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La Me Marilenghe



Me mari contava
Che quant chi eri pissula
Pena arrivada in Canada
A pena tre ajns
I zuiavi in front dalla nuetra cjasà
E una siora si e fermat e mi
domanda
In italian "come ti chiami?"
"Lauretta" I rispundi
"Sei italiana?"
"No!" Dis jo "I soi Furlana!"

No parlavi altri
A cjasà me si parlava dome Furlan
Era la lengha da la me zent,
mari, pari, nonnus, duçus.

Da li nina-nanis
Nina-nana curizin
Fa la nana, bon pipin

Dai zoucs ca si zuiavi coi fruttus
Man man muarta
Peta su la puarta
Peta sul barcon
Bumpf un patafon a paron

E dopo ogni fiesta e sposalizi
A cjantavin cjansons
Di legrie

A plen vous
"O ce biel o ce biel cjastel a Udin"
"Zoventut come a Udin
No si trove nissul post"

E plansevin
"Al ciante il giâl
Al criche il di:
Mandi ninine me
Mi tocie partî"

E lavorant ogni di come mats
Stracs di muri
Sabide sere a cjantavin
"Ciribiribin doman e fieste
Ciribiribin no si lavore,
Ciribiribin si passe l'ore,
Ciribiribin a fâ l'amor

Il nustrî benedet Furlan
Che parlin, cjacharin, fevelan
Di ca e di là da l'aghe
Cambiant peraulis chi e li
Pais par paesut

No dialet no lenghe muarte
Sempri vive Marilenghe.

By *Lauretta Santarossa*





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OUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Members:

I trust this message finds you all well and prospering. As the summer season comes to a close and we look forward to the Fall season, we, both Board and Membership continue to celebrate the changes happening at our Famèe. As the saying goes, the only constant in life is change, and that could not be truer for our beloved club.

After almost a year of work we have adopted our new By Law and Articles as per the Provincial Government mandate. These new bylaws and articles needed to be in place by October 19th of this year and we were able to complete this task on time. Our residence at our current home, including both the Saletta and Canada Room, has been successfully extended for another year with the understanding a further extension will be accommodated. On the topic of our new home, discussions with the Veneto Centre are continuing well, but the onus to finalize details of our new spot on the Veneto Centre Campus is definitely with the City and Provincial Governments.

With changes to the board as a result of the recent elections, we are excitedly looking forward to working for you under a new Board structure. With your ongoing support, there is much in store for membership as together we continue to map out the future of our beloved Famèe.

Joseph A. Zamparo





ITALIAN HERITAGE MONTH

Furlan Pride on Exhibit



The Famèe Furlane Toronto had proud hands-on participation in a series of events hosted by several different organizers in this year's Italian Heritage Month celebrations.

The month started with the receipt of an invitation from Consul General of Italy, Luca Zelioli, to attend a reception in honour of the Italian Republic's 78th anniversary, held at the Liberty Grand on June 5th. With over 500 Italians, representing all sectors of the Community in attendance, this event gave salute to our roots by showcasing several local Italian entrepreneurs, their services and products. Our Furlan roots were handsomely represented by Gianni Ceschia and Culinary Studio. Guests enjoyed a video message from Antonio Tajani, Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs, presentations by the Consul General and other notables as well as tributes to several most deserving individuals in honour of Italian National Day. The formalities were followed with a most generous selection of Italian delicacies and outstanding wines for all to enjoy. With Italian music in the background, Italian flags and colours abounding the venue - along with delicious food creations – how could one not feel proudly Italian!



On the same evening, The Columbus Centre hosted A Celebration of Dialects. Held in their Joseph D. Carrier Art Gallery, authors were encouraged to write and submit their original creations which were to be expertly recited at the event in their beloved dialect. It was a most delightful and entertaining evening with a great number of regions in Italy represented, including Sicilia, Abruzzo, Lazio and Veneto to name but a few. Listening to the wide assortment of dialects was fun and most enjoyable! However, without a doubt the highlight for us was FFT member Lauretta Santarossa's reading of "La Me Marilenghe" - an original poem written in her very own "Casarsese Furlan". Not only her poetic composition, but its amusing rendition made us all very proud to be Furlans.

Bon Lavor Lauretta!

On Sunday June 23rd, FFT member, Professor Olga Zorzi Pugliese had the privilege of making a presentation on the story and history of the beautiful mosaic ceiling in the Rotunda at the Royal Ontario Museum. She spoke on the involvement of Furlan and other Italian artisans both in its creation and completion. As was brought to the fore in her wonderful presentation, as Furlans we took great pride in learning of the role our ancestors had in its creation. Furthermore, we were very much impressed with the Furlan contributions to the building of the City of Toronto overall. What a magnificent legacy! *

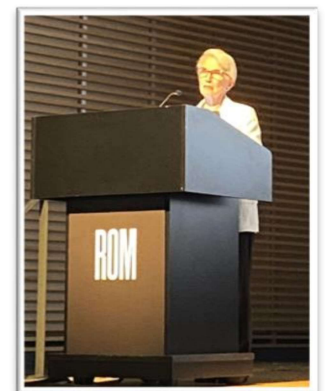


Famèe Furlane Toronto takes great pride in being one of this program's supporters and extends a sincere thank you to Prof. Olga Zorzi Pugliese for her beautiful presentation. Unfortunately, tickets for the event were limited, otherwise many more of our membership would have been in attendance.

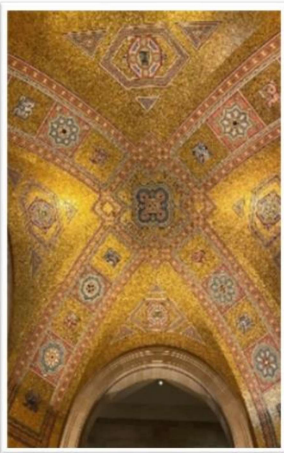
Overall, the 2024 version of Italian Heritage Month was indeed celebrated in terrific style, and we are most proud to have had opportunities to exhibit and reflect upon our Furlan uniqueness.

Ivana Pontisso

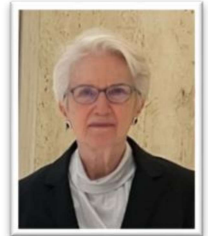
**Note: See Recognition of Furlan Artistry by Doreen Vanini page 4*



RECOGNITION OF FRIULIAN ARTISTRY



On Sunday, June 23, at the Royal Ontario Museum (ROM), the mosaic ceiling in the east entrance of the ROM was celebrated. During Italian Heritage Month and one event in the ROM Talks series, Prof. Olga Zorzi Pugliese made a presentation about the ceiling, describing how it got there, the people responsible for its creation and the role of Furlan Artistry.



The ceiling has been in place since 1933, created out of coloured and golden *smalti*, in a Byzantine design. Connolly Marble had the contract and hired artisans from Friuli to help in the design and assembly of the stunning piece. The vaulted ceiling represents unity in diversity, incorporating in the design symbols of North and South America, Rome, Asia and Venice. It is one of the earliest large-scale monuments created by Canadians.

In the audience that evening were dignitaries, such as the Italian Consul general, Luca Zelioli, many Famè members, including president Joe Zamparo and past president Renzo Rigutto and touchingly, several descendants of those who brought the ceiling into being.

It took eight months to create and install the ceiling which remains an enduring piece of beauty and a point of pride for all *Furlans*.

Doreen Vanini



SUNFLOWERS & SPRITZES



On Thursday, June 20, the Famè Furlane came alive with creativity and laughter as budding artists gathered for a fun “Paint and Sip” evening. Led by artist instructor Olivia Bagnoli from the Woodbridge Art School, 20 participants unleashed their inner creativity, transforming blank canvases into a stunning sunflower: each painting evidence of their own uniqueness.



