#### The Greater Salt Lake

# IBM MIDRANGE USER GROUP

FOR USERS OF THE IBM AS/400 COMPUTER SYSTEM

#### **December 1996 Newsletter**

# **President's Message**

Our December Christmas Luncheon will be held at **11:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 11th, 1996** at the <u>Riverboat</u>, 4393 South Riverboat Road, Murray Utah.



A paid membership entitles two people to come to the luncheon free of charge. Any additional guests will be charged \$10.00 per person at the door.



Paul Newey from the Salt Lake Olympic Committee Information Systems area will be our featured speaker. Paul traveled to Atlanta this summer to review the activities at the 96 Olympic Games. He will share his experience with us and offer some insights on the Salt Lake City preparation for the 2002 best Olympics ever!

Here is your opportunity to network with fellow midrange users, managers, and others in this area. That's what this group

is about. Sharing and progressing. I am looking forward, as always, to this months meeting. Come out, mingle, learn and share with each other!! PS - (Don't forget the prize drawings too!)

Speaking of prizes, we are looking for donations that can be given away as prizes at the meeting. If your company would like to provide a prize please contact one of the user group board members.

We will need to give the Riverboat a count of how many people we are expecting to attend. So please RSVP to a member of the board by noon on December 6th. Thanks!

David Larsen

# **Last Month**

For our November meeting we held what may become our annual Roundtable Discussion. Jeff Walker acted as our discussion leader and moderator. The discussion covered a wide range of topics including:

- Managing more resources with the same people
- Managing project request priorities
- Client Access for Windows 95
- OS/400 V3R2, V3R7 best release ever

- Migrating to RISC AS/400s
- The new IBM Network Computer (Thin Client)
- FSIOP and NetWare
- Experiences with Windows 95 and NT

It was a great forum for presenting your current challenges and having experienced people respond with their real-life experiences. We want to thank all who participated with their questions and responses. Thanks.

# **IBM Corner**

From all of us at the Salt Lake IBM office, we would like to wish all our customers a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

For further information contact our local AS/400 Specialists: Robin Van Wagenen at 968-5552 or Sue Griffin at 328-6840.

# Mark Your Calendar

Note: See the next section for a listing of Microsoft Solution Briefings.



#### IBM Midrange User Group

December 11, Annual Christmas Luncheon held at 11:30 AM at the Riverboat. See Presidents Message above for details.

#### **Utah Computer Society (Blue Chips)**

December 12, monthly meeting held the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at the U of U Engineering building, room 104. For more information call 281-8339.

**IBM Course: AS/400 System Operator Workshop** January 15, Denver, to enroll call (800) 426-8322 and specify course number S6029.

#### **COMDEX PACRIM '97**

January 21-23, Vancouver, British Columbia, for info. call (617) 433-1665 or www.comdex.com

**IBM Course: Client Access/400 Implementation for DOS** January 22, Denver, to enroll call (800) 426-8322 and specify course number S6018.

**IBM Course: AS/400 Control Language Programming** January 28, Denver, to enroll call (800) 426-8322 and specify course number S6020.

# **Microsoft Solution Briefings Held in Salt Lake City**

The Microsoft Rocky Mountain District is sponsoring a series of Solutions Briefings to be held in Salt Lake City. These briefings are designed to overview Microsoft products and will not be sufficient for product training. All briefings are FREE, but seating is limited.

#### **Corporate Solutions Briefing**

December 10, 8:30-11:30 AM, event code 8869

#### Microsoft Exchange Briefing: The Next Generation of Messaging

December 4, 8:30-11:30 AM, event code 9872

#### **Small Business Solutions Briefing**

December 5, 8:30-9:30 AM, event code 9891

#### **Microsoft Windows Networking**

December 10, 1:00-4:00 PM, event code 9873

#### Managing Unruly Network Devices Using HP's **OpenView for Windows**

December 11, 8:30-11:30 AM, event code 9878

#### Microsoft SQL Server 6.5

December 12, 8:30-11:30 AM, event code 9875

To register to any of the above seminars via phone or e-mail:

1-800-550-4300 or msevent@teletechusa.com

Please include the Event Code for each briefing you wish to attend, as well as the name and telephone number of each attendee.

All Salt Lake City seminars are to be held at the Hampton Inn, 425 South 300 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101. For directions please call 801-741-1110.

