Hi, I agree, I hate it when they fix a problem I didn't have. PC companies are the same. The latest batch of fixes for NVIDIA ethernet cards from Microsoft crashed all three of my PCs and I had to revert to the earlier drivers and reconfigure all the network hardware.

Wayne, About the remote you are working on.....I got a IR remote control audio "passive preamp" a few months ago and finally put it to use. All digital switching with Japanese relays and 1% Japanese resistors. 80 steps and 6 inputs. All it takes is 12 VAC at about 100ma. Complete with digital display. As I recall it was about $110 from Hong Kong. Works perfect and is quite transparent. I could not source the parts for anywhere near the price. An option was US made precision resistors for about $30 more. Really a good deal if you don't want to roll your own preamp. As a designer I hate to say it, but I like it. The biggest issue is that the main board with the display is just under 12 inches long and 2.5 tall. It means you can't put it in a small case.