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**“Shoot for Excellence”
1st Annual Awards
Gala**

September 26th, 2011
Carmen’s Banquet Centre

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Hall of Fame
Legend
Phil Esposito



What is the CIBPA?

We are a not-for-profit organization, established in 1949 with the mandate to promote and strengthen the image of business professional entrepreneurs of Italian heritage. We are the voice of the Canadian Italian business and professional community of Hamilton-Halton.

Who is part of the CIBPA?

Our membership is comprised of a broad spectrum of significant Canadian business and professional leaders who are of Italian heritage, including entrepreneurs, business managers and professionals.

What membership options are available?

We offer a range of individual and corporate membership options that are tailored to meet the diversity of our community.

Where can I learn more about the CIBPA?

Please visit our website at

www.cibpahh.com



What are the Benefits of Membership?

Canadian business and professional men and women of Italian origin working together to help:

- Provide an environment where members can cultivate and pursue development of their business and professional interests through Association publications, special events, and dinner forums with prominent business experts and civic leaders.
- Promote and strengthen the image of the Italian community in Hamilton-Halton.
- Serve as a united voice of the Canadian Italian business and professional community for the Hamilton-Halton Area.
- Provide public policies that inspires entrepreneurial creativity, initiative and enterprise helping to build a strong Canadian economy.
- Foster greater cooperation between the private sector and all levels of government.

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Mayor's Message



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MAYOR OF HAMILTON

On behalf of the City of Hamilton, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the Business Excellence Awards hosted by CIBPA Hamilton-Halton.

This award is a tradition of distinction; recognition to honour those Businesses whose dedication and commitment provides intrinsic value to our community. They are the spirit of Hamilton and their efforts enhance the lives of Hamiltonians in a variety of ways.

I also would like to extend my appreciation to the CIBPA and all of the volunteers who play a vital role in organizing this evening, giving us the opportunity to pay tribute to some very remarkable people.

Best wishes for a rewarding event and to all nominees, I thank you for your contributions, and I wish you much success in your future endeavours.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bob Bratina".

Robert Bratina
Mayor



President's Message



September 26, 2011

Dear Members and Guests:

I am truly honored and privileged to be representing CIBPA Hamilton-Halton Chapter as President for our 1st Annual Awards of Excellence Gala. This is an exciting time and is a great opportunity to celebrate.

We have accomplished so much since our inaugural lunch in October 2010. This is possible because of all the support and work of the Board members serving on a volunteer basis. I truly thank all of you for your work.

This evening is to pay tribute to individuals in the community who represent Business and Professional Entrepreneurs and congratulations to Roger Yachetti, The Teresa Cascioli Charitable Foundation, and the Late John Fortino who will be recognized at this Awards of Excellence Gala.

This is really a celebration for all of us, as Business and Professional entrepreneurs, of what we have accomplished as Canadian Italians of the Hamilton-Halton region.

I look forward to the coming year, to continue the success we have achieved and grow the Chapter for the benefit of all the members. I encourage you to participate and support this Chapter by attending our events and joining as members.

On behalf of the Board, I wish you continued success in your Business and Professional endeavours.

Respectively,

Bennie Esposto
President, CIBPA HH

Business Excellence Award

The Late John Fortino



John Fortino experienced true success in life and was rewarded with respect, genuine affection and recognition of his personal and professional accomplishments. His patient, calm leadership was matched by his determination – a model President who was both deeply admired and truly inspirational.

John was a principled, loyal and friendly man. In every aspect of his life he lived with the highest morals and integrity. John was a father figure to many young men and women over the years. His life centered on family, his business, his employees, his community. He raised over two million dollars for the Heart & Stroke Foundation and received their Heart of Gold award. The City of Hamilton paid tribute to him with induction into the Hamilton Gallery of Distinction. He took pride in his Italian heritage, and the Canadian Italian community was equally proud of him, honouring him with the Order of Italy and the Italo-Canadian Citizen of the Year award.

Like most visionaries, John was exceptionally hard-working, an innovator who built a flourishing independent supermarket enterprise from a single grocery store. True respect for customers and for staff, these were his standards and his expectations. Everyone who worked with or for him adhered to his motto for success: “Honesty, Modesty and Hard Work!”

Fortinos is “The Supermarket with a Heart”. The true heart of our business was John. By example, he showed how to live and work with dedication, with gusto, with respect and with enjoyment. He will be profoundly missed by all of us.

Professional Excellence Award

Roger Yachetti, Q.C.



Roger Yachetti is a practising lawyer and is the Senior Partner of the firm of Yachetti, Lanza & Restivo LLP.

