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TORONTO CARPET FACTORY &amp; YORK LIBERTY BUILDINGS NEWS

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# Grand Grub and Grog

## And, where to for the next hall crawl?



The 5th floor of 67/77 Mowat Ave. was definitely the place to be seen on Thursday, June 19th, during the Hall Crawl/Grub and Grog Party. The party-minded businesses on the 5th floor hosted a fantastic soiree between 4 and 8 pm, giving the entire complex the opportunity to meet, greet, sing, dance and talk shop, while crawling the length of the 5th floor (from German beer to grilled cheese).

It was most definitely a community effort; Robbie Roth of Colour Ring (Suite 007, 77 Mowat Ave.), generously assembled a talented, inspired group of musicians who entertained us in Suite 507, while Shoeless Joe's, Caffino and the Warehouse Grill all passed around delicious appetizers. Thank you to Robbie and our culinary contributors.

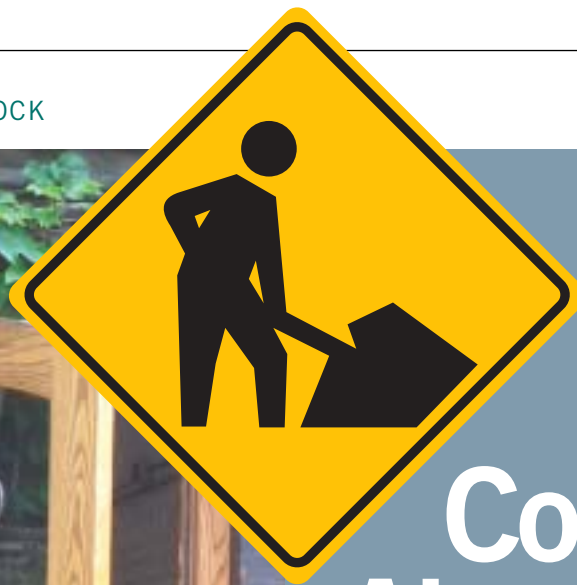
Huge thanks to Sean Bittle and his "keen team" at Big Orbit for spearheading the event and for displaying their creative bent in the design of posters for the party, not to mention the inventive booklets profiling 5th floor businesses. Thanks to Moveable Inc. for printing the posters and for giving us a great discount on printing the booklets.

Winners of the highly competitive Karaoke contest were Matt Carter and Omar Khan of Sonic Boom for their electrifying performances. Matt and Omar were winners of \$150 cash prizes, along with Mark Corbett of

Coast Paper, Pat Healey of MCG, Margaret Pycherek of Riddoch Communications and Philip Bermingham of LVF. Family passes to the Here Comes Summer event at Lamport Stadium were also awarded. All of the businesses on the 5th floor are to be congratulated for their creativity and party prowess: Beanfield Technologies, Big Orbit, Biographix, ECX, Fingerprint Communications, MCG, Moveable, Reactorz, Riddoch Communications, Sewell Evans, Storefront Communications, and Wisekidz.

In case you were one of a few people Sean Bittle *didn't* have an opportunity to get to, Sean has publicly challenged the other floors/buildings in the complex to host the next hall crawl this fall. (Halloween on the lower level would be a blast!) The gauntlet is down – who's picking it up? The party planners at Big Orbit are anxiously awaiting your call as they have a wealth of suggestions, ideas and tips for the next Hall Crawl. (Or call Jane in the Management Office at (416) 533-3000.)

It was quite the housewarming for Beanfield Technologies who were awarded the prize for endurance; music was blaring and lights were burning brightly in their suite until well after 2 am (or so we're told!)



# Construction Ahead!

Much like Toronto road crews, we plan to take advantage of the nice weather to make further improvements to the property. Unlike Toronto road crews, however, we will not be wreaking havoc with your ability to get around!

Watch for crews renovating the 1st floor washroom at 77 Mowat Ave., adding a new handrail outside 57 Mowat Ave. (let us know what you think), and replacing the door and renovating the lobby at 80 Fraser Ave. Work is also planned on the roof trusses at 67 Mowat Ave. (rust proofing), and a new entrance at 1183 King St. W., including washrooms, lobby and stairs, is in the works.

## Bring your questions to the Race for Mayor Meeting

If you're agonizing over whom to support for new mayor of our fine city, attend the candidates meeting across the street at Lamport Stadium on Tuesday, September 9th at 6 pm. Could it be more convenient? Each candidate will be given an opportunity to present their platform, with a question and answer period to follow. It's a great opportunity to get the answers to your pressing questions about their plans for Toronto in advance of the November 10th election.

## Speaking of construction...

Our section of King St. is slated for closure for TTC track repairs from Labour Day weekend until the second week in October. It would definitely be wise to avoid the area.

And, some very positive news has just come our way from the city regarding Mowat Ave. Mowat, between King St. W. and Liberty St., will be narrowed, making room for sidewalks (yes, sidewalks) on the East side of the street. Construction is to commence in October and, rest assured, the new sidewalk will not impact parking on that side of the building.

