



Friends of the Corridor

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News & Notes

This spring we celebrate Charleston's growing technology community and the contribution they are making to expand our economy. Charleston's wi-fi project – "[the radius,](#)" is ready for launch as the pundits sit on the sidelines pontificating about the downside of surfing the Web for free. I say, let the little people decide.

DIGITAL CORRIDOR RECEIVES INVITATION

The Charleston Digital Corridor has been invited to participate at the [Intelligent Community Forum's](#) "Building the Broadband Economy 2006" held June 2006 in New York City. The City of Charleston is one of three Best Practice Communities represented at the international conference - along with Bellevue, WA and Virginia Beach, VA. As part of the "e-Government and Intelligent Community" Panel, the roundtable experts will discuss their municipality's successes in pioneering the effort to create innovative opportunities for building their communities broadband economy.

The Intelligent Community Forum, a partner of the [Innovation Groups,](#) is a nonprofit think tank focusing on job creation and economic development in the broadband economy. Attendees from the Americas, Europe, Asia and Africa are drawn to the conference by the shared challenge on how to adapt to the broadband economy in light of today's economic realities.

New Members

Please join us in welcoming five new companies to the Charleston Digital Corridor! They join 70 other [member companies](#) seeking to engage, diversify and strengthen Charleston's creative economy.

Founded in 2002, [Access Healthcare](#) is an innovative, paperless, patient focused primary care medical practice designed to provide optimum, quality care in a comfortable, relaxed atmosphere. Access Healthcare does everything possible to promptly meet the healthcare needs of patients, whether it is by telephone, e-mail, traditional office visits, after-hours care, or house calls. Access Healthcare works for the patient. They do not contract with any outside parties that influence the outcome of a patient's healthcare.

[At Will Productions](#) is a winning partnership between local radio veteran Loan Ann Lacour, and seasoned videographer, and editor, Joe Schmitt. Since 1998, At Will Productions has completed corporate productions for MUSC, Mikasa, Pearlstine Distributors, and others. Joe consistently freelances for ESPN, Fox, and others as a camera operator, and has covered countless live events. At Will Productions delivers rich media content for your web-site with stunning size, resolution, and most importantly, speed.

Connect Solutions, Inc. is a communications company offering a broad range of innovative services at competitive prices. Launched in 2005, Connect Solutions offers customers a single shopping source for all



of their telecommunications needs. From network services to cabling and telephone equipment, Connect Solutions can help design, order, and project manage a simple 1fb line (pots) to an MPLS Wide Area Network. Our products and services also include VOIP, VPN, Frame, IP, local, long-distance, and conferencing.

eSchoolware, Inc. is a leading-edge technology solution that assists teachers, principals and administrators in their pursuit to improve instruction and learning. [eSchoolware](#) uses a unique leveled methodology to address the challenging issues of the No Child Left Behind requirement for teacher, student and administrator technology proficiency in schools. By maximizing information organization, the effective use of technology gives educators access to advanced communication and reporting tools.

PalmettoTech, LLC provides computer software consulting for non-profit and commercial organizations in many different industries and areas of focus. Founded in 2002, [PalmettoTech](#) offers many services, including high quality custom software development, web application development, systems integration, software training, and software project management. PalmettoTech is a [Blackbaud](#) Development Network partner which allows them to develop solutions for Blackbaud's premiere software suite for non-profits.

Initiatives Update

Talent Portal

With over 1,750 resumes, the Digital Corridor's [Talent Portal](#) continues to attract career seekers from within the Charleston region and across the United States. Thanks to the feedback from users and our members, we have made several updates to make the Talent Portal more effective for both employers and career seekers.

"Fridays @ the Corridor"

The Digital Corridor's ["Fridays @ the Corridor"](#) event is successfully engaging Charleston's knowledge-based community through informative and educational discussions. Please visit the Digital Corridor website to preview upcoming topics and [reserve](#) your space now. If you are unable to attend a Fridays event, past presentations are now posted to the Digital Corridor website.

Touchdown Space

Thanks to [Spirit Telecom](#) and [WideSpread Access](#), the Digital Corridor's [Touchdown Space](#) continues to offer start-up and relocating companies a full-service office. [Dockview Productions](#), a company that relocated to Charleston from Atlanta and used the Touchdown Space has now graduated to an ideal office location on King Street, in the Digital Corridor's University District. So, one of our two spaces is now available.



Events

Benefitfocus.com - Career Fair

benefitfocus.com, the leading provider of employee benefits software and services, is hosting an April career fair to meet its extensive hiring demands. The career fair will be held on Tuesday, April 4 from 6 - 8pm at its headquarters at 627 Johnnie Dodds Blvd in Mount Pleasant.

The company is seeking potential employees in the following areas: Data Analysis, Project Management, Software Implementation, Corporate Client Support and Software Engineering. Interested parties are invited to submit an electronic resume prior to the open house by going to www.benefitfocus.com.

ThinkTec Summit - 2006

Join business leaders, technology experts, entrepreneurs, researchers, economic developers and venture capitalists for the [ThinkTec Innovation Summit](#) to be held May 8 & 9, 2006 at [Trident Technical College's](#) Complex for Economic Development.

Thank You

Finally, thank you for your continued support of the Charleston Digital Corridor. All of our success is possible because of the terrific civic engagement and collaboration the Charleston Digital Corridor has received from you. Continued success to all of you in 2006!

Sincerely,

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