

Monthly Coalition Report

Insight Alliance

September 15, 2011



Recent Events

➤ **Appalachian Fair:** During the fair, we shared a table with the Governor's Highway Safety, Click-it or Ticket, and Mt. Carmel Police Department. We handed out materials to parents and many bracelets, pencils, and stickers to the children.

➤ **Suicide Awareness:** On September 8, Neil and Christy had a table at the Suicide Prevention Awareness and Community Partners Exhibition at the VA. The event provided multiple outlets for veterans coping with suicide and depression. About 15 vendors attended offering help to veterans with information on suicide as well as school opportunities, jobs, and outdoor activities.

➤ **NEPAC Quarterly Meeting:** The Regional Prevention group met on September 6 to work on marketing strategies, Technically Speaking, and learn how to use data more effectively.

Technically Speaking

✔ Technology is now essential to reach each other and the community with any kind of message. Are you keeping up? This is usually even more challenging for Non Profits or small organizations. Many believe that technology or the help to make technology work is out of their reach financially. Sometimes the problem is that you don't know what you don't know. There may be everyday issues that your organization faces which have a simple solution in technology that you don't even know exists.

✔ This is a full day of technology talk AND walk for the beginner and the more advance student. We will have morning and afternoon workshops at both a 101 level (over view) and a 201 that will take you a little deeper into a topic with a hands-on walk through. We will have people to interact with you and provide you some support. **So bring your laptop!**

✔ YOUR REGISTRATION INCLUDES LUNCH. In fact, at lunch you will "Eat with a Geek," with roundtable conversations that focus in a variety of conversations related to technology. (LUNCH IS INCLUDED IN YOUR RESERVERATION.)

✔ Workshops and topics will include information about:

- linking with individuals (email, social media, websites, ads, marketing, branding)
- linking with groups (webinars, wikis, blogs, cloud based computing, project managment)
- linking your technology (bluetooth, networking, wifi, software, hardware, smartphones, iphones, projectors)

Schedule:

8:00 - 8:30 am - Registration and Tech Check

8:30 - 8:45 - Welcome

8:45 - 9:30 - Jose Castillo will get us started and revved up about technology!

9:45 - 10:40 - Workshops

10:50 - 11:45 - Workshops

11:45 - 1:15 - "EAT WITH A GEEK," Door Prizes

1:20 - 2:15 - Workshops

2:25 - 3:25 - Workshops

3:25 - 3:30 - Closing and final workshop

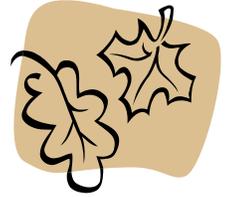
To register, go to <http://technicallyspeakingjc.eventbrite.com/>



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Upcoming Events

- ↗September 20, 2011 – ETSU Service Opportunities Fair 10am -2pm Culp Center
- ↗September 22, 2011 – Adolescent and Parent Substance Abuse Forum 1pm – 4:30pm Millennium Center
- ↗September 27, 2011 – Weed and Seed Meeting 11:30am
- ↗September 29, 2011 – Technically Speaking 8am – 3:30 pm Summit Leadership
- ↗September 30, 2011 – How to Effectively Deal with Anger and Violence in Children and Youth 9am-12pm
Johnson City Public Library
- ↗October 28, 2011 – Teen Drug Culture 2011 8am – 4pm Wesley Memorial UMC
- ↗October 29, 2011 – Rx Disposal (DEA Date) time and location TBA

Heroes

→The Heroes team has finished all of the end-of-year reports (except for preschool), and are analyzing the data from the student, staff, and community surveys.

Weed and Seed

↖William “Bill” Killian, our United States Attorney visited our Weed and Seed Steering Committee on August 23. He discussed the priorities of his office and the future of the components of the Weed and Seed Program. Although the Weed and Seed Program is ending, many of the components will be distributed among other programs. He stated that there is a need for the community to work with persons leaving prison and returning home. He stated it will take a concentrated effort for these individuals to get jobs and housing.

↖Our Weed and Seed grant has been extended till March 31, 2012. There are not any new monies, but we will be allowed to move some money toward salary for the Safe Haven Activities Coordinator and the Coordinator’s position. Our next Weed and Seed Meeting is on **September 27** at the Carver Rec. The meeting will start at 12 noon; lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. A reservation is required for the food. Please RSVP with Linda at 434-6105. We will be discussing our evaluation and sustainability at the next meeting.

Sunday Beer Sales

↗On Thursday Sept. 1, the City Commission voted 4-1 to allow Sunday beer sales to begin at 8 a.m. The new ordinance changes the start of beer sales by four hours and repeals the old ordinance which allowed beer sales to begin at noon on Sundays.

Jennifer’s Updates

←Jennifer taught a TIPS responsible beverage training class on September 12. She will be teaching another class on Sunday September 18 from 1-6:30pm.