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BeeD: We are waiting for Leigh...our guest for tonight

DavidWe: Where is Leigh from, Bee?

BeeD: Leigh is in Dunedin, NZ

SusanneN: early morning for Leigh

BeeD: 9 am

BeeD: I invited him to speak to us tonight

DavidWe: What is his field, Bee?

BeeD: because he has been involved with blogs and wikis for some time

BeeD: giving workshops around New Zealand and Australia

BeeD: and he is organizing an Open Space Conference next September

ElaineGa: I went to his website

BeeD: to which I was invited

BeeD: hehehe

ElaineGa: and the conference sounds really interesting

BeeD: As I am also trying to find out more about him and his project

BeeD: I decided to invite him...he works in Education at the Otago Polytechnic University

ElaineGa: Bee, how do you know him?

BeeD: I met him online

BJB2: <http://leighblackall.wikispaces.com/>

BeeD: like many of you

BeeD smiles

BeeD: and we connected

ElaineGa: I love when that happens

BeeD: I think we were also at a conference at Learning Times

BeeD: on Open Source

DavidWe smiles

MoirraH: Perhaps Leigh has mixed up GMT times - I nearly did.

BeeD: He may have...or maybe he has just forgotten

BJB2 hopes Bee has sent Leigh an email

BeeD: I have BJ

BJB2 nods

BeeD: but on Friday he was connecting from home

MoirraH: I came here an hour ago and then realised it's summer time

ElaineGa: can someone tell me

BeeD: while today he was going to connect from the university

BJB2 listens to Elaine

ElaineGa: what I need to type

BeeD: do not know whether this has any influence

ElaineGa: to have my screen say

ElaineGa: "Elaine smiles"

DavidWe: type :smiles

ElaineGa: instead of me typing a smiley face?

DavidWe . o O (:smiles)

SusanneN smiles

BJB2: start with a colon, Elaine

DavidWe: start with the colon

ElaineGa smiles

DavidWe cheers for Elaine

ElaineGa: yippee

DavidWe: Well done

BJB2 cheers

ElaineGa: I'm easily pleased

DavidWe high-fives Bj

RitaZ claps

ElaineGa cheers too

DavidWe: Try this, Elaine - /th deep thoughts

DavidWe: start with the /th

DavidWe . o O (/th deep thoughts)

ElaineGa . o O (deep thoughts)

BeeD . o O (oh mine)

ElaineGa laughs

DavidWe: You NOW know everything, Elaine

BJB2 . o O (we are deep thinkers in Tapped In)

DavidWe: To see the other TYPED commands, type /help

BeeD: our deepest thoughts

ElaineGa: now I'm REALLY glad

ElaineGa: I came tonight

DavidWe: We aim to please

DavidWe grins

SusanneN wrinkles her front

DavidWe: Bagel, Elaine?

ElaineGa: oh, yes please

RitaZ: any donuts, David?

BeeD: I have some coffee here..if it is not too late for you

RitaZ ate a lot in CT!

ElaineGa: it is a little late for coffee

DavidWe heats up some of the morning bagels that he had ready with no one from WebHeads around before he went off to play soccer

ElaineGa: now if you were offering a beer

DavidWe: I've got some nice Darjeeling tea, Elaine

ElaineGa: how about a nice summer ale?

DavidWe nods to Rita and admits to having an early morning donut at Wawa

DavidWe checks the inexhaustible refrigerator

HoracioHI: Bee; For me is almost diner time

BeeD: same here

RitaZ: Wawa donuts? (only know of Dunkin...)

DavidWe gets caught snacking before dinner time, AGAIN

BeeD: but I always have coffee around 5 pm

Moirah: No Webheads earlier at TI David?

SusanneN: it is my bedtime here, half an hour before midnight (Copenhagen, Denmark)

DavidWe: Wawa is a convenience food store and dairy mainly around Philadelphia (also in New Jersey and Delaware)

ElaineGa: yikes

DavidWe: Some are open 24 hours a day

RitaZ: why was that, David? I popped in just to find nobody once

DavidWe: Wawa is a town in Delaware County, Pennsylvania (that's where the dairy is) and apparently is from the Lenni Lenape word for "goose"

SusanneN: sounds like baby talk, wawa

RitaZ: thanks, Dave, are the donuts good at Wawa?

DavidWe: Not sure. I logged in around 10 minutes to 8 am (starting time for me) and I was the only one in Tapped In. I went to play soccer

ElaineGa laughs

DavidWe: They are pretty good, Rita

BeeD: Rita and Susanne...how was the meeting?

DavidWe: Especially when they are fresh

RitaZ: GREAT!!!

