



\$150,000 raised for Geriatric Medicine at Sunnybrook

OCTOBER 25, 2013 - Members of the Italian community, local businesses, and their friends and acquaintances came out in force to socialize and have a good time. Nearly 800 Irpinia Club members and friends participated in the event. Attendees and several prominent community leaders including Vaughan Mayor M. Bevilacqua, Regional Councillor M. Di Biase, Councillors T. Carella, R. DeFrancesca, and S. Yeung Racco of Vaughan, feasted on a delicious dinner served up by Executive Chef Barone and staff at the Riviera Parque, and were musically entertained by Maestro Tony Silvani and his Orchestra throughout the evening.

With the goal of expanding a Fellowship Program at Sunnybrook to provide doctors training and experience in the medical and social challenges faced by seniors, the generosity of supporters reached new heights at this year's Ballo Autunnale. The Club raised \$75,000 and another \$75,000 was donated by Peter Cipriano to match the funds for the Geriatric Medicine Division at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre. It was indeed a spectacular \$150,000 evening for our seniors.



Picture above, from left to right: Irpinia Club councillors Salvatore Martone, Gerardo Damiano, Tony Cerullo and Tony Taurasi; Regional and Vaughan Councillor Michael Di Biase; Vaughan Councillors Tony Carella and Sandra Yeung Racco; Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor of Vaughan; Peter Cipriano, President of the Irpinia Club; Dr. Rajin Mehta, Head of the Geriatric Medicine Division at Sunnybrook HSC; Rob Gottschalk, Advancement Director and Molly Gillan, Advancement Officer at Sunnybrook Foundation; Club Treasurer Gerardo LoRusso; Club Administrator Fiorita Taurasi; Club Secretary Anthony Costantino; and Club councillor Virginio DePrisco.

Picture on right: Club President Peter Cipriano being congratulated by Mayor Bevilacqua.



Dr. Rajin Mehta chatting with Hon. Julian Fantino, MP for Vaughan and Federal Minister of Veterans Affairs.