



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

April 13, 2017

GATEWAY AS A LEADER

Sustainability

We continue to host groups at the Center for Sustainable Living. Many girl scout troops and school groups have been taking advantage of the many programs that are offered at the CSL. The most popular one is currently on bees. The Center for Sustainable Living hosted a community workshop on birds in partnership with the Audubon Society. There were 42 people that attended that workshop. We also brought a bee expert from UW- Madison to the CSL to present to the community.

We were sponsors of a gardening presentation with Melinda Myers at the Golden Rondelle. These events always sell out and we are able to take time in the beginning to speak about Gateway and our programs.

We hosted the annual Environmental High School Summit on the Kenosha campus. There were over 125 students and staff from the tri-county area that participated. This is a day for us to bring in experts for discussions about issues in sustainability and for the high school students to learn from each other.

ACADEMIC AND CAMPUS AFFAIRS

Allied Health/Veterinary Sciences Division

Allied Health and Nursing will be co-sponsoring a speaker during faculty professional week in late April addressing the topic of *Teaching Critical Thinking*. Dr. John Eigenauer from Taft College in California will present to the community one day and to the faculty the following day.

We anticipate eight (8) inaugural graduates from our Veterinary Technician program in May. This will be the first Commencement ceremony in which Vet Tech students participate since the program began in 2015.

Three allied health faculty members will be leading student groups to Nicaragua and Costa Rica again this year. Heidi Gottfried (DA), Dr. Traci Gotz (PTA) and Dr. Susan Guttschow (Vet Science) will be leaving in late April to perform service projects in each country visited.

Dean Mike O'Donnell attended the legislative breakfast in Burlington on April 3 and will be attending the annual meeting of the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) in Atlanta April 23-24. Mike will be in Madison at the WTCS headquarters for the state-called Health Occupations deans meeting on April 11. He will also be at Madison College on May 22 for the first ever state-called meeting of deans supervising Veterinary Sciences programs.

BIT Division

Gateway Collegiate DECA Wins Big at State

On February 23rd-25th, 25 Gateway Technical College Students attended the Wisconsin Collegiate DECA State Career Development Conference at Lake Lawn Lodge in Delavan, WI. Over 200 students from 15 Wisconsin Technical and UW colleges competed at the Collegiate DECA Conference. Students competed in 23 marketing, business, and accounting type events that were judged by business professionals from across the state. Students were allowed to compete in two areas.

Gateway Technical College's President, Bryan Albrecht, was the keynote, guest speaker at the Saturday night Grand Awards Session.

Gateway Technical College won the following:

College Chapter Awards and newly elected State Officer John Gauthier - DECA Diamond Award Service Award 2nd Place; Civic Consciousness Award, 6th Place; Ryan Bognar, was elected to serve as the 2017-18 DECA State President Student of the Year Recognitions for the Chapter - Samantha Perez, 2nd Place WI Collegiate DECA Student of the year competition; Lauren Boston, Finalist WI Collegiate DECA Student of the year competition

The following is the list of winners and finalists. These individuals have qualified for the International Collegiate DECA Conference (ICDC) to be held in Anaheim, CA in April.

First Place Winners

Jacob Powell, Banking Financial Services
Mary Hvizdak, Professional Sales
Ryan Bognar, Emerging Technology Marketing Strategies
Jordyn Favre, Advertising Campaign
Mark Short, Accounting
Mary Hvizdak, Sales Management Meeting

Second Place Winners

John Neu, Accounting
Ashley Dumas, Restaurant and Food Service Management
Sergio Casillas, Sales Management Meeting
Lauren Boston & Jordyn Favre, Sports and Entertainment Marketing (team event)

Finalists

The following did not place 1st or 2nd in their respective competitions, however they placed as event finalists and have qualified for the International DECA Conference:

Violeta Tellez, Hotel and Lodging & Professional Sales
Sergio Casillas, Sales Management Meeting
Heather Rupp and Yesenia Martinez-Hall, Event Planning (team event)
Kristin Pincus, Professional Sales and Retail Management

Kayla Mumford, Professional Sales and Marketing Management
David Czuper, Professional Sales and Travel and Tourism
Samantha Perez Restaurant and Food Service Management
Diana Griego, Fashion Merchandising and Marketing & Professional Sales
Angelena Savaglio, Fashion Merchandising and Marketing
Robert Neal and Jacob Powell – team, Advertising Campaign
Robert Neal, Human Resources Management
Heather Rupp, Professional Sales
Ashley Dumas, Professional Sales
Bruce Townsel, Professional Sales and Marketing Management
Mark Short, Professional Sales
Ryan Bognar, Marketing Management

Edward Grochowski, Gateway faculty member, serves as the State Executive Director for Wisconsin Collegiate DECA. Gateway Chapter Advisors for this year's conference were Kelly Infusino, Vanessa Garcia, and Kari Aiello.

