

PRESIDENT'S REPORT May 17, 2018

GATEWAY AS A LEADER

Twelve new Apprenticeship Career Pathway Maps have been released. This is a great new resource to guide prospective apprentices through the process of preparing, becoming an apprentice, and opportunities Gateway offers once they complete their apprenticeship. These new maps will be a way for our front line staff and high school counselors to support students interested in our apprenticeship programs. A big thank you to Jamie Spacial for helping us bring these maps to fruition.

ACADEMIC AND CAMPUS AFFAIRS

International

The end of the spring semester signals the start of study abroad season for Gateway Technical College.

Departure for our Global Enrichment Program to Spain and the International Business Management Program to Southeast Asia was on April the 26th, 2018.

The International Programs to France, Morocco, and Australia will depart on 5/26, 6/13, 8/30 respectively.

On the 18th and 20th of April, GTC's I-MET center and Elkhorn campus respectively were visited by International guests from several countries in Africa, as part of the Department of International Visitors Leadership Program (IVLP), organized through U.S. Department of State - Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Their goal, to learn more about Workforce Development tools and initiatives for youth and young adults.

List of participants: Burundi Mr. Yves NDAYIKUNDA Managing Director CEPRODILIC Comoros Mr. Riziki ANICK Secretary General Organisation of Action Unit of Missiri (OUMA) Guinea Mrs. Aminata KOUYATE National Director, Youth Employment Ministry of Youth South Africa Mr. Bongani Clement MABUSE Director, Tshepo 500k Gauteng Provincial Government Tanzania, Mr. Onesmo Alfred McBride NGOWI United Republic of CEO Kilimanjaro Information Technology Training College

The attendees present were interested in exploring partnership opportunities for employees as well as student and faculty exchange opportunities.





General Studies

Jorge Nieto, Associate Dean of General Studies, attended AACC Pathways 2.0 Preconference Institute: Integrating Redesigned Developmental Education Into Pathways.

Elkhorn Campus

Elkhorn campus welcomed the 2018-19 Promise students from Walworth County high schools and their parents to campus on May 1 with a dinner and presentations.

Elkhorn campus says farewell to our beloved librarian, Jason Steagall, as he and his wife move to Denver at the end of the month.

Planning is already underway for our annual Open House event scheduled for the afternoon of August 9.

The Veterinary Sciences program will host the WTCS State-Called Meeting for Veterinary Tech/Asst programs in Elkhorn on June 1.

Dean Mike O'Donnell attended the open house reception for the new administrator of the Walworth County Lakeland Health Care Center in Elkhorn on April 27.

School of Allied Health/Veterinary Sciences

The PTA program held its first Pinning Ceremony for its graduating class on the evening of April 18.

The Surgical Technician program hosted the administration of the national CST exam on campus in Kenosha on April 23. Preliminary reports reveal that 6 out of 7 (85%) graduates passed the exam to become Certified Surgical Technicians.

A Shared Program agreement for Ophthalmic Medical Assistant has been signed with Lakeshore Technical College. We will begin collaborating to recruit a Fall 2018 inaugural class, set up the Racine Campus lab and install teleconference technology to connect with the Cleveland, WI campus.

A Shared Program agreement for Respiratory Therapy has been signed with Milwaukee Area Technical College. We are working in collaboration with Froedtert South health system to identify potential students for this unique program.

Dean Mike O'Donnell plans to attend the Kenosha County Healthcare Executives Roundtable on June 14. Later that same day he will attend the Steering Council meeting of the Aurora Health Care System for the Elkhorn/Burlington market area in Burlington. He has also been asked to serve on an accreditation focus group for ARC/STSA, the accrediting body for Surgical Technology, which is updating its standards over the next 18 months.

COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Marketing and Communications

Gateway hosted the 36th annual Hispanic Youth Career Fair on Friday, April 27. More than 100 Hispanic high school students from SE Wisconsin attended the event and learned about career and higher education options. The event is sponsored annually by Gateway, MATC, Marquette, UW-Parkside and Waukesha Tech.

