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## Be Pro Be Proud Kicking Off 2019-2020 Workshop Tour, Unveiling New Mobile Workshop Sept. 5 in Little Rock

Be Pro Be Proud, the AIA workforce initiative, will kick off the 2019-2020 Workshop Tour and unveil the Second Generation Be Pro Be Proud Mobile Workshop Sept. 5 in Little Rock.

Read more [here](#).

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## NAM Lobbies Congress for New North America Trade Deal

The nation's main trade group for manufacturers recently stepped up pressure on members of Congress to approve President Trump's revised North American trade deal.

Read more [here](#).



## House Votes Repeal of ObamaCare's 'Cadillac Tax'

The House voted to repeal ObamaCare's "Cadillac Tax" on high-cost health plans, removing a part of the health law opposed by many in both parties.

Read more [here](#).



## Fed Says U.S. Economy 'Generally Positive' Despite Trade Policy Disruptions

The U.S. economy continues to grow at a

“modest” rate, with consumers continuing to spend and a “generally positive” outlook overall despite trade policy disruptions, the Federal Reserve said.

Read more [here](#).



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## U.S. Factory Output Climbs More Than Expected in June Thanks to Motor Vehicle Production Increase

U.S. factory output rose more than expected in June thanks to a solid gain in motor-vehicle production.

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## U.S. Housing Starts Decline 0.9 Percent in June

Housing starts fell 0.9 percent in June from the prior month, a fresh sign of weakness in the housing market, the Commerce Department reported.

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## Trump to Nominate Eugene Scalia for Labor Secretary

President Trump has announced that he will nominate Eugene Scalia, the son of the late Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, to be his new labor secretary.

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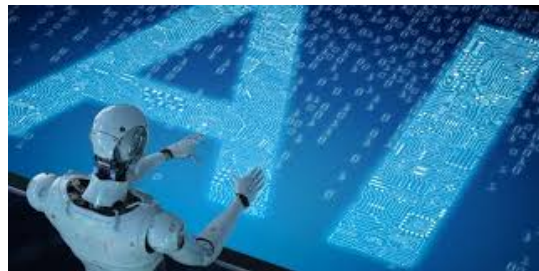


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## Artificial Intelligence Start-ups Reshaping the Workforce

Venture capital investors are investing in AI start-ups that are developing products to help AI-enabled companies improve efficiency, privacy and compliance.

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## Natural Gas Leads Clean Electricity Production

Natural gas is the cornerstone of the U.S. economy, providing job creation, lower prices and cleaner fuel, according to a former EPA assistant administrator.

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## Canada Warns U.S. Against Drug Import Plans, Citing Shortage Concerns

Canada opposes any U.S. plans to buy Canadian prescription drugs that might threaten the country's drug supply or raise costs for its own citizens.

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## Global Drone Market Estimated to Reach \$14 Billion over Next Decade

The worldwide non-military drone market is expected to triple in size to \$14.3 billion in sales over the next decade, according to a recent study.

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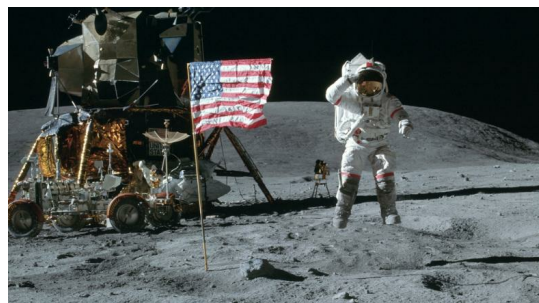


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## The Amazing Handmade Tech That Powered Apollo 11's Moon Voyage

Yes, there was rocket science. But there were also extraordinary amounts of low-tech weaving, stitching and caulking.

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