SHARE Atlanta 2016
An Event to Remember

From July 31–August 5, SHARE hosted more than 1,100 enterprise IT professionals in Atlanta for an educational week filled with lectures and roundtables covering some of today’s most pressing enterprise technology topics, including, New and Innovative Workloads, DevOps, Security, Big Data, Mobile and many others. In addition to technical content, attendees were offered the opportunity to attend SHARE Academy (http://share.org/academy) and New to z Systems (z-systems-program-2016). SHARE Academy focused on two topics: CICS and z/OS Bug Busterz. SHARE Academy attendees took a deep dive into one of the two topics on Sunday, a day before the full event kicked off. New to z Systems incorporated demos and presentations as well as a private tour of the trade show floor and the IBM z13.

Keynote Highlights

On Monday, August 1, Shane Snow, Chief Creative Officer, Contently, presented Those Who Tell Stories Rule the World.


For an online recording of the two keynote presentations, plus other top-attended sessions from SHARE Atlanta, click here (atlanta-live) and purchase access to SHARE Live!, our virtual attendance option that lasts for up to 6 months post-event.

SHARE Recognizes
Volunteer Spotlight - Atlanta 2016
Cheryl Watson & Ed Petka

One of the most important ways in which SHARE influences the industry is by providing clear direction to IBM Development through the SHARE requirements process.

Two-score and six months ago, IBM STG moved its requirements data base from FITS to RFE and, in doing so, rendered SHARE's requirements system all but useless. That ancient, custom-written application, running on off-site servers, served its purpose well. But, the original developers were no longer available and the challenge of interfacing it RFE seemed insurmountable, given modern priorities.

At first we thought we could use RFE itself as a replacement, but we quickly realized it didn't have nearly enough capability to meet our needs and IBM had no interest in enhancing it. Eventually the team decided to develop a new SHARE requirements system by leveraging a recently-discovered “issue tracking” capability in Socious, the framework upon which the SHARE web site is built.

The discussion and proof-of-concept phases involved numerous participants from SHARE volunteers, to IBM, to Smithbucklin staff, and even members of the SHARE Board of Directors -- all of whom played important roles. But, the volunteer contributions of Cheryl Watson (Watson & Walker) and Ed Petka (Fiserv), as well as Smithbucklin staff-member Meredith Halperin, cannot be overstated. They were the heart and soul of this project; the folks in the trenches with their sleeves rolled up, doing the hard work and meeting every week to ensure things got done. And, things got done.

Revitalizing the SHARE requirements process and keeping it viable have been among my top priorities as a SHARE Manager. It is with great pride that I use this forum to thank Cheryl, Ed, Meredith, and everyone else who participated, for their efforts in getting this important area of SHARE's industry influence back on track. >

[Written by: Ed Jaffe]

Year-Round RAVE

SHARE wouldn't be what it is without high-value input from many dedicated individuals. The RAVE (Recognize a Valiant Effort) Award recognizes the extra efforts of SHARE attendees who enhance the overall educational experience. Anyone who participates in SHARE can nominate another participant for their assistance.

RAVE is meant to recognize efforts over and beyond the norm. If you feel someone has exceeded the already high quality of networking, assistance, support and presentations available for SHARE members, then RAVE is your vehicle to celebrate and reward that effort!

All SHARE members can nominate SHARE participants for the award. Nominees will be notified quarterly. A letter will be sent to the SHARE member’s manager as well as to the nominee, who will also receive the RAVE pin. All RAVE recipients will be recognized in interactions. RAVEs will continue to be awarded at all SHARE conferences.

Submit your RAVE nomination by clicking here (raves).

RAVE Award Winners - SHARE Atlanta 2016

Diana Donnellan (Sunrise e-Services)

_Nominated by Karla Houser (Caterpillar Inc.):_

For working diligently to prepare the Integrating Innovative Technologies Project schedule for Atlanta and facilitating an excellent set of sessions.

Jerry Edgington (The Kroger Company)

_Nominated by Martha McConaghy (Marist College):_

For volunteering to become the DevOps Project Manager and a Mentor at SHARE Atlanta.

Carla Flores (CA Technologies)
Nominated by Martha McConaghy (Marist College):
For her dedication and success running the Security Project and helping SHARE find terrific Keynote Speakers.

Gordon Daniel (NewEra Software Inc.)
Nominated by Martha McConaghy (Marist College):
For his many years organizing the hands-on lab sessions.

John Shebey (IBM Corporation)
Nominated by Martha McConaghy (Marist College):
For his hard work on the SHARE Academy: z/OS Bug Busterz program at SHARE Atlanta.

Patty Little (IBM Corporation)
Nominated by Martha McConaghy (Marist College):
For her hard work on the SHARE Academy: z/OS Bug Busterz program at SHARE Atlanta.

Ezriel Gross (Circle Software)
Nominated by Martha McConaghy (Marist College):
For his hard work on the SHARE Academy: CICS Immersion program at SHARE Atlanta.

Ed Addison (IBM Corporation)
Nominated by Martha McConaghy (Marist College):
For his hard work on the SHARE Academy: CICS Immersion program at SHARE Atlanta.

Richard Lewis (IBM)
Nominated by Donna Hudi (SHARE Association):
For his hard work on the New to z Systems program at SHARE Atlanta.

