

Greetings from Toronto!

My previous two articles had been composed from abroad (India and Tampa, FL). This one is being written here in Toronto. I am not travelling at this time. I will be next week however, when I attend COMMON's first Annual Conference in Anaheim, CA. I could not wait until then to prepare my column since Vaughn needed it before our trip to California. So, here it is...

TEC '007

Another TEC has come and gone. Another great one—our fourteenth annual! Even though you can read a lot more about this fabulous event elsewhere in this publication, it is hard not to mention it here. Congratulations to everyone who has helped make it a great success and thank you to all of the TEC '007 attendees.

Although TEC is the major TUG event of a year there are many other events presented by your best System i users group, and for the next month—more precisely within the space of 22 days—TUG members will see plenty of activities from their group.

May 30th MoM

Let's start with our next Meeting of Members. Exceptionally this MoM will be presented on the last Wednesday of the month—May 30, 2007. We will have two great speakers to close the 2006/07 season. Jackie Jansen, a regular columnist for this magazine, will be talking about the new IBM product announced on April 10th: **Beyond Query/400, DB2 Web Query for System i. According to Jackie, "Providing reporting and graphing assistants as well as a WYSIWYG 'painter', DB2 Web Query will allow you to improve the look and functionality of your existing Query/400 reports."**

Jackie will be followed by another excellent speaker who needs no introduction. **Randall Munson** will make a rare appearance in Toronto, sponsored by RJS. He will present his new session: "Magic of System i; What IBM Will Never Tell You!" Obviously, a presentation not to be missed: "Be there for an insightful, fun-filled presentation by COMMON's top award-winning speaker – and bring along those that have not yet realized the magic of System i!"

COiN, TUG and COMMON Collaboration, June 7.

On June 7th (eight days after our last MoM of the season) in a special collaboration between COiN (Central Ontario iSeries Network – users group based in Kitchener)



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COMMON, and **TUG** we'll take a "Deep Dive into System i Access for Web". Taking place at the Living Arts Centre Mississauga, this day-long session will be presented by none other than the iSeries Access expert, **Carole Miner**. Don't miss this unique opportunity to enhance your knowledge about this fantastic tool that allows you and your users to access your System i using only any regular Web browser. iSeries Access for Windows is not even required. See the advertisement on page 3 in this magazine.

TUG Golf Classic, June 21, 2007

Then (counting in days) only fourteen days after the **COiN-COMMON-TUG** event, on **June 21** you are invited to spend a day in the sun! Join us for TUG's 19th Golf Classic, to be held again this year at the Glen Eagle Golf Club. The days are getting longer, the temperature is getting warmer, the grass is getting greener and greener — so what are we waiting for? Let's grab our clubs and let's hit some balls... Let's have some fun and get in the mood for this year's TUG Golf Classic.

See you at any (or at all) of those events!

