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Newsletter of the Northeast Ohio Database Users Group

Security in the Clouds, Storage Back on Earth are May Meeting Topics

The evolution of computing can be summarized by a string of “buzzwords” that capture the imagination of Information Technology (IT) professionals, the media and the guys/gals in the corner office. Where would we all be if the word “relational” hadn’t been given a database context? What about “XML”?

The newest buzzphrase appears to be “cloud computing”. What is it really? Is it in my company’s future? How will my job change as a result of it? How do we keep a handle on it? The answers to these questions and more will be on the agenda of NEODBUG’s quarterly meeting on May 19.



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We are happy to welcome *Mike Thomas of Erie Insurance*, who will speak on the topic *“IT Risk and Security Architecture for Cloud Environments”*. Topics include:

- Cloud basics
- What components are at risk?
- Changing the IT security architecture to accommodate cloud computing
- The Internet as a prerequisite for cloud computing and how it translates into necessary risk
- “Betting the farm” on public networks
- Can you handle the cloud model?
- The cloud as an inevitability
- Insource versus outsource
- A risk model for the cloud: setting expectations
- Impact on privacy and compliance
- An IT architecture for cloud security

This presentation is a must for database professionals, along with security and audit staffs—bring them along to the meeting with you!

Mike is an experienced business and financial manager with 23 years of IT and IT security practice. He has worked for several Fortune 500 companies, building IT security teams at two different companies from the ground up. He has designed, implemented and managed the e-commerce security solutions for the first large insurance sales and service operation on the Internet. He has extensive knowledge of e-commerce solutions for Internet sales. He is accomplished at providing compliance solutions such as SOX and PCI and the auditing requirements that go along with them. He has a long and productive relationship with several professional groups including the ‘Executive Board’ in IT Security and IT Risk discipline practices, ISSA, and ISC2. He frequently speaks on matters of security and risk having participated in most major security conferences and sat on several discussion panels on security, privacy and risk as a subject matter expert.

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NEODBUG Treasurer's Report By Alan Solnick

The following are the current figures for NEODBUG as of April 10, 2011.

ASSETS

Checking Account	\$ 8,544.13	
Money Market Account	\$ 12,506.94	
Total Assets		\$ 21,051.07

LIABILITIES

Membership Prepayment	\$ 180.00	
Total Liabilities		\$ 180.00

NET WORTH **\$ 20,871.07**

We had a fine turnout for the February 17th special education event taught by Sheryl Larsen with forty-nine paid attendees from seven companies.

The following companies/individuals have sent in their corporate or individual memberships.

If you don't see your company name there, you will have to pay the higher, non-membership registration fees at the upcoming quarterly meeting. Those that prepaid to send members to NEODBUG meetings have the number of remaining coupons next to their names. The coupons expire 12/31/2011:

Companies/ Individuals that have paid memberships:

BMC Software	
Dominion Resource Services	(3 Coupons left)
Erie Insurance	
KeyBank	
Medical Mutual of Ohio	(3 Coupons left)
Chris Newton	
Parker Hannifin	
Phil Sherman	
Jim Szabo	
Sherwin Williams	(3 Coupons left)

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Win an iPad for Attending NEODBUG Meetings!

The NEODBUG Board of Trustees unanimously voted to offer IT professionals an extra added incentive to attend our meetings in 2011: an Apple iPad!



www.apple.com

Here's how it works: each time you attend a NEODBUG meeting in 2011 (in February, May, August and November), you will receive a chance to win. You must be a paid attendee and check in at the registration table at the meeting. "No-show" registrations are not eligible.

So, if you are a faithful attendee of our meetings, you can receive up to four chances to win the iPad!

We will draw the winner at the November, 2011 quarterly meeting from amongst all entries—the winner does not

need to be present at that meeting. Odds of winning depend upon the number of total meeting attendees. Members of the NEODBUG Board of Trustees are not eligible.

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Mike has a BS and MBA from the University of Pittsburgh and ISACA and ISC2 certifications in IT Security and Risk.