Rick Barlow (Nationwide Insurance)
Nominated by Donna Hudi (SHARE Association):
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Romney White (IBM Corporation)
Nominated by Donna Hudi (SHARE Association):
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Frank DeGilio (IBM Corporation)
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Gus Kassimis (IBM Corporation)
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Mitch Johnson (IBM Corporation)
Nominated by Donna Hudi (SHARE Association):
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Ed Petka (fiserv)
Nominated by Donna Hudi (SHARE Association):
For volunteering to be a mentor and helping to guide the next generation of mainframers in SHARE Atlanta.

Jeff Bisti (IBM Corporation)
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Jerry Edgington (The Kroger Company)
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Dave Jones (IBM Corporation)
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Glenn Schneck (GT Software)
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Gene Linefsky (Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation)
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Ellis Holman (IBM Corporation)
Nominated by Donna Hudi (SHARE Association):
For volunteering to work in the SHARE booth and helping to make the changes in Atlanta successful.

Angela Schmitz (AS Commercial Consulting Services)
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Phil Smith (HPE Data Security)
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Paul Robichaux (NewEra Software Inc)
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Marlaina Chirdon (Vanguard Integrity Professionals)
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Mark Wilson (RSM Partners)
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Jule Bergh (IBM Corporation)
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Eysha Shirrine Powers (IBM Corporation)
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Jim Elliott (IBM Corporation)
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John Franciscovich (IBM Corporation)
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Meredith Halperin (SHARE Association)
Nominated by Cheryl Watson (Watson & Walker) and Ed Petka (Marist College):
For successfully coordinating a team of volunteers over the last year to create a new SHARE Requirements System. Her positive attitude kept the project moving and a pleasure to work on. Her leadership, time and effort spent coordinating the work between IBM and the MVSx Projects was impeccable.

Laura Pabst (SHARE Association)
Nominated by Janet Sun (Rocket Software):
For "pulling a housing miracle!"

Matt Hessler (SHARE Association)
Nominated by Marty Zimelis (maz/Consultancy):
Matt did an amazing job pulling together the proposal for the new Sponsorship Program. He performed an enormous amount of work in a short period of time and his effort made the new proposal possible.

SHARE Best Session Winners - San Antonio 2016

Application Architecture Development Program
IBM Session
18395: How to Take Advantage of the New COBOL V5 Compiler - Migration!
Speaker: Tom M. Ross
Project Manager: Carl Gehr, LE and Programming Languages

User Session
18091: CICSPlex SM - A Minimalist Approach
Speaker: Ezriel Gross
Project Manager: Glenn Schneck, CICS

Enterprise Data Center Program
IBM Session
18530: z/OS Communications Server Free-for-All
Speakers: Sam Reynolds, Gus Kassimis, Dave Herr, Lin Overby, Michael Fitzpatrick, Matthias Burkhard, Mike Fox
Project Manager: Angela Schmitz, Communications Server

User Session
18739: Topics on Mainframe Encryption: Password Cracking and Self-Encrypting Drives
Speakers: Chad Rikansrud, OSCP, OSCE
Project Manager: Carla Flores, Security and Compliance
Information Management

*IBM Session*
18708: The Tech World's Newest Catalog - IMS Catalog
Speaker: Nancy Stein
Project Manager: Jim Martin, IMS

Linux & VM

*IBM Session*
18313: LinuxONE and z Systems Solutions and the Open Source Ecosystem
Speaker: Wilhelm Mild
Project Manager: Mark Post, Linux

*User Session*
18900: I Just Bought an IBM z890 - Now What?
Speaker: Connor Krukosky
Project Manager: Mark Post, Linux

MVS

*IBM Session*
18640: DFSMS SMStape: Understanding the Flow of a Mount Request and other Guidance
Speakers: Derek Erdmann, Erika Dawson
Project Manager: Russell Witt, MVS Storage Management

Vendor Session
18416: The MLC Cost Reduction Cookbook
Speaker: Scott Chapman
Project Manager: Norman Hollander, Enterprise-wide Capacity & Performance

User Session
18345: SHARE Live!: Achieving Significant Capacity Improvements on the IBM z13: User Experience
Speaker: Todd J. Havekost
Project Manager: Norman Hollander, Enterprise-wide Capacity & Performance

SHAREwide

*User Session*
18050: zNextGen Project Opening and Keynote: z Systems - It's Been a Bumpy Ride
Speakers: Warren T. Harper, Paul Robichaux
Project Manager: Warren Harper, zNextGen

SHARE Card Case Awards - Atlanta 2016
Thank You to Our Volunteers

SHARE Atlanta would not be possible without the countless hours of support from volunteers. A special thanks to all SHARE Project Managers who act as the guiding light for the event's technical program. They help put together a program full of compelling content based on attendee interests and feedback.

To learn how you can volunteer with SHARE, visit www.SHARE.org/volunteeropportunities (volunteeropportunities).

SHARE Live!

SHARE Live! provides the user community with a virtual attendance option for those unable to join SHARE events in-person. Selected content from each day was streamed live, and participants also received access to the 20+ hours of recorded proceedings for six months post-event.

Save the Date for SHARE San Jose

SHARE San Jose
San Jose McEnery Convention Center
San Jose, CA
March 5-10, 2017

Join us for SHARE San Jose (san-jose) to take advantage of professional development opportunities and the best in enterprise IT content, including high-quality, user-driven educational sessions, access to industry leaders, new innovations and peer-to-peer networking events.