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L'Arrivo dell'Autunno

L'autunno ha bussato,
che cosa ha portato?
Un cesto di mele,
un cucchiaino di miele,
le pere mature,
le noci un po' dure,
dei grappoli d'oro,
cornacchie nel coro,
il profumo dei funghi,
pomeriggi un po' lunghi,
la nebbia fitta fitta,
una scolaretta zitta zitta,
la zucca tonda e gialla,
una stanca farfalla,
un tappeto di foglie
accartocciate,
le strade lunghe, grigie e
bagnate,
tanti quaderni da riempire,
tante castagne da abbrustolire.
Ciao autunno, sei arrivato,
quante cose ci hai portato!

Marzia Cabano





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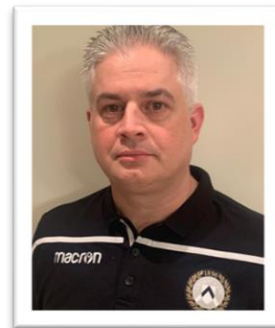
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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Dear Members

Renewed seasons also bring about renewed activities. Hopefully you all had some great summer vacations and were able to make many new memories as well. Personally, I can bank many memories after attending Fogolârs 2022 in Friuli, the Fogolârs Federation of Canada Congresso. A wonderful time touring Friuli was had by everyone, despite the ever-present heat.

As we return from these varied vacations, a new fall harvest season also allows for new and varied activities at the Famèe Furlane. Our activities groups are now in full mode planning events. I am sure you have seen and read in the MANDI newsletter, some traditional as well as new and different events. It is hoped to see many members actively participating at these activities and maybe volunteering too! An extra hand is always welcome and adds to the fun, memories and sense of community as well.

Saluts,

Renzo Rigutto, President

LOOK WHO'S BACK!

Acclaimed as director at the elections held in June, both the Board and Membership welcome back Roberto Clocchiatti to serve as our newly appointed Treasurer.



Roberto is the son of two Furlans who are “*dica & dila de laghe*”. His father, Ariedo Clocchiatti, from Variano di Basiliano near Udine. Ariedo is a lifetime member of the Fogolar and assisted with the construction of the Famèe Furlane in the early 1970’s. His mother, Ornella Clocchiatti (Valvasori), was from Panegai near Azzano Decimo. She participated in many events and in various clubs within the Famèe Furlane, including her much loved Bocce. Sadly, Roberto lost his mom a few years back.

Roberto graduated from the Schulich School of Business with an MBA in 1988 and currently runs his own business assisting small companies with implementing management/financial software. This is his second tour of duty on the board at the Famèe, having served under Luigi Gambin and Matthew Melchior from 2007 to 2016. Hosted by the Famèe Furlane Toronto, Roberto was on the organizing committee for the 2012 Congresso dei Fogolars del Canada. A most successful event which saw 120 Furlans from across Canada and Friuli participate and enjoy 3-day celebration of Furlan Culture.

Welcome Roberto, now that you have once again “*rolled up your sleeves*”, we on the board look forward to working together for the benefit of our membership. *Bon Lavor!*

FFT - CELEBRATING 90 YEARS

THE HEART REMEMBERS...

Thinking about putting to paper what Famèe Furlane Toronto memories are dear to me, there are far too many and it would be difficult to pick one. From family celebrations to countless FFT hosted activities and events, where does one start to highlight? Recently I attended an unexpected gathering and was surprised to see a gentleman, not seen in a number of years, but I was immediately struck by the number of warm memories just seeing him evoked. His always warm smile, infectious laughter, sense of humor and overall demeanor was like a magnet for good times at all functions. I really do not know this fella that well, and yet found myself tumbling along the corridor of memorable times related to the FFT. It was a truly warm feeling.

I then realized that amongst all the good times there are a number of interesting and most congenial folks that have added a huge component making gatherings special. I know I'm dating myself, but in the past many a function was topped off by the gathering of a handful of spirited folks who would share in singing familiar folk songs, thereby conjuring feelings of nostalgia and *deja vu*. How can one recreate the feeling of family and belonging our picnic gatherings evoked each year. Volunteers worked hard all day, sometimes to the dismay of their own families, but who considered it work? The volunteer team spirit, camaraderie shared, the laughter and even the exhaustion and sore feet, remain unforgettable. It really was a tremendously rewarding feeling of fun and satisfaction.

When a much loved and respected president passed away a number of years ago it was difficult for us as his Famèe family to grasp the enormity of the loss. However, the gathering in great numbers as one, recognizing we all shared in the same feelings and experiencing the same emotions was quite surreal. That is what family offers, supporting one another through the good times and bad.

