

Community Members were treated to the musical magic of Emilio Zarris, whose amazing voice made for a great performance.



## Community Member Spotlight | Terry Steele

I was born in Vancouver, B.C. in May 1939. I joined the Royal Canadian Air Force after I graduated, and that's where I spent the next 27 years. I was trained in electronics at the Canadian Forces School of Communications and Electronics at Kingston Ontario, and over the course of my military career was stationed in several cities across Canada, and Germany.

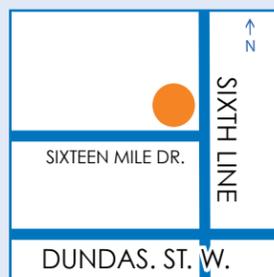
While I was stationed in Baden Baden (Black Forest Area), Germany I met a beautiful "fraulein" (single German woman), Ida, whom I fell in love with, and married in 1964. We had a wonderful life, until she passed away 50 years later. We have 3 children: Al, Deb, and Pat.

When we left Baden Baden, we were transferred to Cold Lake, Alberta. I had heard that it was such a cold place and that ice formed on the inside of the walls and small infants had a difficulty breathing outside. I thought what an awful place to take my wife to for the first time in Canada. I tried to get out of it to no avail – Ida loved it; the summers are wonderful and everyone stuck together each winter. We had a wonderful social life (Polar Carnivals, etc.).



Terry and Pat.

In 1985, I was hired as a support engineer for Litton Systems because I had worked on much of their equipment during my time in the military, where I installed inertial navigation systems on submarines and destroyers until I retired in 1999. In 2017, after 5 years, I decided to move into a retirement home where I would meet Pat – we became a couple a year later and started our life together in VIVA Oakville when it opened in September 2019. We just love it here and expect to be here for many years more.



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Your VIVA Community Newsletter

Due to the ongoing pandemic, there is no events calendar. Please speak to your Community's Lifestyles Team to learn more about what's happening at your Community this month!

## VIVA Oakville 1 Year Anniversary

# Celebration

The day started off with a friends-and-family car parade, followed by amazing speeches from our Community Director Jon, Community Relations Manager Meghan, and Director of Marketing Danny. The afternoon ended with a caricaturist by drawing our Community Members.

Later in the evening, Community Members enjoyed a delicious dinner prepared by Executive Chef Rob and the Culinary Team. We ended the day with an elegant, evening soiree with live musical entertainment in the VIVAplex.



Community Members and Team members gather outside the Community building for a photo.



Car parade.



Anniversary dinner.

# SURPRISING THINGS YOU DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT HALLOWEEN CANDY

## A lot of people hand out Halloween candy!

In 2019, the National Retail Federation found that 68 percent of Americans participated in Halloween. And 69 percent of those planned to buy candy—almost 47 percent of the entire U.S. population! It remains to be seen how the pandemic will affect candy sales. In a survey by Party City, seventy percent of respondents “plan to seek alternatives to traditional trick-or-treating” this year, so this could mean less filling plastic pumpkins and pillowcases with sugary goodness. But it could also mean more people just gorging themselves on candy at home. Thirty-eight percent of moms in the Party City survey said they planned to buy candy for their own children.

## Canada's favourite Halloween candy is...

According to a survey conducted by MacLean's Magazine in October 2018, Canada's most popular candy is Kit Kat! Aero came in second place, with Mars coming in third.

## Halloween is really expensive - even during a pandemic!

During the eight weeks leading up to Halloween, consumers spend \$4.6 billion on confectionery products, according to the NCA. And so far this year, sales in the United States have been higher than ever, with chocolate sales rising 4.5 percent since their country went into lockdown in March.

## Candy corn wasn't always called candy corn

One of the most famous (and arguably most hated!) Halloween candies, candy corn was invented in late 1880s by George Renninger. His employer, Wunderlee Candy Company, began mass-producing the sweet in the early 1900s, originally calling it Chicken Feed. Its characteristic white, orange, and yellow stripes are supposed to resemble a corn kernel. Fun fact: October 30 is National Candy Corn Day.

