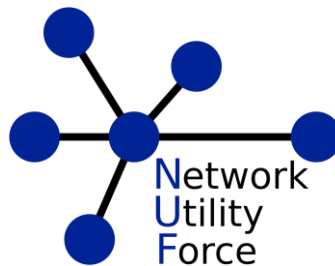




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Georgia GMIS SPRING CONFERENCE

May 4-7, 2015

The King and Prince

201 Arnold Road
St. Simons Island, GA 31522

Welcome to GMIS ISLAND!

“Just sit right back and you'll hear a tale,
A tale of a fateful trip
That started from this tropic port
Aboard this tiny ship.”

“The mate was a mighty sailing man,
The skipper brave and sure.
Seven passengers set sail that day
For a three hour tour, a three hour tour.”

“The weather started getting rough,
The tiny ship was tossed,
If not for the courage of the fearless crew
Georgia GMIS would be lost, Georgia GMIS would be lost.”

“The ship set ground on the shore of this uncharted desert isle
With Gilligan (Clark),
The Skipper (Gene) too ,
The billionaires (John and Aaron) living the life,
The movie stars (Jason and Katie)
The professor (Sherri), her T.A. (Ben), and Mary Ann (Karen),
Here on GMIS Isle.”

Have you ever felt that you and your Technology Department were on your own island? Geek Island? Where 1's and 0's abound, and everyone gets all the inside jokes from the Big Bang Theory. But then, the gale winds of Projects come about, and the storm of Trouble Tickets wreak havoc on your perfect island. You find yourself needing to protect your infrastructure, but still communicate with others who are on your Geek Island. It can be a shock to you and your world. Your technology paradise has turned into... Gilligan's Island. With various personality types, and everyone bringing many skills, and behaviors, it can be a struggle to help manage operations, and enable projects. You need to learn the right communication skills and obtain the best security and privacy practices to be successful. Where can you acquire all of the information necessary?

Welcome to **GMIS ISLAND!** From May 4-7, 2015, Georgia GMIS will be host to **GMIS ISLAND!** Often, organizational elements are approaching projects, operations and such from different vantage points. Although gifted in their respective fields, sometimes simple communications can be an obstacle. We have Dan O'Connor back from GMIS International in Savannah to show us more on how left brainers can work well with others and be the power enabler in the room! Stan Gatewood from the University System of Georgia will be showing us how to protect our Information and ePrivacy while helping make things go!

This spring, Georgia GMIS is introducing a new technology vertical – Geek Trak. In addition to the Information Technology Leadership Program, Geek Trak will feature a course selected by Georgia GMIS leaders in Georgia's Public Sector Technology field. Geek Trak is engineered for the highly technical professional staff that supports and enables our users and communities across Georgia.

Georgia GMIS, in collaboration with our Georgia GMIS 2015 Spring Premier Technical Training Partner, Network Utility Force, are proud to announce that our inaugural Geek Trak will be Certified Wireless Technology Specialist. We would like to offer this program to any Georgia GMIS member, regardless of hardware environment. Registration for Geek Trak will be limited to the first 20 paid Geek Trak registrations, and is \$425. It is more than the ITLP registration, but it includes: pre-conference training material, all of the digital material, practice exam questions, and the certification exam on Wednesday afternoon. This is an exciting opportunity for Georgia GMIS, Network Utility Force and our Georgia GMIS members!

Geek Trak will run in parallel to the Information Technology Leadership Program, an educational success with our strategic partner, the University of Georgia Carl Vinson Institute of Government. With the Information Technology Leadership Program and Geek Trak, Georgia GMIS is continuing to provide first class training for today's technologists and leaders serving our Georgia agencies, schools and communities. We will have networking opportunities with your fellow Islanders – other IT leaders and solution providers – to help you navigate the rough seas of Communications and Information Security.

Thank you for your participation.

We can't wait to see you at the King and Prince Resort in May!

Eugene L. Rudy
President, Georgia GMIS
2014-2015



Registration for the GA GMIS Spring 2015 conference is now open.

Information Technology Leadership Program

Presented in collaboration with The University of Georgia's Carl Vinson Institute of Government, the GA GMIS educational event is tailored to public sector IT directors, managers, and administrators. The conference's Information Technology Leadership Program (ITLP) sessions will highlight interpersonal communication competencies, in the context of the IT environment and its operations. The conference's ITLP program will create a forum for discussing how we, as IT professional, can increase our effectiveness through oral communication. This conference's managerial and technical offerings will intersect with our business activities as we examine how communication impacts information security threats and vulnerabilities as well as privacy.

