



# The Shoreline

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## Monthly SIG's

Several interest groups meet monthly on a wide range of topics/interests. See page 14 for details and contact one of the chairs.

## Executive IT/CIO SIG Breakfasts

These gatherings are scheduled monthly. For further information please send email to [Rich.Barnier@AITPChicago.com](mailto:Rich.Barnier@AITPChicago.com) .

## Movers and Shakers

Congratulations to Larry Buettner for his new position as CIO at Wheels, Inc. in Des Plaines.

## SOME OF THE COMING EVENTS

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## OPEN SIG CHAIRS

Our Disaster Recovery SIG and Consulting SIG are looking for individuals to become Chair or Co-Chair of these SIG groups. Please contact [Paul.Dittmann@AITPChicago.com](mailto:Paul.Dittmann@AITPChicago.com) with your interest and questions.

## Happy Holidays

The AITPChicago Board of Directors would like to say “Happy Holidays” and “Thanks For A Great Year”.

## Presidents Message

By Paul Dittmann

### *Happy New Year*

#### **Our year in review:**

In spite of the economy (especially in the first half of the year), 2003 was an excellent year for AITP's Chicago Chapter. This is my opportunity to both highlight some of our Chapter's accomplishments and to recognize our Board Members for their contributions during the year. Following are just some of our highlights in terms of adding value for our members and to the IT community:

- **New, Improved Web Site** – thanks in particular to Charlie Melidosian, Board Member and CIO from Baird & Warner, we moved our web site to Microsoft's free web portal platform to make it easier to maintain and to increase functionality. We expanded the site to include web pages for each of our Special Interest Groups (SIGs). Simplicity and flexibility is especially important for a volunteer organization such as ours.

As you've undoubtedly noticed, we have had many more events listed on our web site this year and in many cases have been able to schedule events a month or two out instead of right before the event. We felt this was key to helping our members plan their calendars so they could attend sessions that would provide value to them or their staffs. We also have developed relationships with other organizations such as BRPA (Business Resumption Planners Association), NACCB, and THE EXECUTIVES' CLUB OF CHICAGO and promote each other's events. Rich Barnier, Chapter Chairman (CA), has worked hard to develop our relationship with the THE EXECUTIVES' CLUB and Dennis Macumber (NeoMedia), Programs Manager, has been instrumental in planning speakers for our monthly Chapter meetings. You can now also sign up for events on our web site and pay in advance for Chapter Meetings by credit card through our Paypal link.

- **Growing Relationship with THE EXECUTIVES' CLUB OF CHICAGO** – Thanks to Rich Barnier's efforts, we have been increasing AITP's visibility in the IT and business community in Chicago.
  - **Joint CIO of the Year Award** – As part of our expanding relationship with THE EXECUTIVES' CLUB OF CHICAGO, this year's award to William McNight Farrow III, VP & CIO of the Chicago Board of Trade, was co-sponsored by our two groups and presented before an audience of 500+ at October's EXECUTIVES' CLUB's High Tech Conference. Thanks to Larry Buettner, Chapter Secretary and CIO of Wheels, Inc., for leading the selection process this year.
  - **Free Admission to High Tech Conferences** – Our members received free admission to 4-6 High Tech Conferences per year. Normal admission is \$100 per event. This Chapter benefit alone more than covers your annual AITP dues.
  - **CEO/CIO Focus Groups** – Rich has been working with THE EXECUTIVES' CLUB to hold periodic focus groups to help improve communications between CIOs and other senior executives. This group should really take off in 2004.

