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DINNER SPEAKER: Michael Killip, owner of The Twisted Fork speaks to the Canadian Club of Halton and Peel.

Michael Killip's life journey met a Twisted Fork in the road

■ **By Melanie Cummings**
SPECIAL TO THE BEAVER

If members of the Canadian Club of Halton Peel weren't hungry after their recent dinner meeting, they certainly developed cravings for more after guest speaker chef Michael Killip left the podium.

The flamboyant owner of The Twisted Fork Restaurant in Bronte loves food, his wife, four children and Oakville — all in that order.

He began his culinary adventures in 1986, when he desired a career change from life as an animal health technician.

Part Greek, part Polish and marriage into an Italian family poised him well for the international world of cooking. Killip enrolled himself in the Stratford Chefs School and began his apprenticeship afterward at the Old Prune Restaurant, which is also located in Stratford.

In search of more experience and gastronomic adventures, Killip landed in Florida, working in restaurants in Boca Raton and Key West, and also in Mexico.

Four years later, he headed back to chef school, this time to teach. He debated whether working in a bistro in Paris or bakery in Cannes would be his next move, or becoming the head chef at a local startup restaurant called Paradiso.

"It was my chance to be number one in the kitchen," said Killip. "Besides, France would always be there." (He hasn't been there yet, but it's on his list of future destinations.)

After nine years at Paradiso and new owners in the latter part, the work-a-day routine settled in and Killip found himself watching the clock after so many years in his craft. Not a good habit when the day is 14 hours long,

"That was the first time I experienced that," said Killip.

Realizing her husband's disenchantment, Laura encouraged him to go and do his own thing — a risky move considering Killip was the sole provider of the clan, which included four children, two dogs, and a cat. For these very reasons Killip initially resisted the idea.

In the meantime Laura went ahead and registered a name for a restaurant as a sort of talisman for the future. Eight months later, the Twisted Fork Restaurant took shape, in 2002.

"The name fit with the path I took to getting here. I have never been so happy to be overlooking the lake in Bronte," said Killip.

Today, Twisted Fork is enjoying widespread popularity with theme nights that routinely sell out, and cooking classes and winemaker's events that add spice to the restaurant's daily dining adventures.

Killip has received immense praise from *Oakville Beaver* readers for being rated the best chef in town, and has appeared on countless television and radio broadcasts demonstrating his eclectic culinary talents.

"Making each plate a picture" for each of the guests who grace the 75-seat restaurant at 67 Bronte Rd. is Killip's ongoing mission.

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