The other half of our May program deals with IBM's Storage Management Subsystem (SMS) and its relationship with the DB2 database product. For DB2 for z/OS V10, SMS is a required allied product, so database administrators (DBAs) and storage administrators (SAs) will be working more closely together than ever. Do your SAs intimidate you when discussing how to best use SMS for DB2? Not sure if your company is conforming to best practices for SMS and DB2? Come and hear **John Iczkovits of IBM** explain what SMS means and how to relate what your DB2 needs to your SA.

John will present "**SMS is Now Mandatory for DB2 V10! SMS Best Practices for DB2**". John is a Consulting IT Specialist with IBM Advanced Technical Skills. He provides DB2 for z/OS technical support and consulting services. His areas of expertise include DB2 data sharing, performance and availability. His work in IBM includes experience supporting DB2 as a systems engineer, database administrator, IT specialist, consultant and project lead. He has an operations background and more than 28 years of IT experience, ranging from database products such as DB2 and IMS to MVS systems support, including storage management. He has also co-authored IBM redbooks, red papers, white papers and presented at SHARE, the DB2 Tech Conference, the Information On Demand Conference, zEXPO Conference, mini IDUG and at local DB2 users groups.

So, join us May 19 to learn of the current realities and future directions of database technology!

2011 DISCOUNT PRICE—NEODBUG QUARTERLY MEETINGS (MAY, AUGUST, NOVEMBER):

\$20—in advance, if your company is a NEODBUG member
\$30—at-the-door, if your company is a NEODBUG member

\$30—in advance, if your company is NOT a NEODBUG member
\$40—at-the-door, if your company is NOT a NEODBUG member

Chairman's Corner By Michael James

The Cavaliers have finished the year with only 15 wins and are in the draft lottery, not a world championship. Sound familiar? The Indians have 15 wins and are in first place. What happened there? Then there are the Browns: locked out and in court with the players!

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The weather was not a factor for our February special training class. The meeting was viewed by all as another success—attendance was good, considering the economy. NEODBUG broke even financially presenting this class, confirming that we are able to provide meaningful education to Northeast Ohio's database community. We will continue to provide very good education. The feedback on Sheryl A. Larsen's presentation was excellent. Thanks to our agenda committee for their efforts to arrange this class.

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As NEODBUG moves into our twenty-second year, I keep coming back to the fact that some things do NOT change with age. NEODBUG has positioned itself as a multifaceted organization by being flexible and willing to change/evolve to better fulfill the needs of the core database community. Managed change is good and we plan to keep evolving, just as the database community changes. We cannot do this without your input. Our challenge is to allow this evolution while not forgetting the main focus of this organization: database. It helps us to make sure that we are meeting your needs for database education. Keep up the flow of suggestions/comments on your evaluation sheets and through the info@neodbug.org email address.

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See our [cover story](#) for a full description of our May quarterly meeting; it is scheduled for May 19 at 9AM at the Crowne Plaza Hotel and Conference Center in Independence. Mike Thomas' and John Iczkovits' presentations offer you the opportunity to invite members of allied disciplines (IT security, audit/risk management, storage administration, even your boss!) to our meeting along with you, and you know that we will make them feel welcome. Thanks to the diligence of Kirk Bailey of Maverick Direct and Jim Budka of Medical Mutual for all of their hard work in putting this agenda together.

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Our August 18 meeting's agenda is being finalized; expect it to include a member company presentation. For our November 17 meeting, we are efforting to present two nationally-known speakers to close out the year.

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Good stuff coming, right? Is your company a NEODBUG member? Remember, you receive a \$10 discount for each attendee to the remaining 2011 meetings (May, August, November). If you can't get your company to spring for membership, you can join NEODBUG as an individual member, and receive discounts for the balance of the year.

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By attending our May meeting, you will be entered into a drawing for a free Apple iPad at our November meeting. Find out more [here](#).

