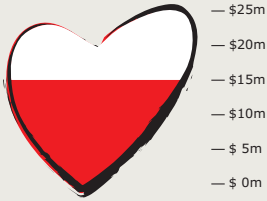




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A Night in Venice: 2010 Venetian Ball

Anticipation is building quickly for the 17th annual Venetian Ball, taking place on **Saturday, October 16, 2010** at the **Metro Toronto Convention Centre**.

Ranked as one of Toronto's most exquisite benefits, the much anticipated gala will dazzle guests with celebrity sightings, magnificent masks, delectable cuisine, a spectacular live auction and show stopping entertainment from a mystery performer who will only be unmasked the night of the Ball.

Co-chairs James Di Luca and Steven Muzzo have generously signed on once again this year to chair the Ball – the largest and most elegant of Villa Foundation's signature events.

"Our commitment to Villa Charities remains strong," state James and Steven. "We are delighted to chair the event for a second year in a row and promise to deliver another blockbuster event that will leave you and your guests wanting

more and, most importantly, raise funds for the essential work the Villa Charities family carries out in the community."

James and Steven represent a new generation of volunteers and supporters of Villa Charities. Both their families undertook leadership roles in the early stages of Villa Charities, and now they are working hard to ensure that this legacy continues for many years to come.

Last year, under the leadership of these two gentlemen, the Venetian Ball soared to new heights and

raised over \$1 million for the Villa Charities family of organizations. With a record-breaking 1500 guests and a surprise performance by Frankie Valli, the community is still buzzing about it!

This October, Toronto's Italian-Canadian community will once again embrace the spirit of Venice's *Carnevale*. Planning has begun and business leaders have already (cont'd on Pg. 2)



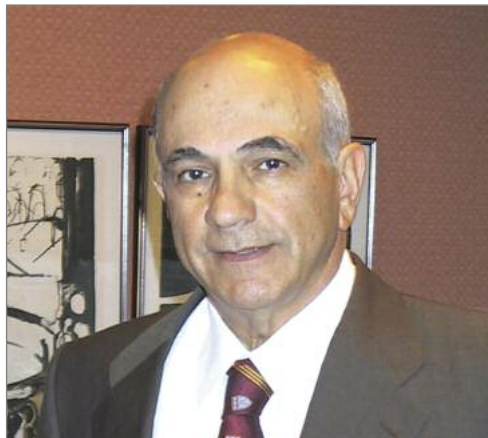
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Living with passion. Today and tomorrow. Now and forever

Edward Sorbara is well-known for hard work, just like his father was. He is also known as a builder of communities. Edward's daughter Christina is also, in a sense, a builder of communities, with an unparalleled record of volunteerism and charitable service.

And now, these two generations have agreed to help Villa Foundation create a new vision for our future. The next phase of the Foundation's capital campaign will be led by Edward and Christina, who will share their advice and expertise along with other leaders in the community in an effort to raise funds and engage the community.

This is an exciting time in the history of Villa Charities. The 40th anniversary of our organization will be upon us very soon and will serve as a time of great celebration – of our accomplishments over the past four decades, and also a celebration of our future!



Edward Sorbara

The need for our unique range of culturally sensitive programs and services is huge and as we look to the future, we see that need continuing to grow.

Those who paved the way before us

believed in the Italian passion that lives on in the hearts and minds of the people who are part of this vibrant family called Villa Charities. We are committed to ensuring that this passion remains strong and continues to inspire a whole new generation of Italian Canadians.

We are pleased to work with Edward and Christina and their committee. Their advice will be invaluable as Villa Charities begins the process of preparing for the next 40 years of relevant service to our community and building on the legacy of all our fathers...not just for Ed and Christina's generations, but for many more generations to come.

Come share our passion and support Villa Foundation. Attend our special events, make a donation or volunteer throughout the year! Contact us today – 416-789-7011 www.villacharities.com

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DONOR SPOTLIGHT : GINA SCOLA

Gina Scola is passionate – about her work, her community and, most importantly, about her family. So when it came time for Gina to give back, the choice to help Villa Charities – a place where Italian passion thrives – was a natural one.

As Gina and her husband Todd Cloutier celebrated the birth of their daughter Isabella in 2007, their thoughts turned to making a difference in the lives of children in their community.

“My husband and I really wanted to associate ourselves with a charity that celebrated children. So I contacted Laura Dal Bo for some guidance and she introduced us to the Columbus Centre daycare, which was a pleasant surprise since I always associated Villa Charities with senior care.”

In their daughter's honour, Gina and her husband made the first capital pledge towards Villa Charities' newest daycare at Casa Abruzzo which opened in 2008. This much-needed third daycare continues the 32-year tradition of the Columbus Centre Daycare – a unique brand of childcare exclusive to Villa Charities that blends together programs that ensure proper early childhood development while teaching Italian customs, traditions and language.

