

Wheels: An email from Dave states: “I have a 1987 Pontiac Fiero GT. After re-setting the clock for the time change in October, I noticed that I lose my station settings when I shut off my car. The radio plays OK. I checked the fuses and they appear to be OK. The horn also ceased to operate at about the same time. Could these failures be related? What do you think?”

Halderman: I think the two failures are related. There are two power inputs for the radio; one controlled by the ignition switch to allow the radio to work only when the ignition is in the on (run) or accessory position and the other is a constant feed from the battery used to maintain the radio station presets and the clock functions. Apparently the power from the battery has been lost because the horn often shares the same circuit. Check the horn fuse. If this is blown, then a service technician will have to find the cause so the problem that caused the fuse to blow can be located.

