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10TH ANNIVERSARY

Gala Dinner

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2002 • VALHALLA INN



Honourable Consiglio Di Nino, Senate of Canada
"THE IMPETUS FOR THE CIBPA NETWORK"

The reasons behind the Association's formation from its first chapter in Montreal in 1949 are rooted in the difficulties experienced by legions of Italian immigrants seeking to establish themselves in Canadian society. For all too many immigrants, the challenge was finding ways and means of fulfilling the most basic of human needs, such as for food and shelter, as well as transportation and employment. Seeing the problems and their effects on so many people, a small group of business and professional people from the Toronto area Italian Canadian community joined together and established the CIBPA.

In pursuing its objectives, the CIBPA also became a crossroad of interaction for its members. As a result, many vigorous business relationships were initiated, which continue to thrive today. These relationships form the primary basis for the Association's continuing vitality.



Mr. Frank Bueti, President, Italian Chamber of Commerce of Manitoba
"CIBPA - ITS FUTURE IN THE GLOBAL BUSINESS NETWORK, AND THE ROLE AND RELATIONS WITH THE ITALIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN CANADA."

The Camera di Commercio Italiana del Manitoba (CCIM) is a multi-service organization whose goal is to assist companies and or individuals who are interested in pursuing business, trade or social network between Western Canada, Italy and the network of Italian Chambers world wide. The CCIM is dedicated to enhance its members' presence and success in all facets of business.

10TH ANNIVERSARY GALA DINNER

Admission

Members - No Charge • Non-Members - \$50.00

Reservations

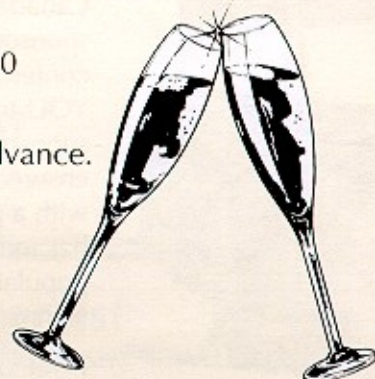
Tables of 8 can be purchased and reserved in advance.

Tickets

Contact any board member listed on Page 5.

RSVP

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Frank Mirabelli 624-2175 / Fax 622-3145



CIBPA THUNDER BAY CALENDAR

8TH ANNUAL
BOCCE BALL
TOURNAMENT
Sat., Nov. 9, 2002
DaVinci Centre

9TH ANNUAL
MIXED CURLING
FUNSPIEL
Sat., Feb. 15, 2003
Port Arthur
Curling Club



President's Message

Renato Pullia
CIBPA President
2001 - 2003



What A Fabulous Summer! This had to be one of the warmest summers of recent memory, hoping only that it could be longer. I hope you and your families had the opportunity to enjoy it.

Not only was the weather fantastic, but so was this year's Festa Italiana. We served our usual great sausages and deluxe ice cream to those who came out and explored what the Italian culture had to offer. A special THANK YOU to all those volunteers who worked at our booth and gave of their time and effort. We also thank Dave Drew of Praxair Canada, who contributed the helium balloons that were given to the youngsters who visited our booth. I invite you to look inside this newsletter and review the many volunteers that made this event a success.

Our Golf Tournament in July enjoyed its annual festive spirit with nearly 100 golfers participating, even if the weather wasn't that cooperative. Special thanks to George Cava, representing Molson Canada, who once again sponsored the putting contest, and a THANK YOU to all of our many sponsors whose generosity ensured all participants left with a prize. This event has indeed become a very popular occasion of the summer.

I welcome the Royal Bank Financial Group as our

Corporate sponsor for 2001-2003 and I encourage other organizations to join us in this endeavour. The Royal Bank Financial Group is a leader in supporting the CIBPA membership across Canada, with significant contributions to our national website and national directory. I take this opportunity to express my most sincere appreciation to our benefactors, and I encourage CIBPA members to support all of our corporate sponsors. Tante Grazie! As Fall starts to set in, so is our planning for our 10th Anniversary Gala Dinner set for Saturday, October 5, 2002. We will be honored with the presence of the Honourable Consiglio Di Nino, Senate of Canada and Mr. Frank Buetti, President of the Italian Chamber of Commerce of Manitoba, who will speak to the CIBPA's beginnings and future in the global business network. Following a multiple course meal and speeches, members, spouses, and guests will dance the night away to the youthful and modern sounds of the band Viva.

