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Schedule
TechLearn2009

When	What
8:30 a.m., Library, 4th Floor	TechLearn Opens -yes it's early. Drink coffee; big day.
8:30-9:00 a.m.	Welcome to TechLearn2009!

Morning Breakout Sessions: Library, 4th Floor
Breakfast Bytes- short bits to get the mind moving

9:00-9:50 a.m.	
Room-- T.B.D.	Breakfast Bytes 1: 60 minutes On Professional Development -various speakers
Room-- T.B.D.	Breakfast Bytes 2: Practice, Play or Perform: talking about 23things -various speakers
Room-- T.B.D.	Breakfast Bytes 3: 21st century literacy: still relevant? -Susan Bard
Room-- T.B.D.	Breakfast Bytes 4: What's What in Tech: information technologies hardware & software. -Chuck Bryan
10:15-11:15 a.m.	Opening Keynote --4th Floor of Library, Room to be announced -Cliff Landis
11:30 a..m- 1:00 p.m	Lunch on your own -Announcements will be made after Keynote.

Afternoon Sessions: Library, 4th Floor
Carefully crafted presentations ranging from Library Trends to Tips & Tricks

1:15 2:15 p.m.	2 concurrent sessions to choose from
Room-- T.B.D.	Babies, Bytes, and Books -Susan Bard
Room-- T.B.D.	Web-based Instruction, Learning Objects and Libraries -Anna Carlin
2:30-3:30 p.m.	2 concurrent sessions to choose from
Room-- T.B.D.	Growing an E-Branch: Trunks, Branches and Leaves -Keith Belton
Room-- T.B.D.	Intranets: how-to skills for working together on an intranet -Rene Cabrera
3:45-4:15 p.m.	Does Learning Matter More than Ever? -Lee LeBlanc
4:30-5:30 p.m.	Closing Keynote --4th Floor of Library, Room to be announced -Cliff Landis

About

- **Why learning and technology?**

Your ability to learn & use technology is fundamental to success.

Aims and goals are to help you learn about technology in all its forms. Understanding & application, tricks & tips are some ways we'll explore this idea at TechLearn. In addition to a technology focus, there will be sessions helping you explore new ideas on learning. Techlearn's end goal is to encourage you towards your own continuous learning effort. What does that mean? What are the reasons? Can learning be professional and personal and enjoyable at the same time? TechLearn is about coming with questions and leaving with answers (and more questions!)

- **For what reason?**

The future of how you succeed professionally will be your willingness to engage in your personal/professional learning. Our current economic environment requires that learning becomes central to our ability to thrive in harsh times.

In many industries and professions, the rising trend is an ever decreasing availability of formalized professional learning requirements. Research, and this area is growing, shows that the onus of responsibility must be on the learner for learning efforts to be valuable. Further, employers are recognizing that the "informal learning" -the what happens when people are not directed in their efforts- is much more powerful than creating and forcing employees to stay relevant, knowledgeable, and sharp. Employers in the future will offer many learning channels, events, and methods.

In this not-too-distant future, you will provide evidence of your capabilities to use what you have learned on-the-job. No longer will employers count hours or require certificates as the only measure. We see the rise of systems that evaluate what skills you possess to obtain, say, a raise in salary commensurate with abilities –and much less tied to time employed. Having a better understanding, skills and abilities to enjoy learning will only help you as this future becomes more prevalent. Learning is moving beyond education.

- **Who should attend?**

TechLearn isn't so much about education. It's about learning, freely. We provide the topics, you make the connections. The presenters have been asked to engage you. We hope learning becomes a constant pursuit. If it leads to you becoming a better Librarian, Frontline Staffer, IT Professional, Mom, Friend, or Agent for Change -that's fine.

Items

Dress for the day is casual
Laptops and cell phones welcome. Blogging, twittering, and other backchannel sharing is highly encouraged.
Extended lunch for networking or respite.
You're welcome to jump sessions.

Speaker List and Presentation Information

Susan Bard

Susan Bard is an Early Literacy Consultant with more than 20 years working in early childhood education (B.A., Loyola College, Baltimore, Maryland). She is certified to teach and work with children birth through sixth grade. Her lifelong passion for literacy and enthusiasm to build reading skills in young children has inspired her to educate parents, caregivers and library staff about early literacy.

