



**Date:** Tuesday, Sept 18, 2007

**Time:** 5:30 Deli Snack, 6:00 Presentation

**Location:** **Art Van Furniture**  
6440 14 Mile Road  
Warren, MI 48092  
Between Van Dyke and Mound

**Speaker:** Kevin Forsythe

### **SQL Procedures and Functions**

Review the creation of SQL procedures and functions. This includes developing procedures and functions with SQL as well as writing them in RPGLE and then registering them with the DB2 Database.

**Special Instructions:** The meeting will be in the "Customer Service" building. You do not need to pass the security shack. Parking is in behind the building and to the right of the security shack. Enter the building through the door with the canopy labeled "Education/Training".

### **About the Speaker:**

Kevin Forsythe has worked on IBM midrange systems for more than twenty years. With many years of experience in programming, analysis, consulting, and instruction, he is uniquely skilled at making difficult material more easily understood. As the lead instructor for DMC Consulting's AS/Credentials training classes, Kevin is responsible developing up to date courseware as well as providing instruction on a wide range of topics. This comprehensive background includes practical application, education, and research and provides a perspective that allows him to help others steer their way through the technical maze that surrounds them.

Kevin speaks regularly at conferences and user group meetings, volunteers as a Subject Matter Expert for COMMON, has written numerous articles on a variety of iSeries topics, and authored the best-selling book "SQL for eServer i5 and iSeries", and co-

authored "IBM iSeries/i5 Primer, Fourth Edition", along with Ted Holt, Doug Pence, and Ron Hawkins.

Continuous growth and learning blended with helping others is the cornerstone of Kevin's life and it extends beyond his professional life and into his private life as well. In his free time, Kevin practices martial arts, and teaches at his own dojo as an instructor for the Goju Ryu Karatedo Kyokai. The martial arts principals of honest self evaluation and striving for continuous improvement have become a way of life and help him to better himself in all aspects of his life.

### **From the President**

Dear Members:

As a SEMIUG member you are also a member of Common. Common provides periodic free webcasts on a variety of topics offered to members free of charge. To view a list of upcoming webinars available follow the link:  
<http://www.common.org/webcasts/index.html>

Common has changed the fall conference format to a focused track technical conference. The Focus conference will be held October 14 - 17 in Columbus Ohio. The event offers 3 days of all day workshops. For more information visit [www.common.org/focus](http://www.common.org/focus).

We hope you enjoyed summer! We have a great line up of meetings already planned for the Fall. We will have Kevin Forsythe presenting: "SQL Procedures and Functions" at Art Van in September. In October we are finalizing details for a .NET meeting with the location to be announced. In November we will have a presentation on the new and very improved IBM query tool at IBM in Southfield. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Regards,

Laura

### **Have you tried it yet?**

In the never ending flood of email, have you noticed the announcements from System? i Networks for their free Webcasts? Topics have ranged from Disaster Recovery to RPG Programming.

Most of the Webcasts are scheduled for 12:00-1:00PM (EST) which made it very convenient to attend while munching through lunch. Audio was provided by either VoIP

or a conference call. In my own experience, VoIP worked well and there were no problems in sound quality.

Attendance for the webcasts ranges from 40 to 250 people. Obviously, the topic has the greatest influence on the attendance and RPG is by far the most attended topic. For the security of the attendees, attendee's names are not published during session. It is a little disconcerting to look at the list of attendees and see only your name listed. Others are attending, but all names are private.

After the session, the entire webcast is posted for playback along with any related material. The questions submitted during the session are compiled in a list, answered, and emailed to all in attendance. This usually takes a day or two, but the answers have been complete and worth the wait.

After registering for the session, an email is sent with instructions on how to test the webcast settings. Connect to the site, follow the instructions and you are ready to go. This takes a couple of minutes and is only done once.

The day before the event, an email is sent with the link to the session, session id, and a password. Making the connection has never been a problem.

I have attended about 6 of these webcasts since first discovering them a couple months ago. I have enjoyed every one and look forward to the next few that have been posted on my calendar.

If you have any questions about the webcasts or would like to see a list of the upcoming sessions, please visit [www.systeminetwork.com/webcasts](http://www.systeminetwork.com/webcasts)

Please let me know what you think of the web casts and if you have found any other educational offerings that might be of interest to other members.

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The primary contact will have the responsibility for member voting as stipulated in the constitution. The primary contact name can be changed at will by the member company.

Paper copies of the newsletter are no longer being mailed. The newsletter will be distributed through email (usually in PDF format). Feel free to forward the email on to others.

**Annual dues per member company - \$75.00.** Memberships are for the calendar year, January through December. Dues are not prorated for a partial year. Please make check payable to: **Southeast Michigan iSeries User Group.**