



FIGURE 10-4:
Creating a new
virtual switch.

- 6. If your network has multiple VLANs, click the Enable Virtual LAN Identification for Management Operating System check box and enter the VLAN ID for the VLAN you want this switch to connect to.**

If your network doesn't have multiple VLANs, you can skip this step.

- 7. Click OK.**

The virtual switch is created. Your Hyper-V environment now has a virtual network in place, so you can start creating virtual machines.

Creating a Virtual Disk

Before you create a virtual machine, it's best to first create a virtual disk for the machine to use. Note that you can create a virtual disk at the same time that you create a virtual machine. However, creating the virtual disk first gives you more flexibility. So, I recommend you create virtual disks and virtual machines separately. Here are the steps to create a virtual disk:

- 1. In Hyper-V Manager, click New and then choose Hard Disk.**

This brings up the New Virtual Hard Disk Wizard, as shown in Figure 10-5.