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A Message from our President

In May of this year we gathered in respectful remembrance of the Friuli Earthquake of 1976. Laureano Leone spoke passionately of the National Congress of Italian Canadians membership rallying together to contribute relief to those who suffered devastation in Friuli.

Of special note: Villa Charities dedicated their much needed proceeds from their Mother's Day Telethon. Canciani referenced this event and reminded us of how the Friuli Earthquake was a seminal event for persons of Italian ancestry living here in Canada. How the mature response of the Italo Canadian community demonstated solidarity and strength. DelZotto reminded us of how earthquake relief efforts were a coming of age for the Italian community at large - our place galvanized in the great mosaic of Canada. Efforts by many were very substantial. The epic response of Bosa, DeLuca, Muzzo and DelZotto collectively spearheaded tangible results directly impacting victims. We expressed reverence for the strength demonstrated by our Furlan brothers and sisters who rebuilt. We expressed gratitude to all those individuals who demonstrated the best of humanity extending assistance to persons truly

Now it is with great sadness that fellow Italians in Lazio/Marche/Umbria have suffered the devastation of yet another earthquake. Our thoughts and prayers are for the families of all touched by this terrible force of nature. The Federation of Fogolârs of Canada have an established a framework encouraging all Fogolârs across Canada to fundraise assisting the rebuilding efforts. The Famèe Furlane Toronto shall proudly participate in this initiative.

I encourage all Furlans to demonstrate the best of Furlanitat by making a contribution to this most worthy cause.

Matthew J. Melchior President of the Famèe Furlane Toronto



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Any further details are available through the Famèe Furlane office.

Fieste dal Popul Furlan

STORIA, COSTUMI, RICONOSCIMENTI e buon cibo hanno reso le celebrazioni per la Festa della Patria (in friulano, Fieste dal Popul Furlan) un momento unico nel calendario eventi della Famee Furlane di Toronto. Domenica 3 aprile, circa 150 persone si sono ritrovate nel centro presieduto da Matthew Melchior per ricordare la nascita dello Stato patriarcale friulano (la Patrie dal Friûl).

L'evento si è aperto con la performance del Coro femminile della Famee, che ha interpretato una decina di canzoni della tradizione friulana. La docente Gabriella Colussi-Arthur - che lavora alla facoltà di Lingue, letteratura e linguistica della York University - ha poi dato una contestualizzazione storica di come nacque una delle prime amministrazioni con una base democratica, istituita dall'imperatore Enrico IV il 3 aprile del 1077. Esattamente 939 anni fa.

La Colussi-Arthur ha anche sottolineato l'importanza di conoscere le proprie radici per mantenere saldi i valori di democrazia, libertà e autogoverno nella società di oggi. Ma il momento più speciale delle celebrazioni è stata la cerimonia dello spadone - riadattamento profano della Messa dello Spadone introdotta dal Patriarca d'Aquileia nel 1366 -, con la consegna dei riconoscimenti del Buon Friulano (Bon Furlan Awards). Gianni Ceschia, chef molto conosciuto e membro della Famee, ha proceduto con il "giuramento" della spada premiando Elda Colussi Maraldo, Liliana Santarossa PolBodetto, Iles PolBodetto e Roger Dreosto per l'impegno comunitario. Incanto tra gli spettatori per una cerimonia molto suggestiva. Il pomeriggio si è concluso con un documentario sulla Messa dello Spadone a Cividale, e una cena a base di specialità friulane. Toronto risponde dunque presente alla Festa della Patria, tenendo alta la bandiera dell'aquila dorata.

Mattia Bello



Tra i presenti l'onorevole friulano Julian Fantino, vari rappresentanti del Congresso Nazionale degli Italo-Canadesi, Michael Tibollo, presidente della Fondazione Culturale Italo-Canadese e Giuseppe Cafiso, segretario del Circolo Pd Toronto.















L'Orcolât

Professor Anna Pia Deluca remembers



Anna Pia De Luca

WITHOUT DOUBT, the tragedy caused by the earthquake that damaged or completely destroyed 137 municipalities and killed almost 1,000 people in Friuli on May 6, 1976, still remains in the memories of many Friulian immigrants around the world. The towns closest to the epicenter of the quake, such as Venzone, Gemona,

Trasaghis, Bordano, Osoppo, Montenars, Artegna and Buia were completely raised to the ground. Nearly 3000 Friulians were injured while 100,000 were left homeless; 75,000 homes were damaged, while over 18,000 were completely destroyed. Many schools, town halls, churches, and factories were ruined, along with medieval castles, other historical landmarks, and important art treasures. An estimated 15,000 workers lost their jobs because of destroyed or damaged factories. These are the shocking numbers recorded in the *Messagero Veneto* in a series of articles written in April 2016 to celebrate the rebirth of Friuli 40 years after the earthquake.

Earthquakes unexpected are and terrifying, especially when people are overcome with fear and a sense of helplessness as they witness the violence destruction, of consequently being in one can be traumatic. In the aftermath, people may continue to encounter sights, sounds.

"My life changed completely with the arrival of the Orcolât – a derogatory Friulian term for Ogre – a monstrous man-eating creature that tradition and popular folklore indicate as the cause of earthquakes in Friuli."

smells, sensations and feelings that bring to mind, - even years after- recollections of the earthquake. Common reminders include aftershocks, rumbling noises, smells of sulfur and dust, anniversaries of the date and television or radio news about earthquakes. The earthquake of Friuli, in particular, had a strong impact on public opinion because, for the first time, live television images of pain and destruction from a natural catastrophe entered the households of Italians at large.



Toronto Star May 12, 1976 with author Anna Pia Deluca Fanzutto, husband and daughter in front of their destroyed home.

Now, 40 years after that tragic event, while watching televised documentaries and testimonies of many survivors from Gemona or Buia, my own personal memories resurface with amazing clarity. I remember that for an indeterminable time my body is swept in air, my movements uncontrollable while I desperately hold on tightly to my baby girl. We are dragged and hurled through a space that heaves and crashes around us. I can hear the rumble and roar of our surrounding mountains come alive and demand attention. The walls and roof of our house crack as I slide under a desk, trying to protect my daughter from the masses of rock that fly from the ceiling. Finally it is over and I am able to get back on my feet and grapple my way down the flight of stairs. Night has fallen like a silent and impenetrable fog filled with the stench of debris. All lights are out and a sense of panic sweeps over me as I frantically try to locate familiar landmarks now virtually razed to the ground. As I stagger out into the courtyard I can hear my mother calling to me from Canada, anin a cjase frute, telling me that it's all right now. I can come out of the dark gorge that has enveloped me.

