



## Newsletter



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**MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:**

Dear TIAHA Brothers,

First of all: We'd like to get as many members as possible to our July meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Not only is there a lot of stuff going on, especially since the baseball reception/dinner is the next night; but we have decided to declare this meeting **Victor Parlanti Night**. Victor, because of health reasons, is moving out of the area and this will be his last TIAHA meeting. He requested simply that we have an Italian meal (Gee, I was thinking of something Yiddish, but I guess we can change the menu) and that he be able to see as many of his old friends and fellow TIAHA brothers as possible. Please make every effort to attend.

OK! Where to start? Where to start? I can't begin to tell you how pleased I am at how our activities, events, and participation are just progressing. Adopt a highway was excellent. We had a great turnout, The Mancuso family, as usual, cooked us a great breakfast, and we had a bunch of laughs as well as the fact of benefiting our community.

Pot Luck Dinner was more than I had hoped for. I personally gained about 12 pounds. The variety and culinary level of all the dishes that everyone brought was to die for. I really felt as if I was back on Long Island at either my Mom & Dad's or any one of many Ferraro households where it seemed like we had spreads like that every Sunday, not just on holidays. The more I think of growing up in an Italian family, the more I realize, and cherish the fact, that every Sunday was a culinary feast. Boy do I miss that and regret that my younger children won't experience that fully.

With that thought in mind, I'd like to have everyone think about having a Sunday Pot Luck Dinner once a quarter or so. We can have everyone come about 1:00 or so, bring our children and grandkids, start out with an antipasto, then pasta, then entries, then deserts. We can take about 4 or 5 hours and between courses play cards or pool, bocce, swim, etc. Let's eat drink, and be merry. What better way to bring our membership, and our families, together?

I'm getting real excited about our Italian Team baseball night. Bob Gianuzzi tells me that ticket sales for the game are going well so get your orders in to him ASAP. Remember that we'll be roasting a 120 Pound pig and I'm not sure about how many people you guys have got committed to the dinner/reception so get out there and solicit a bunch of folks.

We have a meeting on Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup> and we will be putting some of the final plans into play. Please be advised that we will be needing a bunch of volunteers for a number of functions so if you can help, let us know. One of the things I am working on (But not sure at this point if I'll be able to pull it off) is to have 850 the Buzz radio station be broadcasting the Morgan Patrick show (6 to 8 pm) from our pig picking reception.

It's been a long time coming. It's a start. It needs some polish. I have to get the links working. The verbiage needs some editing and refining. But thanks to my daughter, we now have a working web site. Go to [www.theitalianclub.com](http://www.theitalianclub.com)

I'm pumped about TIAHA,

Frank

### **Another message from the President:**

This comes to us from Paul Messino who is one of our youngest, members. Paul submitted this for placement into our upcoming Italian Heritage Booklet. Read this and then read it again. I believe the future of our organization is bright if we and future members remember, and heed, this line of thought and philosophy.

Frank

Much of TIAHA draws its cohesion from the first-hand experience of the Italian heritage and culture that has impressed itself upon its members. Stories, food, and broken Italian are ubiquitous at meetings and events, giving relief to many that even in America, a land built on many different values, culture continues to be celebrated and heritage remembered. But, in some sense, TIAHA cannot be just this.

To survive it must be something more. Eventually these experiences will be lost in the minds of those that will leave, taken by God or by the many vicissitudes of life. Keeping our heritage alive, then, is of paramount importance, and this requires a dependence on the young whose stories come not from the motherland itself, but from the memories of those who left Italy with their families and their families' families; the stories I hear revisited at every moment we are together.

I am a member of TIAHA, not because of the wealth of knowledge that I can add to the basic story of an Italian American, but because I am one of the few who will glean from the stories of others the importance of being Italian. I can only give to TIAHA and its future members the revered advice that our culture will only continue if we first listen to the past and then carry it forward in action and service. This is my credo, and this is where the future of TIAHA lies.

**Paul Messino**

**TIAHA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, June 15th, 2005 at Knights of Columbus, New Hope Road and Columbus Road, Raleigh, NC

Minutes from Board Meeting accepted.

There was Poker Night at the Oddfellows on 6/17.

Please send contributions for the new Heritage Booklet.

Frank Ferraro will send a list of non-dues payers to Mark LaMantia.

There will be a dinner with the Italian Baseball Team on Thursday July 21<sup>st</sup>. We will have a good ol' NC Pig Pickin'. Tickets will be \$5 each and \$3 for kids under 12. Members can also bring covered dishes.

