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# User's Group Newsletter

## **MUGWNY September Meeting!!!**

*Thursday September 24, 2009!!!*

*5:30 PM Thru 8:00 PM*

*At the "Home of the Chicken Wing"*

*The Anchor Bar*

1047 Main Street (Near North)

Buffalo, NY 14209

Directions at: <http://www.anchorbar.com/directions.php>

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### Dinner Includes:

Dinner buffet with Anchor Bar Chicken Wings, pizza & salad

At 6 PM !!

With cocktails & registration beginning at 5:30 PM

*Followed by a presentation on "Upgrading to Version V6R1" as well as additional IBM announcements*

*By Steve Fier of IBM*

*\$20/member*

*\$30/non-member*

Visit Our Website for Details &.....

Be sure to register soon at : [www.MUGWNY.org!!](http://www.MUGWNY.org!!)

# President's Corner



BY LEIGH SWORTS

September 2009

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Kickoff of our new MUG season!!!

Our new season is already nearly planned out for the Fall! We have both September and October booked:

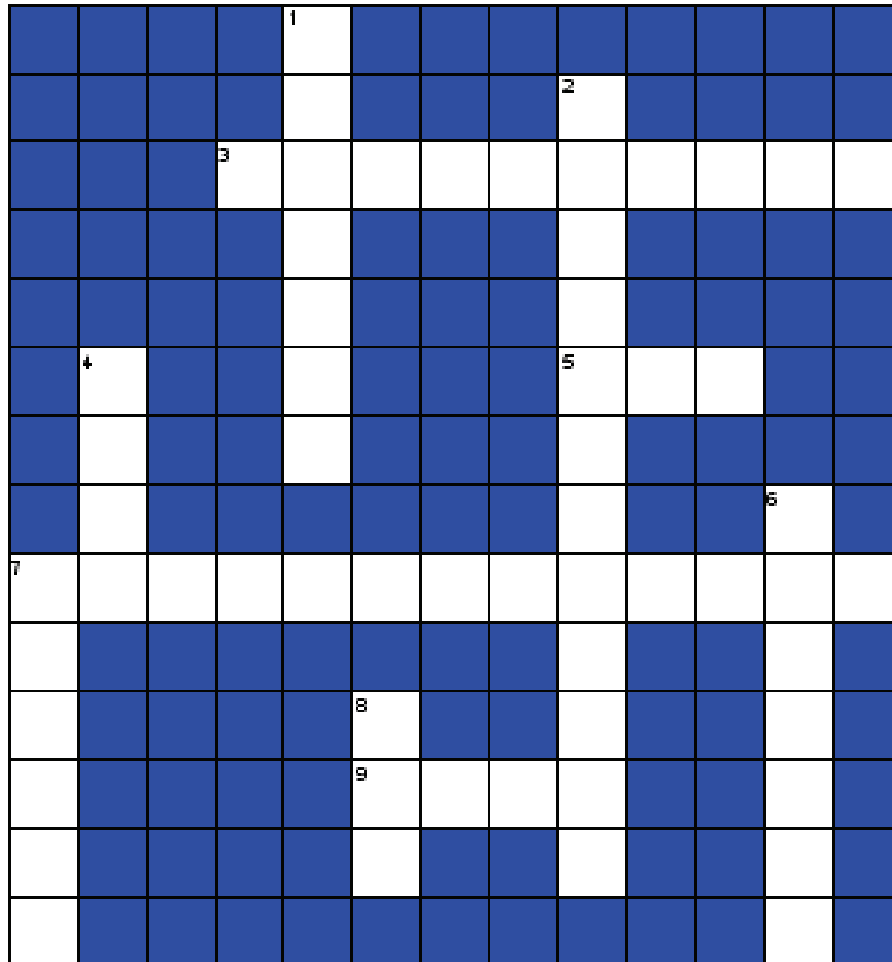
**Our First Meeting is on September 24, 2009!!** As often as we can we try to get **IBM** to present. We seem to make this happen every September. This season we were able to keep the tradition! We are happy to get **Steve Fier of IBM** to present an update on the AS/400 Operating System V6R1, and also update us with IBM announcements! The location is great too. It will be held at the **Anchor Bar's large banquet room**.

The October Meeting will be held on October 22, 2009. **Mike Lodick from Sunnking Electronic Recycling** will speak on a very GREEN topic! And we will all love the location, it is being held at **Chef's Restaurant featuring their Italian Buffet**.

