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DON'T FORGET BOLD NAMES

LesleyF: Welcome to the Librarians' Session this afternoon (or whenever) on digital storytelling.
AndrewGst11: Thanks, it's evening here in the Midwest
LesleyF: Let me introduce myself.
LesleyF: I coordinate the library media teacher program at Cal. State University Long Beach. And you?
AndrewGst11: I'm an educational technology consultant for 31 school districts in northern Wisconsin
LesleyF: Great! My grandmother was born in Superior...
AndrewGst11: I'm also multitasking with my pizza
LesleyF: So what brought you here to this discussion?
BJ: I'm an art teacher and a helpdesk volunteer for Tapped In
BJ . o O (I'm in Pennsylvania)
AndrewGst11: Hey, I was an art teacher in a former life
AndrewGst11: middle school
LesleyF: I minored in art..
AndrewGst11: Lesley, I was intrigued by the topic
BJ: cool, Andrew. No wonder you have an interest in digital storytelling
LesleyF: And what do you know/want to know?

AndrewGst11: everything
AndrewGst11: how to start
LesleyF: BJ, aren't you a member of the digital storytelling association?
AndrewGst11: we're looking at providing prof development to teachers next year, and using digital storytelling to integrate technology
LesleyF: Good, Andrew. A good place to start is a webquest I found on the topic -- it's a very specific endeavor. Ready to see the site?
AndrewGst11: sure
BJ: I'm a member of the Art of Storytelling...a digital storytelling group in TI that the NGA has started
UverC joined the room.
UverC: Hi everyone
BJ: to help participants prepare for the NGA Digital Storytelling Institute this summer
LesleyF: it's
http://faculty.salisbury.edu/~jrbing/Telling_a_Digital_Story/Telling_a_Digital_Story/
LesleyF: Just click on the URL -- I'll give you about 7 minutes to explore. I'll be waiting, OK?
AndrewGst11: argh, I keep getting a not found message

UverC: Seem to having an access problem

BJ . o O (not found on Netscape)

LesleyF: Hi, UverC. We're just starting to talk about digital storytelling. I shared a URL WebQuest on the topic. Let me check the spelling first, though.

AndrewGst11: gotta love technology

GinaSo joined the room.

BJ: try this while we wait http://www.storycenter.org/index.html

LesleyF: got it: http://faculty.salisbury.edu/~jrbing/Telling%20a%20Digital%20Story/Telling%20a%20Digital%20Story.htm

AndrewGst11: that one works, BJ

AndrewGst11: As does that, Lesley

BJ: Andrew, one thing you should know is that as a member of Tapped In you would receive all the text as an emailed transcript when you log out

BJ . o O (so you would have a record of all urls that were discussed)

AndrewGst11: K

LesleyF: Actually, when you finish looking at the Salisbury site, go to BJ's site -- storycenter.

AndrewGst11: Hmm, looks like artists are involved

UverC: Fantastic!

LesleyF: Yes, it does seem to link artie and techie types.

LesleyF: You had mentioned about teaching teachers so I'd like to share another URL which is a how-to. Ready for that?

AndrewGst11: I have found with the advent of the web that my art background is invaluable, and appreciated more

UverC: Do you think it works for students with very little computer skills? I mean, would it be a good start to get them involved or would it be too much at first?

LesleyF: let's look at this web site, and then I'll show you what a 6 year old can do and what MSers can do. OK?

LesleyF: http://www.cmu.edu/teaching/howto/Digital_Storytelling/

LesleyF: Just click on the URL...

AndrewGst11: oh I wish I had a high speed connection about now....

LesleyF: connectivity can be a real bottleneck, particularly with digital images...

AndrewGst11: At first glance there seems to be ton there I want to explore

LesleyF: That's why it's so nice to have a copy of the transcript so you can play later. I'll be sharing about 4-5 more sites.

AndrewGst11: I'm bookmarking as we go

LesleyF: Let me show you what kids can do and then I'll show you some resources that are pretty low end.

