



Newsletter

February/Febbraio 2009

Editor: Neal Caliendo
(919) 846-2747
nealcali@yahoo.com



Officers:

FRANK FERRARO,	President (919) 266-9358
SAL NOTARMASO,	Vice President (919) 383-3131
BOB CAPRIOLI,	Treasurer (919) 554-1805
JIM FREDERICI,	Secretary (919) 957-0792
VICTOR CONONI,	Sergeant-at-Arms (919) 782-2876
BOB VETRANO ,,	Past President (919) 848-1846
BOB VETRANO,	Communications (919) 848-1846

Members at Large:

DAVE BARON	(919) 449-0998
DALE MANCUSO	(919) 790-1865
JOHN BONO	(919) 787-1237

Other Committees:

TONY AIELLO,	Good & Welfare Chairman (919) 554-4676
VICTOR CONONI,	Membership Chairman (919) 782-2876
BOB GIANNUZZI,	Public Relations Chairman (919) 676-0082
FRANK FERRARO, SR.,	Social Chairman (919) 266-9358
NEAL CALIENDO,	Newsletter Chairman (919) 846-2747
PETER CARI,	Newsletter Assistant (919) 383-2460
JOHN COLOMBO,	Oxford Orphanage Fundraiser Chairman (919) 781-8356
MARK ALIANO	Adopt-A-Hwy Chairman (919) 435-7062
BOB GIANNUZZI,	Scholarship Chairman (919) 676-0082
BOB PETROLINO	Membership Roster Chairman (919) 760-9039

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear TIAHA Brothers,

Thank you so much to all the TIAHA Brothers that attended the funeral service for Ron and Rita Venezia's son Tony. It was a very touching and emotional service, and I was glad we had a good number of TIAHA Brothers there to lend some support in a very trying time for the entire Venezia family. As an organization, and per the family's request, TIAHA made a donation to the St. Jude's Hospital Fund. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Ron, Rita and their family.

The December general meeting was poorly attended and only lasted about 5 minutes anyway because of the Annual Christmas Dinner/Meeting with Wives. The January meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

Please plan on making it to this month's meeting to be held February 18th at the K of C hall. There are a few things we want to discuss and we, the Board, have some very important information to pass on such as money taken in and spent in 2008, tentative plans for events and such in 2009, and we also have elections of officers this month as well. We need to regroup and refocus as an organization, for 2009. This month's meeting is where we start.

CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE

We will also have tickets for this year's Charity Raffle. Prizes will be \$500, \$300, and \$200 and the tickets will sell for \$5 each. We did not have a raffle last year but the year before we made a pretty good profit which benefitted our many charities as well as items and events for the membership such as the Family Picnic, Christmas Dinner, etc. The drawing will be held at our June 17th meeting.

Each member will receive an initial 10 tickets to sell. If you cannot make it to the meeting, I will send you your 10 tickets in the mail with a stamped return envelop which you can then use to send in a check for the money you collected. It is very important that everyone sells his quota of tickets. You will realize just how important when you get last year's treasurer's report at this month's meeting.

You have four months to sell 10 (or more) tickets! There should be no excuses whatsoever that you either can't, or don't want to, sell your tickets.

We had 1,000 tickets printed up. If we sell all of them, we stand to make a very, very nice chunk of change and we could certainly use it. Please make it your personal challenge to sell your initial 10, and then some.

Once again, I beseech you to come to this month's meeting. Sal, Dale, and I will be cooking up a very delightfully delicious different dinner that everyone should really enjoy.

Fraternally yours,

Frank

TIAHA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 3rd, 2009 at Knights of Columbus, New Hope Road and Columbus Road, Raleigh, NC

Attendees: Frank Ferraro, John Bono, Bob Caprioli, Dale Mancuso, Bob Vetrano, Victor Cononi, Jim Frederici.

