



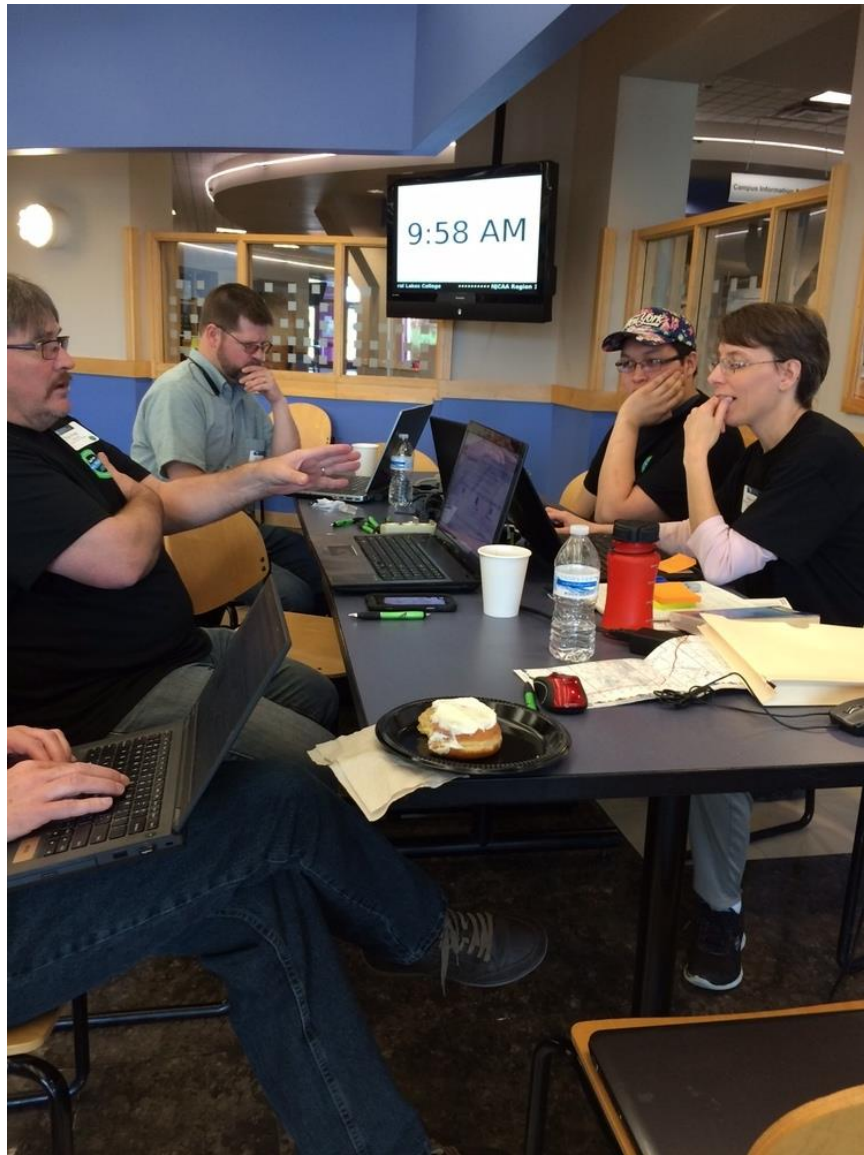
On Saturday, May 7, 2016, Central Lakes College (CLC) hosted the Tech Ready Hackfest. This daylong event leveraged the technological and creative assets of local residents for social and civic good. People with ideas to leverage web and mobile applications in support of projects for improving the quality of life in our region, work alongside application developers to design creative data and communications solutions.

The event is sponsored by the Blandin Foundation, the Brainerd Lakes Area Economic Development Corporation, Region Five Development Commission, and the Rural Information Technology Alliance program at Central Lakes College. It brought together CLC students & staff, industry professionals, and a wide variety of community members.

Five teams spent the day working on projects that focused on topics from communicating timely information to students, mapping local historic sites, supporting the local foods movement in the region, providing ways for young professionals to network more effectively, and small scale grassroots volunteer opportunity sharing.

An archived website of the event can be viewed at <https://techreadyhackdotcom.wordpress.com/>.









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