With this in mind, our planned presentations will focus on the direction IT leadership is heading, how to negotiate interpersonal obstacles and overcome perceived barriers to effective communication. We will also cover today's ever changing information security environment, as well as how ePrivacy policies and practices can protect us, while serving our communities.

Our featured ITLP instructors will include:

- Dan O'Connor is a recognized Communications Expert, has worked with numerous Fortune 500 companies, and was a keynote presenter at the 2014 GMIS International Conference in Savannah, GA. Mr. O'Connor delivers innovative techniques and relationship building skills for left-brainers – like IT people. Whether working with passive-aggressive behavior, or naysayers, Mr. O'Connor's workshops help enable technologists communicate better with management and create positive environments.
- Stan Gatewood is the Chief Information Security Officer for the University System of Georgia, responsible for the Information Security for the 35 public colleges and university in Georgia. His career has spanned over 30 years in the military, state and federal government, higher education and corporate security. Mr. Gatewood has built a "highly successful" information security and privacy programs in cryptography and awareness. Mr. Gatewood was named an "IT security luminary, and one of the Top 5 influential IT security thinkers in the world."

Geek Trak

Georgia GMIS, in collaboration with our Georgia GMIS 2015 Spring Premier Technical Training Partner, Network Utility Force, are proud to announce that our inaugural Geek Trak will be Certified Wireless Technology Specialist (CWTS). We would like to offer this program to any Georgia GMIS member, regardless of hardware environment. Geek Trak will run parallel with the ITLP sessions. Breaks will be coincided to maximize sponsor participation time, as well as networking with other technology professionals. Starting on Sunday, May 3, Geek Trak will run for 4 days, and on Wednesday afternoon, attendees will go to the Coastal Pines Technical College for the exam, and certification. Geek Trak will be limited to the first 20 paid Geek Trak registrations. Registration is \$425, as it includes the CWTS training, digital material, practice exam questions, and certification exam. Pre-conference material will be available to registrants before the class to help promote a successful training session.



Each day of the conference will provide insight into aspects of the latest trends in information technology, brought to you by experts in the field. Regional and national vendors will be onsite offering tools and solutions designed for state and local governments. And most importantly, you will exchange knowledge and ideas about what works and doesn't work with your IT peers who represent shops of all sizes from nearly every region of the state.

Sunday, May 3

Geek Trak – Day 1 (Noon to 5pm)

Monday, May 4

Conference Opens

ITLP Management Education Session, Communication for Left Brainers: Dan O'Connor

Geek Trak – Day 2

Tuesday, May 5

ITLP Technical Education Session, Information Security: Stan Gatewood

Interactive ITLP Technical Education Activity

Geek Trak – Day 3

Wednesday, May 6

Roundtable Discussions on Technology Management Trends and Issues

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly Session

Geek Trak – Day 4 (Review and Test – Good Luck!)

Thursday, May 7

GA GMIS Business Meeting

Conference Adjournment

Conference Registration Information

All training will be held at the King and Prince Resort

ITLP Conference Registration Fee (includes one banquet ticket): \$325.00

Geek Trak Registration Fee (includes one banquet ticket): \$425.00

Tuesday Banquet Guest: \$50.00**

*****Anyone bringing a guest or spouse must request and pay for a banquet meal prior to their arrival at the conference.***

For registration options go to
<http://www.vinsoninstitute.org/gmis>

Hotel Information

ITLP

The King and Prince Beach & Golf Resort

201 Arnold Road

St. Simons Island, GA 31522

(800) 342-0212 or (912) 638-3631

<http://www.kingandprince.com>

When making your reservation, please mention that you are with Georgia Management Information Sciences to get the special rate of \$171 (plus taxes) per night. Make your reservations **today!**

Check-in: 4:00 p.m.
Check out: 11:00 a.m.

A block of rooms will be held at the hotel until March 30, 2015, or until all rooms have been reserved, whichever comes first. After this date, the hotel will make reservations at the special rate based on availability of rooms. Complimentary self-parking

Geek Trak

Geek Trak training will be held at the King and Prince Resort

Ocean Inn and Suites

599 Beachview Drive

St. Simons Island, GA 31522

912-268-4229

<http://www.oceaninnsuites.com>

When calling in your reservation, please ask for Tiva or Abby, and mention that you are with "GMIS" to get the special rate of \$129 (plus taxes) per night. A block of rooms will be held at the hotel until April 2, 2015. Make your reservations **today!**

Check-In: 4:00 p.m.
Check Out: 11:00 a.m.

Cancellation Policy: 30 days to cancel, if you don't cancel, you are responsible for paying for one night. If you check-in and decide to stay less nights than originally booked, you are responsible for all nights that were originally booked. Complimentary self-parking

Please remember to bring your tax exempt forms!



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