

The time of the year when celebrations, fundraisers, business roundtables, office bashes,

feast accompanied by spectacular wines and decadent desserts. Between October and

presume?) also seems to rise to a crescendo. All of which puts new kinks in my already

attendees (namely, women) never wear one or even have the remote desire to own one?

"networking" forums - all seem to assume the form of dressy soirees with a grand 12 course

muddled brain. Why are these labeled "black tie" anyway (seriously!?), when at least half the

December, the tempo for these "black tie" events (uh... so called to imply a decorum of class, I

Since one must be a good sport about this, one is. Hence, I don my loyal LBD, step into 5 inch

killer stilettos, slip on double strands of pearls with matching ear studs to complete the uniform,

1. Can we be practical and exchange business cards, please? I know it is not elegant to be

fishing for white cardboard rectangles in Swarovski studded clutches or stingray skin wallets.

BUT, after hours of shaking hands and smiling, I can't remember if the person I was chummy

with for the past half hour said they are a private investor or a private investigator. This never

2. Can we please not "commence" with a "cocktail hour" at 6 pm? Who leaves work before 7

technology roadmaps sorta take over. Oh by the way, if you live in Chicago land (or New York

getting anywhere before 8 pm unless you begin the freeway expedition to fight traffic at 3 pm.

And one more thing, can the cocktail "hour" not last more than 60 minutes? Because you see,

by this time most people in high heels (hmm, that would be practically all the women in the

3. Err... I know this sounds corny, but if these must be on weekday evenings (when most

people are working or running around getting their kids to finish homework or both), can we

locker rooms. Why can't the Ritz or Four Seasons install some "black tie locker rooms"? These would be so functional for working folks that are sleep deprived or jet lagged yet shamming to

pick a place with "changing rooms"? No, I don't mean diaper changing rooms, I mean like

aromatherapy facial. Funny? Not when I am in a tizzy trying to figure where I am going to

change out of my mundane work clothes into Cinderella couture. Can't use my office, small

desirable. Ok stop! I did try the women's restroom - ridiculous idea! Ever tried to slip out of a

business suit, squeeze into a dress, change shoes, coax on make up, clasp jewelry, do your

hair - all this at warp speed, with fingers crossed hoping no woman (or man for that matter!)

that works for or with you, walks into the restroom and wonders whether you are trying out for

the juggling act at Cirgue du Soleil. Not good! Yep, I did try checking into a hotel room close to

the venue to get ready for the do. Nope, it is not a pleasant experience when the strange guy

behind the front desk raises a quizzical eyebrow as you check out within just one hour, after

spending an ungodly amount for the room. Ever feel infuriated but can't stop that blush from

4. Here is another one - can we not test people's IQ with clever "dress codes"? For the life of

me, I cannot discern the delicate balance between formalwear, cocktail dress and holiday

attire. And what on earth is "smart casual"? Heck, I am never smart and always casual.

problem - has glass panels. This is one project where opacity, not transparency is highly

look like they just stepped out of a day spa after a microdermabrasion followed by an

or Boston or the Bay area or London or Paris or New Delhi or Shanghai ...) forget about

pm, anyway? Things like - end of the fiscal quarter, budget forecasts, financial plans,

MOMA

I was at the <u>MOMA</u> in New York City last week discussing the impact of design, science and technology on the human life. I was visiting MOMA after a long absence and had forgotten what a beautiful, serene and inspiring place MOMA is! <u>This</u> is one of my favorites and <u>these</u> are the must see floors. Stay tuned for some exciting new exhibits!

A*STAR

A*STAR is a strategic constellation in Singapore to drive world-class scientific research in many fields including pharma, biotech, chemical, electronics and infocomms. It is under the auspicious of the Singapore Ministry of Trade and Industry. <u>I</u> recently joined the Board of A*STAR and am very impressed at how the entire country is led and operates like an global innovative technology company.

Technology Policy Summit

I spoke at the Technology Policy summit recently, where discussions ranged from innovation strategies to immigration to everybody's favorite - DRM. Of course, what is a policy summit these days without the usual Net neutrality debate! Esther Dyson and I chatted about the future of mobility, the influence of cell phones in emerging markets, the intersection between telecom and internet, and the implications of all this on regulation and policy. You can read about and watch some

Womenomics

Beats me!

and hop from one haute event to another.

happens to you? Come on!