LesleyF: http://www.megahedz.com/videos/copper.html

AndrewGst11: ok, give it another try

AndrewGst11: not found

LesleyF: argh --another

AndrewGst11: darn fingers

LesleyF: http://thirteen.lorg/edonline/studentstake/digitalstory

LesleyF: sorry http://www.thirteen.org/edonline/studentstake/digitalstory/

UverC: nope

AndrewGst11: Yay

LesleyF: These are MSers and up.

UverC: Pardon me ... What is Msers?

AndrewGst11: Middle Schoolers

LesleyF: thanks for the translation...

LesleyF: I also have the right URL for the 6 year old's work:
http://www.megahedz.com/videos/copper.htm

AndrewGst11: Hmm, I may not get to watch their videos tonight. 6.5 MB download on a dialup will take awhile

BJ: another advantage of getting a transcript, Andrew

LesleyF: www.megahedz.com has a summer camp, and their AVID products that kids did is a good sample too.

LesleyF: So it "looks" like we'll look at more URLs, collecting like trophies, and then folks can look at their leisure from hefty machines. OK?

AndrewGst11: are you on commission BJ?

LesleyF: bet she wishes...

BJ: btw, Andrew, if you click on the Actions menu in the top right of the chat window and highlight DETACH your chat window will be larger and easier to read

AndrewGst11: now how did you know that I was squinting at the bottom of my screen?

BJ chuckles...nah. I just know how useful transcripts can be...and membership is free

LesleyF: So here we are with resources. The following URL is a bit less powerful so might be feasible at your school. Ready to give it a try?

AndrewGst11: go for it

UverC: shoot

LesleyF: being paranoid at this point, I'm pretesting it this moment..

BJ nods solemnly

AndrewGst11: burn me once....

AndrewGst11: can I ask a techie question?

LesleyF: www.techteachers.com/digitalstorytelling.htm

LesleyF: ask away

UverC: what basic tools should we start with?

AndrewGst11: these samples, what equipment was used to produce them?

LesleyF: The tech teachers site should have some resources and I'll show you another nifty little site where folks can post things.

AndrewGst11: And, I'm sorry to say, the link is timing out for me

LesleyF: oh glum...

BJ . o O (me too!)

AndrewGst11: woe is you

AndrewGst11: I can see how to do it with a Mac, but most of our schools are going PC

BJ: are you here to participate in the digital storytelling discussion, LMC?

LesleyF: http://www.storycenter.org has a section called storytelling Bee which has a spot for work.

AndrewGst11: Hey, first try

LesleyF: you never know

LesleyF: Apple has a learning exchange that shows lessons -- and of course they promote imovie, which is pretty easy to use. I'll show you that URL

AndrewGst11: I've got iMovie.

AndrewGst11: and I've been to Apple's site quite often

AndrewGst11: I was wondering what all my PC-based schools/teachers would use

LesleyF: I think you're ready for the mother of all digital storytelling sites, which lists MANY different aspects, including resources for both platforms. Ready?

AndrewGst11: sounds good

UverC: Got to leave now. Thanks for all the tips. See you around.

UverC waves

LesleyF: http://tech-head.com/dstory.htm

BJ waves bye to Uver.

BJ: Thanks for joining us, Uver

LesleyF: Ciao!

AndrewGst11: Dang, that's a bunch of resources

UverC left the room.

LesleyF: absolutely. click around a bit...

AndrewGst11: and here I was wondering what to do with my time now that all the TV shows are finishing their seasons

LesleyF: So do you have some ideas on how you want to proceed with your faculty?

AndrewGst11: Not quite yet. This will take some time to process

AndrewGst11: But I can see developing a good series of workshops, PD for them

AndrewGst11: could be a heck of a lot of fun

LesleyF: It's usually a good idea to show them what kids can do. I also have a site that links to standards..

AndrewGst11: Sound advice

AndrewGst11: which standards?

LesleyF: content standards, such as what students should know in science for six grade, etc.

LesleyF: the more that you can get teachers to brainstorm how digital storytelling fits into their existing curriculum, the more open they'll be to learn.

