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The Newsletter of the Tampa Bay OS/2 Users' Group (TBOUG) - April 1995

OS/2 AT BARNETT BANK - APRIL 5TH MEETING

The next meeting of the Tampa Bay OS/2 Users' Group will be held Wednesday evening, April 5th at IBM's LakePointe offices in Tampa.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS (5:45 - 6:45)

Three committee meetings will be held in parallel prior to our main meeting:

END USER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The April meeting will review the 32-bit **IBM Works Database** program accompanying the OS/2 Warp "Bonus Pack." A demonstration will be provided. - Norm Epright, Committee Chairman

PRODUCTION COMMITTEE

Implementation of computer Bulletin Board Systems (BBS) will be the subject for our April meeting. Discussion will focus on the practical business purposes of installing a BBS as opposed to just how to access one. This will be a good session for Sysops to attend, as well as people/companies interested in installing a BBS. - Stu Horowitz, Committee Chairman

OS/2 SUPPORT COMMITTEE

The purpose of this committee is to provide a forum for technical "Questions and Answers" for OS/2 users. This is particularly useful for new users. To properly prepare for this meeting, **it is important that you tell us specifically the subjects you wish to discuss when you register for the meeting.** The committee can then perform some research in preparation for the meeting. - Steve Schneer, Committee Chairman.

MAIN MEETING (7:30 - 9:00)

The main meeting will feature a presentation by **Robert Blair of Barnett Technologies in Jacksonville**. OS/2 is installed in every Barnett Bank branch today and, as the strategic desktop standard, OS/2 is providing capabilities to allow the company to serve its customers better.

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AGENDA

Committee Meetings (5:45 - 6:45)
(Parallel Sessions)

- Production Committee
- OS/2 Support Committee
- End User Education Committee

Dinner (6:45 - 7:30)

Main Meeting (7:30 - 9:00)

- Announcements
- IBM Updates
- Featured Speaker: Robert Blair, Barnett Technologies

The registration fee for the meeting is $13 for members who pre-register; $15 for pre-registered guests. **Please make your reservations early (no later than March 31st).** The registration fee for those who do not pre-register is $15 for members and $17 for guests. See the last page of the newsletter to make your reservations.

LOCATION

IBM Tampa Services Center
4th Floor, LakePointe One Building
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Tampa

For directions, contact IBM at Tel: 813/872-2277 or Brad Brown at 813/872-2156

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MAIN MEETING (continued from page 1)

Robert Blair is the manager of Emerging Technologies for Barnett Technologies, the computing subsidiary for Barnett Banks. Currently his group is responsible for enterprise client/server architecture, enterprise file and print strategies, applications development tools, as well as identifying those new technologies which warrant assessment. Robert has been working with OS/2 since the initial releases and currently is a member of the IBM Personal Software Products (PSP) Customer Advisory Council.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL PARK

TBOUG is pleased to announce that it will be holding its first social program on Friday evening (7 pm), August 11th at the Clearwater Phillies' "Hard Ball Cafe." The Cafe features a special reserved section of the stadium with comfortable tables, chairs, and bleachers to enjoy a minor league baseball game. Also included is a private dining area featuring all of the food and non-alcoholic beverages you can consume. The event is affordably priced at $10 per person and tickets can be purchased through TBOUG in the next few months. So, let's slow down to Warp 1 and enjoy ourselves on August 11th. Hope to see you there!

SCUTTLEBUTT OF THE MONTH

A reliable TBOUG source tells us that a Microsoft employee (who understandably wishes to remain anonymous) recently ran the source code for the Windows Office suite through the SMART program converter and it successfully compiled and ran under OS/2 Warp. But don't tell Billy Gates; it'll send shivers down his spine!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Chris Boinay - Computer Management Consultants
Nancy Cottrell - Tampa
F. Lee Launstein - Bakersfield, CA
Clint Wood - Beneficial Systems Development Corporation - Tampa

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PROS/2 is the official newsletter of the Tampa Bay OS/2 Users' Group (TBOUG), a non-profit, vendor-independent users' group dedicated to the effective use of IBM's OS/2 operating system. Letters and manuscripts are welcomed and reviewed for possible publication. Please supply narrative in ASCII text format. TBOUG logo designed by Albert Tatenborn.

