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Subject: Re: Design Mistakes

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The computer chip going into everything imaginable these days is planned obsolescence on steroids, in my opinion. Chips are "needed" because new jobs are needed. Nothing actually works better because of computer chips.

To add to what Rusty was saying, I have an old wall heater, gas, that I need to light because we're out of wood for the stove, and it just won't warm up outside yet. I remember having to light the pilot on a few of the same types about 15 years ago, but because the process is so simple, I can dig the process out of my memory banks and figure it out again.

If those units had computer chips in them, I probably wouldn't have to go through the simple "relearning" process. Just one push of a button and you have heat. That doesn't make the heater better. That makes it easier to use. And it also takes out the sense of personal accomplishment you get when you figure something out that you knew a long time ago.

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