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**THIS PAGE, CLOCKWISE FROM UPPER LEFT:** More than 44 embassies got together to take part in a folkloric fashion and dance show at Library and Archives Canada. The Fondation du centre psychosocial pour enfants et adolescents d'Ottawa, a Vanier charity that helps children, received more than \$20,000 from the event. Shown here: Chinese dance group, Lithuanian dancers, Royal Thai dancers, and designer Richard Robinson with "Khadija" modelling his World Peace dress. • Saudi Arabian scholar Norah Bent Hamad Ben Abdul Aziz Al-Jameeh spoke on "The Saudi Arabian experience as part of the integrated global human culture" at the University of Ottawa. She's shown here with Saudi Arabian Ambassador Mohammed Al-Hussaini. (photo: Sam García) • David Leighton, chairman of the National Arts Centre, and out-going U.S. Ambassador Paul Cellucci at an event Mr. Cellucci hosted to drum up interest in the upcoming production of the opera *Filumena*, which is coming to Ottawa as part of the National Art Centre's Alberta Scene April 28-30. (photo: Fred Cattroll) • Newly arrived ambassadors generally pay a courtesy call on the mayor. French Ambassador Daniel Jouanneau and Mr. Chiarelli (right). Egyptian Ambassador Mahmoud F. Al-Saeed and Mr. Chiarelli (right). (photo: City Hall) • Out-going Sri Lanka High Commissioner Geetha de Silva and Maria Minna, co-chair of the Canada-Sri Lanka Parliamentary Friendship Group, at a memorial service on Parliament Hill. (photo: Arun Pandya)

