

Title of Session: Live From NECC!

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GailH: I once (two or three years ago for Festival) was in Plymouth Mass. and I had a lab of people all participating both literally and virtually (along with about 30 others from all over world) in my Festival event.

Maggi: great feeling isn't it

EmilyW: that's great

GailH: I remember asking the people in the lab to raise their hands if they were with me - - and lots of people then typed :raises hand. It was hilarious.

EmilyW: that's funny

GailH: Have any of you ever been to NECC?

EmilyW: hopefully in the future

EmilyW: have you been?

GailH: I've been two, maybe three times. ENC had a booth too, so I had people staffing in to coordinate and a presentation and trying to go do stuff at NECC itself.

GailH: One of the neat things about it (and I have been doing it already for this year's event) is that you can search the session descriptions for those say about math or science and that have an attachment of their handout. So it is easy to "get" the handouts and look at them, even when we don't go there to NECC.

GailH: Should we join Linda in ASO -- which is where this is supposed to be?

DavidWe joined the room.

DavidWe waves

DavidWe: Hi,

GailH: Hello David.

EmilyW: that is neat

DavidWe: There are about 6 people in the room

DavidWe: And...

GailH: Hello, David's friends!

DavidWe: . o O (not much technology, but...)

EmilyW: I've been looking at the exhibitor list

DavidWe: You aren't being seen on the big screen yet, but we are just introducing ourselves, here

DavidWe: Be right back and I'll let you know when I'm ready for you to wave your hands and sing songs

DavidWe: Gail, I'm wearing my brand new bright purple ENC t-shirt

DavidWe bows humbly

DavidWe: Thanks for sending it

Maggi gets ready

GailH: Great!

DavidWe: Back in a few minutes when I get Ihor off his LONG history of technology in math education

DavidWe smiles

DavidWe: Thanks folks, I really appreciate you being online at this time

DavidWe walks away

GailH: The handouts (for the NECC sessions) and the blogs that are being semi-officially posted by credible people at NECC are quite interesting!

EmilyW: really

Maggi: Andy and Dave?

GailH: Yes Andy C and David of my 2 cents worth.

DavidWe: Andy Carvin had dinner with a group of us (Chinese food) last night

GailH: Tell him I said hi please!

Maggi: smiles

DavidWe: He may have left already, Gail

EmilyW: I think he was only going for a day

DavidWe: He was only here for one day (according to Patsy Wang-Iverson) who hosted him (EDC wouldn't pay????) after he flew to Newark from Seoul

DavidWe listens to Andrew Coulson tell some personal history and introduce the Mind Institute www.mindinstitute.net

EmilyW: I am looking at his blog right now

LindaJo: Hi Gail. I am trying to join the "Live from NECC" event, but I am not sure that I am in the right place.

GailH: We are here.

GailH: We are "supposed" to be in the ASO room, but for now, this is where we are.

LindaJo: Oh, good. I thought I had done something in error.

LindaJo: Greetings, Emily.

EmilyW: Hi Linda

Maggi: Welcome Linda

EmilyW: Welcome to Tapped In

LindaJo: Hello, Maggi. Do these events usually start late?

Maggi: depends

EmilyW: right now it is because it is also a live event

GailH: Linda, if you are new to Tapped In, do you know yet how to detach your window so you can read more of the chat when it scrolls by quickly (which it may, later).

LindaJo: Yes, I saw that direction and did so. I am participating for the first time. I am taking an online course, and we are required to experience a synchronous chat related to educational technology.

DavidWe: We are doing rather extended "introductions" here so, I'll type to you all something, if you have more questions...

GailH: This is very un-typical, b/c we are trying to interact live with the group that is at NECC presenting at this moment. So we are waiting too.

DavidWe: Hi, Linda. I'm at NECC in Philadelphia

DavidWe: I'll try to be as alive as possible...

DavidWe stretches and jumps up and down

GailH compliments David on his nice shirt.

Maggi: David looks virtually alive

WandaW joined the room.

GailH: For Linda's benefit, why don't we intro ourselves?

Maggi: Hi Wanda

EmilyW: Do you think we should move to ASO?

GailH: I am Gail Hoskins, senior outreach coordinator with Eisenhower National Clearinghouse (ENC), in Columbus Ohio.

Maggi: I teach Business English freelance in companies in Germany

GailH: Wanda, are you new to Tapped In?