For the first few days those who escaped were disoriented, and many were not yet aware of the family members they may have lost in the catastrophe. Those who had survived the earth-quake moved about like zombies, dazed and bewildered as they tried to dig up the little that remained under the rubble. The school playground had become a morgue where rows upon rows of coffins of every size lay in view of those mountains which, in their brightness, now seemed to mock any pretense of grief. Even today any slight vibration still makes me start.

The town of Buia was devastated: a mass of protruding beams, caved in roofs, piles of rubble and hundreds of injured people. My life changed completely with the arrival of the Orcolât - a derogatory Friulian term for Ogre - a monstrous

Il Canada non dimentica il terremoto in Friuli

ON MAY 1, 2016 the Famèe Furlane commemorated the 40th Anniversary of the devastating earthquake in Friuli. With a magnitude of 6.5, 978 died, 2,500 were injured and 157,00 were left homeless. The response of the Italian-Canadian community was tremendous. Working together with various levels of government, \$4.47 million was raised and 180 houses were built as well as a home for seniors who had lost everything. Mattia Bello goes on to say:

Quel 6 maggio 1976, tuttavia, ebbe un significato ancora più profondo per i nostri connazionali che vivono a Toronto e nelle città circostanti. "Gli italiani diventarono comunità con quella tragedia", ha affermato il giornalista Paolo Canciani, che ha presentato la commemorazione. "Fu il momento in cui friulani, calabresi, ciociari, veneti, siciliani, tutti indistintamente, per la prima volta si ritrovarono con orgoglio a lavorare assieme per un'unica causa", ha aggiunto Canciani. La grande casa per anziani "Villa Colombo" di Toronto si preparava da mesi a un telethon per finanziare i costi della struttura. Ma a poche ore dalla notizia del sisma in Friuli, gli organizzatori decisero che la maratona di beneficenza si sarebbe svolta in favore dei connazionali terremotati.

Una scelta di cuore e responsabilità presa da gente come Tony Fusco e Paul Ariemma, ai vertici dell'allora Italian Canadian Benevolent Corporation (oggi Villa Charities). Il giornodella "festa della mamma" si raccolsero ben 700mila dollari.

Donazioni arrivate non solo da italiani ma da persone di tutte le provenienze. Nel frattempo si creò un comitato per il



L to R: The organizing committee: George Rodaro, Armand Scaini, Laureano Leone, Paolo Canciani, Lucy Cosolo, Alberto De Rosa and Matthew Melchior

cosiddetto "Friuli Earthquake Fund", formato da imprenditori edili friulani come Marco Muzzo ed Elvio DelZotto, dotati del know-how per la ricostruzione. E presieduto da un altro friulano, Primo De Luca, oggi console onorario del Canada a Udine. La Famee Furlane di Toronto diventò il "centro operativo" della solidarietà. "Ricordo con le lacrime agli occhi gente di ogni età donare quello che potevano per la causa. Pensare che i bambini venivano alla Famee con il loro salvadanaio pieno di monetine, gesti che ti fanno scaldare il cuore", ha commentato Paolo Canciani. In pochi mesi furono raccolti ben 4.416.700 dollari, con cui si costruirono due strutture per anziani, a Taipana e Bordano, e circa 180 case: 92 a Venzone, 58 a Forgaria e 30 a Pinzano. Un contributo immenso per l'epoca, che ancora oggi fa inorgoglire gli italiani residenti in Canada.

(continued from Page 4) man-eating creature that tradition and popular folkloreindicate as the cause of earthquakes in Friuli. He is a recurring mythological figure that lives locked up in the Carnic Mountains but when fidgety and restless, can rock and destroy any landmark in his trail.

There is a picture of me that was posted in the Toronto Star on September 12, 1976, with the caption: Former Torontonian, Anna Fanzutto, 27, and her husband Ivano, 30, and daughter, Cindy, stand in front of what's left of huge furniture store they owned in town of Buia. It and their hilltop house were destroyed in last week's earthquake, but Mrs. Fanzutto was in good spirits: "We're alive and well. We're young and can start all over again".

Now, in retrospect, I must have seemed quite naïve about what had happened, but then again newspapers have a way of telling only half the truth. The chronicles of the time were fragmentary. They didn't add that many of my friends from surrounding towns had tragically lost their children in their efforts to escape, while older people sat in helpless despair as they witnessed the destruction of a life's work. I guess I can consider myself a victim of this disaster, with all its terrible consequences and psychological side effects. It took me almost 40 years to reconsider my past and finally shed those tears that I had held back for so long as a young wife and mother.

Dott.ssa Anna Pia DeLuca Professor, University of Udine Vice-President of ENTE, Italy

Women's Auxiliary

Another busy year has come to a close!

DURING ITS MONTHLY MEETINGS, the Famèe Furlane Women's Auxiliary hosted a number of guests from all walks of life: Loretta Daneluzzi-Cal, Corrado Bottos, Enza Di Benedetto and Cinzia Valletta. Loretta came to speak to us about her involvement with Ente Friulano Assistenza Sociale Culturale Emigranti, EFASCE Canada. Through her presentation, we learned that the Friuli Region organizes a number of summer programmes for young adults as well as for grandparents and parents willing to accompany their children back to their roots. The programmes' emphases are on language, art and an understanding of their ancestors' emigration story. Corrado Bottos, former respirologist at Humber River Regional Hospital, shared his extensive knowledge about pulmonary diseases, therapies and interventions. Enza Di Benedetto was invited to receive the proceeds of our International Women's Day function. In turn, she brought greetings from the Children's Aid Foundation and a plaque to acknowledge our very generous donation. Cinzia Valletta made us aware of the services available through the Italian Consulate Office here in Toronto. Moreover, she recounted her personal experiences and observations acquired as she served in London, Moscow, Rome and Toronto.

In April, Elda Maraldo and Liliana Pol Bodetto were presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses in recognition of their dedication to the Famee Furlane Campus and for being dubbed as 'Bon Furlans'.

March was a very busy month as the committee prepared to celebrate their signature event, Women's Day. Lorraine Innocentin opened the festivities by introducing Honourable Julian Fantino who paid a special tribute to the contributions that women continue to make to ensure a better future for their communities worldwide. Patrizia Pivetta, newly elected chair, read a beautiful poem which touched on the many attributes that women possess. This was followed by greetings on behalf of the Italian Consulate, Dr. Giuseppe Pastorelli. Prior to lunch, Valerie McMurtry, C.E.O. of the Children's Aid Foundation, presented a synopsis of the work that is being done by the organization to enable young adults under their care to pursue a higher education. For the occasion, Angela Aiello, a young entrepreneur, took the floor and entertained the participants with her passion for viniculture. A special thank you to all the participants and to all the sponsors who supported this annual celebration.