### Watch for news about the Toronto Carpet Factory BBQ, coming to a courtyard near you this fall! Channeling to Elvis...



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Upbeat Blood Services employees greet TCF donors.

David Romero of Mercury Accessories and Patrick Dickinson of Storefront Communications roll up their sleeves for Canadian Blood Services.)

# Thanks for rolling up your sleeves



You rose to the challenge and beyond! Thanks to so many of you for giving of your time, not to mention your blood, at our Blood Donor Clinic, held Monday, June 16th. Suite 507 was transformed into an amazing blood collection facility, as we gathered to support Canadian Blood Services in their efforts to stock pile blood in advance of their needy summer season. Over 50 people attended the clinic, and 29 units of blood were collected. These units will be separated into 4 components (red and white cells, platelets and plasma) and used to treat up to 116 patients. We did so very well this time around, Canadian Blood Services would like us to host another clinic towards the end of August. Stay tuned...

## Doors were open May 24 – 25

We had a wonderful time hosting visitors to the complex on the weekend of May 24 and 25th during the annual Doors Open Toronto event. Over 300 people toured through the Toronto Carpet Factory, spending time perusing the memorabilia hanging in the lobby areas and being guided through the complex by a friendly, knowledgeable group of tour guides. Thanks to Sonic Boom (Suite 335, 67 Mowat Ave.) for allowing themselves to be one of the stops on the tour – and such an enthusiastic one at that.

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## Life at the TCF in 1945

While preparing for the onslaught of visitors for Doors Open, we happened across a highly entertaining, vintage issue of The Shuttle. For those of you who may not know, we didn't invent this name for our newsletter, we simply carried on a tradition, as The Shuttle was the name of the Toronto Carpet Manufacturing Co. plant periodical back in the day.



We thought you might enjoy a couple of particularly interesting tidbits:

Employees were asked for their response to the following question:

"What is the most important event that happened to you in the past year?" (being 1945)

Here are some of the more delightful responses:

Vin. Allin – *Being high man in the turkey roll.*

C.L. Rickey – *Taking a chicken home from the bowling tournament.*

E. Stewart – *Catching two squirrels in our attic. Wonder if they were after me!*

Annie Lawrie – *Nothing ever happens to me – shucks!*

I. Izenbaum – *I won \$5 in the Draw and felt important when I gave it to my wife.*

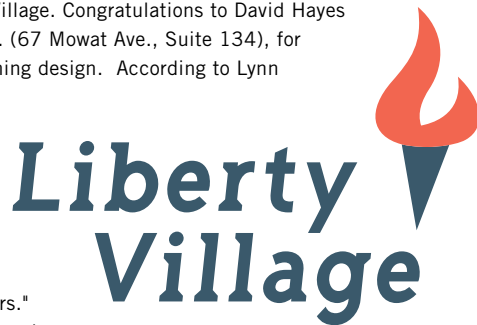
(Yes, life was most definitely simpler then.)

They also included a monthly feature on accidents.

"Accidents: Ed Timpson of the Worsted Spinning Dept. suffered a rather unpleasant experience when his left arm was caught in a machine in operation. Although somewhat handicapped, Ed continues to carry on the good work."

# LVBIA News: New logo, improved security and Here Comes Summer

The BIA recently invited local design firms to create a logo for Liberty Village. Congratulations to David Hayes of Dig Design Co. (67 Mowat Ave., Suite 134), for creating the winning design. According to Lynn Clay, Executive Director of LVBIA, the new torch design "is simple, elegant and reflects the leadership spirit of Liberty Villagers."



The BIA is preparing to launch an external patrol service for Liberty Village through Intelligarde Security Patrol. Following a review of the audit conducted by Intelligarde at a public meeting on Wed., Aug. 13 at SMART Toronto, the plan is to have a guard patrolling the neighbourhood, on bicycle, from dusk to dawn. The guard will be available for escorting people to their cars or to TTC or GO stations. For further information, please call Lynn Clay at the BIA at (416) 516-1723.

Hats off to the LVBIA for a masterful job in organizing the Here Comes Summer event at Lamport Stadium on June 21st. The event had some big-name talent on stage, and the activities for children were dazzling. To top it off, the event raised over \$10,000 for the St. Joseph's Health Centre's Medicine and Beyond Campaign.



## Toasting Italy and Hungary with the Port Wine Club

The Port Wine Club (67 Mowat Ave., Suite 229) has been busy of late with a number of celebrations, including tribute evenings to both Italy and Hungary. The Taste of Italy was, fittingly, held at Caffino at the end of March, with a splendid menu from Chef Roberto Del Papa, paired with a selection of port and Italian wines.

The Port Wine Club of Canada is about to celebrate its second anniversary as a collection of people who share a love of great wine and fine food. The club gathers to learn about serving, tasting and cooking with wine. Representatives from port producers often attend the dinners to share their favorite wines and their knowledge of viticulture. Sounds appealing! For further information on the club contact Luiz Conceicao at (416) 537-2868.

