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### **OCTOBER ITALIAN HERITAGE MONTH NEWSLETTER**

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#### **Massachusetts**

October 2004

## Celebrate the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Italian Heritage Month!

This year we celebrate as a community for the sixth time the contributions of Italians and Italian-Americans to our culture. One of the themes we have returned to again and again over these past six years, is the meaning of our heritage. The heritage of Italy is not simply a relic in a cultural museum to be examined for amusement or entertainment. We study our heritage to understand who we are, to gain a deeper understanding of our values, and to inspire us to do more to improve our society. Also, it is important for all of us to remember-no matter how high we have risen in terms of education, wealth, or prestige-we stand on the shoulders of immigrants, the vast majority of whom arrived on the shores of America with very little in the way of education, wealth, or prestige. And part of the immigrant experience of many Italians during the first half of the twentieth century was the realization that not only were they outsiders in a strange land, but their loyalty to their newly adopted country was questioned.

Many of you are familiar with the story known as Una Storia Segreta thanks to the leadership of historian and Project Director Lawrence DiStasi and the Dante Alighieri Society of Massachusetts which brought the traveling exhibit to the Pescosolido Building in Cambridge several years ago. On November 7, 2001, one year after the enactment of Public Law #106-451 (known as the "Wartime Violation of Italian American Civil Liberties Act"), the United States Department of Justice issued a report that is entitled "Report to the Congress of the United States: A Review of the Restrictions on Persons of Italian Ancestry During World War II." This report provides a brief history of the various restrictions placed on Italians and Italian-Americans during the World War II era. According to the American Italian Historical Association,

"[t]hough not a complete account of the history, the Report is significant as an official acknowledgment of events that have long been denied, in particular, the mass evacuation in California. Regarding the latter, it says, in part: "Thus, the only mass temporary evacuation of Italian enemy aliens--the one imposed in mid-February by the Justice Department and reinforced by Lt. General DeWitt's Proclamation NO. 1 in March--was the one that had already occurred on the West Coast." (p. 26).

"This sentence, the first official admission by the U.S. Government that there was indeed a mass evacuation of Italian Americans during WWII, represents a major accomplishment for Una Storia Segreta, and for the truth about the wartime history in general. Most previous accounts--both by historians and by the Commission on the Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians (and the book it issued, "Personal Justice Denied")--have either ignored or obscured this evacuation, usually emphasizing that a mass evacuation of Italian and German enemy aliens after Executive Order 9066 did not take place. As stated above, and as Una Storia Segreta has long emphasized, the Report makes clear that the mass evacuation was, in fact, ordered before EO 9066 was promulgated."

It took more than simply the passage of time to erase the doubts that many Americans had about the loyalty of Italian-Americans and to overcome the stigmatization that followed. One of the major factors in overcoming this barrier to the assimilization of Italian-Americans into American society was the military service of so many men and women of Italian ancestry. It is fitting, therefore, that this year we should honor the memory of an Italian-American soldier–John Basilone--whose heroic acts during World War II merited the Congressional Medal of Honor, and who next year will be honored by the United States Postal Service with a commemorative stamp. According to the report compiled by the National Italian American Foundation,

"The United States established the Congressional Medal of Honor in 1862 as the military's highest award for combat valor. Approximately two dozen such awards have been bestowed on Italian Americans, with thirteen -the largest cohort earned during the Second World War -a supreme testing time for Italian Americans beset by questions of loyalty. To counter such imputation the ethnic community extended itself in many capacities such as working in defense plants, donating, blood, and buying war bonds. Performance on the field of battle where blood was shed and lives lost, however, was the peerless test of patriotism. This was the place where so many extended themselves.