The first in a series of Train Local. Stay Local. stories was published in the Kenosha News. The series will highlight the partnerships Gateway has with local employers and the key role we play in training a skilled workforce to meet employer needs. The first story featured Froedtert South VP of HR Nicholas Galich. <u>http://www.kenoshanews.com/tlsl/</u>

Progress is continuing on a revamp of Gateway's website. User testing, heat mapping and stakeholder surveys are complete. Ascedia is working on initial wireframe and page functionality concepts and those will be finalized yet this month for the main pages of the site.

Targeted prospect outreach and digital/traditional advertising plans are being developed/launched for the college's new programs/program locations including Supply Chain, Advanced Manufacturing, Barber/Cos in Burlington, Construction Trades, etc.

Foundation

As of May 4, 2018, the Foundation has raised \$1,725,457. 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 \$2,400,133 in gifts and pledges.

Register soon for the 24th Annual Foundation Golf Scramble on Thursday, May 24, 2018, at Hawks' View Golf course. Golfers have been registering their foursomes. It's your opportunity to golf with a goal and help Gateway students. We currently have 96 golfers registered (which includes 22 foursomes) and 24 sponsorships secured. Our current leadership sponsors include:

- Diamond Level (\$10,000) Partners in Design
- Platinum Level (\$5,000) Camosy Construction, Complete Office of Wisconsin/Emmons Business Interiors, Riley Construction, Snap-on and Trane
- Silver (\$2,000) The Colerget Conference Center
- Dinner Sponsor (\$1,500) Bane Nelson

The Foundation gratefully accepted generous gifts from the following organizations:

- District's Mutual Insurance (\$5000) for the Gateway Promise
- 1335 Foundation (\$3,000) for the Gateway Promise

The Alumni Association hosted breakfast and afternoon cake for the Kenosha and Elkhorn Campuses Earth Day Celebrations. Approximately 75 alumni and their guests participated.

ENROLLMENT

FY18 continues to be slightly positive at +0.5. Summer enrollment is positive +1.9%. Fall enrollment remains strong as we moving into open registration and is positive +7.3%.

FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION and FACILITIES

Risk Management

Creating and maintaining a risk aware culture is a college-wide effort - however, as with any project, there are individuals who make outstanding contributions who may go unrecognized. Gateway Technical College's casualty, cyber risk and worker's compensation insurance provider, Districts Mutual Insurance (DMI), seeks (on an annual basis) to recognize those individuals within the college community that are making outstanding contributions to the area of risk management. Gateway Technical Colleges Learning Innovation Division (LID) was nominated for and awarded the DMI Risk Impact Award for 2018. The nomination of the LID team included the following: "The LID team members have made and continue to make outstanding contributions to the area of risk mitigations. The LID team's risk reduction efforts during the past several years have exploded into specialized cyber risk awareness and security initiatives shared with Gateway faculty and staff." Congratulations to Gateway Technical College's risk management heros -- the LID Team!

HUMAN RESOURCES

Bill Whyte, John Frost, Debbie Miller, and Jacqueline Morris attended the Milwaukee/Sentinel 2018 Top Workplace Award breakfast on Friday, May 4. Gateway received it's 8th Top Workplace Award.

The GTEA and the GESP were certified to represent their respective groups in the election

process during April/May.

Negotiations for both unions are scheduled for June 6, 2018.

We are currently evaluating different Employee Assistance Program (EAP) options. Our current provider is not meeting the expectations that have been present in the past.

John Frost announced the development of the Impartial Hearing Officer (IHO) role along with the selection of our first IHO for the Complaint Resolution Process.

Debbie Miller represented Gateway along with representatives from Quarles & Brady at an all-day deposition in preparation for an EEOC appeals hearing.

Debbie reported that during the month of April, Health and Delta Vision open enrollment transpired.

Debbie and Josh Vollendorf presented Title IX information at the Campus Parent Programs for the Promise Program.

Josh Vollendorf has completed his training and is now a certified ALICE (Altert-Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evacuate) trainer .

