

Video surveillance

Have you ever noticed that there always seems to be a knock at the door when you get settled in to watch a good movie? Worse yet it's never someone you really want to talk to, like a door-to-door salesperson. Or, maybe you have a brand new newborn and you want to watch her sleep while you get some paper work done in the den. The answer to both of these problems is computerized video surveillance.

Recently my company has been installing video surveillance computer systems for various companies. These systems are immensely useful when wide areas need to be monitored. A dozen cameras can all be connected to one computer system for easy monitoring and playback. Computerized video surveillance systems offer many extra features than traditional videotape systems.

Computerized systems can be set to record when the camera sees movement. This makes it much easier when you're looking for certain recorded events. In addition, you can setup smart features that will allow you to define certain areas of the camera to be no record areas. Retail stores will find this feature useful because they can black out walkways and set the camera to only record when a product is moved. You don't need to even be in the building to watch the cameras. The system can be setup so that you can monitor the cameras from anywhere in the world as long as you are connected to the Internet.

On a residential level the system can be setup so that the cameras can be viewed from any television in your house. So, the next time your watching a great movie and the doorbell rings, just tune to channel 78 for a second to see who is at the door.

If you have questions about how to add cameras to your computer system call Thomas at Computer Depot, 947-0749.

In addition, I have exciting news concerning the future of the Computer Depot. For the past 9 years the Computer Depot has been operated out of the same rather small retail space. This has been a fabulous spot to grow our company and service your computer needs. However, it is too small for the type of services we want to offer our customers. It is my pleasure to announce that we will be moving to a larger location by the first of March. This new location will still be located in Powell and our commitment to spectacular customer service will not change. Please watch for new details, as the move date gets closer.