The room buzzed with a perfect mix of fun and excitement, where participants bonded over brushstrokes and bursts of color. The evening didn't stop with the painting - Aperol Spritzes and sweets were enjoyed, adding a special twist to the event.

By night's end, everyone walked away with a beautiful sunflower masterpiece, friends - both new and reconnections with old - and memories of an unforgettable evening. With the success of this event, the Famè Furlane is already planning their next creative get-together in November, promising more art, treats and good times!

Flavia Muraca



ICFF SUMMER'S EVE MOVIE NIGHT

TITLE: A MUSO DURO

DIRECTOR: MARCO PONTECORVO

GENRE: A biopic drama inspired by the story of Dr. Maglio who dedicated his life to social recovery of disabled people, and who in 1960 organized the first Paralympic Games in history.

WHERE: Cineplex Vaughan

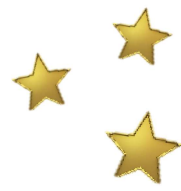
WHEN: July 16, 2024



A terrific movie followed by an afterparty mix & mingle at the Famèe Furlane Toronto enjoyed by all! Refreshments were in part graciously contributed by donors Pizza Nova, Fortinos, Nino D'Aversa and Dessertlicious Inc. Thank you for your generosity. It was so nice to see everyone...members of both Famèe Furlane Toronto and Trentino Club, socializing and celebrating a memorable summer movie night...

The pictures say it all! *Viva il cinema e la buona compagnia!*

Sonia Pittis



LA VOCE DI NESTRI MEMBRI



VALERIO VUARAN

Full Name and nick name	VALERIO VUARAN
Your or your family's Furlan roots	<i>Belgrado di Varmo, Udine</i>
Most Proud Life's Accomplishment	<i>Immigrated to Canada at age 19 without any family. After 4 years returned home, met and married my wife Lida and we came back to Canada, started a family with a son and a daughter.</i>
One bucket list adventure you would like to try but haven't yet	<i>After my daughter wins the lottery, go to Abu Dhabi to watch the last Formula 1 race of the season.</i>
Biggest reason for joining the Famee Furlane Toronto	<i>Originally joined with the influence of the late Tony Scaini and have remained a member to keep my Furlan heritage alive.</i>
A favorite hobby or interest	<i>Watching Formula 1 racing and cheering on Scuderia Ferrari along with my son & yes even my daughter! Even when we are not watching together, I will get a phone call when something big happens like most recently when Leclerc won the Monza Grand Prix.</i>
One particular Famee Furlane related memory	<i>The New Years' parties back when we had over 500 people attend. Even had my parents attend one year in 1986! This was the event of the year and we were sure to attend each time with many friends.</i>
What do you like best about your Furlanitat	<i>The variety of food with the best being muset and brovade</i>
A Favorite Furlan saying or filestroche	<i>Dopo il ridi al veng il vai (After the laughter comes the crying)</i>
What have you gained from being a Famee Furlane member	<i>Met many paisans which have become lifelong friends</i>
A Furlan Trait or Tradition that continues to be shared	<i>The Furlan language – to maintain it and pass it on to my nevôts</i>





ROSEMARY MARALDO

<p>Full Name and nick name</p>	<p>ROSEMARY MARALDO <i>(Mom calls me “Meri”) I will also answer to Rosute or Rose, but you have to know me well for that. Fun Fact: I was supposed to be called Rosa Marina after my two grandmothers, but got anglicized on my birth certificate.</i></p>
<p>Your or your family’s Furlan roots</p>	<p><i>Mom from Maniago Libero, Father from Meduno (if you’ve ever crossed Ponte dei Maraldi on your way in or out of Meduno, its named after his family).</i></p>
<p>Most Proud Life’s Accomplishment</p>	<p><i>Hard to choose, a couple are becoming a Registered Dietitian and obtaining my Master’s Degree.</i></p>
<p>One bucket list adventure you would like to try but haven’t yet</p>	<p><i>African Safari (the real thing, not the one by Hamilton) or sky diving.</i></p>
<p>Biggest reason for joining the Famee Furlane Toronto</p>	<p><i>I joined the Youth Group when that was a really cool thing to do, and to feel closer to my roots. I grew up in a very Italian neighbourhood, so I just felt “Italian”, before joining the Club. I was really into researching my heritage at the time too. Still am actually.</i></p>
<p>A favorite hobby or interest</p>	<p><i>I’m into perfecting my sourdough baking right now. Looking into developing other hobbies now that I’m retired!</i></p>
<p>One particular Famee Furlane related memory</p>	<p><i>So many I can’t choose one (picnics, the Sagra, Maniago’s 1000th Anniversary event). Every Single Tremblant Trip!!!!</i></p>
<p>What do you like best about your Furlanitat</p>	<p><i>We have a language that is unique and can be used as a secret language when needed. That and the food, the people, the history. I could go on.</i></p>
<p>A Favorite Furlan saying or filestroche</p>	<p><i>Balís di cjaldàn!</i></p>
<p>What have you gained from being a Famee Furlane member</p>	<p><i>Friendships</i></p>
<p>A Furlan Trait or Tradition that continues to be shared</p>	<p><i>When a woman was asked by a T.V. journalist why no crying was heard after the 1976 earthquake she responded ‘Crying won’t accomplish anything. What we have to do now is start working on rebuilding’. Strength, fortitude and the ability to carry on despite hardships, is seen in my parents, my relatives and in so many Friulans I’ve met through the Club.</i></p>

A PICNIC FEAST FOR THE SOUL!



After a season of great indoor fun, on Sunday August 4th, the Famèe Furlane Toronto hosted its annual outdoor picnic, this year at the Veneto Centre. This was our first picnic at this location, and it proved to be a most enjoyable day with well over 250 adults and youngsters in attendance.

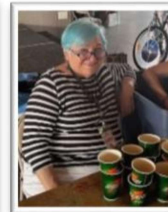
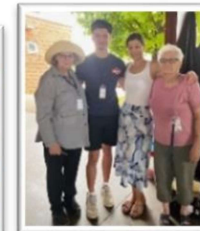
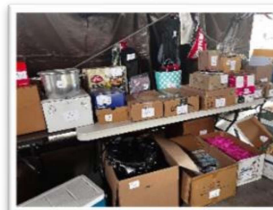
The day's packed activities included a *Furlan Marcjat* selling apparel and accessories, the ever-popular Pesca raffle with hundreds of prizes both large and small, an assortment of children's games, face painting, ice cream truck, and a briscola tournament. Overall, the picnic connected us with traditions from the past and displayed a promising future given the good time had by everyone. Amongst traditions, Gianni Ceschia's much enjoyed BBQ dinner offerings was no disappointment as volunteers were kept busy dispensing sausage and pasta dishes!



Gabriella Gottardo
(Nespresso Coffee Machine)



Marylane Marchese
(Bicycle)



Participation in the briscola tournament was excellent and this year's winners were:



Nino Blasutta and Bepon Zoratto



Mario Bomben and Decimo Valent



Elvio Lorenzon and Gian Dominico Corso



Oriana Monestier and Giovanna Pighin

A special thank you to Neva Lorenzon the tournament's official "traditional unbiased table keeper". *Congratulations to all!*





As with all the Famèe’s events, the picnic too would not have been possible without the help of committee and event leaders and volunteers including Melissa Zamparo, Marylane Marchese, Daniela Gridel, Lida Vuaran, Lauretta Santarossa, Verna Zanardo, Mary Francescutti, Carla Bomben, Mara Mian, Ivana Pontisso, Flavia Muraca, Illena Vuaran, Roberto Clocchiatti, Alfie Manias, Luciano Lovisotto, Decimo Valent, Neva Lorenzon, and Mario Bomben.

