



# Southeast Michigan iSeries User Group



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## System i Navigator "Programmer Prospective" Hands-On

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**Date:** Tuesday, November 19th, 2013

**Time:** 5:30 (Deli snack) - 6:00 (Meeting)

**Location:** IBM-Southfield  
18000 West Nine Mile Road  
Southfield, MI 48075 ([map](#))

**Speaker:** Paul Tuohy

**Notes:** Join in onsite at IBM or remotely in webinar format (session information will be on the website). To prepare for the session please be sure to have [Navigator](#) loaded on your laptop or desk top. You'll be able to work through the examples connected to the group's iDevcloud box. For information on how to connect to iDevcloud, email Amanda Walsh at [awalsh@consultechservicesinc.com](mailto:awalsh@consultechservicesinc.com) or Laura Ubelhor at [lubelhor@consultechservicesinc.com](mailto:lubelhor@consultechservicesinc.com)

We'll continue our journey in learning and utilization of Navigator in November focusing on Navigator use from a "programmers prospective". The session presented by expert Paul Tuohy will cover advanced functionality using IBM i Navigator including opportunity for members to work through examples hands on. We will walk through the Database functions in Navigator from a programmer's point of view. The session will cover anything and everything about the database feature of Navigator. The session will also include database access, SQL, and much more, focusing on the Navigator programmer's features.

### Take-aways include:

- Experience iNav's interactive maps of the iSeries database.
- See relationships between database objects.
- Explore interface updates that help you manage and control new functions.

### About the Speaker

**Paul Tuohy**, author of Re-engineering RPG Legacy Applications and The Programmer's Guide to iSeries Navigator, is one of the most prominent consultants and trainer/educators for application modernization and development technologies on the IBM Midrange. He currently holds positions as CEO of ComCon, a consultancy firm based in Dublin, Ireland, and founding partner of System i Developer, the consortium of top educators who produce the acclaimed RPG & DB2 Summit conference. Previously, he worked as IT Manager for Kodak Ireland Ltd. and Technical Director of Precision Software Ltd.



In addition to hosting and speaking at the RPG & DB2 Summit, Paul is an award-winning speaker at COMMON, COMMON Europe Congress and other conferences throughout the world. His articles frequently appear in System i NEWS, iSeries Experts Journal, The Four Hundred Guru, RPG Developer and other leading publications. He also hosts an audio blog - iTalk with Tuohy

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## From the President:

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Dear Members:

October was a great session. We started our journey with Operations Navigator led by Larry Bolhuis working through the basic functionality to support and administer the system. Those that participated walked away with additional skills that could put to use daily. Larry completed a thorough review of the basic functionality of Navigator and answered questions and led a lively conversation on navigator capability and use.

We'll continue our journey exploring use of Operations Navigator in November. Led by expert Paul Tuohy the session will focus on Navigator functionality from a "Programmers Prospective". We'll explore use of DB2 and SQL functionality within navigator. You may join in onsite or remotely for the session. You're welcome to walk through examples during the session making use of the iDevcloud box. To prepare make sure to have Operations Navigator loaded on your lap top. Whether your interest or career currently includes programming or not you'll be sure to walk away with something new that you can put to use. During the session there will be plenty of opportunity for questions and open discussion.

A special thanks to Dale Thieme for being such a great friend to our local user group. Dale puts forth a lot of effort to keep group members informed by promptly updating and refreshing the SEMIUG group site. In appreciation Dale was honored with a plaque during our September meeting. Please make sure to personally congratulate and thank Dale for his efforts. THANK YOU DALE!

It's that time of year again. If you haven't done so already please renew your membership dues. Membership is provided at the very affordable rate of \$100 per organization or \$50 for individual user group member. As a member you are automatically a COMMON member and entitled to COMMON benefits, have access to use the group's iDevcloud box, are provided discounted rate for MITEC ([www.gomitec.com](http://www.gomitec.com)), and are welcome to participate in regular monthly meetings and special group activities. To renew or join as a new member visit the site membership tab. You'll find the membership renewal form at the bottom of the page. Dues help support group activities and help us continue to bring outstanding learning activities to our local community. One thing constant about IT is change and as a local user group member you have an awesome opportunity to keep current, advance your skills and have an opportunity to interact with other i colleagues.

We will break for the Christmas holiday and there won't be a meeting in December. We are in process of finalizing plans for January's meeting. Recently support of "Ruby on Rails" on IBM i was announced. Very

exciting effort underway that will make a significant difference for IBM i. We are fortunate to have Aaron Bartell presenting and introducing our group to use of “Ruby on Rails” on i.

We'll be kicking off our student/member project during the March meeting. The effort will align members with students. Students will create a game working with member mentors. Not many rules, other than the game must be coded using IBM i tools for development and to have fun with the activity. We will make use of the iDevcloud box for the activity. Students will have one month to complete projects. The effort will help students get to know our great community and learn skills on the platform. The games will be presented during the April user group meeting and will be judged by attendees. Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

We are asking group members to step forward and volunteer to work with students and/or to contribute to the prize fund. Prizes will include \$s raised that can be put to use for tuition, books or other student expenses. The activity is a great way to help engage students on the platform and help build resource for the future.

We look forward to seeing you onsite for the November member or joining in remotely for what is sure to be an awesome meeting.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Regards,

Laura



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