One can write an entire book on the innumerable "special events", but the common thread is always the special feelings these occasions created. Feelings are sometimes difficult to define, but I suppose what I'm trying to say is that my fondest memories of the Famèe Furlane throughout the many years I have been involved really can be summed up with "leaving me with a special feeling" and knowing in my heart of hearts that simply put, is also the common thread we all can share. Innovative decorations and unique touches always add to the atmosphere, but at the end of the day, at the core of the success is what we carried home – the memories, the friendship, the warmth all combined with the feeling of true "family" belonging – all gifts to be cherished.

Ivana Pontisso



THE BEST EVER...

As we approach Thanksgiving 2022 in this our 90th year of existence at the Famèe Furlane Toronto let's take a look back 10 years ago when our club hosted the "Congresso dei Fogolars Furlans del Canada".

This is a bi-annual event where the Fogolars from across Canada meet to enjoy three days of Furlan Culture, Food and Friends. It was started in 1974 by Father Ermano Bulfon and Rino Pellegrina and held every 2 years at the various Fogolars across Canada from Halifax to Vancouver.

After the 2010 Congresso held in Windsor Ontario, there was concern that no Fogolar was stepping forward to host the 2012 event. The original immigrants were now getting older, and it was becoming more difficult to organize such a large undertaking. It was Berto De Rosa who started the process by asking the next generation of Furlans born in Canada to organize the Congresso 2012 at the Famèe Furlane Toronto. At first there was some hesitation but after some discussion and analysis a group of members of the Famèe, born in Canada, created the organizing committee for Congresso 2012; Roberto Clocchiatti, Luis Simeoni, George Rodaro and Renzo Rigutto.

The Congresso's 3-day event included a welcoming reception on the Friday night, workshops on various Furlan topics on Saturday, a big gala dinner Saturday night, which was attended by some 500 people, Cultural/Music activities and local side trips on Sunday. The Congresso was held on Thanksgiving weekend in October 2012 and the theme for the event - *Reconnect Fogolars 2012* - a time to reconnect the younger Furlans with the original immigrants; reconnect the Furlans in Canada with their heritage and reconnect Furlans in Canada with Friuli.

The highlight of this Congresso was the workshops that took place Saturday from morning till late afternoon. The day started with Dr. Louis Francescutti who at the time was the head of the Canadian Medical Association. He gave the keynote address to welcome everyone. He was born in Friuli and like many others came to Canada with his parents as a young child. Later in the morning he held a one-hour workshop to discuss the state of the Canadian medical system.

We also invited a special guest, Enos Costantini from Cividale Friuli, who provided three workshops. The first on the story behind Furlan surnames in which he gave many examples of common last names in Friuli and how they originated. The second on the names of Furlan towns and cities and where they came from, and the third on the history of vineyards, vines and grapes in Friuli.

Other workshops included: Furlan language history by Professor Gabriella Colussi; Furlan music history and the Villote from the 1800's by Carmen Spada, who visited Friuli for the research; PIER 21 and the history of the Italian immigration in the 1950's presented by Carrie-Ann Smith of the PIER21 Museum; Code-switching by seniors presented by Nadia Mior



Learning the history of Friuli vines, wines and vineyards courtesy of Prof Enos Costantini



Dr Luis Francescutti's presenting insights into The Canadian Medical System



Wine making how to with Alberto Gris from Hamilton

of Hamilton and finally traditional wine-making techniques by Alberto Gris and Alberto Milan. Sunday was another full day of events including cooking classes by Gianni Ceschia; a city bus tour for out-of-town guests; a Furlan trivia contest; a mosaic & art exhibit where local Furlans displayed their crafts; and finally, an afternoon of favorite music from opera to accordion to contemporary.

This was the third Famèe Furlane Toronto hosted Congresso and a huge success - so much so, that Alberto De Rosa declared that in his 40 years of participating in the Fogolaris Congressos, he said this one was the best ever! Mandi a duc!

Roberto Clocchiatti



Music expert Carmen Spada with Roberto Clocchiatti



90 year old Alcea Spada entering the Saturday Night Gala via PIER 21 Bridge; pictured with daughter Marilyn and son-in-law Danilo Toneguzzi



Friulan Linguistics with Prof Gabriella Colussi



Congresso Executive Committee with Federation President Ivano Cargnello (centre) - Left to Right Roberto Clocchiatti, Luis Simeoni, George Rodaro and Renzo Rigutto

IT'S THE CULTURE...

The Famèe Furlane Toronto has always been a part of my life. My father joined the Famèe at its formation and was an early board member. He joined to experience the culture of Friuli, to speak Furlan among friends and enjoy the activities that reminded him of his first home.

Then, as now, it is the Friulian culture that attracts us. A recent survey showed that members want to experience events involving the food and wine, language, dance, and history that are part of the region's culture.

I enjoyed my time with the Culture Committee helping to organize the children's camps, art exhibits, film showings and member events. I look forward to future events, wherever they are held. *Doreen Vanini*



Mario Della Rossa, professional mosaicist and a student of the Scuola Mosaicisti del Friuli, in Spilimbergo, with the young artists and their work from the Art class that was part of a children's camp in 2012.