We would also like to thank picnic sponsors, Ital Pasta, Ferrero Canada, Centa Construction Limited, Bocciafila, Dolomite Ski Club, Family and Friends Golf, Eta D’Oro, Women’s Auxiliary, Quality Cheese and the FFT Friday Card Club for the briscola tournament, as well as Liliana Pol Bodetto, Roberto Clocchiatti, Mario Moreal, Victor Tesan, and Gianni Ceschia for their contributions and support.

Last but certainly not least, a huge thank you to everyone who came out to support the Famèe Furlane and its initiatives; you are truly what makes these events a success. It is said that picnics are a feast for the soul – lets continue feasting together! We look forward to seeing you at next year’s picnic.

Steven Sedran

FFWA - COME AND SEE FOR YOURSELF!

School bells are ringing. The tomatoes are jarred. There is a definite chill of Autumn in the morning air. Hope you have all enjoyed a wonderful safe summer.

After ending last season on a high note with a most enjoyable buffet dinner followed by games and socializing, the Famèe Furlane Toronto Women's Auxiliary is ready and eager to engage members with new and exciting events the coming season. Our core cultural themes including presentations on hometowns and notable Furlans will continue throughout the new season, while new and interesting topics are also being explored and considered.

A sampling of what one has to look forward to include:

- * informative sessions on Emergency Medical Services and Cyber Fraud for the safety of our members
- * Fall Day Trips to include a fall market, winery and perhaps a play
- * Just in time for Halloween, October will see pumpkin painting and decorating
- * As Chair Yoga was such a hit, it will be returning this season
- * Just for fun - we are exploring the possibility of Tarot Card Readings
- * Casino runs to Niagara Fallsview, will continue at the explicit request from several members
- * December will see us supporting the FFT's Breakfast with Santa, having fun with Christmas Karaoke Night and giving support to a community charity
- * Plans are already underway for a 2025 celebration of International Women's Day
- * Back by popular demand are book reports and poetry reading.



Along with the good times, housekeeping cannot be ignored and as outlined in our by-laws with two committee vacancies being created as terms have come to an end, elections will be held in November. If you would like to have a greater voice in what we do, and contribute your talents, give some thought to running for a committee position. The two openings are in communications and activities.

Our planned events and activities are open to changes depending on member interest and other unforeseen circumstances. New ideas and new members are most welcome – an opportunity to enjoy an evening with a terrific group of women! So, mark the second Wednesday of every month on your calendar and come and see for yourself.

Ughetta DePiero

NIAGARA FALLSVIEW CASINO & MAGNOTTA WINERY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2024

FAMEE FURLANE TORONTO WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Contact: Elemanna at 905.859.4180 or elemanna@rogers.com



TIRO DI RAFFA O AL VOLO?

On June 10th, the Famèe Furlane Toronto Bocciofila Group successfully wrapped up another tournament with a friendly and fun dinner at the Ciociaro Club. This tournament's lucky winners were:

First Place – Diego Danelon, Rosa DeRosa, Silvano Morasut
Second Place – Daniele Vuaran, Anna Filipuzzi, Mario Moreal
Third Place – Virgilio, Gianni Salvador, Dino Filipuzzi



We express our gratitude and thank you to Quality Cheese and Chiarot Dentistry for their tournament support. You both exhibit much generosity, and it is a tremendous addition to our sport and very much appreciated. A big thanks is also extended to all bakers for their continuous supply of treats throughout the tournament.

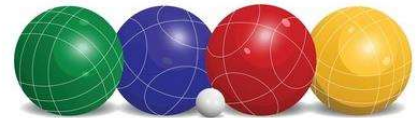
The Bocciofila Group plays each Monday night at the Ciociaro Club. A new season will be starting sometime in October.



We are looking forward to seeing everyone back. Whether *principiante o esperto*, new members are always welcome! Come on out and enjoy a friendly night of fun in good company.

If you would like to join our group, please reach out to Mario Piasentin at 416-994-4350.

Lida Midena



GAME ON...FAMEE STYLE!

On Friday August 23rd, we hosted the first of many "GAMES NIGHT" at the Famèe Furlane Toronto. Close to 50 folks had a great time either in the Briscola tournament or playing other card or board games of their choosing. Men, women and guests from Friuli joined in the fun. The Briscola tournament did not end until 2am! *What endurance by the players!!!* Seasoned players had some good laughs mentoring those that weren't as experienced. Between the good company, the games, the munchies and delicious refreshments - it was wonderful evening all round. Thank you to Decimo Valent and Neva Lorenzon for organizing and keeping score and more importantly, staying awake!

1st place – Decimo Valent and Graziano Monestier
2nd place – Dionisio Di Bartoli and Orazio Moret
3rd place – Husband and Wife team of Bruno and Adriana Turrini

Congratulations! Mara Mian



FRIÛL INFATS QUESTIONS



1. What future emperor stayed at Villa Manin in Passariano, UD, between August 27 and October 22, 1797?
2. What Alpine cow's milk cheese was first made by monks in the 13th century, with production techniques refined at the abbey of San Gallo di Moggio Udinese?
3. What traditional wool and felt unisex footwear from Friuli Venezia Giulia, originating in the 19th century, is having a popular resurgence in demand?
4. What are the 5 top grape varieties produced in Friuli?
5. What priest from San Martino, UD immigrated to Toronto in 1967, has a community centre named after him, and wrote a collection of Friulan poems entitled, *Un Friûl vivût in Canada*?
6. What 15th century Venetian-style villa in Brugnera, PN, has been restored into a thriving estate winery and park?
7. What famous Roman wine came from the regional vineyards of Aquileia?
8. What prolific composer and priest from Martignacco, UD, was nicknamed "cantore dell'anima friulana" and winner of the 1987 *Nadâl Furlan Award*?
9. What museum and network of caves is located in Clauzetto, PN?
10. When were the former provinces of Pordenone, Udine, Gorizia and Trieste reactivated as *Enti di decentramento regionale* (EDR), after their dissolution in 2017-2018?

Jason Moretto

Answers on last page.

A GROWING FAMILY

I hope that everyone has had a fabulous summer!!! Even in the quiet summer months, our family continues to grow with the addition of new and returning members. This continued growth ensures the stability and future of the Famèe Furlane Toronto. There are many activities and cultural projects in the works to engage all age groups. Stay tuned to member email blasts for more details.

The board of directors and members extend congratulations all our new Famèe members. A huge welcome to:

*Loretta Antonacci
Bruno Battiston
Fabio Brussolo
Diana Bulfon
Dario Di Sante
Marisa Franz
Peter Guido
Frank Lenarduzzi
Paola Molinari
Franco Nalli
Anna Maria Pascolo-Maltby
Elver Pippo
Loris Ragazzon*



New members (L to R) Peter Guido and Bruno Battiston receiving their certificate from FFT President Joe Zamparo.

If you know of anyone that is interested in becoming a Famèe Furlane Toronto member, please contact the office at membership@fameefurlane.com for an application form. The \$200.00 initiation fee continues to be waived.

Enjoy all the beautiful colours of fall.

Mara Mian





I CLUBS FURLANS

Pal mont,
le Famee furlane
jé le int pui cjare
le int piu nostrane.

Si cjatin dispès,
denti e di fûr,
jé fieste grand
tal nestri cûr.

Se un l'è malât
o corin a cjatalu,
fasin in maniere
di confuartlu.

Cal sei di famee
nol è necessari,
al è un Furlan
no domandin âtri.

