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Message from JCA CEO, Courtney Bernardi



Atlanta has been named one of the fastest growing high-tech urban centers in the nation. It is not a farfetched idea that the Atlanta Metro Area could become the next Silicon Valley, leading the nation in technology advancements and innovation.

Within the next three to five years, projections show technology companies will invest more than \$1 billion in Georgia.

From powerful supercomputers and high-bandwidth connections to sophisticated distribution, service, and support providers, the City of Johns Creek benefits from a deep-rooted information technology and telecommunications sector.

With a strong base of knowledgeable, experienced workers, ready access to high-speed global networks and cooperative alliances, the City of Johns Creek provides a stimulating environment for technology and communication companies.

Johns Creek is home to some of the largest technology companies in the world. Ebix, Bomgar, Teradata, Perkin Elmer, Datum Software, Inc. and many others, represent a business sector in our community that is powerful, innovative and growing fast. Because of the nature of their product and their quiet culture, most do not realize these global companies are here; however, not only are they here, they are busy changing the world.

Teradata Announces a Third Acquisition in Six Weeks, with a rumored Fourth on the Horizon!

Teradata (NYSE: TDC), the analytic data platforms, marketing applications, and services company, announced in late August, that it acquired Think Big Analytics, Inc., the leading consulting and solutions company focused exclusively on Hadoop and big data solutions. Think Big's proven Hadoop and big data consulting methodology and capabilities help companies ensure successful implementation of their big data initiatives.



"This is Teradata's third big data-related acquisition in six weeks, all of which are key to achieving our goal of being the leader in enabling customers to derive maximum value from all their data," said Mike Koehler, president and chief executive officer, Teradata. "Think Big's consulting expertise enhances Teradata's capability to advise customers on the best way to leverage diverse, open source big data technologies to grow their business." Read More.

JCA has a new Facebook page! Like us!



ALCON Acquires WaveTech® Vision

Alcon, has entered into an agreement to acquire WaveTec® Vision, a privately-held company that developed the ORA System®, the first commercialized intra-operative guidance system for cataract surgeons implanting intraocular lenses (IOLs).



The ORA System, which complements Alcon's Verion™ image-guided pre-operative diagnostic system, allows surgeons to see incisions and IOL alignment in real time to support optimal positioning of IOLs during cataract surgery. The ORA System performs additional measurements to confirm the surgeon's lens selection and placement within the eye. Alcon plans to integrate the ORA System into its existing cataract refractive suite which includes: VERION™, the LenSx® femtosecond laser, the Centurion® phacoemulsification system, and the LuxOR™ LX3 microscope. The ORA System is currently the most advanced intra-operative diagnostic tool for cataract surgery available with over 200,000 procedures performed and 345 units placed to date globally. [Read More.](#)

Bomgar Named to the 2014 Inc. 500|5000 List of Fastest-Growing Companies

Bomgar, the leader in enterprise remote support solutions, announced today that it's been named to the 2014 Inc. 500|5000, an exclusive ranking of the nation's fastest-growing private companies. Bomgar ranked No. 4072 on the 33rd annual list, its sixth consecutive year on the Inc. 5000, and achieved a three-year growth rate of 73 percent.

Bomgar's remote support solutions offer the security, integration and management capabilities support organizations need to increase productivity, while also improving compliance and customer satisfaction. Using Bomgar, technicians can chat with an end-user, remotely view and control computing systems and devices, and collaborate with other technicians or external vendors to resolve issues. Bomgar also enables organizations to securely manage remote access to their network by third-parties, outsourcers and vendors. [Read More.](#)

The BOMGAR logo is displayed in white, uppercase, sans-serif font on a dark red rectangular background.

eCampus News Honors Bomgar in 2014-15 Ed-Tech Readers' Choice Awards

Bomgar, the leader in enterprise remote support solutions, today announced it's been named a winner of *eCampus News*' 2014-15 Ed-Tech Readers' Choice Awards, an annual recognition that honors the best educational technology products and services as chosen by readers. Hundreds of educators and administrators from colleges and universities across North America nominated their favorite ed-tech products or services, and the top 20 were selected as winners.