Gateway Hosted the WAMBO state called meeting for the business deans from Wisconsin technical college. Over 30 deans attended this meeting on the Racine campus and for many of them this was their first visit. Gateway culinary students prepared many of the meals for the event. Ray Koukari provided a tour of the campus and it was well received. The deans were working on making data driven decisions for the Supervisory Management program which will be getting a name change to Leadership Development.

Elkhorn Campus

US Sen. Ron Johnson will be on campus April 20 for a student event and will tour the campus afterwards.

The annual community Earth Day celebration will be held on campus April 22 from 10am to 2pm.

General Studies

The 2017 edition of Gateway's student literary magazine is now available online at: <https://www.gtc.edu/red-hawk-review> The print version will soon be on campus. Thank you to the Gateway Foundation, which provides the tuition vouchers the 1st Place winners receive. Thank you also to the Communications and World Languages faculty who are involved in the magazine's creation: Jessica Gleason, Dr. Colleen Connolly, Amy Hankins, Karen Solliday, Dr. Katy J. Schroeder, Ann Stotts, Lisa Packard, and Kyle Kendall. Congratulations to this year's student winners: Amber Pedersen (Poetry), Marlene Vail (Prose) and Matthew Giamanco (Artwork). We had no high school submissions this year.

Dr. Gina Zainelli (Science) is representing General Studies as a Strengths Champion. On March 21st, Science instructor Nicole Dutton met with Faye Hartmann, instructional program manager and section head of diagnostic microbiology at UW-Madison's Veterinary School. The purpose of the half-day meeting was to tour UW-Madison's clinical lab and to learn the routine microbiological diagnostic tests that are performed

on samples from animals all over Wisconsin. Dutton will be able to share this knowledge in her Microbiology sections for those students in the Vet Tech program.

MET Division

Horticulture (Courtney Greve – Horticulture Instructor)

Horticulture department hosted a Career & Internship fair on February 16th. Twenty-five industry employers attended seeking students to add to their teams. Students had an opportunity to engage with employers in a relaxed setting. Approximately 20 students attended.

Midwest Organic and Sustainable Education Service (MOSES)

Kate Jerome attended the Midwest Organic and Sustainable Education Service (MOSES) Conference with students.

Workplace Excellence Series, Eco Fest, Chicago Botanic Gardens

Kate Jerome hosted part 1 of a Workplace Excellence Series within the horticulture department. The topic for this event was 'Dress for Success' and 'PowerPoint Do's and Don'ts'. Part 2 of the series will be held April 4th.

The Horticulture dept. had 2 'Ask-the- Expert' table displays at the Racine Eco-fest. Questions about gardening and tree care were answered, program information and course schedules distributed.

Horticulture marketing students visited the Chicago Botanic Garden Orchid show to see orchid displays.

Horticulture – Marketing / Competition

Horticulture marketing students met with Kris Reisdorf, co-owner of Milaegers Gardens and Gifts to learn about marketing, display and purchasing concepts. Several GTC horticulture graduates work at Milaegers including Loreen Hablewitz who is now lead floral designer. Loreen does all Milaeger's wedding and corporate floral design work, decorates their retail spaces for their numerous events and is responsible for all visual merchandising and displays in both the Racine and Sturtevant stores

Student competition at Navy Pier @ the Chicago Flower and Garden Show sponsored by AIFD. Our students took 1st, 2nd, 3rd. In student competition.

Welding (Mark Uttech – Instructor)

Fabrication and Manufacturer's Association International (FMA) Grant (Youth Camp)

Applied and received a \$2500 grant from the Fabrication and Manufacturer's Association International (FMA) to run a manufacturing camp for youth ages 12-16 years old this summer. We will be accepting 15 lucky young adults at a later date. The camp will use the theme "Nuts, Bolts, and Thing-A-Ma-Jigs" which is also the name of the FMA's foundation (NBT). The camp will run June 26th-30th 2017, 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Civil Engineering – Architecture (Bob Kabebisch – Instructor)
Structural Engineering Technician – Commercial Design Class**

Architectural Structural Engineering Technician, Commercial Design Class students did a presentation on options to convert an existing, empty sporting goods store into a banquet hall and apartments. The client is real and contacted us for help with their space. We provided: building code; zoning code; existing building construction information; proposed plans; code concerns; and facade grant information. This gave them ideas, visualization tools and information to take to the city and on to architecture/engineering professionals.

