Subject: Re: Cool Chief! We're of an age

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Spankings... parents quit doing that and our children have suffered for it.On the other hand, most of our kids are pretty good. You know, TV programming is crap for the most part. And a lot of stuff kids shouldn't be seeing. You have TV aimed at kids that is nothing short of brainwashing.My favorite shows as a kid... Mr. Wizard and Sky King.But if given a chance to watch what they want, kids today love to watch Discovery Channel, History Channel. But what really surprised me, my kids used to love watching the same TV shows WE watched, but now on Nickelodeon... Dick Van Dyke, Andy of Mayberry, stuff like that. They laugh at the same things we laughed at when we were that age.And kids will surprise you. We think kids aren't creative, make things, etc, like we did. I have a photo of a thing one of my friend's boys made.Not having enough computers in the house, the youngest always got the short end of the stick. So, the three boys scrounged, a video card, an old power supply, a game controller, some other bits and pieces, plugged them together in a shoe box, hook it to the TV in their room with a game adapter. Starts with a paperclip poked in the hole on the power supply. The most expensive thing was the electrical tape. So, the kids can use that to get online and surf the net.We built crystal radios out of nothing, they built a crude computer.Paul