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SusanR: Since the topic is Leisure Time..can I offer you some Sangria

SusanR: great recipe for a hot day

SusanR: <http://home.ivillage.com/cooking/recipes/display/0,,9b7tf315,00.html>

SusanR: the blue link is clickable and will open in a new window just behind or outside of Tapped In

HeatherBu: Nice recipe, Susan!

SusanR: Should we start with a brief introduction...where are you from and what brings you to Tappedin..also your position as educator or student

SusanR: I am Sue Roseman, facilitator of the twice monthly discussions here at TI..tonight's topic is Leisure Time

DavidWe: I'm David Weksler. I help teachers learn more about educational technology. I recently was in San Diego at the NECC conference giving a presentation about Tapped In. I'm in New Jersey, near New York City

HeatherBu: I'm a middle school Tech teacher in rural East Texas, looking for some relaxation before we start back on Aug. 9th.

BobbyBr: I am Bobby...Business and Information Tech teacher..also in masters program for Educational Leadership...from Fredericksburg, VA...here to try Tapped In for an IT class I am currently taking

EugeneW: My name is Eugene Williams. I've been a high school English teacher for ten years. I am currently pursuing an M.Ed. in Education Leadership from the University of Mary Washington

SusanR: Just in time for brief intros for those who just arrived

MarciC: I am a student at SDSU online Edtech program and am employed by netTrekker

TerriJS: I'm Terri Soyka. I live in Ebensburg Pennsylvania. I teach fourth grade.

AmyLI: I am Amy Ivory from Fredericksburg, Va. I teach 6th grade language and math. I am taking a Leadership in Education course from the University of Mary Washington.

DavidWe: I was just in San Diego for the NECC conference, Marci

SusanR: So this part 2 of Leisure Time..we had quite a lively discussion early this month...do check out the transcript in the ASO

MarciC: Did you happen to run into anyone at Thinkronize - makers of netTrekker

MarciC: will do

MarciC: this is my first time attending a discussion at TI - I will follow your lead

EugeneW: So what is the usual focus of discussion in a chat like this?

SusanR: You may wish to detach your screen..so you can follow the text and enlarge your text chat screen

DavidWe: . o O (Lots of folks at the conference)

TerriJS: Marci, I use netTrekker all the time. It is awesome.

SusanR: you can find Detach under the Actions tab just to the right and above

MarciC: thanks

SusanR: Marci would you care to talk a bit about NetTrekker

MarciC: I really like working there - great product and people

MarciC: netTrekker is an educational search engine school.nettrekker.com

MarciC: it is much more than just a search engine with a lot of added features focused on "differentiated instruction"

BobbyBr: will have to check out that site

MarciC: such as - readability and refinement tabs allowing you to better direct your search

MarciC: there is an area dedicated to ELL/ESL and a new Read Aloud feature

SusanR: If I can project the URL for you, Marci

SusanR: <http://school.nettrekker.com/frontdoor/>

TerriJS: the thing I like best is that I can search by grade level and nettrekker rates the sites. They also have these neat icons that tell you what is included at the site. e.g.videos, text, pictures, etc.

MarciC: exactly

BobbyBr: Eugene...might be able to use that site for our PD

AmyLI: I have used it with my students when we were doing a projects using laptops

MarciC: my interest in attending this session is that we are trying to increase our content at the k-3 level

EugeneW: Good idea Bobby

BobbyBr: increase the content in what way Marci?

MarciC: if anyone would like a temp account - send me an email mcampbell@nettrekker.com

SusanR: If you wish more K to 3 content do join the K to 3+ Resource Room and use your Leisure Time to explore the GREAT resources there

MarciC: we have a teachers review/harvest web sites - we want to increase the number of k-3 sites

BobbyBr: so you're saying a lot of the content is for middle and secondary students?

