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Admission

Members -
No Charge
Non-Members -
\$55.00

Fall 2016 CIBPA Dinner Thursday, September 29th

**6:00pm Networking - 7:00pm Dinner
Whitewater Golf Club**

**Robert Arnone, President and CEO
Levaero Aviation**

Robert Arnone, lifelong resident of Thunder Bay, was born to Italian immigrant parents, Alba and Adolfo Arnone.

In 1990, Robert graduated from Lakehead University with an Honours Bachelor of Commerce degree. After completing his degree, he articulated with Grant Thornton and later obtained his professional designation of Certified Public Accountant.

Robert left public practice and gained experience in international business, as General Manager for Hong Kong based Magnetics International. Subsequent and after a three-year position as Cost Accounting Manager with a local pulp and paper producer, Robert is now current President and CEO of Levaero Aviation.

He has over 20 years' experience in the aviation industry. His passion for the dynamic and challenging industry led him to first become executive management, and subsequently, together with business partner, Steve Davey, acquired Levaero Aviation.



Levaero
AVIATION



Reservations

Tables of 8 can be purchased and reserved in advance.



Tickets

Contact any board member.



President's Message - *Franco Crupi*

It's that time of the year again, mornings are getting cooler and days are getting shorter. I hope the summer has treated you all well and has given you all a chance to both relax and recharge for the year ahead.

This summer we hosted our 23rd Annual CIBPA Golf Tournament and again a successful one it has been, but not without the hard work by organizers and spirited participation. I would like to thank all the volunteers, sponsors, prize donors, and your enthusiastic participation in making this event a success. I would also like to congratulate the tournament's winning team. Matt Simeoni, Mike Simeoni, Ricardo Simeoni and Anthony Bergamo.

Our CIBPA chapter, along with the National Federation CIBPA, offer our thoughts, prayers, and sympathy to all those affected by the devastating earthquake in Central Italy. Like in the past we will be participating in an initiative to support the people and communities affected by the earthquake. Should anyone require more information or is interested in donating please visit www.centralitalyearthquakerelieffund.com. All donations are tax deductible.

On Thursday September 29, 2016, our Fall Dinner will be held at Whitewater Golf Club, please pencil this date in and invite a friend. I am pleased to announce our Fall Dinner's guest speaker Mr. Robert Arnone. Rob will enlighten us on what Thunder Bay offers to the aviation sector at a local, national and international level. Attached to this newsletter you will find your complimentary ticket to the event. I encourage all members to attend and remind you that non-members are always welcome, don't hesitate to invite a friend. Additional tickets are available from Board members at a cost of \$ 55.00. Join us for an evening of fun, laughter and friendship.

I am certain that you will find the evening very interesting and informative and like always you will enjoy the friendly atmosphere and camaraderie. I wish you all a great fall and look forward seeing you at the Fall Dinner.

Sincerely,
Franco Crupi

Members in the News

Dear Members, if you know of any member that is in the news please email us at thunderbay@cibpa.com

Members' Health and Welfare

As part of the board's ongoing commitment to better serving its members, the board is attempting to communicate the following to the membership: Please let Mimmo Gallo know if you are aware of a CIBPA member that is in the hospital. Mimmo will send a best wishes card on behalf of the CIBPA of Thunder Bay. If you know of a CIBPA's members' father or mother passing away also let Mimmo know and he will send out a card of condolences on behalf of the CIBPA of Thunder Bay.

Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated.
Mimmo can be reached at: mgallo@tbaytel.net

Golf Tournament 2016 - Peter Niccoli

The weather held once again at our 23rd Annual Golf Tournament held at the prestigious **White-water Golf Club**. We were greeted by **Lisa Wychopen** from PMA Gran Marnier to christen the day with a cheer and it continued throughout the day!

On the course, the team of culinary professionals from the **Valhalla Inn** put on a delicious variety of gourmet foods showcasing their exceptional talent in the art of cooking. Of course, the tournament wouldn't be our golf tournament without the **Gran Sasso Club** who once again, commandeered the half-way house and provided us with a taste of Italy serving traditional and tasty treats. With **John Scaffeo** on the accordion, it became difficult for many of us to leave the area.

Congratulations to the tournament winners and one of the few teams that completed the 18 holes, made up of **Matt Simeoni, Mike Simeoni, Ricardo Simeoni and Anthony Bergamo**.

A huge shout-out goes to our many sponsors who without their support, the tournament couldn't be possible. See you all again next year!