È CADUTA UNA FOGLIA

*È caduta una foglia
dall'albero lassù,
quando l'albero si spoglia
l'estate non c'è più*



MORE THAN JUST A NIGHT AT THE THEATRE!

On Saturday, July 9th, 2022, the Famèe Furlane Toronto, together with ICFF, hosted the movie "*Diabolik*" at Cineplex Vaughan Theatre. The movie, partly filmed in Trieste by the Manetti brothers, was an action, crime, mystery that was enjoyed by members in attendance. Raffle draws and grab bags were an added bonus at the event, not to mention how proud we were to see our Famèe Furlane Toronto 90th Anniversary logo proudly displayed on the big screen. We would like to thank all our prize donors: *Culinary 2000, Finch Jewellers, Wish Boutique, The Beauty Supply Centre, Baci Perugina, Barilla Pasta, Rio Mare, and the Di Marco and Ongaro families. What a nice way to kick start the summer!*

Sonia Pittis



ALL IN A SUNDAY AFTERNOON...

On September 25, over 25 members of the Famèe gathered to view Ermanno Olmi's cinematic masterpiece *L'Albero degli Zoccoli*, in English "*The Tree of Wooden Clogs*". It tells the story of four families, poor tenant farmers, "*mezzadri*", living and working on an estate in Bergamo in the late 1890's. The film is a beautiful and profound exploration and meditation on rural life in Northern Italy through one particular year. The actors are non-professional people, local to the area, and the dialogue is all in the Bergamesque dialect, with English sub-titles. Over 3 hours long (!), but for Furlans of a certain generation in the audience, so very evocative of their own lives and history. You could hear them laugh and chuckle at the various scenes and then not a pin drop as they watched the more poignant and dramatic moments. I think there even may have been a few tears. As one of our members Mario Bomben remarked, "*that was my life. I lived all that*". The movie was coupled with a wonderful display of handmade farm implements and objects most of which were collected by the late Remo Cosolo who had created a little museum of all these items in his home. Almost every item bears a tag with the name of the person who made or gave it to Remo. Especially endearing is a beautiful little unused sickle that was part of his wife Dina's dowry when they married. Remo's family generously donated the collection to the Famèe and his cousin and lifetime member Bruno Cosolo was there with his daughter Lucy to view the film. We presented Bruno and Lucy with a copy of *La Patria del Friul* and *Landed* to give to Remo's wife, Dina and their family. Both the film and the display of tools and artifacts brought "*Il Volto di una Civiltà*" – which means "*the face of a civilization*" - a truly beautiful, illustrated volume depicting life in the Friuli of our ancestors. During the welcomed break and intermission with coffee, wine and refreshments (beautifully prepared and served by Claudia and Manuela Pol Bodetto), there was lots of conversation and talk about what the film meant and recalled for them. What strikes me is that today, as descendants of those *contadini* who tirelessly worked the land, lived, loved, and persevered through many hardships and injustices, that thanks to their humble, brave, life-affirming example, we ourselves are the new faces of that civilization – *il volto di una Civiltà nuova*.

Lauretta Santarossa





FAMÈE FURLANE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

After a hiatus, since March of 2019, save two small gatherings, the Famèe Furlane Toronto Women's Auxiliary is back up and running with new enthusiasm and focus.

Our core objectives always remain the same - to promote and maintain the Furlan culture and heritage. At the same time, we want to pursue new interests and experiences that please and enrich the members and support others in need. We continue to warmly welcome new members with open arms. Membership is open to all those of Furlan decent or whose spouse is of Furlan decent. Guests are always welcome.

The Women's Auxillary has persued the study of our culture and heritage through researched presentations on famous Furlans, shared recipes, oral stories, and guest speakers on a variety of subjects. Day trip activities, such as attending plays at Stratford or Niagara on the Lake have been eagerly embraced. Our annual excursion to Casino Niagara has been missed throughout lockdown and plans are underway for its quick return later this fall. Book reports contribute opportunities for learning and interesting conversations. We are always on the lookout for new ideas, location visits and other opportunities to experience.

Ideas are already in the works for participating in Arie di Natale and new crafts for Breakfast with Santa. Seasonal workshops including fall and Christmas planters and centerpieces are always a big hit.

For a finale, meetings are regularly completed with coffee, treats, baking talents, and socializing. It is always a great way to end an evening. We look forward to a wonderful year, hopefully, without interruption. Come out and see for yourselves. Minimal membership fees, enthusiastic members, and an overall nice time.

Member

JOIN US AT NIAGARA FALLSVIEW CASINO SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2022

\$40 per person

*Includes transportation and \$35 in Free Slot Play
Bring Photo ID & Player Card*

Bus Schedule

Departing Famèe Furlane 10:00am sharp
Departing Fallsview Casino 4:30pm approx.

