

From the SIGHC Chair

All,

Welcome to the October 2008 newsletter of SIGHC. This is a busy time of year for many of us, but I hope that you are thinking about, writing, and submitting NECC proposals. Please make sure to spend some extra time on your proposals this year, as space in Washington DC for sessions will be limited and competition for slots will be heavier than normal. Good luck with your writing...

Mark van 't Hooft
Chair SIGHC

SIGHC News

SIGHC Follow-Up Survey

Following the initial survey we did in June, we posted a brief follow-up, mostly to help us plan for NECC 2009. Here are the results from that survey (44 people responded).

1. Would you like to see SIGHC host a forum at NECC 2009 in Washington DC?

Yes	93%
No	7%

2. If SIGHC were to host a forum, would you consider attending it?

Yes	38.6%
Yes, but only if it's free	43.2%
Maybe	13.6%
No	4.5%

3. If SIGHC were to host a forum, would you be interested in presenting or moderating?

Yes	13.6%
No	36.4%
Maybe	50.0%

4. What types of mobile learning presentations would you like to see at NECC 2009? (multiple answers allowed)

Real-world examples of mobile learning that work	79.5%
Leveraging wireless mobile technologies for learning	52.3%
Mobile learning with mobile phones	45.5%
Mobile learning outside of the classroom	36.4%
Mobile learning research	34.1%
Accountability and Assessment	31.8%
Mobile web	29.5%

SIGHC and a Name Change

The name change is in the works. SIGHC officers have submitted a proposal to change the SIG's name to SIGML (Mobile Learning), and the proposal is currently under review by the SIG Board Committee, before it is pushed up the ladder for approval by the ISTE Board. We'll keep you posted.

NECC News



NECC 2009

Believe it or not, we already have to start thinking about NECC 2009, in Washington DC. Information about the 2009 conference is available here (<http://center.uoregon.edu/ISTE/NECC2009/>). Note that the submission system opened on Sept. 2, and will close on Oct. 8, 2008.

Here is what we would like you to do this year to help us create a stellar SIGHC program for NECC:

1. **Submit a proposal to present at NECC.** Proposal submissions close on October 8, 2008.
1. **Review NECC 2009 proposals** for SIGHC. If you are interested in doing so, please contact Dave Ramage at dramage@soudertonsd.org. Dave has volunteered to be our review chair and is in charge of all things related to NECC proposal reviews.

SIGHC Forum

Based on the survey responses and our business meeting at NECC, we have come up with what we think is an awesome forum for the 2009 NECC conference. We can't divulge much yet, but we can say that even though registration will be required, the forum will be free, hands-on, and promises to be a lot of fun. The forum will involve mobile camera phones, QR codes, and one of the monuments on the Mall in Washington DC (i.e. it'll take place outside). Stay tuned for more information as we continue our planning for this event.

We will need volunteers to help us run the event, so if you're interested in helping out, please contact Mark van 't Hooft (mvanthoo@kent.edu)

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Speakers: Andrew Pinder, Steven Berlin Johnson, John Seely Brown, danah boyd, David Cavallo, Keri Facer, Mike Sharples and Stephen Heppell.

Handheld Learning 2008

This year's conference takes place from **Oct 13th-15th** at The Brewery, Barbican, London EC1 with the first day being open to the general public. The event is about learning and examines the current and potential future effects of the proliferation of technologies; from smart phones to low cost laptops, MIDs, mp3 players and gaming consoles to entertainment software, virtual worlds, social networks and web 2.0 applications.

This years confirmed speakers include, Andrew Pinder, Steven Berlin Johnson, John Seely Brown, danah boyd, David Cavallo, Keri Facer, Mike Sharples and Stephen Heppell.

The conference programme is already extensive in its scope. In addition to inspiring presentations from some of the worlds leading thought leaders and practitioners there will be plenty of networking opportunities as well as participatory sessions and discussions.

All "Early Bird" registrations before 31st July will receive a FREE Nintendo DS handheld with game cartridge for use at the conference (and to keep afterwards!). Delegates registering for Handheld Learning will also receive a 10% discount to register for the mLearn 2008 research conference being held the previous week in Shropshire.

More information visit:

<http://www.handheldlearning2008.com>

And Finally...

As always, thanks to everybody who contributed to this month's newsletter. Don't forget to participate by submitting articles, or adding content to the SIGHC wiki ☺. Its success is depends on YOU!

If you have any news or info for a future newsletter, please send it to Debbie Bordelon. Until the next issue...

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