



Minnesota Information Professional Society

Mission Statement: Meeting the array of needs for the established IT professional while seeking to develop the IT profession and provide a service to our community and society.

MnIPS Summer meeting schedule

June 17th – MnIPS Networking event – Dave Cady from the Minnesota Workforce Center.

NOTE: In July and August we will have joint Networking events with PMI-MN. See www.mnips.org and www.pmi-mn.org for details on times and locations.

July 15th – What Corporate HR Recruiters Look For – Panel Discussion

August 21st – Effective Job Search Techniques

End of year update from the President Elect – Sylvia J. Wiebe

As we come to the end of the 2002-2003 MnIPS year it seems appropriate to provide our membership and interested parties a wrap up of where we started, what we did through the year, and where we ended up.

The first order of business, however, is to thank Earl Joseph for 10 great years of being the editor of the MnIPS newsletter. He has done a wonderful job of taking the information submitted to him and putting it in the newsletter, adding his special touch, in particular, the cartoons each month. **THANKS** Earl for all your efforts over the past ten years and just for being you.

Other thanks go out to all the volunteers who have gotten involved this year, including the members of the board. In particular we should all say a big thank you to the new faces that have joined us on committees and special projects. Their fresh ideas and enthusiasm made a big difference in the organization this year.

We are currently working to fill committee **chair positions** for the new MnIPS year and are hoping to find **volunteers** to help on those committees. Following are the newly elected board members and committee chairs that have been filled.

President – Sylvia Wiebe	Vice President – Rebecca Hoover
Secretary – Tom Skramstad	Treasurer – Gary Davis
Program Committee – Charley Price	Marketing – Krisan Partridge
Arrangements Committee – Steve Muscanto	Website - Bill McTeer
Audit and Bylaws – Dave Farmer	Special Projects – Joe Perzel
Newsletter – Bob Groethe (Assistant Editor)	Golf Outing – Jeff Hemauer

Below are the committees we still need chairpersons and volunteers for. If you are interested in working on one of the committees listed below please feel free to contact me at swieb53@hotmail.com. We can discuss the role of the chairperson and the committee so you can understand what is needed for the committee to be successful, time commitments, and answer any other questions you may have:

Membership	Education	Strictly Business
Volunteer Coordinator	Newsletter Editor	

At the start of the year we had approximately 80 members. As of this writing we have 136 members. It is very exciting to watch the organization grow and we hope to grow even more in the next year. Welcome again and thanks to all the new members who joined us this year!!

Our website continues to be one of our main contact points with the outside world. We have been tracking some statistics for the site. 'Usage by Page Views' which tracks the total number of Web page requests made on the Web site for any day, week, month shows in June 2001 we had 609 hits. In June of 2002 we had 796 hits and the last statistics we have for the month of May shows we have 2500 hits. Recognizing we need a more interactive, online way of communicating with our members and the outside world we have started discussions on switching to an interactive site for all to use. Look for updates to the current site and eventually a new look for us as we move into the next year.

Our programs throughout the year were varied and interesting and included topics such as:

- .NET and J2EE:War of the Frameworks
- Home Security and Social Engineering
- A Practical Framework for Software Measurement and Analysis

We have been gathering topics for programs for the 2003-2004 MnIPS year. If you have any suggestions regarding Program topics/speakers please feel free to contact Charley Price at cprice@attbi.com.

I look forward to my new role in the organization and to seeing you all in September. Have a great summer!!!

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Join us for the MnIPS Annual Golf Outing benefiting the Fairway Foundation!!!

The tournament is on June 24th at Mississippi Dunes
It is a 5-person scramble event with prize contests on each hole.

Cost \$75 for members, \$110 for non-members - includes golf, cart and prime-rib dinner

See the golf outing website at <http://64.55.241.47/mnipsgolf> for more info.

Dinner Meeting schedule for 2003 – 2004!!!

Join us for the first Dinner Meeting of the 2003-2004 year on September 16th and every third Tuesday after that from October – November and January – May.