



## Gov. Reynolds announces new cyber training partnership for young women

GirlsGoCyberStart is a free online game of discovery that offers young women in grades 9-12 the opportunity to learn basic cybersecurity skills and test their cyber aptitude. Participants do not need any prior cybersecurity knowledge or IT experience. The only requirements are a computer and an internet connection.

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## Des Moines-based AppLink.io launches mobile app analytics platform for developers and marketers

Veteran-founded startup AppLink.io recently launched their Mobile App Analytics platform for developers and marketers. The platform is aimed towards helping companies get more value from their app users by using analytics and real-time insights.

## Scam Of The Week: The Most Sophisticated Netflix Phishing Yet

This Netflix phishing campaign goes after your login, credit card, mugshot and ID! Phishing attacks rarely make the news these days, even though (or perhaps precisely because) there are so many of them. Somehow, phishing seems to have turned into an “obvious” problem that everyone is expected to have experienced, learned from, got the better of, and moved on. But phishing is still big business for cybercriminals.

## To reduce burden on the courts, St. Louis County expands records portal

A traffic ticket search tool and countywide records look-up have been added to the website in hopes of preventing unnecessary escalations of minor offenses.

## Microsoft announces devices to compete with Chromebooks

During Bett conference this week, Microsoft rolled out four new classroom devices, plus personalized learning tools and new STEM partnerships.

## New U: Does Purdue's Move into Online Learning Signal a Greater Shift in Education?

The university's effort to leverage online learning to reach an audience untapped by most traditional four-year institutions--36 million working adults with some college and 56 million with no college credit--is making waves.

## Intel tells users to stop deploying buggy Spectre patch, citing technical issues

Intel has a patching problem. All last week, users reported computers spontaneously rebooting after installing Intel's Spectre/Meltdown patch. Now, Intel seems to be giving up on those patches entirely. In a post today, executive vice president Navin Shenoy announced that Intel had located the source of some of the recent reboot problems and is recommending users skip the patches entirely until a better version could be deployed.

## **Google and Coursera team up to train IT professionals**

Online education provider Coursera and Google have teamed up to offer a six-course certificate in IT support — a move intended to help fill the pipeline with qualified IT professionals.

## **FirstNet Secures Final Approval**

With the addition of the Northern Mariana Islands, FirstNet says it has now gotten buy-in from all 56 U.S. states and territories, plus D.C., for the state plans for the interoperable first responder broadband emergency communications network.

## **Pai: FCC Does Not Conclude Mobile is Full Fixed Substitute**

"The draft report maintains the same benchmark speed for fixed broadband service previously adopted by the Commission: 25 Mbps download/3 Mbps upload," said Pai. "The draft report also concludes that mobile broadband service is not a full substitute for fixed service."

## **Tennessee gives grants for digital literacy, broadband adoption**

The Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development said Thursday that libraries in 52 cities and counties are receiving digital literacy and broadband adoption grants. Public libraries offer free computer and broadband access. Grants will support classes to help people improve basic computer skills, apply for jobs, navigate small business applications and learn online.

## **Pockets of rural America at risk of being undercounted in census**

Rural African-Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, and Appalachians are the most likely to be overlooked in the 2020 census. One reason is lack of internet connectivity.

## **This Biosensing Patch Helps You Manage Your Stress**

Whenever we experience stress (especially the bad kind) it can be difficult to manage. That's why a startup company created a wearable that can help manage stress and regulate it—the Lief smart patch. This wearable device is designed to provide calming exercises when the user's heart and breathing rates indicates elevated levels of stress.

## **Transportation Department teams up with Waze on new safety initiative**

The Department of Transportation (DOT) is teaming up with the popular navigation app Waze on a new initiative designed to make the nation's roads safer.