MarciC: yes because there are more sites that meet our criteria at those content levels

TerriJS: there is a lot for upper elementary also

MarciC: it is just hard to find great k-3 sites

DavidWe knows that Susan knows a few

MarciC: but I plan on definitely looking at the resource sites that Susan has listed

SusanR: Join the K to 3+ Resource Room group at the end of the session..I will kick round there at the end of the session, Marci..you will be delighted.

BjB: I'd suggest also listing Tapped In and Sue's K-3 Resources group that meets twice a month

DavidWe seconds that suggestion

MarciC: thanks Susan - for the wonderful list - I am in the process of going through them to see if there are any that we have not reviewed

SusanR: The Room represents 6 years of resources to support these sessions

MarciC: wow

BjB: there are archived transcripts of Sue's sessions at www.tappedin.org/transcripts

SusanR: so tonight's session is completely different we are going to talk about 10 Technologies that will change everything

DavidWe smiles

TerriJS: iPODS!

SusanR: and their possible impact on education

MarciC: sounds very interesting

SusanR: yes, Ipods

DavidWe doesn't have an iPod

SusanR: #1 anyone wish to take a stab at that?

EugeneW: almost every kid I dealt with in summer school has one...LOL

SusanR: #4 was mobile media

BobbyBr: Podcasting?

DavidWe wonders about the numeric order of Susan's top ten list

SusanR: I am taking this info from a publication on Business Technology Lifestyle

MarciC: I have been reading about the positive impact on prof dev

DavidWe: WE believe in Professional Development, Marci

SusanR: ok #1 VOIP

HeatherBu: Okay, Susan. I give...what's #1?

JeffC: skype?

AmyLI: what is VOIP?

DavidWe . o O (Voice over IP)

JeffC: Voice Over Internet Protocol

MarciC: we use voip when we are training customers with elluminate

DavidWe smiles

SusanR: phone calling over the Internet at no cost..Skype

HeatherBu . o O (voip=skype?)

MarciC: it is a great replacement to speaker phones

SusanR: Heather and I were using it the other day

HeatherBu: I'm a beat behind you tonight, Susan.

TerriJS: is it free?

HeatherBu: Yes!

EugeneW: VOIP allows you to actually hear someone speak over the internet???

DavidWe nods

TerriJS: how does it work?

AmyLI: cool

MarciC: what sites facilitate this?

BobbyBr: My county is way behind on technology...won't see VOIP for awhile LOL

HeatherBu: We were talking over the Internet and watching each other on our webcams.

HeatherBu: It was great!

JeffC: <http://www.skype.com>

EugeneW: Bobby stop picking on our county

AmyLI: LOL, mine as well

JeffC: Yahoo Instant Messenger

JeffC: almost all instant messengers

SusanR: <http://www.download-it-free.com/skype/>

EugeneW: Are there VOIP chatrooms?

DavidWe: Good question

DavidWe: I'm not sure, myself

BjB: what about what webheads were using on Sunday?

HeatherBu nods to BJ

SusanR: Yahoo Messenger and Flash meeting

HeatherBu: <http://www.flashmeeting.com/>

SusanR: which we used on Sunday here ..there were 12 or so conferencing

SusanR: amazing..all done online with no downloading and easy set up within minutes we were conferencing

TerriJS: awesome

SusanR: There is Google Talk and ichat for the Mac

HeatherBu: with people from all over the world...Sudan, where ever Vance was, Canada, US

DavidWe nods

BjB: elluminate also uses voice chat

BjB . o O (Vance is in UAE)

BjB . o O (United Arab Emirates)

HeatherBu . o O (heading for Khyrzikistan I think)

BobbyBr: what are some others on the list?

SusanR: #3 is Digital Entertainment

SusanR: #2 is RFID

SusanR: what is it?

MarciC: rfid?

AmyLI: I was just going to ask

JeffC: radio frequency id?

HeatherBu: radio Frequency ID?