Bob G has an Italian Opera singer to sing the Italian National Anthem at the game on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. We have a reserved section for July 22<sup>nd</sup>(Fri) for the USA vs Italy baseball game at the Durham Athletic park. Tickets are \$7. Contact Bobby G.

Peter Cari is selling the Italian Heritage Book for \$21.

Bob V is organizing the Horse Race at Colonial Downs on July 30<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$19/person and he needs commitments by July 10<sup>th</sup>.

On June 25<sup>th</sup> there was a Pot Luck Dinner at the Oddfellows.

We are doing a raffle to raise \$ for our participation in the Int'l Festival. We are giving away a trip to Mexico. Stay tuned.

Guests: John Schiappa(guest of Jack G.) – born in Etrie, Italy and moved from Boston 2 yrs ago. He is a commercial banker from Wachovia.

We also had Jim ?(couldn't get last name) from Latrobe, Pa. His grandparents are from Como, Italy.

Carmine Sacchitello and family were voted Family of the Year at the Knights of Columbus State Convention.

John Bono's siter in law is undergoing chemo for breast cancer.

Frank Palermo is at Cary Health and Rehab.

Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

**TIAHA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, July 5th, 2005 at Knights of Columbus, New Hope Road and Columbus Road, Raleigh, NC

**The minutes are not available at this time.**

## A Farewell For Victor Parlanti

**Victor Parlanti** will be moving out of this area at the end of July. He will be moving to Lexington, Kentucky to be near his eldest son (Victor, Jr....Paula's brother). Victor will be attending the July General Membership meeting one more time before he moves away.

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Jim and Paula Frederici have one request: Please, no gifts for Victor.....and this is very important, especially no bottles of wine for Victor as gifts. Victor can no longer drink wine with all the medications he's currently taking. Wine could quite literally kill him.

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This would just be a gathering of Victor's friends. That would mean much more to him than any gifts.

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Please plan to attend the July meeting so that we can all wish Victor the fondest farewell.

### "Growing up Italian"

We all have wonderful stories of growing up Italian. Some are funny, some sad, but all stories filled with the love between families. My story, the story I'd like to share with you is one of a daughter's love for her father. You all know my Dad; Victor Joseph Parlanti. My Dad came from a poor coal mining town in Jessup, Pennsylvania where his father worked in the coal mines. He worked hard all his life for his family, but was always there to help family or a friend in need. I have one story in particular that I would like to share about this wonderful man who will always be my hero. One wintry night so many years ago my dog was having a seizure in the middle of the night. I was so frightened that my dog was going to die and I didn't know what to do. It was just my son and I all alone in the house so I called my Mom and Dad to ask for help. My Dad, in his kind voice, said to me "Paula don't worry your Mom and I will be over to help you?." In the middle of that snowy winter night my Mom and Dad showed up on my door step with Pepto Bismol in one hand and a bottle of aspirin in the other. I was so relieved because I knew my Dad had the magic medicine that would help my dog be well again. Thinking back, I'm sure my Mom and Dad just brought some medicines to make me feel good. My dog lived through his epileptic seizure and that night I realized what "sempre familia" really means.

Most of you know that my Dad was quite ill recently and while he was in the hospital he was so determined to help himself, so determined to show me he would not let me down by giving up. While sitting in his hospital room I saw this man, my hero struggling to help himself shave, and as I sat there I wrote this poem. I would like to dedicate this poem to my Dad, and share it with all of you, his brothers.

"My Reflection" (As seen through Victor's eyes while he looks into a mirror)

I looked into the mirror and who did I see,  
I saw a man much older than me,

The man I see with a face so worn  
was a man so unfamiliar to me?

Who was this stranger who once was no stranger to me?  
This man so much older than me.

Oh how I long to see the man I use to be.  
So young, so strong where has he gone?

The years have come and the years have gone,  
And now all I see is a man much older than me.

My life was once so rich and so full  
are now only memories of the man I use to be?

Oh how I long to see the reflection of the man I use to be.