Jacqueline Morris and Selina Bohn attended the Ellucian Live Conference. Included in the conference were the latest updates and upcoming changes to employee self-service, ETHOS Platform, and position control.

Jacqueline and Mary Halberstadt attended the Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM) Talent Conference & Exposition to gain more expertise in recruitment efforts and talent acquisition.

INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

In April, John represented Gateway at the Lumina Talent Hub convening in Denver. The Talent Hub is a partnership between Gateway, UW-Parkside, Higher Expectations for Racine, and Building our Future with a goal of increasing degree completion for traditional age students, particularly students of color and low income. The local team attended workshops and master classes on best practices to advance the completion agenda, which we will apply to our student success efforts at Gateway and in our region.

Preparations are continuing for the Higher Learning Commission reaffirmation visit in February 2020. John attended the HLC annual meeting in April to continue learning about the process. The HLC rolled out a first draft of revised criteria for accreditation which could be in effect for our visit depending on how quickly they are adopted by the HLC Board. You can review the new criteria here:

http://download.hlcommission.org/CriteriaRevision 2018 INF.pdf, and send any comments to hlc@hlcommission.org.

Employee Learning

Ten new supervisors completed their training in April. New supervisor training consists of six DDI training modules on topics like communication, coaching, and addressing conflict as well as mentoring meetings with other experienced supervisors.

At the end of April, the focus was on Faculty Professional Week. Approximately 170 faculty attended a morning program with guest speaker Dionna Gavin, Manager of Organizational Development at Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin, who presented on "Engaging all Generations in Effective Learning." Faculty logged over 700 hours of training on various topics throughout the rest of the week.

Career Pathways

The Director of Career Pathways and Program Effectiveness attended a pre-conference session on successful integration of developmental education best practices into guided pathways at the AACC Annual Conference. Leading a team of experts from the college, the Director of Career Pathways and Program Effectiveness helped to establish an action plan regarding remediation reform to ensure that all other curriculum projects aligned with the Pathways 2.0 project can be strategically implemented in a cohesive fashion. The team also had the opportunity to hear from national experts on the subject and to connect with other Pathways 2.0 cohort colleges to share best practices related to developmental education reform.

Grants

We recently received the results of the Ruffalo Noel-Levitz Student Satisfaction Inventory (SSI). The Research, Planning and Development department conducts this nationallynormed survey every other fall to assess student satisfaction. The questionnaire includes 70 items. Students are asked to rate the importance of each item as well as their satisfaction with that item. In fall of 2017 1,000 surveys were distributed to students enrolled in credit courses and 630 completed surveys were returned. The survey results are very positive with Gateway scoring significantly higher than the national averages on questions related to overall satisfaction, whether students would re-enroll here if they were doing it again, and how well Gateway has met their expectations. Over the coming months the survey results will be reviewed and presented to staff so departments can use the information for planning.

LEARNING INNOVATION

Distance Learning

We have tested and implemented our migration to the SaaS environment for Blackboard. There were numerous technical hurdles to overcome, but Brenda Stockton and Alan Pinkerton were great assets throughout the project.

Information Systems

An online Non Instructional LOE process is being developed.

The project to improve the processing of library fines so that it conforms to our debt rules for registration and allows library fines to be paid online has been completed.

The implementation the Infosilem Enterprise product to replace EMS, our current room scheduling product, continues.

Self Service is being upgraded to 2.19 and the WebAPI to 1.19.1. Colleague is also being patched to support the upgrades.

The implementation of TutorTrac has begun.

A number of updates have been made to the Concur Travel and Expense import process to facilitate ease of use.

Technology Operations

The Infrastructure Team made a site visit to the Snap-on headquarters to observe their auditorium features, design, and engineering. Rick Secor, Director of Communications and PR, gave us a fantastic guided tour. We appreciated Snap-on's hospitality and behind the scenes look at their facilities. It generated some great discussion and ideas for future multimedia projects and cabling infrastructure approaches.