June brought our monthly meetings to a close with games, lots of laughter and tantalizing treats.

Fall is just around the corner! Hope everyone has had an enjoyable summer full of wonderful adventures and family gatherings. Looking forward to renewing our own monthly get-togethers for another year of interesting presentations, discussions and outings.



Angela Aiello, Keynote Speaker



Valerie McMurtry, C.E.O. Children's Aid Foundation



Cinzia Valletta bringing greetings from Dr. Giuseppe Pastorelli, Italian Consulate



Organizing Committee: Fiorella Rossl, Renata Morassut, Patrizia Pivetta, Elda Maraldo, (Angela Aiello), Carla Bomben and Lorraine Innocentin



Roberto Pivetta, Marco Sacilotto, Alex Rossl, Honourable Julian Fantino and Armando Mano ready to present mimosas



A Happy Crowd!

Friends & Family Golf Tournament

THE FFFF GOLF TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE, proudly reports the great success of the 2016 FFFF Golf Tournament. This was the 14th Annual Tournament and was held on Sunday, July 17, 2016 with 70 enthusiastic Golfers. It was held at the Bradford Highlands Golf Course and was the sixth consecutive year this event was held at this course. Everyone had an amazing time enjoying the beautifully weather, the delicious sausage sandwiches, and the great company of family and friends. Three generations were playing together – grandparents, grandchildren, sons and daughters. What could be better!

After the tournament, 80 players, families and friends enjoyed a wonderful dinner at the Famèe Furlane and awards and prizes were distributed; The Best Foursome: Danny Guerra, Mark Guerra, Dennis Hosein, Adam Cashera. Men's Longest Drive: Daniele Vuaran, Men's Closest to the Pin: Bill Sztorc. Ladies Longest Dive: Lucia DeBiasio. Ladies Closest to the Pin: Lorraine Facca. Youth 15 and Under Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin: Jorgia Bomben. We thank all our participants and sponsors and look forward to next years 15th Annual FFFF Golf Tournament to be held on Sunday, July 9th, 2017. Mark this date in your calendar!



Top L to R: Lucia DeBiasio, Lorraine Facca, Bill Sztorc, Danny Guerr, Mark Guerra Bottom L to R: Jorgia Bomben, Daniele Vuaran, Dennis Hosein, Adam Cashera

FFFF Committee: Bruna Facca, Tony & Edda Picco, Carla Bomben, Daniele Vuaran, Stephen Facca

The Briscola Tournament And the winners are...

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- 2. Tony Bernardinis and Odorino Santarossa
- 3. Two Oakville members





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Annual Picnic

THE ANNUAL Famèe Furlane picnic is one of the most anticipated and best attended events of the year. Here are just some of the over 500 people who attended this year's Famèe Furlane picnic who enjoyed the beautiful Oakville Fogolar park and each other. People, prayer, playing games, the Pesca and polenta were the order of the day!



Prayer



Playing Games











Pesca







Polenta



2016 Members Banquet

Building our History Forward

THIS YEAR'S MEMBERS Banquet featured two themes that blended together beautifully – the mountain towns of Friuli where many of our members come from and remembering



the role of the Famèe Furlane in helping rebuild Friuli after the "terremot" of 1976 that destroyed some of those same beautiful towns. Elvio DelZotto reminded us how that event shaped us and how our working together with other Italian-Canadians enabled us take our place as full citizens in cultural mosaic that is Canada. All that – not to mention a grappa ice-fountain – made a wonderful evening even more memorable.





























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Nuestri Zovins

Furlans are inordinately proud of their children, their "fruts e frutis" and young people, their "zoventut".

O ce biel cjiscjel a Udin o ce biele zoventût" we sing.

"Zoventût come a Udin 'no si cjate in nissun lûc". Except maybe in Canada among the children and grandchildrem of Famèe Furlane members. Here are two...

Giulianna Alvarez

Nickname: Tata or Giuls

Occupation: Hairstylist –
went back to George Brown for
Business and Marketing

Age: 20

Generation: Second

Dad's side from: Santiago (Chile)

Grandmother's side from:

S. Vidotto Di Camino Al Tagliamento

Grandfather's side from: Pozzo Di Codroipo **Favourite food:** Frico or anything with cheese

Passion: Friends, family and my dog
Favourite saying: Bongiorno Principessa

Best memory growing up Italian/Canadian:

The family dinners on Sunday after church at my Nonna's

Favourite colour: Royal Blue and black

Goal in life: Being a business owner and owning my own salon

Pet peeve: Bad hair days, there is always a solution or hat.

Things I've learned from my Nonna: How to make

Brodo e Minestrone, my Nonna's are the best.

Fondest memory of Friuli: Swimming in the Tagliamento in Piave di Rosa (Plef) during the hot summer afternoons.)



Giordano Onelio Alvarez

Nickname: Gio

Occupation: Arborist

Age: 23

Generation: Second

Dad's side from: Santiago (Chile)

Grandmother's side from: S. Vidotto Di Camino Al

Tagliamento

Grandfather's side from: Pozzo Di Codroipo

Favourite food: Gnocchi

Passion: Hunting, fishing, and loving everyday

Favourite saying: Swearing in Italian

Best memory growing up Italian/Canadian:

Making tomato sauce with Nonna

Favourite colour: Camouflage/mossy oak **Goal in life:** Becoming a Master Arborist

Pet peeve: People who wear Bass Pro hats that have never

been fishing a day in their lives

Things I've learned from my Nonno: How to become a

DIYer (my Nonno is good at everything)

Fondest memory of Friuli: Having my appendix removed in the hospital at S. Vito Al Tagliamento (thanks to all the wonderful doctors and staff making my experience as pleasant as possible)



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A Cura della segretaria Elena Moretti

SIAMO ARRIVATI in piena estate con le giornate lunghe e molto calde e il sole non ci ha mai mancato. Si puo dire che è stata un estate un po indimenticabile! Speriamo che tutti hanno potuto godere e rilassarsi.

Saluti dal nuovo comitato. Noi siamo molto contenti per il nostro impegno di fare il volontariato, lo facciamo con molto piacere e anche con tanto entusiasmo.



S a D: Nino Blasutta (Presidente), Ida Flabiano (Consigliere), Elena Moretti (Segretaria), Maria Brunetta (Vice-presidente), Edi Antonini (Tesoriere), Elsa Querin (Consigliere), Gina Comisso (Consigliere).

Le attivita dell' inizio del 2016 sono state le seguenti:

Come il solito ogni Mercoledi il gruppo Età D'Oro della Famèe Furlane Club gioca la Tombola (Bingo) e le carte con una pausa per il caffe e i biscotti.

