



**GORGE TECHNOLOGY
ALLIANCE**

“This is recreational paradise... it’s a gorgeous part of the world... lifestyle is critical... there are great opportunities for someone who wants to be active.”
Steven Maier, Innovative Composite Engineering

The Gorge Technology Alliance seeks to promote the technology business sector of the Gorge by helping start, grow, expand, and sustain high tech companies. We accomplish this by encouraging networking among technology businesses to promote and leverage each others’ capabilities, products, and services; provide educational opportunities for members; and brand the Gorge for high tech.

What You Get as a Member of GTA

	MEMBERSHIP	MEMBERSHIP PLUS
Monthly Newsletter informing you of local events	●	●
Listing Yourself on the GTA Website	●	●
Open Invitation to Monthly GTA Meetings and Programs	●	●
Networking with Others in the Technology Sector	●	●
Annual Job Fair	●	●
Use of the GTA Job Postings	●	●
Educational Programs	●	●
Right to use the GTA Logo and GTA promotional items	●	●
Feature Your Business in the Member Spotlight	●	●
Contribute to the Success of Technology in the Gorge	●	●
Membership in SAO		●
Invite to CEO-Only Forums		●
Discounted Business Services (E&O Insurance, Payroll, Office Supplies...)		●
Discounted Attendance to SAO Events		●
Networking opportunities with technology leaders throughout the state		●
Included in online membership map		●
Discounts to SAO Training through the Oregon Training Network		●
Invitation to Invite only Tech Executive Events		●
Eligible for Group HealthCare Plan (technology companies only)		●

Gorge Technology Alliance Annual Membership

Number of employees	Regular Members	Membership Plus+
student	Free	n/a
*1	\$75	\$250
2-5	\$100	\$375
6-25	\$200	\$625
26-50	\$400	\$1025
51-100	\$600	\$1625
101+	Please call for costs and benefits.	

GTA Meeting Calendar

Upcoming Events and Meetings You May Have Missed

2009 Programs

March 14 – Columbia Gorge Job Fair: In cooperation with Worksource Columbia Gorge
The Dalles Civic Auditorium - 10-2 pm

March 10 – Hood River Pub Talk: Give Your Business Idea Wings
The White Buffalo, Hood River - Opportunity to pitch you existing business or business idea.

2008 Programs

November – Green on the Go: Alternative Transportation Technology Show
Green and high-tech transportation up-close. The latest hybrids and plug-in electric cars, motorbikes and scooters.

November – Selling Your IT/ Tech Business by Bob Chalfin *Presented in conjunction with the SAO.*

October – Trends in Employer-Provided Healthcare: What You Need to Know
A panel discussion featuring leaders from the employer-provided healthcare.

July – Another Inconvenient Truth: The Growing Risk of Counterfeit Products
Ed Dietrich, SVP of Hologram Industries, Paris, France, a leading maker of authentication and anti-counterfeiting technologies.

June – Implementing Real-World Business Intelligence Solutions
This seminar covered the techniques and technology needed to implement successful Business Intelligence.

May – Down into the Deep by Dr. Anna-Louise Reysenbach, world renowned micro-biologist
Acid loving and heat loving microbes that reside in one of the last frontiers on Earth - deep-sea hydrothermal vents.

April – Hood River Valley High School Robotics
HRVHS Robotics Team presented their experiences in the Oregon state robotics competition.

March – Autonomous Robotics by Dean Edwards, Univ of Idaho professor and president of Forest Robots
Autonomous robotic research at Forest Robots, a startup developing remote control equipment for logging operations.

March – Growing (or Starting) an Online Sales Channel *Co-sponsored by SAO*
Rob McCreedy, Summit Projects and Lisa Williams, Media Forte
How to maximize your company's website and leverage online resources.

February – Portland U.S. Export Assistance Center by Brad Anderson
Helping small to medium-sized Oregon and SW Washington companies develop international markets.