



Welcome to the Public Computer Center

Western Sullivan Public Library
Public Computer Center

April 30, 2012

Support Hours

Mondays	1-5pm
Narrowsburg	
Tuesdays	1-7pm
Jeffersonville	
Wednesdays	1-5pm
Callicoon	
Fridays	1-3pm
Jeffersonville	

What they're saying...

"Opened up a whole new world."

"Having courses like this available locally and for free is a great benefit to our community."

"I am starting college fulltime on line and this course will help me so much."

"This very complex material has been made understandable. Thank you."

"The clarity of instruction was exceptional. "

"The courses are well sequenced building one on the previous."

"All students are made to feel welcome no matter their level."

The PCC Serves Three Branches



Public Computer Center in Jeffersonville

Launched in 2010, Western Sullivan Public Library's Public Computer Center (PCC) provides free public access computing services and instruction to the general public. Part of a statewide initiative known as Broadbandexpress@yourlibrary, the PCC was funded by the Recovery Act through September 2012. The focus is on workforce development and improving computer and internet literacy. Our classes, private instruction, and facilities are open and available to anyone for FREE! So whether you've never touched a computer before or are looking to improve your skill-level with specific software, there will be a course for you!

Courses Offered

Anatomy of the Computer
Creating Flyers with Word
Customer Service
Digitizing Media
Exploring Features and Functionality
Facebook
Facebook for Business
File Management
GED Preparation
Improving Google Search
Intro to eBooks
Intro to Excel
Intro to GIMP (free alternative to PhotoShop)
Intro to Multimedia
Intro to Word
Intro to Word for Business
Job Search
Managing Photos
Practicing Excel Workshop
Practicing Word Workshop
Practicing GIMP Workshop
Repairing Damaged Photographs
Search Engine Optimization for Business
Surfing the Web
Using Library Databases
Using PowerPoint
You've Got Mail

* Register online or at your library!

Patrons Expand Businesses

Western Sullivan County occupies a beautiful expanse of land along the Delaware River valley climbing through the rolling foothills of the Catskill Mountains. Within two hours from Manhattan it's the perfect spot for a weekend getaway or a home away from home. Many artists, consultants, and small business owners call this home. The PCC has helped to develop a number of growing businesses, as they expand and

improve their digital literacy to thrive online. Here are just a few of their accomplishments:

- Nature's Reserve Alpacas adds a website, farm store, Facebook page, marketing materials, and more...
- Local artist receives Fulbright Grant, sells work
- Sullivan County Child Care

Council expands Office skills

- Local photographer/artist manages and sells her work
- Majestic Drug markets with PowerPoint more effectively
- Renaissance artist expands reach with internet
- Vintage Bling manages the bling

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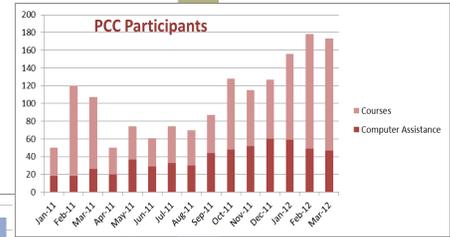
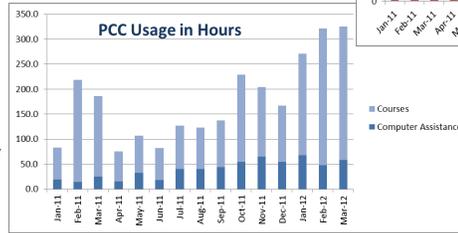


Follow our column "Spanning the Digital Divide" every other Tuesday in the Sullivan County Democrat!

Reviewing the Numbers

Since its inception the PCC has grown steadily, continually offering new courses for beginners and more advanced users, expanding our hours, and offering home visits and specialized appointments. With a very diverse community finding ways to reach everyone is a challenge.

We opened our doors in December 2010 and started classes in January 2011.



PCC Goes County Wide?

As the grant funding for the PCC draws to a close, WSPL has looked for ways to maintain the current level of services. Several options were presented to the WSPL Board last month which approved the continuation of the PCC for the next year! Funding is contingent upon budget approval and a generous donation. Recognizing the value the PCC has brought to WSPL, we have taken the proposal on the road to all the Sullivan, Ulster, and Orange County libraries. Using existing curriculum and consistent management, the libraries have been presented with the option to establish a PCC of their own multiple days a week or just a few days per month. The libraries have been extremely responsive and the next step is for libraries to find funding and determine how much can be offered given the available budget. We are excited about this new challenge and look forward to working with each library to develop a PCC that meets their needs.



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Multimedia Takes Center Stage

Recognizing the need for more advanced classes focusing on multimedia, the PCC built a series of courses. We start with Intro to Multimedia where patrons learn

the difference between a jpeg and a gif, how to create an image or video file, and how to



Power Director Video Editing manipulate images and incorporate them into other documents to enhance the appearance or make an important point.

From there we move onto our Managing Photos 1 and 2 classes where patrons get the basics and advanced of managing digital photographs, scanning, and online versus offline storage.

We offer a series of courses for photo editing using a free alternative to PhotoShop called GIMP, that anyone can download. For those ready to tackle the challenge of digitizing older forms of media, like old movies, cassettes, and more, we built a Digitizing Station at the Jeffersonville branch and offer a class on how to digitize. We also show patrons where to get a relatively inexpensive device along with software to do the same thing at home.

Quick Tips

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