SusanneN: actually that was the first spoken word of Helen Keller

BeeD: Did you post photos somewhere?

DavidWe: . o O (something sweet to go with early morning coffee)

SusanneN: Bee, we so much enjoyed to be together

BeeD: I can imagine

RitaZ: yep, Bee....I LOVED Copenhagen and meeting dear Sus!

BeeD: Dafne has traveled to Europe, hasn't she?

DavidWe remembers being in Copenhagen in 1967

RitaZ: thnk so

NellieD joined the room.

BeeD: Hello Nellie

DavidWe: She spent time studying in Spain (Dafne)

BeeD: Welcome

MoiraH: I spoke with her today, she is in Spain, lucky her

NellieD: Hi, I made it

DavidWe waves to Nellie

MoiraH: Great Nellie

NellieD: Hi Bee, Moira

HoracioHI: Hi Nellie

RitaZ: hi, Nellie

BeeD: You did Nellie, but our guest speaker seems to have forgotten or is having pbs login in...lol

SusanneN: yes. mine are at

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/netopnyrop/sets/72157594204326665/>

NellieD: Hi Rita

BeeD: so we are chatting

BeeD: let me check Sus

SusanneN: did anyone chat with Daf today, I miss her

NellieD: I had to find my laptop because my PC is at the techs

DavidWe didn't chat with Daf today

MoiraH: Your new one Nellie?

BeeD: Why doesn't the link open on Firefox?

NellieD: Yes

DavidWe: Dafne has not been in Tapped In since 16 July

SusanneN: I hope to meet with Daf in Barcelona very soon, but she did not yet give me the date

DavidWe: When are you going, Sus?

BJB2: I'm on firefox and it opened for me, Bee

DavidWe: . o O (Allow pop-ups from Tapped In, perhaps)

ElaineGa: Bee do you think you will try to reschedule with Leigh?

SusanneN: David, that depends on Daf's plans, I can go anytime this month

RitaZ: my photos with Sus are at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/23354514@N00/>

MoiraH: I'm off to Barcelona normally in October

NellieD: Anyone teaching high school?

IsabelCriT joined the room.

MoiraH: Hi Isabel

BJB2: hi, Isabel

IsabelCriT: Hi everybody

RitaZ: hi, Isabel

SusanneN: Moira, where did you catch Daf today? Skype?

MoiraH: high school - what ages Nellie?

NellieD: I am looking for teachers to collaborate with on a literature project starting September/October

DavidWe waves to Isabel

DavidWe: Bom Dia

BeeD: Oi Isabel

NellieD: 15-18

IsabelCriT: Boa Tarde her in Brazil

DavidWe . o O (Boa Tarde/Bonsoir)

ElaineGa: Nellie, I teach teachers

IsabelCriT: It's 6:26 p.m.

NellieD: that's great

ElaineGa: and might have a teacher who [would] like to do such a collaboration

BeeD: Yes, Isabel

DavidWe . o O (5:30pm in Pennsylvania)

DavidWe . o O (and Massachusetts)

MoiraH: Sus, on Yahoo because I had left a message a few days back and she got to a computer today and it popped up I suppose

ElaineGa: when would the collaboration start?

BeeD: I think that I am going to give a quick overview of what is going to happen in September

SusanneN: ok, thanks

NellieD: The idea is to share each country's literary work

BeeD: as Leigh apparently has not managed to log in

SusanneN: yes, good idea Bee

ElaineGa: where are you located?

BeeD: So..let me put you in the picture

IsabelCriT: So we're waiting for our main guest

BeeD: Yes, Isabel

BeeD: Leigh was with me on Friday morning and checked the environment

BJB2: Suspects that Leigh has a firewall in his present location

BeeD: but apparently has either got the time wrong, or did not manage to connect

IsabelCriT: What about your trip, Bee?

BeeD: Yes...Leigh is responsible for it

BeeD: as he is the one (together with Stephen Downes) who invited me to participate in the Open Space Conference

Moirah: yes, what is afk?

BeeD: Anyone knows what an Open Space Conference is?

SusanneN listens to Bee's explanation

IsabelCriT: no

BJB2: that should be a VERY interesting conference then...especially with Blackboard

BeeD: open space conferences differ from regular conferences

RitaZ listens

BeeD: in that a higher degree of control is given to participants

NellieD: The open-space conference is a generalization of the original concept of an open-space meeting, and includes many variations of a meeting system. It is essentially a lower-overhead version of a multi-track professional conference or workshop with some rules that keep it from developing some of the institutional features or problems of such conferences.

NahirA joined the room.