Meeting Called To Order: 6:40pm

- **St. Raph's Fair:**
 1. Frank reported TIAHA received the check from St. Raph's. Check amount included money for both the food booth proceeds and the trash collection.
 2. Victor Cononi suggested maybe TIAHA should forego the food booth next year and just perform trash collection. The board will consider this suggestion.
- **Marshall Posey:**
 1. Frank mailed Marshall a TIAHA T-shirt. Marshall is in Iraq working for a civilian company.
 2. Marshall sent a nice "Thank You" letter back to Frank.
 3. All TIAHA members can email Marshall using his email address listed in the TIAHA roster.
- **Ron Venezia:**
 1. Frank received a card from Ron Venezia thanking him and all of TIAHA for our support due to the unexpected loss of Ron's son about 3 weeks ago.
- **Vince Conzola's Exchange Student:**
 1. Frank received yet another "Thank You" card (I guess January was "National Receive A Thank You Month") from a group named ABRO (American-Belarussian Relief Organization).
 2. ABRO brings children to the U.S. as exchange students. Vince Conzola and his wife hosted a child from the Chernobyl region of Belarus.
 3. The child's name is Dima Gribunova. He's 9 years old, and in either the 4th or 5th grade in school. He was one of 38 that came over from Belarus last summer.
 4. ABRO had a golf outing fund raiser last April. TIAHA contributed \$200 to sponsor half of a foursome.
 5. Also, each child is sent back to Belarus with a backpack filled with school and medical supplies. Vince passed a hat at one of TIAHA's general membership meetings with several members contributing money to help fill the backpack.
 6. Thank you one and all !!!
- **Adopt-A-Highway:**
 1. The trash collection for the month of February will be on Saturday the 21st, the Saturday after our February general membership meeting.
 2. Meet at Brassfield Elementary School at 8:30am, at the intersection of Brassfield and Honeycutt Roads in north Raleigh.
- **Dues Are Due:**
 1. Everyone's dues were due in October. Please pay your dues, if you haven't already.
 2. Dues for the upcoming year are the same as for the past year. If you're not sure how much your dues are, please contact the membership chairman, Victor Cononi.
- **Nominating Committee To Be Formed:**
 1. Al Cellini is the elections chairman for the upcoming vote for board members for 2009.
 2. Anyone who is interested in running for a board position is asked to please contact Padre Cellini so your name can be put on the ballot.
 3. All board positions, from President to Members at Large are up for election.
- **Jersey Boys Play:**
 1. The play is the story of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons.
 2. Play to be performed at the Progress Energy Center for the Performing Arts in downtown Raleigh.
 3. Frank would like to make this a TIAHA group family event, going to the play either on June 24th or 25th.

4. Frank needs a commitment from interested members so he can arrange a group of tickets.
 5. Frank will bring this up at the February general membership meeting.
- **The Healing Place For Women:**
 1. Frank, Dale M. and Victor C. would like to cook a dinner for the women at The Healing place in appreciation for their help with TIAHA's Feed The Troops events at the USO at RDU International Airport.
 2. Frank would like this dinner to be scheduled for sometime this quarter, i.e., before the end of March.
 3. Frank said he would also like to do another USO event at the airport.
 - **Annual Raffle:**
 1. TIAHA did not hold its annual raffle last fall. Frank would like have the raffle this spring and call it the "Slide In To Summer Raffle".
 2. It was thought that instead of giving away gift items as prizes, with the state of the economy cash prizes this year would be a better option.
 3. The cash prizes will be \$500, \$300 and \$200.
 4. Tickets prices will be set at \$5 per ticket.
 5. The money collected will be used to fund charitable giving and events to benefit some of TIAHA's favorite charities, as well as fund the TIAHA Scholarship for 2009.
 6. Every TIAHA member will be given 10 tickets to sell, to start out.
 7. The prizes will be awarded at the June general membership meeting.
 - **K of C Facilities Rental:**
 1. Frank reported that the Knights of Columbus have raised the monthly rental fee they charge TIAHA to \$100 per month.
 - **State Of The Club Address:**
 1. Our beloved and very honest treasurer, Bob Caprioli, known to most of us as either Mr. Caprioli, or just plain Capi, gave his report to the board on TIAHA's 2008 budget figures.
 2. The bottom line is that TIAHA spent slightly more than it took in during 2008. This is not a bad thing.
 3. TIAHA is a charitable organization, so making a profit is not always a requirement.
 4. Everyone in TIAHA did a lot during 2008, and a lot of good was done by TIAHA members for a lot of good causes. In fact, TIAHA did more in 2008 for more needy and less fortunate people than was done in past years. Everyone in TIAHA should be very proud of all that was done and accomplished in 2008.
 5. Plus, TIAHA's membership grew. So when you look at the big picture for 2008, taking in a little less money than we brought in was not a bad thing.
 6. Thank you, Capi, for all of your hard work with keeping the TIAHA books straight.
 - **Cary Lazy Days:**
 1. Frank would like for TIAHA to get a foot in the door for the annual Cary Lazy Days event that occurs each August in downtown Cary.
 2. All of downtown Cary is blocked off and it becomes one huge crafts and food fair.
 3. Frank would like TIAHA to attempt to obtain food booth space for this event. Thousands upon thousands of people attend Cary Lazy Days each year.
 4. Bob V. will be the chairman for this event to see if TIAHA can have a food booth.
 - **Cooks For February Meeting Needed:**
 1. Since there wasn't a January general membership meeting due to the snow we received in this area at that time, Frank is asking for volunteers to cook at the February meeting on Wednesday the 18th. Please contact Frank if interested.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:18pm

