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Spring 1996 Dinner Meeting

SPRING DINNER MEETING

Speaker

Dr. Walter Temelini
Professor - University of Windsor

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 1996

Symposium 6:00 pm
Dinner 7:00 pm

ITALIAN CENTENNIAL HALL
132 Algoma Street South

Members: Free Guests: \$25
Cash Bar

Members Please Confirm Attendance

with
Frank Mirabelli at 768-0202
Silvio Di Gregorio at 623-1855
Need Tickets? Call
Rose Bava at 344-1424
Silvio Di Gregorio at 623-1855

Dr. Temelini has a diverse teaching background including Visiting Professor at the University of Calabria. He is a Thesis Co-Reader for the Universities of Windsor, Michigan, Calabria and Matanzas. He has numerous publications and recently had a book accepted for publication with the McGill-Queen's University Press.

We very much look forward to hearing Dr. Temelini and invite all our members and friends to join us. Look for Curriculum Vitae insert.

Tickets for members have been included in this mail out. Members are reminded to confirm their attendance with Frank or Silvio. If you are unable to attend, give your ticket to someone else and confirm their attendance. If you need tickets for guests, call Rose or Silvio.

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In keeping with our objectives, we are honoured this Spring to have Dr. Walter Temelini as our speaker. Dr. Temelini will discuss "Heritage and Identity: 500 years of Italian presence in Canada."

Dr. Temelini received his Ph.D. in Italian Language & Literature from the University of Toronto in 1969.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear CIBPA Newsletter reader:

If you are suffering from 'cabin fever' as I am, then you should be anxious to get into some much needed spring and summer activities.

This edition of the Newsletter Update will highlight some activities the CIBPA Board will organize this year. One such function will be our Spring Dinner to be held on May 2nd, at the Italian Centennial Hall. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Walter Temelini, Professor of Italian Studies at the University of Windsor. This dinner is expected to be extremely well attended, so please confirm ASAP. I am confident that you will find the topic of Professor Temelini's oration very informative, inspiring and motivating. I hope to see you there, and don't forget to invite a friend or colleague.

You may recall the goals I set at the fall dinner meeting. I am pleased to announce that our membership now stands at a healthy 130 members, which well exceeds the ten percent growth target I had set.

Our data base will be in place by the time you receive this newsletter and a committee is putting the final touches on an achievement award. You should start considering candidates who have demonstrated devotion and a pro-active spirit in personal and professional development while maintaining high visibility in our community, as well as fostering his/her Italian heritage and culture.

Several other challenges this CIBPA Board has investigated includes; networking to assist the Red Cross to find a bone marrow match for Tanner Perrier and the initiation of scholarships at the secondary and post secondary levels of education. I represent the CIBPA on a sub-committee responsible to a City Hall committee, (see Special Announcement page 5).

I extend a warm thank you to the sponsors and participants who made the bocce ball tournament and the curling bonspiel huge successes. Our summer activities include: the very popular golf tournament in July, and the Festa Italiana in August. I look forward to meeting all members at these and all our events. Good luck in all your personal endeavours.

Mimmo Gallo
President

MESSAGGIO DAL PRESIDENTE

Cari soci e lettori della gazetta, spero che non stanno soffrendo tanto di questo inverno prolungato. Se sono come me, saranno desiderosi di partecipare a qualche attività estiva.

Il punto culminante di questa edizione sono le attività che l'Associazione Commerciale Italo-Canadese organizzano. Uno di questi eventi è la cena de due maggio alla Sal Italiana, (Algoma Street). Il conferenziere sarà il Professore Walter Temelini Ph.D., istruttore degli studi Italiani a l'Università di Windsor. Questa serata sarà ben concorsa, è sicuro che troveranno il tema molto interessante e piacevole. Estendo un invito anche ai loro amici e colleghi.

Sono orgoglioso d'informare loro i miei mire discorsi al meeting d'Ottobre sono stati realizzati e che un comitato sta per delineare le regole per il premio che sarà presentato a un membro della comunità italiana per la loro divozione a promuovere la cultura italiana e gli affari commerciali.

Qualche altre sfide che ci riguardano adesso sono d'aiutare alla Croce Rossa per fare fronte al trapianto di midullo di osso.

Stiamo anche guardando l'inizio di premi scolastici al livello secondario e universitario.

