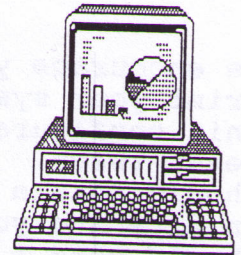




IBM Mid-Range Computer Users Group



President: Alan Judson - 763-6650 Vice President: Steve Walker - 264-1442
Secretary: Kirk Nacey - 975-7477 Treasurer: David Carpenter - 264-2660

JULY MEETING

Our July meeting will be held Wednesday, July 14, 1993 at 11:00 a.m. at the Murray City Offices. Kirk Nacey from Connectronix will be speaking.

In this meeting, Kirk will have PCs available for hands on experimentation. We will look at the inside of these PCs. While inside, we will install and remove cards and memory, go over the differences between Clones and Micro Channel architecture, and discuss the advantages of each. We will also discuss hardware conflicts and how to resolve them.

After the hardware fun and excitement, we will discuss the Autoexec.bat, config.sys, and memory managers. We will be editing and cleaning these files. We will then discuss the different memory managers and possible problems with them.

JUNE MEETING

Kim would like to thank the Users Group for the opportunity to meet with us on June 9, 1993. She appreciates our commitment to assist IBM in addressing the challenges we identified. By working with our organization. She hopes to more fully understand our priorities and our perspective on the service we received from IBM. It was evident to her that many of us felt a strong partnership exists with the IBM local personnel and yet, with so many changes IBM needs to be reminded of their first priority -- US, their valued customer. Next, she advises that IBM needs to redouble their efforts to provide us the support we need with the resources they have available. She looks forward to diligently pursuing this opportunity with us.

DISASTER RECOVERY

Over the course of the last year the officers of the Users

Group have discussed several times how the Users Group might encourage its members to work on their disaster recovery plans. Earlier this year, we invited Charlie Fox from First Security Bank to discuss disaster recovery in general. This month we are kicking off what we hope will be a monthly column to encourage users to document their systems, review, and try their recovery plans. An untried plan is almost like having no plan.

Let's start out by documenting our system unit configuration. For users who are on OS/400 Version 2, IBM has provided a brief set of instructions on page 12-46 of the Application System/400 System Operator's Guide. In these instructions, IBM forgot to tell you that you will need to be signed on as the security officer (QSECOFR) or the service representative (QSRV) in order to access the Work with Hardware Products (WRKHDWPRD) command.

We encourage you to print your system unit configuration at least twice. You should retain a copy on site and you should send a copy off site just in case anything happens to your computer center. You might consider keeping a copy at another business location or possibly at home, just don't keep all your copies at the same location.

If you are not on OS/400 Version 2 or if you would like help printing your system unit configuration, contact your IBM service representative.

TIPS

Before upgrading the Operating System to Version 2 Release X.X, Library QOPS should be removed from any library lists and also deleted from the system. QOPS is not used beyond Version 1 Release 3.0.

AS/400 SOFTWARE RELEASE PROCESSING CHARGES

On May 25, 1993 IBM announced AS/400* Software Release Processing Charge. These charges apply only to release updates on stacked tapes. Current

customers who are on Version 2 Release 2 (V2R2) will not be charged until they order Version 2 Release 3, which is available in December of 1993. Customers who upgrade from V2R2 to V2R2+ will NOT be charged for V2R2+ distribution. Customers who have remained on Version 2 Release 1 will be charged a processing charge when they order a new release. Customers moving from Version 1 to Version 2 will pay the normal Version upgrade charges -- release processing charges will not apply.

The Charges are as follows:

1/2" 6250 BPI	= \$375
1/2" 1600 BPI	= \$580
QIC 120	= \$375
QIC 525	= \$195
1/2 CART	= \$220
8 mm	= \$195

IBM INFO

IBM extends programming services for software defect support to December 31, 1994 on selected system programs for the system/36*, 5363/5364*, AS/Entry 5363*, AS/Entry 9402* and associated active programming request for price quotations (PRPQs).

IBM SEMINAR

IBM invites you to attend a FREE AS/400 Client Server Seminar on Thursday, July 15th. It will last from 9:00 A.M. until 4:30 P.M. There will be a continental breakfast served at 8:30 A.M. It will be held at IBM's Salt Lake City Office, at 420 E. South Temple in room 125.

UP COMING EVENTS

The August meeting will be on PC support. It will focus on file transfers.