

## **Chat Transcript: Building a Personal Learning Solution Presented by Lori Reed**

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Joanne Roukens: (1/31/2012 14:42) Good Afternoon!

Joanne Roukens: (14:42) If you can see the placeholder slide and hear us chatting, please let us know.

susan O'Neal: (14:43) I can see it-susan

susan O'Neal: (14:43) y

Joanne Roukens: (14:45) Good afternoon everyone! This is Joanne Roukens. I am providing tech support this afternoon. If you have any problems with your audio/video during the program, we find that exiting and re-entering the meeting room fixes most things. If your problem persists or you are having another tech issue, please call me at 201-874-6885.

Karen Brodsky: (14:49) Hello, Bernardsville Library - want to know how to do everything I need to!

hing-choi Fung: (14:49) Hi

Lori Reed: (14:50) taking notes

Lori Reed: (14:51) I use gmail with a lot of filters

Lori Reed: (14:51) used to use google readers but would forget to check it

susan O'Neal: (14:51) I'm from Middletown NJ. I hope to actually implement a PLS to maximize my time better and to be able to inspire other library employees to do the same

Joanne Roukens: (14:51) She is busy!!!

Lori Reed: (14:52) Susan I'm about to start over from scratch myself

susan O'Neal: (14:52) some days i just feel that doing something for yourself always gets put on the back burner.

hing-choi Fung: (14:54) Hi, I am with the Dept. of Labor

hing-choi Fung: (14:55) I just want to learn more about personal learning solution.

Martha Hickson: (14:59) Managing multiple personal networks

Mary Donne: (14:59) Hi! I'm from South Brunswick Library and am looking forward to the whole discussion.

Sandra Witkowski: (14:59) Sandy Witkowski from HoHokus. I just want to see what I am missing.

Ellen Callanan: (14:59) Hi everyone, I'm from the Sussex County Library and am looking forward to learning about this topic (especially preventing info. overload!).

Elaine Pollak: (14:59) Hi-- I'm Elaine, from the Hamilton Township Library. I'm hoping to just learn about personal networks!

Lori Reed: (14:59) Thank you everyone who completed the pre-survey as well!! added extra content based on your feedback. based on your feedback

Sophie Brookover: (15:01) @librarylinknj

Sophie Brookover: (15:02) <https://www.twitter.com/librarylinknj>

Joanne Roukens: (15:02) For anyone who plans to tweet this session, please use the following hashtag: #LLNJ\_learning.

Joanne Roukens: (15:02) And to Like us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/librarylinknj/](http://www.facebook.com/librarylinknj/)

Joanne Roukens: (15:06) Congratulations! NovelList - love it!

Sophie Brookover: (15:06) Yes, they are lucky!

susan ONeal: (15:06) good luck in the new job!

Sophie Brookover: (15:07) If you didn't do so already, you can download & print out Lori's slides/note-taking handout from this webinar's page: <http://librarylinknj.org/content/building-personal-learning-solution>

Sophie Brookover: (15:07) And we'll be posting the chat transcript & this recording to that page, as well.

Janice P: (15:09) Wow that's a really low percentage for "training" as we know it.

Sophie Brookover: (15:11) And a strong argument for learning via events like unconferences & informal learning via things like Twitter chats. I follow #tlchat #edchat #libchat & several others.

Joanne Roukens: (15:13) My desk could be the size of New Jersey and I will still fill it up.

Sophie Brookover: (15:14) Same, same, same! It's a constant battle for me. (And, she said sheepishly, my family.)

Joanne Roukens: (15:16) evernote

Sonora Miller: (15:16) Netvibes

Martha Hickson: (15:16) Diigo, Deliciousj

kay baggs: (15:16) discussion lists

Janice P: (15:17) looking at Pinterest

Joanne Roukens: (15:17) not me

Sophie Brookover: (15:17) Twitter -- I save searches & "favorite" particularly good Tweets.

Sophie Brookover: (15:17) Joanne, I'll send you an invitation, if you want.

Sophie Brookover: (15:17) As I said earlier, I have an account, but haven't done anything w/it yet, b/c frankly, I fear being sucked down the rabbit hole!

Sophie Brookover: (15:18) I also like ARC notebooks -- you can easily move pages around & create sections w/in the notebook.

Sophie Brookover: (15:19) ARC notebooks: <http://www.staples.com/sbd/cre/marketing/arc/>

Sophie Brookover: (15:20) Yes, of course!

Sophie Brookover: (15:20) Sarah's blog & twitter are both WELL worth following.

Sophie Brookover: (15:21) <http://librarianinblack.net/librarianinblack/> (she just covered the SOTU address!)