"Marine Sergeant John Basilone (1916-1945) stands as among the best known of Congressional Medal of Honor winners in that conflagration. Born in Buffalo, New York he grew up in Raritan, New Jersey, one of ten children of an Italian immigrant tailor. He joined the Army for a three-year hitch in 1933. In 1940 he enlisted in the Marines and saw action in the Pacific in the early phases of the war, particularly as American forces went on the offensive in Guadalcanal in 1942. Basilone, in charge of a machinegun section, showed his mettle in the face of a devastating Japanese counterattack that endangered the entire American mission, by rescuing two Marines and killing numerous enemy soldiers that contributed mightily to annihilating a Japanese regiment. Following the act of heroism, Basilone was sent home where he was joined by movie actors and was sent on a mission to encourage Americans to buy war bonds. Hugely popular among Italian Americans, he was credited with raising nearly \$1.5 million in ten days. Eschewing the shelter of stateside assignment, he requested return to action. In February 1945 he was part of a Marine force engaged in some of

the nastiest fighting of the war on island of Iwo Jima. He single-handedly destroyed an enemy strong point but was killed in action. For this extraordinary performance he was awarded the Navy Cross posthumously. The Basilone name was remembered in a destroyer named after him as is a Sons of Italy lodge."

"Other World War II Italian Americans to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor were William Bianchi, Frank J. Petrarca, Ralph Cheli, Anthony Damato, Arthur DeFranzo, Gino Merli, Vito Bertoldo, Joseph J. Ciccheti, Mike Colalillo, Robert F. Viale, Peter Dalessandro, and Anthony Casamento. Dalessandro was believed to be the second most decorated World War II veteran with three purple hearts, two Silver Stars, a Bronze Star, and the French Croix de Guerre. There were, in addition, many other Italian Americans who, although not Congressional Medal of Honor winners, nevertheless performed heroically. Don Gentile, who was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross by General Dwight Eisenhower for breaking Eddie Rickenbacker's record of enemy planes destroyed, is only one example. Clearly these heroes played a major role in validating the Americanism, not only of Italian Americans of that era, but also of their descendants."

Thus, as immigrants or the descendants of immigrants every one of us owes a debt of gratitude to people like John Basilone who gave his life for his country and, in a sense, for us and generations of Americans who have not yet been born but who will have the opportunity, due in part to his sacrifice, to make the world a more peaceful and prosperous place for all people.

Lino Rullo President Hon. Peter W. Agnes, Jr. Chairman of the Board



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> Once again, I would like to extend my congratulations to the Italian Heritage Month Committee, for continuing this wonderful tradition, now in its sixth year of life, of celebrating our Italian Heritage with a number of observances that will take place in October 2004. The importance of these celebrations is more widely recognized, every passing year, by our community as the time of the year in which the achievements of the Italian Civilization and Culture are distinctly honored and remembered.

In addition to the solerun inauguration event that will take place, as customary, at the State House, this year's program includes many interesting events that will draw everybody's attention. In this regard I would like to mention that we will also be honored by two distinguished visitors from Italy: Professor Giuliana Limiti, a well known historian, who will becture, amonf others, on Giuseppe Mazzini and Dr Lorenzo Amato, who will present a choice of poems by the Nobel Prize winner Eugenic Montale.

With my best wishes of success,

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# OCTOBER 2004 CALENDAR EVENTS

Date	Event	Contact Person(s)
Friday, October 1	*Kick-off event at the State House. State and Local elected and appointed officials will join the Italian-American community in celebration of Italian Heritage Month. Special remarks by Dr. Pierluigi Squillante, Consul General of Italy, Prof. Lino Pertile, Harvard University, and Commissioner Tom Matarazzo, Veterans Services, City of Boston (ret.). Special awards will be given to State representative Robert DeLeo, Boston City Councillor Paul Scappichio, Ms. Terry Mazzulli of the Doric dames and Susan Greendyke Lachevre , Art Collections Manager of the Massachusetts State House. Hon. Joseph V. Ferrino will act as Master of Ceremonies. The Color Guard of Middlesex County Sheriff DiPaola and vocalist Jan Milen will participate. 10:30 a.m. Light refreshments to follow. Free and open to the public - please join us! Location: The Grand Staircase at the State House, Beacon Hill, Boston	Hon. Peter Agnes email: PeterA1009@aol.com Lino Rullo (781) 862-1633 email: rullol@hotmail.com Hon. Joseph Ferrino (617) 569-2110
Friday, October 1	National Italian American Sports Hall of Fame through Boxing Promoter Richie Cappiello is presenting the organizations 3rd Annual Boxing Show. The 7 bout card will feature former Canadian Amateur Champion Anthony Russell, former 4 time Jr. National and 2 time Jr. International Amateur Champion, rising star Nick Morganelli as well 5 other bouts of local talent. Tickets are \$50.00 and include a VIP private cocktails/buffet reception from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. The price also includes roped off VIP ring side seating for the event. Location: Club Lido, Revere (formerly the Wonderland Ballroom)	Pam (617) 227-8929 days Linda (617) 584-9126 evenings
Saturday, October 2	Rededication by the City of Cambridge of Velucci Park in honor of Mayor Alfred Velucci. 11:00 a.m. Location: Inman Square, Cambridge	Lino Rullo (781) 862-1633 Email: rullol@hotmail.com
Sunday, October 3	FIERI Boston invites you to a demonstration and sampling of authentic foods and products imported form Sicily. There will also be a short presentation about Sicilian culture including information about olive oils, pasta, pasta sauces, jams, marmalades, espresso coffee, and vegetable preserves, as well as ceramic plates and holiday baskets. 6:00 p.m. \$8 for FIERI members, \$10 for non-members. Location: All Things Sicilian, 30 Andover St, Peabody (Rt 114). www.allthingssicilian.com	Space is limited so RSVP early! Ralph D'Angelo (617) 572-2577 Email: ihm@fieri-boston.org Doreen Giammarco Email: culture@fieri-boston.org <u>www.FIERI-Boston.org</u>

