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**We Want Your Handy Service Providers and
Suppliers at our Community League Tradeshow!**

Have you been satisfied with a particular plumber or maintenance guy? Did someone do a great job of painting your hall? Can you recommend an event performer or exceptional caterer? Small or big business, we get asks for any and all kinds of suppliers for every aspect of league operations. We would like to get you a few more booths at our trade show representing reliable services you need and we would also like to generate a list for you to be able to get a few quotes for just about anything. Ask your handy friends if they want more business and send us their information and a word or two about your recommendation. Contact michael.janz@efcl.org 780-437-2913 for details and check out [our information online.](#)

Then Bring Yourself Down to the Trade Show!

**Saturday, January 23, 2010
1-4PM at the Blatchford Hanger**

***Workshops, Suppliers, Partner Organizations,
Entertainment, and Free Food and Drink***

The EFCL Tradeshow will be held from 11-4PM at the Blatchford Hanger in Fort Edmonton Park. This is a daylong opportunity for community leaders to come and network with each other, mingle with suppliers and sponsors, go to sessions exploring best practices for community leagues, and take in some entertainment! Free food and beverages will be available so come down and learn about resources available to your league. We are trying to bring together suppliers (Playground, Rink, Hall renovations, Accountants, Legal advisors, insurance providers and much more) of services that are relevant to your league together in one place so you can get your questions answered

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and learn about the resources available to you.

This will be a chance for people to come and learn about what is happening in their community, interact with suppliers and partner organizations, and plan for what 2010 will look like for their community league! There will be something of interest for every league so please mark the date off in your calendar.

FREE ADVERTISING INCREASES ATTENDANCE TO LEAGUE EVENTS

EFCL has created relationships with SHAW TV, the Edmonton Examiner, and CBC Radio. We have had some leagues take advantage of the advertising opportunities available with great results. Tricia from Lakewood Community League said, "Thank you very much for adding us to the list in the Examiner and it worked as I had lots of people call because of it. Thank you!"

Take advantage of these media that are willing to promote community activities and email your events to nancy.rempel@efcl.org and communications@efcl.org or call Nancy at 780-440-9727.

Volunteer for our 59th Annual Talent Show!

Bring your talents, or graphic design & publishing capabilities, or your ideas and your energy and be part of the 59th Annual Talent Show tentatively scheduled for April 10th, 2010. After many years of much appreciated volunteerism, three of the volunteers have stepped down and the current Chair, Judith Richardson, has announced this to be her last year. She will stand by to guide the new team with her vast knowledge.

Typically 50 to 80 acts between the ages of 6 and 18 enter in drama, vocal, music performance, and novelty. The event goes on all day with professional judging. This year hopefully will include videotaping, increased sponsorship and promotion.

Also, in the past, leagues who participated in the Talent Show would give donations to cover the prizes for the youth who entered. Without this commitment of volunteers and sponsorship this long standing tradition may go by the wayside. Already we have some interest from young vibrant volunteers so please try to attend the meeting on December 17th, Thursday afternoon at 1:00 pm. If an evening meeting is required please let us know.

RSVP communications@efcl.org

TYPES OF JOBS:

- Co Chair—overall planning, logistics, & operation
- 3 people to assist with the whole event—includes errands and meeting once per month, and the day of the event
- 3 people to commit one hour once or twice to assist with errands such as picking up medals, coordinating snacks
- 4 or more people to assist the day of the event
- Program Design & Publishing (Printing at EFCL)
- Poster Design & Publishing (Printing at EFCL)
- Promotions

Neighbourhood Engagement

People are the Answer

Have you ever:

- recognized all the great resources, connections and people in your neighbourhood?
- thought about how you could partner with these groups?
- answered questions about your community with pride when you thought about all the great things that happen in your neighbourhood?
- wondered what kind of factual information is available about your neighbourhood?
- wondered about what other people are doing in their neighbourhood that works well?
- shared with others what is working in your neighbourhood?
- thought about a really great way to make community better?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, then open and complete the [Neighbourhood Engagement Application available for download - open for more information](#)

Also available a Summary of [Jim Dier's November Workshop](#)

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