Quest' associazione è stata invitata a partecipare ai discorsi del comitato del quale la missione è delineata alla pagina cinque di questo notiziario.

Estendo un caloroso abbraccio a tutti i sostenitori e partecipanti che hanno contribuito al torneo di bocce e al torneo di curling. Mi sembra che l'entusiasmo è cresciuto a un punto che abbiamo quasi superato le nostre facilitá dell'hospite.

Non dimenticate il torneo di Golf in luglio e la Festa Italiana in agosto.

Vi auguro buona fortuna nei vostri affari personali.

Mimmo Gallo
Presidente

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CANADIAN ITALIAN BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, INC.

On the weekend of October 18, 1995, CIBPA board members Peter Niccoli and Tony Potestio attended the National Convention of the CIBPA in Windsor, Ontario. The two day convention was attended by approximately thirty delegates representing most chapters of the CIBPA across Canada. Group Seminars were held over a two day period focusing on the role and future of CIBPA in Canada.

Overall, the Convention was a great success and all delegates went home with new ideas and objectives to strengthen both the local chapters and the National Federation of CIBPA. The weekend was capped off by a Grand Gala held at the Cabot Club in Windsor, with over 500 guests attending.

WHAT IS THE NATIONAL FEDERATION?

The National Canadian Italian Business and Professional Organization elected new officers recently. They are Dr. Pasquale Duronio, dentist (Windsor) as President; Emilia Valentini, restaurateur (Toronto) as Executive Vice President; Nicola Franceschini, banker (Montreal) as Vice President of Finance; Adele Marchese, banker (Hamilton-Halton) as Vice President of Administration; and M. Bianca Fusco-Zanatta, business consultant (Vancouver) as Vice President of Communications.

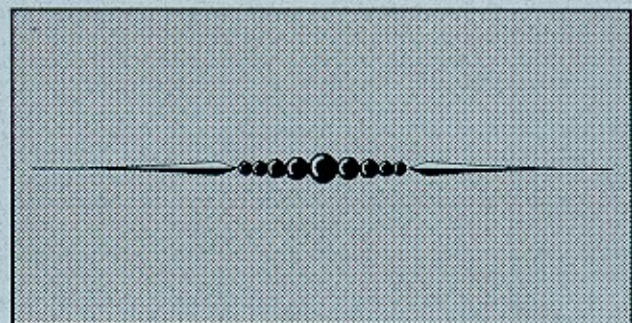
The Federation serves as a business and professional networking vehicle for its constituent members, as well as a voice for the Italian Canadian business and professional community across Canada. Areas of interest to the Federation span business, professional, civic and cultural issues of common concern to all members. This interest is expressed through published position papers prepared through member surveys and workshops. Three of its more high profile papers focused on providing solution to the Canadian National Unity challenge, recommendations on how to improve Canada's national economy; and problems and solutions for improving Ontario's Education System.

Board member Rose Bava represented the membership in a Cross Canada CIBPA meeting chaired by the National Federation on February 10th, 1996.

The meeting, chaired in Ottawa, was the first teleconferenced meeting ever held by the National Federation. This new, less expensive, medium was chosen to assist local CIBPA clubs across Canada to find more efficient and effective means of gaining representation.

Many important issues were discussed at the meeting including CIBPA access and representation on the Internet, settlement of the internment issues during World War II, and the role of the National Federation.

We anxiously await resolution of these and other pressing issues of concern to all CIBPA members in the near future.



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Dues for May 16, 1996 to May 15, 1997 are due on May 16, 1996.

An invoice was included in this mailout.

Please make out a cheque payable to the CIBPA for the amount you owe. Mail the cheque to:

*Frank Mirabelli, Membership Chairperson.
1261 Regina Avenue
Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7B 5C4*

OR

Bring a cheque or cash to the Spring Dinner and visit our Membership Booth.

How Do I Become a New Member?