Il 10 Febbraio abbiamo festeggiato il Carnevale. Per questa importante tradizione per noi molto significativa, abbiamo offerto i crostoli.

Il 9 Marzo abbiamo offerto vino e vari tipi di formaggi. I formaggi erano di gusti diversi e abbondanti.

Il 6 Aprile come nostra tradizione per celebrare la Santa Pasqua, la Colomba Pasquale è stata gustata con molto piacere.

Il 11 Maggio abbiamo festeggiato la festa della mamma e del papa con un piacevole banchetto nel Friuli Hall della Famèe Furlane. Con la loro approvazione sono stati nominati e onorati, come mamma del 2016, Anna Mitri e come papa del 2016,



Silvano Liut. Come omaggio è stato regalato a loro una sveglia a mobile con il proprio nome inscritto.

Il 7 Giugno per svagarsi abbiamo fatto un viaggio al Casino di Niagara Falls. Per i membri che hanno participato questa giornata è stata molto divertente e sono stati tutti molto sodisfatti.

Il 13 Luglio il nostro Picnic Annuale come tutti gli anni passati è stato fatto al Veneto Centre. Le persone erano numerose, circa 115 in numero. La giornata era bellissima ed era molto calda. Il buon mangiare, pollo arrostito, patate, tegoline, e verdure miste è stato proffesionalmente preparato da Gianni Ceschia e il suo personale al "Culinare Studio." Tutto era gustoso e tutti i membri sono rimasti contenti. Come usanza durante la giornata abbiamo giocato il bingo e abbiamo fatto la gara di briscola. Con i biglietti d'entrata sono stati sorteggiati 5 premi tutti di prodotti alimentari e 3 gift certificates.

Queste sono state le attività svolte fin ora.

Il programma per il resto dell'annata 2016 è il seguente:

In Settembre faremo un viaggio ancora da destinare.

Il 12 Ottobre – Banchetto di Ringraziamento.

Il 9 Novembre – castagne o dolce e poi vino.

Il 14 Dicembre - Banchetto Natalizio.

Nuovi membri sono sempre benvenuti. Speriamo di continuare le nostre tradizioni per tanti anni ancora. Tanti cari saluti dal Comitato Età D'Oro a tutti i Friulani in Canada.







Life's Passages

Volin gioldi l'alegrie come zovins che nò sin; sunarà l'avemaria

So goes this old villotta. On this page we celebrate the great moments in the lives of our members and we also remember those members who passed away in the last year. We'd also like to celebrate new life! The children and grandchildren dopo muarz che nò sarin... of our members are the future of the Famèe Furlane.

Special Events

Congratulations, Auguri e Tancju Salûs

Celebrating the new life in our community – the children and grandchildren of our members.

They are the future of the Famèe Furlane.

The old Furlans used to call their children "i mei bes Furlans" – their Furlan money, their riches, their treasure.

And so they are. Here are two of our newest "bes Furlans":



Arianna Vuaran, daughter with proud parents Daniel and Carla Vuaran

Alessia Vadori with her mother Tanya Avoledo-Vadori and big sister Oreana



In Memoriam

Edi Cudini - 3 Dec 2015 – Long time member

Guido Pugliese - 12 Jan 2016 - Husband of Olga Zorzi Pugliese

Mario Cudizio - 18 Jan 2016 - Father of member Daniele Cudizio

Iole Buligan - 10 Feb 2016 - Mother of member Jerry Buligan

Teresa Mongiat - 14 Feb 2016 - Lifetime Member of the

Famèe Furlane

Antonio Deotto - 3 Mar 2016 - Lifetime Member and father of Member and FF Director John Deotto

Nereo Pascolo - 30 Mar 2016 - Member and past manger of the Famèe Furlane Toronto

Willia Scaini - 14 Apr 2016 - Wife of Tony Scaini past manager of the Famèe Furlane Toronto

Attilio Scaini - 1 May 2016 - Lifetime member

Assureo Vacchiano - 25 May 2016 - Lifetime member

Albino Filipuzzi - 3 June 2016 - Member

Pietro Cristofoli - 4 June 2016 - Member

Giovanni DePellegrin - 15 June 2016 - Member

Anita Zampolin - 25 June 2016 - Mother-in-law to member Mario Spagnola

Antonio Riolino - 28 June 2016 - Long time member

Olimpia Lovisa - 28 August, 2016 - Mother of member Ermes Lovisa, mother-in-law to Mary Lovisa and grandmother to Vanessa and Melissa

New Board Members

Three new board members were elected to the Famèe Furlane board in June at the Annual General Meeting this year.

We welcome Renzo Rigutto, Daniela Perusini and Paul Castellarin to the board. We look forward to the enthusiasm. skills, new ideas and "fuarze" they will be bringing to the Famee as we go forward.



Villa Leonardo Gambin







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A Message from our Chair

Dear Family & Friends,

So far 2016 has been an exciting year. Change seems to be the word that comes to mind as we have said good bye to some friends and welcomed new ones. We have also been awarded for the great work we do and I am proud of the accomplishments of our Team. Here are some of this year's highlights:



Jerry Buligan, Chair, Board of Directors Villa Leonardo Gambin Charity

Cinzia Del Zotto Executive Director, Villa Leonardo Gambin Charity

Comings and Goings

This past March, Cinzia Del Zotto was hired as the new Executive Director of the Charity. She brings over 15 years of experience in the non-profit sector to our organization. Cinzia's responsibilities include planning and managing all fundraising events, marketing and managing the Charity office. We are

happy to have her as a new member of our VLG family.

In March we said goodbye to our VLG Board Vice Chair Rose Simone. She was a tremendous asset to our Board and she will be greatly missed. Thank you Rose for everything you have done to make VLG such a special place for all of our residents.

In April we welcomed Fern Ginsberg CPA, CA to our Board as a Director. Fern has been involved with the charity since she started attending finance meetings in 2004. She brings 20+ years of experience in accounting and finance in the long-term care and retirement sector. Fern is an exceptional addition to our Board.



Fern Ginsberg, Director, Board of Directors, Villa Leonardo Gambin Charity

Villa Leonardo Gambin Long-Term Care Residence is truly "Best in Class".

Villa Leonardo Gambin is the winner of Sienna's Senior's Team Recognition Award for "Best Overall Managed Home" for 2015. The criteria for the award measured metrics in Resident & Family Satisfaction, Quality Indicators, Financial Results and People/Human Resources.

The Residence was also recognized by the Ontario Long Term Care Association for the implementation of the pilot program of Cyber Seniors Initiative receiving the Association's Quality and Innovation Award.

Villa Leonardo Gambin has also become a little greener. The Residence has retrofitted all fluorescent lighting to LED. These lights are environmentally friendly, they help reduce our carbon footprint and are more cost effective. Since the transition, we have saved enough energy to power 358 homes for one month.