LindaJo: I am an elementary school library media specialist in Miami, Florida. **Maggi,** we could use your services right here in the USA!

EmilyW: I am Emily and I am in Dallas, TX. I am a recent college graduate and web designer. I hope to design educational websites.

Maggi smiles

Maggi: really?

GailH: This session is an experimental attempt to engage a session that is happening right now in Philly at NECC in a Tapped In event. The conference site for NECC is <http://center.uoregon.edu/ISTE/NECC2005/>

DavidWe: I just introduced Gail

DavidWe . o O (and my t-shirt)

GailH thanks David.

DavidWe: I'm switching computers, moving the network, so bye for 1 minute or so...

DavidWe waves

DavidWe left the room (signed off).

GailH: For new folks at Tapped In, you can click on the blue hyperlink and view that page. You may need to hold control key while you do so (if you have any blocking of pop-ups in place).]

GailH: Members of Tapped In, after they log out, get a transcript of the session emailed to them. This provides all the links.

DavidWe joined the room.

DavidWe waves

Maggi waves

GailH waves to David and his friends at NECC.

ElisabethL joined the room.

Maggi: Hi Elizabeth

MaryMcf joined the room.

Maggi: Welcome to Tapped In

Maggi: Hi Mary

Maggi: Welcome to Tapped In

ElisabethL: Hi

DavidWe: Okay, people can see the screen here...

DavidWe . o O (in Philadelphia)

GailH: Hello, NECC folks!

Maggi waves to everyone

GailH: I am Gail Hoskins, senior outreach coordinator with Eisenhower National Clearinghouse (ENC), in Columbus Ohio.

EmilyW: Hello everyone

DavidWe removes the video for the folks in the roomsince Andrew Coulson needs to work on his timing

Maggi passes around a cheese platter from Germany

GailH offers something to go with the cheese.

DavidWe thanks everyone for those EXCELLENT introductions

DavidWe: We'll try them again in a few minutes when I can use the projector (time to have 2 projectors in the same room)

DavidWe: Andrew is doing a Powerpoint presentation....first slide is some visual games for measurement, telling time, money, etc.

DavidWe: He's just explaining the slide by saying that the games are Nintendo like because, "...kids are addicted to it"

DavidWe: Penguin character on the diving board next to three steps

DavidWe . o O (virtual manipulatives - no sound, just visual)

GailH . o O (how many people are in your room at NECC?)

DavidWe: Penguin is JiJi

DavidWe: About 10 plus Andrew, Ihor and me - we got a BIG room

Maggi: found a new one from the BBC

DavidWe . o O (probably 150 seats)

Maggi: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/index.shtml>

DavidWe: cool, thanks, Maggi

KarenSt joined the room.

DavidWe: What, I'll ask Andrew is whether we could take some of his PowerPoint and put them on a web page

Maggi: it has cool games for math

DavidWe smiles

DavidWe: Exhibitors have been happy, at least they were yesterday

LindaJo: Hello Karen

KarenSt: Hello

DavidWe: Didn't get to too many sessions today as I was helping Ihor with his earlier presentation and making xerox copies

DavidWe waves to Karen

DavidWe: Hi, Karen. Welcome

KarenSt: I'm trying to learn my way around -- any suggestions?

DavidWe: Let us know if we can help you with anything, Karen. We're HelpDesk volunteers

DavidWe: Do you teach, Karen?

DavidWe: I'm in Philadelphia at the NECC conference at the moment (National Education Computing Conference)

LindaJo: What are the keys, or commands, for "waving" and "smiling"?

DavidWe: Try this, Linda

Maggi: go to the TAPPED IN tab above and then calendar

DavidWe: Type the following :waves

KarenSt: I am the instructional technology supervisor for a school division in Virginia

DavidWe . o O (start with the colon)

GailH: Go ahead and try -- is easiest way to learn.

GailH: Type :waves.

GailH waves.

Maggi: I recommend a tips and tricks tour Karen

DavidWe: Sounds great, Karen. Looks like you joined Tapped In recently

LindaJo waves

KarenSt: Yes

GailH claps.

DavidWe: Well done, Linda

DavidWe cheers

LindaJo: But what happened?

GailH . o O (this is not a typical Tapped In event, but it sure is fun.)