Carpooling is recommended as parking is limited at the Famee Furlane

Information/Reservations

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ETA D'ORO

Tutto all'improvviso, causa di questa tremenda pandemia, siamo stati costretti a fermare tutti i nostri incontri e isolarci per quasi due anni.

Per noi anziani, questo periodo è stato vissuto con molta solitudine e con tanta ansia per il nostro futuro.

Finalmente abbiamo potuto ritornare a riunirsi alla Famèe Furlane il 7 settembre. Nel nostro primo incontro alla Famèe Furlane sono venuti circa 70 membri molto entusiasti e soddisfatti a ritrovarci insieme.

Per aiutarci e per nostro interesse abbiamo avuto, per sorpresa, una visita da Francesca La Marca. Francesca ci ha spiegato il suo ruolo come rappresentante con il governo Italiano e I vari tipi di servizi offerti agli anziani che hanno bisogno di aiuto

Vi vogliamo fare sapere che il nostro Presidente Nino Blasutti dell'Età D'oro ha dato le dimissioni. Ci dispiace molto perché è una persona molto apprezzata ed è stato molto dedicato al nostro gruppo e nel 2022 è stato nominato il Bon Furlan!

Cordiale saluto a tutti i Friulani,

Elena Moretti



GOOD TIMES WITH 20-SOMETHINGS

As autumn approaches, we have a few upcoming events that will provide an opportunity for much laughter and fun-filled entertainment including our *Friendsgiving* dinner social! This event will celebrate our gratitude for friendship and members' birthdays for the months of September and October. We also look forward to our annual *Very Merry Furlan Christmas* in December. Summer festivities were a hit among members, most especially our Furlan Youth Picnic held at Boyd Park in August. It was a wonderful gathering of friends and an opportunity to catch up face-to-face after a long pandemic. Our group consists of members ranging in age from 20s-40s, all are welcome. For more information about our group or on upcoming events, contact Vanessa at 20somethings.famee@gmail.com.

Mandi,

*Vanessa Lovisa-Gambin
President, 20-Somethings*





*Summer picnic at Boyd Park with some of our members
Left to Right: Steve and Clara Sedran, Vanessa Gambin,
Michael Gambin, Thomas Arthur, Melissa Lovisa,
Alfio Granzotto, Monica Granzotto*

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<p>SERENA CARLY MURACA</p> 	<p>LA VOCE DI NESTRI ZOVINS</p>	 <p>NOAH PAOLO PIVETTA</p>
<p><i>Exercising, traveling, shopping, spending time with friends and family</i></p>	<p>HOBBIES & INTEREST</p>	<p><i>Personal fitness, video games, soccer and ice hockey</i></p>
<p><i>University of Guelph-Humber Campus</i></p>	<p>UNIVERSITY / COLLEGE / HIGH SCHOOL</p>	<p><i>Chaminade College School</i></p>
<p><i>Working towards Honours Bachelor of Applied Science in Psychology and Diploma in General Arts and Science.</i></p>	<p>EDUCATION</p>	<p><i>Currently in Grade 12 working towards my high school diploma and hoping to go to university to work towards a degree in Life Sciences</i></p>
<p><i>To become a Psychologist</i></p>	<p>CAREER GOALS</p>	<p><i>To become an Orthodontist</i></p>
<p><i>My Dad was born in Toronto. My nonni are both from Cosenza, Calabria</i></p>	<p>PATERNAL ROOTS</p>	<p><i>My Nonni are from San Martino al Tagliamento, Pordenone, and Bannia, Pordenone</i></p>
<p><i>My Mom was born in Toronto. My nonni are both from Friuli, Nonna from San Quirino, Pordenone and Nonno from Codroipo, Udine</i></p>	<p>MATERNAL ROOTS</p>	<p><i>My Nonni are from Arzene, Pordenone, and San Martino al Tagliamento, Pordenone</i></p>
<p><i>Without a doubt both the food and wines!</i></p>	<p>WHAT IS LIKED BEST ABOUT YOUR FURLAN ROOTS</p>	<p><i>Friuli is so rich and diverse in culture, talent, and tradition. We have our own language that is different from anywhere else in the world. For me it is also the best foods, and most of all, honest, hard-working, and amazing people.</i></p>
<p><i>“No capis nuie!”</i></p>	<p>FAVOURITE FURLAN SAYING</p>	<p><i>“Mangia che te vien grande”</i></p>
<p><i>Laughter is the best medicine. Do everything with kindness and always keep your family close.</i></p>	<p>ONE THING OR VALUE LEARNED FROM NONNI</p>	<p><i>That no matter how little you might have, as long as you work hard and stay dedicated, you can make a great life for yourself and your family</i></p>
<p><i>Going to Friuli for the first time together with my Nonni and meeting my relatives, while learning about the language, culture, and traditions. I enjoyed going back a few years later to further explore the region with other Canadians also of furlan descent.</i></p>	<p>FAVOURITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY</p>	<p><i>Going to the Famèe Furlane Breakfast with Santa each year with my family and helping out in the kitchen at Nonni’s houses</i></p>
<p><i>Gathering with my relatives to enjoy furlan dishes such as muset, fasoi, brovada and crostoli</i></p>	<p>FURLAN CULTURE OR TRADITION THAT CONTINUES AT HOME</p>	<p><i>Making delicious gnocchi and polenta</i></p>

