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Carolinas IT is the Top-Ranked IT Networking Company in the Triangle

For the first time ever, Carolinas IT is the top-ranked IT Networking Company in the Triangle. The list, as compiled by the Triangle Business Journal, features the top ten companies ranked by revenue and growth. Carolinas IT has consistently placed high on the list, but recent growth pushed them into the top spot for 2018.

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Carolinas IT Welcomes Josh Burtis and Rick Martin

Carolinas IT welcomes Josh Burtis and Rick Martin to our team. Josh is an Account Manager focusing on growing our commercial business and Rick is an intern with our Managed Services team.

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October is National Cybersecurity Awareness Month

October is National Cybersecurity Awareness Month. The average total cost of data breaches in the U.S. was $7.91 million in 2017. Cybersecurity remains a top concern for businesses. Here are some helpful blog posts by Carolinas IT pertaining to cybersecurity.

How to Build Your Cybersecurity Checklist

What to do if You're a Victim of a Ransomware Attack

Implement a Layered Defense

How to Design a Better Password

How to Avoid the Phish Bowl

Mark Cavaliero
CEO and Founder

Watch this video to learn best practices for cybersecurity

Techstravaganza Recap

Our fourth annual Techstravaganza was held on September 27 at the Brier Creek Country Club. Over 100 vendors, clients, prospects, and sponsors were in attendance.

Agenda Highlights:
- Our keynote speaker from the FBI told us about the latest cyber threats and trends that the FBI is investigating including cyber-terrorism.
- William Garner of Carolinas IT showed us there was more to Office 365 than just Outlook.

We offered two breakout tracks this year: Security and Compliance and IT. On the Security and Compliance breakout track:
- Tyler Booker of Carolinas IT spoke to us about the importance of assigning privileges as part of decoding the fraud triangle.
- Will Pulsifer of Smith Debnam discussed the importance of selecting a risk-based framework to protect the information of your clients and minimize the risk of a data breach.
- Richard Marti of GRC Alert spoke to us about the importance of having a vCISO.as part of your security strategy.
- Greg Manson of Carolinas IT illustrated the use of six basic CIS Controls as a map to other common frameworks such as HIPAA, GDPR, and FISMA-NIST.
- Amber Welch discussed some of the common privacy problems as a result of the recent Cambridge Analytica scandal.

The IT track featured presentations about cloud computing, collaboration, and disaster recovery:
- Monica Naim of Cisco talked about the impact creating an agile workforce has on employees.
- Jason Nash of Rubrik provided an in-depth look at the Rubrik cloud backup platform.
- Mark Cavaliero of Carolinas IT gave a spooky presentation about the ghosts of cloud computing and the impact of top mistakes made when moving to the cloud.
- Dan Fleming of Carolinas IT reviewed the elements of designing a good disaster recovery plan.
- Jon Clay of Trend Micro shared the top endpoint security challenges along with the best defense tactics to combat them.
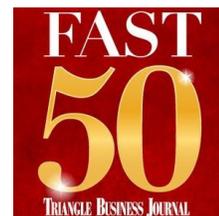

Watch a 2 minute recap of our event!

Watch the recording of our event

We Made the TBJ Fast 50 List!

Carolinas IT made the Triangle Business Journal's Fast 50 List for 2018! This is our third year on the list and we're proud to be among the fastest growing companies in the Triangle. Rankings will be announced in November.

Carolinas IT Engineers Receive New Certifications

Congratulations to Chandler Willoughby and Chris Walters on their recent certifications! Chandler

passed the Azure infrastructure exam to obtain his MCP certification. Chris is our first MCSE in cloud platform and infrastructure. Way to go Chandler and Chris!

Employee Spotlight

Jeremy Williams is an Associate Systems Engineer. He's been with Carolinas IT for a little over a year and works on our Managed Services team. "My favorite part of my job is interacting with my peers on both a professional and personal level," he says. Originally from Jacksonville, NC, Jeremy enjoys working out at the YMCA, going to the beach, and fishing.

"I really enjoy working with a diverse group of personalities," says Jeremy. "While we always get our work done and put our clients first, we do get to have fun!"

Industry Updates

Here is a special edition of news, featuring cybersecurity articles from various industries.

Organizations Still Feel Vulnerable Despite Cyber Standards

Elevate the Cybersecurity Agenda on Campus

Cybersecurity: Innovating Staff Buy-in and Avoiding Silver Bullet Tools

Senators Bash State Department on Cybersecurity

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