She is currently a consultant for the Public Library Association and the Association for Library Service to Children of the American Library Association on the Every Child Ready to Read @ your library® (ECRR) early literacy initiative and full time teacher. As one of the six national ECRR trainers endorsed by ALA, she presents early literacy workshops at regional, state and local conferences, and provides additional children's program training for library staff. She also prepares literacy workshops for community organizations, educational institutions and parent associations.

SESSION TITLE & INFO:
Will facilitate **Breakfast Byes # 3**: to discuss 21st century literacy: what is still relevant?
Afternoon session: **Babies, Bytes and Books**: This session will discuss the role of technology in the acquisition of early literacy. We will also take a quick look at the advantages of the use of classroom

technology in early childhood education and elementary school.
SESSION HANDOUTS:

Keith Belton

Keith Belton is E-Branch Manager of the Lee County Library System, where he enjoys contributing to the noosphere, one link at a time.

SESSION TITLE & INFO:
Growing an E-Branch: Trunks, Branches, and Leaves
Strategies for the different roles that must be filled in developing an online presence for your library.

SESSION HANDOUTS:

Chuck Bryan

Chuck is a Senior Computer Support Specialist in Florida Gulf Coast University's Library Technology Systems office. Over a 15 year I/T career, he has been a computer technician, network administrator, and a computer instructor for both children and adults. Chuck is a proponent of properly using technology as a tool, rather than as the focus of a project or teaching effort. He has developed an unbiased affinity for many computer platforms and other technologies – an approach that dictates using the best product in its best implementation, without unsubstantiated brand preference.

SESSION TITLE & INFO:
What's What in Tech?
Chuck will facilitate **Breakfast Bytes #4** to discuss hardware, software, and networking technologies. Quality of products, upgradeability, and expandability of systems will be topics of the discussion; accompanied by the answering of any and many questions.

SESSION HANDOUTS:

Rene Cabrera

Rene is the owner of Training Options located in Fort Myers, FL. He has over 12 years' experience in Information Technology and holds a bachelors degree in Information Technology from Barry University. Rene is a Microsoft Certified Trainer, Microsoft Certified Technology Specialist, and Microsoft Certified Professional in Microsoft Sharepoint Services and Windows XP. He is also an Adobe Certified Expert in Adobe Dreamweaver. Rene previously owned and operated a web and software development firm.

SESSION TITLE & INFO:
"Intranets: how-to skills for working together on an intranet
Rene will cover the Microsoft Office 2007 and how it integrates with Microsoft SharePoint Services.

SESSION HANDOUTS:

Anna Carlin

Anna Carlin is Public Services Librarian at Florida Gulf Coast University Library where she serves as subject liaison to the Communication, Philosophy and Anthropology departments as well as "chief architect" of learning objects and other web-based library instruction. Anna manages to keep adding things to her brain's inventory through her interests and hobbies which include cooking, video games , documentary films, dogs, reading, and over-researching everything she's interested in or has a question about.

SESSION TITLE & INFO:
"Web-based Instruction, Learning Objects and Libraries"
Providing web-based instruction, in addition to face-to-face help and instruction, seems to be a necessity these days for all kind of institutions including libraries, corporations, and schools. Online instruction can be done with simple web pages or fancy Flash animations and can be as simple or as complicated as one wants. This session will introduce you to some of the different ways libraries are approaching web-based instruction and talk about advantages and disadvantages of different methods, structures and tools.

SESSION HANDOUTS: Handout- Things to Remember

Laura A.B. Cifelli

Laura is an adult Reference Librarian at the Ft. Myers – Lee County Public Library. She is also on the Ask-A-Librarian email and State Chat Reference teams as well as occasionally working in Telephone Reference. Laura is certified as an IPL volunteer and has volunteered at the Reference Desk in Second Life as Kitra Hax. She reviews fiction for *Library Journal* and teaches several reference workshops for library staff. Laura teaches technology and bibliographic instruction classes to patrons as well as hosts a monthly adult book discussion. She is the coordinator of the library system's professional collection and author of the companion blog, *In the Know*. Laura is a graduate of Mount Holyoke College (A.B. w/Honor), Philadelphia Institute for Paralegal Training (Cert.), Hahnemann University (A.S., R.N.), and University of South Florida –Tampa (M.A .in L.I.S).

SESSION TITLE & INFO:
Laura is a Panel Member for **"60 minutes On Professional Development"**. Come hear some leading thoughts about professional development and learning.