- **Growing Special Interest Groups** – Board Member Lise Gorajski (PeopleSoft) was “volunteered” to coach and mentor our Special Interest Groups and we’ve made substantial progress. When you get a chance, please thank Lise and our SIG leaders who have provided valuable information and education for our members throughout the year:
  - **Executive/CIO SIG** – Chaired by Rich Barnier, sponsored by AITP and hosted by a different CIO’s each month at their company locations – Don Bussell (Omicron) serves as co-facilitator. Breakfast meetings allow CIO level executives to share their interests and problems (restricted attendance – no vendors).
  - **Vendor Management Systems** – Group Leaders Cynthia Goss (Transunion) & Karen Wilson (Make Corporation) – **note upcoming events** – for the past 9 months they have been working on a best practices white paper that will be presented at one of our Chapter Meetings.
  - **E-Commerce** – Group Leader Angela LiVolsi (Philips Electronics) – well attended lunch meetings throughout the year covering a variety of topics on EC, EDI, XML and Web Services.
  - **Customer Relationship Management** – Group Leader Terry Hinaris (Hewitt) - CRM covers a lot of ground. In addition to their SIG meetings, Terry’s group provided speakers for two of our Chapter events. Look for some very interesting presentations and workshops planned for 2004.
  - **Sales Leadership & Development** – Group Leader Gerry Parran (Crowe Chizek) has done an excellent job of getting CIOs and IT Executives to provide education on the unique requirements of different industries and on the specifics that IT Executives are looking for in a vendor.
  - **Sales Transition SIG** – Group Leader John Hoagland (CA) is working with Rich Barnier to provide transition assistance to technology sales executives.
  
- **Increased Student Chapter Participation** – Board Member Dr. David Branigan from DeVry has done an excellent job of increasing student chapter participation. A Chapter has been started at Northern Illinois University and several other new Chapters are in process. We have had student leaders attend our Chapter Meetings and have helped arrange speakers for Student Chapter events. In addition, Dave and Larry Buettner (Chapter Secretary), were able to launch our Chapter’s Intern Program. Any organizations looking for technology interns should contact Dave.
  
- **New Research Awards** – Larry Buettner has sent Letters of Solicitation for white papers to many of the universities in the Chicagoland area. We will evaluate the proposed topics and award \$2000 grants to one or more of the respondents. We feel that these white papers, along with the best practice documents being generated by our Special Interest Groups will continue to expand the value we are providing to our members and to the IT community in general.
  
- **Contribution to I.C. Stars** – In December our Board voted to award \$2,000 to I.C. Stars to show our appreciation for their contribution to the IT and business community in Chicago.

- **Support of TLA** – The tech community in Chicago owes a big debt of gratitude to Pat Moroney, CIO of BCBS, and Jim Anfield (of Acxiom) for their ongoing efforts to help senior IT executives in transition. TLA now has 200+ members. Many have been placed in the past few months, but there are still many very talented, experienced executives in search of employment. The Chicago Chapter of AITP strongly encourages support of this organization, both in terms of referring executives needing search assistance to them and in terms of our Chicagoland companies looking to TLA to find resources to help them drive business results.
- **Another Successful Golf Outing** – Our Golf Outing was a great success again this year. We owe thanks to Marv Lund for his efforts in organizing the event and in coaxing vendors to donate prizes so that everyone can go home with a “win” no matter how poorly they played on the course. He also is owed our thanks for all of the work that goes into collecting admissions for our events and keeping the books.
- **More Timely, Electronic Newsletter** – Thanks to Jeff Senger, we have been able to get our newsletters out on a much more timely basis. This year we switched to electronic distribution and have made sure our newsletters are also available on our web site. See next year’s goals for more information.
- **Membership** – Thanks to the efforts of Board Members Kathleen Ladner (SunGard) for new members, and Gerry Parran, for member retention, our Chapter remains strong and the largest in AITP. Kathleen personally contacts everyone that submits an information request through our web site. In addition, the number of people actually participating in our events has increased substantially during the year. This is in part due to the success of some of our SIG groups and in part due to improvements in our ability to communicate with our members on a more regular and timely basis.
- **Increased Coordination with AITP National** – John DeLauriea is the Chapter board member responsible for helping coordinate our activities with the National Chapter. As you may be aware, this has been an eventful year for AITP National. Association management has been outsourced to Smith Bucklin, a new National web site is up and running, and prospective members can now sign up online and pay their dues via credit card. Please visit [www.aitp.org](http://www.aitp.org) to get information on their exciting plans for the coming year.

