

President's Corner

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Driving to work every morning, I listen to a radio show called (translated) "There are No Two Mornings Alike." These days, it looks like that title would be well suited for TUG. So many things are happening and every day we have to deal with something different.

Special Meeting Location

For a start, and the most important at the moment, is "special" location for our upcoming March Meeting of Members (aka MoM). Due to a final decision on the fate of the building occupied by the Travelodge Hotel (our previous regular

meeting location) TUG can no longer hold its MoMs at the Travelodge. The building is being converted in a Condo/ Apartment building.

We had less than two weeks to find an alternate location. Luckily, we found a place available on our date, and fortunately, it is only few blocks south of the Travelodge. So, our meeting place on March 23rd, 2005 will be the **Meridian Banquet & Convention Centre**, 2301 Keele Street (at Milford, two blocks South of Lawrence Avenue.)

For the May 18 meeting, we will be "Going to the Races". Woodbine Racetrack, here we come again!

With all those changes of venue, I hope you are not too confused. Just make sure you check our Web site for the latest news and register EARLY as seating is limited.

New Directors and elections

In 2004, three members of the TUG board decided to step aside and leave the space for new people. Last year, **Jay Burford**, **Kimberly McNally**, and **Kumar Rajendra** joined the TUG board. Jay was acclaimed during the 2004 TUG election. Kimberly and Kumar were nominated by the board at its December 2004 meeting to fill two vacant positions. Their presence has already made tremendously good impact on the direction of TUG.

The TUG 2005 election campaign is now on. Five TUG Directors are completing the second year of their term. Before starting their next two-year term they must be re-elected by the members. Are you up for a challenge? Do you want to come "on board"? Contact Wende at the TUG office (before March 31) and she will get you a registration form. Sign it and have two other TUG members to co-



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sign the form and you'll be in the race. The election ballot will be sent to the TUG members' primary contacts during the month of April. The ballots received will be counted on Monday May 16 and the results announced at the MoM on May 18. Good luck to the runners!

17th Annual TUG Golf Classic

You want something else different? This year, the 17th Annual TUG Golf Classic is moving from Friday to Wednesday (i.e., June 22.) Now that family and personal time are getting more and more precious, a Wednesday afternoon golf game would not disturb any week-end plans. Or, conversely, after solving last week-end's problems at work and before you get the systems ready for another week-end of hard work (or maybe another upgrade) a Wednesday afternoon golf game could be quite relaxing! If you want to be in the game, if you want to enjoy a good golf game, register early. Places are limited.

TEC 2005

TEC 2005 will be the 12th edition of a fantastic conference! And here too, there will be a few things different from previous years. To learn more about it, read the article by **Glenn Gundermann** in this magazine.

As you can see, even though TUG is almost 20 years old, it is still a very dynamic group. As they say, "Changes are the spice of life." One thing I can say for sure, there are no two users groups alike, and TUG is the best of them all!



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