Members in good standing will receive a complimentary ticket as part of their membership privileges. Additional tickets are available from any Board member at a cost of \$50.00 each.

Your attendance, interest and input measure the success of this organization. I encourage you all to attend and participate in all of our functions and take advantage of the networking opportunities accorded to you. I wish all of you a great Fall season, and I look forward to celebrating with you our 10th Anniversary Dinner.

Renato Pullia
PRESIDENT

Welcome!

The Thunder Bay Chapter of the CIBPA is pleased to welcome Sault Ste. Marie to the National Federation. It is through a united, spirited and concerted approach that we can be successful in all our future endeavours.

10TH ANNIVERSARY Gala Dinner

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2002 • VALHALLA INN

• For Members, Spouses and Guests •



5:45 - 6:30 PM • SYMPOSIUM

6:30 - 6:45 PM • OPENING REMARKS

Welcome • Silvio DiGregorio, Director
Toast to Canada • Frank Mirabelli, Membership Chair
Grace • Sonny Costanzo, Treasurer

6:45 - 8:30 PM • DINNER

8:30 - 9:20 PM • KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Introduction of 1st Keynote Speaker
Saverio Prete, Vice-President, CIBPA Thunder Bay
Honourable Consiglio Di Nino, Senate of Canada
"The Impetus for the CIBPA Network"

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Introduction of 2nd Keynote Speaker
Mimmo Gallo, Director, CIBPA Thunder Bay

Mr. Frank Bueti, President, Italian Chamber of Commerce of Manitoba
"CIBPA – Its Future in the Global Business Network, and the Role and Relations with the Italian Chamber of Commerce in Canada."

9:25 - 9:35 PM • PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Renato Pullia, President 2001-2003, CIBPA Thunder Bay

9:35 - 9:45 PM • CLOSING REMARKS

Silvio DiGregorio, Director

10:00 PM - 1:00 AM • NETWORKING/ENTERTAINMENT

Viva Band

PLEASE RSVP at 623-1855 by October 1st

ADDITIONAL TICKETS FOR SPOUSES AND GUESTS AVAILABLE AT \$50.00 EACH FROM ANY BOARD MEMBER

Festa Italiana



Each summer this much anticipated event attracts approximately 20,000 people in just one weekend. The success of this event would not be possible without the support of those that donate a great deal of their time and energy to its success, and we say **THANK YOU!**

FESTA VOLUNTEERS

Adam Bava
Bruna Bava
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CIBPA Board

Special Thanks to:

Gran Sasso Club
Pierino Maletta
Dave Drew – Praxair
Peter Niccoli – Hertz Rentals

Calendar of Events

OCTOBER 2002						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 Italian Canadian Council Meeting	5 CIBPA Gala Dinner
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 The Three Tenors	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Italian Cuisine by Italian Chefs	26
27 Ice And Live	28	29	30	31		

NOVEMBER 2002						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 CIBPA Bocce Tournament
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 Marcello Chiarini 75th Birthday	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

FEBRUARY 2003						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
					7	8
2	3	4	5	6	14	15 CIBPA Curling Tournament
9	10	11	12	13	21	22
16	17	18	19	20	27	28
23	24	25	26	27		

PRAXAIR

Hertz
Equipment Rental

Membership Privileges

TWO DINNERS ANNUALLY
NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY ON CIBPA'S WEBSITE
NEWSLETTERS FROM CIBPA THUNDER BAY
INVITATIONS TO ANNUAL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Fees