**Other unsung heroes include** Board Members John Jaska, American College of Surgeons (CDP Coordinator), Annika Advaney, Advantec Solutions (Member Education) and Marty Klest, Make Corporation, (Awards).

And finally, a **special thanks to retiring Board Member, Ray Cebold**. Ray has been on our board for many years and for the past year has served as Executive Vice President. Similar to a Vice Presidential role in politics, this means he has to help all of the other board members and gets no credit for anything. Ray has taken a job in Lexington Kentucky that will involve international responsibilities. We will miss Ray, but are happy for his new opportunity and wish him the best of luck.

## **New Challenges for 2004:**

Obviously we want to continue growing and providing value to our members. We will be working hard to expand our efforts with THE EXECUTIVES' CLUB OF CHICAGO and with other Chicagoland IT organizations. Our specific priorities include:

- **Upgrading our Newsletter** – Dave Branigan will recruit students to help Jeff Senger make our Newsletter more up-to-date from a format perspective and more valuable from a content perspective. You can help by submitting articles you feel will be of value to our membership.
- **Member Education** – We are working on a series of workshops for the coming year. We are in the planning stages for events covering project management, the PMO, and CRM (balanced scorecards). Please watch our calendar for announcements.
- **New Special Interest Groups** – We would like to add at least 2-3 more SIGs that meet on a regular basis. We will make an effort to reestablish our Security SIG and do more with BRPA in the Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity area. Members have also expressed interest in forming Project Management, Wireless and Infrastructure SIGs. However, for SIGs to be successful, we need volunteer leaders who are willing to devote the necessary time and energy. If you are interested in leading or participating in one of these groups, please contact our SIG Liaison, Lise Gorajski.
- **More White Papers** – Our VMS SIG will be presenting a Best Practices white paper this year. We will be encouraging our other SIG Groups to do likewise. In addition, we expect our research grant program will also result in white papers that provide value to our members. If you have specific areas of research that you feel will be of value to your organization, please let us know. Where possible, we want to make sure your needs are considered.
- **Executive/CTO SIG** – Rich Barnier had been working with Barry Robinson of Trizec and Carl Snyder of Pactiv to launch a CTO peer group similar to our very successful CIO SIG. Please contact Rich if you are interested in participating.
- **Expanded Intern Program** – We need your help in making our intern program a success. Please consider using student interns and getting your requests in early so that we have more time to match skills with your needs.

Our Board is committed to continuous improvement and making sure we are providing value to our members. Please take advantage of the links on our web site to provide suggestions and feedback. Thanks for your support during the year and we look forward to your active participation in 2004.

Sincerely,

Paul F. Dittmann, President, AITP Chicago, [Paul.Dittmann@AITPChicago.com](mailto:Paul.Dittmann@AITPChicago.com)

## **FREE MEMBERSHIP – STUDENTS**

Did you know our chapter pays for the first year of full membership in our chapter to all student chapter graduates? Our chapter has over 300 student members and growing!! For additional information please contact David Branigan, Ed.D. at Student Awards via e-mail at [Dave.Branigan@AITPChicago.com](mailto:Dave.Branigan@AITPChicago.com)

## **FREE Project Management**

Are you still waiting for headcount to increase? Project timetables falling through the cracks? Could you use some extra help? FREE!

DeVry University's capstone course, Senior Project, requires students to "apply knowledge and mastered skills, including problem-solving techniques and project-management methods, to an applications-oriented project."

You can take advantage of this opportunity to have senior-level computer information systems and network and communications management students do a project for you.

If the idea sounds intriguing, send Dave Branigan an email ([david.branigan@aitpchicago.com](mailto:david.branigan@aitpchicago.com)) to find out how to get a project team working for you.

## **2004 AITP Collegiate Conference Information**

The Omaha Courtyard by Marriott has established a block of rooms for the AITP Collegiate Conference April 1st -3rd. You will receive a group rate of 79.00 + tax when you ask for the AITP group rate. We are just 2 blocks from the Hilton Omaha.

We offer Free High Speed Internet and Free Parking!!!!!!!!!!  
We also have an indoor pool and hot tub.

