Trafalgar Village Hits The Two Decade Mark

Celebrating the first 20 years

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With a foundation that was originally laid over 38 years ago, Trafalgar Village is proud to be Oakville's longest established community shopping centre. Twenty years ago the decision was made to reconstruct the original two facing plazas and they developed what stands today as Trafalgar Village Shopping Centre. Since that day, many retailers have come and gone, but nine have remained the same.

Cadet Cleaners, Oakville Cycle and Sport, Riviera Hair Stylists, Surroundings Gallery, Foreyes Optical, Manning Jewellers, Sooters, Oakville Bowlerama and the Golden Griddle have all been with Trafalgar Village since the beginning. Even more noteworthy, is that six of them are independent stores. While some of the six have changed names, none of them have changed owners or locations, and therefore their path to success has been a consistent one.

"This mall has many nice, quality, viable stores," comments Mall Manager Pat Sutcliffe. "This is a convenient community shopping centre. We have never tried to be anything else, which is why I feel we've



Pat Sutcliffe, Mall Manager

been successful."

Not only is Tragalgar Village home to some delightful shops and boutiques, but they also offer space to various community groups. One great example is the Rotary Club. They have been using the upstanding community mall as their television auction headquarters for five years. As well as MADD Halton whom have been a permanent tenant since April 1996.

"We feel it's important to give something back to the community," expresses Sutcliffe. "We do what we can to help charitable organizations, as well as sponsoring children's sports teams." Which in looking at the calendar, she points out the Soccer Gold Awards are coming up on

What's Happening Tuesday October 12 to Sunday October 17

Sidewalk Sale All Week

Carnival on North Parking Lot

Wed.-Fri. 4-9, Sat. 11-9 Sun. Noon to 6 *Pay one price - ride all day (Sunday only)

"Leo the Lion" with Balloons & Coupons

Friday 4-8, Sunday 10:30-4:30

"Squeaky" The Clown Free Face Painting or Cheek Art & Balloon Animals

Saturday 11-4

Anniversary Cake Cutting with Mayor Ann Mulvale Hawaiian & Filipino Dance **Demonstrations by SIONY'S**

Saturday 3:00 p.m.

Pro Wrestling Matches

in Dr. Flea's

Saturday

Sunday from 1 p.m.

Saturday, October 23, 1999. Also coming in the near future is the annual Beta Sigma Phi used book sale, taking place this fall on November 6 and 7.

Trafalgar Village is home to many shops, salons, boutiques and services, all waiting to serve you, so if you haven't been recently, come visit them just west of Trafalgar, one stop light south of the QEW.

Or join them during their 20 year anniversary celebration with Mayor Ann Mulvale as she cuts the birthday cake on Saturday, October 16 at 3:00 p.m.



Winner of the 1st year Anniversary Bonanza Draw.

Memories

As well as holding various annual charitable events, Trafalgar Village also holds many of their own fun affairs. For example, people young and old enjoy the annual petting zoo. Every March Break the public gathers to watch funny animal antics in the centre of the mall. From goats to sheep, and everyone's favourite, the kangaroos, these animals offer hours of fun. For the more reserved crowd, there is also the annual craft shows. The craft show actually runs twice a year, once right before Mother's Day and again before Christmas. In addition to all this is the annual Senior's Craft and Bake Sale, held on the last Thursday of September.

Throughout the years and many sales and promotions, Trafalgar Village has been visited by many famous figures, fictional and real.

Everyone remembers when the Power Rangers came to visit, the mall was crawling with kids with hopes of meeting the fabulous four. And of course Batman and Spiderman have made the occasional visit, exciting many a young fan.

For the sports buffs, many sports celebrities have graced this community shopping centre, drawing crowds. Guy LeFleur and Frank Mahovlich from the Montreal Canadians have both stopped in to greet their fans, as well as (past) Blue Jay Pat Borders. Many of the Toronto Maple Leafs have also stopped in at one point or another, drawing attention. Johnny Bauer, Darryl Sitler, Norm Ulman, Billy Harris and Bob Nevan are just a few of the sports greats that have stopped by.

On a television note, various soap stars have visited as well, with Jess Whalton (a.k.a. Jill Abbott) from the Young and the Restless being fresh in everyone's memory.

With 20 years of memories to consider, they obviously all can't fit on one page. So reminisce with some classic photos and compare the changes with today's images, and don't miss the 20 year anniversary celebration to take place from October 12 to 17.

	844-3771
Bowlerama	845-6541
Cadet Cleaners	8+2-6997
Celebrit: Tobacco & Gitts	849-3845
Dollar Craz	338-5684
Driver & Vehicle License Office	337-8751
Dr. Flea's Market	849-3532
FCS Computers	845-0463
Flooringsca.com	8+9-++72
Foreves Optical	845-9908
Gino's Pizza	
Golden Griddle Family Restaurant	842-4247
Happy Corner Cafe	
Joggers Warehouse	842-8040

La Bijou Ladies Accessories	339-1314
Lottery Stop	_842-3908
MADD Hilton	
Manning lewellers	844-2668
Nail Queen	<u>844-1600</u>
No Frilk	
Novelry Toys & Gitts	815-9843
Oakville Cycle & Sports	844-4394
Oakville Sewing Centre	_844-2782
Off Broadway Fashion Outlet	844-7302
Omni Fashions & Accessories	338-0960
P.A.M.'s Coffee & Tea Co	815-0555
Peggy's Ladies Fashions	844-5361
Penningtons Superstore	

Pets & More	845 6664
Riviera Hairstvlist	845-8281
S&H Health Foods	337-9420
Dr. A. Sanghera (Optometrist)	844-2798
Smart Selection	
Sooter Studios	844-4474
Space Optical	842-2821
Surroundings Gallery	
Tim Horton Donuts	
Trafalgar Village Dental Group	844-0872
Verdi Hair Design	
Village Tailor	
The Women's Club	