NEW – \$110
RENEWAL – \$85
NEW STUDENT – \$70
STUDENT RENEWAL – \$45

2001-2003 Board of Directors

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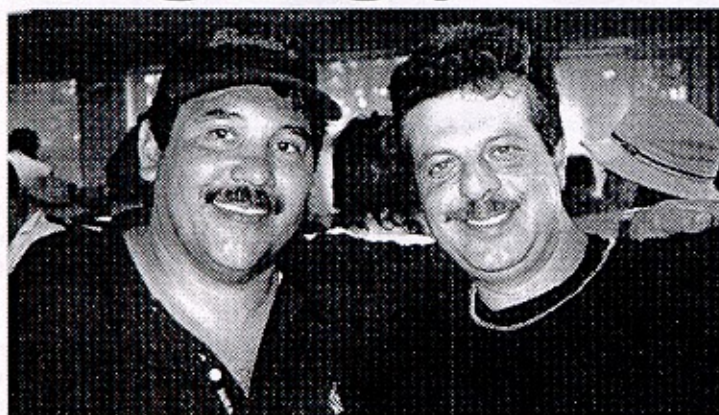
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Fore!



This year, while the summer seemed to be endless with sunny skies and near tropical temperatures tending to be routine... reality set in at the Annual CIBPA Golf Tournament.

While the inclement weather put a damper on the golfing, it did not put a damper on the comradery of the more than 100 members who came out to play.

While the weather may have not cooperated, everyone stayed true to the spirit of the game

and still enjoyed themselves tremendously, thanks to the help of Gran Marnier and Molson Canada's sponsorship of the putting contest.

As well, this year we introduced the first CIBPA golf shirts, thanks to the sponsorship of RBC Banking, which when coupled with the gracious prize donations from numerous sponsors, helped make this event its usual success.



New Members

ALBERT AIELLO
Thunder Bay Boys
and Girls Club

DONALD HARRIS
Donald Harris
Enterprises

FRANK MARINO
Roxy's Nightclub

Golf Sponsors

- RBC Banking
- PMA Grand Marnier
- Bruno's Contracting
- Community Auditorium
- West Fort William Credit Union
- Nor-Shore Ready Mix Concrete Ltd.
- Buset & Buset Chartered Accts
- Bank of Montreal
- Molson Canada
- Scotiabank
- Travelodge Hotel Airline
- Hard Copy
- Hershey's Canada
- Mink Mountain Resorts
- East Side Mario's
- Bank of Montreal
- LU Alumni Association
- Hertz Rental Equipment
- ScotiaMcLeod
- Davlor Insurance Services Inc.
- Victoriaville Hair Design & Esthetics
- Clarica
- Shear Heaven
- DiBiaggio Hair Studio
- Midway Dry Cleaners
- Piero's Painting & Decorating
- Nova Pro Industrial Supply
- Dr. Frank Mauro's Periodontal & Implant Dentistry
- Aurora Bar & Grille
- Ernst & Young
- Shoppers Home Health Care
- Magic 99.9
- TD Canada Trust Bank
- Valhalla Inn



Mark Your Calendar

ITALIAN CANADIAN COUNCIL OF THUNDER BAY MEETING

October 4th
Italian Cultural
Centre

CIBPA 10TH ANNIVERSARY GALA DINNER

October 5th
Valhalla Inn

THE THREE TENORS

October 18th
Da Vinci Centre

*Comitato Sidernese
presents*

ITALIAN CUISINE BY ITALIAN CHEFS

October 25th
Italian Cultural
Centre

JOE AVATI LIVE

October 27th
Community
Auditorium

8TH ANNUAL BOCCE BALL TOURNAMENT

Sat., Nov. 9, 2002
DaVinci Centre

MARCONI EXHIBIT

November 18th
Thunder Bay
Museum

9TH ANNUAL MIXED CURLING FUNSPIEL

Sat., Feb. 15, 2003
Port Arthur
Curling Club

ITALIAN-CANADIAN COUNCIL OF THUNDER BAY

Background Information

The Italian Consul General visit to Thunder Bay on February 15, 2002 highlighted the need for a coordinated approach to deal with various issues of importance to the Italian-Canadian community of Thunder Bay and region. The coming together of most Italian-Canadian organizations/clubs on that specific occasion enabled the Italian-Canadian community of Thunder Bay to present a united front in such a positive way that the timing for this initiative is most favorable in terms of its acceptance.

