

# *8th Annual Girls Exploring Tomorrow's Technology*

## **GETT 2008**

**Saturday, March 29, 2008**

**Registration - 9:15—9:45 a.m.**

**Event - 10:00 a.m.—2:45 p.m.**

**Downingtown Educational Center**

**335 Manor Avenue**

**Downingtown, Pennsylvania 19335**

**Free!**



**GETT is  
an ITAG Initiative**

ITAG is a project of the Chester County Economic Development Council, funded by a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry and the Chester County Workforce Investment Board (WIB).

Thanks to GETT's Educational Partner the Chester County Intermediate Unit.



**GETT Keynote Speaker:**

***Emily M. Liggett***

**Award Winning Engineer and Entrepreneur**

**President and CEO, Apexon, Inc., San Jose, CA**

**GETT is an Exciting, Enlightening, and Educational  
Workforce Development Project Designed for  
Chester County Girls in Grades 6-12,  
Their Parents, Teachers, Counselors, and Administrators**

***Pre-Registration Required***

[www.itagpa.org/gettreg/gett.php](http://www.itagpa.org/gettreg/gett.php)

or call Leslie Holmes at 610 458-5700 Ext. 311 for more information.

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## What is GETT?

Girls Exploring Tomorrow's Technology (GETT) began in Chester County Pennsylvania in 2001 as a response to the under representation of young women in the computer and information technology fields. GETT has now expanded its scope, introducing the **universe** of technological careers to girls. GETT is a free, fun, informational event where Chester County girls in grades 6 through 12 and their parents learn about careers in the exciting fields of technology. Pre-register at [www.itagpa.org/gettreg/gett.php](http://www.itagpa.org/gettreg/gett.php) or call Leslie Holmes at the Chester County Economic Development Council at 610-458-5700 Ext. 311.

## Why is the GETT Event Important?

Although technology has a huge impact in shaping our society, the latest statistics indicate that girls shy away from technology careers. Careers in technology are financially rewarding and influential, but unfortunately, the number of women entering these fields continues to decline. In 2003, the American Association of University Women (AAUW) Educational Foundation Report, **Women at Work**, highlighted the need for advanced education for women in the computer and information fields. Without this training, the technological gender gap will continue to grow. According to recent research from the Information Technology (IT) Association of America, women now represent barely one-quarter of IT workers.

GETT is an opportunity for parents, girls, and educators to learn the facts about how technology careers can be fulfilling, fun, and rewarding personally, professionally, and financially. GETT provides an excellent way for girls to meet and interact with successful women and educators who are positive role models.

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**An Educational, Fun, and Informative Career Development Opportunity for Girls!**

- **Keynote Speaker: Emily M. Liggett**  
*Award Winning Engineer and Entrepreneur*
- **Live Hook-up with Johnson Space Center and Girls Attending GETT of Wyoming, and GETT of Philadelphia**
  - **Hands On Hardware Activities**
  - **Interactive Simulations**
- **Break-out Sessions Explore Technologies Including ... Bio-Technology, Healthcare Technology, and Robotics, and Much More!**

**Hands On  
Activities**

**FREE ... Fun,  
Food, Prizes!**

**GETT Project Founders and The 2007 GETT Steering Committee:  
Honored Recipients of the 2007 AAUW Gateway to Equity Award**



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