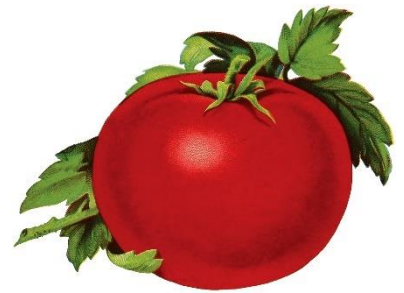


ATOR LA TAULA

Some of our fondest memories and traditions revolve around food...especially food like our mothers, fathers and *nonnis* used to make. The Santarossa clan from the Comunale in Casarsa has a well-deserved reputation for being good cooks and salumiers and its members have established restaurants on three continents. Chef Joel Valvasori of Lulu la Delizia in Perth Australia shares this recipe from his nonna Luigia (Gigiutta) Santarossa Valvasori. Luigia, now in her 90s, is the first cousin of FFT members Rino and the late Odorino Santarossa, renowned for their *salsiccia*, *salas*, *musets* and skills as traditional Furlan “*pursitars*”.

The Santarossa “Ragu”

250g pork mince	3 sticks celery
250g veal mince	1 large carrot
125g olive oil	Pinch chilli powder
3 cloves garlic	Pinch cinnamon powder
2 sticks rosemary, chopped	Glass of red wine (plus at least two for you)
Half a bunch sage, chopped	1 diced Roma tomato
1 large onion	100g tomato passata
1 bay leaf	Handful of chopped Italian parsley
Knob of butter	Salt & freshly ground black pepper

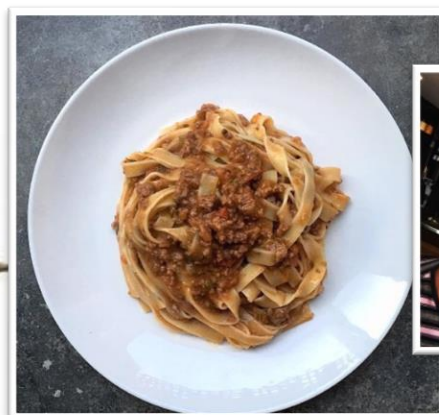


Method

In a heavy-based pot, heat oil to a medium heat. Add garlic and fry gently until it starts to buckle and go lightly golden on the edges. Add the rosemary and sage, and briefly fry to release the oils and aromas. Add onions, butter, bay leaf, chopped parsley and some salt and pepper.

On a medium heat, allow onions to sweat until translucent and they start to become sweet. Add celery, carrot and sweat until the carrots soften slightly. Add red wine and spices. Allow to cook for a few minutes for the liquid to cook out then add both the tomatoes and the passata. Adjust seasoning.

Using a wooden spoon, start to incorporate the minced meat into the hot sauce, separating the grains of meat as they heat up. Re-adjust the seasoning. Bring the sauce back to the simmer. With a lid ajar on the pot, simmer the sauce until the meat becomes tender and the oils start to separate from the sauce. Check and adjust seasoning as required.



Buon Appetito!

PASSATEMPO

WORDSEARCH – It’s “VIN” O’clock!

Search through the jumbled letters to find the words listed below. They can be found vertically, horizontally, or diagonally. Once you find the word, circle it and cross off the list. *Buona Fortuna!*

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| BAROLO | TREBBIANO |
| CABERNET FRANC | VALPOLICELLA |
| CHARDONNAY | VERDICCHIO |
| CHIANTI | VERDUZZO |
| FRIULANO | VERNACCIA |
| MALVASIA | ZINFANDEL |
| MARSALA | |
| MERLOT | |
| NEBBIOLO | |
| PICOLIT | |
| PIGNOLO | |
| PINOT GRIGIO | |
| PROSECCO | |
| RAMANDOLO | |
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| REISLING | |
| RIBOLA GIALLA | |
| SAUVIGNON | |
| SCHIOPPETINO | |
| TOCAI FRIULANO | |



FRIÛL INFATS – QUESTIONS

Jason Moretto

- How old is the Udine Castle hill, which recent archeological research has ascertained to be artificial and the biggest prehistoric mound in Europe by volume?
- What Fiat racing driver co-founded the Lancia car manufacturer in 1906 with Vincenzo Lancia?
- What song did Arturo Zardini compose during the First World War, which became a symbol of the Alpine troops and the people of Friuli?
- When did the Ottomans raid Venetian-controlled Friuli?
- Where is the largest marina complex in Italy and one of the largest in Europe, with over 5,000 shipping berths?
- In what year did the Friulian flag originate?
- What priest was known as “cantor of the Friulan soul” and wrote over 300 compositions including *Aquilee*?
- What is housed in Pordenone’s Castello di Torre?
- In what year did Friuli Venezia Giulia abolish its 4 provinces in favour of 18 unique *Intermunicipal Territorial Union* territories?
- What monsignor was pro vicar general of the archdiocese of Udine and a prolific poet of the Friulan language?



