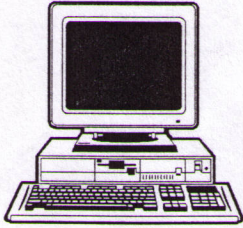# IBM MID-RANGE COMPUTER USERS GROUP

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FEBRUARY

Our February meeting will be held **at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 8th, 1995** at the **MURRAY CITY OFFICES, 5025 South State.**

Our speaker will be Todd Musig from Franklin Quest. He will be speaking about time management. In particular, how to incorporate the things you want to do into your schedule. Wouldn't we all like to find out how to do that? Come join us on the 8th.

FUTURE PLANNING

Association of Contingency Planners, Utah Chapter, meets on the second Thursday of each month, at 9:30 a.m., at IHC.

Midrange Programmers Association meets on the third Wednesday of each month, at 4:00 p.m., at I-O Corporation, 2256 S 3600 W.

HELP

Bob Nesiba from Nucor Steel call the other day. He is going to COMMON and is looking for others who may be going and might be interested in sharing a friends airline reservation. If you might be interested, gibe Bob a call at (801) 458-3691.

JANUARY

Our January meeting was presented by Boyd Bellows from Sherwood Digital - I-O Corporation. Boyd talked about IPDS printing and some alternatives.

IPDS has several "towers" or modules:
Graphics - the electronic merging of text and graphics (charts, logos, signatures, etc.) on the same page.
Bar Codes - generation of all current bar code types.
Forms Overlay - electronic forms generation printed on plain paper with variable data merged in.
Text - regular text printing.
Security & Error Recovery - byte by byte status of print jobs is available to the host for error recovery purposes.

The advantages of using AFP/IPDS printing are: compatibility, security and error recovery and one stop solutions.

The disadvantages are: cost, overhead, compatibility and lack of flexibility.

There is a variety of inexpensive, reliable, proven alternatives to AFP/IPDS. Look at all your options before making your decision as to what is best for your situation.