I am not complaining, honest. It's just that I have a few ideas ...

crowd) are just dying to sit down - somewhere, anywhere. Ouch!

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Makes some great points. I LOVE the last sentence.

Good start

Promising!

New home?

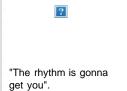
New planet

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Just 20 years to get there at light speed. This may be what we'll have to do if we don't take care of our present home

Music	<u>box</u>





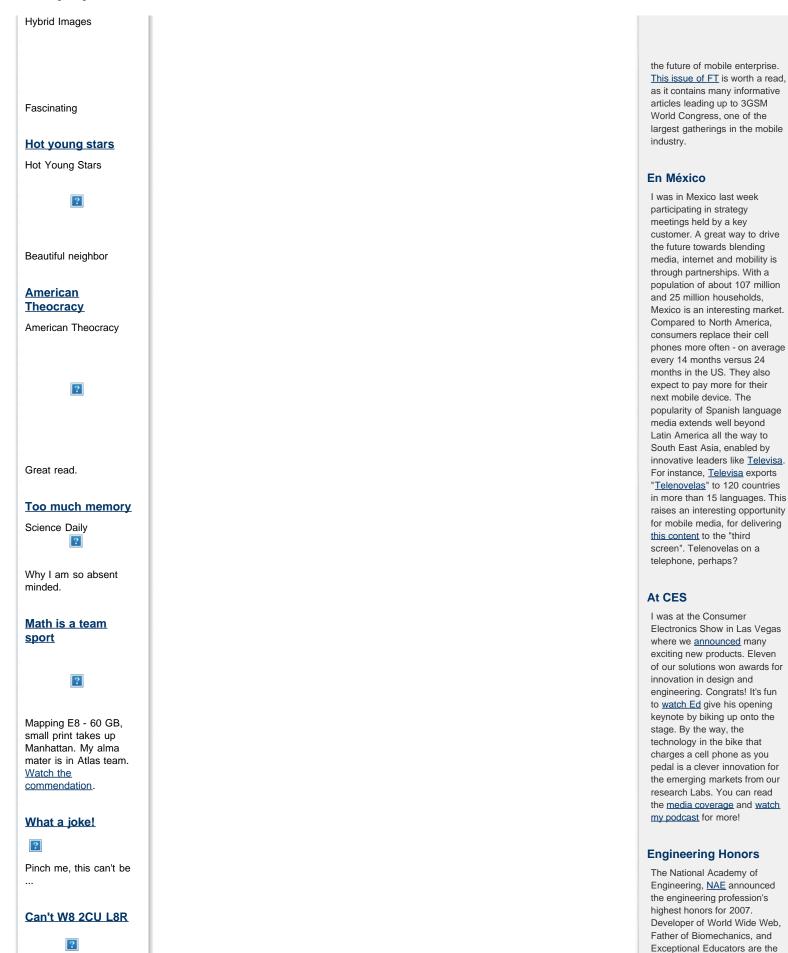
Few tips assuming you have miraculously solved all of the aforementioned problems. If you are

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creeping up your neck and face? I know that feeling.

