

## POPPY'S PERFECT PRESENT: JULIE HOWARD

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CC:

SUBJECT: Thank you

My Dear Poppy

Thank you for your thoughtful Christmas present. An iPad! How wonderful! At first, I didn't know what to do with it, but then I had an idea to take it along to my WEA class. A lovely gentleman, Herbert, kindly set it up for me.

I so miss you, but I am happy that you have met Luca and life in Italy is going well, although I do worry about COVID. Do stay safe my darling.

Love from your proud Nonna

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SUBJECT: Photos

My dear Poppy

I was so excited to get your photos and instructions how to use Facebook. I did get a bit flustered and somehow the photos disappeared, but Herbert was able to come around for tea and he fixed it up for me. He also fixed up the leaking garden tap, so my tomatoes will get a drink. A lovely man.

I thought your boyfriend's name was Luca but perhaps I got it wrong. So please give my love to Antonio.

Your loving Nonna

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SUBJECT: I've been barred from Facebook

My dear Poppy

Oh my dear, what a time I have had. When I set up Facebook, I worried about security. You hear such terrible things, don't you? When it asked me how old I was I thought it was none of their business and put 0 years. It immediately shut me out, telling me I wasn't old enough to use Facebook.

I didn't know what to do. I was upset because I love seeing your photos and getting your messages. Luckily, Herbert was able to come over and help out. He stayed for dinner and I sent him off with some lovely tomato salsa. After all he did rescue my tomatoes.

Roberto certainly is a handsome chap. Is he one of the Russo family? I think I knew a Ricardo Russo in my youth.

With love your Nonna

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SUBJECT: Oh what a Christmas present

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My dear Poppy

I know it is a bit sudden and you might be surprised but I have some Christmas news. Herbert and I are getting married. I love how you keep in touch with me through Facebook, but since Nonno passed life has been a bit lonely - and after all there's nothing like a man tucking in his napkin and relishing his minestrone soup.

I hope you and Enzo are happy and that you will enjoy the Christmas festivities.

With love your Nanna