Pal mont o imparin
a amasi l'un l'âtri,
a ridi insieme,
e ancje a vaî
se un nestri Furlan
o' viodin a soffri.

O fasin fiestis,
fasin scampagnadis,
gjtis insieme
e tantis ridadis.

Ricuardin el passât
cuant co' erin frus,
ce tante polente,
ce golôs dai pagnûs.

Ricuardin i mestrîs,
di boins e di brâs,
ma puars frutins,
jerin tant maltratâs.

Ricuardin el plevan
el casaro, el cjaliâr,
l'ustîr, el sartôr
e parfin el becjâr.

Ricuardin i amis
les barufis pes stradis
e fra un borc e chel âtri
les clapadadis.

Dut chest al vîf
tal nestri cûr
dut chest nus ricuarde
el nestri Friûl.

No jè pui tant fuarte
le nostalgje
cuant che pal mont
si fasin compaignie.

Chest al è il Club
che chi la Famee
che el Furlan pal mont
nol dismetee.

Guerrino Floreani

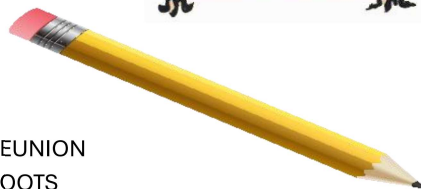
*Dal libri
Bon di Friul*

A GATHERING

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FOGOLÂRS 2024 WINDSOR!



This past August, the Fogolâr Furlan Windsor hosted FOGOLÂRS 2024 WINDSOR, the Fogolârs Federation of Canada's 23rd congress of Furlan-Canadians.

An excited, attentive and supportive 87 delegates with many youths from across Canada and the United States took part in a wonderful 4 days of workshops and activities. This congress also served as the proud celebration of the Fogolârs Federation's 50th anniversary of its foundation.

On this occasion, the Federation and delegates also had the pleasure and honour to welcome a delegation from Friuli, including the president of the Regional Council of Friuli Venezia Giulia, Mauro Bordin and the newly appointed president of Friuli nel Mondo, Franco Iacop along with others.

The congress was opened on August 8th with the traditional reception. Included in the ceremonies was a presentation by Prof. Gabriella Colussi-Arthur on the soon to be released 50th anniversary book covering the history of the Federation since 1999. This book is the continuation of FROM SEA TO SEA by Monica Stellin covering the Federation's first 25 years. A multitude of memories were also stirred as delegates enjoyed a video presentation of Federation activities from yesteryear.

A variety of interesting, interactive and fun workshops also included a unique opportunity for the Federation and Club delegates to meet with the visitors of Friuli. Saturday afternoon was allocated to discussions on the many topics of value to all clubs across Canada and to learn about the opportunities open to all members including youth.

The day culminated with Saturday night's gala dinner giving all delegates time to kick back and celebrate. The Fogolârs Federation of Canada took this special time to celebrate the 50th anniversary, recognize special persons to the Federation and all Clubs across Canada. Of course we celebrate an anniversary without cake!



The PREMI AQUILEE, an award instituted by the Federation, is presented to a dedicated person that has served to maintain and promote the Furlan culture within Canada. The Fogolârs Federation decided for its 50th anniversary to bestow this honour upon Alberto DeRosa, a friend to many and lifetime member of the Famèe Furlane Toronto. Alberto's dedication to the Furlan community across Canada is something to be celebrated and to envy. Congratulations Alberto well deserved! In Alberto's absence the award was presented to his daughter Giovanna DeRosa.

The Federation continued with acknowledging the efforts and work of Father Ermanno Bulfon and Rino Pellegrina, both founders of the Federation. Rino was also acknowledged by the presence of his sister Adele Pascolo and her grandson, Evan Maltby.

Sunday morning arrived with the melancholy feelings that something good is coming to an end. Unfortunately, the congress is ending, and everyone will soon be going home but not before the last thank you and goodbyes are said. One little surprise was left for everyone to hear and lift spirits. The Fogolârs Federation, in unanimity with its member Clubs, announced that on the heels of the great congresses of 2014 and 2022 and in conjunction with the 50th anniversary commemorations of the Friuli Earthquakes of 1976 it will return to Friuli to host its 24th congress in 2026.

SI VIODIN TAL 2026 IN FRIÛL!

Renzo Rigutto



CONGRESSO '24 MEMORIES

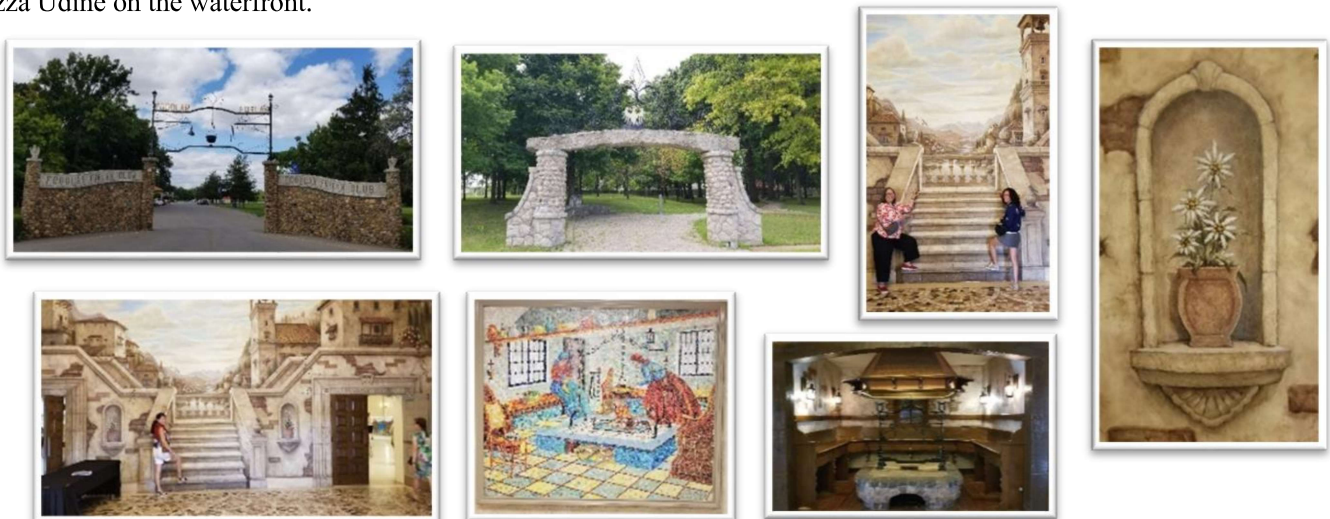
On August 8 (some August 7) Friulani from coast to coast to coast took to the skies, highway or railway and ventured their way to WINDSOR, Ontario – twin sister city of Udine – for a 4-day amazing Congresso '24 experience and celebration of the Federations's 50th anniversary. Of course, a visit to Colio Estate Winery for the group arriving early was a given. Celebrating 40 years, Colio Estate Winery is one of Canada's first wineries – established by 3 Furlan bricklayers, Alfredo, Enzo and Tiberio and currently owned by Enzo De Luca. There, we were greeted and treated by Colio's amazing staff to a tour of the winery, a history of wine making, and tastings of their delicious wines accompanied by a nice "spuntini" spread. You can bet, we all walked out with a few bottles (and hats) to take home. What a lovely pre-start to the Congresso and segue into the evening's Wine and Cheese reception at the Fogolâr Furlan Windsor! Thank you, Renzo Rigutto, for setting that up!!

