

# Solutions Beyond Limits ... eServer has IT all!

By Glenn Gundermann, Chair – TEC2004

**“To say what you have to say, and to say it briefly, lucidly and concisely, is the most challenging problem ...”**

This is true for each of our 25 speakers who jam-pack just the right information into each of our 60+ sessions over two days. So whether you want to learn about WebSphere, RPG, ILE, WebFacing, Security or the many other topics we have in store for you, you definitely don't want to miss out on the great opportunity of attending TUG TEC 2004 on April 20 – 21. By the way, the quote above (which ends with “...for the composer”) is from the great Russian composer Sergei Rachmaninov.

It astounds me to hear how many people do not take the time to increase their knowledge on a regular basis. Are you attending to your educational needs? There are so many opportunities these days, with IBM seminars, other vendor seminars, technical conferences, trade shows, etc., many of which are moderately priced or even free. Take our Meeting of Members for example. We have a



meeting five times a year with a session at 5pm and another at 7pm. How hard is it to make a meeting just five times in a year? You'd think it would be pretty simple ... a lot simpler than say taking a night course that might be every week. All you need to do is make the effort to get up and go. You owe it to your career to take advantage of these opportunities.

**If you program in RPG, are you using RPG IV, prototyping, ILE, APIs, etc.?**

Education is one of those things that is easy to get behind on. Education is not an option and should be treated with urgency. Most people plan their vacations well in advance.



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So why is something as important as education falling by the wayside?

**You can't find time?  
You must make time!**

I'm sure everyone has a list of things they want to learn more about but how do you know when there is something completely brand new? You won't know there is something that you don't know about. As Donald Rumsfeld<sup>1</sup> said, “... because as we know, there are known knowns; (there are things we know we know.) We also know there are known unknowns; (that is to say we know there are some things we do not know.) But there are also unknown unknowns ...” So whether you know what you have to learn about or you want to come and see what's new – we have what you need!

There is no time like the present to register for our conference. Contact the TUG office at [ggundermann@tug.ca](mailto:ggundermann@tug.ca) or (905) 607-2546 and be sure to check our web site at [www.tug.ca/grid.htm](http://www.tug.ca/grid.htm) for updates.

This is my last installment of three informing you, our readers, about TUG TEC 2004. You can view these on our web site taking the [eServer Magazine](#) link and then looking under Articles: Nov/2003 page 20, Jan/2004 page 15 and Mar/2004 page 16.

See you at TEC. Until then remember, *eServer has IT all!* 

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1. Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld, DoD News Briefing, Feb. 12, 2002.



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