

November 18, 2008



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User's Group Newsletter

MUGWNY Holiday Gala!!!

Thursday December 18, 2008!!!

At the "Fairgrounds Gaming & Raceway"

Located at the Hamburg Fairgrounds

5600 McKinley Parkway

Hamburg, NY 14075

Dinner Includes:

Grilled Chicken Breast – Parmesan Sauce

Teriyaki Beef Tips – Sautéed with Mushroom and Onions

Ricotta Stuffed Shells with Marinara Sauce

Garlic Chive Mashed Potatoes

Green Bean Almandine

And Assorted Desserts

Plus \$5.00 in free play! !

Visit Our Website for Details

Be sure to register soon at : www.MUGWNY.org!!

President's Corner



BY LEIGH SWORTS

November/December 2008

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Indian Summer, will it last?

FYI, MUG of WNY is not having a meeting for November 2008. In the past we skipped it due to the upcoming holiday and possible bad weather. Let's hope we have Indian Summer conditions all season long!!!

Also, I want to thank all who attended our October meeting. We were at a new location for our October meeting, and from all accounts, the food was great and it is a good location. It was held on - **October 23rd 2008, at Sippy's Restaurant, 3455 Genesee Street, Cheektowaga, NY 14225. Thank you Rick Jones from Gemko for presenting document imaging solutions!** The location and food were so favorable, we will plan more meetings there! Please let me know of other facilities where we can hold our meetings. We aim to please everyone!

Before I sing-off, I want to remind you that we are having our 2008 Holiday Party at Hamburg Fairgrounds Gaming & Raceway on December 18th at 5:30 PM - \$10 per person.

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

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

MIDRANGE USER'S GROUP OF WESTERN NEW YORK

User's Group Financials



BY TED KORKUC

A.) Financial summary for the term 2007 - 2008

Beginning Balance - September 1, 2007		\$1,863.73
Income		
Advertising	250.00	
Dinner meetings	3,600.00	
End year meeting	140.00	
Holiday get together	370.00	
Membership Dues	1,245.00	
Total Income		\$5,605.00
Expenses		
Board Meeting	130.00	
Common Membership	395.00	
Dinner Meetings	2,974.77	
End of year Party	495.00	
Holiday get together - December	734.40	
Postmaster - Annual P O Box	72.00	
Total Expenses		\$4,801.17
Ending Balance - August 31, 2008		<u>\$2,667.56</u>

B.) Current Financial details:

Beginning Balance - September 1, 2008				\$2,667.56
Income		Date		
Membership Dues	Dep	09/18/2008	160.00	
Dinner mtg - Sept. @ Chef's	Dep	09/18/2008	390.00	
Membership Dues	Dep	10/15/2008	1,890.00	
Dinner mtg - Oct. @ Sippy's	Dep	10/31/2008	190.00	
Total Income				\$2,630.00
Expenses	Check #			
Dinner mtg - Sept. @ Chef's	1082	09/11/2008	446.98	
Deposit - Sippy's Oct. Mtg	1083	09/18/2008	50.00	
Web site renewal - Leigh Sworts	1084	10/23/2008	135.00	
Dinner mtg - Oct. @ Sippy's	1085	10/23/2008	374.00	
Total Expenses				\$1,005.98
Ending Balance - October 31, 2008				<u>\$4,291.58</u>

MUG Membership Updates

BY STEVE KAIT

2008 - 2009

MUG MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Another year for the MUG has rolled in and we already find ourselves preparing for the Christmas Season. During these tough economical times, be thankful for your job and for the strength and support of our families.

Membership applications continue to roll in. MUG welcomes Simcona Electronics Corp. of Rochester as a first time member to the association. Please visit www.simcona.com to learn more about our newest member. In addition, we are glad to have Gaymar Industries of Orchard Park back with the association.

In addition, MUG thanks the following companies for their continued support of our group: Avox Systems, Inc. of Lancaster, BCB International of Buffalo, Carriage House Companies of Fredonia, CCMA, LLC of Amherst, Charles J. Sellers & Company of Athol Springs, City of Niagara Falls, Erb Co., Inc. of Buffalo, ESM Group, Inc. of Amherst, Erie County Water Authority of Cheektowaga, County of Genesee in Batavia, Graham Corporation of Batavia, HSBC Bank of Buffalo, Lactalis American Group of Buffalo, Lapp Insulators LLC of LeRoy, Mader Construction Co., Inc. of Elma, McGard, Inc. of Orchard Park, National Fire Adjustment of Amherst, Niagara Cutter Inc. of Amherst, SDC Information Services of Williamsville, Seneca Niagara Casino & Hotel of Niagara Falls, Tzetzso Bros., Inc. of Kenmore, Unifrax I LLC of Niagara Falls, and William S. Hein & Co. of Buffalo.

Without your support, we wouldn't be here today!

Remember to register for the December 18th Christmas Party. Visit our website for more details. Hope to see you there

@ Message from Your Webmaster

The changes to our website are still in process, please bear with us as we attempt to create new code to enhance our site, as well as reduce the instances of false registrations. We will be adding a drop down menu for company names to keep them consistent and for easier registration, & it may be necessary to add an additional level of security to our registration page, as an increased level of hack attempts & "bot" registrations have been recorded.

Our last new sponsored link was, "*Gemko Information Group*". Be sure to check it out, along with Hi-tech Services when you log in and register.

We are still looking for additional sponsors. To date we have had over 30,000 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.

Your Board of Directors

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of
Western New
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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, August, November & January). 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.

We're on the Web!
See us at:
www.mugwny.org