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XP Gets a Reprieve:

Microsoft had planned to discontinue Windows XP in June. But, thanks to low-cost laptops, Microsoft will continue to sell XP Home. The laptops can't run Vista, which requires too much power. XP will be available at least through June 2010.

Saving Email:

The following are backup steps for some e-mail programs. In Outlook, click File / Import and Export. Select Export to File and click Next. Select Personal Folder File and click Next. Select your inbox or other items (folders) you want to save and click Next. Click Browse and locate the place where you are storing your backup. Then click Finish. You can set up this saving process to occur on a schedule meaning when you close Outlook it will prompt you to save your information in the manner you already did to the last time. My suggestion is to save this information onto a second hard drive. Check with Microsoft's website for a workaround for Outlook Express.

Yahoo Launches Shrine:

Yahoo became the latest company to step into the female fray with the launch of Shine.yahoo.com, a site that incorporates a mix of original content in the form of blogs, articles and videos as well as partners such as Glamour and Good Housekeeping. A total of 15 Hearst and Conde Nast publications have signed up. Shine, arguably the company's biggest content launch in years, aims right at the heart of women ages 25 to 54. Unlike individual online magazines, it has something for every woman (you may want to take a peek if you are a modern man). It allows the reader to share opinions as well as learn from women like themselves – blog style.

Mix-Mode DVD:

This is a DVD that contains more than videos. To do so, you will need the correct tools. You'll need a DVD authoring program. A DVD authoring program is different from basic DVD burning software. The authoring program will help you convert your video files. That way, the disc will play on a standalone player. The program also helps you create menus for your DVD. You'll find many DVD authoring programs on the market. Popular examples include Nero Ultra (\$80), Ulead DVD MovieFactory Plus (\$80) and Pinnacle Studio (\$50). Beware of free software. They may contain spyware.

Basic Training:

The Catherine Eberly Center for Women on the campus of UT offers basic computer training at very reasonable prices. This is a non-credit series of classes that focuses on the novice user. 419-530-8570.

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