**AMST / Electromechanical (John Nelson – Instructor)
Lakeview – Remote Operated Vehicle Club**

Lakeview has a Remote Operated Vehicle club where they design and build underwater robots to perform tasks in competitions. One of the issues in the design of underwater robots is creating removable seals so that they can access electrical components. The club members designed a removable sealing hatch and asked our GTC CNC machining class to create two of the parts for each of their robots. A Lakeview GTC student created several CNC programs and ran a production run of 10 of the parts for the club.

COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Legislative

With the state budget time upon us, we have had regular communication with our legislators so that they understand potential impacts of legislation and so they are aware of upcoming initiatives at the college. The Burlington Chamber held its legislative breakfast in which individuals from the area are able to have a dialogue and ask questions of those legislators in attendance.

Marketing and Communications

It is an exciting time of year for Gateway as the semester winds down and students demonstrate the skills and knowledge they've gained. Marketing has been sharing those stories in news releases, newsletters and more.

Approximately one thousand individuals participated in EcoFest Racine March 18th, on the Racine Campus. Gateway demonstrated its commitment to sustainability by again partnering with Greening Greater Racine in developing the event designed to showcase Racine's sustainability efforts and give visitors to the event as much information as they want in how to live a more environment-friendly life. Informational displays, Ask the Expert tables, short workshops and children's activities rounded out the event. Celebrate Earth Day on the Kenosha and Elkhorn Campuses will be held April 22.

The Marketing Department enthusiastically welcomed new Marketing Communications Specialist Abbie Ford to the department. She is working on Social Media and copywriting related to program marketing. An enhanced social media plan was developed shortly after her arrival to best utilize a team approach to social media communications.

Foundation

As of March 29, the Foundation has raised \$964,606. The generous gifts were from individuals (including Gateway faculty and staff as well as alumni), corporations, service clubs, and foundations. Donors have contributed to areas such as the mission of the Foundation, student scholarships, the endowment, the Gateway Promise endowed fund, student emergency funds, and the Boot Camps. The Gateway Promise Endowment Campaign has reached \$1,961,346.

The High School Scholarship application closed on March 10, 2017, with 115 applicants. This is a 51% increase over 2016. Scholarships offered include the President's Opportunity scholarships (awarded one per high school in the district) and several other named scholarships.

The 23rd Annual Foundation Scramble will take place on Thursday, May 25, 2017 at Hawks' View Golf Course. Noon shot-gun start. This year, as part of its voice auction, the Foundation will offer two tickets to the US Open at Erin Hills at the exclusive 1895 Club for Saturday, June 17.

The Alumni Association will host an alumni welcome breakfast at the Kenosha Campus Earth Day Event on Saturday, April 22, 2017, from 8 to 10 am. Alumni volunteers will be greeting guests.

Community

There have been many community events that we have participated in such as the KABA annual meeting, the Whitewater chamber annual dinner, United Way of Kenosha County's annual meeting and the United Way of Racine County Women United event.

The college has a chapter of WWHEL (Wisconsin Women in Higher Education Leadership) as does Parkside and Carthage. We were able to host our first joint meeting between the three educational organizations. This event was held at the Boys and Girls Club where we have over 50 women come together to network and discuss how we can partner. The plan is to meet three times a year jointly.

The Wisconsin Association of Career and Technical Education hosted their annual conference in Oshkosh.

ENROLLMENT

Spring enrollment is currently down -5.2%. FY17 year-to-date is currently down -4.0%. Summer enrollment continues to trend down at -4.6%. Fall priority registration has started.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

TID Meetings

Bill Whyte attended Tax Incremental District (TID) meetings in Racine - remodel of Regency Mall, and Paddock Lake - multiple upgrades to the Village.

FY 2017-18 Preliminary Budget

We completed operating FY 2017-18 preliminary budget and capital budget to be presented to the Board on April 13th.

Vision and Mission Participation

Sue Debe, Tom Cousino, and Bill Whyte participated with representatives from all divisions to draft a new Vision and Mission.

