Digest #130

We have plenty of news you need to know this week.

Plantronics has landed a prestigious design award. The 3rd annual Salinas Valley AgTech Summit is coming up. Imprivata's CEO talks about medical information security. Digital NEST gets needed funding to open a new space in Salinas. And, Apps for Ag was held at Cabrillo over the weekend.

Coincidentally, we have FOUR Q&A interview this week. Catch up up directly with the leaders of Slick, Metareal, MBEP, and the Mini-Maker Faire.

Remember SCO? Many of us do. Well, they're undeniably and reliably dead. Again.

Job hunting? We've posted many new jobs on our Jobs Page. Hiring? It's our most popular page.

All this, and more. Scroll down and start reading.

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Top Stories

Q&A: Thomas Agaraté talks about the SLICK Go-Pro Stabilizer, a successful Indiegogo campaign, and why he moved from France to Silicon Valley to Santa Cruz. Read this story.

Students and ag reps applied technology to agricultural issues during Apps for Ag, a hackathon at Cabrillo this past weekend. Who won the $9K in prize money? Read this story.

Q&A: Kate Roberts talks about what's new at MBEP, and invites you to MBEP's Regional Economic Summit in April. Read this story.

Q&A: David Van Brink talks about Metareal's preview at the Game Developers Conference (GDC) this week. Read this story.

Q&A: Zaq Roberts talks about Invention
Literacy and announces the first round of exhibitors for the upcoming Santa Cruz MINI Maker Faire. Read this story.

Digital NEST moves closer to opening a space in Salinas. The city has budgeted $50K to help, and two anonymous donors have each pledged $100K. Read this story.

More than 100,000 people living in and around the Salinas Valley are on track for a digital upgrade from Charter Communications within the next three years. Read this story.

Plantronics has landed a prestigious iF Design Award for BackBeat SENSE. Read this story.

The 3rd Annual Salinas Valley AgTech Summit is set for March 30 at Hartnell College. It's free. Read this story.

How safe is your medical information? Here's a video of Imprivata's CEO discussing cybersecurity in healthcare on Mornings with Maria. Watch the video.

Remember SCO? SCO Is now undeniably and reliably dead. Again. Read this story.
Jobs/Internships

- View all job openings
- Post a job (free)

Events

Note: Dates, times, and locations are all subject to change. Be sure to check the event website for your event.

- Tue Mar 15, 6-8pm: Creating A Winning Pitch (Startup Challenge) at CSUMB (BIT Building).
- Tue Mar 15, 6-8pm: The Future of Farm to Fork - Using AgTech to keep Track at CSUMB/Salinas.
- Wed Mar 16: 1-6pm: 14th Annual Ethics and Responsible Business Forum & Cool Tech Expo at CSUMB. (Forum: 3-5pm, Tech Expo: 1-3pm / 5-6pm)
- Wed Mar 16, 5pm: Santa Cruz Women's Javascript/FrontEnd Development Meetup at Looker.
- Wed Mar 16, 6:30pm: Santa Cruz Bitcoin & Crypto-currency Meetup at NextSpace.
- Tue Mar 22, 6-8pm: Creating A Winning Pitch (Startup Challenge) at Cruzio.
• Tue Mar 22, 7pm: **Santa Cruz Unity User Group Meetup** at NextSpace.

• Wed Mar 23, 3:30-6pm: **2016 Tech Day** at Digital NEST.

• Wed Mar 23, 6-8pm: **Creating A Winning Pitch (Startup Challenge)** at Monterey.

• Wed Mar 23, 6:30pm: **Santa Cruz County AgTech Meetup** at Digital NEST.

• Thu Mar 24, 6pm: **Startup Grind Monterey Bay Hosts Derek Anderson** at Digital NEST.

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