">https://changelog.complete.org/archives/9836-an-old-dos-bbs-in-a-docker-container</a>                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Docker-dos-bbs                                                                      | <a href="https://github.com/jgoerzen/docker-dos-bbs">https://github.com/jgoerzen/docker-dos-bbs</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Hayes Modem Command Set                                                             | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hayes_command_set">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hayes_command_set</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| BBS Software                                                                        | <a href="http://archives.fidobbs.net/area1308.htm">http://archives.fidobbs.net/area1308.htm</a><br><a href="https://archives.scovetta.com/pub/fehq/BBSSoftware/00_index.htm">https://archives.scovetta.com/pub/fehq/BBSSoftware/00_index.htm</a><br><a href="http://www.lanet.lv/simtel.net/msdos/telegard.html">http://www.lanet.lv/simtel.net/msdos/telegard.html</a> |
| Running a DOS-based BBS through Linux and Telnet                                    | <a href="https://web.archive.org/web/20100405185907/http://satoricode.com/2010/02/24/running-a-dos-based-bbs-through-linux-and-telnet/">https://web.archive.org/web/20100405185907/http://satoricode.com/2010/02/24/running-a-dos-based-bbs-through-linux-and-telnet/</a>                                                                                               |
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| BBS Files/Archive                                                                   | <a href="http://archives.thebbs.org/">http://archives.thebbs.org/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Trade Wars 2002 v309 for BBS                                                        | <a href="http://archives.scovetta.com/pub/fehq/BBSDoorGames/2002v309.zip">http://archives.scovetta.com/pub/fehq/BBSDoorGames/2002v309.zip</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |