

TECH UPLOAD

APRIL EDITION

NEW IT ALLIANCE

NEW AND UPCOMING EVENTS

April 5: American's Role in the World:

Why leading Globally Matters for Wisconsin

April 24: Network Neenah

April 27: WIT@Work Breakfast Series - Unconscious Bias with Gail Farnsley, Gartner

May 10: Amplify Celebration Event

May 18: WIT@Work Breakfast Series – Information Security Panel



Learn more at newitalliance.com/events

NEW IT ALLIANCE NEWS

FUTURE NEWSLETTERS

Submit any content that you would like to have featured in a future newsletter to newitalliance@gmail.com by the 20th of each month.

Any events you would like us to help promote, complete our “[register your event](#)” (link to events page) form located on our events tab.

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OUR YEAR TO DATE

Spring has arrived in Wisconsin...the trees are budding, daffodils are starting to poke up out of the ground, and a snowstorm is in the forecast! Early spring is always a time of change and growth as winter releases its grip and plants and animals return. Just like spring, the NEW IT Alliance is changing and growing. Check out what we're working on, as well as all the exciting things happening in our region!

NEW IT ALLIANCE NEWS CONT...

Ready, Set, Action!

Filming of the IT career videos is off to a roaring success thanks to all the wonderfully talented IT volunteers who gave up a day in the office to spend a day on the stage at the Grand in Oshkosh. We had nearly every IT role represented, and a few exciting non-traditional ones too...programming of humanoid robots anyone? Who knew our IT departments were so full of Hollywood talent!

With the interviews and primary footage behind us, our wonderfully talented videography team from Stellar Blue will be visiting companies in the region to capture the b-roll footage. A huge THANK YOU to Stellar Blue and all the companies allowing us to capture footage of their operations!! Our goal is to publish the first couple of videos in mid-May, with regular releases after that. Videos will be published on our YouTube channel, as well as on the [career page](#) of our website. The videos will be used by regional schools as part of the academic and career planning, to help students learn about IT careers. The Department of Workforce Development (DWD) is also interested in using the videos to help educate career changers on the variety of careers available within IT.

Pictures from Filming IT Career Videos



Mark Your Calendar

Below are a few important dates you may wish to add to your calendar.

- Tech Upload content - due April 25
 - Share the exciting things your IT department or organization is working on!
- Tech Community - next meeting is July 12 from 2-4pm at the FVTC Bordini Center
 - Mark your calendars now so you don't miss out!
- NEW Connect IT - November 13 at the FVTC Bordini Center
 - Check out the [event website](#) from last year, and stay tuned for updates on registration, sponsorships, and more!

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REGIONAL NEWS

EXPLORING JOINS THE WORKFORCE REVOLUTION

Exploring is an interactive, worksite-based career education program. This program provides companies the opportunity to pre-screen future applicants and train them from an early age. Participants in the program are called Explorers or Explorer Scouts and gather in clubs (age 10-13) or post (age 14-20). Exploring provides exciting activities and one-on-one mentorship for youth looking to discover their future. Whether you're a company is looking to strengthen your future workforce or a young person wanting to uncover the possibilities of their future, exploring is a great place to start. The Exploring Manufacturing Initiative is a specialty focus program created specifically to interest, train, and fill a future manufacturing workforce. We have created skilled-trades, IT, and manufacturing management clubs and post chartered and insured to provide our Explorers this live experience. We have also partnered with SkillsUSA and local schools creating one of the most effective manufacturing workforce recruiting programs available anywhere in the country. [Continue reading...](#)

J.J. KELLER AND MICROSOFT PARTNER WITH BOYS & GIRLS BRIGADE TO INSPIRE YOUTH ON TECHNOLOGY CAREERS

In March, J. J. Keller & associates, Inc. Hosted over 100 8th grade students, who are part of the boys & girls brigade on-site at their technology solutions office in Appleton. The purpose was to introduce students to careers in technology as well as to inspire future interest in technology by providing hands-on opportunities to test out and play with various forms of technology. The boys had an opportunity to do a hands-on coding exercises as well as to test out VR technology.

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**gBETA NORTHEAST WISCONSIN ANNOUNCES "SPRING 2018" COMPANIES**

APPLETON, WI– Nationally ranked startup accelerator gener8tor today announced the participants of its [gBETA](#) Northeast Wisconsin Spring 2018 cohort. The five participating startups range from a convenient, fresh-frozen food manufacturer to OSHA compliance software. Company descriptions for all five companies can be found at the bottom of this release.

gBETA is a free accelerator for early-stage companies with local roots. The program is capped at five teams, and requires no fees and no equity. Participants receive intensive and individualized coaching and access to gener8tor's national network of mentors, customers, corporate partners and investors. The program is designed to help startups gain early customer traction on their product or idea, and establish metrics that make them competitive applicants for full-time, equity-based accelerators or seed investment. [Read more...](#)

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RIVERVIEW LUTHERAN ROBOTICS TEAM

Riverview Lutheran has been involved in VEX Robotics for the past 5 years. Students who participate in robotics practice engineering and programming skills as they design a robot to complete the tasks in the competition. They develop important skills that are in high demand in this age of technology. Students develop independence, communication, and cooperation by participating in VEX Robotics. They are encouraged to work on their robots and troubleshoot problems on their own, talk and strategize with their teammates as well as other teams in their alliance in order to complete the task in the given time. [Continue Reading...](#)



State Champion VEX IQ
Riverview Lutheran Robotics
Team 10851B:
Christian Monigal, Dylan Krueger,
Isaac Vadala, and Noah Nolte at the
VEX IQ Wisconsin State Tournament
on Sunday, March 4, 2018, at
Milwaukee School of Engineering.

**MORAINES PARK TECHNICAL COLLEGE IT CLUB STORIES****Jose Bustos: Civic Leader Award Winner!**

The [Jack Keating Student Civic Leadership Award](#) recognizes students that have taken a leadership role in creating change in their community. Honorees expand their educational experience outside the bounds of their campus, while demonstrating measurable community impact. The purpose of this award is to honor students who work towards fulfilling the civic mission of their institution and Wisconsin Campus Compact. [Read more...](#)

Taking Some "Tyme" to do Good in the World.

Since the fall of 2015, for 2 hours every Thursday during fall and spring semesters, MPTC IT Club students host *Tech Tyme* at the [Fond du Lac Senior Center](#). The program has gotten so popular seniors arrive an hour ahead of time to get in line. We have them take a number and get a 15 minute limit for their helping session. We so love and appreciate this program!"

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