Director of Accounting

A Director of Accounting position reporting to Sharon Johnson was posted using money from an unfilled opening.

Grants Update

Staff wrapped up finalizing the Special Revenue Fund - Operational portion of the FY 2017-18 preliminary budget for Board review and approval. The team continues to provide financial support for new grant proposals and attend monthly webinars on Federal grants for collection of important information and announcements. They recently conducted the close-out process for the TACT3-Interface project.

Ellucian Live Annual Conference

Jason Nygard and Sharon Johnson attended the Ellucian Live Annual conference. The conference was held March 19-22 in Orlando, FL.

HUMAN RESOURCES & FACILITIES

Bill Whyte, John Frost and Debbie Miller attended the March 2017 WTCS HR meeting in Stevens Point. Debbie is the new president of the State HR Leadership Committee. There were excellent discussions and presentations from legal experts and DMI among others regarding general HR legal issues.

On March 31, Gateway was informed that we were awarded our second Gold Well Workplace Award from the Wellness Council of America. We had 177.57 points and needed 178, which is less than 1% away from receiving the highest award, Platinum. .

On March 15, the 2017 Board Appointment Committee met and reappointed the three incumbents to additional 3-year terms.

The annual Health Risk Assessment process was conducted with our new vendor, Healics, on all 3 campuses in March. Participants are being encouraged to schedule coaching sessions through the Employee Clinic in April.

Jacqueline Morris attended the 1st Joint WTCS meeting of Diversity Services, EEO/AA, and Recruitment. As the Chair of the Recruitment group, we worked with the other groups to have a successful exchange of information.

Jacqueline attended the annual Ellucian 2017 Conference to learn more about the new innovations and upcoming changes to our Human Resources system.

Annual evaluations are now being conducted electronically resulting in streamlining the process in order to save time and also our commitment to the environment.

Faculty and staff (181 participants) have taken the Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter Evacuate (ALiCE) Active Shooter eLearning training so far. The training was established to help develop response techniques and train all staff and faculty on procedures in the event of an emergency situation.

Emergency Duress buttons were installed in all 3 Personal Needs Rooms around the District. These buttons will allow the students, should they ever have a medical emergency while in the room, to quickly notify the security staff of a medical emergency at the touch of a button.

Tom Cousino conducted Clery Compliance Audit with D. Stafford & Associates. They are a company that specializes in checking compliance with all the various requirements of the Clery Act, Violence Against Women Act, Drug Free Schools and Communities Act, and Title IX. They spent 3 days on campus meeting with Tom and many others on campus to gauge our compliance efforts as well as develop areas of improvement in order to increase our compliance.

Tom is currently working with the IT Department to develop the desktop emergency notification and PC duress button systems in an effort to increase our efficiency in notifying all staff/faculty/students of an emergency situation as well as increase our ability to receive notifications from staff of an emergency situation.

INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

John Thibodeau attended the Higher Learning Commission Annual Meeting in Chicago, including the annual Pathways Workshop for colleges with upcoming reaffirmation visits. Instructor Rick Barribeau, who will write the assurance argument, and KC Jackson also attended the one-day workshop to gather information for our visit plans. We are in good shape for our visit and have two years of preparation time remaining.

Career Pathways

As a component of The Right Signals (TRS) grant project, the Career Pathways Manager and NC3 Coordinator met with faculty from the CNC, Tool and Die, and Welding program areas to discuss the integration of the NC3 Starrett precision measurement instrument (PMI) certification into each program's curriculum. Faculty were enthusiastic to be presented with the opportunity and felt the content of the Starrett PMI certification aligned with the competencies currently being delivered in their coursework. Depending upon class schedules for the summer, available faculty will participate in the NC3 train-the-trainer session in July to become qualified to deliver the certification to students beginning fall 2017.

Employee Learning

The WTCS Professional Development grant was approved and includes many excellent professional development programs that will be administered by Employee Learning. Not only does the grant support our ongoing Faculty Quality Assurance (FQAS) programming, including the New Faculty Institute, it also provides new professional development opportunities for adjunct faculty. The grant will fund attendance at in-state Teaching & Technology conferences for both full-time and adjunct instructors, online Skill Path courses available to all staff, training for adjunct instructors in topics related to FQAS competencies, and a program for full-time faculty to gain work experience in their content area to update their skills.