The Colio Wine Estate Experience



Welcome to Fogolârs Furlan Windsor

The Congresso was a great success thanks to Windsor's hard-working organizing committee, spearheaded by Diana Volpatti, who catered diligently to all participants throughout the 4 days. It was an amazing fun weekend reconnecting with old friendships and creating new ones across Canada, the U.S. and across the pond. Our time was spent mainly on the beautiful grounds of Fogolâr Furlan Windsor. Most delegates stayed at hotels along the Detroit River, with a great view of the Detroit skyline and a short walk to Piazza Udine on the waterfront.



Famèe Furlane Toronto

Our days were filled with informative, enlightening and engaging workshops led by Windsor's Fogolâr Furlan members and volunteers:



- a culinary class with modern twists to a variety of Furlan staples;
- a guided walking tour of Windsor's distillery district of Old Walkerville, highlighting its historical aspects and the contributions to the construction of many of its buildings by Italian and Furlan immigrants;
- engaging youth workshops of some common Furlan games, and activities plus some basic language instruction
- a history seminar on how "*i Furlans*" have helped shape the face of Windsor
- a painting workshop in which we all were able to show our hidden creativity in painting Friuli's regional flower, the Stella Alpina.



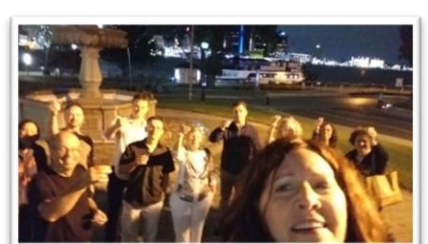
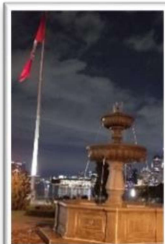
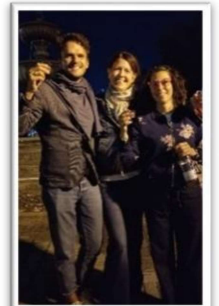
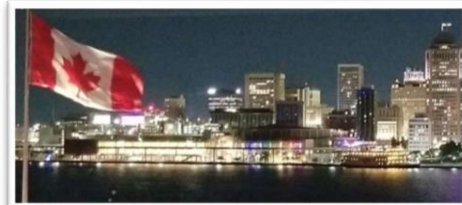
Along with special dignitary guests from Friuli who keep our relations and ties bonded, we were also enticed with presentations by Raffaella Zaccai (from PromoTurismoFVG) and Gianluca Da Lio (from ITALEA Friuli Venezia Giulia). They promoted tourism within '*il Biel Friûl*', bringing out feelings of pride and a desire to be one with our Furlan heritage and roots. Did you know that Gorizia has been named the World Cultural Capital for 2025 by UNESCO?



Our evenings were relaxed and fun-filled from Wine and Cheese to Sagra Night. The Congresso culminated with the great Gala evening where deserving individuals were honoured and recognised. I think my feet are still recovering from all the dancing to the music of Big Louie and the Band who were beyond awesome! Lots of cowbell and evening extending with "*play one more song*" was heard more than once. Of course, no evening could end without '*allegria*', a few '*cin-cin*', '*storie*', and '*qualche cjantade*' by the fountain at Piazza Udine, "*the magical fountain that turns water into grappa*"! (as quoted by Joe Toso, President of Fogolârs Federation of Canada)



A perfect humble and fitting closing on our final day, August 11, began with a beautiful mass and Italian choir at St. Angela Merici Parish followed by a farewell luncheon and closing ceremonies at the Fogolâr. Many hugs ... exchanges of contact information ... final photos ... a slew of "*riviodisi*" and ... just like that ... another wonderful Congresso came to a close. So looking forward to Congresso 2026. I hope to see lots of you there!!



Closing Ceremonies and the Toronto crew....



....and somewhere over the rainbow...
Congresso 2026!!

Manuela Pol-Bodetto

VISITORS FROM FRIUL

On Monday August 12th the Famèe Furlane Toronto hosted a small reception for visitors from Italy. After a most fun filled few days at the Windsor Congresso, *Mauro Bordin, Presidente del Consiglio Regionale del Friuli Venezia Giulia, Adrianna Dreossi, Portavoce del President CR del FVG, Franco Iacop, Presidente Ente Friuli nel Mondo, Pierino Chiandussi, Componente Consiglio Direttivo EFM e Presidente regionale di ANAP – Confartigianato and Raffaele Zaccai, PromoTurismo FVG*, enjoyed a pleasant visit with both board and Famèe Furlane Toronto community members. The purpose for this short friendly visit was in part to allow our visitors to further familiarize themselves with the history of the Famèe Furlane Toronto, its hopes for a new and vibrant future, and its role in our community. The visit also provided an opportunity to strengthen ties with our Furlan counterparts “at home”. The FFT was also given the privilege to extend a hearty welcome new Ente Friul nel Mondo President, Franco Iacop.



In addition to lively conversations and the enjoyment of an assortment of light refreshments, the evening also included an exchange of well curated gifts between our visitors and the FFT.

The entire evening was lovely and informal, allowing for the building of friendships and leading to greater understanding and appreciation of the roles we have within our communities, both in Canada and in Friuli.

Ivana Pontisso



ATOR LA TAULE Pan Zal

Our dear mom Anna Maria Deotto (Maria) who worked in the kitchen of the Famèe Furlane Toronto for many years and loved to bake, was renowned for her crostoli. To welcome the fall, we thought to share with you her recipe for Pan Zal. This sweetbread usually surfaced in our childhood home in late September/early October, in keeping with the “*Sagra del Pan Zal*”. The sagra takes place in Rosa, a “frazione” of San Vito al Tagliamento in early October. All our mom’s written recipes only come with ingredients (no instructions), are often named after the person who shared it i.e. “biscotti di Lucia” and have measurements such as “bicchiere” or “farina quanto ne prende”. My sister Franca Leonardelli, sister-in-law Susan Deotto and I will often get together to recreate them for family functions always using some of her utensils and wearing our Silvana Family Clothing aprons. Enjoy!!

Susan, Ivana and Franca



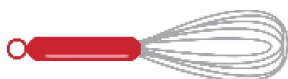
Ingredients (recipe can be cut in half for ease of using electric mixer)

6 eggs (4 whole and 2 yolks reserving the 2 egg whites to brush the loaves)
 1 cup of room temperature butter
 2 cups of boiled squash
 7 ½ to 8 cups flour
 1 pinch of salt
 2 cups sugar*
 Rind of 1 lemon
 1 envelope of Vanelina
 1 envelope of lievito Bertolini
 1/4 cup of brewer’s yeast (lievito di birra)
 3/4 cup warm milk
 2 cups raisins soaked in grappa

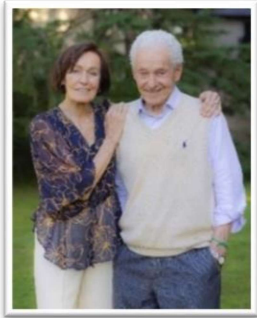
Instructions

1. Soak raisins in Grappa
2. Place peeled and cut squash in water and bring to a boil and cook until tender then let cool
3. Using electric mixer, beat eggs and butter then add the boiled squash
4. Dissolve the brewer’s yeast with warm milk
5. Combine all dry ingredients (flour, salt, sugar, lemon rind, vanelina and lievito Bertolini)
6. Add brewer’s yeast mixture to dry ingredients then add the cooked squash mixture and raisins (drained of grappa)
7. Let dough rest for 2 hours, then divide it in 4. Divide each quarter in 3 equal parts to make a braid and place it in a parchment paper lined 12” x 4” loaf pan and let it rest for another hour. You can also omit the braiding and make plain loaves. This recipe makes 4 loaves of this size.
8. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
9. Brush the tops of the loaves with the lightly beaten egg whites and cook for approximately 40 minutes

*TIP: Our mom liked things sweet so please feel free to reduce the sugar amount



MILESTONES TO CELEBRATE



60 Years Together

Marisa and Vittorio Francescut

Six decades together and your love still lights the way for all of us. Happy 60th anniversary and thank you for everything.