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Sunday, October 3	OSIA Charitable & Educational Trust/Grand Lodge Walk-a- thon. Proceeds go toward the Scholarship Fund. Location: Elm Bank Reservation in Wellesley	Grand Lodge (617) 489-5234
Sunday, October 3	The Dante Alighieri Society invites you to view a Painting and Photo Exhibit by Roseann Mark. Lecture Presentation by the artist will open the exhibit. 3:00 p.m. Free and open to the public. Location: Dante Alighieri Cultural Center, Carl A. Pescosolido Bldg, 41 Hampshire Street, Cambridge	Dante Alighieri Society (617) 876-5160 www.dantealighieri.net/cambridge
Sunday, October 3	Italian Festival sponsored by OSIA Haverhill Lodge. Entertainer Tony Pace. Location: Haverhill Lodge #1646, Washington Street, Haverhill	(978) 374-1845 for additional information
Tuesday, October 5	Showing of the film <i>Il Postino</i> . Prof. Mario Aste, who teaches Italian film, will give a brief lecture. 7:00 p.m. Free and open to the public. Location: University of Mass., Wilder Street, Lowell	Judith Bessette (978) 957-8714
Wednesday, October 6 thru	<b>Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum:</b> Special Exhibition Starting October 6 and continuing through January 9, 2005, the Gardner will present "Off the Wall: New Perspectives on Early Italian Art at the Gardner Museum," a special	www.gardnermuseum.org (617)566-1401 Location: 280 The Fenway
January 2005	installation of three of the Gardner's most important early Italian paintings (by Giotto, Giuliano da Rimini, and Fra Angelico) in a new light a new look at how they were understood by their original audiences and how we might make sense of them today. Boston's only Venetian-inspired palace, the ISGM features masterworks by artists including Rembrandt, Michelangelo, Raphael, Botticelli, Degas and Sargent. <b>Mention this ad and receive \$2.00 off your admission that day!</b>	Boston Tuesday-Sunday 11 a.m5 p.m.
Friday, October 8	Concerto of Arias, Operettas and popular Italian songs. Call for up to the minute details. Location: National Heritage Museum,	Luisa Marino (617) 868-6846 <u>www.ediat.net</u>
	33 Marrett Road, Route 2A, Lexington	Lino Rullo (781) 862-1633 email: rullol@hotmail.com
Friday, October 8	Columbus Day Grand Marshall Dinner Dance 6:30 p.m. \$35.00 per person Location: Holiday Inn, McClellan Hwy, East Boston	Buddy Mangini, Grand Marshall (781) 286-4080
Friday, October 8	ITAM Dinner Dance sponsored by OSIA Grand Lodge Charity Commission. Proceeds to go to Italian classes of Pittsfield and Taconic High Schools. \$20.00 per person. Cocktails at 6 p.m. and Dinner at 7 p.m. Full roast pork dinner with music by Capri. Awards presented by the Heritage Committee for the outstanding essay of students In Middle School, High School and Adult Classes. Location: ITAM Lodge in Pittsfield	Johanna Soldato (413) 442 2541 Rita Gordon (413) 743-4029