We are truly proud of our team for these accomplishments.

Better Beds Campaign

The Better Beds Fundraising Campaign has been officially launched. This new initiative addresses the need to equip the Long-Term Care Residence with 120 state of the art electric beds. We ask that the community donate toward a bed even if it is a small amount as every dollar raised will get us closer to our goal. To make a donation or to view our promotional video visit www.villagambin.com.



Launching the Better Beds Fundraising Campaign

Third-Party Events

Villa Leonardo Gambin relies on community donations, volunteer involvement, sponsorships, partnerships and third-party events to promote greater awareness of VLG in the community as well as raise money for the Charity.



Ready for the 46th Annual Famee Furlane Golf Classic

This past April, 24 Teams revved up their Go Karts for the 1st Annual Paul Flumian Grand Prix. Event Co-Chairs, Italo Di Bonaventure and Perry Dolente led this Sold Out event which raised \$15,000 for the Villa Leonardo Gambin Charity.

In June, the Famèe Furlane Golf Committee held the 46th Annual Famèe Furlane Toronto Golf Classic. Committee members Italo DiBonaventura, Oretta Avoledo, Mara Querin, Alida Re, Giovanna De Rosa and Camillo DiBonaventura, hosted another magnificent event. A donation of \$7,000 was gifted to the VLG Charity which included the purchase of a Better Bed and monies for therapeutic recreation.

Thank you to the organizing committees of these two events for their continued support. You are truly inspirational and we hope that others follow your lead.

Website and Social Media

The Charity has launched its new website. The site is informative and easy to navigate. The Community is now able to make donations on-line, buy Oak Leaf Gala tickets, request a residence tour, apply to be a volunteer and so much more. Please take a moment to visit our new website at www.villagambin.com.

We are also on Facebook and Twitter. If you are using these social media platforms, please like/add us. This is the best way to keep up-to-date with the Charity's activities.

As you can see, it has been a busy time for the Charity. Thank you to the community for your continued support of our organization. Your donations and volunteer service is part of the reason that we are able to call ourselves "Best in Class". If you have not already done so, please consider a donation toward our Better Beds Fundraising Campaign or buy tickets to our Gala. Your support will help us get closer to reaching our goal to provide every resident with a new electric bed.

Yours sincerely,

Jerry Buligan, Chair Villa Leonardo Gambin Charity

Applying to Long-Term Care

Move-in Process

THE DECISION to move a loved into long term care may be the most difficult one you may have to face. It can be very overwhelming and emotional for everyone involved.

To apply for residency at Villa Leonardo Gambin you first need to contact your local Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) directly. Applications can not be processed directly at the Villa Leonardo Gambin office.

Long-term Care applications can be completed through your local Community Care Access Centers (CCAC) at www.ccac-ont.ca or call 416-310-2222.

CCAC Community Care Access Centre home care long term care community care www.ccac-ont.ca

Ontario's 14 CCACs get people the care they need in their homes and communities across the province.

Applicants must be over 18, possess a valid Ontario Health Card and have care needs that can be met in a long-term care community. A Nurse or Social Worker will then come to the applicant's house for an assessment and based on these results, the CCAC will determine if the applicant is eligible for admission into long-term care. Once deemed eligible, the applicant will be placed on a wait list controlled by the CCAC.

We offer tours on Thursday, Saturdays and Sundays at 2pm. If you are interested in booking a tour please call our receptionist at 905-856-3939 or make the request online at www.villagambin.com.

Our current wait list has over 900 applicants, we truly appreciate everyone who has applied and that would like to be a part of the Villa Leonardo Gambin family.

If you have any questions in regards to applying for Long-term Care or the Move-in Process please contact Stephanie Romano, the Director of Resident and Family Services, at 905-856-3939.

Cruise Week

Come sail away!

RESIDENTS AT Villa Leonardo Gambin had the unique opportunity to board a cruise ship this winter without ever leaving the home! The residents boarded the ship that arrived at VLG on Tuesday, February 15, 2016, with boarding passes in hand, and cruise ship staff greeting them as they arrived. The residents were quickly whisked away to St. Lucia where they had the opportunity to watch Caribbean dancers and snack on fresh fruit. The next stop on the cruise was Trinidad and Tobago, where the residents were able to try different snacks provided by the 'room service' cart. There was a wonderful steel drum band that helped set the mood while sailing away from Trinidad and Tobago, and onto Barbados. The amaing dietary team put together a Caribbean themed meal on Thursday for all of the residents to enjoy in the dining rooms. The final stop on the cruise was Antigua. Residents had the opportunity to participate in Caribbean themed bingo, as well as dance and sing along to Caribbean music for our monthly birthday party. A great time was had by all!





Horticultural Therapy

HORTICULTURAL THERAPY uses plants and plant related activities to promote well-being in the participants. Here at Villa Leonardo Gambin we have had the amazing opportunity of receiving horticulture therapy once a month. Our residents are able to learn more about horticulture while having fun. Our horticulture therapist Sean plans programs that are suitable and adapted for all of our residents needs and abilities. The theme of the horticulture therapy session changes with the seasons, and our residents have been able to participate in a wide variety of sessions including wreath making, making grape juice, planting hanging baskets, making homemade butter and blueberry muffins and even ice cream making! We are very fortunate to have Sean come into our home and offer this therapeutic program to our residents. We are always left with a beautiful arrangement or a delicious treat!



Heritage Programs

MANY PROGRAMS are offered at Villa Leonardo Gambin to continue the heritage and cultural connection to Italy. Residents have many opportunities to reminisce about their past and share stories and memories about their culture. The team at VLG works hard to ensure that these opportunities are readily available to our residents. Through programs such as Baccala dinner, homemade pasta lunch, pizza, sausage and wine making, residents have many occasions to continue traditions of the past. Our families, volunteers and team at VLG work together, along with community partners who graciously donate supplies to make these programs reality. The heritage programs give our residents a chance to explore new and old skills while recollecting and sharing experiences with each other.





Life Skill Stations

THE GOAL OF LIFE SKILL STATIONS is to create spaces that help residents with dementia spark old memories and create activities that encourage interest, movement, and interaction. They encourage residents to remain active as they practice daily routines and life skills that were previously part of their everyday lives. Life Skill Stations incorporate Montessori activities as well as the opportunity to follow program plans. Life Skill Stations allow for residents to take part in Montessori based activities so it is important that straight forward and open instructions are posted at each life skill station, allowing the resident to participate at any time. Our Recreation Therapy Assistants have worked very hard to develop Life Skills Stations on each of their resident home areas. Our life skill stations range from a music station, Art, Horticulture therapy as well as, a sewing station. Along with the help of volunteers, family members and the team at Villa Leonardo Gambin, the Life Skill Stations have been a great success, and we look forward to utilizing them in the years to come.