The Information Security and Network Operations teams are finishing up the first phase of a core network services implementation project, one which effects every user and device that connects to the Gateway network. They are implementing a Cisco product called ISE (Identity Services Engine). ISE provides access and control across wired, wireless, and VPN connections through the use of a single interface and policy management platform. This network access control functionality is a fundamental piece of our information and network security plan.

The Infrastructure team completed a whirlwind tour of the district to remove multimedia equipment and security cameras from those parts of the college beginning their remodeling projects. We will assess the equipment we removed and determine what can be reused or repurposed.

Dan Madsen represented Gateway at three local technology events: the HP Spring Product Update, the Wisconsin IT Symposium, and the CCB Technology showcase event. These events included product demonstrations, workshops, customer case studies, and technology experts available to discuss ideas and answer questions.

User Experience

Cynap was demonstrated for the faculty at their Summer Faculty Inservice. Initial reaction to the system was very positive. There was more positive feedback at the Allied Health Department Meeting where we were able to give a more in-depth demonstration. A technology survey will be sent to the faculty in attendance to gather information on what technologies they use in their classes.

Computer techs and student casuals on all campuses have been busy preparing computer labs for the summer semester. This has included cleaning computers, reimaging and updating software, and moving equipment to different locations for use during construction.

Deployment of new hardware continues that was purchased for FY 2017/2018. Planning has begun on technology updates for FY 2018/2019.

STUDENT SERVICES

Student Finance Specialist

The Student Finance Specialists have been working hard on outreach to students who have been placed on Financial Aid Suspension. They are providing these students with alternative options to ensure that they can progress through their education and into their career. The SFS team has called more than 300 students over the last two weeks. We have seen almost 3/4 of the suspended students complete their needed appeal or select an

alternative payment option. While these calls are not always the easiest to make, students appreciate that we are being communicative with the information.

Financial Aid

The Financial Aid team has been utilizing the texting software to speed up information delivery to students. Starting with the 2018/19 year, we now text students to let them know that we received their FAFSA and how they can access their Student ID#, email and password. This early information notification has been appreciated by students and we hope to see an increase in file completion this year. In additional to texting, the FA team has been looking at ways to speed up awarding of student files. In the past we usually only award students on a weekly basis, but after doing some extensive research and system setup, we may be able to start awarding students on a daily basis starting in the Fall.

Student Accounts

The Student Accounts team has been busy with personal outreach and working to help students reduce their balances for 2018 Spring. With the Support of the Student Express Associates, we have made over 2200 phone calls to students with a late payment or outstanding balance for 2018 Spring. These efforts are evident with 2018 Spring balances being reduced by \$32,000.

Registrar

The registrar's office is in the midst of preparations for graduating the class of '18 and the commencement ceremony! We expect to award 494 associate of applied science degrees and technical diplomas to Spring 2018 graduates. In collaboration with stakeholders such as Express Services and College Connection, we have been reviewing our registration processes for off campus classes, looking for opportunities to improve registration efficiency. This initiative includes working with departments to improve the accuracy of our student records so that we are able to report the work our college does with our varied student populations. Additionally, we have been working on streamlining our duplicate clean up process by working with IS to develop a report that informs us which screens need to be updated.

Academic Advising

The academic advising team has been focused on summer academic planning/registration the last couple months. This focus has now expanded to include the Fall planning/registration as well. A fair number of students will register for summer and fall at the same time. Most recently with the Promise Kick-off events, the advising team is spending time to pre-prepare fall and summer academic plans for these promise students. All advisors will be working 2-3 kickoff events to help guide our new cohort of promise students with academic planning and registration for fall and in some cases summer semesters as well. A few advisors have also been partnering with our faculty advisors to offer support towards faculty group advising efforts within various programs in the district. To cite a couple examples: Graphic Communications program in Racine and our IT programs in Racine have partnered this past April to promote and help students plan fall semester courses before leaving for the summer break.