Identification of Issues and Needs

The issues are varied, but a common theme underlies them. The major one is the need to have a forum whereby all Italian-Canadian organizations/clubs in the community can come together to share information of common interest. In fact, while one or more organizations/clubs may be privy to information that may not be of interest or applicable to their constituency, others may find it quite important. Information sharing will therefore be one of the primary objectives of this organization.

Congruency

It needs to be understood that many organizations/clubs have their own objectives that may not be congruent or aligned with the greater need of the Italian-Canadian community in general. That is, for many years such organizations have operated in isolation and only come together on special occasions (i.e. Festa Italiana, Folklore Festival, etc.). There is a sense of competition between the two larger social clubs that while friendly, at times has caused some friction. This competition can be traced to a time of transition and economic uncertainty in the larger Thunder Bay community that placed the two societies in a survival mode. Such transition is now almost over, and the two societies not only have survived but prospered. They are now in a position to look outward and play a larger and broader role than they have in the past. This initiative will be an excellent vehicle for them to play such role.

Vision

To be a united voice of the Italian-Canadian community in Thunder Bay and region.

Primary Goals and Objectives

1. To maintain and foster a strong and positive relationship amongst all Italian organizations/clubs in the city and region.
2. To advance the mutual interests of each organization/clubs within the larger context of the overall Italian-Canadian community.
3. To fulfill an advocacy role on issues and needs of its constituency, vis-à-vis other regional, national and international bodies such as the Italian Consulate, Trade Offices, Comites, CIBPA, National Congress of Italian Canadians, Regional, Provincial and National levels of government both in Canada and in Italy.

Specific Objectives

1. Coordinate events that link to national and international Italian-Canadian interests (i.e. Miss Italia nel Mondo).
2. Develop protocol and coordinate all matters relating to official and unofficial visits of Italian-Canadian dignitaries to our city and region.
3. Help Italian Vice-Consul disseminate information and initiatives of importance to the local Italian-Canadian community.
4. Identify and disseminate information on initiatives and programs of the Italian Government (including its regional Governments), that may be of interest to the local Italian-Canadian community.

Guiding Principles

1. The strategy must be developed with the representative of the local Italian-Canadian community, and must be supported by their membership
2. The strategy will identify opportunities and attributes that are unique to the Italian-Canadian community of Thunder Bay and region.
3. The strategy must be practical, and be able to be implemented in the short term, given local resources and abilities.
4. The strategy must provide for investment of time and resources by all parties within their respective abilities and means.
5. The strategy must make recommendations that are synergistic and complimentary with ongoing projects.
6. The development of the economic opportunities must be compatible and complementary to the Italian-Community's plans for general community development within the Northwestern Ontario region.



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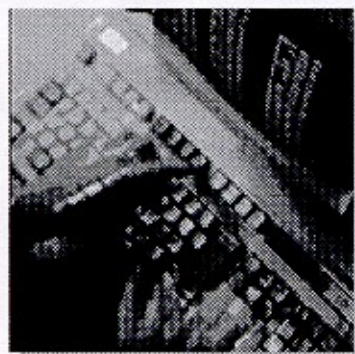
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CIBPA Thunder Bay Objectives

To serve as a voice of the Canadian Italian business and professional community of Thunder Bay and Northwestern Ontario;

To initiate and foster programs and activities for the betterment of the Italian Canadian community in Thunder Bay, Northwestern Ontario and Canada.

