



MCWT Happenings – November 2006

Greetings!

Following is a high-level look into the latest news and benefits from MCWT. Click on the included links for more information where available.

November 16, 2006: MCWT's 3rd Annual Fundraiser, sponsored by Ford Motor Co.:

This premier event, hosted by Ford Motor Company, focuses on the advancement of women in technology. **100 percent** of the funds raised at this event provide scholarships to emerging women interested in technology and supports MCWT members in gaining industry and leadership knowledge. Besides being lots of fun, the silent auction portion of the event provides an excellent networking forum along with a chance to own enticing gifts donated by members and sponsors.

This year's executive chairman for the Auction Event is **Nick Smither, CIO of Ford Motor Company**. For the program, **Marv Adams, former senior VP and CIO, Ford Motor Company, and current CIO of Citigroup**, will provide a dynamic speech on "Maturing as a People Coach and Improving Your Effectiveness as a Leader."

Silent Auction Sneak Peak!

Bid on lunch with:

- Teri Takai, CIO for the State of Michigan
- Ralph Szygenda, CIO of General Motors
- Cherri Musser, CIO of GMAC
- Sue Unger, CIO of Chrysler
- Mark Duhaime, Exec Director–Application Development Services for Ford
- Nick Smither, CIO of Ford Motor Company
- Paul Nussbaum, CIO of Ford Credit
- Kevin Vasconi, CIO of R.L. Polk & Co
- Bette Walker, CIO of Delphi
- Lorie Buckingham, CIO of Visteon
- Terry Cross – 8 mentorship sessions

Vacation condos, event tickets, memorabilia, gift baskets, electronics and more. Watch for the auction catalogue.

If you have items you would like to donate or if you would like to volunteer to help with the auction, please contact Beth Vance, 248-276-2637, or at bethvance@suntel.com.

DON'T MISS THIS MEANINGFUL EVENT! [Register Now!](#)

Time:	5:30 – 6:30	Registration
	5:30 – 7:15	Silent Auction
	7:25 – 8:00	Ceremony begins; Presentation by Marv Adams
	8:00 – 8:30	Question and Answer Session, Closing Remarks

Auction winners will be announced at the end of the panel discussion.
Registration closes at 6:30 p.m.

Cost: Members/Students \$20
Non-members \$50

Venue: **Ford Conference and Event Center**
1151 Village Drive (Across from The Henry Ford & IMAX Theater)
Dearborn, Michigan

CALL FOR PAPERS: 6th Annual Security Conference April 11 – 12, 2007, Las Vegas

With the development of more complex networking systems and the rapid transition to the e-world, information security has become a real concern for many individuals and organizations. Advanced safeguards are required to protect the information assets of not only large but also small and distributed enterprises. New approaches to information security management, such as policies and certifications, are now being required. The security of strategic corporate information has become the foremost concern of many organizations, and in order to assure this security, methods and techniques must be conceptualized for small enterprises both from a functional and technical viewpoint. In order to meet these demanding objectives, academia, government and business must all come together to define and develop new and innovative methods to accomplish the information security objectives we now all face. The place to bring this to fruition is at the 6th Annual Security Conference in April of 2007 in Las Vegas Nevada.

- Submission Deadline: **January 15, 2007**
- 15 Security Tracks with submissions from all over the Globe
- There will be three (3) best papers awards presented by Korea University Business School
- This Annual Security Conference is an AIS SIGSEC conference (Association of Information Systems)
- All accepted papers will be considered for the Journal of Information Systems Security (www.jissec.org). JISec is the official publication of AIS SIGSEC
- The 2006 Event attracted over 80 submissions and 60 were presented at the conference

For more information please visit www.security-conference.org, or call Rita Barrios (Intrusion Detection Track Chair and Industry Co-Chair) at 313.390.8730.

MCWT Events in 2007: Sneak Preview

The 2007 MCWT Event Calendar is being planned, so keep watch for these and other exciting upcoming Events:

§ **January 16-18 – “Working globally to deliver IT Services and Products”**

Plans are in the works for MCWT's first lunchtime webinar series, topics tentatively planned to include:

- Ø Prospering Through Relationships
- Ø Selecting Vendors that Add Value
- Ø Managing Offshore Software Projects

§ **February – Networking and Cafe Conversation**

§ **March 29 – Symposium at LTU**

Planning underway; [Beth Adams](#) is the director/main contact for this event.

Event Teams are now forming to manage and work on these events. Please contact either Sue Andrews (susan.andrews@ca.com) or Beth Vance (bethvance@suntel.com) to participate. We are looking for event directors, registration helpers, and general volunteers.