1. Fill out a Membership form (any Board member can give you one)
2. Make out a cheque payable to the CIBPA for the correct amount (either \$100 or \$62.50)
3. Mail the cheque to:

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Membership Privileges

2 Dinners (Fall and Spring), free of charge
National Membership Directory Binder
Annual National Membership Directory Insert
Newsletters from National Federation of CIBPA
Newsletters from CIBPA of Thunder Bay
Invitations to events/activities

Fees

New Member Fee	100.00
Member Renewal	75.00
New Student Member Fee	62.50
Student Member Renewal	37.50

Volunteers Needed

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Maintain the Membership Database
(Microsoft OfficePro)

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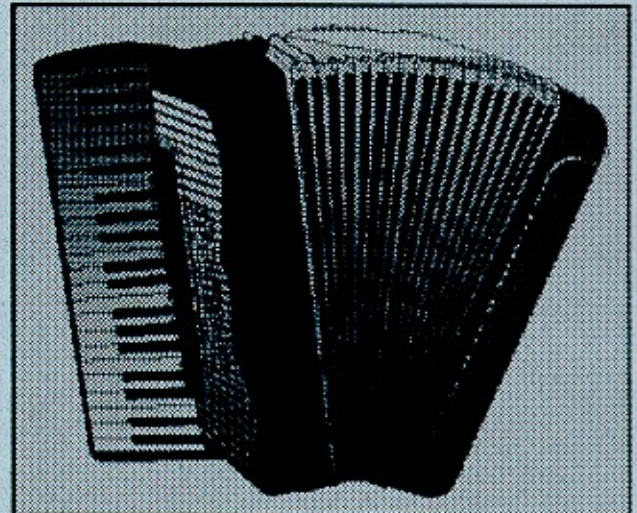
Work on Membership Committee

Work on Events Committees

Work in food booth for 1996 Festa Italiana

YOUR CIBPA ACTIVITIES

- Annual Golf Tournament (July)
- Festa Italiana Food Booth (August)
- Fall Dinner Meeting featuring a Guest Speaker (October, 1996)
- Christmas Bocce Tournament (November)
- Annual Curling Bonspiel (February)
- Spring Dinner Meeting featuring a Guest Speaker (and Annual Meeting)
- Ongoing support of the Chair of Italian Studies Fund - Lakehead University



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Members:

Surely you already know, the Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay is now officially twinned with the City of Siderno, Italy.

For this purpose a Volunteer's Committee, made up of citizens from our Community has been formed to assist with projects that will foster: cultural, sport, student, special, commercial exchanges, official visits, etc. between the Communities of Thunder Bay and Siderno, Italy. At this time I would like to specify that the twinning does not have to be considered exclusively with Siderno, but with all of Italy, because Siderno represents Italy and, it is the firm desire of the Committee to establish friendship relations throughout Italy.

We are counting on your solidarity and your help in the accomplishment of this important mission, we thank you in advance for your great contribution.

Sincerely,
Francesco Pedulla
President, Sidernese Committee

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

- Board Secretary Frank Mirabelli received his Chartered Corporate Secretaries designation this past December. Effective January 1, 1996 Frank is the general manager for Grandview Mall
- Congratulations to Mimmo Gallo whose student, Nicole Burak, won GOLD at a hair styling and cutting competition sponsored by L.O.S.D.I. She qualified to attend the All-Ontario championships at Cops Coliseum in Hamilton.
- Congratulations to Armani's Night Club on their recent renovations.

Cari Membri:

Come sicuramente è già di vostra conoscenza la Corporazione della città di Thunder Bay è da poco ufficialmente gemellata con la Città di Siderno in Italia.

A tale proposito è stato da poco formato un Comitato di volontari, composto da cittadini della nostra Comunità, che hanno come obiettivo comune l'organizzazione di progetti per promuovere scambi culturali, sportivi, scolastici, speciali, commerciali viste ufficiali ecc. tra le Comunità di Thunder Bay e Siderno. Tengo comunque a precisare che il gemellaggio non deve essere inteso come legame esclusivo con Siderno ma con L'Italia intera perchè Siderno rappresenta l'Italia ed è volontà del Siderno ma con L'Italia intera perchè Siderno rappresenta l'Italia ed è volontà del Comitato esaurire rapporti di amicizia con tutta l'Italia.

Sicuri della vostra solidarietà e del vostro aiuto nel portare avanti questa importante missione, vi porgiamo già da ora i più sinceri ringraziamenti per il vostro contributo.

Cordialmente
Francesco Pedulla
Presidente, Comitato Sidernese

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

- Adrian Mirabelli was elected Vice-President Finance for the Lakehead University Student Union this past February. Good Job Adrian!
- Congratulations to board member Peter Niccoli. Peter is the general manager for the Italian Centennial Hall.