Love Francescut kids and grandkids.

Cheers to 90!

This year Tridel, one of Canada's leading home builders proudly celebrates 90 years of home building, while also celebrating the 90th birthday of its leaders, Elvio DelZotto.



L-R - Leo Del Zotto, Elvio Del Zotto, Harvey Fruitman

Founded by Jack DelZotto, Tridel began with building single-family homes and expanded into high-rise residences in the 60s under the leadership of his sons, Angelo, Elvio, and Leo DelZotto, together with Harvey Fruitman. To date, Tridel has delivered over 90,000 homes, comprising more than 200 condominium communities, and is part of one of Canada's largest real estate groups, with several operating companies focused on diverse areas from development and sales to construction, property management and more.



L-R - Lia Del Zotto, Leo Del Zotto, Elvio Del Zotto and Michaele Del Zotto

Tridel also recently celebrated Elvio DelZotto's 90th birthday, a milestone coinciding with Tridel's 90 years of home building. The event brought together family, friends, and colleagues who have been touched by his leadership, wisdom, and enduring commitment to the values that Tridel stands for.

On behalf of all of us at the Famèe Furlane Toronto, Board, Membership and Staff, we extend sincere Congratulations to Lifetime Member, Elvio DelZotto and Tridel on these most auspicious Milestones!



Life's Passages - Elio Moretto

Elio Moretto passed away on September 4, 2024. He was born on May 10, 1928, in Rividischia di Codroipo, UD.

Elio married his wife Dina (nee Fantin) in 1951 and immigrated to Canada shortly after. A proud and dedicated lifetime member of the Famèe Furlane Toronto, they lived at the Friuli Terrace for several years. He is survived by wife Dina Moretto, his sister Maria

Scaini, and several members of his family who are all members of the Famèe Furlane Toronto. *Jason Moretto*

In Memoriam



LOUIS ERNESTO CAUZ

Lifetime Member

MARYLISA GRANZOTTO

June 24, 2024

Sister of member Neva Lorenzon, sister-in-law to member Elvio Lorenzon and aunt to members Justine and Joan Lorenzon

ANTHONY COSENTINO

June 26, 2024

Member, husband of member Mary Cosentino, brother-in-law of members Adrian and Vince Ridolfo, cousin of members George and Maria Rodaro

BRUNO QUATTRIN

June 21, 2024

Lifetime Member

ADRIANO (EDDIE) BREDA

August 2, 2024

Lifetime Member

GIUSEPPE SILANI

August 4, 2024

Uncle of member Janet Mior

EDDA TAMBOSSO

August 5, 2024

Sister of member Sergio Muzzin and sister-in-law of member Iva Muzzin

ADELCHI FRANZOLINI

August 9, 2024

Lifetime Member

REMO MICHELINI

August 23, 2024

Lifetime Member

LUCIANO TAMBOSSO

September 4, 2024

Brother-in-law to members Sergio and Iva Muzzin

ELIO MORETTO

September 4, 2024

Lifetime Member

SANTE MORELLO

April 3, 2024

*Lifetime member**

**Sante was incorrectly shown as Santo Morello in the Summer Forum*

LIBARS – DI SCUGNI LA

Like many, my family has a wonderful history and attachment to the Famèe Furlane Toronto, particularly my father, Mario ‘Pagnon’ Neri - member, social committee representative, one of many who helped build the bocce courts, and volunteer overall. We all have stories, and I’d love to share the story of my father’s connection to the Famèe Furlane Toronto.

In a beginning as countless thousands of other Furlans did, my parents applied to emigrate from Pertegada, Latisana, UD in the mid 1960s. Their application was accepted by both Australia and Canada. Given that my parents had more relatives and friends in Canada, it made their ‘choice’ easy, if you were to consider leaving your birthplace, friends, family, parents and relatives – easy...or even a ‘choice’...

Like most, first came my dad, later followed by my mom and sister. Boarding the Cristoforo Colombo in Venice, he arrived at Pier 21 in Halifax on July 27, 1966, with a rope tied suitcase in hand, his coat, hat, some ‘*salam e formai*’ and a strong will to work.



Mario ‘Pagnon’ Neri tal le salmestris in Pertagada

Arriving in Toronto after a two-day train ride, my father found a place to work, a place to live and luckier perhaps than some, was able to save to save enough to have my mom and sister follow just a few short months later. My mother’s journey was not without its own challenges, having crossed the “Tiliment” at a time it was almost overflowing. In Toronto my family were not able to accomplish this upheaval all alone. The Famèe Furlane community provided tremendous support, familiarity and comfort. With this in mind, my parents “gave back” where they could. “Libars – Di Scugni La” is but one example.



Mario Neri at Pier 21 in Halifax 2002, looking at the processing hall where he first arrived 36 years before.

The carving was done by an artist named Giobatta Garlatti. From what I recall, the Famèe Furlane Toronto Board commissioned Giobatta Garlatti to create a sculpture in honour of Furlan immigrants.

My father and uncle happened to join the group at the bar while the discussion was taking place and when Giobatta Garlatti saw my dad, he simply said “I think he should be the model for the carving”. This decision was made in the late fall as my dad was sporting a beard, which traditionally he always did in the fall.

My father mentioned that he still had the suitcase he came over with, as well as his coat and hat. With that said the group arranged to take a series of photos, one of which was used by Giobatta Garlatti for the sculpture. A framed copy of that photo proudly hangs on the wall at my parent’s house today. My mother still has the suitcase and coat as well.

With my Papa and my Zio Gianni Morsanutto, I attended the formal unveiling ceremony, along with Giobatta, his son, Famèe Furlane Toronto Board Members and other close friends of my father and uncle, including Bruno Grigio, Ercole Furlan and Mario Venier to name a few. Just before the sculpture was lifted onto the wall by the bar in the big hall, Giobatta and my father attached a sealed envelope to the back of the sculpture and told me and Giobatta’s son that only those present that day will know of the envelope, and we were to open it sometime in the future.... I remember that so well, with both Giobatta and my father pointing at us and having us promise we would not forget.



My Papa with his beard



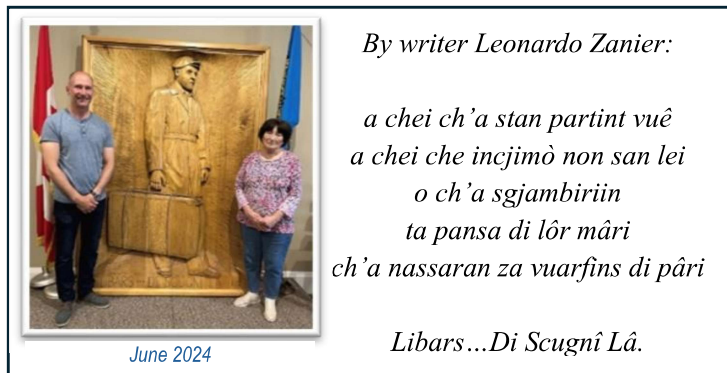
Photo used by Giobatta Garlatti

Papa passed away August 13, 2021.

After Papa passed, his friend Ercole's son Roy, advised that the Famèe Furlane building had been sold and members who had given money to the club were able apply for a reimbursement. He also mentioned the carving. I emailed the club enquiring about the return on the bond funds, and I also asked they look for the envelope behind the sculpture. Sadly, no envelope was found, and I did not continue to follow through with the return on the bond money.