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Don't forget IDUG 2011 North America will be held May 2-6 in Anaheim, CA. Find the answers you

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need at the premier user-driven training and networking conference for DB2, Informix, and IMS IT professionals. For more information about the conference visit www.idug.org/north-america-2011/index.html.

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April means tax time, and if Uncle Sam and his Ohio nephew took too much out of your pocket this year, consider a donation to NEODBUG! We are a tax-exempt organization in the eyes of the Internal Revenue Service, so all donations are tax-exempt.

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Finally, I know that April is not too early to play golf or baseball, but since this is Cleveland, it is going to rain, or snow anyway, so you might as well attend this informative event! Oh yeah, go Tribe! And draft well, Mr. Holmgren, again.

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I look forward to seeing all of you at the meeting. Remember it will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel and Conference Center in Independence.

Michael P. James
NEODBUG Chairman

Upcoming Database Events

Date	Organization	City
5/2-6/2011	International DB2 Users Group (IDUG) North America Conference	Anaheim, CA
5/11-13/2011	Professional Association for SQL Server (PASS) SQLRally 2011	Orlando, FL
5/16-17/2011	Northeast Ohio Oracle Users Group (NEOUG) Oracle Training Seminar	Cleveland, OH
5/16-19/2011	Microsoft tech.ed North America 2011	Atlanta, GA
5/19/2011	Northeast Ohio Database Users Group (NEODBUG) quarterly meeting	Independence, OH
6/6-10/2011	The Data Warehouse Institute (TDWI) World Conference - Validating Your BI/DW Direction	Chicago, IL
8/7-12/2011	TDWI World Conference - Evolving Your Agile BI Environment	San Diego, CA
8/18/2011	NEODBUG quarterly meeting	Independence, OH
9/14-16/2011	IDUG Australasia Conference	Melbourne, Australia
9/16/2011	NEOUG business meeting	Independence, OH
10/2-6/2011	Oracle OpenWorld	San Francisco, CA
10/10-14/2011	PASS Summit	Seattle, WA
10/30-11/4/2011	TDWI World Conference - Emerging Technologies 2012	Orlando, FL
11/13-17/2011	CA World	Las Vegas, NV
11/14-18/2011	IDUG EMEA (Europe, Middle East, Asia) Conference	Prague, Czech Republic
11/17/2011	NEODBUG quarterly meeting	Independence, OH
11/18/2011	NEOUG business meeting	Independence, OH
1/20/2012	NEOUG business meeting	Independence, OH

May 19, 2011 Quarterly Meeting Agenda

8:30 - 9:00	Registration	
9:00 - 9:15	Opening Remarks	Michael James NEODBUG Chairman
9:15 - 10:30	<i>“SMS is Now Mandatory for DB2 V10! SMS Best Practices for DB2—Part 1”</i>	John Iczkovits IBM Corporation
10:30 - 10:45	Break	
10:45 - 12:00	<i>“SMS is Now Mandatory for DB2 V10! SMS Best Practices for DB2—Part 2”</i>	John Iczkovits IBM Corporation
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch	
1:00 - 2:30	<i>“IT Risk and Security Architecture for Cloud Environments—Part 1”</i>	Michael Thomas Erie Insurance
2:30 - 2:45	Break	
2:45 - 4:00	<i>“IT Risk and Security Architecture for Cloud Environments—Part 2”</i>	Michael Thomas Erie Insurance
4:00 - 4:15	Closing Remarks/Door Prizes	Michael James NEODBUG Chairman

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For corporate membership information, contact Al Solnick, treasurer, at 216-514-4435.

NEODBUG Meeting Registration is Online, Now!

Registration for this and every future NEODBUG meeting will be done by the new online registration system on the NEODBUG website (www.neodbug.org).

From the NEODBUG home page, note the “special notices” directing you to the “next meeting” page.

Meeting date, location and agenda can be found on this page.

Look for and choose the “REGISTER ONLINE” link.

The “registration” page will ask you the same questions our paper form did: company name/address, attendee names/contact information, number of laptops, etc.

You still need to send us a check by the Friday before the meeting to have the registrations accepted.