TIAHA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

January 21st, 2009 at Knights of Columbus, New Hope Road and Columbus Road, Raleigh, NC

The January general meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

Italians Sick of Driving And Not Buying New Cars

Rome - February 5, 2009 - Hopes that upcoming government incentives will jump start the automobile market in Italy were slightly diminished Thursday by a poll which found that 56.5% of Italians are driving less and 75% have no intention of changing cars. On the bright side, the report found 82.2% of Italians considered owning a car as something indispensable and only 1.5% have given up owning one because of the economic situation.

Among the Italians who are driving less, 85.3% said this was in order to save money on fuel and maintenance, while 13.2% claimed it was for the environment.

Out of the 25% of Italians ready to buy a new car only 19.7% said they would opt for a more economic one, while 50.9% said they would stay in the same price range as their previous vehicle, 26.1% were ready to spend a little more and 3.4% said money would be no object.

The incentives the government is expected to adopt to boost car sales include a 1,000-euro subsidy for a 'greener' (Euro 4 or 5) car in place of a more polluting (Euro 0-2) vehicle.

New car buyers would also be exempted from road tax for three years and a current 1,500-euro government contribution for changing to cars powered by gas, electricity or hydrogen would rise to 2,000 euros.

Rules of the Italian Road:

*Italians drivers are much more comfortable driving much closer than is typical in America. **'A centimeter is as good as a kilometer,'** is a motto we love and we couldn't care less of getting that close. If you know to expect this and do not panic by slowing down, or worse, touching your brakes, you will be fine. After all, this reduces air resistance and increases mileage.*

*When driving in Italy, your responsibility is to those in front of you and those to your side. **Rear-view mirrors are solely used for checking our good looks.** If there is an opening in front of you, it is your obligation to fill it, or we will fill it for you. After all, the more we cut off the faster we arrive to our destination and the more money saved on gas.*

*Time and mileage are of the essence for the Italian driver. **We do not have money for brake maintenance nor the patience and will to downshift gears.** Besides, it is irresponsible to go through an uncontrolled, blind intersection quickly without at least a look or a small toot on the horn.*

"There is no place to park.** You would be quite surprised at how difficult it is to find parking in downtown Italy. The sidewalk parking space is savored and rarely abandoned. After all, it helps to avoid wasting gas driving around the neighborhood for 30 minutes in search of **unoccupied sidewalk space.

TIAHA 2008 Board Members



Frank Ferraro
President



Sal Nortarmasso
Vice President



Bob "Capi" Caprioli
Treasurer



Jim Frederici
Secretary



Victor Cononi
Sgt. At Arms



Bob Vetrano
Past President



Dave Baron
Member at Large

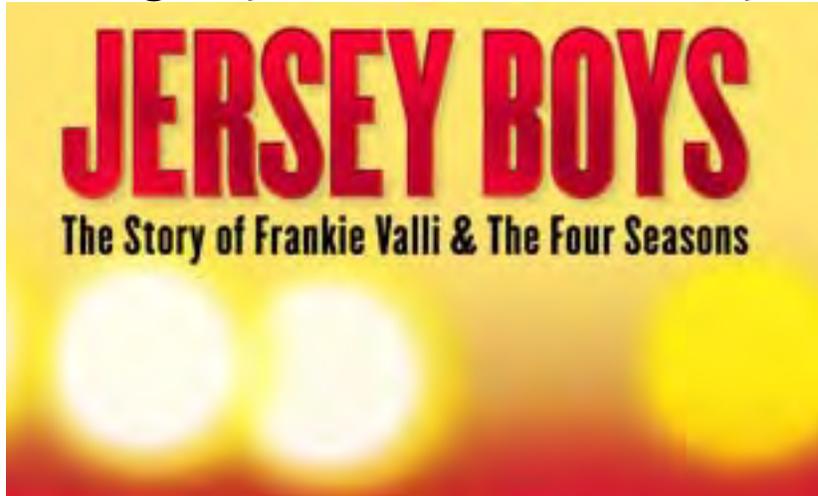


John Bono
Member at Large



Dale Mancuso
Member at Large

Coming very soon to a theater near you!