Research, Planning, & Development

Gateway has been notified that we will be awarded ten grants from the Wisconsin Technical College System for the 2017-18 academic year. The grants range from \$18,615 to \$640,958 and total \$1.9 million in state and federal funds. These grants will continue to support services aimed at increasing student success in areas such as academic advising, career & support counseling, disability services, diversity services, and other student support programs. In addition, several new initiatives received funding including two new career pathways academies to be offered in area high schools and an expansion of the Culinary Arts program to the Elkhorn Campus. It is anticipated that over 5,400 students will benefit from the programs and services made possible by these grants. Staff from throughout the college worked with the Grants Office to develop the applications.

LEARNING INNOVATION

Distance Learning

At this time we are continuing to iron out the VANguard schedule for next year and we are making adjustments to current classes based on the high schools' Spring Break schedules. We are beginning to plan visits to the high schools to resolve any outstanding issues and also do updates. This will happen after classes end in April. We are also helping with any videoconferencing issues or requests on a daily basis. We were able to lock Senator Johnson's Classroom Connection in which will originate from Gateway Elkhorn on April 20th.

We are also implementing the ILP product that will connect our Blackboard system with the Colleague system. This will allow for near-instant course and user registration transference to Blackboard and pave the way ultimately for easier gradebook coordination between the systems.

Information Systems

The first stage of the Intelligent Learning Platform (ILP) implementation is now in use. The Summer 2017 classes, students, and faculty were sent to Blackboard and are being maintained there by ILP. Next up for ILP is to bring Grade information from Blackboard to Colleague.

Ellucian's UI 5.0 has been made available. The 5.0 version uses pure HTML and removes the Silverlight plug in requirement for which browser support is dwindling (currently it isn't supported by Chrome or Firefox).

The DAAB (District Activity Advisory Board) online request and approval process is in progress. The initial request screen is now being tested.

The change in banks used by Gateway required changes to our printed checks and ACH file generation. The printed check changes are complete and the ACH file generation is 50% complete.

Work continues on the Promise Student tracking system as requirements continue to evolve.

Information Technology - User Experience

We are continuing meetings with VMware to improve our user experience with VDI. Areas of improvement are in USB support, video, and overall speed and response of the remote desktop.

After seeing demos of SCCM and LANDesk as desktop management platforms, we are going to ask for quotes on LANDesk. LANDesk is suited for an education environment, and we do not have the staffing resources for a SCCM solution. LANDesk will allow us to centrally update computers, add and remove applications from computers, and has the ability to do software and hardware inventory. Our new desktop management platform deployment will coincide with our Windows 10 deployment. Labs will be fully updated for Summer 2018.

We have begun upgrading user's computers to Office 2016. The focus will be on faculty computers before staff computers, but we plan to have this completed in the next month. We will also be installing the MirrorOp software on staff and faculty computers at the same time. This software allows our users to connect to the Barco and Airmedia units.

Information Technology - Technology Operations

The LAN Tech team have selected Nutanix as our server infrastructure. They will be moving all virtual desktops to the Nutanix servers as a next step. Additionally, some virtual servers will be migrated from the current servers to the Nutanix over the next 12 months.

The district-wide network file storage (the w: drive and shared directories) will be relocated from their current location in BIO to their new home at iMET. This relocation is part of an efficiency and storage consolidation effort. We are able to consolidate these files at iMET due to improvements to our DR/BC (disaster recovery/business continuity) site at iMET where we have implemented a back-up generator to power our network, server, and cooling equipment.

We did it! We have eliminated the need for the second of two server rooms in the Conference Center and consolidated our servers and storage to our primary server

room in the BioScience building. The energy savings will be significant as the AC unit in the Conference Center server room has exceeded its planned life cycle and has been replaced with a much more efficient enclosed rack system in the BioScience building.

Keep an eye out for the new digital signage going up around the district. In coordination with the Marketing and Communications department, the Infrastructure team are beginning to rollout new digital signage to replace the failing signage around the district. The new system is easier to use, lower cost to implement, and provides a new look and feel to both the digital monitors and the content. Additionally, a new policy defines the approval process for digital signage as well as a budgeting cycle for maintenance and replacement going forward.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Academic Advising

The academic advising department offered the first ever "Advising Midday Happy Hour" for students. As part of an Innovation Grant, two kenosha advisors put together a week long program during traditional lunch hours to offer students food, snacks, and prizes along with a variety of development topics including building motivation, creating personal & career vision boards, and offering a chance to connect with one another. The academic advising team has also been ramping up services for the release of the fall schedule this month. To help prepare for the typical high student demands in April, the advising department has adjusted service hours to offer more express advising time (walk-in, no appointment needed) during upcoming priority registration. The goal is to be able to connect with as many students as possible during the opening of fall registration.

