

# **Alumni Newsletter February 2019**

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### HackerThon

RITSEC hosted the first ever HackerThon! 30 members of the club met up in the Sec Lab to build a security-related tool for 24 Hours. It was awesome to see people of all skill levels come together to learn and build. Many upperclassmen took time away from their own projects to teach others. This 24 hours of work and fun gave the ISTS black team great sleep deprivation practice for the weeks to come. By the end of the time

period, only about 9 people endured, but the event was a hit and we are excited to host another one in the fall semester.

#### ISTS 17

Over 125 people gathered on February 22nd - 24th to participate in the 17th annual Information Security Talent Search. 13 teams came to compete from various universities including Eastern Michigan University and University at Buffalo. The teams were up against one of the strongest red teams the competition has ever seen.



Our theme this year was Election Day. The previous president of a country died under mysterious natural circumstances, and an election was held to select the next president. Each team represented the campaign team for a different political party in the country. The goal of each team was to get their candidate elected president.

Unfortunately, red team candidate Chaim Sanders was elected president. There may have been some voting fraud and intimidation tactics used, but regardless we must now bow down to the leader of the not-so-free world.

The competition resulted with 1st Place UMBC, 2nd Place University of Virginia and 3rd Place was one of our very own RIT teams.

## March

Spring break! CCDC (spoiler: they win)! High School outreach! Accepted Student Day Open House! We are busy people!

## **Red Team**

Zack Allen
Jason Ross
Kirk Pinto
Katie Knowles
Jaime Geiger
Kyle Carretto
Brandon Myers
Ben Kelley
Bryan Harmat
Jared Stroud
Rob Olson