Let the Good Times Roll



Dear Friends,

We invite you to "Laissez les bon temps roulez – Let the good times roll" as we celebrate the 15th Annual Oak Leaf Gala. This year's Bourbon Street theme will bring a taste of "The Big Easy" to the Famèe Furlane.

The Oak Leaf Gala is the signature fundraiser for the Villa Leonardo Gambin Charity. This year's Gala proceeds will benefit the Villa Leonardo Gambin Long-Term Care Residence with a portion of the proceeds going directly to the Better Beds Fundraising Campaign and the Central Italy Earthquake Fund..

Villa Leonardo Gambin Long-Term Care Residence is a caring environment where people come together to create and celebrate exceptional quality of life by embracing happiness and possibilities. With your support we are able to enhance our programming and provide "Best in Class" care to those who call our residence Home.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, October 15, 2016!

The Villa Leonardo Gambin Charities Board of Directors



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Revving up for Villa Leonardo Gambin!

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"We organized this event to celebrate the memory of Paul Flumian whose passion for helping others through his community work was a life commitment. Paul was a Grand Prix enthusiast and this event was a fitting tribute," said Italo Di Bonaventura, President Dolvin Mechanical Contractors Limited.

"It was truly overwhelming and inspiring. I can't begin to thank the sponsors and drivers for their support and enthusiasm in helping us raise funds for these two incredible causes," said Perry Dolente, President Dolente Concrete and Drain Co.

The Villa Leonardo Gambin Charity relies on community donations, volunteer involvement, sponsorships, partnerships and third-party events in order to achieve the sustainability of the organization. These involvements also help promote greater awareness and understanding of our programs and services in the community.

We are truly grateful for people like Italo and Perry who are inspirational philanthropists within the community. We hope that others follow their lead by partnering up with the Villa Leonardo Gambin Charity in raising money for our Long-Term Care Residence.







If you are interested in hosting an event in support of the Villa Leonardo Gambin Charity, please call 905-856-7619 or email donations@villagambin.com

You can find more information about Villa Leonardo Gambin online at www.villagambin.com



Friuli Terrace

Celebrating Life at Friuli Terrace

Many programs and activities are offered to our tenants by CHATS (Community and Home Assistance to Seniors) and Friuli Terrace. The monthly birthday party is a favourite...









































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International Women's Day 2016

EVERY MARCH 8TH we celebrate International Women's Day at Friuli Terrace. This year, the day was marked by dressing up in the traditional costumes of the Region of Friuli and other parts of beautiful Italy. The ladies enjoyed the benefits of participating in a Laughter Yoga session followed by a wonderful lunch catered by Culinary Studio. Thank you to our dedicated group of volunteers that make our events beautiful and extra special.











Christmas at Friuli Terrace

CHRISTMAS MARKS an extra special time of year for us! This year our Tenants enjoyed a day full of decorating the main lobby in the Christmas spirit creating a beautiful Winter Wonderland, setting up our Christmas Trees and beautiful twinkling lights. A very special thank you to Mr. Bagnarol for all of his hard work setting up the Nativity Scene, it was extra special this year! The day passed with all of the tenants reminiscing and singing Christmas carols. This entire scene made for a perfect back drop to the Friuli Terrace Christmas party!

























Special Events: Beffana, Valentine's Day, Daffodil Bake Sale, Father's Day, Canada Day Celebration

WE CANNOT LET one event pass without capturing it on pictures. As per the photos posted, you can tell our seniors here at Friuli Terrace know how to enjoy themselves with all of the special celebration's we organize for them with the much appreciated help from our wonderful volunteers. Friuli Terrace seniors are also known for their charitable work. This April they helped raise \$600.00 for the Canadian Cancer Society. Thank you to all who baked and sold the goodies for a good cause.































Bocce Tournament

AUGURI TO ALL of those who participated in the 55+ York Region Bocce Tournament held at Friuli Terrace. Again, this year our tenants placed in the medal standings: Gold went to Mina DeLuca and Ezio Pezzuttti. Silver to Liliana Gobbo and Rosetta Bagnarol and Bronze to Anna Sist and Rosetta Foresto.













Friuli Terrace Choir Concerts

WE TAKE PRIDE in our Choir Participants here at Friuli Terrace. All of their hard work practicing has paid off. Our Choir has held successful and joyful concerts not only at Friuli Terrace, but also at Vila Leonardo Gambin, Villa Colombo Vaughan, and other seniors homes in the City.

Thank you to our Choir Teacher Antonella Pulgiese and volunteer Oretta Avoledo for all of your hard work!









Club Dell'Amicizia Bazaar

THE POPULAR BAZAAR was held by the Club Dell" Amicizia this spring.

As usual, there was an extra special selection of donated goods as well as Baked Goodies. All sold at a very reasonable price! This event is popular not only within the Friuli Campus, but also highly anticipated from the community.











CHATS Program

THE CHATS Friuli Adult Day Program is a culturally sensitive community program that provides service to seniors of Italian origin. The program offers a variety of programs and activities that help create a renewed sense of independence, belonging and productivity for the participant as well as providing respite for the caregiver. The program is located in the Friuli Terrace Apartments. The Day Program operates from Monday to Friday from 8:30 am-4:30 pm. For more information call Anna Endrizzi at 1-866-677-9048, ext. 6403 or the CCAC at 1-888-470-2222.

As part of Italian Heritage Month the participants prepared some traditional Italian foods which were enjoyed as part of our dining program. Maria is preparing pizzelle to enjoy with our coffee while Francesca is preparing pizza for lunch.





As much as the participants are fiercely proud of their Italian heritage they are also proud Canadians. We celebrated Canada Day with an indoor picnic.





The participants of the day program benefit from our pet therapy visits. Pet therapy is a guided interaction between a person and a trained animal that helps a person feel better. This therapy can improve a person's self-esteem and increase a person's willingness to join in activities. It can make a person happier, lessening depression and decreasing loneliness. It also helps to reduce anxiety because of calming effects of visiting with a calm dog or cat. Our visits are facilitated by volunteers from St. John's Ambulance Pet Therapy Program.





The program provides participants with opportunities to meet new people and make new friends. Annita (L) is celebrating her 90th birthday with her dear friend Maria. The two women met at the program and have become great friends.



Remaining active is an essential part of remaining healthy. As we age we continue to need more physical activity to stay strong. Adriana, the recreation therapist, leads a one-hour exercise class every day. She encourages participants to use weights and other equipment which helps develop stronger muscles, increased mobility and flexibility as well as helping to improve a person's balance.