Career and Employment Services

Our CES partnerships with faculty to facilitate career and employment presentations in the classroom has expanded this spring semester to encompass more ELL courses. We connected with ELL students in six different combined classrooms throughout Racine and Kenosha over the last two months. We are excited to be able to connect with this population and further expand our services & exposure to help them. In addition, we have been offering our career fairs with a particularly successful one at the Horizon Center. We offered our annual transportation career fair on March 16th which resulted in three direct hires of our students to Griffin's Hub Chrysler Jeep Dodge RAM of Milwaukee. Over the next two weeks, we will also be offering our Spring Career and Internship Fair on the Racine Campus and our first ever Information Technology Mini-Career Fair on the new IT Center of Excellence floor in Racine.

Express Services

In addition to helping students with summer registration, Express Services has been assisting the Admissions Office and the Registrar's Office in scanning old health documents into electronic files and reviewing scanned transcripts from microfiche.

Student Finance Specialists

The Student Finance department has partnered with Student Life and United Student Government to bring a financial speaker to Gateway during the month of April for

Financial Literacy month. The goal is to increase financial awareness and financial education for our students!

Registrar's Office

The Registrar's Office collaborated with IS to implement waiting lists for post-secondary general education classes on a pilot basis. We also worked with Express Services to review and update our documentation of Registration processes. With the cooperation of Express Services and Student Accounts, we began collecting from students authorization information that will allow us to contact them using auto-call technology and/or text messaging. This will allow us to provide more timely information to students regarding waitlisted seats becoming available, courses being cancelled, or changes being made to their class schedules. Account, academic advising, financial aid, and campus closing information may also be provided via auto-call or text if the students authorize these methods of communication.

The Registrar's Office has also recently received an Innovation Grant to bring new technology to our commencement ceremonies. We have been working to get these new pieces in place for the May 2017 ceremony. The new technology includes a student sign-up website that we can use to collect needed student information, display technology that will show student name and program information on the projection screens when a barcode on their name card has been scanned, a pre-ceremony slideshow that students can submit pictures and personal messages to, and a guest ticketing system that utilizes online ticket reservations and on-site ticket scanning by Gateway staff with mobile devices.

BUSINESS & WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS



Pleasant Prairie Elementary School students visit the Fab Lab to learn about manufacturing, welding, CAD design, and 3D printing.

The Fab Lab drove to the REAL school and spent the morning showing off 3D printing and our virtual welder. We generated a lot of excitement from the students that will be moving out to the new location next year and interest in the opportunities they will get at the iMET Center. We even talked to several seniors who were already planning on attending Gateway in the Fall.

Fab Lab tech John Zehren and Mechanical Design student, Diana Carmona, delivered a “Maker Girl” 3D design and printing session at Knapp school in Racine. The Fab Lab delivers this on behalf of the local United Way and will be doing one more in April.



Instructor Randy Reusser attended required BICSI training in Tampa, Florida. BICSI has made great updates and improvements to their Information and Communications Technology (ICT) training. Gateway is an Authorized Training Facility for BICSI delivering high-end Data Communications training. We have been working with BICSI since 2008.

Gateway was recognized by BICSI with their Presidential Eagle award for being a community of hardworking people who deliver essential BICSI training around the world: BICSI's Authorized Training Facilities Community.

Nicci Pagan, Apprenticeship Coordinator, presented at the Tri-County Apprenticeship Forum on March 30, 2017 at Veterans Terrace in Burlington. This was a great opportunity for manufacturers to learn about apprenticeships and the process of training and developing local talent in manufacturing.

Below is a table showing the Apprenticeship Department's current enrollment, including contracts and enrollment from March 2016 - March 2017.



