

Computer Freezing

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This has been an ongoing issue for months, I've tried to help my mom getting it resolved.

Windows XP, AMD 1.2 chip, 256 meg Ram.

The mouse will just freeze, no rhyme or reason to when. Sometimes right after startup, sometimes after a couple days. Sometimes when opening a program, sometimes while in one.

I removed the video card, the ethernet card and modem card. Video and ethernet now running off the motherboard. Still freezes.

I changed all the power settings to not allow a device to shutdown (cannot recall exact verbage). Checked all drivers, all appear to be working fine.

We had charter out numerouse times, thinking it was the cable connection. no fix there.

I took the computer to my house, used my mouse, keyboard and hooked up to my home network, still no fix.

Last night:

I removed a bunch of programs

Removed a bunch of items from the system tray to not clog resources

Changed the hardware acceleration to the lowest level

Went into the registry and removed items from the /run so they wouldn't startup.

I checked today the event viewer for the first time. I find these errors: (from the shutdowns last night and prior as well)

The ATI TV Wonder TV Tuner service failed to start due to the following error:

The service cannot be started, either because it is disabled or because it has no enabled devices associated with it.

The ATI TV Wonder Audio Crossbar service failed to start due to the following error:

The service cannot be started, either because it is disabled or because it has no enabled devices associated with it.

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Now, there is no ATI card, or any add-on video card. There is no ATI software in the add/remove programs to remove.

I left the machine on last night after making all the final tweaks, it was still up and running this morning ok, perhaps I've fixed everything, and during the fixes, the event log error will have corrected itself. However, I'm still perplexed why I have that error. Any ideas?

TIA