AndrewGst11: I suppose each state has similar content standards.

LesleyF: At some sites, having the teacher team with a student for an in-service is another interesting way to approach teaching/learning these skills.

AndrewGst11: I bet the kids are often far beyond the teachers in using the tech

LesleyF: but the teachers know the curriculum...

AndrewGst11: I wouldn't have thought to team the student with the teacher, though

LesleyF: nice interdependence

AndrewGst11: Blogging has been generating some buzz here lately. Any experience with that and images?

LesleyF: The team approach works if there's a school culture that says it's oK -- some teachers don't want kids to know that they don't know, if you know what I mean...

LesleyF: Yes, blogging is getting big too.

AndrewGst11: Yes, I've seen that. And the really neat teachers I've observed are the ones having the kids teach them

AndrewGst11: I

LesleyF: Just to backtrack for a second, the following URL (you saw the umbrella one) has suggestions for curricular uses for digital storytelling.
http://www.techteachers.com/digstory/ideas.htm
LesleyF: Tell you what, since I have to see a couple of my students get scholarships in a half hour, I'm going to end THIS session early but will schedule that topic of blogging (including images) for the next month's session with me, how would that be?
AndrewGst11: That would be great
LesleyF: I hold a session every third Wed. 4:30pm PDT/PST.
AndrewGst11: wonderful
AndrewGst11: I didn't think I'd be an audience of one, but it's been great
LesleyF: 2 more URLs for you to savor -- more brainy than some...
AndrewGst11: well...
LesleyF: http://www.archimuse.com/mw2004/papers/springer/springer.html
LesleyF: and
AndrewGst11: I feel like I've done mostof the talking here
AndrewGst11: hey, that worked
LesleyF: www.inms.umn.edu/elements
BJ: that paper was included in the May Tapped In Newsletter
LesleyF: The archived list of URLs should take you through all the summer re-runs
AndrewGst11: Looks good. thanks
AndrewGst11: no kidding
BJ: Julie Springer is one of the leaders of the Art of Storytelling Group
LesleyF: try to snag a kid, though, while you're exploring and see what he/she does...
LesleyF: little reality check -- and motivator
AndrewGst11: I'll have to use my 10 yr old niece
LesleyF: perfect
AndrewGst11: she's become quite the reader
LesleyF: all the better
AndrewGst11: and we toyed with the idea of creating our own cartoon (ala Scooby Doo)
LesleyF: digital storytelling is a good venue, then...
AndrewGst11: seems to fit very well
AndrewGst11: plus, she's a scrapbooker
LesleyF: better than going to their movie sequel
LesleyF: the scrapbook technique works with this too...
AndrewGst11: now the ideas are starting to churn
LesleyF: so enjoy -- glad we could have such an exclusive session!
AndrewGst11: thanks so much
LesleyF: hope to chat with you next month, same time and station.
BJ: Thanks, Lesley!
AndrewGst11: And I'll be signing up for an account, BJ :-0
LesleyF: adieu --
BJ smiles. Thanks, Andrew!
AndrewGst11: bye
AndrewGst11: you get your cut
LesleyF: I think we're all paid the same -- in smiles
AndrewGst11: see you next month

LesleyF: that's a deal!

BJ: Tapped In is a really special community, Andrew

LesleyF left the room (signed off).

BJ: all the events on the calendar are presented by volunteers

AndrewGst11: I've seen the notices come across a listserv all the time

AndrewGst11: usually I just skim and deleted

AndrewGst11: this time I actually looked it over and saw the digital storytelling

BJ: I'll let you go. Please holler if you have any questions about Tapped In

AndrewGst11: Thanks.

BJ: the tips and tricks sessions are a good way to learn about what you can do in this environment

AndrewGst11: I'm going to do a little exploring, and I have five windows **open with the Dig Storytelling to look at**

BJ smiles..have fun!

AndrewGst11: Plus, in 15 minutes it's the season finale of West Wing

BJ nods solemnly

AndrewGst11: Thanks for hosting

BJ waves goodnight

AndrewGst11: night

BJ left the room (signed off).