Playing at the Progress energy
June 24th through July 18th

If we go on Wed. June 24th or Thur. June 25th at 8PM
The tickets are \$50.50 each

All other dates are \$79, or \$84
unless we want to sit in the rear balcony for \$59.50

We need to order tickets soon and they will bill TIAHA,
which means you don't need the money right now
BUT

I need a commitment ASAP

Once you commit to going,
you are responsible for the cost of the tickets

Contact Frank via e-mail at fferrar@bellsouth.net
Or phone at 349-5854

Spouse of Six Months Dies At 101

Imperia - December 23, 2008 - A 101-year-old Italian man who married his 98-year-old French sweetheart last summer after more than 50 years together has died after six months of wedlock, a newspaper reported Tuesday.

Giuseppe Rebaudi, a retired surgeon, died "in the arms of his housekeeper," the daily said.

Rebaudi met his future wife, Sylvie Basain, in Marseille in 1952. They were together for 56 years before she persuaded him to become man and wife. Their wedding on the Ligurian Riviera on June 26 attracted a lot of media attention.

Basain, a former employee of a French newspaper, told reporters: "We've only been together for 50 years. Marriage is not a step to be taken lightly".

Rebaudi said: "I'd never thought about tying the knot but Sylvie convinced me, even though it's a bit late".

Health Benefits of Oregano

It has long been known that oregano has anti-bacterial properties. Hippocrates used it as an antiseptic. Although he was not aware of the exact nature of infection, he understood that the use of oregano could prevent it. The active ingredients in oregano oils that performs this function are *thymol* and *carvacrol*.

Research in Mexico indicates that oregano is effective against infection by the amoeba in the form of an illness commonly known as Giardia. It is also an excellent anti-oxidant. Some studies indicate that the anti-oxidant properties of oregano (pound for pound) may even exceed that of many beneficial fruits and vegetables such as apples and blueberries. Various companies have isolated the oils and sell it in capsules or with a dropper. In this form the thymol and carvacrol are highly concentrated as is the flavor. Given a concentrated dose of oregano oil directly on the tongue or skin can cause a burning sensation.

Fresh oregano is also a source of fiber, but since it is not usually eaten in large quantities this aspect of the plant goes unappreciated. Like spinach and other leafy vegetables, fresh oregano is loaded with vitamins and nutrients. It is a good source of iron and manganese as well as calcium, vitamin C, and vitamin A. It also has omega-3 fatty acids.

T I A H A

Election Ballot Feb. 2009

President:

Frank Ferraro, Sr.
Write-In

Vice-President:

Sal Natarmaso
Write-In

Secretary:

Jim Frederici
Write-In

Treasurer:

Bob Caprioli
Write-In

Sergeant -at-Arms:

Victor Cononi
Write-In

Members-at-Large:

Vince Savaggio
Bob Cenfetelli
John Bono
Dale Mancuso
Write-In

(choose 'three' names – using 1, 2, OR 3 as your choice)

Submitted - Al J.Cellini - 02/09



8/2008



The Head of the CIA is Calabrese

Siderno - January 6, 2009 - The man United States President-elect Barack Obama has chosen to head the Central Intelligence Agency speaks the Calabrian Siderno dialect perfectly, the cousin of Leon Panetta told reporters on Tuesday.

"When he was chief of staff for (ex-US president) Bill Clinton I went to see him at the White House and we understood each other perfectly both in our local dialect and in Italian, but not so much in English which I don't speak too well," Domenico Panetta said.

"Leon is very attached culturally to our home (Siderno). He told me he missed it dearly and wanted to visit the land where his family came from. But he was always too busy to do so," he added.

"Maybe in his new job he'll be able to come to Europe and to Italy and even visit us in Calabria. That would be really nice," the new CIA chief's cousin said.

