You have been nominated by your division manager, and I would like to invite you to take part in an MS retreat.

What: With approval of Billg, Mikemap, Peteh, Rogerh, etc., we have decided to use this year's "systems" retreat to focus on ways that MS's underlying "platform" products (OS's and DB's) and our "applications" products can better leverage each other. The format of the retreat (more detailed agenda to come) will be presentations on our platform products (Chicago, Cairo, OLE2/Cairo dev env., DB), followed by working groups to focus on ways these platforms can be leveraged in apps and vice versa. This is a crucial issue for both "systems" and "apps" if we are both to avoid "commoditization".

When: Thurs evening (June 10) to Saturday (June 12) pm.

Where: Hood Canal - Gates Family "Gateway"

Kayb will be handling logistics, and will be sending out advance material, etc.