1995-97 BOARD

The 1995-97 CIBPA Board of Directors' term of office ends on May 15, 1997.

- President**
346-8543
Mimmo Gallo, Diploma in Technological Education
Mimmo teaches cosmetology, Multi Media Communications and Special Education at St. Patrick High School to students in Grades 9 through 12.
- Vice-President**
344-6651
Tony Potestio, HBComm, LLB
Tony has practised law in Thunder Bay over the past 10 years and is presently a partner in the firm Christie & Potestio.
- Secretary**
768-0202
Frank Mirabelli, BBA, ICSA, MBA Candidate,
Frank is in his final year of the Queen's National Executive Masters of Business Administration Program. He also works in his family's business, Mirabelli Group of Companies
- Treasurer**
767-9163
Peter Niccoli, B Admin
Peter, formerly with Rankin Equipment, is now President and owner of Nicco Inc.
- Past President**
623-1855
Silvio Di Gregorio, HBA, LLB
Silvio is the Secretary-Treasurer of Bruno's Contracting, a general contracting firm. He also owns numerous other related enterprises in the City.
- Director**
344-1424
Rose Bava
Rose, owner of Hard Copy, is a certified court reporter that records and transcribes proceedings of any kind where a permanent record is required (court proceedings, meetings, statements).
- Director**
344-4021
Ray Colosimo
Ray is the owner of Colosimo's Music Store, a store that sells musical instruments and supplies.
- Director**
345-1213
Daniel Bellin, BBA, LLB
Daniel practises law specializing in civil litigation with the firm Erickson Larson.
- Director**
475-0229
Rita Racco, HB Comm
Rita holds the position of accountant at Avenor in Thunder Bay.

NEW MEMBERS

A new feature in the CIBPA newsletters will be a New Members section. We welcome the members listed below who have joined since our last newsletter :

Deborah Besignano - Jewellery Corner

Bruce Mac Donald - Lifestyle Insurance Services Ltd.

Mario Bruni - Denarco

Dr. Frank Mauro - Mauro Health Facility

Enzo Bel - Retired

Andy Morrow - Sunlife of Canada

Rubin Camelino - Lakehead School Board

Tony Pilat - Pilat Projects Incorporated

Luigi Carobelli Inc. - Louis and Franks

Mark Piovesana - ScotiaMcLeod Inc.

Aldo Fata - Hong Kong Bank of Canada

Elio Scocchia - Homelife Amethyst Realty Inc.

Ronne Ferris - Royal LePAGE Real Estate

Levino Tittaferrante - Ashler Property Management Inc.

The Joy of Growing Up Italian

(Continued from Fall 1995 Newsletter)...There was another difference between US and THEM. We had gardens, not just flower gardens, but huge gardens where we grew tomatoes, tomatoes, and more tomatoes. We ate them, cooked them, jarred them. Of course, we also grew peppers, basil, lettuce and squash. Everybody had a grapevine and a fig tree and in the fall everybody made homemade wine, lots of it!

Of course, those gardens thrived because we also had something else it seemed our Canadian friends didn't have. We had a Grandfather! It's not that they didn't have grandfathers, it's just that they didn't live in the same house, or on the same block. They visited their grandfathers. We ate with ours and God forbid we didn't see him at least once a day. I can still remember my grandfather telling me about how he came to Canada as a young man, "on the boat". How the family lived in a "rented tenement" and took in borders in order to help make ends meet, how he decided he didn't want his children (five sons and two daughters) to grow up in that environment. All of this, of course, in his own version of Italian/English, which I soon learned to understand quite well.

So when he saved enough, and I could never figure out how, he bought a house. That house served as the family headquarters for the next 40 years. I remember how he hated to leave, would rather sit on the back porch and watch his garden grow and, when he did leave for some special occasion, had to return as quickly as possible. After all, "nobody's watching the house". I also remember the holidays when all the relatives would gather at my grandfather's house and there'd be tables full of food and homemade wine and music. Women in the kitchen, men in the living room and kids, kids everywhere. I must have a half million

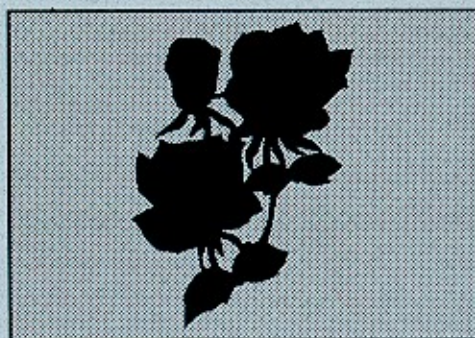
cousins, first and second, and some who aren't even related but, what did it matter. And my grandfather, his pipe in his mouth, his fine moustache trimmed, would sit in the middle of it all grinning his mischievous smile, his dark eyes twinkling, surveying his domain, proud of his family and how well his children had done. One was a cop, one a fireman, one had his trade, and of course there was always the rogue. And the girls, they had all married well and had fine husbands and healthy children and everyone knew respect.