Maggi: you virtually waved

DavidWe: There's a visual game of trying to orient the penguin JiJi from one position at the left of the screen to a different position on the right side of the screen

DavidWe . o O (rotations, in different direction)

Maggi watches Jiji waddle

DavidWe: Good discussion in the room. People can't agree on which rotation (stands the penguin up or turns the penguin to the right or left) should go first

DavidWe: It's funny

LindaJo: How long is this session scheduled to last?

DavidWe: These are pretty interesting little games

DavidWe: The Birds of a Feather sessions are scheduled from 4:45pm until 5:45pm, but if people stay....

DavidWe: I think Andrew is almost finished (I hope) and I'll try to get Tapped In up on the screen

Maggi: ...or get hungry

GailH . o O (should we all be prepared to say who we are OR just to wave and smile foolishly?)

Maggi: lol

DavidWe: Okay, you guys are talking out loud, now

Maggi gets her tuba out to blow BIG bubbles

DavidWe: That will help

GailH: Hello, NECC folks! Welcome to Tapped In.

EmilyW: Hello

Maggi: Hi from Germany

GailH: I am Gail Hoskins, senior outreach coordinator with Eisenhower National Clearinghouse (ENC), in Columbus Ohio.

DavidWe: I've got your profile up, Gail. I'll give you a cue if you want to type a relatively short intro

DavidWe . o O (or already did....)

DavidWe smiles

GailH reads David's mind well.

DavidWe: People are still talking with Andrew about his stuff....

DavidWe smiles

BrianR joined the room.

BrianR: [;

GailH: Hello Brian.

DavidWe: Hi, Brian. You are on a projector in a ballroom in Philadelphia

BrianR: wow

BrianR: I had no idea [;

GailH: This is a live session with 9 of us from all over place and 10 or so people at NECC in PA.

DavidWe suggests everyone in TI talk among themselves as Andrew finishes up

Maggi hands Brian some cheese

Maggi: I teach Business English freelance in companies in Germany

DavidWe: I'm trying to get the "microphone" before 5:45pm, EDT

BrianR: and I teach English privately in Poland

GailH: I am Gail Hoskins, senior outreach coordinator with Eisenhower National Clearinghouse (ENC), in Columbus Ohio. ENC is a resource for K-12 math and science teachers located at <http://www.enc.org> and has been funded for 13 years by U.S. Dept. of Education.

BrianR: what's the discussion topic?

BrianR: I see

GailH: Brian, this is an unusual session.

BrianR: Is that so?

BrianR: how so?

Maggi: also live in Philly

BrianR: [;

DavidWe: This is Ihor using David's handle...

GailH: Hello Ihor.

BrianR: Hi Ihor [;

Maggi: do you live near Poznan Brian?

DavidWe: David is now presenting about tapped in to our group here.

GailH: We are glad to be joining you virtually at NECC.

BrianR: hmmm... I guess you could say that

BrianR: it's south and a bit west

GailH: Tapped in has a number of regular events that happen monthly or twice monthly.

GailH: Some are for specific grades or subjects.

Maggi: interested in a job offer?

GailH: Like for K-3 teachers.

GailH: Or for math K-12.

GailH: Or for special education.

GailH: There are sessions on Tapped In about how to use various technologies.

GailH: We have an annual BIG event each July.

EmilyW waves to everyone

GailH: It will be on July 20 this year, and is 12 hours long, with one or more sessions happening each hour.

GailH: The calendar for all of this can be seen at www.tappedin.org

GailH: Membership is free.

GailH: David who is presenting now at NECC has been a friend of Tapped In for many years.

GailH: He works at the Help Desk and he leads sessions as needed.

GailH: Ihor, whom I know from his CIESE work, has also done many things at Tapped In.

EmilyW: Tapped In is a great community

GailH: It is made of teachers (in the broad sense) and is a professional development community.

GailH: We would welcome having new folks join us for a Tapped In session.

EmilyW: anyone interested in education comes here

EmilyW: Teachers can hold classes here

EmilyW: there is a K-12 campus

GailH: If any of you who are watching this on your screen at NECC do join us, be sure to let us know that you were introduced to Tapped In by David at the NECC session.

BrianR: and the layout is cool [;

GailH: I am a former high school math teacher and K-12 math coordinator.

DavidWe: That was quick

EmilyW: I am a web designer

BrianR: I'm a half teacher...

GailH: David, would you like us to jump and shout now?

BrianR jumps and shouts

DavidWe: yes

GailH . o O (thanks Brian.)

BrianR bows humbly

GailH invites everyone to David's house for refreshments after this event.