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Saturday, October 9	Augusta Boston Club invites you to it's Annual Dinner Dance. 7:00 p.m. Location: Irish American Club, Malden	Giovanni Noè (781) 284-3353
Saturday, October 9	Federazione di Associazione Abruzzese Annual Dinner Dance. Medaglia D'oro presented to Raffaele Bruno. Scholarships will be presented as well as awards to outstanding members of each association. Tickets \$55 Location: Ristorante Venezia, 20 Ericsson Street (Neponset Circle), Boston	Rosetta Romagnoli (617) 924-7641 Domenico Susi (617) 742-2791
Saturday, October 9	Sons of Orsogna and Orsogna Women's Club has organized their annual Italian Heritage party. 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$45. Participants will be entertained by D.J. Maurizio and will be served a fine dinner by Antonelli Catering. Location: Orsogna Plaza, Everett	Alceo Tenaglia (617) 387-1613 Rosalba Paolini (617) 387-9802 Giuseppe Di Sipio (617) 387-4092 Roberta Cicolini (781) 321-7254
Sunday, October 10	Columbus Day Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Location: Holiday Inn, McClellan Highway, East Boston [Various events planned by the Columbus Day Committee from Sept. 25th thru Oct. 10 <sup>th</sup> ]	Buddy Mangini, Grand Marshall (781) 286-4080
Sunday, October 10	COLUMBUS DAY PARADE in East Boston Maverick Square ending at Central Square 1:00 p.m. Rain or Shine	Buddy Mangini, Grand Marshall (781) 286-4080
Sunday, October 10	<i>Giorno di Ringraziamento dell'Emigrante</i> . Celebrated with a Mass at 3:00 p.m. at St. Leonard Church. Refreshments at St. Leonard Hall immediately following. Sponsored by Associazione Gizio and Donne 2000. Location: St. Leonard's Church, Hanover Street, Boston	Rosa Giammarco (617) 742-0971
Sunday, October 10	OSIA - Speaking Program: 1:30 p.m. John Iacabucci on "Garibaldi's March"; and at 2:30 p.m. Marcella Boyd on "Geneology: Finding Your Roots". Free and open to the public. Location: Lawrence State Heritage Park, 1 Jackson Street, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Lawrence, MA	Sons of Italy Lawrence Lodge (978) 688-2258
Sunday, October 10	OSIA Worcester Lodge #168 – Lay wreath at statue of Christopher Columbus, Columbus Square. Memorial Mass for deceased members at Mt. Carmel Church followed by breakfast	Maryann Bello, President (508) 853-0019
Monday, October 11	Taste of Italy Dinner, starting at 6 p.m. Sponsored UNICO \$20 per ticket. Location: Eastover, East Street in Lenox	For tickets call Steve at Elm Street Hardware at (413) 442-9558 or Kevin at 443-3103