His lower school and high school education were received in Hamilton, at St. Ann's Separate School and Cathedral High School. From there, he went to the University of Western Ontario, where he received his Bachelor of Arts Degree, with Honours, in 1961. He received an Honours Award from the College of Christ the King for "outstanding organization while an undergraduate at this college".

In September of 1961, Mr. Yachetti entered first year law at the Faculty of Law at the University of Western Ontario; he stood first in his class at the completion of this course in 1964, and was awarded his Bachelor of Laws Degree.

Mr. Yachetti was called to the Bar in 1966, after completing the Bar Admission Course at Osgoode Hall, and standing first in his class.

- 1972 Appointed Junior Counsel in the Whiterock case – a reference under the Constitutional Questions Act of Ontario
- 1976 Awarded the Outstanding Young Person Award by the Hamilton Jaycees
- 1978 Became founding President of the Hamilton Criminal Lawyers' Association
- 1982 President of the Hamilton Lawyer's Club
- 1979, 1983, 1987 & 1991 Elected a Bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada for four successive four-year terms, culminating in being named a Life Bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada
- 1995 Elected Chair of the Board of Trustees for the Law Foundation of Ontario
- 1992 to 1995 Chair of the Board of Directors of the Hamilton Tiger-Cat Football Club, and a Governor of the Canadian Football League
- 1994 Named a Paul Harris Fellow by the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International
- 1995 Named Italian Canadian Citizen of the Year
- 1997 Inducted as a Member of the Gallery of Distinction for the City of Hamilton
- 2004 Awarded the Hamilton Law Association's "Emilius Irving Award"
- 2009 Elected President of the Board of Directors of the Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra

Business Excellence Award

Teresa Cascioli

Charitable Foundation



The daughter of Italian immigrants, Teresa Cascioli was born in Hamilton, Ontario on November 1, 1961. After graduating from McMaster University with a Bachelor of Commerce degree in 1983, she began her career in the public sector.

Following a variety of financial roles in the public and private sectors, in April 1999, Teresa became the Chief Executive Officer of Lakeport Brewing. As the head of Lakeport, Cascioli strategically grew the bankrupt brewery into a major player, competing successfully against the larger competition. Her slogan and innovative pricing model “24 for \$24” changed the way beer is marketed, and helped catapult Lakeport brands onto the best seller list while big brewers scrambled to enter the discount beer market. Labatt purchased Lakeport in March, 2007, for \$201.4 million to grow the discount brands for which Lakeport had become famous.

During her tenure, Teresa was on the Profit & Chatelaine Magazines list of Canada’s most successful women entrepreneurs placing third position in 2006. As well she was named Entrepreneur of the Year by Ernst & Young in the Turnaround Category in 2004. In 2005, Teresa was inducted into the Sales Hall of Fame by the Canadian Professional Sales Association and in 2006 she was named Entrepreneur of the Year by Canada’s venture Capital and Private Equity Association. Lakeport was recognized by the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce with the Outstanding Business Achievement Award in 2000 and was ranked by Profit Magazine as one of Canada’s Fastest Growing Companies.

Cascioli established the Teresa Cascioli Charitable Foundation to fulfill her desire to give back to the community. In 2007 Teresa was named Philanthropist of the Year for the Hamilton Region.

Phil Esposito



Phil Esposito was the centerman who held the greatest scoring record of all, before Wayne Gretzky came along and broke it – 76 goals in a single season in 1970-71. He won the Art Ross Trophy five times, the Hart Trophy twice, the Lester B. Pearson Award twice and the Lester Patrick Trophy for service to hockey in the United States. What's more, he was a ten-time All-Star, and represented Canada in the 1972 Summit Series, the 1976 Canada Cup and the 1977 World Championships.

While a member of the Boston Bruins, he scored 40 or more goals in seven straight seasons and 50 or more in five straight seasons. In his 76-goal season, he also recorded an amazing 76 assists for a league record at the time of 152 points.

Esposito grew up in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, and must have had plenty of target practice against his younger brother Tony, who went on to become one of the game's great goalies.

On the international front, Phil starred for Team Canada in the classic Summit Series as the leading individual scorer – with seven goals and six assists – and inspirational leader of the team that defeated the Soviets in the best eight-game series ever played.

After the glory years in Boston, Esposito was traded to the New York Rangers early in 1975 - 76. After retiring from the Rangers, Esposito became one of the team's assistant coaches and then moved on to a position as a TV analyst for the Madison Square Garden network. In 1986 he was named vice-president and general manager of the Rangers, a position he later accepted with the expansion of Tampa Bay Lightning when that team entered the league.