Please check out our web site at <http://www.courtyard.com/omacy> or call me if you have any questions.

## **Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP)**

### **Dinner Meeting Events information**

Date and Time: January 12, 2004, 5:30 Registration, Presentation at 6:30 and Dinner 7:45

Location: Lamirage Restaurant  
3224 Algonquin Road  
Rolling Meadows, IL  
(On Algonquin Road just few blocks east of Route 53)  
847-222-1222

Event Type: Presentation and Dinner

Sponsor: Association of Information Technology Professionals AITP

Price: Members \$30, Nonmembers \$40, Students \$20, at the door add \$5

Speaker/Topic/Theme:

### **Speakers:**

**Jan LaHayne CIO of Littelfuse**

**Lloyd Love CIO of Amcol International**

**Charles Melidosian CIO of Baird Warner**

**Topic/Theme:** The Challenges of Managing Information Technology in a Midsize Company

Managers in midsize companies face all of the challenges that managers in large company face yet they must provide the same level of customer service with a much smaller staff. The can impact how they handle vendor relations, how they approach off-shoring, how they manage operations, the way they explore new technology and select new products or software. Hear how these CIO's approach these areas.

How to register:

Please register using the meeting link on the [www.aitpchicago.com](http://www.aitpchicago.com) web site before noon on the Friday before the event. We have to provide the restaurant with an estimate of the attendance. You may also use the web link over the weekend. For late registrations and cancellations on the day of the event, please call Paul Dittmann at 312-264-5669.

***Upcoming AITPChicago Dinner Meeting Events information***

<b><i>Month</i></b>	<b><i>Topic</i></b>
February	Cyber Threats, Planning & Response - Bill Cook Former Head of US COJ Computer Crime Task Force and Counter-Espionage Coordinator
March	Future Directions in Information Technology – considering the impact of the economy, outsourcing, and directions in technology.
April	Best Practices in Vendor Relations

**Vendor Management Systems SIG Event**

Our main goal for 2003 was to develop a Centralized Vendor Management Best Practices document. This meeting will be the final review of this document. Topics for discussion at this meeting include: Networking with VMS managers and Final presentation of Guide

Date: Wednesday, January 21, 2004, Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Where: CNA Plaza, 333 S. Wabash, Chicago

RSVP Required: Cynthia Goss [cgoss@transunion.com](mailto:cgoss@transunion.com)



## *THE EXECUTIVES' CLUB OF CHICAGO*

Information [www.ExecutivesClub.org](http://www.ExecutivesClub.org)

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Tuesday, March 23, 2004 - Hilton Chicago

**Luncheon:** 11:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

A presentation by Raymond Gilmartin, Chairman and CEO of Merck & Co.

**Conference:** 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

“Security Technology Landscape: Protecting Enterprise and Minimizing Risk” A look at current and new developments in corporate security technologies and their business applications

Tuesday, May 18, 2004 – Hilton Chicago

**Luncheon:** 11:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

A presentation by Dr. Dieter Zetsche, President and CEO of DaimlerChrysler Corporation

**Conference:** 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. *“Technology’s Focus on Industry: Where Purpose Makes Practice”*

Case studies in the best technology practices in the financial services industry, manufacturing, retail, health care, and transportation

## Directors continued

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## About the Executives Club of Chicago

### Chicago-based programs, with global impact

Ranked as one of the nation's top three business forums by the Washington D.C.-based "Top-Speaking Forums," The Executives' Club of Chicago earns that reputation with effective programs and activities.

Our regular luncheon speakers are the CEOs of Fortune 100 companies. We provide our members -- and all Chicago business -- a seat at the table as key diplomats and international business leaders shape policy for the global economy. International Advisory Council assists in establishing critical strategic alliances in cities throughout the world, helping to ensure that wherever our members travel, they can rely on Executives' Club to connect with viable business prospects and partners, to monitor trends, and to gain access to the executives and diplomats who drive the global economy.