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Wednesday, October 13	*Dr. Albert Sacco, astronaut and Distinguished Professor at Northeastern University will speak on space exploration and NASA. Introduced by Nancy Caruso, former Dean of Northeastern Univ. 7:00 p.m. in the Reading Room, Mezannine level. Free and open to the public. Location: Boston Public Library, Copley Square, Boston	Judge Joseph Ferrino (617) 569-2110 www.bpl.com
Thursday, October 14	*Judge Rudy Sacco and a contingency from Western Massachsuetts' Italian Heritage Committee will be visiting Boston. Agenda includes a Freedom Trail tour, a State House tour sponsored by Secretary of State William Galvin and a luncheon in the North End. The public is invited to join in the tour of the Statehouse at approximately 2:00 p.m.	Judge Joseph Ferrino (617) 569-2110
Friday, October 15	OSIA – presents Filmmaker David Rothauser "The Diary of Sacco and Venzetti", a docudrama covering the infamous trial. Free and open to the public. Location: Lawrence State Heritage Park, 1 Jackson St, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Lawrence, MA	Sons of Italy Lawrence Lodge (978) 688-2258 State Heritage Park (978) 794-1655
Saturday, October 16	From Early Italian Opera to Modern Italian Opera with Karmen Zayas, soprano and Mark Jordan, Tenor. 8:00 p.m. Donation \$10. Lorraine DiGregorio, Chairman, Maria-Pia Antonelli, Co-chairman. Sponsored by the Dante Alighieri Society, Pirandello Lyceum and Circolo Letterario Italiano. Location: Dante Alighieri Cultural Center, Carl A. Pescosolido Bldg, 41 Hampshire Street, Cambridge	Lorraine DiGregorio (617) 267-0816 Dante Alighieri Society (617) 876-5160 www.dantealighieri.net/cambridge
Saturday, October 16	OSIA -" Woburn Ladies Lodge celebrates Italian Heritage Month with D.J. Extraordinaire, Jim Moses. Tickets \$27.50 Four course dinner and dancing. Location: Joseph Gorrasi Hall, 168 Lexington St., Woburn	For tickets call Deanna (781) 933-5079
Saturday, October 16	Societa Filantropica di Montefalcione will hold their annual Dinner Dance. 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$45 per person. Location: Spinelli's Function Hall, 282 Bennington Street in East Boston	Tonia Guarino (617) 723-4933
Saturday, October 16	OSIA - Guest Speaker Ned Leone presents "Living in the Lower End after WWII" at 10:00 a.m. Free and open to the public. Location: Lawrence State Heritage Park, 1 Jackson Street, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Lawrence, MA	Sons of Italy Lawrence Lodge (978) 688-2258
Sunday, October 17	*Special Screening of the movie <i>Ciao America</i> written and directed by Boston natives Joe and Frank Ciota Organized by the Italian Heritage Month Committee and the Dante Alighieri Society. 3:00 p.m. Free and open to the public. Location: Dante Alighieri Cultural Center, Carl A. Pescosolido Bldg, 41 Hampshire Street, Cambridge	Judge Ferrino (617) 569-2101 Dante Alighieri Society (617) 876-5160 <u>www.dantealighieri.net/cambridge</u>
Sunday, October 17	OSIA - Guest Speaker Millie Matasso presents "Viva L'Italia". 2:00 p.m. Free and open to the public. Location: Lawrence State Heritage Park, 1 Jackson Street, 3rd Floor, Lawrence, MA	Sons of Italy Lawrence Lodge (978) 688-2258

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Sunday, October 17 through Sunday, October 24	Italian Film Series featuring young Neopolitan Directors Sponsored by the CIB - Circolo Italiano di Boston in collaboration with MITaly, MIT's Italian club.	Prof. Lucia Lovison Golub www.circoloitaliano.org
Sunday, October 17	OSIA Venturia Romana Lodge #1200 is having a Columbus Day Buffet and Dance at Christopher Columbus Hall. 1:30 p.m. Donation: Members \$15, Friends \$17 Location: Christopher Columbus Hall, 24 Endicott Street, Salem, MA	Rosemarie Connell (978) 745-2560
Tuesday, October 19	"An Evening of Italian Song". This annual musical event, in which the audience joins in singing old and new Italian favorite songs, sells out fast because of its popularity and very limited seating. Tickets are \$25 and all proceeds go to the Pirandello Scholarship Fund. Sincere gratitude to Filippo and Anna Frattaroli who donate the restaurant and delicious Italian food every year to support the Pirandello scholarships. 7:00 p.m. Open seating, reservations will be assigned upon receipt of check. Make checks payable to the "Pirandello Lyceum" and mail to P.O. Box 458, Wakefield, MA 01880 Location: Ristorante Lucia in Winchester	Steve Maio (781) 245-6536 email: Sfmaio8391@aol.com Peter Ingeneri (781) 246-1910 Franco Vitiello (617) 489-1370
Tuesday, October 19	David Ward, Professor of Italian at Wellesley College will speak on "The Anti-Fascism of Fascist Youth: Luigi Meneghello's <u>The Outlaws</u> . 7:30 p.m. Arts & Sciences Bldg, Room 222. Free and open to the public. Location: Boston Univ., 725 Commonwealth Ave, Boston	Interdisciplinary Italian Studies Program (617) 353-2411 or 2412
Tuesday, October 19	Roland Marullo, author of "Revere Beach Elegy," will speak at the Berkshire Athenaeum starting at 7 p.m. "Revere Beach Elegy" tells of his experience of growing up Italian in Revere Beach. Joint project by the Friends of the Athenaeum and the Berkshire County Italian Heritage Committee. No fee	Judge Rudy Sacco, Ret. (413) 623-2111
Tuesday, October 19	Showing of the film <i>Mediterraneo</i> . Prof. Mario Aste, who teaches Italian film, will give a brief lecture. 7:00 p.m. Free and open to the public. Location: University of Massachusetts, Wilder St., Lowell	Judith Bessette (978) 957-8714
Wednesday, October 20	*Professor Giuliana Limiti, Archivist of the Quirinale in Italy, will speak on Giuseppe Mazzini and Ralph Waldo Emerson. [In Italian w/written English translation] 6:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Italian Consulate and the IHM Committee. Free and open to the public. Location: Univ. of Mass. Boston, call for Room number	Prof. Lester Bartson (617) 287-6888 Lino Rullo (781) 862-1633 Email: rullol@hotmail.com

