

CIAO BELLA!

MESSAGGIO DEL PRESIDENTE

SOCIETY OFFICERS FOR 2014-2015 YEAR

ITALIAN-AMERICAN SOCIETY OF TULSA

<http://www.italianamericansocietyoftulsa.com>

MISSION: "The objective of the Society is to retain and promote the Italian language, culture, and heritage; to sponsor Italian-American cultural activities within the Society and community; to represent and advocate the interests of Italian-Americans; improve the relationship between the people of Italy and the United States; and to perform charitable works."

Cari Amici,

Welcome back hope you all had a wonderful summer.

This month is our annual picnic for our members. Please make sure you pay your dues. The society has this picnic each year as a thank you to all our paid up members for all the hard work they do during the previous year

We also accept new members at the picnic and this is a good time to join for the dues you pay in September cover you until January 2017, which means you get 3 months free. A reminder for all it is that time of the year to pay your dues, dues for family is \$30 and single is \$15

Our new website is up and running. The address is:

<http://www.italianamericansocietyoftulsa.com>

We have a Café Italia Night for October and November posted so please always check the website calendar for upcoming events.

Did you know that you...yes you...can attend a Board Meeting? Come find out what the society leaders are planning. If you wish to have your voice heard at the meeting, let me know 3 DAYS before the meeting, and I will add you to the agenda.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 6:30pm on November 11, 2015 at the Martin Regional Library, 2601 S. Garnett Rd., Tulsa, OK 74129. Call me at 918-209-6849 or e-mail me for directions. Here is my e-mail address:

stjudewinner@gmail.com.

Distinti saluti,
Frank Agostini

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Board Members – Serve a 3-year term

(3) – Sheri Agostini

(3) – vacant

(2) – Gene Ruggeri

(2) – Victoria Santagata

(1) – vacant

(1) – vacant

Honorary Board Member

Betty Sposato

MEMBER UPDATES

Andy Bidasio recently broke his leg and is recovering at Montereau, an assisted living facility. If you'd like to visit him or write a note, the address is:

Montereau
Bldg 130
6800 S Granite Ave
Tulsa, OK 74136

Vince J. Sposato III is back from his 10-month deployment to the Middle East. While there, he was stationed at Camp Arifjan, Kuwait as the Senior Petroleum NCO for the Middle East Area of Operations. He also visited Afghanistan and Iraq in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Inherent Resolve earning the Meritorious Service Medal for his hard work and dedication to the mission.

CAFÉ ITALIA NIGHT 2015

OCTOBER 6, 2015 @ Hey Mambo

NOVEMBER 3, 2015 @ Biga

DECEMBER 1, 2015 @ TBD

Look for an e-Vite from Victoria Santagata or Frank Agostini for future CAFÉ ITALIA NIGHTS.

BUON COMPLEANNO!! 3rd QUARTER 2015

Sheri Agostini
July 2

Nina Ferguson
July 6

Bobby McKay
July 18

Patsy Lombardi
July 21

Mary Jo Tannehill
July 30

Rosa Garcia
August 30

Leyla McKay
September 1

Joe Bianco
September 17

Phyllis Gargiulo
September 27

FELICE ANNIVERSARIO! 3rd QUARTER 2015

**PLEASE HELP US
FILL THIS SPACE BY
GIVING US YOUR
ANNIVERSARY
DATES.**

**SEND FRANK AN E-
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ITALIA



Italy is a unitary parliamentary republic in Southern Europe, bordering several neighboring countries to the north and consisting of the entire Italian peninsula to the south. It includes the Mediterranean islands of Sicily and Sardinia, and encompasses the sovereign states of San Marino and Vatican City. Rome, its capital, was the political and religious center of the Western World for centuries.

Italy emerged from a fascist dictatorship under Benito Mussolini to become a democracy after World War II, later helping to found both NATO and the European Union. Having enjoyed a prolonged economic boom beginning in the 1940s, Italy has since suffered from economic stagnation and political paralysis, as well as government malfeasance typified by the misdeeds of former Prime Min Silvio Berlusconi. Matteo Renzi, who replaced Enrico Letta as prime minister in 2014, faces the challenge of shaking the country out of its economic malaise and rooting out corruption.