SESSION HANDOUTS:

Karen Kalisz

Karen Kalisz is a Library Assistant at Lakes Regional Library and a Library Associate at Edison State College. She is currently pursuing her Master's in Library Science at the University of South Florida with the goal of becoming a reference librarian and being proficient in Library 2.0 technologies.

SESSION TITLE & INFO:

Karen will help co-facilitate a roundtable discussion **"Practice, Play or Perform: talking about 23things"** and what she's learned by participating with Steven and Lee. We will be talking about how you can get involved, in many different ways.

SESSION HANDOUTS:

Steven Kolberg

Steven Kolberg is a Learning Resources Technical Assistant and Cataloger for Edison State College Libraries. Steven is a life-long learner and enjoys learning about new technologies and the integration of them into improved library services. Working on his Bachelors of Supervision and Management with aspirations of starting on his Masters of Library & Information Science.

SESSION TITLE & INFO:
Steven will help co-facilitate a roundtable discussion on **"Practice, Play or Perform: talking about 23things"** and what he's learned by participating with Karen and Lee. We will be talking about how you can get involved, in many different ways.

SESSION HANDOUTS:

Cliff Landis

Cliff Landis is Technology Librarian at Valdosta State University's Odum Library in Valdosta, Georgia. Cliff researches, talks and writes about usability, user-centric services, social networks, teaching with technology, Library 2.0 and the future of libraries. Cliff is also a crafting addict, and spends his free time bookbinding, woodworking, knitting, sewing, soapmaking, candlemaking, cooking, gardening, or just making stuff out of duct tape. You can find him blogging occasionally at http://clifflandis.net/

Opening Keynote: LEARN: Literacy, technology, language, biology, culture, libraries, education, sociology, and ethics all converge in this fast-paced exploration of the changing face of learning. See how new technologies, studies, and cultural trends all point to the evolution of how (and what) humanity is learning.

Closing Keynote: TECH: Wind up the conference with a tour of emerging technologies that are transforming the way that we live, work, play and learn. Join in the conversation as we discuss how we can use these tools to improve our libraries, ourselves, and our world.

SESSION HANDOUTS:

Lee LeBlanc

Continuing Education and Emerging Technologies Coordinator @ SWFLN
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Professionally, Lee is currently building the CE program for SWFLN. Additionally Lee's work centers around using emerging technologies as learning tools. Personally, Lee's main interests are "continuous learning", leadership within libraries, and the strategic use of emerging technology in libraries. An avid martial artist and yogi, Lee really enjoys physical activity to keep himself sane and mentally sharp. You will find him contributing blog posts to Tametheweb.com and other places like http://flickr.com/iblee and http://twitter.com/iblee

SESSION TITLE & INFO:
"Does Learning Matter More Than Ever?" *Lee's session will focus on "continuous learning" behaviors, what we know about how we learn, and the rising importance of informal learning. Also, we will quickly*

what we know about how we learn, and the rising importance of informal learning. Also, we will quickly survey why learning is the next [killer app].

SESSION HANDOUTS: N/A -will post presentation after TechLearn2009.

Kathy Miller

[Kathy Miller] is Dean of [Library Services] at [Florida Gulf Coast University] (Ed.D., University of Central Florida; M.L.S., SUNY Albany; B.A. SUNY Albany). During her 28 years as a librarian, she has worked in a variety of public services and management positions in special, public, and academic libraries. Kathy's interest in library technology began in the days of acoustic couplers, survived through the retrospective conversion of library catalogs and retrospective bar coding of collections, and continues as the FGCU Library supports contemporary pedagogy with collaborative computing spaces for student projects and a repository of learning objects for faculty in the FGCU course management system.

SESSION TITLE & INFO:
Kathy is a Panel Member for **"60 minutes On Professional Development"**. Come hear some leading thoughts about why professional learning is important.

SESSION HANDOUTS:

Sondra Taylor-Furbee

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Sondra serves as SWFLN's Executive Director. Sondra was formerly employed by the State Library and Archives of Florida where she worked as a Library Program Administrator in the Office of Community Development. Sondra earned a Bachelor's degree in English at Florida Atlantic University and a Master of Library Science at Florida State University.

SESSION TITLE & INFO:
Sondra is a Panel Member and facilitator for **"60 minutes On Professional Development".** Come hear some leading thoughts about learning and how different libraries and librarians approach learning.