Chicago Programs: Club members convene for ten luncheon meetings yearly to hear nationally known CEOs, politicians and policy-makers. Luncheons provide an ideal forum for members to develop business contacts and entertain clients. Our 9 Committees and 4 Special Interest Groups sponsor 30 special briefings on business issues throughout the year.

Washington, D.C.: Executive Leadership Briefings bring Executives' Club delegations together with senior government officials for off-the-record meetings on trade and economic issues.

International: Since 1990, when the Club's first Executive Leadership Mission visited the former Soviet Union and Finland, the Executives' Club has conducted 4 international missions to Belgium, Germany, Hungary and Poland (1992), to the People's Republic of China and Hong Kong (1994) and to Paris, Brussels, Berlin and Prague to meet with senior officials of the European Commission, the European Parliament and senior officials in the public and private sector (1995). Led by Governor Edgar and Executives' Club President Kaarina Koskenalusta, this most recent mission identified a wide range of trade, joint venture and investment opportunities available in these countries for our members in the European market place of 350 million people.

### Networking opportunities: Committees and Special Interest Groups

With our membership growing each year, it's sometimes difficult to meet those Executives' Club members who can most positively impact your business. To facilitate networking among our members, the Club has established 13 dynamic committees and special interest groups. These committees develop programs/briefings that focus on specific topics and provide a forum for all Club members with the opportunity to meet and network with other members who share their special interests. In addition, committee members take responsibility for nominating and screening new Club members who will keep our organization vital and enhance the value of Executives' Club membership for all.

Committee members serve by appointment of the Club's Chairman. Active participation (a minimum of 2 general meetings and two briefings per year) is critical to the effectiveness and impact of these committees. If you wish to be considered for a committee appointment, please contact the Club office

**Look forward to seeing you at one of these events. Please let me know if you are interested in seating at our reserved "C" level tables.**

Your friend in IT,

Richard C. Barnier Chair CEO/CIO Focus Groups

AITP is an association sponsor for The Executives Club of Chicago

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On October 29, 2003 The Executives Club of Chicago and The Association of Information Technology Professionals presented the 2003 CIO of the year award to Mr. William Farrow III



L to R: Mr. Jonathan Ward Chairman/CEO of ServiceMaster and Board Vice-Chairman of the Executives Club of Chicago, Mr. William Farrow III EVP/CIO of the Chicago Board of Trade and Richard C. Barnier Chairman/CEO of the Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP).

THANKS TO THOSE WHO CHAIR & HELP  
ON OUR CHICAGO CHAPTER COMMITTEES  
(**BOLD - CHAIRS**)

<b>AWARDS:</b>	<b>Marty Klest</b>
<b>CHAPTER LIAISON:</b>	<b>John DeLauriea</b>
<b>COMMUNICATIONS:</b>	<b>Jeff Senger</b>
Mail Lists:	Rich Barnier
Editing:	Barnier/Dittmann
Advertising:	Jeff Senger
Chapter Directory	OPEN
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Promotion	ALL Members
<b>PROGRAMS:</b>	<b>Dennis Macumber</b>
Schaumburg:	Marv Lund
Chicago Loop:	Randy Schmidt
NW & West Suburbs:	Ray Cebold
<b>SIG GROUPS:</b>	
Executive IT/CIO:	Rich Barnier
IT Transition Group	Paul Dittmann
CRM & KM:	Terry Hinaris
Electronic Commerce	Angela LiVolsi
Executives Club CEO/CIO	Rich Barnier
CTO or equivalent	Rich Barnier
Wireless:	Tom Weber
E-Security:	OPEN
Disaster Recovery	OPEN
Consulting/NACCB	OPEN
Sales/Marketing	Gerry Parran
Sales Transition Group	John Hoagland
Vendor Mgmt Sys	Cynthia Goss
<b>SPECIAL EVENTS:</b>	<b>Marv Lund</b>

### **Announcement For New AITP Chicago Newsletter Format**

We are in the process of designing the new format. All suggestions are appreciated. Some of the suggestions we are looking for:

- Articles
- Format
- Columns; recurring, upcoming...