ITALIAN NEWS FROM NY TIMES

<http://topics.nytimes.com/top/news/international/countriesandterrtories/italy/index.html>

Sep. 10, 2015

Civita Di Bagnoregio Journal; picturesque italian town of Civita di Bagnoregio has become popular tourist spot, but is slowly collapsing as series of small landslides erode cliffs upon which village is built; local government, spurred by brisk tourist trade, is taking steps to protect site.

Sep. 8, 2015

Court of Cassation, Italy's highest court, says investigation of Amanda Knox and her former boyfriend Raffaele Sollecito in connection with murder of Meredith Kercher was flawed from start.

Aug. 31, 2015

Meeting of European Union interior ministers to discuss how to cope with growing influx of Middle East and African migrants is set for Sept 14 in Luxembourg; participants cite need to establish welcome centers in Greece and Italy to house, feed and screen migrants.

Aug. 25, 2015

Bologna Journal; success of closed Facebook group for residents of Via Fondazza in Bologna, Italy, in strengthening sense of community has inspired other neighborhoods across world to follow suit.

Aug. 19, 2015

Mayor Luigi Brugnaro of Venice, newly elected conservative, had pledged to ban 49 children's books that were added to city's preschool libraries by previous administration; public outcry has caused Brugnaro to cut list to two books, both featuring same-sex families; move starts vigorous debate right of educators to choose their teaching tools, and highlights Italy's ongoing struggle over gay rights.

2015/2016 Italian Serie A

Standings as of 09/20/2015

#	CLUB	GP	W	D	L	PTS
1	Internazionale	4	4	0	0	12
2	Torino	4	3	1	0	10
3	AS Roma	4	2	2	0	8
4	Sassuolo	4	2	2	0	8
5	Chievo Verona	4	2	1	1	7
6	Sampdoria	4	2	1	1	7
7	Palermo	4	2	1	1	7
8	Fiorentina	3	2	0	1	6
9	Lazio	3	2	0	1	6
10	AC Milan	4	2	0	2	6
11	Atalanta	4	1	2	1	5
12	Juventus	4	1	1	2	4
13	Empoli	4	1	1	2	4
14	Hellas Verona	4	0	3	1	3
15	Genoa	4	1	0	3	3
16	Bologna	4	1	0	3	3
17	Udinese	4	1	0	3	3
18	Napoli	3	0	2	1	2
19	Carpi	3	0	1	2	1
20	Frosinone	4	0	0	4	0

Champions League: 1st , 2nd

Champions League qualifying: 3rd

Europa League: 4th, 5th

Relegation: 18th , 19th , 20th

**NEXT DINNER MEETING
PICNIC...PICNIC...PICNIC**
Sunday, September 27, 2015, 1:00 pm-5:00 pm
Haikey Creek Park, 115th Street & South Garnett, Broken Arrow
(For entrance make a right turn off of Garnett)
Shelters A, B, & C

On Sunday, September 22, 2013 from 1:00 p.m. till 5:00 p.m., there will be a Family Picnic. Instead of our regular IAST Dinner Meeting, the Board has planned a fun outing at Haikey Creek Park at 115th Street and South Garnett. Turn west off of Garnett to get to our reserved covered shelters A, B, and C. Entrance is off of Garnett. I hope that you will bring your whole family to the IAST Family Picnic.

We have use of three adjoined covered shelters which are paved and in a tree-shaded area. They are very close to parking, restrooms, and a playground. Each shelter has four large picnic tables with seating. The site is handicapped accessible. The playground has all sorts of play equipment for children. There are two horseshoe pits, one volleyball sand court, and a disc golf course for Frisbees. We plan to play Bocce and traditional Italian music. Bring the whole family and anyone interested in the IAST.

The Society will provide the meats and refreshments. Members are asked to bring salads, pork n' beans, coleslaw, chips and dips, desserts, fruit, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, sauerkraut, or chili. Also please bring your lawn chairs.

In case of inclement weather, please call Frank Agostini on his cell at 918-209-6849. The picnic will be fun for all ages, so please plan to attend with your family.



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