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NEW GRANDPARENTS!

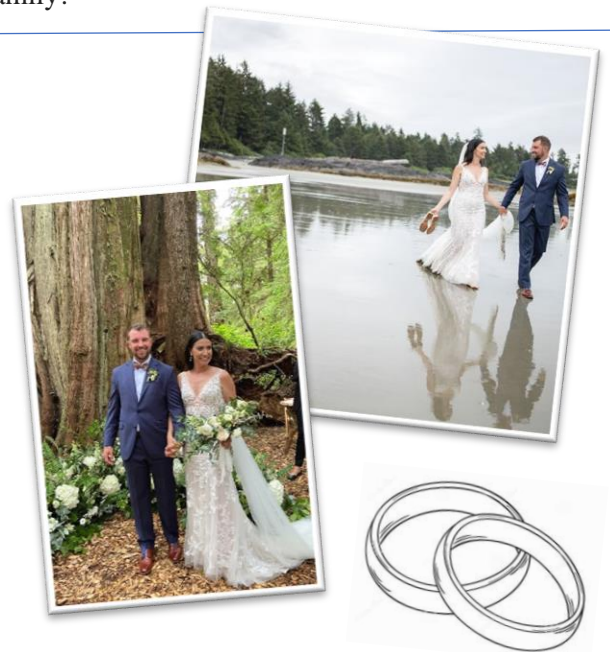
She's sugar. She's spice, She's everything nice. Meet Abigail Harper Marchese who arrived on August 22, 2022 to proud parents Alexandra and Matthew Marchese, making Famèe Furlane Toronto, member, devoted employee and friend, Marylane D'Agnolo-Marchese and her husband Naz, very proud first time Grandparents. Congratulations to the entire Marchese family!



FAIRY TALE FOREST WEDDING

My niece Jennifer was married in Tofino, BC on August the 12th. Both Jennifer and her husband Scott are of Furlan descent. The wedding ceremony took place in an old-growth rainforest clearing surrounded by her closest family and friends. The whole day was absolutely beautiful and magical. The couple exchanged their vows in front of ancient western red cedars, with the reception held on the beach. Me, her aunt Mara Mian couldn't be prouder of the wonderful and caring adults they have become. I've been a member of the Famèe Furlane Toronto and the Dolomite Ski Club for many years now.

Jennifer joined the Dolomites a few years ago and caught the "snowboarding" bug. Both she and her cousin Ariana had a blast on the Tremblant trips. Jennifer lives in Victoria, BC now and currently gets to enjoy the Rockies and all the snowboarding she wants. Congratulations to the happy couple, Jennifer and Scott. Love Zia Mara



GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

A special family gathering in Venice in celebration of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of long time Famèe Furlane Toronto members Carla and Arrigo Rossi - Congratulations!



Celebrating with Arrigo and Carla are from left to right: Arrigo's cousin Mauro, Carla's sisters Louise and Daniela, the honored celebratory couple, brothers in law Vanni and Misha, along with cousin Mauro's girlfriend Erichetta



IN MEMORIAM

Rosa Scodellaro

August 26, 2022 - Mother to member Patricia Pivetta and mother-in-law to member Robert Pivetta

Sergio Santarossa

September 3, 2022 - Brother to members Rino Santarossa and Rina Francescutti and a number of member cousins

Valerio Stefenatti

September 8, 2022 - Member



OKTOBERFEST

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Friuli Terrace



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LIFE AT THE TERRACE

The tenants at Friuli Terrace have been able to socialize more with the lifting of COVID-19 restrictions although they remain ever diligent at times wearing masks or not participating in activities if they are not feeling well.

Activities have slowly started up again with residents participating in some light exercise classes using resistance bands led by the CHATS Co-Ordinator. Bingo nights as well as movie nights have been arranged by our Property Manager Lora.



The weekly Rosary has been a constant during COVID either by phone or ZOOM. This spiritual activity has been led by one of the original residents of Friuli Terrace. The residents are now able to participate in person in the Conservatory when possible.

Friuli Terrace is blessed with many expert gardeners. Once again the gardens flourish and now it is time to harvest and enjoy the benefits of their hard work. The gardens remain an important part of the essential activities at Friuli Terrace. The raised garden beds make it easier for the residents to tend to their crop.

The pergola in the garden is receiving some much-needed restoration thanks to a very talented resident of Friuli Terrace.

