GUIDO PUGLIESE (1940–2016): IN MEMORIAM

With the first 2016 issue of *Quaderni d'italianistica*, the Canadian Society for Italian Studies remembers Guido Pugliese, Professor Emeritus of Italian at the Department of Language Studies, University of Toronto Mississauga. As a graduate student, Guido Pugliese witnessed the birth of the Canadian Society for Italian Studies in Vancouver in 1972, was its Acting President in 1976–77 and Vice-President in 1977–78. He served in a number of committees within the society, and from 1977 to 1980 was a member of the editorial board of the *Canadian Journal of Italian Studies*, the precursor of *Quaderni d'italianistica*, on whose board he served from 2003 to 2009. Guido Pugliese was the CSIS President from 1997 to 1999, organizing six conferences (in the spring and fall of each year), taking the society from Ontario to Newfoundland, Quebec and Italy. Whoever attended a CSIS conference in the past forty years of the society's existence met Guido Pugliese, who devoted his unwavering commitment to an institution that he loved and cherished. His activity within the scholarly community and the community at large will be remembered for many years: as Director of UTM Humanities Council (2003–05), as well as for the coordination, direction, and frequent authorship of Italian theatre performances with Erindale students. The Italian Cultural Fund, created with proceeds generated through this activity, pioneered a fundraising model that has rarely found its equal in today's Italian academia. Guido Pugliese was the author of vol. 20 of the *Edizione nazionale del Carteggio di L.A. Muratori—Carteggio con Pietro Ercole Gherardi* (Olschki, 1982), edited the collection of essays *Perspectives on*

Nineteenth-Century Italian Novels (Dovehouse Editions, 1989), and wrote numerous articles and book chapters on medieval, humanist, and eighteenth-century Italian literature. He published several editions of Italian plays, and wrote articles on the Italian-Canadian migrant experience as well as on language pedagogy, with which he passionately continued to engage until his retirement. Guido Pugliese will be remembered as one of the Canadian Society of Italian Studies' longest-standing members, and a generous, kind-hearted and devoted friend.

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