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Newsletter

Welcome to the first issue of the Maine Developer Newsletter. This newsletter is intended to keep you informed of the meetings of the Maine Developer Network user group.

Meetings of the MDN user group are open to everyone. We do ask that you please send us an email to let us know that you're coming. This will allow us to make sure we arrange a location that will hold you all.

The MDN-Team

Who are we?

The Maine Developer Network is organized by a group of .NET technology enthusiasts / volunteers. Currently the MDN team consists of Dave Vincent, Scott Woodruff, Shawn Robichaud and Mark Blomsma.

What do we do?

The Maine Developer Network is a user group focused on bringing quality .NET resources to the developers in the State of Maine.

Upcoming meeting

The first upcoming meeting will be held on the 27th of February 2007 at the Deering Building in Augusta, ME.

The meeting will start at 10:00.

There will be two sessions by Mark Blomsma.

The schedule is:

10:00 to 12:00 - Implementing application logic in .NET 2.0

This session will be about implementing business logic in .NET 2.0. We'll look at and discuss various architectural issues and how to implement design patterns to help create a blueprint of our application. We'll look at choosing and implementing an exception handling strategy and we'll look at various ways data can flow through our application using ADO.NET. Lastly we'll look the Smart Client Software Factory and the guidance offered by the Microsoft Patterns and Practices Group.

12:00 to 12:30 - Lunch with free pizza!

12:30 to 2:00 - Developing for Windows Vista with .NET 3.0

Question and Answers session about various aspects of developing for Windows Vista. Send in any questions you want answered to mark.blomsma@develop-one.com. The morning session focusses on developing with Visual Studio 2005. The afternoon sessions will look at new technologies in .NET 3.0 like Windows Workflow Foundation, Presentation Foundation, Communication Foundation. We'll end the session with a look ahead at beta technologies like LINQ which is expected to be part of Orcas (the next Visual Studio).

Maine Event Calendar

The following events will be held in Maine in the near future:

- February 27th 2007, Augusta:
[MDN user group meeting](#)
- March 6th 2007, Portland:
[Bob & Chris' MSDN Roadshow](#)

Directions to the Deering Building

From I-95 North or South

If coming from the south, take Exit 109(Augusta) bear to the right and merge onto Western Avenue (you will be heading East).

If coming from the north take exit 109A, bear to the right and merge onto Western Avenue (you will be heading East).

Follow Western Avenue to rotary -- take second exit off rotary (you will go across a bridge)

Bear right after bridge (this will be a right just before another rotary) -- this is Route 9: Stone Street which becomes Hospital Street

Follow Stone Street through one set of lights

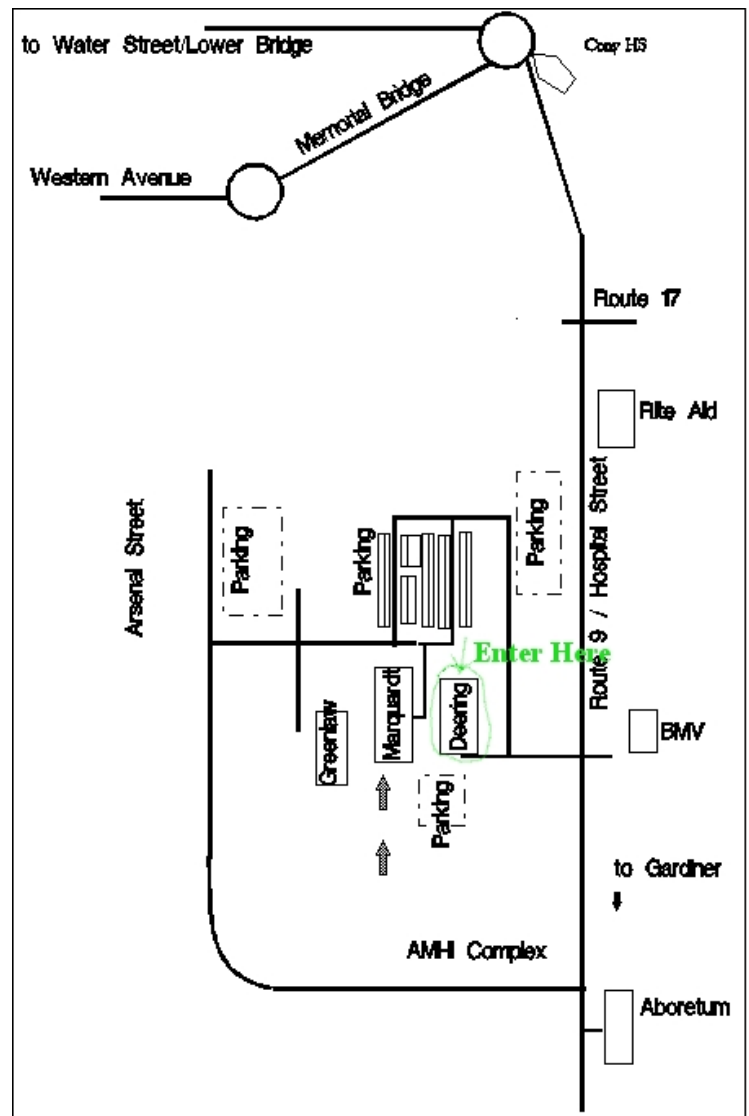
After the light you will go by houses, the State Police Headquarters on the right, and a field with a parking lot -- take a right just past the field/parking lot (the first entrance into the AMHI Complex) -- this drive is at the light.

Take first right off the entry to the complex. Deering Building is on your left.

They will be parking to your right, or follow the road around the corner and park anywhere you can find a space.

Please use the lower parking lot entrance to the building.

The meeting will be held in room 319.



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