



User Group Newsletter

October 2008

Meeting Reminder **MUGWNY User Group Meeting** **Thursday, October 23, 2008**

Program

Sippy's Restaurant / Banquet Facility

3455 Genesee Street
Cheektowaga, NY 14225
716-631-0289

Featuring at 7:00 PM

Rick Jones

Senior Imaging Consultant
GEMKO Information Group

Topic will be: "Impact of Imaging"

Deluxe Buffet

- Chef's Salad
- Soup du Jour
- Tortellini Alfredo with Broccoli
 - Chicken Marsala
 - Roast Beef
- Mixed Vegetables
- Bread & Butter
- Coffee and Tea
 - Spumoni

Cost

\$20.00 - Members
\$30.00-Non-Members

5:30 PM Cocktails and Registration
6:00 PM Dinner
7:00PM Our Featured Speaker

Of Special Interest in this Month's Issue:

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President's Corner

by Leigh Sworts

October 2008

Fall is back!!!

Wow we already had our first MUG meeting! IBM's Steve Fier presented **DB2 WEBQUERY Material** and **Rational Dev Tools for i5 OS V6R1** on September 11, 2008 at Chef's Restaurant. Please go to our MUGWNY.ORG website for details on these topics

Now we have our October meeting already scheduled! Please plan on attending this on **October 23rd 2008, at**

Sippy's Restaurant
3455 Genesee Street
Cheektowaga, NY 14225

This is a new meeting location for us! I choose it because I had a tip from a friend and it is a great location! Visit our website to see the menu and register! The meeting topic is a great one too!

As mentioned above, Rick Jones -

Senior Imaging Consultant, GEMKO Information Group

will be speaking about the "Impact of Imaging utilizing the AS400"

As usual, we are trying to find the best locations to hold our meetings. Our members come from all corners of WNY, so this isn't an easy task. Please feel free to lend a constructive hand, your input is welcome! We are very interested in finding a hot spot for our holiday party. Let's see if we can't find a known location centrally located! Yes, this is a reused statement from the last president's corner. I want everyone to know our board is trying to do our best to find the optimal meeting locations and topics to keep our attendance up and continue to satisfy the needs of our members.

Stay tuned to our MUG website for the latest!!!

And, Thank you MUG board for your time and efforts!!!

**DON'T FORGET THURSDAY October 23, 2008 FOR OUR FINAL REGULAR MEETING OF THE YEAR,
STAY TUNED FOR AN EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING OUR DECEMBER HOLIDAY
GET-TOGETHER**

January 31 MUG Financial Data (for reference only)
Updated data will be available shortly
BY Ted Korkuc

September 1, 2007 Beginning Balance				\$1,863.73
Income:		Date		
Membership Dues	Dep.	09/10/2007	\$340.00	
Dinner Meeting - Chef's	Dep.	09/14/2007	\$1,030.00	
Membership Dues	Dep.	09/28/2007	\$255.00	
Membership Dues	Dep.	10/09/2007	\$210.00	
Membership Dues	Dep.	10/19/2007	\$295.00	
Dinner Meeting - Tony Rome's	Dep.	10/19/2007	\$920.00	
Membership Dues	Dep.	12/11/2007	\$85.00	
Holiday get together - Ying's	Dep.	01/04/2007	\$370.00	
Total Income				\$3,505.00
Expenses:	Check #			
Dinner meeting - Chef's	1065	09/13/2007	\$550.22	
Dinner meeting - Tony Rome's	1066	10/19/2007	\$515.80	
Deposit & Exp. - Ying's - 12/07	1067	11/14/2007	\$63.40	
Holiday get together - Ying's	1068	12/13/2007	\$671.00	
Deposit - Chef's - 03/08 Mtg	1069	01/27/2008	\$100.00	
Deposit - Tony Rome's - 02/08 Mtg	1070	01/30/2008	\$50.00	
Total Expenses				\$1,950.42
January 31, 2008 Ending Balance				<u>\$3,418.31</u>

**MUG
MEMBERSHIP
UPDATE
JANUARY 2008 (Will be updated shortly)**

by Steve Kait

Happy New Year to everyone!!! I hope you each had a safe and enjoyable holiday season with your friends and families.

MUG welcomes Independent Health Association of Williamsville back to membership.

Additionally, MUG thanks the following companies for their continued support of our association: BCB International, Inc. of Buffalo, Carriage House Cos. Inc. of Fredonia, City of Niagara Falls, Corning Data Services of Corning NY, Genesee County of Batavia, Home Market Foods, Lapp Insulators LLC of LeRoy, Luvata Buffalo Inc. of Buffalo, Merchants Insurance Group of Buffalo, SDC Information Services of Williamsville, and Seneca-Niagara Falls Gaming Corp.

With February almost here, we'll have a full-slate of meetings on the table over the next several months to enlighten you to the new things in the world of IBM and our friend at work, the System i.

Match Game will resume; here's a peek at the standings: [MUG Matchgame Standings 2007-08](#)

A message from your Webmaster

Members, Non members and Business Associates:

A message from your Webmaster

Shortly you will see some changes to our website. We will be adding a drop down menu for company names to keep company names consistent and for easier registration.

We have also signed up a new sponsored link recently, "**Gemko Information Group**". Be sure to check it out. You should see the new link when you log in and register.

We are still looking for additional sponsors. To date we have had over 25,000 hits to our site. The price to advertise is a bargain, at less than a penny a 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
webmaster@hitechservices.com

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@homemarketfoods.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?**

Contact Ralph Giambra at rgiambra@hitechservices.com.

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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 and August and the third Thursday in November). 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.