

WOMEN IN TECHNOLOGY STUDENT ORGANIZATION

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WOMEN IN TECHNOLOGY PURPOSE

- Meeting the needs of the women on both a personal and professional level
- Providing support for each other from entry into college to entry into the workforce

STARTING A NEW GROUP ON YOUR CAMPUS

- What do you need to start a new group?
 - IVCC requires a minimum number of students
 - Receive minimum funding (\$250)
- We had an existing group that no longer had participants
 - We were able to bypass rules above and
 - Inherited their balance

FUNDING YOUR ORGANIZATION

- From your school
- From outside sources
- Fundraising
- **GET THE WORD OUT THERE**



FUNDRAISING

- We were determined NOT to do a bake sale
- Instead we pooled the talents of the group and created items to sell



RECRUITING – SPIRIT DAY



OTHER IDEAS FOR RECRUITING

- Get the word out
 - Postal mail (before classes begin)
 - Email
 - First week when students learn about their email
 - Group Text apps
 - Students prefer to be texted

OTHER IDEAS

- Getting in the news
 - Social media
 - On campus
 - In your community

Women in Technology breaking the binary

https://www.classichits106.com/women-in-technology-breaking-the-binary/


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Women in Technology breaking the binary

📅 April 15, 2019 📍 Local Headlines

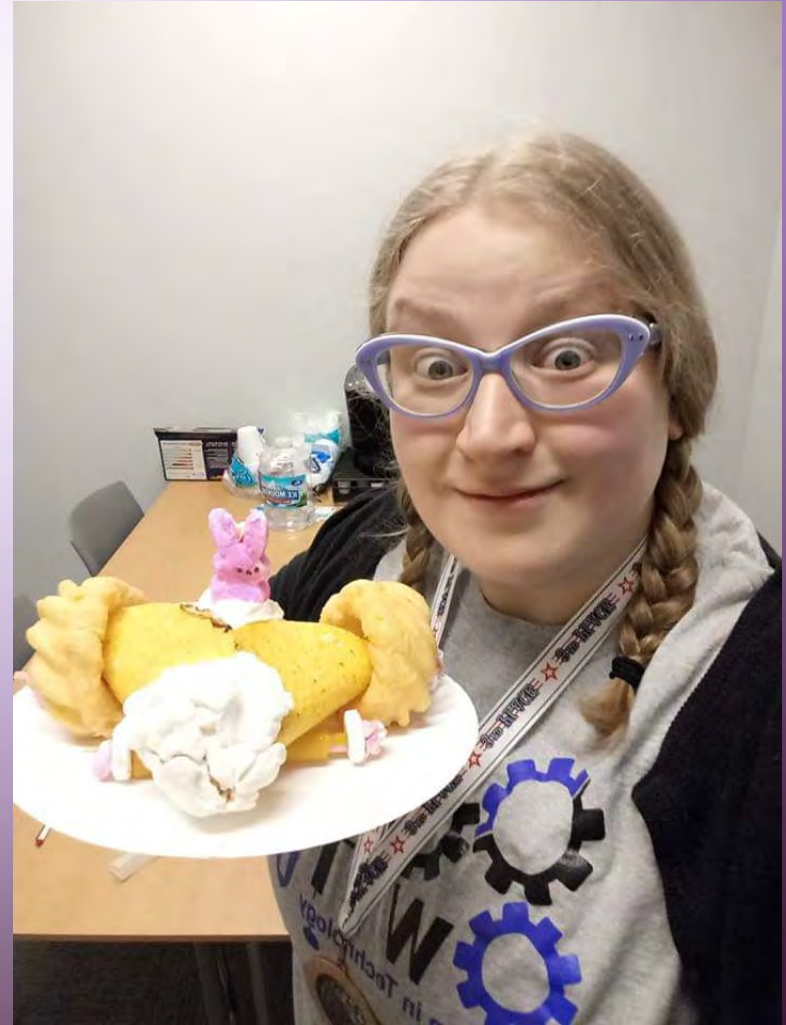


OGLESBY – Illinois Valley Community College's Women in Technology is a force to be reckoned with for those looking to pursue jobs in the industry. The recently established program strives to give ladies the opportunity to be exposed to and learn the fundamentals of welding, fabricating and engineering. The frontiers-women of the group believe in being surrounded by a support system, especially in a field where women are underrepresented. Student Liaison for the American Welding Society, Theresa Stalter says you don't have to be enrolled at IVCC to take a class within the

From left to right: President Kiley Rosnes, Student Liaison for AWS, Amelia Stalter and Theresa Mollin

TYPES OF ACTIVITIES (1 OF 3)

- Learning
 - 3D printing
 - Welding
 - MIMIC
 - Edible Car Contest



TYPES OF ACTIVITIES (2 OF 3)

- Eating
 - Providing food/snacks at the meetings
 - Going off campus to a local park for a cookout



TYPES OF ACTIVITIES (3 OF 3)

- Community Service
 - Area grade and high schools to promote STEM careers



FUTURE ACTIVITIES (1 OF 2)

- Speakers
 - Alumni who have succeeded and can come to talk or have remote talks via Zoom
- More Learning & Fun (less meetings)
 - Schedule at least one activity per month that group / sub-group can do

FUTURE ACTIVITIES (2 OF 2)

- Trivia Night
 - IVCC has this and it's optional that we participate
 - We have plans to participate this year
- Office / Space where students can hang out socially and academically
- FabTech



BRAINSTORMING ACTIVITY #1

- What types of activities can you think of that will help keep interest of your WiT group?
 - Directly related to things in your school?
 - Directly related to things in your community?
 - In general that will help us and others!
- Take 5-10 minutes to discuss per table and we'll go over them

ASSESSING SUCCESS

- How do you know what you are doing is “working”?
 - Small group – statistically not sound
 - This is an area in which we struggle
- Honest Communication
- Advisors can't be in charge of the group

ASSESSMENT BRAINSTORMING ACTIVITY

- From the types of activities listed in above slides AND the activities brainstormed here
 - What assessment would you propose to see if this was a success
- Take 5-10 minutes to discuss per table and we'll go over them



QUESTIONS ????