OMG	a guest and know the host well - bribe them (just do it!) to seat you next to someone you actually like. If not, the entire evening will be spent in perfunctory small talk about your job, the	interesting debates here.
	weather, origin of your name, color of your skin, country of birth etc. And you will spend an	Venture One Outlook
Spelling Bee	inordinate amount of energy staying clear of interesting topics like religion, politics, technology and whatever else! If you don't know the host well, then scope out the general direction of the	I was happy to see that the
?	women's restroom. You can always escape to "powder your nose" whenever you feel tears of	conference this year was
	boredom swell up. This only works if you are a woman, of course. If you are a man - sorry I have no ideas for you, but I do empathize with your plight.	broader in <u>scope</u> and the <u>keynote speakers</u> covered a set
	By happenstance if you are the host or have "bought" a table, don't invite people that you	of diverse experiences.
Wow - new kind of	would drive out of state to avoid. I mean, don't just check the boxes in alphabetical order by	
spelling bee :-)	last name to fill up seats, you will repent it. It will become one of those things that you wish you had paid more attention to, like that Language Arts grammar and structure class in middle	Destiny's Dances
Pipe Organ	school.	I just saw the <u>Joffrey Ballet's</u> winter program and it is simply
Pipe Organ	Not to worry, help is on the way. Technology will transform the <u>future of fashion</u> . I share this	fabulous. " <u>The Green Table</u> " which is a danse macabre in
	vision for "black tie" events in 2010. Now, that's <u>haute!</u>	eight scenes conceived by Kurt
2	Meantime, excuse-mois, while I search for my black tie in the women's restroom.	Joss in Germany between the two world wars is especially
		powerful. This ballet has been an international classic since
Music, art, nature - its all		1932. It is a hypnotic depiction
science!		of the callousness of war and the ravages of uncontrolled
	Comments Add Comment	power. Bravo Joffrey, for such a
<u>Like a human</u>	Posted By: Ashitha Ambadi (08/01/2007 3:21:14 PM)	graceful and emotive performance. The reviews are
Learn like a human	Comment: I just chanced upon this blog and yes, I'm already hooked onto it:) You've a way	glowing. I highly recommend it (and yes, I am on the Board of
_	with words that convey the facts and at the same time, that make people laugh. Hats off to	Directors of Joffrey Ballet).
?	you!	
	Posted By: <u>Robert Carlson</u> (21/12/2006 5:09:51 PM)	3GSM
	Comment: Your obervations are spot on, as I can't stop laughing about the numerous times I have seen executives with that look of fear for a place to change and prepare. Towards the	The <u>3GSM World Congress</u> keeps getting bigger each year.
Very interesting	end of a long day, you have added a very large smile to my face, Thanks !!	Over 55,000 people gathered in Barcelona, from industries as
XXXI Olympiad	Posted By: Divya (18/12/2006 12:52:39 PM)	diverse as media,
XXXI Olympiad	Comment: Such light humor is not what I expected out of a CTO blog! Thanks for making the	entertainment, internet, wired and wireless communications.
Olympics	techno-lingo more accessible. May your tribe increase. Au revoir Divya	am thrilled to see the mobile
		attract brainpower from start- ups to global giants. Big themes
It's gotta be Chicago		this year are mobile navigation, mobile entertainment and next
over L.A any day!		generation wireless broadband,
		with heated debates (surprise!), between <u>WiMax</u> , <u>HSPA+</u> , and
Brrr		LTE. In fact, I was on <u>a panel</u> with leading experts that
		debated this. We launched
		<u>several products</u> , my favorite is the <u>MOTORIZR</u> TM Z8. This is
2		very cool!
		Coincidentally
This is spring in Chicago		En route to Barcelona from Chicago via London, I was
:-(reading the Feb 12th issue of the Financial Times, when I
		came across this article "Where
<u>Pain, no gain</u>		did they all go?" Coincidentally, it mentions some of the same
?		issues and opportunities for the "mobile worker" that I wrote
I need an excuse not to		about in my Feb 8th post on
work out :-(Enterprise Mobility. Some new data from FT - in Chicago
Hybrid images		people left more than 80,000 mobile phones in cabs in a six-
<u></u>		month period, in London the
		number is 10,000 a month! Talk about the need for innovation
		around information security in

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R u kidN me? NcreDbl!

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winners.

Congratulations!

Did you see this?

"...well done! via thefischbowl"

Love to see you mad

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Aha! Now I know why some people always make me mad

Way to go

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Congratulations

Green Chicago River

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Happy <u>St. Patty's Day</u> from Chicago!

World Cup Cricket

World Cup

Billion of fans are mourning today! <u>Bangladesh beat India</u> can there be a bigger upset? <u>Ireland beat</u> <u>Pakistan</u>. Irish fans are ecstatic in Jamaica on St. Patty's Day. No idea what I am talking about? <u>Read this</u>.

March Madness

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World cup cricket and March Madness both at the same time - my household is chaotic.

