

Re: Network Issues

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On Thu, 19 Jun 2008 15:23:26 -0400, "Mr. Arnold" <MR.Arnold@xxxxxxxx> wrote:

I have seen patch cables on the network switch and the ones to the card go bad.

I believe you but its not been my experience in the past 17 years of playing with computers.

Most home user's really don't know how to protect a router in the home environment and just plug it into a surge protect power strip on the floor with that being plugged into the wall outlet. In the meantime, the router is being torn up, taking hits and on its way to going defective quickly.

So do you have your own special protection scheme you'd care top share? What I have done has worked fine and I'm in the "lightning capitol" of my state. :)

You should go to the Command Prompt and enter IPconfig /all to see what IP the machine has at this time of trouble.

I have assigned IPs to all 3 computers so that doesn't change.

And that can hide the fact that the computer for whatever reason cannot obtain an IP from the DHCP server on the router or can use a static IP on the router.

I've seen that before a couple of years ago, not on any of my current

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machines with their current setups, just saying I know what you're talking about.

I've seen that before but it's not happening here.

That's because you have manually assigned the IP, and the DHCP server on the router is not being used. It would be a time out situation where the O/S could not obtain an IP in a timely manner from the DHCP server on the network, and the O/S assigned the 169 IP to the NIC, a sign of trouble.

So, you should change the NIC's settings to obtained an IP automatically and if the O/S cannot obtained an IP from the DHCP server, you'll see it.

I understand what you're saying I just don't think it's part of the issue I'm currently experiencing. Could be wrong though.

Oh, and just because the XP machines are OK does that mean that it's a Vista problem. ;-)

It makes it more likely to be the case from all the troubleshooting I've done and what I've seen in the past. I'll wait to see if it happens again as it hasn't been an issue these past 4-5 days. If it does I'll swap out the cable and see if that makes any difference. So far you've been giving me the impression it can't be a Vista issue, or at the very least the last possible thing it could be. Am I wrong?

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