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May Dinner Meeting

with two education sessions at 4:00 & 7:00

System i Access Data Transfer Tips & Techniques

Pimp my i – Extreme System i Engineering

presented by

Larry Bolhuis of Arbor Solutions

with his sidekick Frankie!

Tuesday, May 19, 2009

Pompei

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Omni's last three dinner meetings at Pompei have attracted lots of attendees while providing great Omni midrange education sessions. This month Omni tries something new at Pompei, and we're sure you'll want to be there for it. Omni's good friend Larry Bolhuis will present two sessions, one before dinner on Data Transfer Tips and Techniques, and another after dinner entitled "Pimp my i - Extreme System i Engineering." If you saw "Pimp my i" at last year's conference, you know it's an interesting look at how the frankeni.com team built Frankie, an experimental box that pushes the System i architecture envelope, to say the least. Check out <http://www.Frankeni.com> for details of their exploits. For this presentation, Larry will have Frankie himself in the room at Pompei, in the metal and silicon for you to examine! Register now to join us for this event. The schedule goes like this...

3:30 registration

4:00 Data Transfer Tips and Techniques

5:15 networking and dinner

6:45 business meeting

7:00 Pimp my i - Extreme System i Engineering

System i Access: Data Transfer Tips and Techniques

The Data Transfer component of System i Access for Windows provides an important set of functions for enabling data to be moved between i5/OS and Windows PCs. Get data from i5/OS in seconds and just the way that you want it. This session will illustrate tips and techniques to enable you to get the most out of your Data Transfer product. Learning Objecti In this session, you will learn how to:_

1. Run Data Transfers by clicking an icon.
2. Schedule Data Transfers to run automatically.
3. Use the Data Transfer Add-In for Microsoft Excel.
4. Download database data into HTML files.
5. Use the Query Builder to customize results._6. Avoid common Data Transfer problems.

Pimp my i - Extreme System i Engineering

In this session you will meet the team behind <http://www.Frankeni.com> and learn first hand just how far you can push the System i architecture. We'll include photos of the build, a history of the project, including a few cautionary tales. So, get ready for some fun, some laughs, and maybe even some ideas for your own Franken machine.

WARNING: We're what you call, `experts.` The events depicted in this session should not be attempted on any production system, in any production datacenter. What you are about to see is entirely unsupported, and may result in data loss, hair loss, and under the right circumstances job loss or loss of limbs. We will not be responsible for you being laughed at by IBM should you call them for support. Learning Objectives: Learn not to accept artificial limits placed on you by others.

Larry Bolhuis - partner, Arbor Solutions



Larry has grown up with computers since his father began repairing them in 1967. He has a bachelor's degree in Computer Science, and began working on IBM midrange equipment with the S/34 and S/36 in 1984. Larry began work on the AS/400 immediately following its introduction in 1988, has held more than thirty IBM System i family Certifications, and was the first in North America to earn the Certified Advanced Technical Expert – System i certification. Since 1997 he has contributed as an author for many certification tests. Larry has

extensive experience with System i partitioning, the Hardware Management Console, system design, configuration, migration, and administration. Larry also has significant networking experience most recently with high speed Ethernet networks, 802.11 wireless networks and TCP/IP. Larry also works on routers, firewalls, switches, load balancing equipment and works with Internet connectivity and security. Larry has won Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals at COMMON and speaks frequently at users groups around North America. Larry has also written for industry publications for the past several years. He is a partner with Arbor Solutions, Inc. an IBM business partner in Grand Rapids, MI.

For this two session meeting, there will be a \$20 charge for current members or \$35 for non-members. All attendees will be responsible for their own food and beverage costs. Pompei is currently running a special on Tuesday nights that includes a slice of pizza, a drink, and gelato for \$5.00 plus tax.

Further details and registration are available on the OMNI page at <http://omniuser.org>

March and April Dinner Meeting Recaps and Slides

Omni's guest speaker at the March dinner meeting was Omni President Tom Duncan, who gave us an overview and demonstration of "Management Central" His presentation slides are available at...

<http://www.omniuser.org/downloads.html#cat3>

There was also a productive discussion about Dinner Meeting locations and agendas. Another big round of Omni applause and many thank yous go to Tom Duncan!

Omni's guest speaker at the April dinner meeting was Rob Berendt of Group Dekko, who presented on moving from DDS database definitions to SQL based DDL. Rob's slides are available on the Omni home page at...

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Many thanks to Rob for traveling from central Indiana to present this great topic to a large and enthusiastic Omni audience. Another big round of Omni applause for Rob Berendt!

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by Vince Salomon, Omni Webmaster

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