Apprenticeship Enrollment

SERVICE	Contracts	Enrollment	CONSTRUCTION	Contracts	Enrollment	INDUSTRIAL	Contracts	Enrollment
Barber	4	4	Electrical	30	35	CNC Machinist	2	1
Barber/Cosmetology	0	33	HVAC	27	27	Maintenance Mechanic	8	7
Cosmetology	47	36	Plumbing	30	33	Maintenance Technician	7	10
Waste Water	2	2	Sheet Metal	0	21	Manufacturing Technician	22	22
Unspecified	0	15				Mold Maker	1	1
						Tool & Die	11	9
						Press Set-Up Operator	18	17
						Machine Repair	1	0
TOTAL	53	90	TOTAL	87	116	TOTAL	70	67

	Contracts	Enrollment
Year Total:	210	273

**All numbers are from 3/2016 through 3/2017 and include Day and Night classes;
enrollment does not include unregistered new contracts**

The Apprenticeship Department will be hosting our Completion Ceremony on June 16, 2017 from 5:30PM - 8:00PM on the Kenosha Campus. We would be honored to have you share in our pride as we celebrate our Apprentice's accomplishments!

Stacey Erickson, Divisional Apprenticeship Associate, and Jill Sammons, Electrical Engineering Technology Instructor, were a part of the first cohort of the Gateway to Leadership program and created "First Impressions", a clothing closet which will serve our student body when they are need of clothing for a job interview, work, graduation, etc. The project was funded by an anonymous donor and and an Inspiration Grant award from the Foundation. Stacey and Jill reached out to Goodwill Industries and, after writing a proposal, Goodwill agreed to "gift" Gateway 10 additional \$50 Goodwill gift cards upon purchase of the 60 \$50 cards.

Following is a photo of their proud accomplishment!



Students from the Telecom Cable Installer Boot camp III toured Carthage College with Ryan Ade their Network Applications & Telecommunications Coordinator and Nicodemus Ndamo (Nico), their network technician. Their "The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly" tour is very beneficial for our students. They show them different quality wiring projects and telecom spaces, some of which are examples of what not to do.



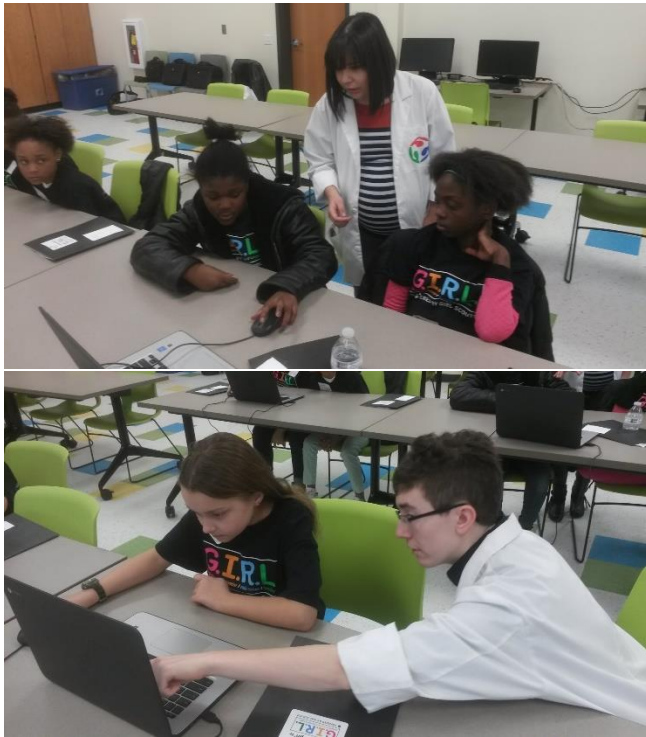


Carthage College is a customer of our Telecom students and a good friend to our College. They also provided lunch for our students and other guests.

Many MET department students earned Belden Certificates in their Industrial Data Communications class (605-133) being taught by Randy Reusser. Two Belden certificates are included in the class, IBDN726 Copper and IBDN 746 Fiber. In the class 10 students earned their IBDN726 Copper and 13 students earned IBDN 746 Fiber certificates. We appreciate the support of Belden in this effort.

Milwaukee Area Technical College will be creating a Fab Lab. Representatives came and toured the iMET Center and met with Fab Lab Manager, Greg Herker, to learn more about our Fab Lab and how it is used to support academics, local industry, and the community. Their Fab Lab will be located at MATC's Walkers Point Campus.

The Fab Lab was a big hit at the day long G.I.R.L. Rally 2017 held by the Girl Scouts at Knapp School in Racine. The Fab Lab 3D printed Girl Scout badges and Gateway Mechanical Design students Diana Carmona & Jenna Perucco led sessions throughout the day on design for 3D printing using TinkerCad.