Agenda

General Reception – Cocktails

Procession with Phil Esposito

Singing of Italian and
Canadian National Anthems
by Charlene Esposito

Grace – Father Peter Ciallella

Dinner Service

McMaster Scholarship Presentations
– Gabriela Panza
– Katerina Pizzuto

Mohawk Scholarship Presentation
– Daniela Caldato

President's Address – Bennie Esposito

Business Excellence Award Presentation (posthumously)
– The Late John Fortino

Professional Excellence Award Presentation
– Roger Yachetti, Q.C.

Business Excellence Award Presentation –
Teresa Cascioli Charitable Foundation

Keynote Address with Phil Esposito

Closing Remarks

Menu

Antipasto Plate

Pasta Farfalle in Red and White Sauce

Veal Scallopini with Roasted Potatoes and Rapini

Sautéed Red Peppers and Onions

Mixed Green Salad

Dessert – Assorted Pastries

2011 Business/Professional Award Nominees

High Reach Inc. – Santo De Arcangelis

Swiss Chalet Group – Joe Amorim

Proprietary Nutritionals Inc. – Dean Mosca

Barton Collision Service Ltd. – Domenic Frisina

Tripemco Burlington Insurance Group Ltd.
– Paul Vaccarello

Carmen's Banquet Centre – P.J. Mercanti

Malatesta Capital Corp. – Sam Malatesta

LinxSmart – Ryan Barichello

Teresa Cascioli Charitable Foundation

Roger Yachetti, Q.C.

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Thank you for your contribution.

McMaster University and Mohawk College Scholarship Recipients

Daniela Caldato

Mohawk College

School of Business

Completed two-year Accounting Program

Gabriela Panza

McMaster University

Entering 3rd year

Honours Bachelor

of Science in Chemistry

Katerina Pizzuto

McMaster University

Completed 3rd year Bachelor

of Health Sciences

Commencing Medical School,

Queens University

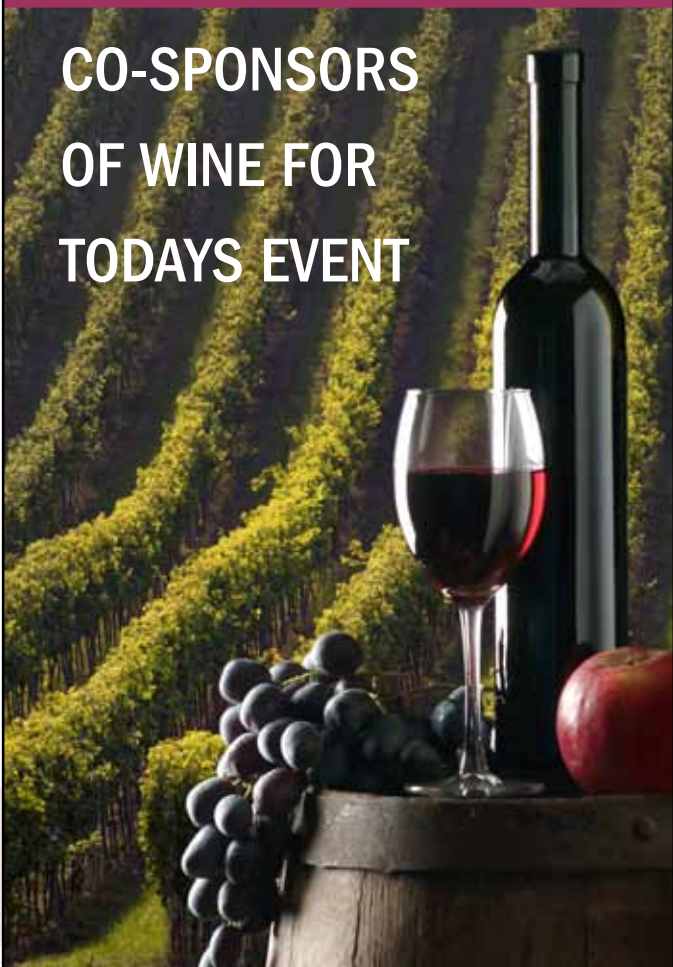
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November 7, 2011

Members meeting (AGM)

Pasquales

Oakville, Ontario

December 8, 2011

Members Holiday Gathering

Claudio's

Hamilton, Ontario

February 21, 2011

Economists Panel

Degroote School of Business

Burlington, Ontario

May 2011

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Venue to be announced

June 26, 2011

Let's do Lunch

Venue to be announced



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