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Welcome to the March edition of the Gorge Technology Alliance newsletter!

Gorge Technology Alliance Board

The 2008 board of directors for the Gorge Technology Alliance has been confirmed. Your board includes:

- Lee Ast, Current Commercial
- Mark Daly, Insitu
- Dave Fenwick, vLetter
- Mark Flaming, Frontier Ventures
- Kent Heighton, Gorge Technology
- Mary Kramer, Columbia Gorge Community College
- Gary Rains, Rains Marketing
- Steve Sliwa, Insitu
- Nancy White, Custom Interface

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Gorge Technology Alliance Mission

To promote the technology business sector of the Columbia River Gorge and build new alliances to strengthen our surrounding communities.

We focus on "lifestyle entrepreneurs;" individuals who take advantage of the area's recreational resources and business opportunities, combining their drive for recreational activities with an industry cluster that continues to expand.

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→ Growing (or Starting) Your Online Sales Channel

March 20, 2008 from Noon to 1:00 p.m., Hood River, OR

Learn how to maximize your company's website and leverage online resources in this interactive seminar. Cohosted by Gorge Technology Alliance and Software Association of Oregon.

Event will be held March 20, 2008 at the Hood River County Administration Building. To register, or for more information, click [here](#).

→ Membership Renewal

It is time for annual Gorge Technology Alliance membership renewals. You can now renew your membership with a credit card! To renew your membership, click [here](#).

→ Gorge's High Tech High Life

Read the Oregonian article featuring Gorge high tech entrepreneurs. Click [here](#) to view the full article.

Project Lead the Way

April 22, 2008 - The April meeting of the Gorge Technology Alliance will feature "Project Lead the Way", a pre-engineering program offered by Northern Wasco School District. The meeting will start at 6:30 pm at The Dalles/Wahtonka High School in The Dalles.

For more information see the [GTA calendar](#).

Hood River PubTalk

Keynote speaker -Kit Silver, Staffing Manger for Insitu

Labor continues to be one of the critical issues facing Gorge area businesses and will be highlighted at the next PubTalk on March 11th. In addition, two firms will be presenting their business ideas to the Gorge Angel community.

For more information on the PubTalk event, click [here](#).

Call for Businesses!

Give your great business idea wings~ here is your opportunity for 10 minutes to pitch your business or idea and see what happens. The next Hood River PubTalk with openings is May 13, 2008 and they are looking for two great business ideas. Time is short. If you or a friend are interested contact Bill Fashing at 541-387-6863.

Washington State Technology Summit

Washington Technology Center will host the 2008 Washington State Technology Summit on April 15th in Bellevue. The 2008 Technology Summit will bring together more than 400 technology leaders and innovators who are driving industry development in clean technology, renewable energy, global health, and advanced materials & manufacturing.

InnoTech Conference

Wikinomics Author, Don Tapscott, Featured Speaker

The fifth annual Oregon InnoTech Conference returns on April 16-17, 2008 to the Oregon Convention Center. This conference assembles business and technology executives in the region to provide answers to your innovation issues and offer a chance to see the latest products and solutions to support your business.

[Registration](#) is now open.

Complying With U.S. Export Controls

Learn the information needed to comply with U.S. export control requirements on commercial goods. Seminar will be held April 23-24 in Portland, OR.

Click [here](#) for more information.