Please send all suggestions to Jeff Senger ([Jeff.Senger@AITPChicago.com](mailto:Jeff.Senger@AITPChicago.com)) or call at (847) 222-7150 x 25

### **Announcement for New AITP Chicago Website**

We are in the process of creating the new format for the AITP Chicago Website. It will have a much current look and much more information.

[www.AITPChicago.com](http://www.AITPChicago.com)

Check it out.

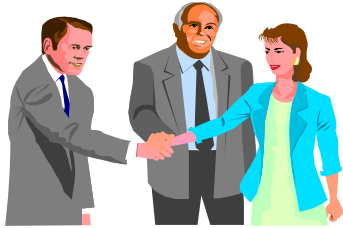
### **Members Please Follow Up On...**

**All Members:** The AITPChicago chapter is in the process of converting The Shoreline to an email only document. Please send your updated email address to Rich Barnier @ [Rich.Barnier@AITPChicago.com](mailto:Rich.Barnier@AITPChicago.com)

**SIG Chairs:** Please have your event listings and previous event notes to Jeff Senger, [jeff.senger@AITPChicago.com](mailto:jeff.senger@AITPChicago.com) by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month so we may promote your SIG group.

**ALL Members:** Please email Jeff Senger, [jeff.senger@aitpchicago.com](mailto:jeff.senger@aitpchicago.com), and give your ideas for newsletter content and your opinion on the new format.

**THANKS ALSO FOR THOSE RENEWING YOUR MEMBERSHIP YOU ARE THE REASON OUR CHAPTER IS NUMBER ONE!**



**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!**

*Dick Borgo, Eric Dunn, Marianne S. Hewitt, Kevin P. Jablonski, James H. Padley, Steven D. Stell, Marc D. Washor*

**MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

**Please congratulate and say “Thanks” for these members for all their years of dedication and service to AITP.**

**35 Years**

Frank Miralgio

**25 Years**

Richard Pawlicki

**20 Years**

Don Kowski

Dennis Sundin

Barbara Harris

Richard Barnier

**15 Years**

Robert Hilligoss

**10 Years**

Terrence McKillop

**5 Years**

Richard Charts

Steve Stone

Sharon Reeves

**AITP MEMBERSHIP**

The membership numbers are in for the end of December 2002. We again, by a far margin, are the largest AITP chapter in the known universe! Congratulations to all of you on a great 2002 year end to make this happen.

In today’s fast-paced world of technology, there is an association that offers its members limitless opportunities for professional and personal growth. With thousands of IT professionals in 250 chapters across the US and Canada, AITP provides the means for a broader understanding of principles in the IT industry. AITP membership means being a part of a long-standing, progressive, professional association well respected in the Information Technology industry. Involvement in AITP is job enrichment. Enhance your technical and managerial skills, while building your competence and professional dimension. Interaction with a broad spectrum of IT professionals stimulates a disciplined, purposeful and goal-oriented approach to the job and its opportunities.

AITP’s Professional Development includes educational programs on the national, regional, and chapter levels for members in entry-level to upper-management positions. There are also, Special Interest Groups, National & Regional Conferences, Private & Public Sector Recognition Awards, Executive IT / CIO of the Year Awards, and individual member professional contribution Awards.

The heart of AITP lies in its local chapters where members have the opportunity for direct networking with their peers; informal discussions, educational seminars, and exchanges of ideas for the solution of common problems are a major membership benefit. Contact Kathleen Ladner at [kathleen.ladner@AITPChicago.com](mailto:kathleen.ladner@AITPChicago.com)

## **AITP CHICAGO AREA SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS**

If you would like to be added to or work on any of these Chapter SIG Groups please contact Chairperson or  
Lise Gorajski @ [AITPSIG@AITPChicago.com](mailto:AITPSIG@AITPChicago.com)

### **CRM & KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT**

Terry Hinaris – Chair

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Meetings: per web page updates

### **ELECTRONIC COMMERCE FORUM**

#### **ECF-SIG**

Angela LiVolsi – Co-Chair

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eCommerce Technology

### **CONSULTING/NACCB**

OPEN – Chair

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