Chicago night sky

Explore the World



Cool visualization!

International Women's Day

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May I buy some vowels?

Last week I was chatting with a fellow passenger at an airport while waiting to catch a plane. She happened to be an English teacher. As we were talking, she got a text message on her mobile that drew a smile and frown at the same time. She turned to me for translation learning that I am a prolific "txtr". We then started discussing the impact of IM and SMS on the literary skills of youth today. It is inevitable that technology have an influence on the arts and language. But, there is a "word of difference" between ludicrous and Ludacris!

Mixing business with pleasure

Yes, the MOTOROKR E6 allows you to do just that. We recently launched the MOTOROKR E6 at ITU. I love this Linux device which combines PDA business functionality with pure entertainment. You can read more about our Java Linux strategy from what Guy Martin, one of our technical experts has to say. Jav Chou learning martial arts from his "phone" to beat his opponent, as seen in this video is not that far off from the reality of mobile internet experience!

For some Text Appeal

If you are one of those people that always need a QWERTY and " txt msgs dr u nts"... help is on the way. Try this <u>dictionary</u> for learning text speak.

Bodyworlds

I saw <u>this exhibit</u> the last time it came to the Chicago Science Museum. Blew my mind!! Highly recommend it (I rate it PG 13). Don't miss it, if you live in the Chicagoland or if it comes to a science museum near you! Full disclosure, yes I am a trustee of the Chicago Science Museum and no, that's not why I am recommending the exhibit.

Out and about

I liked what <u>Jonathan</u> has to say about <u>travel light</u>. Couldn't agree more!

On the other side

In India average revenue per

Hope you celebrated with a woman who inspires you! At the least, I hope you didn't fight with a woman today :-)

Go Big Red!

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Awesome.

Things Fall Apart

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From my Alma Mater. I love robotics!

Equal pay at Wimbledon



About time

<u>Chocolates,</u> jewelry, cell phones

Chocolate Strap

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Hmm

<u>Mars</u>

NASA

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NASA's Reconnaissance Orbiter is set to surpass the record for the most science data returned by any Mars spacecraft. So beautiful!

Year of the Pig



Happy Chinese New Year! cellular user is 2 cents per minute and the government targets 85% of the country to have mobile coverage by the end of 2007. 70% of the current 1.1 billion population in India is less than 35 years old.

When in France

In France, more than 40% of residential fixed traffic is VoIP over DSL. Compared to that, US in 2005 was about 4% VoIP over cable and DSL, in 2006 my gut says this maybe 8% - mostly over cable. In Europe, DSL overwhelms cable 3 or 4:1 vs. about 1:1 in the US. In the US, VoIP over DSL in 2005 was only 0.1% of all fixed-line voice traffic.

Take a peek

Held our first ever "Innovation Showcase" open to employees and select external audience. Techies across the company showed off their stuff. In two days, packed with activities we created a lot of buzz, customer interest and employee excitement. Check out some cool new things!

With great interest

I recently met some very accomplished <u>people</u> at The Fortune <u>Most Powerful</u> <u>Women's summit</u>. On one of the panels we debated the <u>Future of the Internet</u>. Ann <u>Moore's</u> comments about the swim suit issue of Sports Illustrated are a classic in anticipatory demand creation, watch it <u>here</u>.

Helsinki here I come

Gave a <u>keynote</u> at the IEEE Personal Indoor Mobile Radio Conference, PIMRC (ouch, that's a mouthful!) in Helsinki, Finland. This is my first visit to Helsinki and Finland for that matter. More sunshine than I expected!

At Aspen

Was at a roundtable discussion on the "Mobile Generation" at the <u>Aspen Institute</u>. The panel focused on the social and technological implications of the mobile device and how it will transform our future. David writes a nice <u>summary</u>.

Innovation and Diversity

Net neutrality

Financial Times



I reread this recently. Whether you agree with the point of view or not, you have to respect Prof. Eli Noam's clarity of thought.

Science Talent



For the first time in the Science Talent Search competition's 66-year history, female scientists achieved numerical parity with males.

Prince



Watching the half time show live at the Dolphins Stadium was spectacular! Even the rain didn't put a damper on the energy.