Golf Donations & Prizes

5 Forks Fine Food & Drink
Freedom 55
Gran Sasso Club
Kelsey's
MicroAge
Molson Coors Canada
North Star Air
Nor Shore Inc.
PMA Canada
RBC Royal Bank

Sencia
The Keg
Travelers Canada

Valhalla Inn
Whitewater Golf Club

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George Cava
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Peter Provenzano
Lisa Wychopen
Matt Simeoni
Scott Simon
Joe Quaresima
Tom Pazianos
Kevin Corbett &
Shaun Van Den Berg
Giuseppe Sirignano
Matt Simmons

Recipe - Peter Niccoli - Fiori Di Zucca Fritti

Ingredients: Serves 4

- ◆ 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- ◆ 1/3 cup cornstarch
- ◆ Salt and freshly ground pepper
- ◆ 1/2 cup sparkling mineral water
- ◆ Vegetable oil for deep-frying
- ◆ 16 zucchini or other squash blossoms



Preparation

- ◆ In a small bowl, whisk together the flour, cornstarch, 1/2 teaspoon salt, and pepper to taste.
- ◆ Stir in the water.
- ◆ Let stand for 1 hour.
- ◆ Pour 2 inches of oil into a deep fryer or deep heavy saucepan.
- ◆ Heat over medium heat until the temperature reaches 375F on a deep-frying thermometer, or a drop of the batter sizzles and quickly rises to the surface of the oil.
- ◆ Dip a zucchini flower in the batter, coating it completely.
- ◆ Slip into the oil. Dip and add only as many more flowers as fit without crowding the pan.
- ◆ Fry, turning once, for 1 to 2 minutes, until crisp.
- ◆ Remove the flowers from the pan with a slotted spoon, and drain on paper towels.
- ◆ Fry the remainder, and serve immediately.

CALENDAR

Fall Dinner
Sep 29, 2016
Whitewater Golf Club

**Bocce
Tournament**
Nov 5, 2016
Da Vinci Centre

Wine Tasting Dinner
**Institute of Italian
Studies**
Nov 10, 2016
Whitewater Golf Club

**Spring
Dinner**
May 12, 2017
Valhalla Inn

Golfing for the Goal
**Institute of Italian
Studies**
**In Memory of
Frank Pontisso**
June 22, 2017
Whitewater Golf Club

**CIBPA Golf
Tournament**
July 6, 2017
Whitewater Golf Club



CIBPA Past Presidents

- 1993 – 1994
Daniel Bellin
- 1994 – 1995
Silvio Di Gregorio
- 1995 – 1997
Mimmo Gallo
- 1997 – 1999
Frank Mirabelli
- 1999 – 2001
Peter Niccoli
- 2001 – 2003
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- 2003 – 2005
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- 2005-2007
Sonny Costanzo
- 2007-2009
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- 2009-2011
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- 2011-2013
Shirlee Bayda-Clace
- 2013-2015
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Canadians of Italian heritage building business and professional networks across Canada.

The CIBPA brings people together in an atmosphere that encourages the development of business contacts while strengthening cultural awareness.

ADVERTISING

If you would like to place an ad in this newsletter, or on our website, or add a link from our website... Contact Joe Daniele at 343-4490

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CIBPA Sponsorship Policy

DIAMANTE *DIAMOND* SPONSOR (\$5,000+)

- Exclusivity at this level by industry
- Booth (supplied by client) at our dinner events
- Logo on podium at dinner events
- Logo on dinner program
- 2 X 4 advertising banner (supplied by client) at our sporting events
- Corporate materials (supplied by client) distributed at events
- Full page advertising in all newsletters
- Guest columnist in all newsletters
- Logo on all newsletters
- Corporate top banner logo on CIBPA website
- Corporate link on CIBPA website

ORO *GOLD* SPONSOR (\$2,500 - \$4,999)

- Exclusivity at this level by industry
- 1.5 X 3 advertising banner (supplied by client) at all sporting events
- ½ Page advertising in all newsletters
- Logo on all newsletters
- Corporate gold size logo on CIBPA website
- Corporate link on CIBPA website

ARGENTO *SILVER* SPONSOR (\$1,000 – \$2,499)

- ¼ page advertising in all newsletters
- Recognition on sponsor board at sporting events
- Corporate silver size logo on CIBPA website
- Corporate link on CIBPA website

Note: Changes in the size of signage, logos and advertising space may be approved by the CIBPA Board

The Institute of Italian Studies Lakehead University



2017 Golfing for the Goal
Golf Tournament
In Memory of Frank Pontisso
June 22, 2017
Whitewater Golf Club



Submissions

CIBPA Chronicles welcomes member articles for inclusion in future issues.
Articles should be relevant to member interests and the Italian Canadian community.
Please forward submissions to thunderbay@cibpa.com

Membership Privileges

Two Dinners Annually
Website links on CIBPA'S Website
Newsletters from CIBPA Thunder Bay
Invitations to Annual Events & Activities

Fees
New Member - \$150
Renewal - \$125
Youth (30 & under) - \$90
Youth Renewal - \$65

2015 - 2017 Board of Directors

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President
346-7000

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768-6603

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251-0182

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344-2080

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343-4490

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684-8309

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346-8543

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343-1435

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Director
345-8825

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620-6896

New Members

Tony Bossio
(Allstate Insurance)
Robert Arnone
(Levaero Aviation)
Enzo Ruberto
(Ruberto Holdings)
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(Gerolami Mechanical)
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(Gerolami Mechanical)
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