To promote and strengthen the image of the Italian Canadian community within Thunder Bay, Northwestern Ontario and Canada;

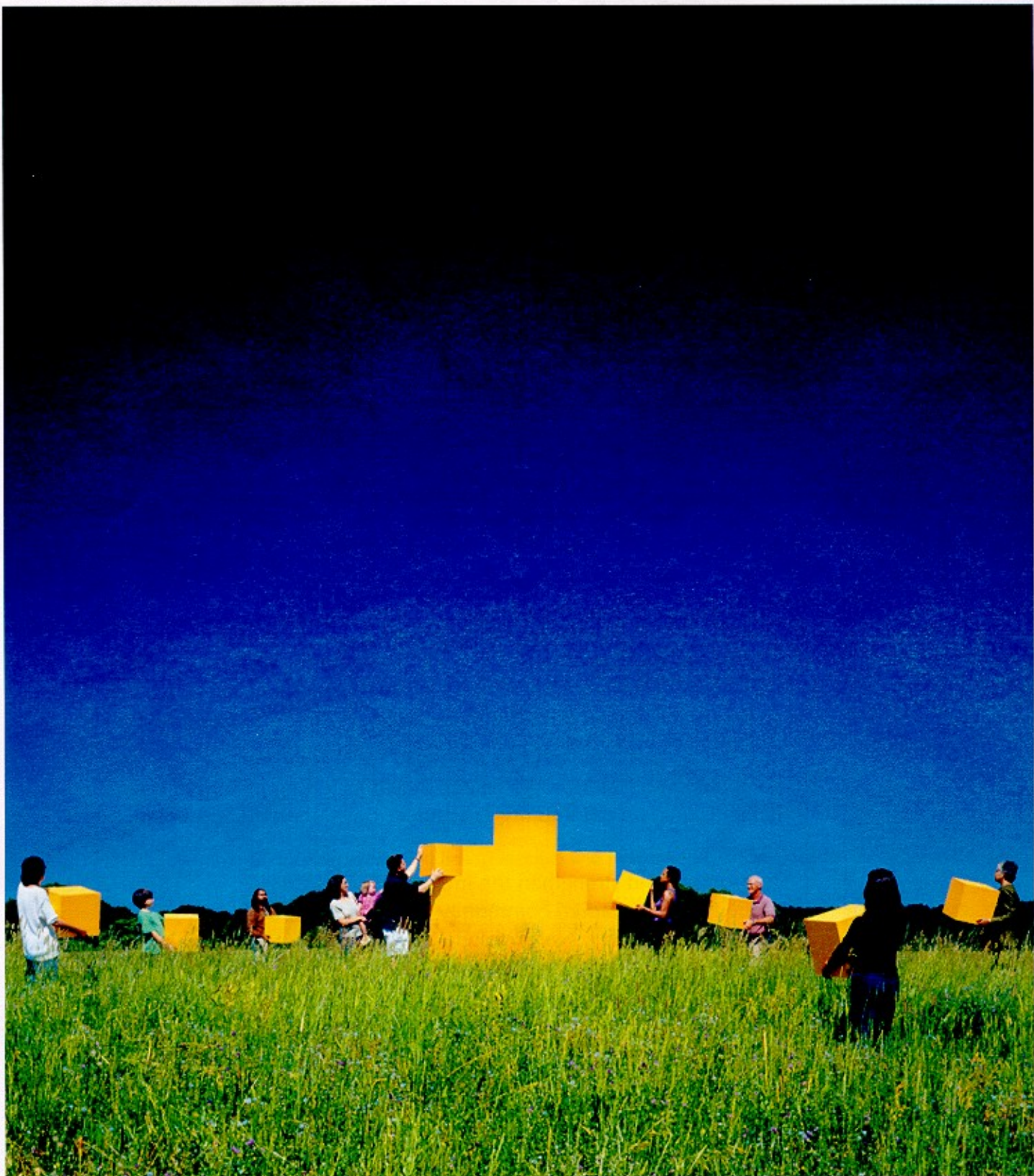
To provide a wide range of opportunities for business, professional and personal growth through lectures, seminars, workshops and membership networking;

To serve as a source of continuing input to all levels of government on issues of concern to the Italian Canadian business and professional community;

To be a vehicle for providing public recognition to individual Italian Canadians for outstanding business and professional achievements and community service work; and,

To pursue any other purposes that are consistent with these objectives.





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