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Thursday, October 21	*Professor Giuliana Limiti, Italian Historian, will speak on the Quirinale Archives and the Italian Archives, including important documents leading up to the formation of the Republic. [In Italian, w/written English translation]. 6:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Italian Consulate and the IHM Committee. Free and open to the public. Location: State Archives, Columbia Point, Boston, near the Kennedy Library	Steve Kenney, Director of Commonwealth Museum Archives (617) 727-2816 ext. 204
Thursday, October 21	*Coro dell'Ateneo, Universita' degli Studi "Gabriele d'Annunzio"- a 60 Member Chorus from Chieti, Abruzzo performing beautiful pieces from Verdi, Rossini, Puccini as well as Italian regional folk songs. 7:00 p.m. Free and open to the public. Location: Sacred Heart Church, 12 North Square, North End, Boston	Tino Valdesolo (978) 475-9045 Lino Rullo (781) 862-1633 Email: rullol@hotmail.com
Thursday, October 21	<i>La Famiglia</i> by Ettore Scola. Ron Del Sesto will introduce this film, the first in a series of four films dealing with relationships within the family. 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Location: Dante Alighieri Cultural Center, Carl A. Pescosolido Bldg, 41 Hampshire Street, Cambridge	www.dantealighieri.net/cambridge
Friday, October 22	*Coro dell'Ateneo, Universita' degli Studi "Gabriele d'Annunzio"- a 60 Member Chorus from Chieti, Abruzzo performing beautiful pieces from Novaro, Verdi, Rossini, and more. 7:00 p.m. Free and open to the public. Location: St. Bartolomeo Church, 297 Laurel Hill, Providence, Rhode Island	Pasquale Luise (617) 742-7050 Tino Valdesolo (978) 475-9045
Friday, October 22	Dinner Dance in Honor of Cav. Carlos Tosi and Dr. Velia Tosi. 7:00 p.m. Location: Holiday Inn at Logan Airport, East Boston	Mario Salvatore (617) 569-2100 ext. 286
Saturday, October 23	Dinner Dance and Performance by "Gabriele d'Annunzio" a 60 Member Chorus from Chieti, Abruzzo performing classic arias as well as a repertoire of Italian regional folk songs. 7:00 p.m. Concert, 8:00 p.m. Dinner. Tickets \$50 Location: Don Orione Hall, Orient Heights, East Boston	Tino Valdesolo (978) 475-9045 Domenico Susi (617) 742-2791
Saturday, October 23	Sicilia Mondo Annual Dinner Dance. Peter Ingeneri will be honored this year. 7:00 p.m. Location: Watertown Lodge, 520 Pleasant St, Watertown,	Enzo Amara (617) 846-2689
Sunday, October 24	*Messa in Sol Maggiore'' - Coro dell'Ateneo, Universita' degli Studi ''G. d'Annunzio'' a 60 Member Chorus from Chieti, Abruzzo. This will be the same Mass that was sung for the Pope at the Vatican. 3:00 p.m. Free and open to the public. Location: Sacred Heart Church, 12 North Square, North End, Boston	Pasquale Luise (617) 742-7050 Tino Valdesolo (978) 475-9045 Lino Rullo (781) 862-1633
Sunday, October 24	Speaking Program: 1:30 p.m. Nunzio DiMarca shares tales and history of Sicily, and at 2:45 p.m. Leonardo Chiampa presents "Dawn of the Bel Canto". Free and open to the public. Location: Lawrence State Heritage Park, 1 Jackson Street, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Lawrence, MA	Sons of Italy Lawrence Lodge (978) 688-2258