<u>50 in 50</u>

To 50 Innovations



What do the pill, cell phone, prozac and IEEE 802.16 have in common? Check it out!

Your words, Mr. President!

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How interesting.

Autoimmune

Autoimmune



It is always exciting to read about progress like

Spoke at National Center for Women & Information Technology. U.S. Department of Labor forecasts that we will add a million IT jobs by 2014. I firmly believe that women will play a strong leadership role in shaping the future in technology. I loved the blog that Brad Feld posted. Lucy Sanders writes more about the NCWIT's first ever Innovation and Diversity town hall. I spoke about Motorola's focus on innovation and diversity combining expertise from fashion, design, technology, engineering and experience marketing. Iconic innovation like the RAZR happens only by being open to diversity of thought.

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Not sure I want this?

Women in Tech

silicon.com

This is worrisome.

Too engaged!

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I can totally relate to this! What David writes about, applies to modern CTO's as well as "modern newspaper people" :-)

<u>MLK</u>

Martin Luther King

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Timeless! Always moves me.

Funny!

Comic I love it! via <u>xkcd</u>

The art of tech

Nano Art

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So beautiful!

Black diamonds

Black Diamond

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A girl's best friend!

Science degrees

Decline



Bad news

Droodle

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Next time you are at home - sick and bored, try this.

How the Brain sees

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Don't forget, for there may be no vision without memories.

Free will

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Oh no, we may be nothing but sophisticated meat machines after all! Crochet and Math Chaotic Craftwork ? Just when you thought getting a C in that Home Ec. class was OK! Christmas day ? Anyone online today? Guilty as charged. <u>Santa</u> Santa ?

Finally, children have a scientific basis to believe. And so do I!

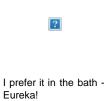
My kinda sled

Sled



Fiction scores!

Eureka



Petite Suits

Sunita Williams



Sunita Williams did it! Over 150 male astronauts versus only 7 women have done a space walk, partly because space suits don't come in small sizes. More suits in size 4P, please!

Greetings!

Snow Flake



For the Entrée

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Wow, this is a mouthful! Try some politically correct crustaceans for dinner tonight.

Being flexible

Crystal printing



If this works, it will lead to some amazing new forms.

Pigs can fly?

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OK so it's the squirrels.

That One!

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The LBD - every woman's gotta own at least one.

The night sky

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Discovery

How beautiful is this night sky lit up by the space shuttle Discovery!

3300 year old murder mystery

King Tut

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An unreal blow.

Bombs and the bees

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This one is not for the birds.

All play no work

These are just plain fun. Geogreeting (via Brady's post on <u>O'Reilly Radar</u> and <u>World Map</u> (via <u>Chris Sacca</u>).

Known unknowns...

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Definitely not the Rumsfieldian kind! Check out the top 25 unanswered questions in science.

<u>It thinks, therefore</u> it is

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Researchers from my alma mater Cornell University and the University of Vermont made a robot that observed its own motion and then generated its concept of self.

That new agent steals my breath away!

Robot

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No, not quite <u>Daniel</u> <u>Craig</u>! Researchers at Washington University in St. Louis are using wireless sensor networks with software agents to navigate a robot through simulated fire. Once the agent locates the fire, it clones itself!

Bad science



Since 1660, The Royal Society of London has been a champion to replace unsound thinking about the world with knowledge based observation and experimentation. They are now having to battle unsound thinking about climate change and are being pushed to defend Darwin's theory of evolution. How sad to confuse a "movement" with science.

Mobile phone for internet to the masses

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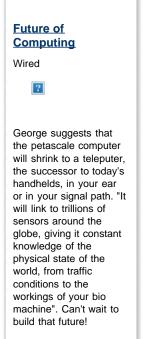
The discussions in the first Internet Governance forum in Athens about abstract political control of content are somewhat moot!

Every step you take, every move you make

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Are we sleep-walking into a surveillance society or are we already waking up to it? This report stopped me in my tracks, pun intended!

Lights, phone, action New ways to create and share, emerging art with emerging technology. Maybe now I can argue that the Sundance Film festival is indeed a tech conference that I should attend.



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