By Paula D. Frederici

**To Victor Parlanti from his TIAHA Brothers:**

**Cheers, to a hundred years!**

Salute, a cent' anni!  
(sah-LOO-tay, ah chehnt AHN-nee)



## Horse Race Day

Horse race day is July 30th. We meet at the Knights at 8:30am. *I have reserved a 47 passenger bus. The cost will be approx \$19.00 per person if we fill the bus. We can go to a 55 passenger if needed. If you WANT to GO e-mail me, then send me a check made out to Robert Vetrano for \$19.00.*

*Robert Vetrano  
3612 Spring Willow Pl  
Raleigh NC 27615*

*I need to know by June 30th. First come first serve which includes family and friends.*



**Frank Ferraro** presents the President's Monthly Award for June 2005 to **Joe Frangiosa**

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RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Gents,

After searching for service events that we could do in the upcoming months, I have decided that sponsoring a blood drive would be a simple and fun project for us. The Red Cross always needs help. In order to sponsor our time, however, those interested must attend an instructional meeting for an hour. The Red Cross said that they will come see us or we can go to them. If you're interested, please email me ASAP at [pmessino@johnlocke.org](mailto:pmessino@johnlocke.org).

Paul Messino

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## Italian National Baseball Team Dinner

TI AHA will be hosting a welcome dinner for the Italian National Baseball Team on Thursday, July 21st at 6:30pm at the Knights of Columbus on New Hope Rd. in Raleigh. This is the night before the team begins a three game series against Team USA at the DBAP in Durham. The dinner menu will be a Good Ol' Southern Style Pig Pickin' including: pork barbeque, hush puppies, cole slaw, potato salad, iced tea and lemonade. Hamburgers and hot dogs will also be available. Price is \$6.00 for adults, \$2 for children 5-12, children 4 and under are free. Please come on out, meet the players, and enjoy a great meal. In order to make sure we have enough food we're limiting ticket sales, so if you want to attend please order your tickets in advance. Send a check for the correct amount and payable to TIAHA to:

Vince Conzola  
5313 Fireside Dr.  
Raleigh, NC 27609

Also, please indicate if you want me to mail your tickets or, even better, if you can pick them up at the July meeting and save the club some postage.

# Italian-American Baseball Game



**WHO: Italian National Baseball Team vs Team USA**

**WHERE: Durham Bulls Athletic Park**

**WHEN: Friday July 22 @ 7:00 PM**

**PRICE: \$7.00**

**There will be fireworks after the game, and possibly a high profile paisano will be on hand (not Tony Soprano!).**

**Tickets will be on sale at the June General Membership Meeting, otherwise, call Bob Giannuzzi @ 676-0082. Family and friends are welcome.**

**This is a fundraiser/cultural/social event, so please try to attend and sell some tickets.**

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## Italian American Baseball Quiz

1. This Italian –American baseball player hit two home runs his first two times at bat in World Series play. During the 1972 Series, he hit a total of four home runs to tie Babe Ruth’s record. Name him and his team
2. The 1965 home run king in the American League, this promising baseball superstar’s career was cut short by a devastating injury. He played for the Boston Red Sox. Who was he?
3. The Italian community of San Francisco’s North Beach district produced three of the New York Yankee’s most outstanding baseball players. Name two of the three.
4. There are only two catchers who ever won a batting title, and this Italian American did it twice. Can you name him?
5. Who was the first player to earn over \$100,000 a year via contract in 1949?
6. Nicknamed, the Scooter, he was the American League MVP in 1950 and for many years a popular Yankee baseball announcer. Who was he?
7. This Italian American was the most prolific home run hitter in NCAA history, with 100 home runs in his college career. He hit a home run every seven times at bat. His other stats include a career .398 batting average, and 324 RBI’s for 694 at bats. Who was this player?

**See next page for answers.**

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## **Answers to Baseball Quiz**

1. Gene Tenace/Oakland A's
2. Tony Conigliaro
3. Tony Lazzeri – Second Base, Frank Crosetti – Short stop, Joe DiMaggio - Centerfield
4. Ernie Lombardi, 1938 .342 / 1942 .330
5. Joe DiMaggio
6. Phil Rizzuto
7. Pete Incaviglia

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Thanks to all the volunteers who participated in the Adopt A Highway effort June 25<sup>th</sup>.

Pictured above left to right are John Colombo, Vinny Doria, Tony Aiello, James Ferraro (Frank's son), Vince Salvaggio, Frank Ferraro, Sr., Don Ludlow, Vince Conzola and his two sons, Vince Salvaggio's daughter's friend, Vince Salvaggio's daughter.

Not shown here but just as important is Dale Mancuso who provided breakfast for the crew at his home. Thanks Dale



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Italians have a \$40,000. kitchen, but use the \$259 stove from American Appliance in the basement to cook. There is some sort of religious statue in the hallway, living room, front porch and backyard. The living room is filled with old bombonieri (they are too pretty to open) with poofy net bows and stale almonds.