He had achieved his goal in coming to Canada,

The previous was part two of a three part series.

Watch for part three in the fall newsletter.

Thanks to Raymond Colosimo for supplying the inspirational speech.



CURLING '96 BONSPIEL

Our second annual CIBPA Curling Bonspiel was a HUGE success. The event took place at the Thunder Bay Country Club on Saturday, February 10, 1996. Over 70 people showed up to 'curl'...some members forgot their glasses.

Skipper Domenic Vita lead his team of Adrian Mirabelli and Christine Lushney to a first place victory. There was plenty of music, entertainment, and John Scaffeo with his accordion. Everybody that participated had a fantastic time which added to the success of the event. The Bonspiel is an excellent means for us to get in touch with our culture and heritage as well as network with each other.

We would like to thank Mimmo Gallo, Tony Potestio, John Simprel and Silvio Di Gregorio, and all those other individuals who helped make this event a great success. Special mention goes to all our sponsors for their continued generosity at all of our events.

CURLING '96

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Valhalla Inn

Organizers

Mimmo Gallo
Tony Potestio

Helpers

John Simprel

THANKS!

IMPORTANT DATES

May 1996-1997 Membership Fee

June Member Confirmation Mailout

July Third Annual Golf Tournament

August Festa Italiana Food Booth

September Fall Newsletter

October Fall Dinner Meeting

November Bocce Tournament

February Third Annual Curling Bonspiel

April Spring Dinner

Member Input is Desire

FALL 1995 DINNER

WHAT A SUCCESS!!!

Over 140 members and guests attended the October 5, 1995 Fall Dinner Meeting to listen to the guest speaker, Mr. Mikulas Huttner, and network with one another. A great time was had by all.

Mr. Huttner, a wine consultant with the LCBO, gave a interesting and educational talk concerning Italian wines and what differentiates it from other wines available on the market. Grapes from different regions and what to look for in a good wine was also discussed.

Following the talk, an evening of wine tasting, with wines from the various regions of Italy and Thunder Bay were sampled and critiqued. A lively discussion carried forth throughout the evening with each Houses forwarding their recipe for making homemade wine. We look forward to another great wine tasting event.



MEMBERSHIP DATABASE

Our new computerized CIBPA membership database is complete.

Your CIBPA board is in the process of imputing all of our present and past members into the database.

The database will provide the CIBPA board a better, and more up to date identification of who are members are, their addresses, their occupations and their interests.

In the very near future, you will be receiving an updated member identification card.

You are asked to carefully review the card and mail back any corrections to the membership committee.

Without a complete membership application, you will missout on important events and announcements!

**Need More Info? Call:
Frank Mirabelli @ 768-0202**

REGISTER BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE

DO YOU HAVE NEWS?
If you have news to share with the membership or have comments or suggestions regarding this newsletter, please contact me at 768-0202 before the next newsletter is published in March of 1996.

Frank Mirabelli
Newsletter Editor

BOCCE '95

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Peter Niccoli
Adrian Mirabelli
Frank Mirabelli