These exercise classes help to lessen symptoms related to chronic conditions such as joint pain and increase the participant's energy levels.



The participants are working on making fleece scarves as part of our Give Back Program. This program encourages our participants to think of others in their community. In the autumn the participants collect food for the Holiday Heroes Food and Toy Drive and they create fleece scarves with which are donated to shelters in York Region in time for the upcoming cold weather. Adriana and Graziella are working on knotting the ends of the scarves.

Famèe Furlane Golf Classic

THIS YEAR'S Famèe Furlane Golf Classic was held on June 22, 2016, at Carrying Place Golf and Country Club, where enthusiastic golfers gathered for what turned out to be a fantastic day on the greens. Golfers were treated to a BBQ lunch and got to enjoy various food stations along the course, followed by a great dinner at the Famèe Furlane. The charity event raised monies that will be donated to Friuli Terrace, Villa Leonardo Gambin, Humber River Regional Hospital and other local charities.

The committee, chaired by Italo DiBonaventura, wishes to acknowledge and thank all our Sponsors, participants and volunteers for another successful year, and Congratulations to all the winners!

Thank you to our volunteers, Silvano Avoledo, Rosanna Canella, Cinzia Del Zotto, Mary Francescutti, Daniela Gridel, Cynthia Kiriazakos, Rosemary Maraldo, Lori Mascherin, Renata Morassut, Ivonne Pasian, Claudia PolBodetto, Manuela Polbodetto, Renza Ricetto

Thank you, also, to our Golf Committee: Oretta Avoledo, Giovanna De Rosa, Camillo DiBonaventura, Italo DiBonaventura, Mara Mian, Mara Querin, Alida Re





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Gran successo per il corso di lingua friulana per studenti dai 18 agli 80 anni

Language is the road map of a culture. It tells you where its people come from and where they are going." - RITA MAE BROWN



THIS YEAR OVER 30 STUDENTS from ages 18 to 80 attended the fifth session of Furlan Classes, many returning for a second or third time. Organized by Lucy Cosolo, Mary Lovisa, Lorena Qualizza and Mattia Bello, participants not only learned about Furlan as a language, they learned about its history, culture, folk traditions and, perhaps most popular of all, its food. Every class ended with the sampling of Friulian delicacies. Here's what Mattia Bello, member of the Famèe Furlane and one of the teachers wrote about the classes:

"La lingua è la carta stradale di una cultura. Ti dice dadove la sua gente proviene e dove sta andando". Le parole della scrittrice e poetessa statunitense Rita Mae Brown hanno un significato profondo e universale, che vanno ad abbracciare la storia di nazioni intere. Assumono un valore ancor più penetrante per i gruppi di minoranza linguistica all'interno di una popolazione

più estesa. Per chi crede che, tramite la lingua dei propri antenati, si possa andare alla ricerca proprie radici.



Si parla del friulano, lingua

romanza prodotto del latino aquileiese, arricchita dagli apporti delle lingue germaniche come il gotico, il longobardo, il tedesco e i dialetti slavi. Una lingua e una cultura che hanno attirato a sé una trentina di studenti, dai 18 agli 80 anni. Persone che, soprattutto quelle più giovani, stanno scoprendo le loro

origini grazie a un idioma che ha segnato la cultura, le tradizioni, il cibo e la provenienza delle loro famiglie.

Il corso è stato ideato per rispondere a queste esigenze. Un programma, giunto alla sua quinta edizione, che riesce ad abbracciare tematiche diverse, con let-



tura e conversazione in friulano, approfondimenti sul Friuli Venezia Giulia di oggi e degustazione di piatti della tradizione regionale.

Data la diversa conos-

cenza della materia, la classe è divisa in tre gruppi - principianti, livello intermedio e avanzato - con cui si trattano argomenti specifici. Ci sono anche persone che non hanno alcun legame con l'Italia, ma che nutrono il





piacere di conoscere la vibrante realtà del Friuli Venezia Giulia ai tempi di Youtube e dei social media, dove tutto (o quasi) è accessibile a qualsiasi latitudine.

> In Italia il friulano è stato riconosciuto ufficialmente come "lingua" con la legge 482 del '99, che prevede l'insegnamento delle lingue minoritarie a scuola e un diritto di usare tali lingue in tutte le amministrazioni pubbliche site in territorio delimitato. Questi confini non esistono più. La "carta stradale" del friulano guarda direttamente ai suoi discendenti a Toronto.



Our Volunteers – The Heart of our Community

SO MUCH OF what happens on a regular basis on our Friuli campus is thanks to our dedicated volunteers. Whether they are organizing dinners and events like the Annual Picnic, or helping at the Famèe office, or visiting and helping feed and care for the residents at Villa Gambin, or helping call the Bingo games at Friuli Terrace, they are the beating heart of our community. We could not function without them. Our Annual Dinner of thanks and appreciation for these women and men is but a small token of our profound gratitude for the over 150 volunteers who give their time, energy and talent to the Famèe Furlane, Villa Leonardo Gambin and Friuli Terrace.











The 20 Somethings

THE 20-SOMETHINGS have had an eventful few months, kicking off the New Year with several traditional dinners at Al Fogolâr during the winter and spring and a masquerade evening at Montecassino supporting Italian heritage within the community. On February 12th, we organized "skating under the stars" at har-

bourfront centre, enjoying a fun-filled evening by the waterfront. On Saturday April 23rd, we embarked on a fun-filled evening of Combat Archery at Archer's Arena in Downsview. This event



was action-packed and enjoyable for everyone, and it allowed us to work together to strengthen our ties as a team. During the summer, we enjoyed an evening dinner on College Street and other get-togethers. We look forward to many more events, including bocce tournaments, bubble soccer and our annual

Christmas celebrations. For information about our group and future events contact us at: 20somethingstoronto@gmail.com *Vanessa Lovisa*, 20-Somethings President



L'orto della nonna

L'ORTO DELLA NONNA era una specie di giardino dell'Eden, un paradiso nel senso etimologico, non in quello cristiano del temine.

Non vi erano confini tra il bello di rose e fiori e il buono di zucchine e fagiolini detti vuainis. Il filadelfo accanto al bidone per la raccolta dell'acqua piovana, i garofanini per le bordure, aiole di radicchi sotto il fico, cetrioli e gladioli, zucche di fianco alla spalliera di uva da tavola sulla cui testata sfigheggiavano le immancabili dalie...

E tanto altro di estetica e di vitamine racchiuso da una siepe di ligustro con funzione microclimatica.

E un pensiero c'era sempre per gli antenati con quella curatissima aiola per gli autunnali, ora detti crisantemi dal fioraio. Se, poi, nei pressi, scorreva un ruscello c'era anche la musica, e se scorreva solo un fosso ecco che biancheggiavano le calle dalle turbinate trombe.

