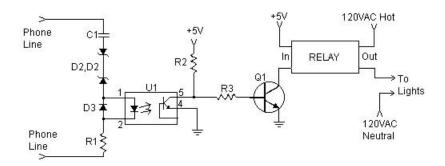
Ringing Phone Light Flasher

I have gotten several emails asking how to connect up some lights so that when the phone rings, they flash. This is very useful in a situation were there is lots of noise and it is impossable to hear the phone, such as a workshop. Here is such a device. The ring detect part of this circuit came from http://www.hut.fi/Misc/Electronics/circuits/telephone_ringer.html.

Schematic



Parts:

C1	0.47uF 250V Capacitor
R1,R2	10K 1/4 W Resistor
R3	1K 1/4W Resistor
D1,D2	20V 1/4W Zener Diode
D3	1N4148 Diode
Q1	2N3904 NPN Transistor
U1	4N27 Opto Isolator
RELAY	Solid State Or Regular Relay (See Notes)
MISC	Case, Wire, Board

Notes:

- 1. You may need to use a lower voltage zener for D1 and D2.
- 2. You can use a regular relay instead of a solid state relay, but the arcing accross the contacts may destroy it pretty quickly.
- 3. Be very sure that you have not accidentally connected 120V to the phone line when building and installing this circuit.

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