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The GTA supports, connects and develops the technology community of the Columbia River Gorge.

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GTA Award Nominations Open!

Do you know a rock star leader or company/ organization who is doing great work in the region's tech industry or STEM education? Maybe it's YOU? We are looking for nominations for Gorge tech leader and tech organization of the year for our annual awards! These awards honor those making great strides in growing the tech industry and/ or STEM education (science, technology, engineering and math) in the five-county Gorge region. **Nominees need not be GTA members.** Our 2015 winners were Steve Maier of Innovative Composite Engineering for Tech Leader of the Year and Prigel Machine for Tech Organization of the Year. **Nominations will be accepted through November 11** and the winner announced at our Winter Party on December 13 at Solstice Pizza. [Click here](#) to download the nomination forms from our website. **Nominate early and often!!**

Volunteers Needed for Robotics Tournaments Dec 3, 4, 10

The GTA is seeking volunteers for our annual FIRST LEGO League (FLL) robotics tournaments. These are fun and inspiring events for hundreds of 9 to 14 year olds from around the Gorge who have been working hard on their robots since September. No experience, engineering background or robotics awards needed: we have roles for people of all backgrounds and training is provided.

Volunteer Options:

- Saturday, Dec 3, 9-3 at The Dalles Middle School
- Sunday, Dec 4, 9-3 at The Dalles Middle School
- Saturday, Dec 10, 9-3 at Wy'east Middle School

Volunteer for one or more days. Enjoy the fun, let the students inspire you and eat well! Contact [Jessica](#) if you can help.

GTA Renewal Time!

All GTA Memberships and most sponsorships are on an October 1 renewal schedule. Have you renewed yet? [Click here](#) to do it now online!

If you're not yet a member, now is a great time to join! Learn more about [the benefits here](#).

Thanks to these renewing members and sponsors!

- Catalyst Performance Consulting
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- **Sherman County - Silicon Sponsor!**
- **Trillium Engineering - Silicon Sponsor!**
- Walter Ronish
- Wy'east Technical Services

And welcome to our newest member: Mount Hood Meadows!

Job Postings with GTA Members

- [4-Tell](#) is seeking a Lead UI/UX Developer and an Azure Services Developer, as well as Business Dev Leader, Marketing Analyst, Customer Success Associate and Account Executive.
- [Cloud Cap's](#) many openings include HR Generalist, Manufacturing Techs, Engineers and Engineering Managers.
- [Custom Interface](#) has openings for an Industrial Engineer and Electronics Assembly Specialist.
- [Google The Dalles](#) is seeking Data Center Facilities Techs.
- [Gorge.net](#) is seeking a Network Engineer.
- [Innovative Composite Engineering](#) is seeking Composite Techs and Quality Control Techs.
- Some of [Insitu's](#) many openings include Quality Techs, Program Management Specialist, Document Management Specialist, Internships and Manufacturing Repair Techs, among others.
- [Real Carbon](#) is seeking a Production Manager and Composite Engineers.
- [Sagotech](#) is hiring a Project Administrator and Buyer-Planner.
- [Seeq](#) has openings for an Analytics Engineer, Back End/ Full Stack Engineer, Software Engineer and Sales Executive.

GTA Events In November

Details for these events are still in the works, but mark your calendar now:

- Nov 15: Geek Lunch at noon at China Gorge
- Nov 29: Featured Event at 6:30pm, White Buffalo with speakers from [SigmaDesign](#) sharing the ins and outs of Industrial Design.

GTA Member News: Greenlight Development

One of the recent clients of [Greenlight Development](#) sent the GTA this recommendation to share with you!

"Pioneer Rock & Monument would like to thank Shannon Vance from Greenlight Development for the great job he did on the complicated on-line store for our website www.pioneerrock.com. He was very patient with us and so knowledgeable. If he didn't know exactly what to do, he researched it until he did! He didn't give up when we all felt like it! He traveled 60 miles (one-way) to our shop several times to make sure our in-house system was working. We are so excited to be able to manage our own catalog and easily add and delete designs, change prices,



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materials, etc. We highly recommend him and his good work."

~The Risings from Pioneer Rock & Monument
Goldendale, WA

Nov 2 Workshop to Support Businesses Looking for Energy Alternatives

On November 2, 9am to noon at the Hood River Fire Station, local leaders will host Hood River County's Energy Future, an engaging workshop aimed at helping celebrate and spur local investment in clean energy solutions. The workshop pulls together people who have taken steps to address climate change in their businesses and have benefited from water saving technology, renewable energy technology, and energy efficient infrastructure. There will be reps from USDA and Oregon state to share grant and funding opportunities for these kinds of programs. [Read more or register here.](#)

Two Upcoming Events with GTA Member Catalyst Performance Consulting

Great Goal Setting, Webinar on Nov 9

The new year is almost upon us. How do you start planning for 2017? Join Stephanie Hartman, President of Catalyst Performance Consulting, for a lunchtime webinar workshop on setting trackable and effective business goals. Stephanie will share lessons learned from facilitating over one hundred goal setting retreats for solopreneurs to big corporations, and helping many of them track and achieve the goals.

Participants will learn her secret sauce for effective goal setting and tracking. Star pupils will even walk away from the workshop with a draft of their 2017 goals. Hosted by Oregon Entrepreneurs Network.

- When: November 9th, 12pm-1pm
- Cost: \$10 for OEN members; \$20 for non-members.
- [Click here to register.](#)

Own Your Future - A Strategic Planning Retreat in January

Your business is surviving, but at what cost to your mind, body and relationships? Stephanie Hartman, of Catalyst Performance Consulting, invites you to Own Your Future. In this 2-day start-to-finish strategic planning retreat, you will develop a compass for running your business that fosters the work and personal balance you seek.

- When: January 10-11, 2017 (Version 2.0, for returning participants only); January 24-25, 2017 (Version 1.0, for new and/or returning participants)
- Where: The Historic Balch Hotel in Dufur, Oregon
- Cost: Earlybird rate of \$395 expires 12/1. Rate after 12/1: \$475. Covers tuition and lodging.
- Details and Registration: <http://www.catalyst-performanceconsulting.com/events/>

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