Any OS/2 licensee within the Tampa Bay area of Florida is eligible to become a member of TBOUG. Annual Corporate membership is $200; individual membership is $20; membership fees are prorated on a quarterly basis. TBOUG was founded in December 1993 and is a member of the Association of Personal Computer User Groups (APCUG).

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 27-31 - IBM OS/2 Technical Update; Las Vegas, NV; Tel: 800/636-6634

March 28 - Tampa Bay PC Users' Group-OS/2 SIG; introduction to OS/2; open to TBOUG members; at IBM's LakePointe One Building, Room 436; 7PM; call John Lucas at Tel: 979-7290

April 5 - Tampa Bay OS/2 Users' Group meeting; Tel: 813/786-4567

April 11-13 - Open Software Foundation (OSF)/Distributed Computing Environment (DCE) User & Developer Conference, San Jose, CA; sponsored by IBM; Tel: 508/470-3880.

April 12-13 - OS/2 Tour (free seminar) at the Tampa Airport Hilton; Tel: 800/766-4344.

April 24-27 - COMDEX; Atlanta, GA; Tel: 617/449-6600

April 30-May 6 - IBM Midrange Technical Conference; Marco Island, FL; Tel: 508/745-6010

May 3 - Tampa Bay OS/2 Users' Group meeting; Tel: 813/786-4567

May 10-11 - Expotech Conference; Bayfront Center, St. Petersburg, FL; Tel: 813/641-1633

May 21-25 - IBM Technical Interchange; New Orleans, LA; Tel: 800/872-7109

June 7 - Tampa Bay OS/2 Users' Group meeting; Tel: 813/786-4567

June 11-15 - Int'l DB2 Users Group; 7th Annual North American Conference; Orlando, FL; Tel: 312/644-6610

June 20 - DPMA/Tampa Chapter's 40th Anniversary meeting; Tel: 813/572-2601

July 12 - Tampa Bay OS/2 Users' Group meeting; Tel: 813/786-4567

ALSO LOOK FOR TBOUG MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE TAMPA TRIBUNE, ST. PETERSBURG TIMES, AMERICA ONLINE, IBM LINK, COMPUSERVE, AND THE TBOUG BBS.

NEW ON THE TBOUG BBS: 562-2249

WEB.ZIP - IBM's Web Explorer, EXPLORE1, bundled with a nifty installation utility. Can't be much easier to install with WARP's TCP/IP package.

DEADW95.ZIP - includes the Dead Windows 95 bitmap; satirical view of the Windows 95 logo featured as the "Bitmap of the Month" in the April issue of PROS/2 (INF version).

FLORIDA.ZIP - Cool bitmap of Florida as taken from the space shuttle.

BARNES.ZIP - latest bitmaps from IBM & OS/2 icon David Barnes.

CON0495.ZIP - OS/2 CONNECT Newsletter - April 1995 in INF format from MBA. Includes names, numbers, addresses of key OS/2 contacts, along with pertinent dates and news related to OS/2.

DMOS2.ZIP - this is the file you use when using a master drive that exceeds 1024 cyls.

GAMES21D.ZIP - A comprehensive list of OS/2 settings for optimum game performance; from the Internet.

ZOC205.ZIP - ZOC V2.05 - PM Terminal Emulation package.

HTMLWIZ.ZIP - OS/2 native app, Beta, that easily allows HTML coding of text for Internet WEB pages. Used by San Francisco newspapers during recent strike.

COMFIX.ZIP - Fixes some com port problems in the COM.SYS file that shipped with OS/2 WARP.

IN THE "ELECTRONIC" VERSION OF PROS/2

* Article: "Teaching an Old Dog New Tricks"
* TBOUG Software Survey Results.
* OS/2 Here & There - OS/2 related articles and press releases.
* TBOUG Classifieds
* TBOUG board of directors reports.

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MEETING REGISTRATION - APRIL 5TH MEETING

Please make reservations for the following individuals to attend the April 5th meeting of the Tampa Bay OS/2 Users' Group. ***Please make reservations no later than March 31st!***

Person	Title	Telephone
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Company ____

Address ____

City ______________________ State ______ Zip ______________

Fax: ______________________ E-mail: ______________________

Either Phone, Fax, or Mail your registration to:

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Please indicate the committee meeting you plan to attend:

_____ End User Education
_____ Production
_____ OS/2 Support

Subjects to be discussed at OS/2 Support:

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Check here if you will not have dinner _____

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