The summer's festivities started off with birthday celebrations where the residents gathered to pay homage to one of their own and enjoy the lovely July weather with food, fun and even some dancing. They were joined by our Property Manager Lora, and one of our long-time PSWs.

On August 17, York Region and the Friuli Terrace Board jointly held a BBQ for the residents. The Grace before the meal was led by one of the Terraces few remaining original residents. The same individual responsible for leading the Rosary. The fare consisted of BBQ sausages, pasta salad, baked potatoes and green salad made to perfection and served by Culinary Studios with assistance by volunteers. Each participant was provided with a raffle ticket with prizes provided by Friuli Terrace Board. York Region led the participants in a game of Bingo and provided prizes for the winners. For dessert, the residents were treated to an ice cream truck. All those who could either on their own steam or with walkers and canes in tow formed an orderly line to get their ice cream. Volunteers were on hand to help those who required assistance to carry their ice cream back to their place or to bring ice cream back to those who couldn't make the trip to the truck. As the ice cream was being served, the skies opened and provided us with some much-needed rain. Thanks to the quick thinking of the Terrace Superintendent Paola who lent us her golf umbrellas, everyone remained dry and were able to get their ice-cream. For those who were unable to attend the event,





the meals were delivered to their door. During the events, York Region informed the residences that they have been looking into providing some new activities such as Yoga and Art Therapy. The Friuli Terrace Property Management Team is working with York Region to bring these activities to the Terrace. These new programs will be ever more important during the colder months.

On August 20, the Club D'Amicizia, tenant formed and led social club hosted a BBQ for its members at Friuli Terrace.

It is wonderful to see the residents interacting with each other and enjoying themselves.

In the Fall, the Friuli Terrace Board and Management will begin to prioritize the capital projects required at the Terrace to ensure that the building remains safe for residents, staff, and health workers.



Villa Leonardo Gambin



A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR



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Dear Friends,

Those long summer days are now behind us for 2022, but we are thankful to have enjoyed the season in a much more normal fashion. Walks, visits to the park, excursions to Marylake, and simple outdoor gatherings on the patio were once again the norm at VLG, with the outdoors offering fresh air and serenity that lifts the spirit and soul.

Everyone knows that food is at the heart of Italian culture. We are lucky to have such a wonderful community of donors which on many occasions this summer has manifested itself as a BBQ meal, shared and enjoyed by our team, our residents, and their families and friends. I'm compelled to recognize one individual in particular, who is always the first to donate a meal - Gianni Ceschia is also a dedicated Board Member, who along with the rest of our Board, selflessly gives countless hours of his valuable time to enrich and enhance our home and the lives of its residents. Grazie Gianni!

*This summer, we also celebrated a milestone birthday for our oldest resident, Donato Panacci, who turned 105!!! We celebrated this momentous occasion with live entertainment, food, and dance on the patio, and loved ones all around. Donato's secrets to longevity were also recently featured in City Life magazine; thanks to editor **Michelle Zerillo-Sosa for crafting such a wonderful article.** We also welcomed MP Francesco Sorbara, who stopped by to present Donato with a certificate and a birthday cake – a gesture that meant so much to Donato and his family.*

Our Better Bed campaign continues to surge towards a successful conclusion with many generous and meaningful donations received this summer. Thank you to all who donated, and in particular, to Avenue Building Corporation for their significant donation, which brings us one step closer to replacing every single original bed in VLG with new, more comfortable, and much safer, technologically advanced beds.

Other projects nearing completion are the major air conditioning overhaul (bringing individual air conditioning units, and individual control and comfort to each of our resident rooms), and our activity room renovations on floors 5, 6 and 7.

Indeed, there is much to look forward to at VLG as the seasons turn. We recognize that VLG would not be "best in class," a facility that our residents are proud to call home, without the generosity of our community. The need for long term care in our community is immense, and we are proud to do our small part to fulfill this need, with a community by our side to truly elevate our home and services.

Please visit www.villagambin.com to donate today!

My very best,


Andrew Iacobelli
Chair, Board of Directors
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OAK LEAF GALA

The Oak Leaf Gala is unfortunately postponed for one additional year. We are instead bringing you the OLG@home experience. We will provide you with delicious food, wine and even favors for your guests. All you have to do is figure out who you are going to invite.

All proceeds from the OLG@home Gala will support the Better Beds Fundraising Campaign and VLG's areas of most need.

For more information about the OLG@home Gala, sponsorship opportunities and menu, please visit our website www.villagambin.com or call 905-856-7619.

About OLG@home 



Chef Gianni Ceschia, the owner of Culinary Studio, finally... BY GIANNI CHESCIA and host of L'arte Di Cucinare, has curated a special menu designed to satisfy your palate and impress your guests. The best thing about your OLG@home experience is that you decide when you want to celebrate. Just call Chef Gianni with your date and the selections you want from the OLG@home prix fixe menu and his team will prepare your meal fresh when you want it.