Career & Employment Services

CES collaborated with Paramedic program faculty and area EMS and HR administrators to conduct mock interviews with the 2018 Paramedic program graduating class throughout the past two months at the Hero Center. CES assisted with interviews of eligible Gateway students for Foxconn internships resulting in several internship hires. CES attended the

Wisconsin Career Development Association (WCDA) biannual professional development workshop. Topics covered included Applicant Tracking Systems (ATS), Career Services for the Justice Involved, Resume's for Older Workers, Beyond the Skills Gap, and DWD's internship site – WisConnect. CES partnered with Disabilities Support Services (DSS) to provide mock interviewing to Walworth county disabled high school students at the Walworth County Transition event held on the Elkhorn campus.

Express Services

Express Services has been busy assisting students with summer enrollment, graduation season inquiries, and helping out with different outreach calls. There have been a number of campus events with which we have assisted including Promise Night, call night, middle school tours, and Take your Child to Work Day. Between phone calls, chats, and emails, the Contact Center has had over 9958 contacts with students during the month of April.

LEARNING SUCCESS

Learning Success Coach Business Management & Accounting

The first "Entrepreneurial StrengthsFinder Inspiration Exhibit" was held at the Racine Conference Center on April 18th. This event was designed to celebrate the very first Entrepreneurial StrengthsFinder Discovery series cohort. The 12 week series allowed students to gain knowledge about the 10 entrepreneurial builder talents (Business Profitability, Confidence, Disruptor, Delegator, Determination, Independent, Knowledge-Seeker, Promoter-Selling, Relationship-Builder and Risk-Taker). In addition, the series included group discussions, (weekly) Gallup Builder Talent video presentations, guest speakers, and field trips, Twenty-five participants were acknowledged and had the opportunity to display their business idea at the inspiration exhibit. Participants were joined by family, friends, faculty and staff. All participants received the entrepreneurial StrengthsFinder book by Jim Clifton and a free membership to the Launch Box. One of the inspiration exhibit highlights included the Maximizing Your Entrepreneurial Talent Conversation Café: Facilitated by Lashon Stevens (Business Management Student).



Student trip to The Branch 1501



Inspirational Exhibit: Gateway Technical College (Cohort 1)

Human Services

Gateway Technical College collaborates with Kenosha County

Bringing the Protective Factors to Life in Your Work series concluded in the month of April. Through collaboration with Kenosha County, students were able to attend six weeks of training in the 5 Protective Factors. Students had the opportunity to engage in comprehensive discussion about the importance of bringing the 5 protective factors to the forefront of the field of family support.



Student led discussion by Angela Jones

TAG

Gateway's SSS program was featured in the State of Wisconsin TRIO Factbook. A link to the book can be found <u>here</u>. Our Annual Performance Report was completed and our students have done amazingly well. (see below)



Student Life

The Student Life Staff and six students leaders: Virginia Aranda, Joas Cifuentes, Sharon De La O, Angela Jones, Manal Nabeel, and Cristofer Palacios attended Unleash The Power Within Conference in San Jose, CA. Unleash the Power Within is a live 3 ½ day event with Tony Robbins designed to help unlock and unleash the forces inside that can help break through any limit and create the quality of life you desire. We were taught how you can surpass your own limitations to achieve your goals and take control of your life.





On Thursday, March 22, 2018 United Student Government hosted the Hop Into Spring Event. Students and their families enjoyed a free ice-cream sundae bar, meeting the Easter Bunny, face painting, and fun prizes.



Student Life and United Student Government hosted a Gateway Red Hawks March Madness Bracket. Our first place winner was Emily Pena receiving \$100.00 Visa Gift Card. Our second place winner was Ann Gurka receiving \$75.00 Visa Gift Card. Our third place winner was Rachel Justus receiving a \$50.00 Visa Gift Card.

BUSINESS & WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS

2018 Spring Session of GED training at Walworth County Jail was taught by Larry Kirkwood

and had 10 students. Of the 10 candidates, 2 inmates COMPLETED their General Equivalency Development Certificate, 1 inmate has passed 4 out of the 5 tests, 2 inmates have passed 3 out of the 5 tests, 2 inmates have passed 2 out of the 5 tests and 3 inmates have passed 1 out of the 5 tests.