SusanR: yes

BobbyBr: VOIP...heard talks that this would assist students who are homebound where they could VOIP with a homebound teacher or a regular education teacher to ask questions and such

SusanR: RFID uses an electronic chip called a tag that is loaded with a unique identification

EugeneW: where does the chip go?

HeatherBu: We were talking about RFID in my Adv Tech Apps class here.

SusanR: This tag can be embedded in an object or attached to a pallet

HeatherBu: The kids were intrigued by the story of the man and woman who had RFID's planted in their hands

KarenL joined the room.

BjB: Hi, Karen!

SusanR: Of course when it is scanned the tag sends it identification to a reader

KarenL: Hi BJ!!! Hi everyone!

SusanR: Hi Karen

EugeneW: In their hands? don't get folks started on the apocalyptic overtones

AmyLI: Hands???

AmyLI: A little extreme

SusanR: I am going to stop at #5

DavidWe nods

HeatherBu . o O (Yes. They used the tech to control the doors to their home, to access their computers, to even open the car locks)

BobbyBr: what about if the tag is on the back of an identification card so when it is scanned, it gives information on the student

EugeneW: As long as the chips aren't planted on their foreheads..I think I'm ok with it...LOL

DavidWe smiles

SusanR: Karen we are talking about 10 Technologies that will change everything

TerriJS: big brother is watching

SusanR: #5 Open Source

EugeneW: I'm almost afraid to ask what 5 is

HeatherBu cheers for FOSS

BjB: Tapped In has an open source version called Open Tap

SusanR: What is open source ..anyone care to venture a definition

BjB: the programming is made available to anyone who wants to use it...

KarenL: I guess you covered blogging, wikis, podcasting. . .

SusanR: Simply open source is software that is freely shared and for which the source code is available

KarenL: I'll get the transcript.

BjB: and anyone who does, shares anything they learn or add with others who are using the program

SusanR: It's a philosophy which believes quality arises from the ideas of many and that the labour should be shared by all ..right Bj

BjB . o O (good chapter in Tom Friedman's book, The World is Flat, on open source)

HeatherBu nods to BJ

EugeneW: labor ..shared by all??? that's un-American...LOL

SusanR: most of its FREE

EugeneW: FREE is definitely...un-American...LOL

BJB: <http://mitworld.mit.edu/video/266/>

BobbyBr: Well I appreciate the chat but I must be going now...thanks for the information

HeatherBu: And it's a true life saver when your Tech budget is nil

BJB . o O (if you haven't seen this video, I really recommend it)

SusanR: since this session is K to 3+ Great Resources I would like to mention one web2.0 or open source site that caught my eye

BJB listens

MarciC: what are some examples of using rfid?

SusanR: are you familiar with Scrapbooking

BJB nods

HeatherBu: In the physical sense, yes

SusanR: well this one is online Scrapbooking

AmyLI: will do

BobbyBr: good night everyone

EugeneW: bye all

SusanR: I will give you the URL <http://www.scrapblog.com/>

TerriJS: sounds interesting

BJB: thanks, Sue

TerriJS: is the site "kid" friendly?

AmyLI: Sounds good

SusanR: within a few minutes you can upload pictures, create a slide show

SusanR: and add it to your blog

SusanR: <http://www.xanga.com/sroseman>

AmyLI: I used Microsoft's Photostory 3 for digital autobiographies with my students

SusanR: with editing features galore

HeatherBu: Cool, Sue!

SusanR: students can use it for their projects

AmyLI: I will look into it

TerriJS: I can see our wildflower journals already

MarciC: thanks

SusanR: . o O (is worth a second look in your LEISURE TIME)

SusanR: can be a community or class photo gallery

BjB smiles. Good use of the theme, Sue

TerriJS: our district will probably block the site because it has the word blog in it

HeatherBu smiles at Sue's cleverness

HeatherBu: Terri, ask them to permit it.