“I feel really excited about giving to a community organization – it's local, it's grassroots, it's right here in our community. Other charities may seem unreachable or unapproachable, but that's not the case with Villa Charities.”

A successful businesswoman, Gina is the Managing Director and Portfolio Manager at



Stonegate Private Counsel. With almost 20 years of financial industry experience, Gina has held senior positions at prominent financial institutions and investment firms.

To celebrate the empowerment of women and to further assist the children in the daycare daycare, Gina found a way to share her passion with the community at

large by founding An Afternoon Affair – a Villa Foundation event, now in its third year, exclusively for woman that combines traditional afternoon tea with presentations and interactions aimed at nurturing the body, feeding the mind, and embracing all that is wonderful about being a woman. Proceeds are directed towards the new daycare at Casa Abruzzo.

This year's event on June 13, 2010 at the Park Hyatt Toronto will feature a panel of acclaimed beauty and health experts who will educate guests on the topic “Outer beauty, Inner strength.” Back again this year is the Tea Cup Raffle where guests will have the chance to win an exquisite piece of jewelry, plus other fantastic prizes and surprises!

“I would encourage people who share the same values to give – Villa Charities values the elderly, children, the community – these are values we can all support because they appeal to all of us.”

For more information on An Afternoon Affair or to purchase tickets or sponsorships, contact the Foundation office at 416-789-7011 ext. 242.

(Venetian Ball from Pg 1) started confirming their support of this important event.

“With great appreciation, we are pleased to announce that the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) will return this year as Presenting Sponsor of the Venetian Ball,” state Steven and James. “The executive of the IBEW recognize the importance of supporting local communities and we are grateful to have IBEW in the family of supporters who make the work of Villa Charities possible in our community.”

With over 1,500 guests expected to join us this year, the 2010 Venetian Ball promises to be the biggest to date. Master impressionist Rich Little is set to introduce the 2010 surprise performer – and if you joined us last year, you know to anticipate a once-in-a-lifetime experience!

Want to find out the identity of the mystery

performer? Reserve your corporate table today to be front and centre at the 2010 Venetian Ball! For more information on the Venetian Ball contact the Foundation office at 416-789-7011 ext. 242 or www.villacharities.com

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The Trees of Life stand tall in Piazza Bartolini at Villa Colombo. They are magnificent bronze and brass sculptures and are a way to pay tribute to beloved family members and friends while supporting Villa Foundation.

The 2010 Team Villa is doing it in Venice!

The 27 men and women on Team Villa are ready to get their hearts racing for a great cause! The team is hard at work training and fundraising for Villa Foundation, all in anticipation of their trip to the 25th anniversary of the Venice Marathon on October 24, 2010.



From L-R: Frank DiRenzo, Brian Naraine, Espo Ariganello, Serena Granzotto, Angela Martella, Lina Colacci-Fernandez, Dr. Victor Fiorillo, Carmela Di Maria, Paolo Fiorino, Stefanie LoRe, Richard Higgins, Daniela Zuccarelli, John Arvanitis, Tina Barbieri, Raj Sohal, Kathy McGuire Ciccolini, Patrick Ciccolini, Michael Brennan, Frank Ciccolini Jr. and Tony Gentilucci. Absent: Bill Arvanitis, Tmeem Dehne, Marco DeSimone, Tiziana Fiorillo, Mark Odorico, Lorenzo Paravani, Debra Ruscio and Joe Sauret.

Team Villa came to be in 2008 when two very proud Italo-Canadians, Pino Correale and Frank Ciccolini Jr. – both seasoned marathoners, walked into Villa Foundation's office and said they would like to do something different to help raise funds for Villa Foundation. Team Villa's inaugural voyage to the 2009 Rome Marathon was a huge success.

Today, Team Villa has become an annual destination sporting event where runners participate in a different marathon across Italy each year. The 2010 Team Villa, under the direction of co-chairs Frank Ciccolini and Tony Gentilucci, will again have two goals: to participate in the 25th anniversary of the Venice Marathon and to raise much needed support for Villa Foundation.

Every member of Team Villa has an online fundraising page – visit <http://www.villacharities.com/main.asp?View=TeamVilla> to pledge our runners as they work hard to raise funds for essential Villa Charities services.

And to introduce more people to the good work that Team Villa does, a 10K training sub-program has been introduced. If you are a novice runner but would

still like to be part of Team Villa and benefit from getting your heart racing for Villa Charities – you can! Sign up to train with the team, commit to raising \$250 and you can join Team Villa as they participate in the Mercedes-Benz Oakville 10K on April 25, 2010.

To pledge a runner, for sponsorship opportunities, to receive more information on Team Villa, or sign up for the 2010 Team Villa 10K, visit www.villacharities.com or call 416-789-7011 ext. 242.

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