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Technology Today...

If you enjoy Bits and Bytes, you'll also enjoy our longer technology related articles posted on our website. Technology Today consists of the articles that don't quite fit in our at-a-glance newsletter format. You can find both Technology Today as well as past issues of Bits and Bytes on our website at <http://1cps.com/newsletter.htm>. Currently there are articles posted detailing Windows XP, The magicJack, Vonage, and one explaining DVD backup tools.

A Dependable Dial Tone...

Just a reminder, our phone number has changed. Though the old cellular based number is still active, it is much easier to reach us by calling the new office number. Through the wonders of technology the new phone system will ensure that your calls reliably reach us every time. (817) 210-6177

A Proper Power Protocol...

As the power bill climbs higher and higher you'll hear more people talking about responsible power usage. When it comes to improper power usage, your desk may be a big offender. The key here is determining what level of power reduction is most appropriate for your computer. A recent advertisement on the radio advocated simply shutting your computer off to save power. While this does save the most electricity, it might not be the most productive. You see, your computer keeps working long after most of us have gone to bed. Nearly all computers are configured to run most of the maintenance programs after midnight when the computer sits alone and idle. Anti-virus updates and scans at 2am, Windows Update at 3, hard drive cleaned and defrag at 4am, night time is busy time for your PC. How then, you ask, can you be responsible with your wattage? Turn off everything but the tower. The late night work will go on without the monitor, speakers, printer, scanner, or any other peripheral. In fact, most of these items that you don't use everyday could be left off normally and only powered up when you need them. To further maximize power control you can use the "Power Options" icon in the control panel and set the monitor to turn off after about 15-20 minutes and the hard drive to power down after 30-45 minutes. It is recommended to set system standby to never to avoid conflicts with late night maintenance programs.

Final Byte...

Some things Man was never meant to know. For everything else, there's Google. ~Author Unknown

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