Sophie Brookover: (15:21) @TheLiB

Martha Hickson: (15:22) Tweetdeck and HootSuite helped me harness Twitter

Sophie Brookover: (15:22) Yes -- Tweetdeck helps me so much w/making Twitter bend to my will. :-)

Karen Brodsky: (15:23) yes

kay baggs: (15:23) yes

Sonora Miller: (15:23) Yes!

kay baggs: (15:25) David who? last name?

Karen Brodsky: (15:25) Allen

kay baggs: (15:25) thanks

Sophie Brookover: (15:25) Getting Things Done (aka GTD) is his method.  
kay baggs: (15:25) ty  
Sophie Brookover: (15:25) You bet!  
Martha Hickson: (15:29) Scenery, attractions  
Sophie Brookover: (15:29) Avoiding tolls?  
Sophie Brookover: (15:29) Traffic considerations?  
Ellen Callanan: (15:30) Going across the middle is going through swampland!  
Sophie Brookover: (15:30) Traveling alone? Maybe want to stick to big roads.  
Curt Idrogo: (15:30) I like to ride by the coastal towns (Atlantic side)  
Sophie Brookover: (15:33) Do you prune out feeds/ppl you follow?  
Martha Hickson: (15:34) Constantly  
Sophie Brookover: (15:34) I gave up on Google Reader altogether, and found that most of what I need/want to know about, I find out about via Twitter, anyway.  
Sophie Brookover: (15:34) I un-follow on Twitter pretty regularly.  
Joanne Roukens: (15:34) I'm very choosey  
Martha Hickson: (15:34) Or long-winded, repetitive ... put it in a nutshell  
Sophie Brookover: (15:34) Esp on twitter, that's a no-go!  
Doug Baldwin: (15:36) Interesting... Google Reader is like the center of my info hub right now.. havent latched onto twitter as much as others  
Doug Baldwin: (15:36) though its more static for sure than twitter which is def more dynamic  
kay baggs: (15:37) i really need to learn how to use twitter --  
Sophie Brookover: (15:38) Kay, one of the things I love about Twitter is that I don't feel overwhelmed or the need to catch up if I'm away from it for a few days.  
Sandra Witkowski: (15:38) I also need to learn twitter.  
Sophie Brookover: (15:38) I used to feel such pressure to go back & read everything I'd already missed w/Google Reader (and before that, bloglines)  
kay baggs: (15:38) Sophie, that  
kay baggs: (15:39) s important to me -- overwhelmed is not good!  
Sophie Brookover: (15:39) I tweet from two accounts in Twitter, and it's been great so far.)  
Sophie Brookover: (15:39) That's good advice -- I just could never follow it!  
Doug Baldwin: (15:39) thats exactly what i do  
Sophie Brookover: (15:39) Twitter takes care of it for you by being a constant stream.  
Joanne Roukens: (15:40) 23  
Ellen Callanan: (15:40) 250!  
Karen Brodsky: (15:40) 0  
Sandra Witkowski: (15:40) I know. about 3.  
Sophie Brookover: (15:40) Ahahahahaha.  
Sonora Miller: (15:40) 20-25  
Sophie Brookover: (15:40) You dont' want to know.  
Karen Brodsky: (15:40) Yes  
Martha Hickson: (15:40) I have noticed that the really important, relevant stuff tends to show up in multiple places over time, so you'll stumble upon the "deleted" stuff somewhere eventually; don't sweat it.  
kay baggs: (15:40) over 1000

Ellen Callanan: (15:40) I admire you, Karen!

Karen Brodsky: (15:40) I read once and file

Meredith Weil: (15:40) 450

Sharla Emery: (15:40) 47

Karen Brodsky: (15:40) It's David Allen!

Sophie Brookover: (15:40) I don't see the point in filing e-mails. I just leave it all in my inbox & search for what I need when I need it.

Sophie Brookover: (15:41) I delete things I don't need.

Joanne Roukens: (15:41) And I like folders. It suits the way my brain works

Sophie Brookover: (15:41) Right -- different strokes!

Curt Idrogo: (15:41) I always got the feeling that rss feeds will keep you at the pc forever. I prefer twitter too

Joanne Roukens: (15:41) I also divide my life into different email addresses for different purposes/

Sophie Brookover: (15:41) Curt: YES. Twitter is easier to say goodbye to. (Though I certainly get sucked in from time to time)

kay baggs: (15:42) me too joanne

Karen Brodsky: (15:42) Yes, I delete things I don't need.