Debbie Davidson presented at the Illinois Central College's Strategic Planning Conference in Peoria, IL. Gateway was invited to present on innovative programs including Boot Camps, NC3 national industry certifications, Career Pathways and Apprenticeship.

The CNC academic program move to iMET is underway and faculty from Business & Workforce Solutions along with MET faculty are collaborating on coordinating the move and placement of equipment.

CNC Boot Camp XXVI completion ceremony will be held on April 13, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at the SC Johnson iMET Center.

The Telecom/Cable Installer III Boot Camp completion ceremony will be held on April 28, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at the SC Johnson iMET Center.

Business & Workforce Solutions is developing a series of career and technical education (CTE) professional development courses for K-12 educators and administrators to be offered in Summer 2017. For more information please contact Debbie Davidson at 262-564-3422 or davidsond@qtc.edu

Gateway Instructor Rick Lofy was named one of three finalists for the American Technical Education Association Outstanding National Technical teacher of the Year award. Rick teaches students and business clients in Lean Manufacturing Principles, advanced leadership and process control methods, among other topics. He is well known for being a lead instructor in the college's nationally known CNC Boot Camp Programs.



Thalia Mendez, Business Resource Specialist had a busy month at Launch Box. She signed eight new membership agreements, and met with 13 clients one-on-one to discuss their small business development opportunities.

Along with Heather Lux, WWBIC Regional Director, Gateway's Bio Science building was host to the quarterly Strong Women Strong Coffee networking event. Forty people attended this event including four women from the Launch Box membership and one man who called later that day to inquire about Launch Box. This month's Lunch & Learn, *How to Get Organized: Small Business Tips and Tricks for Money Management*, was an Entrepreneur in Residence (Launch Box member) presentation. Eight people attended and all were pleased with the information they walked away with. Topics included: Bookkeeping, accounting and tax planning; How to get organized; The right tools; The bigger picture and Links to resources.

Thalia met and secured Resource Partner MOU's with Educators Credit Union, WWBIC, SBDC and SCORE for the AARP **Work for Yourself@50+** grant she submitted. If secured, she will conduct a workshop for people over fifty earning less than \$40,000 per year on Gateway campuses in Burlington, Elkhorn, Kenosha, Racine (twice) and Sturtevant by year's end.

Thalia attended the 31st International Conference on Business Incubation, focused on building entrepreneurial ecosystems, such as coworking spaces and accelerators. She attended sessions on; Student Entrepreneurship, Activating the Start-up Culture, The 4 C's of Coworking, Making Entrepreneurship Easier, The Super Hub, Powering Growth, Innovation & Collaboration and Creating a Mentor Cooperative in Your Community. This year's conference featured four dynamic keynote speakers two of which represented Amazon and Kauffman leadership. However, Mass Challenge founder John Harthorne and Steven Koltai were truly inspirational. Steven wrote the book, *Peace Through Entrepreneurship: Investing in a Startup Culture for Security and Development*. Thalia was very proud to share the work that Gateway did in Morocco with Mr. Koltai.

The Mobile Certification Truck visited Wilmot High School on March 6th and Waterford High School on March 20th. At both schools equipment was brought for a Snap-on / NC3 Torque demonstration for a number of their Small Engine / Power Tech and Automotive classes. Students were able to perform hands-on activities and see the importance of properly tightening fasteners. The students also learned about the variety of programs offered through Gateway.



On March 24th Horizon hosted 16 instructors from 14 high schools in our local area as part of a President Innovation Grant that allowed these instructors to attend a one day Snap-on / NC3 training on the latest electronic torque wrenches and then leave with a pair of them to use in their classrooms and pass on what they learned to their students. Gateway's marketing department was involved so Greg came over and got some pictures and Lee came and interviewed a few of the instructors. This way we'll have a good photo and a official press release that Gateway can use and we can also share with our high school partners so they can promote the event on their social media streams and School website.



Gateway Technical College Fab Lab Manager, Greg Herker, and Fab Lab Technician, John Zehren attended the United States Fab Lab Network Symposium March 13-15. Both were featured as Presenters at this conference with John doing a presentation on how we work sustainably with cardboard in the Fab Lab, and Greg giving a session on our summer camp programs in the Fab Lab and also being part of a wrap up panel discussion on the last day of the event. The Gateway Certification truck was also featured at this event.

Gateway Fab Lab Manager Greg Herker was also voted and approved to move from interim status and will be the Board Chair of the United States Fab Lab Network for the next 2-year term through 2019. www.usfln.org

