

Gateway/400 Group

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Dear Group Member:

The PC Subgroup of the Gateway/400 group will meet next on **Tuesday, March 23rd, 2004 from 9AM to 11 AM** at the **IBM Maryville Customer Center**.

The topic for this session will be:

Web Services: the key to Business Integration

Web services are essentially software services available over the Internet in a program-to-program mode, rather than the usual scenario of person-to-program. This session will provide an overview of the current state of web services technology and architecture. We will discuss examples of how and why you might want to use web services. Finally, we will present information on new functions in Websphere Application Server Version 5.1 and new tools in Websphere Development Services Client that can help you move into this new way of doing business.

This session will be presented by Barb Brown, Dir Technical Services at Alliance Systems & Programming.

For those of you who don't know me, I've been working on IBM midrange systems since 1978, serving over 16 years as an IBM Systems Engineer specializing in communications. During my time with IBM I authored several technical manuals on AS/400 data communications. Since joining Alliance in 1994, I have continued to work with IBM iSeries systems, moving into web applications and systems integration. I hold several IBM Certifications, including iSeries Technical Expert, Websphere, and eBusiness. I have presented to many users groups over the years. It has been a while since I've spoken in front of this group, but it's always great to speak to a crowd of friends!

**Next month will be Kent Milligan from IBM speaking on
DB2 Extenders for iSeries -
XML and DB2 Integration and Text Mining**

We look forward to seeing you on the 23rd !

Sincerely,
Barbara Brown
Director of Technical Services
Alliance Systems & Programming, Inc.