A portrait of the Pope and Frank Sinatra is in the dining room.

God forbid if anyone EVER attempted to eat ChefBoy-are-dee, Franco American, Ragu, Prego or anything else in a jar or can. (Tomato paste is the exception.)

The following are Italian Holidays:

- \* First weekend in October - Grapes for the Wine

- \* 3rd weekend in August - Tomatoes for the Gravy (Speaking of which, it's GRAVY and not Sauce).

Meatballs are made with Pork, Veal and Beef. Italians, don't care about cholesterol.

Turkey is served on Thanksgiving, AFTER the manicotti, gnocchi, and lasagna.

If anyone EVER says ES-CAROLE, slap 'em in the face -- it's SHCAROLL.

No matter how hard you know you were going to get smacked, you still came home from church after communion, you stuck half a loaf of bread in the gravy pot, snuck out a fried meatball and chowed down. You'll make up for it next week at confession.

Sunday dinner was at 1:00.

The meal went like this...

Table is set with everyday dishes...doesn't matter if they don't match...they're clean, what more do you want.

All the utensils go on the right side of the plate and the napkin goes on the left. Put a clean kitchen towel at Nonno & Papa's plate because they won't use napkins.

Homemade wine and bottles of 7 UP are on the table.

- \* First course, Antipasto...change plates.

- \* Next, Macaroni (Nonna called all spaghetti Macaroni)...change plates.

- \* After that, Roasted Meats, Roasted Potatoes, Overcooked vegetables...change plates.

- \* THEN and only then (NEVER AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEAL) would you eat the salad (HOMEMADE OIL & VINEGAR DRESSING ONLY)..change plates.

- \* Next, Fruit & Nuts - in the shell (on paper plates because you ran out of the other ones).

- \* Coffee (Espresso for Nonno, "Merican" coffee for the rest) with Anisette (Hard Cookies to dip in the coffee).

The kids go play...the men go to lay down...the women clean the kitchen.

Getting screamed at by Mom or Nonna - half the sentence was English, the other half Italian.

Italian mothers never threw a baseball in their life, but can nail you in the head with a shoe thrown from the kitchen while you're in the living room.

Prom Dress that Zia Ceserina made you...\$20.00 for material.

Prom hair-do from Cousin Angela...\$Free.

Turning around at prom to see your entire family (including Godparents) standing in the back of the gym...PRICELESS!

Thanks to **John Bono** for contributing the above.

# Top Italian American Baseball Players

## STARTING PITCHERS

Johnny Antonelli  
Sal Maglie  
Vic Raschi  
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Tom Candiotti  
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Dave Giusti  
Frank Viola  
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John Montefusco  
Pete Falcone  
Barry Zito

## RELIEF PITCHERS

John Franco  
Rick Botallico  
Joe Sambito  
Don Mossi  
Dave Rhigetti  
Ralph Branca

## CATCHERS

Ernie Lombardi  
Mike Piazza  
Yogi Berra  
Roy Campanella  
John Romano  
Joe Girardi

## FIRST BASEMEN

Dolph Camilli  
Phil Cavarretta  
Joe Pepitone  
Frank Torre  
Jason Giambi  
Jim Gentile

## SECOND BASEMEN

Tony Lazzeri  
Craig Biggio  
Billy Martin  
Steve Sax  
Tony Cuccinello  
Mark Lemke

## SHORTSTOPS

Phil Rizzuto  
Rico Petrocelli  
Gary Di Sarcina  
Larry Bowa  
Frank Crosetti  
Rich Aurilia

## THIRD BASEMEN

Ron Santo  
Joe Torre  
Frank Malzone  
Sal Bando  
Ken Caminiti  
Robin Ventura  
Mike Pagliarulo  
Gary Gaetti

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Carl Furillo  
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Dave Pasqua  
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Jack Clark  
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Pete Incaviglia  
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Joe Ferguson

## Italian-American Crooners Speak the Language of Love

by [Cookie Curci](#)

For nearly a century, the tantalizing recorded voice of the Italian crooner has touched the hearts of music lovers everywhere. Modern-day troubadours, **Pavarotti** and **Bocelli** carry on this recorded musical tradition, a tradition that began when **Enrico Caruso** (1873-1921) made his first gramophone recording in Milan, Italy, in 1903. The European recording, made by a gramophone/typewriter company, brought the great tenor's voice into thousands of homes. Later, he recorded "La Donna e Mobile" on a ten-inch Victor Co. disk and became a household word in America.

