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Here's the news you need to know.

Our big story this week is the debut of Pearl Automation and their first product. The heretofore stealth hot startup in Scotts Valley already has 70+ employees and \$50M in Series A+B funding. Mike Clifton (aka Mr. Moho) tells his own story of Anime Studio. We share an excerpt from *Winning with Data*, the new "Looker Book" we wrote about last week. We've got several stories from UCSC, and one from Catbird.

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Top Stories

Pearl Automation, a hot local startup with \$50M Series A&B funding, comes out of stealth today and debuts their first product. *RearVision* is the world's most advanced automotive backup camera.

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Creator Mike Clifton (aka Mr. Moho) tells the history of Anime Studio, and how it all took place, right here in Santa Cruz. [Read this story.](#)

Data breadlines and data brawls: here's an excerpt from the new book by Looker CEO, Frank Bien, and Redpoint Venture Capital Partner, Tomasz Tunguz. [Read this story.](#)

Catbird's CTO talks about why new security models are essential for highly virtualized data centers. [Read this story.](#)

A professor of computer engineering has received a \$100K grant to develop technology solutions for low vision. [Read this story.](#)

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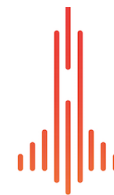
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The sky is no limit for this planet-hunting grad student who turned a powerful telescope into the first automated planet finder in the world. [Read this story.](#)

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Jobs/Internships

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Events

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

- Tue Jun 21, 6pm: [Design Santa Cruz Meetup](#) at NextSpace.
- Tue Jun 21, 6pm: [Winning With Data Book Release Party by Redpoint Partner, Tomasz Tunguz, and Looker CEO, Frank Bien](#). [Sold Out] at 691 Market Street, San Francisco.
- Wed Jun 22, 6pm: [Santa Cruz](#)

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[WordPress Meetup](#) at Cruzio.



- Thu Jun 30, 11am-1:30pm: [Santa Cruz County Business Council Economic Forum](#) at Terra Fresca Restaurant, University Center, UCSC.
- Tue Jul 5, 7pm: [Drupal Group monthly meeting](#) at NextSpace.
- Sat Jul 9, 10am: [Santa Cruz Web Developers Meetup](#) at NextSpace.



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