### AS/400 Tips and Techniques

Q: I want to modify my application so it can access a list of all user profiles on the system. I hope to find an API that performs a task similar to what the F4 (prompt) key does on the panel presented by the QEZSNDMG (Send Message) API. Is there an API that does this? If so, how do I use it?

A: API QUSLOBJ (List Objects) creates a list of objects in a user space. To list all user profile objects on the system, just call QUSLOBJ with the object name \*ALL, library OSYS, and object type \*USRPRF. For more information about using APIs and user spaces, see "Open Your System with APIs," January 1994.

Compliments of NEWS/400 magazine. For subscription information, call (800) 621-1544.

### **Humor Department**

Daddy, why doesn't this magnet pick up this floppy disk? Give me ambiguity or give me something else.

I.R.S.: We've got what it takes to take what you've got! Pentiums melt in your PC, not in your hand.

Suicidal twin kills sister by mistake!

The secret of the universe is @\*&^^^ NO CARRIER

Did anyone see my lost carrier?

Make it idiot proof and someone will make a better idiot.

I'm not a complete idiot, some parts are missing!

He who laughs last thinks slowest!

Always remember you're unique, just like everyone else.

"More hay, Trigger?" "No thanks, Roy, I'm stuffed!"

A flashlight is a case for holding dead batteries.

Lottery: A tax on people who are bad at math.

Hard work has a future payoff. Laziness pays off now. Friends help you move. Real friends help you move bodies.

I won't rise to the occasion, but I'll slide over to it.



Ever notice how fast Windows runs? Neither did I.

Double your drive space - delete Windows! What is a "free" gift? Aren't all gifts free? "Very funny, Scotty. Now beam down my clothes."

Consciousness: that annoying time between

Oops. My brain just hit a bad sector. I used to have a handle on life, then it broke.

Don't take life too seriously, you won't get out alive.

I don't suffer from insanity. I enjoy every minute of it. Better to understand a little than to misunderstand a lot.

The gene pool could use a little chlorine.

When there's a will, I want to be in it.

All generalizations are false, including this one.

Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.

C program run. C program crash. C programmer quit. "Criminal Lawyer" is a redundancy.

Is reading in the bathroom considered Multi-Tasking? My computer isn't that nervous...it's just a bit ANSI.

My computer's sick. I think my modem is a carrier.

Honey, I Formatted the Kid!

Your e-mail has been returned due to insufficient voltage.

Who is General Failure and why is he reading my disk?

Hex dump: Where witches put used curses...

Multitasking: Screwing up several things at once...

Maniac: An early computer built by nuts...

Stack Error: Lost on a cluttered desk...

Stack Overflow: Too many pancakes...

Life would be much easier if I had the source code.

Capt'n! The spellchecker kinna take this abuse!

'.... now touch these wires to your tongue!'

Computer analyst to programmer: "You start coding. I'll go find out what they want."

According to my calculations the problem doesn't exist.

RAM DISK is not an installation procedure!

Computers are only human.



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This time it will surely run.

I just found the last bug.

The generation of random numbers is too important to be left to chance.

It's redundant! It's redundant! -R. E. Dundant

On a clear disk you can seek forever.

I write all my critical routines in assembler, and my comedy routines in FORTRAN.

If debugging is the process of removing bugs, then programming must be the process of putting them in.

Logic: The art of being wrong with confidence...

To iterate is human; to recurse, divine.

God is REAL, unless explicitly declared INTEGER. This message transmitted on 100% recycled electrons.

Today's assembler command: EXOP Execute Operator

Justify my text? I'm sorry but it has no excuse.

Programming is an art form that fights back.

To define recursion, we must first define recursion. Good programming is 99% sweat and 1% coffee.

From FORUM/400

# **Classified Ads**

9336 IBM DASD for Sale - Paul Weaver of Smiths Distribution Center in Layton has 7 IBM 9336 Model 20 disk drives. They are fully populated giving each drive a total of 3.4 gig disk storage. The original new price on these units as configured (1993) was \$38,550 each. Paul is asking only \$500 for each unit. They are all certified under IBM maintenance and IBM will charge \$410 to install them. If interested call Paul Weaver at 552-6376.

<u>Free Terminals</u> - Murray City has some surplus terminals to give away. Please contact David Larsen 264-2501.

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