



TUG's Calendar of Upcoming Events

- ⊗ **May 24, 2006 – MoM** (at IBM — 3600 Steeles)
 - ▶ 2:30 Session: “EGL” Speaker: Robert Cancilla
 - ▶ 4:15 Session: “System i5 Integration”
Speaker: Robert Schuster
- ⊗ **September 13 or 14... (date to be confirmed)–**
The 18th Annual “TUG Classic” golf tournament & banquet
- ⊗ **September 17-21 – F06 COMMON Conference, Miami Beach**
- ⊗ **September 27 – MoM**
- ⊗ **October Special - stay tuned!**
- ⊗ **November 22 – MoM**

TUG Election Results

There were no new nominations besides the incumbents this year, so the six returning Board members were elected by acclamation. Starting their new two-year term in July are: **Jay Burford, Richard Dolewski, Glenn Gundermann, Kimberly McNally, Kumar Rajendra, and Ken Sadler**. The six others are mid-way through their terms: **Stephen Bingham, Dan Duffy, Bob Lesiw, Léo Lefebvre, Alkarim Sachedina, and Aziz Saleh**. Rounding out the Board are two non-voting members: **Wende Boddy** and **Stephen Quan**.

C*RN BYTES By Ken Davis

Hi! I do these little poems or doggerel, from time to time for my own amusement and got good feedback, so I thought I might share them with TUG. They are little 4-liners that you might want to use as fillers for the bottom of a column that has too little text. The title “C*RN BYTES” is based on the old C-spec in RPG, and the * makes it a comment. Besides, much of the stuff I have written is corny — just meant to be a small amusement. The topics range from programmers to analysts, from outsourcing to SARS recovery, from TUG to TEC, and just plain issues that we run into every day in IT. I hope you like them...

— Ken

MoM's little Sandwiches,
Much conversing
A bit of this,
A byte of that.

The Analyst
Stands his ground
Doesn't back down—
Is no longer around.

Why is it programmers
Won't code just as fast
As programmers do
On TV?

If a programmer
Falls
In the forest,
Is there a crash?

He thought the code to be
secure,
He knew he got it right,
But really though, it was
impure—
He didn't sleep that night.

The meeting started
Sharp at seven,
And Leo thought,
“Wow! This is heaven!”

Planning Ahead

The upcoming issue (July 2006) of TUG eServer magazine will feature a couple of very interesting technical articles relating to the System i. First **Martin Cytrynbaum** will write about “Presentation Quality Spreadsheets from RPG.” Also in the same issue, we will have another installment from **Garth Tucker** — this time it's: “Application Availability.” Plus the issue will have the usual up-to-date news about what's happening with TUG. Watch for it!

Planning Way Ahead

A little birdie (who's name might be Léo) told us that the dates have already been worked out for TUG's next two annual technical conferences: TEC '07 and TEC 2008! Of course they may change, but you may want to make note of them while fond memories of TEC 2006 are still giving you that warm feeling all over. They are: **April 17–19, '07** and **April 22–24, 2008**. These dates have been selected based on information we currently have from the other users groups (including COMMON) in North America, so as to avoid scheduling conflicts for attendees and speakers.

MoM Winners

TUG would like to thank the following companies for providing the door prizes at the March 22nd MoM: **Eclipse Technologies Inc., i3 Tech Group Inc., and Partner400**. The backpacks, UPS system and shirts were won by: **Thomas Po, Barry Kwong, Ron Campitelli, Umar Ahmad, and Kevin Trotman**. We would also like to thank **sofCast Inc.** for the loan of the video projector. If you would like to donate a prize for the May 24th meeting, ring me up at the TUG office, 905-607-2546. And if you are planning to attend that meeting – don't forget to register!

— *Wende Boddy*

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