Sometime later, at the bottom of an old briefcase, I found my father's original loan certificate dated in 1973! I emailed the club with not much hope as the deadline for reimbursement passed, but thankfully, they were happy to honour the certificate. My mother and I went to the club to meet with Ivana Pontisso and a lawyer in June of this year. I looked around the Canada Room that I last visited over 20 years ago and so many memories flooded back. I saw the sculpture. As Ivana and the lawyer are doing their thing, I said to Mamma, with a bit of emotion – "guarda, ecco Papa...."

The lawyer's ears perked up – and she asked, "Is that man Mario Neri?" And we told them that yes indeed, the man in the sculpture is my father.



By writer *Leonardo Zanier*:

*a chei ch'a stan partint vuê
a chei che incjimò non san lei
o ch'a sgjambiriin
ta pansa di lôr mâri
ch'a nassaran za vuarfins di pâri*

Libars...Di Scugnê Lâ.

Words can't express the feelings and emotions my mother and I had that day, or those that my sister and I shared when I told her about the visit. Ivana was kind enough to let us take a few photos with the sculpture. She asked if I could write a little story about the man in the sculpture, and while I will never be able to write about what Papa meant to his family, I hope this little snippet of "Pagnon" brings a smile to your face and reflect on just how hard it was for our parents to make a 'choice' that they were forced to make. 'Choice'. Hardly a true choice, was it....

When I mentioned the missing envelope to Ivana, she mentioned that I was not the first to talk about it – and while not sure, she thinks that during the one or two major renovations of the main hall, they probably took the sculpture down and, in the process the envelope was lost. Who knows, maybe someone reading this will know more about its whereabouts or contents.... should the son of Giobatta Garlatti see this – please reach out. I only met you once, but what a day it was.

Thanks to the Famèe Furlane Toronto. You were a part of my life. I will never forget those memories.

A proud son of Furlan parents who, like all Furlan parents that were forced to 'choose' back then and were simply incredible.

Illo Neri

ATTENTION Winter Sports Enthusiasts!!

As we enjoy the last bit of summer and the fall colours, don't forget about WINTER! Calling out to one and all that enjoy outdoor winter sports with the Dolomite Ski Club. The Dolomite Ski Club is part of the Famèe Furlane Toronto and has been around since 1975. In 2025, we will celebrate our 50th anniversary. Anyone that has been a part of our little club has made long lasting friends while enjoying winter activities. Our 2025 season kick off including a quick meeting, refreshments and games, is set for Wednesday October 30, 2024, at the Famèe Furlane Toronto. **SAVE THE DATE** and look out for further details.

The Marriott Residence Inn in Mt. Tremblant has been booked from **February 26 to March 2, 2025** for our annual ski trip which fills up very quickly. It's great for all ages and includes all types of winter sports; not just limited to downhill skiing! You do not need to be of Furlan descent to join the fun.

Your Dolomite Committee, Carla, Giamba, Ivana, Mara and Mara!



Friuli Terrace



SUMMER AT THE TERRACE



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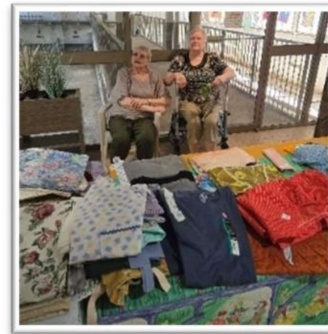
BBQ Celebrations

On June 17, the Board of Directors with the assistance of APM Management organized a BBQ to celebrate Father's Day, Canada Day and the official beginning of summer. Terrace Superintendent Paola enlisted the assistance of one of the residents in barbecue duties. The Board of Friuli Terrace, APM Management and the CHATS staff assigned to Friuli Terrace served the meal to the residents. The residents were treated to hamburgers, sausages, potato salad and green salad. For dessert, a cake commemorating Canada Day of course! The event ended with music and a sing-along with Antonella.



Summer Bazaar

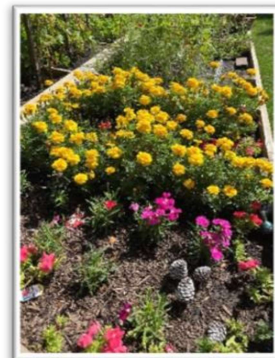
A popular event at Friuli Terrace is the Bazaar held by the Club Del Amicizia. The Bazaar featured previously loved items, handcrafted items by the residents such as tote bags and aprons and of course delicious baked goods such as cakes, cookies and the famous crostoli made by our residents.

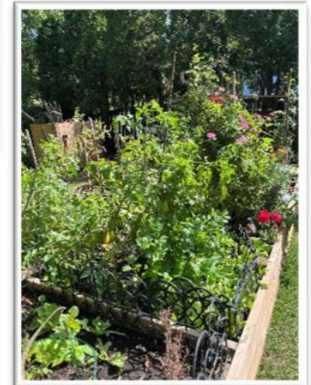
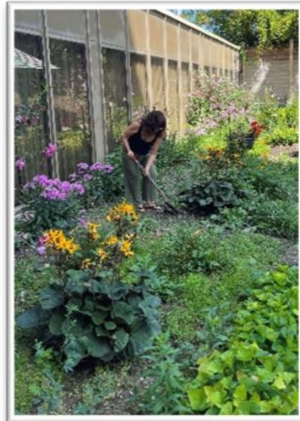
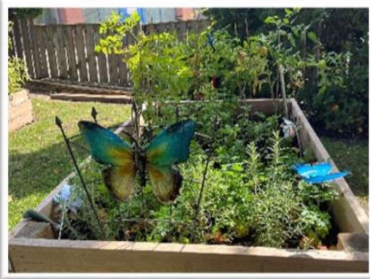


It's Harvest Time

"Gardening is the art that use flowers and plants as paint, and the soil and the sky as canvas"
– Elizabeth Murray

This quote could have been written about the gardens at Friuli Terrace. All summer long, the residents lovingly look after their crops. Although many plant tomatoes, lettuce and various other vegetables, some gardens also include flowers. Each day they venture outside to work in their gardens and measure its progress. The lushness of these gardens is a testament to the passion of those who tend them.





Hearing Clinic

On July 23, the Canadian Hearing Services Screening and Hearing Loss Clinic was held in the conservatory of Friuli Terrace. Tenants had both their hearing and hearing equipment tested.

UPCOMING EVENTS

It's Turkey Time!

A Thanksgiving meal is planned for October sponsored by the Friuli Terrace Board.



Yoga and Art

Friuli Terrace tenants having been staying active and agile by participating in Friday morning Senior Yoga classes run by Power Yoga Vaughan. These classes are currently sponsored by Friuli Benevolent Corporation. In the Fall, we are pleased to announce that these classes will continue. The Region of York will be sponsoring three months of classes. York Region has also decided to offer Art Therapy classes and has also discussed the possibility of introducing a new Mural project. Further details are expected shortly.

Windows Upgrade

The Board is currently in the process of obtaining quotes to replace the windows at the Friuli Terrace building. This work is expected to take place in late 2024 or early 2025. The new windows will greatly increase the energy efficiency which should realize energy savings.



Mara Querin



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR



As the leaves begin to change and we embrace the crisp air of fall, our organization is gearing up for an exciting close to the year and an even more promising year ahead. This October marks a significant milestone for Villa Leonardo Gambin as we celebrate our 20th anniversary. It was in October 2004 that we opened our doors and welcomed our first residents. Since then, we have evolved greatly, establishing ourselves as one of the premier long-term care facilities in Ontario. Our journey has been one of continuous learning, growth, and a steadfast commitment to providing the highest quality of care. We take great pride in the community we have built and the care we provide, and we are excited to celebrate our roots and accomplishments over the coming year. Stay tuned for updates on the various celebrations we will be hosting.