SusanR: You can use your Flickr photos as well

HeatherBu: They can allow specific sites, if they want to

TerriJS: i'll check it out, thanks

SusanR: along the same line I can't say enough about BubbleShare

TerriJS: tell us more

DavidWe smiles

SusanR: includes audio as well as blog sharing and photo slide shows

SusanR: <http://www.bubbleshare.com/>

MarciC: if you were to recommend a technology to support a community of users - would you prefer a message board or blog - we want to create a community for netTrekker in which teachers could share their experiences - what would you prefer?

HeatherBu . o O (I'd vote for a blog or a wiki)

BjB: I'd vote for TAPPED IN!!!!

MarciC: can you index a blog to help search for a specific issue?

EmilyW: depends how large the community is

HeatherBu: YES!!!

HeatherBu . o O (sorry, BJ)

BjB winks at Heather

TerriJS smiles

KarenL: I agree with BJ, Tapped In!

SusanR: #1 should be tappedin

SusanR: and because this session is called Leisure Time do play with this one in your down time

MarciC: I need to learn more about TI and its potential

BjB: we're happy to help you with that, Marci

MarciC: thanks

JeffC: Ask yourself Marci, how many of the other choices offer real time support?

SusanR: Please attend our Tips and Tours session which are offered by Bj and Jeff

MarciC: none that I know of!

JeffC: yup

MarciC: I attended an advanced course and have gone through some of the saved sessions

MarciC: I still need to do the general tour

HeatherBu: Sue, is there someplace we can see the entire top 10 list?

SusanR: It is a local publication, Heather

SusanR: I will see if I can post it

SusanR: #10 is Attention Spans

TerriJS: I have a very short one

BjB laughs...my favorite!

AmyLI: lol

SusanR: It's not a technology but

SusanR: our ability to concentrate on any one thing

SusanR: for any period of time is diminishing

BjB: it's pretty scary

JeffC: what'd she just say?

BjB: and it's not just kids, right Jeff?

TerriJS: I see attention spans decreasing every year

SusanR: Content and Technology providers will have to address that

HeatherBu: okay, thx

HeatherBu: For Marci, about RFID: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RFID>

SusanR . o O (Bite TV)

JeffC: who? what? ok... on the serious side... people resist change... no matter how good it is, no matter how much it is supported, no matter how great it is... INERTIA RULES!

AmyLI: I need to go, thank you Susan for a wonderful hour, this was my first time here and it was wonderful. Thank you David for all of your help.

SusanR: and for some last minute bits of fun

SusanR: Although not a game, this is just too much fun not to share. File this one under "art." Behold the magic of the Blue Ball Machine. Watch the tiny blue balls make their way around the huge machine. And the music that goes along with it is perfect. Rube

SusanR: <http://blueballs2.ytmnd.com/>

HeatherBu grins. One of my favorites, Sue.

DavidWe: Sure thing, Amy

MarciC: yes and all of this technology supports it - tempting people to experience multiple things - there is almost too much to experience in the same amount of time

SusanR: Blue Balls 2, Heather

HeatherBu: ah! Have you added it to our page?

BjB: the big hand is straight up, Sue.

SusanR: and more Leisure Time..Free Online Electronic Whiteboard, Write on it, Stamp on it, print it, email it Fantastic

MarciC: thanks this was a great discussion - this is all new to me - and have found it to be very enlightening - and will be back to visit soon!

SusanR: <http://www.imaginationcubed.com/LaunchPage>

HeatherBu: Great fun

TerriJS: thanks all, you are a fount of information

SusanR: Open Source+web2.0+Collaboration

SusanR: =Tappedin

HeatherBu cheers for Sue's Math

BjB: Thanks, Sue. Great as always

KarenL: Thank you Susan! Bye everyone!

MarciC: thanks Sue - you have opened my eyes!

BjB: Don't miss Karen's K-12 Lang Arts discussion

HeatherBu: Thanks, Sue! Wonderful session.

TerriJS: time to check out all the sites - thank you sue

SusanR: Thanks all. I will be hanging out in the K to 3 Resource Room