The popularity of the romantic Italian singer reached a peak in the 1930s, with the stylistic recordings of the wildly popular **Russ Colombo**, known as "The Romeo of Song". Born Ruggiero Eugenio di Rodolpho Colombo, (1908-1934) the handsome singer was idolized by millions of women, who, today, some 68 years later, still remember their idol. His dolce tones and sex appeal set the stage for the following decade of romantic crooners. Colombo's accidental death in 1934, at age 26, left a cult of grieving fans. Among his most beloved songs: "All of Me" (1931) and "Time On My Hands" (1931).

Several years later, a young, Italian kid from Hoboken, NJ, came along and set a new standard for the Italian crooner. **Francis Albert Sinatra** (1915-1998) may have begun as just another Italian singer, but after a career that spanned some 60 years, he holds the crown as the most popular singer of all time. He showed us it was possible for a man to sing like an angel and still hold his own in a brawl. Sinatra's smooth, almost causal way of turning a phrase, and his own, unique style of interpreting lyrics was greatly imitated by his fellow singers, but never duplicated. The Sinatra style was a unique blend of defiant tough-guy and gentle lyricist. His W.W. II recordings, "I'll Be Seeing You" and "I'll Never Smile Again" topped the charts week after week and spoke to the thousands of young men and women tragically separated by the war. Sinatra's music touched the heart of a generation in a way no other singer ever has.

[Dino Paul Crocetti](#), (a.k.a. **Dean Martin** 1917-1995) was born to Italian immigrants, Gaetano and Angela Barra-Crocetti. Like many young Italian-Americans, the young Dino spoke only Italian until he started school at age 5. His early endeavors gave no indication that he had a musical future. He was a steel mill worker; an amateur boxer (kid Crochet) and a croupier in a local speak easy. He later changed his name to Dean Martin and at age 18 made his first public appearance singing "Oh Marie" and the rest is crooner history. Dean Martin's warm, romantic, "Everybody Loves Somebody" type of attitude, endeared him to a generation who loved a good time and good music. His recording of "That's Amore" remains one of America's most played tunes. Few of us can hear this happy song without feeling just a bit better afterwards.

**ON A PERSONAL NOTE:**



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:**

Jon and Vickie Ferrante  
Bob and Fran Giannuzzi  
Bob and Judy Caprioli  
Jack and Carey Giamportone  
Mario and Jo Guglielmi



**BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:**

**MEMBERS**

Lou Baffaro  
Bob Caprioli  
Jon Ferrante  
Frank Ferraro, Sr.  
Joe Frangiosa

**SIGNIFICANT OTHERS**

Kathy Vetrano  
Rosemarie Sorrentino  
Larisa Palmisano  
Agnes Guliano

**GET WELL**

**John Bono's** sister-in-law is undergoing chemo for breast cancer. Please remember her in your prayers.



**EDITOR:**

Is something newsworthy?  
Let us know, send it to

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The **deadline** for submitting input to the newsletter is the **second Wednesday of the month.**



**Triangle Italian-American Heritage Association**  
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**TIAHA UPCOMING EVENTS**

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**July 20th (Wednesday), 6:30 PM - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING** Knights of Columbus, New Hope and Columbus Roads, Raleigh.

**July 21st (Thursday), 6:30 PM – ITALIAN NATIONAL BASEBALL TEAM DINNER:** TIAHA will host Italian National Baseball Team for dinner at Knights of Columbus, New Hope and Columbus Roads, Raleigh.

**July 22nd (Friday), 7:00PM – ITALIAN NATIONAL BASEBALL TEAM VS. TEAM USA:** Durham Bulls Athletic Park, Durham, NC

**July 30th (Saturday) 8:30AM- HORSE RACE DAY** Colonial Downs, outside Richmond, VA. Bus departs from Knights of Columbus 8:30AM.

**August 2nd (Tuesday), 6:30 PM – EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING:** Knights of Columbus, New Hope and Columbus Roads, Raleigh.

**August 17th (Wednesday), 6:30 PM - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING** Knights of Columbus, New Hope and Columbus Roads, Raleigh.

**September 2005 ST. RAFAELS’S FEAST** Exact date to follow.

**October 2005 FAMILY PICNIC** Date and location to be determined.