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My girlfriend has left this comp running 24/7 and we've had the comp. for about 2 years with no problems until yesterday when a storm knocked out the electricity and ALL that appears on the screen now is this

MediaShield ROM BIOS 6.33
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Detecting array ...

She rebooted several times and a couple of times " Windows root\system32\hal.dll. is missing " appeared on the screen .

We first tried the "Recovery Disc" that came with the comp. and tried both the "Destructive" repair and the "with Back-up" repair options to no avail and now when you reboot the only thing on the screen besides the eMachines logo is

BOOT Menu F10
BIOS Settings F2

in the bottom right hand corner of the screen.

When I tried the Recovery Disc, it says "restore in progress" but it gets about 50% through the "formatting harddrive" or "file back-up", according to which option you choose, and then stops, screen goes blank and then a royal blue screen saying

" A problem has been detected and windows has been shut down to prevent damage to your computer.

KERNEL_DATA_INPAGE_ERROR

If this is the first time you've seen this error screen blah blah blah.

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Check to make sure any new hardware or software is properly installed
blah blah blah.

If problems continue,disable or remove new hardware or software blah
blah blah. "

My comp was also plugged in but was turned off,since I wasnt using
it,and both have surge protectors but the DSL is hooked to hers and
mine is Wireless Router so a surge may have came through the Phone line
but who knows.

Does anyone have any suggestions other than taking it to a comp. tech
because it would probably be cheaper to just buy a new one that would
be better and about as cheap as a repair?

If a new one is the best option...is it better to turn Comps. off when
you're NOT using them or does it really matter because I see it as
leaving you car running 24/7 and not expecting premature failure?

Thanks in advance for any help you can provide.

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