Take this opportunity to reconnect with your family, friends or colleagues and host your own intimate Oak Leaf Gala. Your guests can GLAM UP for the occasion or dress down for a casual affair. This is the beauty of the OLG@home – you're the architect of your own experience.

PLEASE NOTE: Certificate cannot be used on the following dates: December 23, 2022, December 24, 2022, December 25, 2022, December 26, 2022, December 31, 2022, January 1, 2023, January 2, 2023, April 7, 2023, April 8, 2023, April 9, 2023





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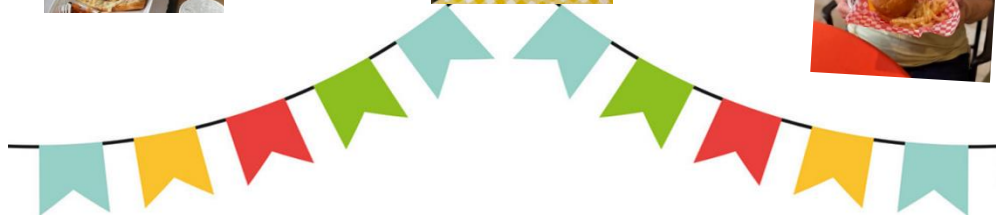
This summer we were pleased to receive a \$10,000 donation from Avenue Building Corporation toward our Better Beds Fundraising Campaign. This was a great boost to our campaign as it has moved us closer to our goal. We thank Tony Patullo, Jim Patullo and everyone at Avenue Building Corporation for their continued support of our work. We are so grateful to have you as part of the Villa Leonardo Gambin Family.

SUMMER BBQs ARE BACK!

This summer we were finally able to bring back our summer BBQs which bring together staff, family members and residents. It is an opportunity for everyone to interact with each other and have some fun. This was especially important for the socialization of our residents who have been confined to their home floors for the past few years and are finally able to experience something that they looked forward to in the past.

The BBQs were a success, and we would like to thank the following people and companies whose donations helped make this year's BBQs some of our best to date:

Ferrero, Frito-Lay, Gardenburger, Gianni Ceschia, Highliner Foods, Maple Leaf Foods, McCain Foods Limited, Mike's No Frills, Olymel Foodservice, Voortman's Bakery



SUMMER LOVIN'

Villa Leonardo Gambin's residents enjoying the summer months filled with gardening, delicious BBQs, outings to Marylake Shrine and Doctor McLean Park, Monthly Birthday Celebrations, and live entertainment for all to enjoy. Summer 2022 was filled with so much happiness and joy, we look forward to next year's events!



DONATO TURNS 105!

Villa Leonardo Gambin is celebrating the birthday of its oldest living resident in its 17 years of operation, WWII Vet and Italian immigrant, Donato Panacci. Donato was born on August 8th, 1917, in Valpara, Frosinone, Lazio, Italy. Donato was one of eight children. Donato immigrated to Toronto, Canada in 1955, leaving behind his wife and two children who joined him three years later.

Donato enjoys playing cards and challenging his fellow residents to games of Scopa, Briscola, and Tresette. Within the home, Donato is a Resident Ambassador. He has a kind, welcoming nature and continuously supports both staff and residents. He motivates his peers to participate in programs and regularly assists residents in need.

On Thursday, August 11th, Donato celebrated his 105th birthday at Villa Leonardo Gambin. With close family, residents, and friends Donato celebrated with live entertainment, champagne, dancing, and delicious cake. It was a beautiful celebration for all to enjoy, and we wished Donato an incredibly happy and healthy birthday.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, October 15, 2022	Oktoberfest
Sunday, October 23, 2022	Movie - "Chi ha Ucciso il mio Bisnonno?"
Sunday, November 13, 2022	Women's Auxillary - Casino Niagara
November/December 2022	Furlan Classes
Sunday, December 4, 2022	Breakfast with Santa
February 9-11, 2023	Dolomite Ski Trip

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MEMBERSHIP

Summer is gone and Fall has arrived. I am sure you will be looking forward to participating in the events your board is organizing for you, our members. Unforeseen delays have not allowed us to organize events as we once did, but now we are making every effort to bring back activities that you once enjoyed.

Your participation is very important to us. Please advise us if your home address or email address has changed to allow us to update our records so as not to be excluded from our plans.

As a member of our beloved Famèe we ask that if you know a fellow Furlan who is not a member encourage them to become one, or if their membership has lapsed, to re-new it.

“OUR NEW BEGINNING” will not be the same without you and your family. Don’t miss out on being a part of something you will be proud of and pass onto your children.

Your Membership Committee

Correction: The Summer Edition of the Forum noted 1977 as the year Adele Pascolo, first female member of the Famèe Furlane Toronto became a member, whereas the correct year she joined was 1968. ***Congratulations Adele, as first, you paved the way for many!***

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