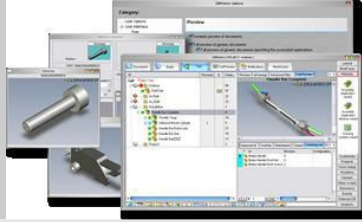


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Late Nite with MechWorks

by Chris MacCormack

For all of you who attended SolidWorks World 2007 in New Orleans hopefully you remember the fantastic MechWorks presentation about the company's plans, the 2008 functionality preview and overall introductions to the masters behind the phone calls, emails and web conferences.

This year they plan to top that event. On Sunday January 20, 2008 immediately following the Partner Pavilion Grand

Opening MechWorks with their partners, Data Decision Group & Integrated Partner Solutions will be hosting a customer appreciation evening that is slated to include good food, great people and beverages.

This will be a very late dinner for me but anytime I get a chance to hang out with the folks from MechWorks, IPS and DDG I am there. You should try to be there too. If you are interested in attending this

event please contact your DBWorks Distributor and let them know.

P.S.: This is just one more reason to add to the boss's justification for you to go to SolidWorks World.

Year in Review

by Chris MacCormack

What a hectic year this has been. Our meetings have been somewhat sporadic this year due to yours truly changing jobs in the middle of it.

That being said the content of our meetings did not disappoint. We discussed many bits of functionality ranging from Work Flow to Visual Cues. Many of the members also offered up some great discussion topics that really engaged the entire meeting. Ideas like keeping Data Management simple. Understanding processes

before making changes, how we can make this tool more useful company wide.

The last meeting we were joined by Gene Perry from IPS. He did an excellent job of recapping the new functionality of 2008 and I am sure that those who attended the meeting will agree, the clarification on that functionality was very helpful.

As for membership, we lost some very key people but also gained a few as well. For those we lost I hope

they are doing well in their new lines of work. And for the new members welcome aboard!

Some other things have been happening throughout this year that I hope to lock down and finalize by mid 2008. I did launch the DBWAUG website and I will be aggressively trying to add new content to it daily. We are also working to set up a DBWorks Web Client for our members to work on collaborative scripting design. Overall this has been another successful

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On Deck for this Year by Chris MacCormack

Looking for every member's help this year. I need more ideas from you as to how to make this group more beneficial to you. This includes the website, meeting content, increasing participation. Please send your ideas to maccormackc@yahoo.com

Some ideas may come from your frustrations, your successes or even can I do this?

I am looking into video conferencing to make the meetings more personable.

We also need to make every effort to visit and post to the 2 forums that are dedicated to

us: DBWorks @ Yahoo! And the DBWorks Support Forum. The DBWorks Support forum has dedication forums for enhancement requests as well as a "Great Job MechWorks" forum. There are so many talented and knowledgeable admin on these forums that are more than happy to help out. Use them well.

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