JosueD: here can anybody see that: <http://web.utk.edu/~jdeleon/TECH575/eporfolio>

JosueD: www.educationforhaiti.org

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DavidWe: Lots of questions...

GailH: o O (about what?)

JosueD: <a href="<http://web.utk.edu/~jdeleon/TECH575/eportfolio>

BrianR: I get an error message];

EmilyW is curious what questions are being asked

GailH wonders if we can do anything else for David this afternoon?

DavidWe: Thanks Gail!

GailH . o O (knows David would do the same for Gail!)

DavidWe goes to get more ice cream

JosueD: hey

GailH . o O (Was the projection good enough that the chat window of Tapped In could be read?)

LindaJo: I've just enjoyed a dish of homemade ice cream!

GailH is patiently waiting for David to dip our more.

JosueD: hi

LindaJo: Did the workshop participants have any questions?

GailH . o O (I suspect David is going to need to take his laptop off the projector soon.)

LindaJo: Hi Josue. Where are you from?

JosueD: Knoxville

JosueD: U?

LindaJo: Miami, FL

JosueD: cool

GailH: I am in Columbus, OH.

BrianR: I'm from Oregon originally [;

BrianR: but in Torun, Poland atm

DavidWe: we got distracted.

GailH waves to NECC again!

DavidWe: David is now telling the group a story.

DavidWe: He's being long winded.

DavidWe: Is there a way to emote that?

GailH: I suspect this is Ihor talking about David...

DavidWe: You got it!

Maggi: .blows BIG bubbles over everyone's heads

GailH . o O ((will he ever stop???))

GailH: That would emote long winded-ness.

DavidWe: Actually David is very interesting

GailH: David is a masterful story-teller though.

GailH: It is really nice to read this where David is talking about David.

Maggi smiles

GailH: How many people are still in the NECC presentation room?

DavidWe: People are hanging out....

DavidWe: One person from Frankfurt, Kentucky just left

DavidWe . o O (dinner calls)

GailH: I used to teach in Lexington KY.

DavidWe: But we've still got 8 people here

DavidWe nods

DavidWe knows that Gail teaches everywhere

GailH: I mean in a high school building there.

DavidWe: Thanks, again, Gail. I really appreciate you being here

DianneA joined the room.

DavidWe nods

DavidWe waves to Dianne

DavidWe: Hi, Dianne

GailH waves to everyone and heads out to dinner.

DavidWe: I'm typing from a conference room at the NECC conference in Philadelphia

GailH . o O (remember -- David is buying for everyone this evening!!!)

DianneA waves to David and all

Maggi hands out freshly grilled Bratwurst

DavidWe: Several Australians have been seen

DavidWe waves to Gail

DianneA waves the Ozzie flag

DavidWe: Thanks, Gail. I deposited a big check recently, so I should be okay buying Cheesesteaks for the crowd

DavidWe: Ooh, Bratwurst!

DavidWe: I AM getting hungry

DavidWe: Thanks, by the way, to all of you for being here

GailH: We are glad to help out David.

Maggi: and some mustard and Brötchen

DavidWe: I think we should have a "Just got back from NECC" session soon

DavidWe: This group seems really excited

EmilyW: good idea

DavidWe nods to Emily

EmilyW: maybe get more people to join Tapped In

DavidWe: Bj is at another Birds of a Feather session with a TI person, I believe

DavidWe: Yes, I do have a list of emails. I sent a pad of paper around first thing

DavidWe: So, we're discussing some other neat math software for elementary kids that not everyone knows about

GailH: I think David's next math and technology session should become a NECC event (you know, more tech and less math).

DavidWe: The sharing session continues

DavidWe nods to Gail

DianneA left the room.

DavidWe: Do you know about "Golly Gee" software, Gail?

GailH: nope

DavidWe: <http://www.gollygee.com/>

DavidWe: Lots of good comments from someone here

BrianR: are we still on the projector screen?

DavidWe: Yes, but people are chatting in small groups, taking handouts and heading out

DavidWe: I can pull the projector cord....

DavidWe smiles

GailH waves and must run.

DavidWe: Thanks, Gail. Take care.

GailH: heads to the restaurant, and will send the bill to David.

DavidWe: Ciao

DavidWe: I'll wait for the bill in the mail

DavidWe wonders what RANGE of numbers the bill might include

DavidWe . o O (less than ????))

GailH left the room (signed off).