To kick off our 20th anniversary celebrations, we are thrilled to host our Oak Leaf Gala on October 4th. We invite you to join us for a night of celebration, reflection, and fundraising. The funds raised will go towards completing our Better Beds Fundraising Campaign and supporting the ongoing needs of our home. Your presence and contributions make a significant difference in the lives of our residents, and we hope to see you there.

Reflecting on the past few months, we've had some truly memorable events that have brought joy to our residents and our community. On June 26, 2024, we hosted a book launch for "Echoes of Growing Up Italian", a collection of stories that beautifully captures the experiences of immigrants through the voices of 15 women across North America. We were honoured to have Gina Valli and her distinguished guests share their stories with us, making it an inspiring evening for all who attended.

June also saw us celebrating Italian Heritage Month, with a series of engaging programs across our resident home areas. Our residents enjoyed hands-on activities, such as making gnocchi from scratch and preparing fresh sauces, all inspired by Italian culinary traditions. In addition, we were privileged to participate in the flag-raising ceremony at Queen's Park in honor of Italian Republic Day and Italian Heritage Month, thanks to the invitation from the Honourable Michael Tibollo, MPP, and his team. This was a deeply memorable event for our residents and staff alike.

Our Father's Day celebration in the courtyard was another highlight, bringing together residents, families, friends, and staff for a day of joy. The event featured lively Flamenco dancers, and a fantastic car show with classic vehicles from the Maple Cruisers. These events are just a few examples of how we strive to enrich the lives of our residents and support our mission to create and celebrate a purposeful and exceptional quality of life.

We invite you to join us in our upcoming celebrations and continue to support our efforts to enhance the quality of life for our residents. Your support is invaluable, and we look forward to celebrating with you as we embark on this next chapter of our journey. Together, we can make every day a little brighter for those in our care.

Mandi, Andrew Iacobelli



Book Launch – Echoes of Growing up Italian

On June 26, 2024, VLG hosted our inaugural book launch which proved to be truly an enchanting evening. We were deeply grateful to have Gina Valle, and her distinguished guests join us to share their stories from the inspirational book *Echoes of Growing up Italian*. This collection features the experiences of immigrants as recounted by 15 women across North America. The narratives were profoundly moving, evoking both laughter and cherished memories. The presentation of this remarkable book was a memorable highlight of the event.



Italian Heritage Month

In June, our resident's hosted a series of engaging programs across our Resident Home Areas Celebrating Italian Heritage Month. Residents participated in various activities including making gnocchi with fresh tomato sauce, making delicious pizza, preparing cannoli, and undertaking in our inaugural Italian heritage month spaghetтата. Residents enjoyed this event with their families and our staff. The evening featured delightful music by Vince DeRosa and provided a wonderful opportunity to create Italian culture and traditions through food and music. Given the success of this year's event, we hope to make this an annual tradition here at Villa Leonardo Gambin.



Flag Raising Ceremony

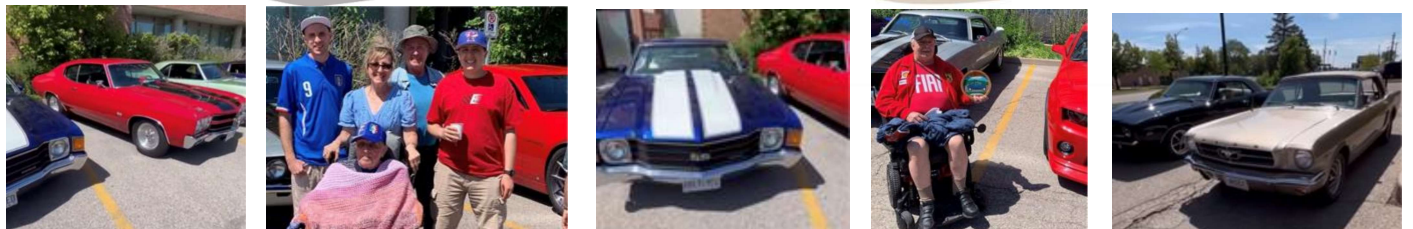


Residents and staff of Villa Leonardo Gambin had the pleasure of celebrating Italian Republic Day and Italian heritage month at Queens Park. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Michael Tibollo and his team for inviting us to the special event where we participated in the raising of the Italian flag. The occasion was made even more memorable because we were all invited inside Queens Park to enjoy delicious Italian food, desserts, and traditional music. This celebration enjoyed alongside the community was deeply appreciated and will be remembered fondly by all.



Father's Day Celebration

Villa Leonardo Gambin celebrated Father's Day with resident's, family, friends and staff on Sunday June 16th, 2024. The event took place in our front courtyard where guests were treated to a captivating performance by the Flamingo dancers. Additionally, VLG hosted a fantastic car show featuring classic vehicles provided by Maple Cruisers who generously donated their time and cars for this special occasion. Residents and families also enjoyed delectable Bombe pastries from Ida's bakery as well as Baileys and freezies.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesdays	Gruppo Eta D'Oro - Bingo and Cards
Thursdays	Ipad Classes - 7 weeks Sept. 12 - Oct. 24
Wednesday, October 9	Women's Auxillary Meeting & Pumpkin Painting
Thursday, October 10	Women's Auxillary Farmers' Market - St. Jacob
Thursday, October 24	Joe Avati Live Mississauga Living Arts Centre
Friday, October 25	Friulicious (formerly Furlan Family Night)
Tuesday, October 29	FFT Special Members Meeting
Wednesday, October 30	Dolomite Ski Group Gathering
Sunday, November 3	Festa del 4
Tuesday, November 12	Paint & Sip
Sunday, November 17	Women's Auxillary - Fallsview Casino
Wednesday, November 20	Women's Auxillary Meeting & Guided Mediation
Friday, November 22	Friulicious
Tuesday, November 26	Memorial Mass & Chestnuts
Sunday, December 1	Breakfast with Santa
Wednesday, December 11	Women's Auxillary Christmas Karaoke Night

If you're interested in learning more about our club our associated groups, please reach out to the main contact below, specifying the group you're interested in. We'd love to hear from you!



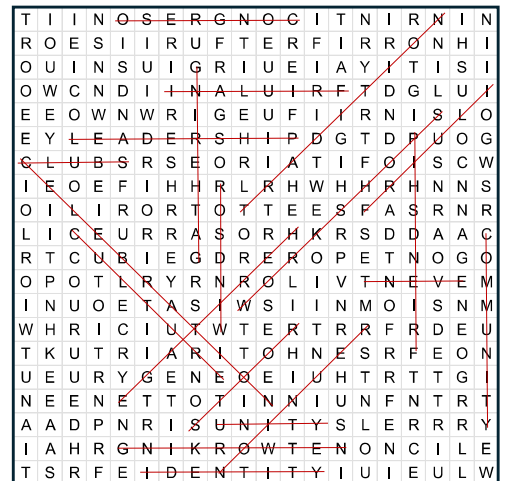
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As we all take the time to give thanks for the many blessings in our own lives, on behalf of my board, I extend warm wishes to you and your loved ones and wish to express an abundance of gratitude for the continued confidence and support you have placed in your board.

While we all have our own precious homes and families, our combined connection remains through attachment with our "Famee".

Bon Ringraziament a ducj!

Joseph A. Zamparo
Famee Furlane Toronto President

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1. *Napoleon*
2. *Montasio*
3. *Friulane shoes*
4. *Pinot Grigio, Friulano, Chardonnay, Sauvignon and Pinot Bianco*
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6. *Villa Varda*
7. *Pucinum*
8. *Oreste Rosso (1911-2001)*
9. *Grotte di Pradis*
10. *July 1, 2020*



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