The Events Calendar on the MCWT website is active and ever changing. [Please check it often!](#) The 2007 Event listings will be posted soon.

MCWT Foundation News



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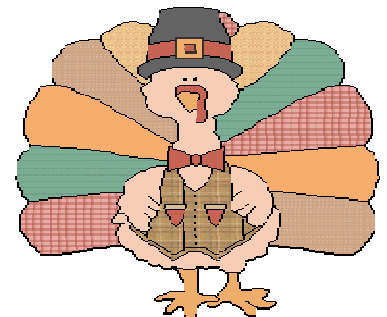
MCWT Foundation – Off To The Races!

As a strong University High School GET-IT sponsor, the MCWT Foundation was prominently featured on the high school's Innovative Design Vehicle, displayed at the SAE Convergence Conference at Cobo Hall on October 16th through 18th. Thanks go to Liz Siver and Microsoft for their generous and quick assistance in underwriting the sleek design of the MCWTF decal ("Bringing Girl Power To Technology"), which was prominently displayed on the car all three days. The car, itself, was one year in design and production; and had its proud inaugural race at Siemens VDO on October 7th. The GET-IT team members included students Tia Anderson, Leslie Bass-Lewis, Martha Lusk, and Jewel Tolliver.



Forget Turkey – "Get-It" Girls Give Thanks For Skills!

Demonstrating that the holidays are no excuse for slacking off, University High School's GET-IT chapter is concentrating on programming, not feasting this Thanksgiving. On November 18th, they will proudly demonstrate three fully designed and manufactured robots (complete with robot floats!) at Lawrence Technological University's first Thanksgiving Robot Parade. Parade sponsors and participants will attempt to set a Guinness World Record for sponsoring the first holiday-inspired event of this kind. *(OK... the girls will probably celebrate the actual holiday the following week, but only after successfully finishing and demonstrating their intricate work!)*



Speaking of Thanks...Woman Power Underwrites Girl Power

In a pinch, our University friends always come through! The GET-IT program at Ferndale University High School was badly in need of computers for the robotics team this year, and the Lawrence Technological University Student Computer Center donated three new laptops to the cause. Within a day, having heard the necessity, SCC Director, Charlene Lilla, proactively responded to the girls' needs. (NOTE: To Microsoft, all our corporate champions, MCWT's generous individual members & volunteers, and LTU, the MCWT Foundation will be saying thanks a lot as we look back at this year!)

MCWT Member Benefits and News

MCWT Committee News

R L Polk, a premier provider of automotive intelligence, is stepping up their commitment to MCWT with a couple of new announcements. **Kathy Schroeder** will be taking over the Foundation Secretary Role. Kathy, Director of Quality Management at Polk, is looking forward to the role and helping with the Foundation initiatives. **Denise Jeffries**, has been recently appointed co-chair of the Operations Committee. Denise is the Director of Data Warehousing at Polk. She will be working with current co-chair Toni Lucas. Welcome Kathy & Denise!

Compuware, too, is stepping up! **Chris Rydzewski**, a Compuware account executive with over 18 years of sales background in IT software and service offerings, will be filling in the role of Council Secretary and looks forward to her commitment to MCWT. Welcome Chris!

Congratulations to **Beth Vance**, who has been recently appointed co-chair of the Events Committee! Beth will be working with current co-chair Sue Andrews. Welcome all!!

MCWT Bring a Friend/Co-Worker to an Event New Membership Incentive Drive!

MCWT members can register non-members at the member rate for events. For member convenience, registration can be completed either electronically or manually:

Electronic registration: The MCWT member registers themselves and a guest as two members (not as one member and one guest) and put the word (guest) in parentheses after their guest's last name. The member registering will pay for both fees at the member rate. The member and guest can arrange reimbursement personally.

Manual registration: The MCWT Member can register online for the event. The guest can come to the event with the member and identify himself or herself as a guest of the member. The guest can pay the event fee at the door. *Please note: If you plan to bring a guest that wishes to pay at the door, please send a courtesy email to susan.andrews@ca.com so that we can obtain an accurate count for the event roster.*

How does the **MCWT member** benefit? As an added bonus, the member will receive a free event pass for a future event (at the same value of the event attended) if their guest joins **MCWT** as a result of attending an event.

Looking forward to a busy Holiday season!

Questions about our e-Newsletter? Please contact [Gail Bernard](#) or [Tonya Thomas](#), MCWT Communications Committee.