

[Successful Volunteer Management Conference January 18 & 19th, 2007](#)

About 150 volunteer managers and other interested individuals attended the "Stronger Together...Engaging the New Face of Volunteerism" Conference last month. Evaluations were very positive and really highlighted the need for training in the sector. Volunteer Edmonton will continue working in partnership with others in the sector to make training opportunities available.

[Board Leadership Conference 2007](#)

Spaces are filling up quickly for the Board Leadership one-day conference on **Saturday, March 24, 2007**. If you are interested in attending, please *don't hesitate and miss out...* There are a wide variety of sessions - both for new and seasoned board members. For details and directions on registering, visit

<http://www.ecvo.ca/boardleadership2007.html>

[Edmonton Journal Engage Page Updates](#)

You may have noticed some changes on the Engage Page since the beginning of the year...one of them being that the page will only run every second week and will appear on the back page of the Sunday Reader section. There is a chance that it can run more often, but in order for this to happen nonprofit/voluntary agencies need to talk to their corporate partners and see if those partners are willing to sponsor the page. If any of your corporate partners express interest, put them in touch with Shari Narine at 498-5861.

Shari is also looking for submissions for the popular "Snapshots" and "Join Us" features that ran last year. Both require photographs, sent as jpegs. "Snapshots" are focused on volunteers. Send Shari a photograph of your volunteer (or group of volunteers) along with 150 words about what he/she/they have contributed to your organization. "Join Us" is an invitation from your organization to the general public to become a volunteer. Send a photograph of an organization activity and tell Shari in 100 words or less about your organization. You can also include a logo in jpeg format. Include contact information for both "Snapshots" and "Join Us". You can e-mail Shari with your information at snarine@thejournal.canwest.com If you have any questions, phone Shari at 498-5861.

In addition to Engage's availability in newspaper format every other week on the back page of the **Sunday Reader**, it will also have an **online component** accessible from <http://www.edmontonjournal.com> Some new features include: archived Engage issues throughout the year; Volunteer Opportunities will spill over onto the online site; links from the Engage site to nonprofits' websites (i.e. those organizations featured in articles); and a place for feedback from the sector! Check it out

[Grant MacEwan College Announces New Program](#)

The new *Executive Leadership in the Non-profit Sector Program* is being introduced at MacEwan College, Edmonton in September 2007. Full details of the program are available on the MacEwan website at www.macewan.ca/leadership.

Contact Barb Sledz at 497-5268 or by email to executiveleadership@macewan.ca if you have further questions after reviewing the website material.

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