

## 2020 - JANUARY - ATHENS - CANADA NIGHT 'HAPPY NEW YEAR'

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**CANADA NIGHT** - in the presence of the Canadian embassy's Chargé d'affaires  
Happy New Year!

**When:** Friday, January 3, 2020

**Time:** 19.30 – 22.00

**Place:** La Piazza pizzeria, 100 Agias Paraskeyis St,  
Kennedy (or 'Flyas') Square, Chalandri 152 32 (a 3-minute walk  
from Agias Paraskeyis metro station, towards Chalandri)

**Guests:** Everyone welcome – all nations!

**Cost:** Order pizza (\*share it!) or from the menu

*\* FoC special for two people – 16 € (8 € each) for a shared SET pizza, salad, dessert & glass of house wine*

**RSVP:** Required (for food servings/accommodation) – Email names of attendees & your mobile number by Sunday, December 29

**Style:** Casual first-come-first-seated/served

**Organisers:** Friends of Canada (FoC) [www.friendsofcanada.gr](http://www.friendsofcanada.gr)

\*FoC special: 16 euros (so 8 euros each):

A parmigiano con peperoni pizza (gouda/parmesan/basil/pepperoni) for two

A Caesar salad for two

A glass each of house wine, white or red

Panna cotta with caramel sauce

Or - 10% off a menu item

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If possible, plz bring the following items for the Salvation Army's 'Green Light Project' for the sexually exploited:

- Adult women's gloves or mittens (new, any size)
- Hair conditioner (not shampoo)
- Baby wipes

**UPDATE:** *Squeezed in between two Athens cold fronts, our Friends of Canada (FoC) 'Happy New Year' Canada Night warmed up many happy souls. This included the Canadian embassy's Chargé d'affaires, Karen Krakow, her husband Jonathan, and her daughter Maya. Karen cut – and served – the vasilopita, along with FoC coordinator Kathryn Lukey-Coutsocostas. The winner of the lucky coin (flouri) for 2020 was... Canada and the Canadian embassy. The winner of flouri in the individual vasilopitas was Maria-Daniela Strati. May they all be prosperous, in every regard, in this New Year.*

*Following our FoC tradition, we each wrote down a New Year's resolution. Eight lucky winners got door prizes for resolutions like 'Be on time; be on time; and be on time, 'I will make more free time for my family – although it's not so easy...' and 'I will learn how to better manage stress and provide my mother-in-law the time to teach me laughter yoga' (ha ha!).*

*Before we all left, our FoC Welfare Network (in collaboration with the Salvation Army) collected items brought by generous guests for the Salvation Army's 'Green Light Project' (for the sexually exploited): baby wipes, hair conditioner and adult women's gloves/mittens.*

*FoC sincerely says THANK YOU to the following:*

**FOR THE VASILOPIA :**

- **Jim Kromida – Chartered Professional Accountant - [www.kromida.com](http://www.kromida.com) – [www.greece taxes.com](http://www.greece taxes.com)**

**FOR GOOD PRICES:**

- *La Piazza pizzeria ( <https://www.facebook.com/lapiazza.lapiazza/> ) for great prices, and sponsorship of embassy representative's meal*
- *Vellis bakery ( <https://www.facebook.com/Vellis1991/> ) for good vasilopita price*

**FOR THE VASILOPITA PRIZE:**

- *to the Pecks (former ambassadorial couple) for wooden Canadian totem pole*

**FOR THE DOOR PRIZES (alphabetically):**

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- *GG Coutsocostas-Papazeti for six mini-gift sets (potpourri & Kiralifi salve [organic wax and virgin olive oil])*
- *JoAnn Lukey-Eliuk for Canadian nail stickers and tea-towel*

*FOR VOLUNTEER DUTY (alphabetically):*

*Aris Apostolopoulos, Sylvie Dumont, Achilles Mamelis, Angela Mamelis, Pauline Matterson (for FoC WELFARE NETWORK), Lilly Nikolopoulou, Sophia Panagos, Françoise Papaspyridis, Michael Psyllakis, and Marie-Thérèse Rolland (facilitator of FoC RESEAU FRANCO-CANADIEN/FRANCO-CANADIAN NETWORK)*

*Report by: Kathryn Lukey-Coutsocostas, FoC coordinator*

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Thanks to Kathryn Lukey-Coutsocostas, Lilly Nikolopoulou and Françoise Papaspyridis for taking the photos!

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