The Bomgar Remote Support Solution enables thousands of organizations worldwide to access, troubleshoot and fix nearly any device or platform, no matter where support representatives or end-users are located. Using Bomgar, higher education IT service desks can securely support faculty, staff and students, no matter what type of device they're using, from desktops and laptops to smartphones and tablets.

"It's an honor to be recognized by the eCampus News readers who use our solutions every day," said Scott Braynard, VP of public sector at Bomgar. "Within the education market, IT teams are challenged to support end-users who are located throughout the world and using a variety of devices to access learning systems and resources. We're delighted to equip our customers with solutions to help them meet this challenge, and humbled that they chose Bomgar as one of their favorite products." [Read More.](#)

PerkinElmer Launches New Product

PerkinElmer, Inc., a global leader focused on the health and safety of people and the environment, announced the launch of the Solaris™ quantitative optical molecular imaging system. This preclinical solution for use in small and large animal studies will help to advance drug discovery and translational research to develop and validate molecular-guided surgical research protocols.



The Solaris system, when combined with PerkinElmer's suite of fluorescence molecular imaging probes, can bridge molecular imaging research techniques to support potential clinical outcomes. By distinguishing healthy versus diseased tissue in real-time, researchers can more accurately and completely map tumors. [Read More.](#)



Small Business Resource Center

JCA partners with the Johns Creek Chamber of Commerce to provide a Small Business Resource Center (SBRC). The SBRC is located at 10475 Medlock Bridge Road, Suite 122. The center is available to Non-Chamber and Chamber members at no cost and provides guidance to small businesses on: licensing & permitting requirements; business planning; training & development; marketing; and networking. Learn More.

On-Going Business Training Options:

NEW Free Online Training Business Courses:

Strategic Planning for Small Businesses

Are you looking for tools to create a successful strategic plan that will help improve your business's success? This course will explain the difference between strategic planning and other types of planning and describe the typical steps in the strategic planning process. This 30 minute course can be found by clicking here.

Savings Plans for Small Businesses

Do you have a savings plan for your business? Take this course to learn how life events, retirement and even taxes play a role in developing a savings plan. This 30 minute course can be found by clicking here.

Finances are always important regardless of the size of your business. However, below is a financial article directed at small businesses:

3 Essential Financial Statements for Your Small Business

Accurately tracking financial data is not only critical for running the day-to-day operations of your small business, but it is also essential when seeking funding from lenders or investors to take your business to the next level. In addition, keeping tabs of your finances can help ensure your products and services are priced right, identify what your margins are, determine your cash flow and make filing taxes easier. Read More.

Upcoming Events

SBA FREE Webinars:

September 23rd: Tools & Resources for Women in Entrepreneurship - Register Now!

Guest Speaker: Erin Andrew, Assistant Administrator, Office of Women's Business Ownership

Topics to be discussed include:

1. The importance of empowering women entrepreneurs
2. Overview of SBA's national Women's Business Center network
3. Existing SBA tools for women entrepreneurs
4. Recent changes to SBA programs that will help increase opportunities for women entrepreneurs

October 7th: The Affordable Care Act and Its Impact on Small Business Owners - Register Now!

Guest Speaker: Meredith Olafson, Senior Advisor, Affordable Care Act Specialist, Office of the Administrator

Topics to be discussed include:

1. Insurance market reforms for small employers
2. Small business tax credits (available to businesses and tax-exempt non-profits)— who's eligible for them and how to claim them
3. SHOP Marketplace updates
4. Employer Shared Responsibility provisions
5. Key provisions for self-employed business owners with no employees
6. Tools and resources available for small employers interested in learning more about the law



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