

# Quarter 1 Newsletter

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Technology for Tomorrow volunteers have been hard at work! Your interest and support has helped us connect more people to their family and friends through the use of technology.

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### **Community Impact...**

### **Total Participants:**

Increased number of workshop participants by 162 people, a 23% increase. Total participants served: 847.

#### **Volunteer Hours:**

Increased donated volunteer hours from 1,096 to 1,161.5 hours = 48 days of 'round-the-clock tech education!

#### Value Donated:

1,161.5 volunteer hours = \$25,553.00 value.

\$1,110.00 in donated hardware

Total: \$26,663.00 in value donated to our fellow Vermont community members.

### Scholarships:

T4T awards scholarships to each of its high school chapters for excellence in service. We are planning on awarding more than \$2,000.00 this year to deserving student volunteers.







# Join your neighbors for the

# **CommYOUnity Tech Talk!**

<u>AARP Vermont</u>, <u>Small Dog Electronics</u>, and <u>Technology for Tomorrow</u> are partnering to bring you the **CommYOUnity Tech Talk**!

Join your fellow community members on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 7th from 9am-12pm F.H.T. Middle School 500 Dorset St. South Burlington</u> for three mini workshops covering Facebook Tips and Tricks, Intro to iPhone, and Internet Safety. Each workshop will be 20 minutes long with 30 minutes after each for mingling, refreshments, and chatting with Small Dog employees & Technology for Tomorrow volunteers about your tech questions. The event is free and signing up only takes a couple of clicks! For more information or to sign up click the Sign Up Today! button below.

All participants will be entered to win a FREE iPad Mini generously donated by Small Dog Electronics!

Sign Up Today!

## **Upcoming workshops...**

Topic: Intro to Skype/FaceTime Topic: Intro to Skype/FaceTime

When: Sunday, April 10th 12-1:30pm When: Wednesday, May 4th 3-4:30pm Where: Essex Area Senior Center, Essex Jct. Where: Allenwood, South Burlington

Topic: Intro to Facebook When: Saturday, May 7th

When: Wednesday, April 13th 8-9:30am

Topic: CommYOUnity Tech Talk!

Where: Jeri-Hill Apartments, Jericho

Reserve your FREE tickets <a href="here">here!</a>

Topic: Skype/FaceTime Topic: AARP TEK

When: Sunday, April 17th 3-4:30pm When: Wednesday, May 11th 8-9:30am Where: Wake Robin, Shelburne Where: Jeri-Hill Apartments, Jericho

Topic: Pairing Hearing Aids with Your Device Topic: Google Search

When: Sunday, April 24th

When: Sunday, May 15th 1-2:30pm

Where: Wake Robin, Shelburne

Where: Richmond Terraces, Richmond

Topic: Intro to Facetime/Skype

Topic: Intro to Facebook

When: Friday, April 29th 3pm-4:30pm When: Sunday, May 22nd 1-2:30pm Where: SB Community Library Where: Richmond Terraces, Richmond

Topic: Intro to Facebook

When: Sunday, May 1st 3-4:30pm

Where: Wake Robin, Shelburne

Topic: Intro to Facetime/Skype

When: Sunday, June 5th 1-2:30pm

Where: Richmond Terraces, Richmond

# Providing iPad Training for New Americans

Technology for Tomorrow collaborated with Parent University for the 2015-2016 semester. At graduation, graduates, who were all New Americans, received an iPad donated to them by Burlington School District technology department's Paul Irish.

T4T offered free training to assist the Parent University graduates in getting their iPads up and running. At the



Parent University group pictured with Paul Irish and Ali Dieng (coordinators) and T4T Program Manager Carly Stine (back row)

end of the three days, 23 Parent University graduates underwent the training and proudly took their new iPads home. Ali Dieng, Program Manager of Parent University, said of the workshops: "It was a great privilege working with Technology for Tomorrow...The parents were really happy to get the training and understanding technology better."

Technology for Tomorrow will be joining up with Parent University again for the Spring 2016 semester. The semester, which starts April 7th, will include classes covering nutrition, personal and home finance, teen and adult health, English, American culture, and (of course!) technology.

<u>Visit the photo gallery</u> <u>Learn more about Parent University</u>

## **Savvy Seniors Snap Selfies!**

High school students introduced the seniors at Wake Robin Senior Residence in Shelburne to the trend of selfies! The workshop, hosted on March 20th, taught seniors how to use their smartphones and tablets to take, save, edit and share photos.

WPTZ News Channel 5 attended the workshop and featured some of the seniors' selfies on the nightly news.

<u>Click here to watch the segment</u> or <u>here to read the</u>
<u>Shelburne News'</u> coverage of the story. Visit our website for more senior selfies and workshop pictures.



Wake Robin resident looks at her first selfie, 2016

Check out more workshop photos!





Small Dog Electronics is a partner for the CommYOUnity Tech Talk occurring May 7th. Small Dog has generously donated an iPad Mini 2 to raffle off at the event, and we look forward to a long-term partnership working with Small Dog volunteers to collaboratively lead workshops.

Technology for Tomorrow is now a member of the <u>Vermont Elder Resource Group</u> (VERG).

VERG is a consortium of nonprofit and forprofit businesses with the shared goal of "serving the Vermont elder community." T4T is proud to be included in a group of such like-minded and driven professionals.

### **Launching Global Mentoring Academy**

T4T's global mentoring academy is a re-envisioned mentoring program. The mentoring academy is built on the foundational model: "Learn, Give, Grow". It encourages participants to Learn about needs in their community; Give back to their community; and Grow as an individual.



The academy will provide an environment for young people to increase their effectiveness through partnerships with experienced professionals who have a passion for helping

others. Members of the academy will be given experiences that prepare them to meet the needs of those around them - ranging from the needs of prospective employers to assisting the world's disadvantaged.

The pilot session of the academy will run from March through December, culminating in a conference in Vermont for the participants.

## **Meet our Program Manager**

Carly Stine has a passion for helping people in her community. She joined the Technology for Tomorrow team in January as Program Manager.

Originally from South Burlington, Carly graduated from St. Lawrence
University with a double-major in Government and Communication Arts and decided to forge her career path in her home state.



Carly Stine, Program Manager

Read Carly's full bio on our website.











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