



From the Managing Director.....

Congratulations Natural Science!

Congratulations to Innovation DuPage member company, Natural Science, LLC! Earlier this month, they were honored with the 2024 Nicor Gas Multicultural Innovator Award, receiving a \$25,000 equity and inclusion grant that recognizes their innovative work in chemical spill remediation and water cleaning technologies. Additionally, Natural Science has signed a new manufacturing agreement with Midwest Trading Horticultural Supplies, Inc. to bring their MagnetAsorb™ technology to market - a promising solution for eco-friendly oil and chemical spill cleanup. We are proud to support Natural Science in their entrepreneurial journey and look forward to their continued success in developing impactful environmental technologies.

Gindo's on WGN 9

Catch ID member company Gindo's Spice of Life on WGN 9's Around Town! Click [here](#) to watch their feature and see what makes their artisanal hot sauces so special.

Welcome ID Members!

- **Thomas Ehrich:** Serennovas LLC provides technology, software, AI and data analytics solutions to help businesses harness the power of data and innovation.
- **Paco Orozco:** Techno Ltd. is an interior architecture and design firm that plans and designs spaces for a wide range of projects, including educational, residential, retail, institutional and commercial properties.
- **Chirag Patel:** Blue Kite Wellness is an integrative health and wellness center that combines cutting-edge technology and holistic treatments to provide comprehensive behavioral health education, resources and support.
- **Bethany Prignano:** Vitality Tax & Advisory empowers Illinois-based small businesses and individuals with trusted financial guidance, including accurate bookkeeping, strategic tax planning, and financial advisory services.
- **Nicholas Hudson:** Eno Home Care provides top-quality home health care services, helping individuals maintain a safe and healthy environment through personal care, nursing, physical therapy and other support.

ID Holiday Party 2024

Innovation DuPage members, save the date for our holiday celebration on **December 12th!** Join us for beverages, hors d'oeuvres, and festivities. Significant others are welcome. A formal invitation with full details will follow soon. We look forward to celebrating with you!

Much Appreciated:

Thank you to Jason Krantz of Labor Titan and Colleen Sall from the Business Development Center at our most recent member meetup! Attendees learned about Labor Titan's strategic developments and capital solutions for industrial and manufacturing sectors, with Krantz highlighting their impressive work with the Seismic Group. As the Member Resource, Sall provided an overview of government contracting opportunities and the free services the Business Development Center offers to help companies succeed in federal contracting and international trade. You can always access our presentations [here](#).

Need Design Work?

College of DuPage graphic design students, led by Professor Gautam Wadhwa, are seeking Spring 2025 projects from local organizations. From logos to marketing materials, these emerging designers can help bring your vision to life between January and May 2025. Submit your project idea [here](#) by **November 25th**. Selected organizations will be notified before the semester begins.

Coming Up:

- **Toy & Game Fair, 11.09-11.10:** The 22nd Annual Chicago Toy & Game Fair returns to Navy Pier November 9th-10th! Experience 100+ interactive exhibits featuring giant games, Star Wars character photo ops, magic shows, a Beer & Board Game Garden, and Innovation DuPage member Joe Barron showcasing his award-winning party games from Gray Matters Games. Join us for this epic celebration of play and creativity, Saturday 10am-6pm and Sunday 10am-5pm. Get your tickets [here](#).
- **Midwest Innovation and Entrepreneurship Summit, 11.13:** The Midwest is renowned for its enterprising spirit, with a rich history of innovation dating back to the 1893 World's Fair. This all-day summit celebrates the entrepreneurial drive that has made greater Chicagoland a hub of innovation. The event will provide resources for aspiring entrepreneurs, showcase success stories of Midwest entrepreneurs, and help educators integrate entrepreneurship into their curriculum. It will also facilitate connections between funders, partners, and the growing suburban incubation/acceleration movement led by Innovation DuPage. Harness the Midwest's ability to "get things done" and empower the next generation of entrepreneurial leaders. **LAST CHANCE** to secure your spot, [click here](#).

Sign up to present at a Spring 2025 Member Meetup

Showcase your business at a Member Meetup! We're looking for members to present as our Member Spotlight, ID Member Resource, or host a Problem Solving session. This is your chance to present your work, share your achievements, and connect with fellow entrepreneurs. Sign up [here](#), under the Spring tab as our Fall spots are filled.

Let us help you share your success with the ID community!

Share a win from this week – big or small. It could be featured in our next letter! Email your accomplishment to: IDmaceyh@innovationdupage.org

Reminder: Innovation DuPage is open for members as a coworking space 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!

Many thanks, and have a great week,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads 'Dan Facchini'.

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