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Monday, October 25	"Lessons from the Clerk of Court" sponsored by the Justinian Law Society. Social hour at 6:00 p.m. Dinner at 7:00 p.m. Tickets \$35 Location: Spinelli's Function Facility, Rt 1 South, Lynnfield	Clerk-Magistrate Ted Thomasone (617) 666-8000 ext. 719
Monday, October 25	The National Italian American Bar Association, student chapter at Suffolk University Law School invites you join in an evening of discussing "Italian-Americans in Corporate America." Honored Guest Speaker: Professor Richard G. Pizzano of Suffolk University Law School. 7:00 p.m. Refreshments and Appetizers will be served. Location: Suffolk University Law School, Boston	Riccardo L. Rullo, President of NIABA (781) 316-4004
Monday, October 25	<ul> <li>Winthrop Catholic Woman's Club's Italian Heritage Night.</li> <li>Guest speaker Dr. William Marchione will present "The Italian Americans of Greater Boston: Part 2." 7:30 p.m.</li> <li>Donation: \$10. Light refreshments will be served.</li> <li>Location: St. John the Evangelist School in Winthrop</li> </ul>	Dina Cirone (617) 846-2105 Carol Facella (617) 846-8394
Monday, October 25	Lecture presented by the Burlington Sons of Italy Lodge #2223. Sights & Sounds of Emilia Romagna/Bologna given by Cristina Pausini. Admission Free. Location: Burlington Public Library, Sears St., Burlington	Betty Sarcia (781) 932-8203
Tuesday, October 26	A Taste of Italy an evening of Italian food samplings and entertainment. 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Tickets \$20 Location: VFW Hall on Mystic Avenue, Medford	Rita Cornelio (781) 396-0710 Jerri DiClemente (781) 391-5048
Wednesday, October 27 Thru Nov. 5	Opening of Exhibit of abstract paintings by John Gentile of Abruzzo, Italy. Lecture by local Art Critic. 7:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Location: Dante Alighieri Cultural Center, Carl A. Pescosolido Bldg, 41 Hampshire Street, Cambridge	John Gentile (781) 334-6266 www.dantealighieri.net/cambridge
Thursday, October 28	OSIA – The Italian Culture Commission Lecture Presentation - "Greek Colonies of Southern Italy, Civilization of the Magna Grecia." Speaker: Giuseppe Panetta. 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. Refreshments to be served. Location: Boston Public Library, Rabb Lecture Hall, 700 Boylston Street, Boston	RSVP by 10/25/04 (617) 489-5234
Friday, October 29 and Saturday October 30	Promotion of Italian Language, Culture and Literature Display sponsored by Centro Attivita Scolastiche Italiane (C.A.S.I.T), Giaconda Motta, President. The display will be held at the Massachusetts Foreign Language Association Conference from 9:00 - 6:00 p.m. Location: Sturbridge Host Conference Center, Sturbridge	Katherine Lopez Natale (781) 393-2375
Saturday, October 30	SS Cosmos & Damian Society 78 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet - presenting Gaeta Nite. Full Italian dinner, wine, and live band. Tickets: \$50 Location: Dante Alighieri Center, Carl A. Pescosolido Bldg, 41 Hampshire Street, Cambridge	Sal DiDomenico (617) 354-7992