Katie Dembowski, BWS Account manager and Randy Reusser, Instructor are working with CC&N to match the training with their needs. After years in development and planning, CC&N and the BWS Division started the new Low Voltage Certified Technician career advancement project. It runs from January to April, meeting one day per week, for two years.

The total number of certificates and certifications earned by the LVCT I is 97 for the first year. They completed the Greenlee/NC3 Fiber Testing and Troubleshooting and ETAI Customer Service Specialist Certification on the last day, Friday April 6, 2018. Eight of the ten students who started the LVCT successfully completed the training. Here is a list of certificates and certifications earned by the group (so far): Belden IBDN726 Copper Certificate Belden IBDN746 Fiber Certificate Belden IBDN303 Layout and Design Certificate Snap-On Hand Tool Safety Snap-On Electrical Tool Safety ETAI Customer Service Specialist Certification Greenlee/NC3 VDV Copper Certification Greenlee/NC3 VDV Fiber Certification

There will be a meeting in May to discuss the first LVCT and any changes or improvements to incorporate in the next LVCT. In 2019 the second year for the LVCT I class will be on Thursday's and starting the first year for the next group LVCT II will be on Fridays from January to April 2019.



Telecom Cable Installer IV held their graduation ceremony and mock/real interviews on Friday April 20, 2018. Four students successfully completed the entire Telecom Cable Installer Boot Camp. Instructors Dennis Usky, Randy Reusser, and telecom students completed work on Phase I at the Women's Resource Center in Racine. Students that completed, each earned a total of 13 college credits, the combined certificates and total certifications earned by all students was 101! Two companies came for mock and real interviews, and one student has already been hired.



On Wednesday, March 14th Gateway hosted an inaugural completion ceremony for the Robert. E. Ellsworth Correctional Facility at the SCJ iMET Center. 11 Female inmates completed the CNC Operator Training that began on October 16th, 2017. The women are the first group to participate in the program at Gateway. Several keynotes took place at the event including Jon Litscher, Secretary of the Department of Corrections, and Paul Bothe from Bothe Associates. The Department of Corrections has conducted similar training at the Racine Correctional Institution for the last 4 years and has committed to start cohorts for both the female and male participants in April 2018.

Business and Workforce Solutions submitted 11 Workforce Advancement Training Grants for companies from Kenosha, Racine, and Walworth Counties. The grant applications will be submitted to the Wisconsin Technical College System Office by May 1st and notice of award takes place early July. Grants fund training to assist our local employers at a third of the cost of training.

Rob Alderson and Randy Reusser, Instructors taught NC3 Greenlee classes at the NC3 "Train the Trainer" event at TCAT in Elizabethton, Tennessee. Tim Kopp, Business Development Manager for Greenlee is working closely with Rob and Randy. He said "I don't say this lightly but, I'm very proud to have the Greenlee certifications presented by such knowledgeable and professional instructors as the two of you. I received nothing but positive feedback from each person I talked to about their experience this week. We learn a little something with each TTT event we do and we will continue to strive for improvement, but I wanted to just express my gratitude for your enthusiasm, efforts and everything else you put in to helping us get these awesome certifications off the ground."



Randy with his Fiber class at NC3 TTT 28

Thalia Mendez, Business Resource Specialist did one-on-one for small business coaching with six individuals. Thirteen new membership agreements were signed for the Launch Box co-working space - including nine Gateway students!

Thalia co-hosted the Strong Women Strong Coffee networking event with partner, WI Women's Business Initiative Corporation (WWBIC) at the Inspire Center. Nearly 30 women were in attendance to hear first hand, Nicole Urquhart's, very inspirational story of how she started her business, Baby Express-Racine.

Thalia presented the Entrepreneurial Strength's Finder class a session on the importance of relationship building and networking when starting a small business. In addition, she attended and participated with the City of Racine Economic Development Team, M7 Marshaling Our Resources mentorship group, Kenosha Creative Space board of directors and the Emerge Start-up group.

