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Director's Log: May 2017

Each Memorial Day, we honor the people who gave their lives serving in our armed forces.

It's an important time for all of us to reflect on that sacrifice by those citizens, and to ask ourselves what it means to be a citizen -- of the United States and of North Carolina.

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We Have a Winner!

We so excited to announce the winner of last month's contest where we asked North Carolina to design the new superhero of tomorrow for our state, **The Versatillion**. Visit emergingissues.org/podcast/contest to find out why UNC Asheville student **Katelyn Schubel's** depiction of North Carolina's future superhero won our vote!

Interested in helping shape North Carolina's future? Become an IEI Super Donor! This is your last chance to contribute toward the [Solon of State, Superhero or Super Squad donor levels!](#)



On the Blog:

IEI's Economy Policy Manager [Donnie Charleston](#) looks at what's ahead for **kidonomics** this summer, and leading up to the 2018 Emerging Issues Forum next February 5-6, in Raleigh. *Is your community interested in being selected for a unique early childhood success initiative?* [Learn more on how you can participate here!](#)

This Month on First in Future!

Be sure to tune in and subscribe to IEI's weekly podcast series, "[First in Future: Where Emerging Ideas Take Flight](#)." This week, IEI Director Leslie Boney talks with [Ted Abernathy](#) of Economic Leadership about helping us to image our state's future. Catch up on recent podcasts, including conversations with President of Biltmore Farms, [Jack Cecil](#), and Executive Director [Callee Boulware](#) of Reach Out and Read Carolinas, by visiting emergingissues.org/podcast.

In Recent News:

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[International Business Organizations Hosting Presentation on Economic Development and Emerging Issues](#)

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[Investing in What Works -- High-quality Pre-kindergarten Education](#)

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[Engineering Student is NC State's First Newman Fellow](#)

NC State News | May 9, 2017

[NC State University's Institute for Emerging Issues Director's Log](#)

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