Leon Panetta is the American-born son of Italian immigrants from Calabria. He was Clinton's chief of staff at the White House after serving in the House of Representatives from 1977 to 1993.

Retired?

If you're concerned about having enough money to live comfortably through retirement, then call Edward Jones. We can help you:

- reserve cash for emergencies;
- keep up with expenses;
- protect your money from fluctuating interest rates;
- reduce your taxes;
- protect your savings from long-term illness;
- simplify your record-keeping; and
- avoid probate.

Call or stop by today.

Edward Jones

Jack G Giamportone, AAMS, CFP®
Investment Representative

1101-100 Spring Forest Rd
Raleigh, NC 27615
Bus. 919-873-1190 Toll-free 888-845-0520
Toll-free fax 888-504-2183
www.edwardjones.com

Serving Individual Investors Since 1871



Vincent Doria

p. 919.562.1621
c. 919.818.9491
vdoria1@nc.rr.com

603 Woodland Church Rd.
Wake Forest, NC 27587

Woodland
Home Inspection Service

11/2008

Italy Housewives: Home Is Dangerous

Rome - January 13, 2008 - Home is a dangerous place, particularly for women and older people, the Italian housewives association, Federcasalinghe, warned on Tuesday.

Around 3.8 million people are injured annually and 8,000 eventually die as a result of accidents at home, said the association, pointing to statistics by the Institute for Workplace Protection and Security (ISPESL). Italian homes see around 4.5 million serious accidents each year, said ISPESL.

Perhaps unsurprisingly, given that Italy has one of the lowest rates of female employment in Europe, women are almost twice as likely to be injured at home as men, accounting for two thirds of all accidents. Nearly a half of those injured are over the age of 65, said ISPEL, which based its conclusions on information from the national statistics institute, Istat, and government administrative offices.

The majority of injuries were fairly minor, with bruising topping the list at 40%, although Italians also reported fractures (23%) and burns (7%), according to Federcasalinghe. Hands were the body part most susceptible to injury (24%), closely followed by the head (20%) and legs (14%).

The figures were released by Federcasalinghe in a bid to raise awareness about the potential dangers at home and as part of its broader campaign to gain more recognition for the work homemakers, usually women, do at home. The association's president, Federica Rossi Gasparini, urged the government to invest some of the 180 million euros it spends on accident prevention each year on tackling the problem.

Maria Rosaria Di Summa, of the national work institute INAIL, said there were currently around 2.3 million Italians insured for their work as full-time homemakers. But she said the government should do more to help prevent accidents and support people who choose homemaking as a life choice.

A separate study by economic think tank CENSIS recently concluded that some 4 million Italians suffer accidents at home each year, compared to a million at work and around 300,000 involved in road accidents.

According to the report, domestic risks stemmed mainly from shoddy building work, poor quality products and bad safety practices.

But the report also noted that nearly half of Italians (46.6%) had done something very risky or just plain stupid in the last three months.

"What am I doing?! I'm cleaning again! You came to help or rompere le palle?!"

CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE

American women devote just four hours a week to household chores while Italians spend **twenty-one** on housework. There is just one small problem: **Unsurprisingly, Italian housewives are hard to please and that's where part of the danger comes in.**

You see, they believe they have to have a different product for every job. Italians ridicule the magical multipurpose cleaners, demanding one spray for windows and another for mirrors.

Six years ago, Unilever launched a spray that promised to clean any surface: **FAIL!**
Procter & Gamble tried to promote a non-rinse anti-dust liquid: **FAIL!**

Cleaning the floor is an art form that only devoted people like Da Vinci and Michelangelo would understand. And Italy's housewives have no time for over-sophisticated domestic appliances that **wash, dry, spin and give cooking tips all in one.**

Dishwashers also fail to convince. 31% own a dishwasher...
"Huh? Dishwasher? No-no, grazie! I don't want to wash them twice."

The funny logic behind their complaint is they don't want to rinse the plates before putting them in the dishwasher.

The washing machine is an appliance that should be **driven carefully...**

It should wash without ruining fabrics!
It should spin, but not too fast! **(Piano, slow down, cazzo!)**
It should wash all kinds of clothes, but not at the same time!

Then there's the obsession with ironing...
80% of Italian women iron everything that derives from any kind of fabric, including socks, underwear and handkerchiefs.

In the end, Italians devote 21 hours a week to household chores, of which five are spent ironing.

