



## ***Southeast Michigan iSeries User Group***



- Date: Tuesday, September 21, 2010
- Time: 5:30 (Deli snack) - 6:00 (Meeting)
- Location: Bloomfield Township Public Library  
1099 Lone Pine Road  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302-2410  
S.E. corner of Lone Pine and Telegraph Road (map)
- Speaker: Nick Hampson
- Format: Webinar. Details will be posted soon with specifics on how to join the webinar. You may join us on site for the meeting or join in remotely.

### **RPG Open Access – The Path Forward**

There has been much excitement and interest over the Rational Open Access: RPG Edition (ROA) announcement from IBM. However the key question on many developers' lips is how this announcement impacts those with extensive investments in existing RPG code. This session will explore the practical considerations of ROA development including impact on those applications where the RPG source code is not available.

looksoftware has practical experience in writing a sophisticated ROA handler that includes support for ROA and 5250 applications being integrated seamlessly, and providing a genuine path forward in RPG with no re-write requirement.

In this session you can learn from the real world experience of looksoftware addressing difficult issues like:

- Multi-channel interfaces (such as RIA, mobile, rich client, web services and more) from a single handler
- A platform to run Open Access and 5250 in the same session
- Support for web services - your ROA code can be automatically service enabled
- The ability to Open Access-enable your existing source code, as well as develop new functionality in Open Access

## About the Speaker:



Nick Hampson has worked within the IBM i community for 12 years, having joined a large UK-based RPG software supplier in 1998. Since 2001, Nick has worked with looksoftware to modernize legacy i applications. His key skills are in the user experience, user interface, interaction and design areas.

Nick has a passion for showing people just what their i applications can be. He presents worldwide for looksoftware on modernization and UX, and also handles the presales/product evangelist roll for looksoftware for EMEA and the US.

## From the President:

Welcome back. We hope you enjoyed summer. We have an exciting SEMIUG year planned for 2010/2011. Thank you to board members (Michael Balbaugh, Paul Thieme, Mike Desoff, Joy Chen, Gerry Abela, Charles Nalbandian and Amanda Walsh) for your time and effort in helping plan and organize events for SEMIUG members. Thank you also to Dale Thieme for your awesome and prompt efforts to keep our site looking great and providing information in a timely manner. We are very excited about the new look.

We are starting the year off with an exciting meeting. You have already heard all of the buzz about RPG Open Access. September's meeting allows a great opportunity to begin to learn more about the topic and how you might make use of Open Access at your organization. Be sure to join us on September 21st. You may join us on site or join in remotely.

We look forward to your participation in the September meeting.

Regards,  
Laura

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## Field Trip: IBM Toronto Lab

Event: **IBM Toronto lab visit and guided tour**  
Date: Friday October 15, 2010  
Time: 10:00 a.m. EST visit begins  
2:00 p.m EST visit ends  
Location: **IBM Canada Lab – Toronto site**  
8200 Warden Ave.  
Markham, Ont.  
L6G 1C7  
905-413-3523 (Security)



See the out web site for more information and registration forms.

<http://www.semiug.org/Toronto.htm>

We all have an appreciation and understanding of the great System i that is a core component of our livelihood. Did you ever wonder what the environment is like where the many tools available for us to use is like? IBM Toronto Labs has a great facility designed for developers. Have you ever visited Toronto Labs? Whether the answer is yes or no - we have a great opportunity for user group members and colleagues. We have worked with IBM Toronto Labs to arrange a visit. The visit is scheduled for Friday October 15th, 2010.

Guests will be greeted at the main lobby entrance of IBM Toronto Labs starting at 10 a.m EST. Continental breakfast will be provided. The visit will begin in the IBM Toronto Labs Amphitheatre with an introduction and presentation. The presentation will be followed by a pizza lunch and a guided tour through the Toronto Labs facility. The presentation will include information on tools provided by Toronto Labs including RD Power (Rational Developer for Power), RPG Open Access and Rational Team Concert. If there are other topics you would like included please designate on the registration form. The visit will complete around 2:00 p.m.

### Toronto Visitors web links

<http://www.sectorontonow.com/Visitor/Experience/home.aspx>

<http://www.toronto.ca/visitors/index.htm>

The 10:00 a.m. EST start time will allow plenty of time for those that would like to drive to Toronto Labs on Friday the 15th or if you prefer you can drive up the night before. We chose Friday for those that would like to participate at the visit and spend the weekend in Toronto. Toronto Labs are a 30 minute drive from downtown Toronto. You will find hotels near the Labs facility within the Visitor's Guide. If you prefer you can also stay

downtown Toronto. Traffic is hectic during rush hour. The 10:00 a.m start time and 2:00 p.m end time should work well for you to be able to manage traffic. The Visitors Guide has details on the location, directions, and the facility including parking. To pass the U.S./Canadian border will require a passport or a pass card passport. A pass card passport is less expensive and much quicker to apply for and receive. You will find information easily by web surfing or you may use the following links to find out more information.

[http://studenttravel.about.com/od/uspassports/a/passports\\_4.htm](http://studenttravel.about.com/od/uspassports/a/passports_4.htm)

<http://www.hypercup.org/u-s-passport-cards-4310/>

<http://ezinearticles.com/?Is-the-Passport-Card-Right-For-You?&id=4499937>



We encourage your input on the topics to include within the closing presentation(s). Please designate topics you would like to hear more about on the registration form. This is a great opportunity to find answers directly from the root source.

Thank you very much to Linda Cole and Toronto Labs for making arrangements and making this opportunity possible.

Don't miss out on this great opportunity. The Toronto Lab Facility is a uniquely designed facility and may well provide inspiration on how to enhance your work environments. The visit is also a great opportunity to learn and better understand the tools available directly from the source. To participate requires filling out the registration form by October 1st, 2010. Registration requires a \$20 fee. We hope to have you join in and participate in this great experience.



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**2010**

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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.**