Doug Baldwin: (15:42) I have kinda felt like Twitter was running a NASCAR race verssu a reader where there are traffic lights.. but like Sophie said, differnt strokes

Joanne Roukens: (15:43) [plcmclearning.blogspot.com](http://plcmclearning.blogspot.com)

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Joanne Roukens: (15:45) What gets rewarded, gets done.

Sandra Witkowski: (15:47) I want someone standing over my shoulder telling me what to do.

Sophie Brookover: (15:47) Sandy that is so interesting -- that would make me bananas!

Joanne Roukens: (15:47) Great for the visual learners - the short videos at <http://www.commoncraft.com/>

Sophie Brookover: (15:47) I'm a visual & read/write learner, mostly.

susan ONeal: (15:54) can you back up and explain netvibes and pageflakes and why we would use them?

Martha Hickson: (15:55) Online timers are great for setting those limits

Joanne Roukens: (15:56) [www.netvibes.com](http://www.netvibes.com)

Joanne Roukens: (15:56) <http://www.pageflakes.com/>

susan ONeal: (15:57) thanks!

Sonora Miller: (15:57) I like Netvibes because I can have different tabs for different part of my life--work, home, recipes, etc. And you can also have your rss feeds alongside other applications, such as my daily to-do list, a "must-read" book list, and much more.

Sophie Brookover: (15:57) I'm going to try netvibes again!

Joanne Roukens: (15:58) And I just clipped both of them an put the into a new notebook on my Evernote account.

Sophie Brookover: (15:58) Sonora, that's smart -- I want to keep all this stuff in ONE spot, but separate them out in a way that makes sense to me.

Martha Hickson: (15:59) I highly recommend Free Technology for Teachers [www.freetech4teachers.com](http://www.freetech4teachers.com) as a great blog to follow if you're interested in technology; not just for teachers

kay baggs: (15:59) iggogle has the same thing, I have a variety of tabs

Sophie Brookover: (16:02) It's key to building social capital online.

Sophie Brookover: (16:03) Thank you! (I've just been reading Doing Social Media So It Matters: A Librarian's Guide -- I'm borrowing the author's term)

Sophie Brookover: (16:05) Hah! I like it.

Martha Hickson: (16:06) Here's my list of timers: <http://delicious.com/mehickson/timers>

Joanne Roukens: (16:07) yes! I do that with the timer on my phone.

kay baggs: (16:08) yes

Sophie Brookover: (16:08) yes!

Curt Idrogo: (16:08) yes

kay baggs: (16:12) For those of us who are alon, we wear SO many hats -- almost need to know everything!

Karen Brodsky: (16:14) It sometimes seems easier to search for info at the time it's needed than to tag and keep everything that comes up over time. More like Sophie's email method and it works most of the time.

Sophie Brookover: (16:14) Yeah, I mean, I'm a generalist & I like to know at least a little about a lot of things.

Karen Brodsky: (16:14) sometimes

Sophie Brookover: (16:14) But I'm a big believer in search/just-in-time finding.

kay baggs: (16:15) Yes, sometimes, I do both -- depends on my mood

Sophie Brookover: (16:18) I'm a Tweetdeck fan, too.

Sophie Brookover: (16:19) Feel free to e-mail/call me with questions about it!

Sophie Brookover: (16:19) Or tweet me -- whatever works for you.

kay baggs: (16:23) I don't have any questions, but just want to say thank you! This was valuable and enjoyable

Karen Brodsky: (16:24) Thank you!

Sonora Miller: (16:24) What's a good way to get advice from other librarians about more abstract issues (such as dealing with co-workers, supervisors, the public) when you're worried that the Internet is so transparent?

Karen Brodsky: (16:25) I found some people to follow :-)

Sonora Miller: (16:26) Okay, I like those ideas--great!

Sandra Witkowski: (16:26) Thank you. Good luck at your new job.

Martha Hickson: (16:27) Good luck. I love Novelist!

Sonora Miller: (16:27) Thank you!

hing-choi Fung: (16:27) Thank you very much.

Ellen Callanan: (16:27) Thank you, Lori, and thank you, Joanne and Sophie, for hosting!

Curt Idrogo: (16:28) Enjoyed it very much

hing-choi Fung: (16:28) Bye everyone. Have a nice day.

Janice P: (16:28) Lori, your sessions are enjoyable because they mix the practical with the theoretical, and you don't hesitate to tell us your own experience. Best of luck at Novelist!

Joanne Roukens: (16:28) [jroukens@librarylinknj.org](mailto:jroukens@librarylinknj.org)

Lori Reed: (16:29) Thank you Janice!

Lori Reed: (16:29) I do sometimes overshare!