Ora i giardini sono contraddistinti da funeree siepi di lauroceràso, se non da cimiteriali cipressi. E albergano quanto di peggio e di monotono e di lugubre e di alieno i vivaisti sappiano rifilare all'ignorante committente.

L'orto per le vitamine, se c'è, viene tenuto rigorosamente separato e sta sul retro, discosto e nascosto, come se cicorie, sedani e rucola fossero vergogna.

È la specializzazione di ispirazione anglosassone che ha colpito anche le pertinenze domestiche, passate da paradiso a cimitero, da luogo di appagamento estetico e di rilassamento psicologico, a prato inglese con l'acero giapponese.

Enos Costantini



The "Orto della Nonna"
Canadian style. Here is nonno
Ariedo Clocchiatti tending his
terrace garden in Woodbridge.



Garden and leeks of nonni Odorino and Antonietta Santarossa in Toronto.

Upcoming Events

Please call us at least one week before event To register call 905-851-1166

Saturday, Oct. 1, 2016 at 6:00 - Family Dance Party

An all ages family dance where nonnos can bring all the grandchildren! **Free**.

Please call the Famèe to reserve your spot. *Optional \$15 pasta and salad.*

Wednesday, Oct. 5 to Wed. Dec. 7, 2016 at 7:15 - Balarins & Kids Club

Every Wednesday is Kids' Night at the Famèe. Children will learn traditional Furlan dances, Furlan language, games and crafts.

Everyone welcome. You don't have to be Furlan to register. **Free**.

Parents too busy to cook? Pasta available for \$10 adults and \$7 kids.

Sunday, Oct. 23, 2016 at 3:00 - Furlan University

Come out to the Famèe to learn what it means to be a real Furlan.

Session 1: Accordion 101 Dust off that old accordion that you found in your attic and come out to learn what all those buttons do. Experienced accordion players come out to show off your skills in our accordion jam session and competition.

No accordion? No problem! All are welcome. You don't have to be Furlan to love the accordion. Free.

Thursday, Nov. 3, 2016 at 7:30 - Furlan Speaking Group

Whether you are new to the Furlan language or a fluent speaker come out to practice your skills. Children welcome to attend. Free. Optional gnocchi and salad \$15.

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2016 at 7:00 - Remembrance Mass Location St. Roch's Church, 2089 Islington Ave. *Chestnuts to follow at the Famèe.* **Free**.

Sunday, Dec. 11, 2016 at 3:00 - Nadal in Famèe

Come out to see all the talent at the Famèe in this all ages Christmas show. **Free**.

Optional buffet to follow \$30.





A better bed for a better life

Support the Villa Leonardo Gambin Charity's Better Beds Fundraising Campaign which addresses the imminent need to equip the home with 120 of the highest quality healthcare beds available. This small change is not only important for the comfort level of the residents but also for their health and safety.

How You can help

There are several ways in which you can help us reach our goals and improve the lives of the people who call Villa Leonardo Gambin home. For example:

- Make a generous donation of \$5,000 and your Corporation, Company or Association name will be elegantly recognized on the foot of one of our new beds
- Make a smaller but still much-needed donation as part of a collective effort with a "Community Bed"
- Host a community event
- Ask your employer for a matching donation

All donations over \$20 are eligible for a charitable receipt and will be acknowledged on the Villa Leonardo Gambin Charity website.



Check out our new Better Beds promotional video on-line www.villagambin.com

For more information or to make a donation, contact the Villa Leonardo Gambin Charity at 905-856-7619 or email donations@villagambin.com

Friuli Long Term Care

Charitable Registration Number: 89301 4118 RR0001

Ways to Give

At Villa Leonardo Gambin your donations directly make a difference in the lives of the people who call the residence home.

There are many ways in which you can support our Charity.

Please view the options below and choose which is most suitable for you.

Thank you for your support!

Donation Options

Monthly Giving

Monthly giving is an easy way to donate. Monthly giving donations are allocated to the home's area of greatest need but can also currently be directed toward our Better Beds Fundraising Campaign.

Monthly donors will receive one tax receipt annually which will be issued in January for the previous year. You can easily set-up your monthly donation by filling out the form below or on our website at www.villagambin.com

Donate Online

Use our secure online donation system at www.villagambin.com to easily make a general donation, in honour or in memory.

Donate by Mail

Please fill out the form below and mail to the following: Villa Leonardo Gambin – Charity Office 7065 Islington Avenue Woodbridge, ON L4L 1V9

Donate by Phone

Call us at 905-856-7619.
All Major credit cards are accepted.

Gifts of Stock

Villa Leonardo Gambin gratefully receives gifts in the form of securities such as stocks and mutual funds. Please be aware that securities must be transferred, not cashed in first, in order to receive the tax benefits.

Please contact the Charity Office at 905-856-7629 for more information.

Gifts-In-Kind

VILLA LEONARDO GAMBIN welcomes Gifts-In-Kind for the Residence.

To discuss Gift-In-Kind donations please contact the Charity Office at 905-856-7619 or visit our website at www.villagambin.com



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Calendar of Events 2016

October

- 1 Family Dance Party
- 4 Societa Femminile Friulana Meeting
- **12** Gruppo Eta d'Oro: Banchetto del Ringraziamento
- 12 Famee Furlane Women's Auxiliary Meeting
- 13 Savour York Region, al Fogolar Restaurant, to October 22
- 15 Oak Leaf Gala
- 23 Furlan University: Accordion Lessons
- **25** General Members Meeting
- **29** Festa del "6"

Celebrating Canada's 150th Anniversary

BOARD MEMBERS John Deotto, Lauretta Santarossa and Armand Scaini met with our new MP for Vaughan-Woodbridge, the Hon. Francesco Sorbara, to discuss how we would celebrate Canada's 150th as Canadians and Furlans on our Friuli campus. Many different events are planned and we are excited about showing how Furlans have become an integral part of the Canadian family. We also welcome your ideas and help in making the celebrations memorable for the whole community.



For more information, contact us through our Facebook page or send us a message by email to: reception@fameefurlane.com.

November

- 1 Societa Femminile Friulana Meeting
- 2 Balarins
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- **3** Friulian Speaking Group
- 9 Gruppo Eta d'Oro
- 9 Famee Furlane Women's Auxiliary Meeting
- **16** Balarins
- 29 General Members Meeting

December

- 4 Festa del Babbo Natale
- 6 Christmas Dinner Societa Feminile Friulana
- 7 Balarins
- **11** Nadâl in Famèe
- 14 Famee Furlane Women's Auxiliary Meeting
- **14** Balarins
- 21 Balarins



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