Cooking is not included in the total...**and it is always healthy and wise to not ask when dinner is ready.**

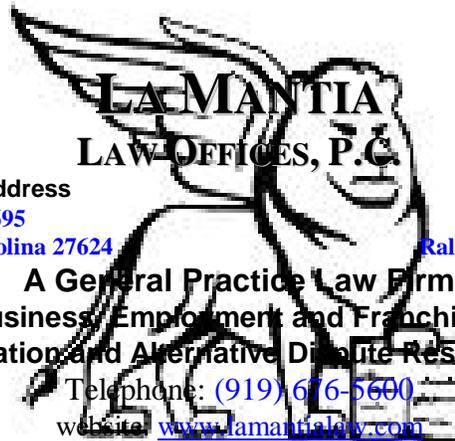
MARK A. LA MANTIA
ATTORNEY AT LAW*

Telephone:
(919) 676-5600

e-mail:
mark@lamantialaw.com

Facsimile:
(919) 676-6674

* and Certified Mediator - North Carolina Dispute Resolution Commission



Mailing Address
P.O. Box 97695
Raleigh, North Carolina 27624

Street Address
8341-101 Bandford Way
Raleigh, North Carolina 27615

A General Practice Law Firm
Concentrating in Business, Employment and Franchise Law and Litigation
Mediation and Alternative Dispute Resolution
Telephone: (919) 676-5600
website: www.lamantialaw.com

HUMANA.
MarketPOINT

Specializing in:

- Medicare supplement insurance
- Final expense insurance
- Individual & temporary health insurance
- Medicare Advantage health plans
- Medicare Part D prescription drug plans

For more information call:

Tony Aiello
800-230-3901

GH_22829

10/2008

In Little Italy, a Former Bank Will Now Hold Italian Immigrants' Memories

The New York Times
By Vincent M. Mallozzi
September 8, 2008



Joseph V. Scelsa, president of the Italian American Museum, now in the former Banca Stabile.

The echoes of Italian accents filled the old bank at 155 Mulberry Street.

Joseph V. Scelsa, standing in front of a teller's window marked "Steamship Tickets" on a recent afternoon, held a receipt in his hand dated Dec. 3, 1894, that had belonged to a man named Raffaele Alonzo, who had paid \$30 for a third-class ticket that had taken him to New York from Naples, Italy.

"He probably sat in steerage," said Dr. Scelsa, a sociologist and professor emeritus at Queens College. "In those days, \$30 was a lot of money."

Those days will be celebrated beginning on Tuesday at the opening of the newly relocated Italian American Museum, at the site of what was once Banca Stabile, a bank used by Italian immigrants who flocked to Lower Manhattan in search of a better life. The bank operated from 1882 to 1932, when the area that would become known as Little Italy had one of the largest populations of Italian-Americans in the United States.



The bank as it looked about a century ago.

That area today has shrunk to little more than a tourist attraction. Dr. Scelsa estimates that fewer than 1,000 Italian-Americans live in Little Italy, which is dwarfed by sprawling Chinatown.

"This location is significant because the Stabile family was the cornerstone of this community," said Dr. Scelsa, who is also the museum's president. "Their bank was the financial engine that ran everything in this area."

Dr. Scelsa found much of that evidence — and then some — in the bank's vault, which contained artifacts like bankbooks filled with handwritten transactions, Italian and American money, steamship luggage tags from a variety

of passenger lines, cablegrams and a small revolver.

"I have no idea why the gun was in there," said Dr. Scelsa, as he passed other tellers' windows marked "Drafts-Money Orders," "Foreign Exchange" and "Paying-Receiving."

The vault's contents revealed that the neighborhood elite also banked with the Stabiles. A ledger card shows that Antonio Ferrara, who in 1892 founded the pastry shop that is still in business across the street, closed his account on Jan. 31, 1931, taking his \$211,131 fortune with him. Before that, a telegraphic receipt from April 3, 1920, shows that Mr. Ferrara wired 75,000 lire from Banca Stabile to the Hotel Londres in Naples to reserve a vacation room there. Two years later, Mr. Ferrara bought two first-class steamship tickets from New York to Naples for a total of \$110. "It was very rare that people traveled first class in those days," said Maria T. Fosco, a member of the museum's board who has been researching the history of Little Italy. "Obviously, Mr. Ferrara was doing quite well." Ms. Fosco said that at its peak, the neighborhood was a cluster of enclaves within an enclave, with various streets representing various regions of the old country.