Now don't think planning meetings is all that your MUG Board has been doing. By now you should have received your MUG Membership application/renewal. Yes that's right, it's time to renew your membership! If you still need a membership form, please email our membership chair, Steve Kait at: [skait@gemko.com](mailto:skait@gemko.com) Also, our board has been acting on the punch-list from our last board meeting. This includes: revamping the newsletter, updates to our website, and seeking new MUG Sponsors. You should be seeing many changes in these areas. How about taking a look? For starters, look for a **tech puzzle** to solve in our newsletter.

Another great MUG season is ahead of us from September 2009 – May 2010. As for me, I hope to continue to branch out to some of the new venue locations that we visited last season. And with our member's input, we are sure to bring in speakers that meet your interests!

# Crossword Puzzle Page



Answers will appear in next month's newsletter-on "Membership page"

## Across

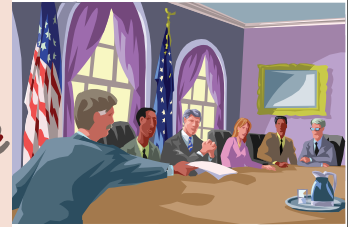
3. A database manager functioning to achieve normalization of data
5. main brains of a microcomputer
7. uses a microprocessor as its central processing unit
9. munching on 8 bits

## Down

1. System/38, AS/400 for example
2. midrange computer
4. small computer system communications protocol
6. where client computers get their instructions & data
7. local computer user's group
8. Big Blue

MIDRANGE USER'S GROUP OF WESTERN NEW YORK

# MUG Membership Page



BY MEMBERS

2009 - 2010

MUG MEMBERSHIP PAGE

## UNDER CONSTRUCTION

(will return soon in an informative, interesting & fun format )

**A unique opportunity for members who would like to share any information, experiences, anecdotes or data concerning the midrange computer system environment.**

**(Please make submissions to any board member found on page 6 or:**

**[webmaster@hitechservices.com](mailto:webmaster@hitechservices.com)**

# MUG Sponsorship Page



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# @ Message from Your.....



The changes & enhancements to our website (as well as this newsletter) have begun & are still in process, please bear with us as we have attempted to create new code to enhance our site, as well as reduce the instances of false registrations. Still to come will be adding a drop down menu for company names to keep them consistent and for easier registration, & it may be necessary to add additional levels of functionality to our registration page in the near future.

As always any questions or comments are welcome.

***Be sure to check out our sponsor links, “[Hi-Tech Services](#)”, “[Gemko Information Group](#)” & our newest- “[Psion Teklogix](#)” when you log in and register. (links are also available on our sponsor page in this newsletter).***

***We are still looking for additional sponsors. To date we have had well over 42,000 hits to our site. The price to advertise is a bargain, at \$100 per year...mere fractions of a penny per hit.***

Also please help. We need to shut down registration early each month to enable us to print labels, receipts and a paid list, as well as give the restaurant the head count. Please register and when necessary un-register as early as possible before the meeting date.

Also please note special menus require early notification so in these incidences we need to close registration earlier. We will post the earlier times, so please be aware.

As always, we are open for suggestions to help improve our website.

Regards

Your Webmaster

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**Please notify us of any change in your e-mail address so there is no interruption in your receipt of our monthly newsletter.**

Do you know someone who is not a MUGWNY member who might be interested in some information about the group? Send their name, company name, and e-mail address to Leigh Sworts at [lsworts@maderconstruct.com](mailto:lsworts@maderconstruct.com) and I'll send them a complimentary electronic issue of our newsletter via e-mail.

**Any suggestions for improvements to the newsletter?**

... Story ideas?

... Volunteer to write an article?

# Your Board of Directors

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Western New  
York**

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## About Our Organization...

The Midrange Users Group of Western New York is a non-profit organization comprising professionals working in the Midrange Systems environment. The group was organized in 1984 and is based in, but not limited to, the Buffalo area and now represents managers, analysts and programmers working together in the Information Systems field on midrange-class computers.

We sponsor a monthly dinner meeting on the fourth Thursday of each month (except July, August, November & January). Meetings will begin at 6:00 and conclude with a brief business meeting. Members are always welcome to contribute to the newsletter or any other committee of their choice. The boards of directors are elected during the May meeting and they begin their term in September.

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