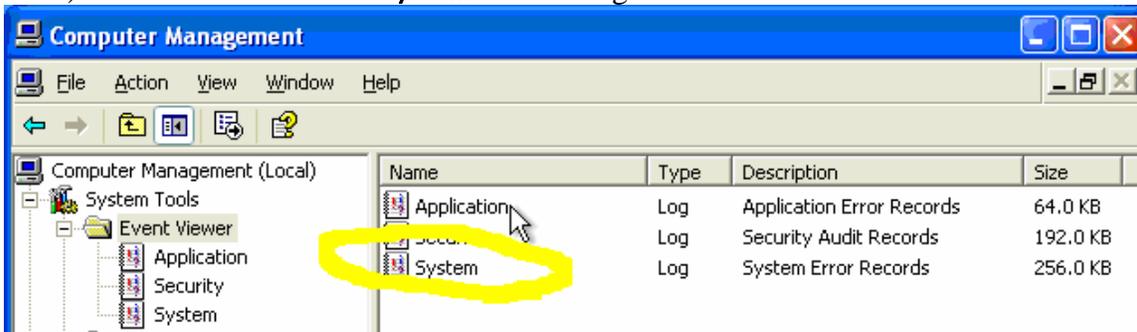1) Right-Click on your "**My Computer**" icon (Start menu or Desktop) and select "**Manage**"

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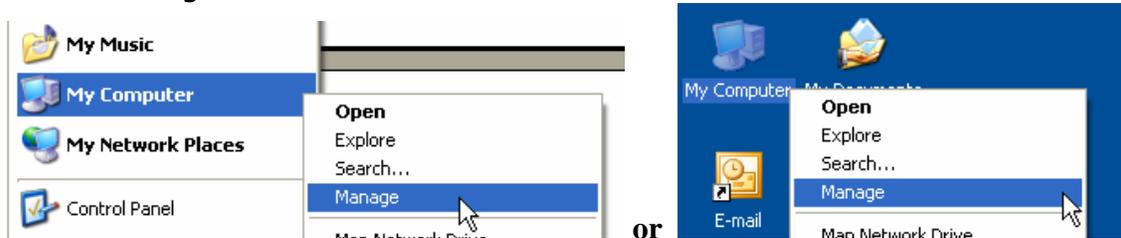
2) When the "**Computer Management**" window opens, click on the "**+**" sign next to "**Event Viewer**"
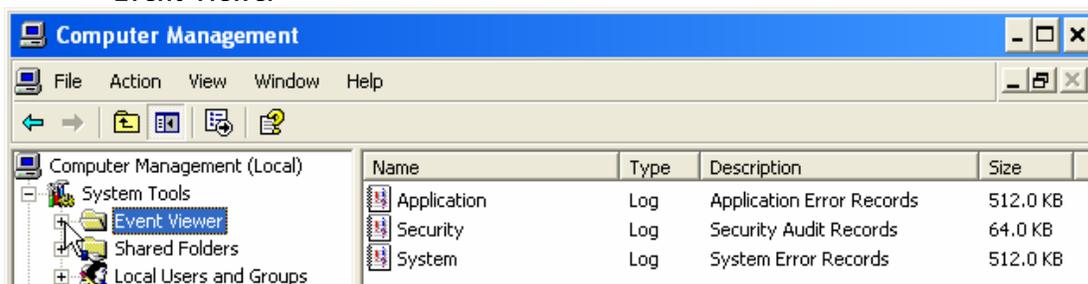
3) Double-Click on the "**System**" Event Log

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15) With the System log open, look for an entry in the "**Source**" column named "**Atapi**", "**Disk**" or, "**Ntfs**". If "**Atapi**" or "**Disk**" is there, it is likely that your hard disk is failing, and needs to be replaced ("Cloned" to a new disk). Most computer professionals can do this for you. The type of message may be "**Error**" or "**Warning**". Note: "Atapi" can also refer to problems with CD or DVD drives as well, but its presence should be checked to be safe.

If "**Ntfs**" is there in the "**Source**" column, then your disk's file structure is corrupt, and you must run the thorough disk checking/repair utility.
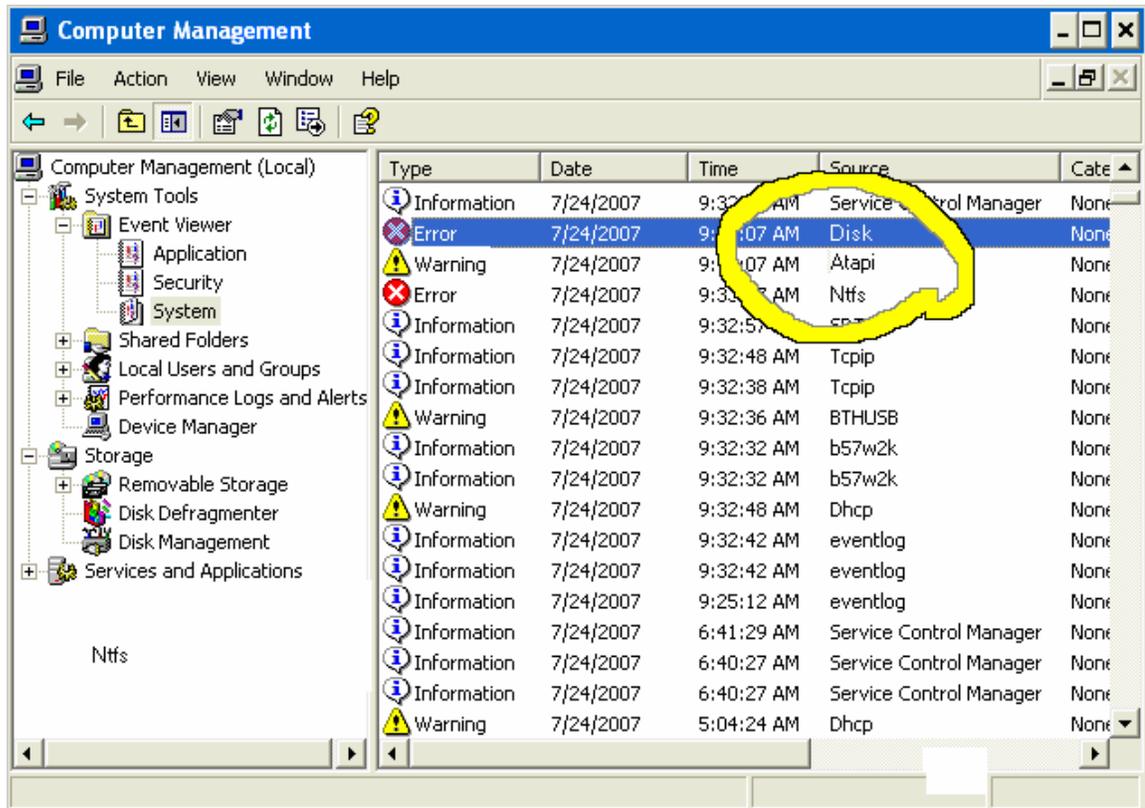
4) The "**Event Properties**" window is not shown because all errors of this type require serious attention. Double-clicking the line item will open the "**Event Properties**" window and allow you see more detail, if you wish.