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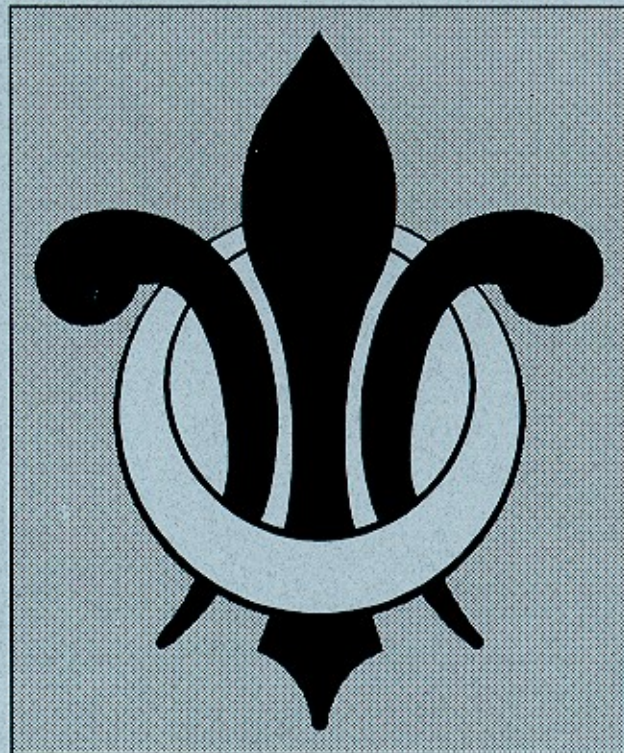
CIBPA/LUISA BOCCE TOURNAMENT '95

On Saturday, November 25th, 1995 we had our First Annual CIBPA/LUISA Bocce Tournament at the Da Vinci Centre. LUISA is the Lakehead University Italian Student Association. Overall we had 55 players and gained a few more people on the court for dinner. Teams of four or five shot from the line and we all *followed* a simple set of rules - closest to the palini, have fun and do not aim for the opposing team. The organizing committee has agreed to adopt new rules for next years tournament....so be warned.

The Da Vinci prepared an excellent meal and we had many excellent prizes to award and greatly appreciate the generosity of the many donors.

Finally, we would like to thank **Peter Niccoli and Frank and Adrian Mirabelli for organizing the event.** Great job guys!

Thanks to all those who participated and we look forward to your competition next year.



CURRICULUM VITAE

WALTER TEMELINI - Classical & Modern Languages, Literature & Civilization (CMLLC),
University of Windsor, Windsor, Ontario, Canada N9B 3P4

Academic Degrees:

- . B.A. (Honours) Modern History & Modern Languages, Un. of Toronto 1963
- . M.A. French and Italian, Un. of Toronto 1964
- . Ph.D. Italian Language & Literature, Un. of Toronto 1969

Teaching Experience:

- . Un. of Windsor 1970-present, Italian Language, Literature, Civilization;
(since 1989) The Humanities & Multicultural Studies
1987 (Dept. of History) The Italian Renaissance
1974-83 (Faculty of Education) B.Ed. Italian Program
- . Un. of Guelph 1967-1970 Italian Language, Literature, Civilization
- . Un. of Toronto 1964-1966 Italian Language
- . Un. of Michigan 1982 Culture & History of Italy
- . Un. of Calabria (Visiting Professor) The Humanistic Tradition & Multicultural Studies
- . Un. of Matanzas, Cuba 1996 Seminar on Multicultural Studies

Thesis Co-Reader: Universities of Windsor, Michigan, Calabria, Matanzas

Multicultural Education:

- . Coordinator Un. of Windsor B.A. Degree in Multicultural Studies;
Research, Study: policy, theory, practice & curriculum development

Publications:

- . Book submitted to McGill-Queen's University Press (May 1994) and accepted for
publication [Final Revision of translation into English & critical edition of
Italian renaissance Play]
- . Over 20 "Refereed" Publications (chs/sections in bks; articles; conference
proceedings; translations)
- . Over 110 articles of scholarly nature in non-refereed journals

Papers Delivered to professional associations (mostly by invitation): over 40

Membership/Offices:

- . National/International Professional & Intercultural Studies Associations
(AATI, AISLLI, CCMIE, CSIS, CSRS, HAC, IAIE, MLA, OMAMO, RSA, TRRC)

Editorial Boards: (editor, co-editor, member): Five professional journals; various others

Research Speciality:

- . Renaissance literature/though; Humanistic Traditiona & Multicultural Studies

Administration Experience:

- . Un. of Windsor Senate; CMLLC Acting Head; numerous committees at all levels
(member & chair)

Community Experience:

- . Extensive (addresses, workshops, reports esp. on Heritage Language &
Multicultural Education Development; Editor of Italian Language Weekly La
Gazzetta; participation in various organizations; translations, etc.)

Grants/Contracts/Awards:

- . External Affairs Canada; Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Dante Alighieri
Society (Rome); Premlo Nazionale David di Michelangelo (Rome).

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