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Saturday, October 30	The Appian Club's Italian Heritage Committee will sponsor it's Sixth Annual Celebration. The High Achievement Award will be presented to Judge Joseph Ferrino and Dr. Nancy Caruso. 7:00 p.m.	Vincent Festino (781) 279-2472 Rocco Zizza (781) 438-6070
	Location: Venezia Restaurant and Banquet Facility, 20 Ericsson Street (Neponset Circle), Boston	Natalie DeLuca (781) 438-2194
Saturday, October 30	OSIA Watertown Lodge's Banquet in Celebration of Italian Heritage Month. An evening of dinner and dancing. Tickets \$40. Location: Sons of Italy Piave Fiume Lodge, 520 Pleasant Street in Watertown	Sal Pinzone (781) 894-5749
Sunday, October 31	OSIA Speaking Program with Guest Speakers: Orazio Buttafuoco "Antonio Meucci: the True Inventor of the Telephone" at 1:00 p.m.; Ray Minichiello shares the legacy of "Guglielmo Marconi, 'the Father of Wireless' Communication" at 2:00 p.m. and Adolfo Caso speaks on	Sons of Italy Lawrence Lodge (978) 688-2258 Free and open to the public
	"Christopher Columbus" at 3:00 p.m. Location: Lawrence State Heritage Park, 1 Jackson St., 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Lawrence, MA	The and open to the public
Newsworthy	On September 12, 2004 at the Bocce Championship event sponsored by OSIA, Watertown Lodge the first ever Italian Heritage Month Cup was presented in the co-ed division. Congratulations to the winners!	Lino Rullo (781) 862-1633 email: rullol@hotmail.com
Various Dates	NIAF (The National Italian American Foundation) is sponsoring Free Italian Language Classes through the Dante Alighieri Center on Wednesday evenings during the entire month of October. Location: Dante Alighieri Center, Carl Pescosolido Building, 41 Hampshire Street, Cambridge	RSVP at: www.niaf.org www.dantealighieri.net/cambridge
Various Dates	Sons of Italy is offering Free Introductory Italian Classes on Saturdays in October. 11:00 a.m. Location: Sons of Italy Lawrence Lodge, 155 Marston Street, Lawrence	Sons of Italy Lawrence Lodge (978) 688-2258
Various Dates	Please visit <u>www.italianmonth.homestead.com</u> for a full listing of events in Western Massachusetts	Judge Rudy Sacco, Ret. (413) 623-2111

\*An Italian American Heritage Month Committee Event. Free and open to the public.

We hope your schedule has permitted you to enjoy one or more of the events on this extensive calendar. If any of the numerous and varied events have given you enjoyment, enriched you in some way or brought you closer to the cultural heritage of Italy, please consider participating in the planning and celebration of October Italian Heritage Month 2005!

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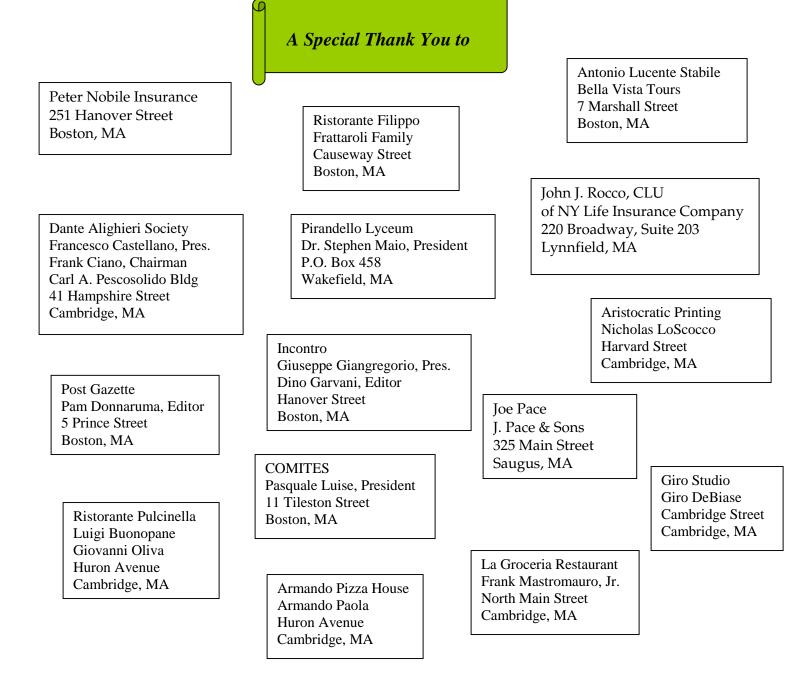


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### Mille Grazie a Tutti!

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