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15. From left, Gino Marrello, Pat Rinaldo and Rinaldo Canonico at a dinner held Saturday at the St. Anthony Italia Conference Centre in honour of Canonico.

MAKING HAIRSTORY

Around Town learned the secret to **Rinaldo Canonico's** success during a dinner thrown in his honour Saturday at St. Anthony's banquet hall. He received the **2010 Calabrese Community Achievement Award** for his significant contributions to the community.

His secret, according to his

nephew, **Tony**, is "he's always right; he's never wrong, and he surrounds himself with beautiful people."

Canonico, commonly known by his first name, was born in Italy's Calabria region and came to Canada in 1958. The rest is "hairstory" for the owner of **Rinaldo Hair Designers and Spa**.

Among the 400 guests were his wife, **Pat Rinaldo**, the cultural association's president, **Gino Marrello**, Ottawa Hospital president **Dr. Jack Kitts**, MPP **Bob Chiarelli**, mayoral candidate **Jim Watson**, lawyer **Pat Santini**, restaurateur **Richard Valente**, and **Jean and Michelle Bégin** from Valley Flowers. As well,

there were **Joe and Rocco Nicastro** from the Italian fine food store, **Mario Frangione** from Preston Hardware, **Domenico Ricci** from Villa Marconi, and Counsellor **Giovanni Maria De Vita** from the Italian embassy. The evening's proceeds will go to **The Ottawa Regional Cancer Foundation**.