HoracioHI: I saved it in my files, thanks again

NellieD: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Open_space_conference

BeeD hugs Nahir

SusanneN: Still, it is an on location conference, and not virtual

MoiraH: I don't use too many of those David as I get confused with the different languages and my learners do too

BeeD: Yes Nellie

IsabelCriT: But being simpler....

BeeD: it's in the wikipedia

NellieD: that's the link

BeeD: it's on location

BeeD: but it will not be restricted to one place

NahirA: <hugs back

SusanneN: and in New Zealand

IsabelCriT: and what's the main difference?

HoracioHI: Welcome, Nahir

BeeD: we will be traveling from Dunedin to Auckland

MoiraH: Hello Nahir

BeeD: meeting different audiences along the way

SusanneN: sounds exciting and expensive!

BeeD: and blogging, podcasting and video-blogging the conversations

NahirA: Thanks sorry I'm late

NahirA: Hi

IsabelCriT: hi Nahir

SusanneN: ah - so we'll post our comments

HoracioHI: Bee. Can they do all that in the plane?

BeeD: in the plane?

SusanneN: Nahir, Leigh our guest has not arrived

IsabelCriT: How long are you going to stay there?

SusanneN: did you hire a private plane for this Bee?

BeeD: the 10 invited guests will meet

NahirA: Oh, what a shame

NahirA: It's a great work you're going to do there Bee

BeeD: we represent different countries, different professions and different frames of mind

ElaineGa: What is predetermined other than the locations you will be stopping at?

BeeD: I do not know about the work

BeeD: but I know that this is going to be a swell learning experience

BeeD: and I am counting to plug my kids in

BeeD: and invite you to join me as well...virtually

NahirA: Do we get to follow the conference, Bee?

HoracioHI: Lucky kids

BeeD: asking all the questions you may want to ask

MoirahH: wonderful

BeeD: the other participants

BeeD: and the locals

BeeD: Michael Coghlan will join us the 1st 5 days

RitaZ: wow

SusanneN: you're so lucky to be invited!

IsabelCriT: When will it start?

BeeD: It starts on 18th September and finishes on 28th in Wellington (there is an Efest happening there)

MoiraH: Hello Jeff

JeffC waves

BeeD: Welcome Jeff

NahirA: Is this Network learning extended in Australia?

GrahamS joined the room.

BeeD: Yes, I think so

HoracioHI: Hi Jeff

BJB2: hi, Graham

BeeD: Hi Graham

GrahamS: hi everyone

IsabelCriT: Hi Graham

RitaZ: hi, Graham and Jeff

MoiraH: A silly question Bee, but how on earth do you finance all this traveling?

NahirA: They are looking for sponsors I think

BeeD: You can follow all the details on this blog and wiki :
<http://learningnetworkedworld.blogspot.com/>

BeeD: Moira, I got an invitation to hit the open road, all expenses paid...

MoiraH: WOW! Did you hear the bump as I fell off my chair!!!

BeeD: Funny that I had emitted the wish some time ago in 43Things...lol

MoiraH: Absolutely terrific!

BeeD: Check it out: <http://www.43things.com/things/view/397463>

NahirA: Wonderful, Bee. You deserve it for all your work

RitaZ: congrats, Bee, yes, you deserve it!

BeeD: My kids were ecstatic

BeeD: Anyhow

BeeD: Graham...maybe we could arrange to do something on the EFL bridges during this trip

IsabelCriT: People say that a wish that comes from the heart always comes true!

BeeD: OH well...this one certainly has...and I will keep you updated

RitaZ: am leaving, guys, cheers to all, have a good week!

BeeD: Isabel

NellieD: Sorry guys, I have to get up for work tomorrow. Cisco project. Bye

SusanneN hugs my dear friends good night

RitaZ: thank you for the invitation, CU next week!

BeeD: and I am sorry we did not manage to have Leigh tonight

MoirahH: Bye Nellie

BJB2 waves Nellie goodnight

ElaineGa bye

SusanneN: good luck with your sabbatical Bee!

BJB2: want to try again next month, Bee?

BeeD: Yes...maybe we can do this

BJB2: make sure he can log in from his classroom

BeeD: yes, I will

GrahamS: I'd love to Bee

BeeD: I think we should get together and brainstorm on how we can do it

IsabelCriT: bye

MoirahH: I'm sure it's the summer time GMT confusion

BJB2: Thanks, everyone, for joining us

NahirA: Bye

BeeD: Again...thanks for coming...and if you are interested in connecting to the conference let me know

BeeD: so I can arrange it

BeeD: I think there will be a lot of very interesting and controversial themes emerging