"Most people who lived on Mulberry Street were from Naples," she explained. "Those who lived on Elizabeth Street were from Sicily, those from Mott Street were from Calabria, and anyone north of Broome Street was from Bari. "So if a boy from Mulberry Street married a girl from Elizabeth Street," Ms. Fosco said with a grin, "that was considered a mixed marriage."

On Thursday, Dr. Scelsa and Ms. Fosco were still putting items in glass display cases and framing pictures of weddings, churches, parades and steamships. They had already put on display several of the early machines used by the bank in the early part of the 20th century, including a Brandt automatic cashier, a Paymaster money order writer, a Burroughs adding machine and a Royal typewriter.

On Friday, a new door was installed on the Mulberry Street side of the building, and another around the corner, on the Grand Street side.

The museum was planning to open two days before the start of the annual San Gennaro Festival on Thursday. Dr. Scelsa and Ms. Fosco said they were hoping the festival would bring droves of Italian-Americans and others eager to learn about the cultural heritage of Italy and some of its favorite sons, including those of Italian descent raised well beyond the boundaries of the old neighborhood, men like William A. Paca, a representative of Maryland who signed the Declaration of Independence; and A. P. Giannini, born in San Jose, Calif., who became the founder of Bank of America.

Dr. Scelsa said that \$9.4 million had been raised for the museum from a combination of city and state grants, as well as contributions from trustees of the museum.

"It's a pretty fascinating place," said Dr. Jerome Stabile III, 76, a retired surgeon whose family owned the Banca Stabile building and two adjoining properties, at 151 and 153 Mulberry, before selling them to the museum in June for more than \$9 million. After the bank closed in 1932, the Stabile family used the bank building to run its real estate business.

The three lots, at the corner of Grand Street, will eventually be used to expand the museum to a planned 10,000 square feet. The museum, which first opened in June 2001, was originally in a Midtown office building on West 44th Street, until closing in June for the relocation.

"Everything in there, from the marble floors to the tellers' cages and the gold writing on them, are original," said Dr. Stabile, a great-grandson of Francesco Rosario Stabile, the bank's founder. "I never removed anything from the bank or its vault because I had hoped all along that the space would one day be used as something more significant than just a restaurant or some other store."

ON A PERSONAL NOTE:



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

Tony and Ginny Aiello
Andrew and Theresa Caamano
Bob and Eileen Cenfetelli



BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

MEMBERS

Louis Fabrizio
Don Savino

SIGNIFICANT OTHERS

Tina Caffera
Camile Conzola
Carey Giamportone
Jo Guglielmi
Dianne LaFata
Stephanie Lanzolla
Roxann Larotonda
Carol Torsone

GET WELL

Jon Ferrante's wife, **Vickie**, has undergone serious medical procedures. Please pray for Vickie's quick and total recovery.



EDITOR:

Is something newsworthy?
Let us know, send it to

Neal Caliando: nealcali@yahoo.com

If you know of an illness, birth, death, marriage, etc., of a TIAHA member or member's family, please contact:

Neal Caliando: nealcali@yahoo.com
(919)846-2747

and/or

Tony Aiello: taiello1@nc.rr.com
(919)554-4676

If your e-mail and/or home address changes, please notify **Bob Petrolino**, at (919) 760-9039, bobbypet@earthlink.net .

The **deadline** for submitting input to the newsletter is 9:00 PM the **second Wednesday of the month.**

Newsletter Advertisement Rates:

Business card	\$40	per year
1/4 page	\$60	per year
1/2 page	\$80	per year
Full Page	\$100	per year



**Triangle Italian-American Heritage Association
P.O. Box 20266, Raleigh, North Carolina 27619**

TIAHA UPCOMING EVENTS

February 18th (Wednesday), 6:30 PM - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Knights of Columbus, New Hope and Columbus Roads, Raleigh.

February 21st (Wednesday), 8:30 AM – ADOPT A HIGHWAY Meet at Brassfield Elementary School at the intersection of Brassfield and Honeycutt Roads, north Raleigh.

March 3rd (Tuesday), 6:30 PM – EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: Knights of Columbus, New Hope and Columbus Roads, Raleigh.

March 18th (Wednesday), 6:30 PM - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Knights of Columbus, New Hope and Columbus Roads, Raleigh.