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By Glenn Gundermann

The Toronto Users Group for System i proudly presents its 15th annual Technical Education Conference on April 22 – 24, 2008 at the Sheraton Parkway Hotel in Richmond Hill, Ontario.

Every year is a good year to attend TEC, and this year is no exception. With the planning of V6R1 being announced just prior to TEC, there is a vast amount of information to be learned.

What Speakers!

In typical fashion, TUG has planned another stellar cast of speakers, including favourites **Jon Paris**, **Susan Gantner**, **Barbara Morris**, **Jackie Jansen**, **Trevor Perry**, plus many more. We're lucky to have a great relationship with the IBM Toronto Lab and have all of the experts imparting their invaluable knowledge for your benefit.

What a Schedule!

As usual, there is so much to choose from, you won't know which session to attend. Hopefully you'll have others in your company that will cover the sessions you can't attend yourself. And of course you'll receive a CD with all of the session handouts of the conference so you will have all of the information at your fingertips.

We've put a schedule together with all of the topics you asked for. With the programmer in mind, we have sessions on RPG, ILE, RSE, EGL, DB2 Web Query, CL, security, plus much more.

Many companies have operations staff to educate, so we have greatly increased our offerings in this area by covering backup & recovery, backup encryption, high availability, BRMS, HMC, PTFs, iSeries Navigator, TCP/IP, Work Management, and more.

With team leaders and project managers in mind, we also have two full days of Professional Development sessions.

And More!

We have an Executive Breakfast for the executives of your company talking about IBM Rational strategy for System i by **George Farr** and **Todd Britton**, a Vendor Showcase of great products and services, an expert panel discussion on the topic of "Your future and the System i future, are they the same?", a lunch and Keynote Address by **David Burnett** from End to End Networks, and of course the great hands-on labs at the IBM Toronto Lab.

We also have some excellent Vendor Sponsored sessions:

- **Day 1**, 9:45 **Information Builders** – WEB Focus Part 1
- 11:10 **Information Builders** – WEB Focus Part 2
- 1:30 **Seagull Software** – Good Green vs. Bad Green: Considerations for System i Application Modernization
- 2:55 **Tango/04** – 1-2-3: Infrastructure, Security & Applications. The New Trend in Monitoring Strategies
- **Day 2**, 9:45 **EXTOL** – Essential Integration for Resource Constrained Companies

See you at TEC!

Here we are again, the month before another wonderfully planned TEC. You have just enough time to plan for what will be three invaluable days towards your future. There is only so much time you can spend reading magazines and scanning Web sites for information, but we've put together three days of jam-packed information that is useful to you and your job today that you won't want to miss.

Be sure to put TEC 2008 at the top of your list and register today. Check our website www.tug.ca/tec for more details, and I'll see you at TEC!

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Day 2: KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

David Burnett, CD, B.Sc is an entertaining, multi-talented man of integrity, dedication, and determination. He has contributed enormously to the local community and has made every effort to achieve both professional and personal goals over the years.

David Burnett is one of the co-founders of End to End Networks Inc., a network management company based out of Markham, Ontario established in 1993. They design, build, and manage wide area networks for mid to enterprise sized companies headquartered in North America. With David's 35 years of experience, specializing in operations and communications, he establishes long standing relationships that benefit the growth of End to End Networks.

In addition to his responsibilities as the CEO of End to End Networks, he continues to show leadership in the organizations that he participates in. He is currently the President of the Toronto Ski Hawks Ski Club (a downhill ski club for the blind and visually impaired) and the President of the Toronto Gunners.

During the period of 1966 to 1980, he served in Toronto's reserve Artillery regiment, attaining the rank of Captain before losing his eyesight. He was awarded the Canadian Decoration (CD) for his military service.

Presently, he spends countless hours enhancing his business expertise and committing to various organizations. He finds the time to contribute as a member of the Royal Canadian Military Institute (RCMI), the Royal Canadian Legion, the Ontario Visually Impaired Golfers (OVIG), the Ice Owls (a visually impaired hockey team) and the Church of St. Luke – Lutheran.

David Burnett is ultimately a family man and a business man, dealing with life with wisdom and humor.

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