The Cohort IV Growth Accelerator class is in full swing and actively developing and practicing their "pitches". The final pitch competition will be May 15th and both Dr. Albrecht and Racine Mayor Cory Mason will be handing out the "Big Checks".

Matt Janisin attended the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) Annual Conference and presented on the Gateway's industry partnerships and how the integration of industry certifications has transformed our students' learning experiences.

Matt also presented on Gateway's Industry 4.0 / Advanced Manufacturing programming to the School of Protective and Human Services, Burlington High School teachers, and to multiple high school guidance counselors at a Lunch-n-Learn event coordinated by the College Access team in Elkhorn.

BWS coordinated tours across multiple Gateway campuses for the president of Mid-Michigan Community College and her team as well as the North American Service Team for Kubota Tractor.

Fab Lab April 2018

The Fab Lab has been extremely active, and even as we closed out the semester, April was no exception.



We were excited to receive and start work with our Kids Lab Rokenbok sets, and look forward to collaborating with our regional school districts. There will be introductory sessions this upcoming week with the elementary schools who are piloting the program.

New to the Lab this month was our IT Class, which visited and did printing projects. And the Fab Lab also helped to fabricate the awards for the student show.

Kristen, our newest Lab Technician, who won four awards this year!



We continued sessions with our home schooling group, and even had David Jones from the Kenosha Creative Space, and Center for Collaborative research in to run a printmaking session.



The Fab Lab was also a part of the Steam fair held at Red Apple.





We took printers, the virtual welder, and the Shopbot and not only ran demos, we were close to the cookie table, so we had our fill of chocolate chip cookies!

Of particular note is the interest we have been generating with different instrument building. There are about a half dozen students starting to explore the world of guitar building. We have been 3D printing drums, and in fall the Fab Lab Club plans to hold a workshop. It is our hope to generate interest in running the STEM guitar class, but that's yet to be seen!



The Fab Lab closed out the month by participating in "gET bEHIND the aRTs." This is our second year. Sponsored by our Fab Lab Club, we wanted to send the message that our Art Community is seen as a valid, and valued business partner.







"gET bEHIND the aRTs." Hosted a preview party, the night before, where the Lab proudly participated. The actual event brought just over a hundred people to iMET on Saturday.



Children and parents enjoyed demos, did projects, and the Lab hosted the Kenosha Racine Poet Laureate Group. It was fantastic!

The CNC HS BC completion ceremonies are scheduled for;

Racine/Kenosha County at iMet on Thursday May 17th at 1PM

Walworth County at Elkhorn Campus on Friday May 25th at 1PM

On April 13th we held the Completion Ceremony for Adult CNC Boot Camp XXVIII. To date 10 of the 11 completers are employed already.



The completion ceremony for the Hospitality Essentials II is scheduled for May 16th at 5:00 p.m. at Veterans Terrace.

Apprenticeship

Rob Alderson and Nicci Pagan partnered with the Workforce Development Apprenticeship Liason, Nicole Punko to participate in the Young Adult Job Fair at Bardford High School on April 18th.

Invited by the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor's Leadership Program (IVLP) to present on Wisconsin Registered Apprenticeship to a group of international visitors at the Elkhorn Campus on April 20th. Their visit went very well, there were many good inquiries and interaction and they were quite impressed with Gateway's endeavors and partnerships and with Wisconsin as a whole.

Thanks to Katie Graf and and Sam Duczak, we were given the opportunity to discuss Apprenticeship with a number of high school counselors and staff at the High School Counselor Lunch and Learn sessions held at each Gateway Campus between April 24th-April 26th. It was a wonderful opportunity to educate our high school partners about Apprenticeship, how it works, it benefits and how interested students can get started.

Last, please save the date for this year's Apprenticeship Completion Ceremony, which will be on Thursday, June 7th, at the SC Johnson iMet Center. Refreshments start at 5:30pm, Ceremony starts at 6:00pm.