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### Digest #306

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Although power might be back on by the time you read this, it's out at my house as a write this. (I'm not there. Duh. I'm at NextSpace on this Sunday night.) At home, there's no power, no internet, not even cell service. Fortunately, I have an older gas stove that works perfectly well without electricity, and an older gas heater that would work fine if it were cold enough to need it. During this outage I'm waxing nostalgic for a landline phone. Before I got rid of mine years ago, it, too, worked fine in most power outages. I'm pondering all of this because I'm trying to figure out why I'm feeling more detached and pressured during this outage than I used to feel during the many outages I've lived through before. I think it boils down to this: I can live without lights and electricity for a while, but it's really hard (for me) to live without phone service. Aside, I always figured it would be worth hanging onto that old

transistor radio I picked up at a garage sale years ago, and, sure enough, it came in handy for my NPR fix over the weekend.

With the state burning up, it's hard to focus on local tech news but, actually, one of the articles this week is relevant to flighting wildfires.

There's more. Scroll down and see what else we have for you.

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- Fri Nov 1 5pm Sun Nov 3 5pm: **Startup Hackathon Monterey Bay** at CSUMB.
- Fri Nov 1: 6-9pm: <u>Cruzio 30th</u> **Anniversary and Extravaganza** at Cruzio.
- Mon Nov 4 Tue Nov 5: **SupplyShift's Summit on**









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### Responsible Supply Chains at The Dream Inn.

- Mon Nov 4, 6-8pm: <u>Santa Cruz</u>
   <u>PyLadies Meetup at</u> NextSpace.
- Tue Nov 5, 5:30: <u>Divi Santa Cruz</u>
   <u>Meetup</u> at NextSpace.
- Tue Nov 5, 6pm: <u>SBDC: Get Your Business Optimized Online and Reach More Customers with Google</u> at Live Oak Sheriff's Center 5200 Soquel Ave, Santa Cruz.
- Wed Nov 6, 6pm: <u>Santa Cruz</u>
   <u>Works New Tech Meetup</u>, location Dream Inn.
- Wed Nov 6, 6pm: <u>SBDC: Get</u>
   <u>Your Business Optimized Online</u>
   <u>and Reach More Customers</u>
   <u>with Google</u> at Boulder Creek
   IOOF Hall, 152 Forest St, Boulder Creek.
- Sun Nov 10, 4-6pm: <u>Digital NEST</u>
   <u>5th Birthday Party</u> at 318 Union St, Watsonville.

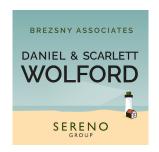
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