



# AITP PITTSBURGH HIGHLIGHTS



## IBM Interoperability Strategies

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Back when AITP was known as DPMA (remember that?), most of our members worked with IBM systems. In fact it seemed that pretty much everyone worked with IBM systems if they were using computers in their organization.

Well, there's been a lot of change in the world, and there are many (too many???) choices available. Not surprisingly, IBM is still a dominant player. One of the reasons is their ability to adapt and work with other systems.

It's been a long time, but we are going to go back to our roots. We've invited IBM to our September dinner meeting to talk about what's new and how it can help us.

John Polena, an iSeries specialist in Pittsburgh who covers Western Pa (North to Erie and East to Altoona) and West Virginia will be our guest speaker for this meeting. John has been with IBM for 25 years in the mid-range server environment.

John, will be discussing IBM's **On Demand** strategy as it applies to all of IBM's eServer platforms as well as focusing in on the IBM iSeries platform. Emphasis will be on the latest iSeries announcements and its capabilities to work with multiple platforms including Intel and Linux. We will also touch on how the iSeries differs from other platforms in the marketplace.

This is going to be a great program and we want to make it possible for anyone to attend, so we have set a single price for members, non-members and students, of \$25.00. We are also moving this event to the Greentree Holiday Inn, which is near our old stand-by, the Terrace Room.

We would like you to register online in order to insure a seat. We will have limited walk-up seating available.

If you haven't been to a dinner meeting in a while, this is the one.

Come join us on September 21, 2004 at the Greentree Holiday Inn. The registration table opens at 5:00pm

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Dennis Coglianese



WOW- did we ever have a great Golf Outing! If you didn't make it, you missed a tremendous time. We had 47 golfers and 29 sponsors! That is an incredible turnout!

This successful event was due to the dedication and effort of Stan Hoffman and everyone he "persuaded" to help or attend.

Thanks Stan! This will really help the 2005 Scholarship!

On page 5 is a listing of all of the winners. Also, on page 5 is a listing of all of our generous sponsors. If you have the opportunity, use them and mention their sponsorship of our Golf Outing.

We're coming down the home stretch for 2004. I think we have a really great topic for our Quarterly dinner meeting. The details are on the cover page.

We are also beginning to develop plans for next year. One of the things we hope to do for 2005 is to return to our monthly meeting format. That's going to take some doing, but we're going to make a go of it.

In order to make this happen, we could really use some additional help on the Board of Directors. We could use someone to take over the newsletter and maybe even our program committee. And we really need a dedicated membership chairman to help us attract new members! This key position has been vacant for some time and could really make a difference for our chapter.

The success of our chapter really depends on the involvement of our members at the leadership level. We have a great bunch of people on the BOD that would welcome anyone interested in taking on the challenge. If you let us know you're interested, we'll be glad to help you get up to speed. Don't be afraid of the challenge.

I hope to see you at our September meeting. Bring your friends and colleagues. We always like company!

*Dennis J. Coglianese*

# Coming Attractions

November 16, 2003—5:30 PM  
Location and Program to be announced

**IBM Interoperability Strategies  
Event Registration  
September 21, 2004  
Greentree Holiday Inn**

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM **Registration, and Social Hour**  
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM **Dinner**  
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM **Presentation**

<b>Price</b>	<b>Pre-Register</b>	<b>At Door</b>
Members	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Guests	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
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**register@aitp-pgh.org**

Please be sure to include the number of attendees, names,  
company names, phone numbers and email addresses.

**Please note:** *When registering via email, we treat it as a confirmed registration. As such, if you do not cancel your reservation by Sept 17, 2004 you will be billed for the meeting.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

# 2004 Golf Outing Scholarship Fund Raiser

## Winners

**First Place Team** - Tom Caruso, Bob Heil Jr, Burt Sawyers, Jeff Latstetter

**Second Place Team** - Hardy Fordkapa, Al Stofan, Glenn Bertha, Ariel Soto

**Third Place Team** - Stan Hoffman, Jon Luptak, Jeff Hovanec, Dave Kolski

**Fourth Place Team** - Dave Hoffmann, Ron Grabowski, Randall S Munsell, Terry Zeigler

**Highest Score** - Ron Preece, Phil Svesnik, Joe Polshaw, Matt Hoffman

## Ladies Skill Prizes

**Longest Drive - #8** - Geri Bishop

**Closest to Pin - #3** - Linda J Smith

**Closes to Pin #13** - Shirley Whitlinger

## Men's Skill Prizes

**Longest Drive - #8** - Al Stofan

**Closest to Pin - #3** - Al Stofan

**Longest Putt #6** - Ken Fritz

**Closes to Pin #13** - Chris Christensen

## Pink Ball Winners

Hardy Fordkapa, Al Stofan, Glenn Bertha, Ariel Soto

## Steeler Basket

Matt Hoffman

## IPAQ

Charlotte McCoy

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