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Secure Wireless WG-1000 Gateway
The Gist: Your Wi-fi Firewall

Wireless networking with IEEE 802.11b is a blessing for home users, but many corporate campuses are sloppy with Wi-Fi technology, making intranets visible to laptop-wielding hackers in the parking lot. Bluesocket's WG-1000 encrypts all Wi-Fi and Bluetooth communications end-to-end. Install it between a site's LAN and its wireless access points, and it closes the security holes; people can log on through any browser. The $5,000 unit also lets sysadmins control traffic, so that one user can't eat up all the bandwidth.

- James Turner

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Spider-Man
The Gist: Redefining Web Spin Control

Besides promoting one of next summer's most anticipated blockbusters, Sony Pictures' *Spider-Man* site is the first to showcase Screenblast, a suite of online authoring tools Sony hopes will turn millions into content-creation junkies. Designed by Media Revolution, the sticky Web portal lets Spidey fans produce original videos and analyze cartoon villains to death. Using WildTangent's 3-D plug-in, users can also navigate scenes of superheroism, change what happens, and post the results for peer approval or condemnation.

- Paul Spinrad

Sony Pictures Entertainment: www.sony.com/spider-man.

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