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HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

Networking In 2010:

Social Networking is becoming a marketing fact of life. Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn are just a few sample sites that millions are using for spreading the word about new services and products. MySpace has been used for website presence as well. These sites started out as teen chatter but are evolving into great places to network. Be careful who you allow to post comments if your purpose is business (you can delete users). Keep your business and personal links separate. This is important. You don't want inappropriate messages and photos shared for business. Invite the right people follow you on twitter and you do the same. Facebook Connect is everywhere, in case you hadn't heard. We're talking 60 million users on 80,000 web sites. The Facebook web site itself has reached 350 million users. None of this will cost you any money. Give it a try. Create a separate email address for these sites (Gmail is a good one). Need help. Give me a call.

Ready For Wireless?

As prices fall on all peripherals, may I suggest going wireless. Mice and printers are the most popular in this category. You may be already wire-free if you own a laptop. How about not being physically connected to your printer as well? It can be in another room or possibly on another floor. The printer can be shared by multiple computers networked in your home or office as well. This is not really news but it is a lot cheaper and easier to set up now-a-days. A simple wireless router will make this all happen. That snack pit of wires can take a break. Wireless mice are wonderful. What is even better is a mouse that includes a charger. Now you don't have to replace batteries as often. I just got a new Microsoft Laser 7000 from Amazon that is perfect and it only cost \$30.

New Computer Classes:

I will be teaching many new classes in 2010 as well as person training. The entire list of titles, locations and fees are listed on my website www.ohcomputertraining.com. Start your new year with new and improved skills. Become friends with your PC. Classes include very basic computer skills, Microsoft Word and Excel 2007 as well as PowerPoint and Publisher 2007 version.

PC Tutor:

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