

find other computers. David Gross, the U.S. State Department's top official on Internet policy, said he was thrilled by the last-minute deal, saying it "reaffirmed the role of technology to the world and preserved the unique role of the U.S."

Publicly, officials were positive on the agreement, noting that it brought together government, business and civil leaders to work out issues surrounding Internet governance.

Privately, many delegates fumed, noting that the secretive talks, which had been expected,

countries sought a takeover of that system by an international body such as the United Nations, negotiators ultimately agreed, as time ran out, to create an open-ended international forum for raising important Internet issues. The forum, however, would have no binding authority.

"The U.S. has done a good job making the Internet safe for robust political discussion and commerce, but will gradually need to start recognizing international norms," said Frank Pasquale, a law school professor at Seton Hall University in New Jersey.

cybercrime, not currently covered by ICANN.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, who would open the forum's first meeting perhaps early next year in Athens, denied the United Nations wanted to assure ICANN's day-to-day duties.

"Let me be absolutely clear: United Nations does not want to take over, police or otherwise control the Internet," he said. "Day-to-day running of the Internet must be left to technical institutions, at least to shield it from the heat of day-to-day politics."

BusinessCalendar

TODAY

Meetings

ELMSFORD: New York Society of Independent Accountants. 6:15 p.m. Speaker: Barbara Cane. Topic: The Seven Deadly Sins of Estate Planning and How to Avoid Them. Rini's Restaurant, 12 W. Main St. 914-762-5000.

NEW ROCHELLE: Westchester County Association Fall Leadership Dinner. \$300. 6 p.m. Speaker: Sy Sternberg, chairman, New York Life. Honorees: Bruce Berg, Cappelli Enterprises, John R. Spicer, Sound Shore Medical Center. Reservations. Glen Island Harbour Club, Glen Island Park, Pelham Road. 914-948-4144.

PEARL RIVER: Rockland Business Association Small Business Council. Free. 8-9:30 a.m. Reservations. Iona College at Blue Hill, 2 Blue Hill Plaza. 914-715-1911.

TARRYTOWN: Sleepy Hollow Chamber of Commerce. Free. 8 a.m. Speaker: Terry Masterson, Westchester Economic Development Department. Topic: The labor force, taxes and the infrastructure. Family YMCA at Tarrytown, 62 Main St. 914-631-1705.

WHITE PLAINS: Building and Realty Institute of Westchester. 6:30 p.m. Speaker: State Assemblyman Thomas P. DiNapoli. Reservations. Crowne Plaza Hotel, 66 Hale Ave. 914-273-0730.

WHITE PLAINS: Commercial and Investment Division Breakfast. Free. 8 a.m. Speaker: Tim Jones, Robert

Martin Company. Topic: The effects of economic and demographic trends. Westchester Board of Realtors, 59 S. Broadway. 914-681-0833.

Seminars

DARIEN, CONN.: Women in Management. \$55. 5:30-8:30 p.m. A workshop on building strategic networking skills. Reservations. Giovanni's II, The Water's Edge, 2748 Boston Post Road. 866-698-3511.

Training

WHITE PLAINS: Westchester Computer Club. Free. 7 p.m. Utilities and trouble shooting. White Plains Middle School Highlands campus, 128 Grandview Ave. 914-592-9150.

TOMORROW

Meetings

MAHOPAC: Putnam County Economic Development Corporation Business Recognition Breakfast. \$25. 8-10 a.m. Speaker: Lee Miringoff, Marist College. Registration. Putnam National Golf Club, 187 Hill St. 845-225-2300.

PALISADES: Rockland Economic Development Corp.'s 11th Annual Conference and Awards Luncheon. 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Theme: "Connections 2005: Rockland County's 2020 Vision." Speaker: Dr. Daniel Burkhoff, director of the Jack H. Skirball Center for Cardiovascular Research in Orangeburg. IBM Palisades Conference Center, 334 Route 9W. 845-735-7040.

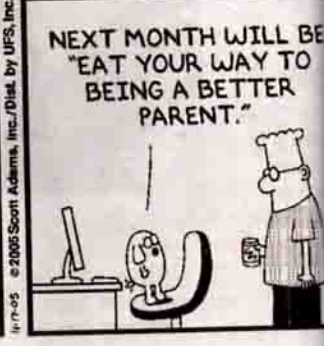
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Nat'l Australia Bk	... 3.023	11-23
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Carolina Trust Bank	... 10pc	12-1
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United Bncp Inc	... 10pc	12-2
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BorgWarner Inc	Q .16	2-1
Clorox Co	Q .29	1-28
Cnty Central BnkCp	Q .06	12-1
Fst Financial Cp	S .42	12-2
Fremont General Cp	Q .10	12-30
GAMCO Investors A,B	Q .03	12-15
Johnson ControlsInc	Q .28	12-14
Pall Corp	Q .11	1-19
S.Y. Bancorp	Q .13	12-16
Tortoise Engr Infr	Q .455	11-22
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