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## Featured Service

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## Tip of the Month

### 5 Tips to Help Speed up your Computer

If your computer seems slower than it used to be, it probably is. Over time, computers get slower because files become disorganized and resources are consumed by unnecessary software. Fortunately, Microsoft Windows XP includes tools to clean up your computer and restore its performance. The steps in this article will walk you through the use of these tools to tune up your computer and will be continued within the next four months.

Before you do anything, backup your computer. Some of the steps in this article can cause pre-existing but hidden problems to surface, which may keep your computer from starting. A backup allows you to restore your important files in the unlikely event that something does go wrong. you have more than one hard disk drive, repeat this process for each hard disk drive listed, starting at step 4.

#### 5) Disconnect unused network connections

If you have, or ever have had, a network with more than one computer, you probably found it useful to share file between the computers by mapping a network drive. Mapping network drives allows one computer to read and write files to another computer's hard disk drive as if they were directly connected to each other. The problem with network drives is that Windows XP will attempt to connect to the network drive when it starts up. If the remote computer does not respond immediately, Windows XP will wait, which will slow down your startup time. Additionally, some programs will attempt to connect to the network drive when you browse for files and folders. If you have ever tried to open a file and had to wait several seconds, it is probably because the program was trying to establish a network connection—even if the file you are opening is on your local computer.

#### To reduce the problem, disconnect any unused drives

- 1 Click **Start**, and then click **My Computer**
- 2 On the **Tools** menu, click **Disconnect Network Drive**
- 3 Select the network drives that you no longer need, and then click **OK**.

\*If you are unsure, or don't know what a type of a program it is for, don't uninstall it, send an email to [helpdesk@scallycomputechs.com](mailto:helpdesk@scallycomputechs.com)

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