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Dear IAA Members:

Last month, I traveled to Los Angeles to attend the funeral of my Aunt Leona. While the event was a rather somber occasion, it did give me the opportunity to see many family members that I had not seen in years. For some of my relatives, I had not seen them in almost 45 years! In addition to catching up with family news, another important part of this visit was having the opportunity to see some old family photographs. One of the photographs I was surprised to see is the photograph below of my mother as a very young woman with her family and in-laws. Those in the photograph in the back row from the left include my Aunt Rita (who lives in Indianapolis), Frank Bosco (Rita's husband and my mother's oldest brother), Mary Bosco (my mother),



Angie Bosco (my mother's youngest sister who lives in Southern California), Pete Sapda (my mother's brother-in-law), and Eva (Bosco) Spada (my mother's sister and Pete's wife). Those in the front row from the left include my grandmother, Albert Bosco (my mother's youngest brother), my grandfather, and my cousins Jojo and Sammy (Pete and Eva's children; both of whom I saw at the funeral).

My purpose for sharing this photograph is to remind other members of the IAA to make an effort to seek out such photographs from your own families and share them with your children and grandchildren so that they will understand and appreciate their family heritage. When locating such photographs I hope you will also make it a point to document as much as you can with regard to the background information of the photographs. Finally, I hope you will also make it a point to share the photographs and background information with other members of the IAA by submitting them to me to be included for presentation in the IAA newsletter and on the IAA website "Family History Project" link. Finally, the ultimate destination of these photographs will be to be put on display as part of the IAA's contribution to the Ronald L. Mazzoli Reading Room and Italian Heritage Center, which will be located in the University of Louisville main library. Any items submitted should be in the

form of a JPEG file and E-mailed as an attachment file to me at bcarducc@ius.edu. If you do not have an electronic scanner available to you, a JPEG file of any photograph or document can be created easily for you at any of the Fedex Kinko's stores throughout the city for a very nominal fee.

While it is wonderful to look at family photographs of a bygone area as a way to preserve your family's Italian heritage, you should also take photographs to create and document contemporary family traditions. One of the best ways to do this is to take photographs of you and your family members participating in IAA events. One such opportunity for taking such family photographs will be for IAA members to bring their family and friends to march with other IAA members in the Frankfort Avenue Easter Parade on Saturday, April 23, 2011. As I have said before, marching in the Frankfort Ave. Easter Parade is one my favorite IAA-sponsored activities. The parade is only about a mile long and moves at a very slow pace. So, bring your family, friends, and a camera and join us this for great event. More information regarding this IAA-sponsored event is provided in the *UNISCALI* ("Join Us") feature of the newsletter. I look forward to seeing you at upcoming IAA events, as well as receiving your submissions for the IAA Family History Project.

Warmest regards,

Bernardo J. Carducci, President

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IAA to Participate in the Frankfort Ave. Easter Parade, Saturday, April 23, 2011

Once again, the IAA will participate in the Frankfort Avenue Easter Parade 2011. Because this is a highly family-friendly event, you can invite your family, neighbors, relatives, friends, and co-workers to participate in the parade with you, as well as your pets! If you don't want to walk in the parade, you can also ride a bike, pull your kids or pets in a wagon, or drive a motor scooter, motorcycle, car or pickup truck, which we encourage you to decorate in red, green, and white. Even if you are not able to participate in the parade with us, I hope you will sit along side the parade route to cheer the IAA on! Since this is such a fun event, I hope you will come out to join us. If you are interested in participating in the parade or want more information, please contact Bernardo Carducci by phone at 502-432-3169 or E-mail at bcarducc@ius.edu Wednesday, April 20, 2011.

When: Saturday: April 23, 2011 at 11:30 a.m.

Where to meet: As usual, we will gather on Frankfort Ave. at the entrance of St. Joe's Children Home between 10:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Look for the IAA group lined up along Frankfort Avenue.

What to wear: In addition to your most outrageous Easter bonnet, the IAA is encouraging anyone who wishes to participate to wear red, green, and/or white clothing and any type of noisemaker you wish.

What to bring: Since this is a family friendly parade, IAA members are encouraged to bring a few bags of bulk wrapped hard candy to toss to the many adults and children who will be lined up on Frankfort Avenue to cheer us on.

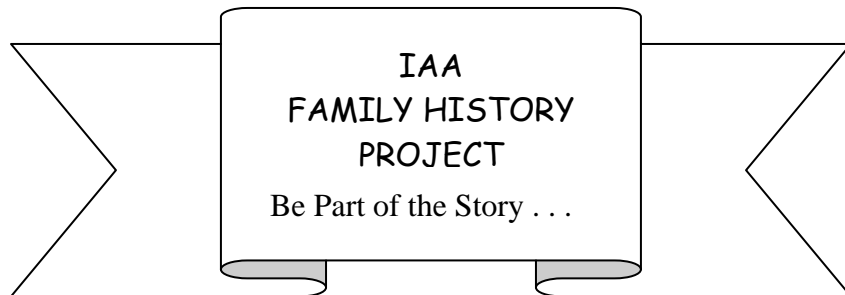
Parade route: Beginning at approximately 11:30-11:45 a.m., the parade will march from Stiltz Ave. to Haldeman Avenue, which is near the School for the Blind; this route is about a mile and a half in length, moves at a very slow pace, and will take approximate 1 hour and 15 minutes to walk.

Don't Want to Walk, Then Just Sit: If you are not able to walk in the parade, come out a sit along the parade route to cheer on the IAA.

Post-Parade Lunch: After the parade, we will meet at Clifton's Pizza for lunch. Will be ordering off the menu and pay by individual checks. Clifton's is located at 2230 Frankfort Ave. (40206: phone: 502-893-3730: <http://www.cliftonspizza.com/>)

Membership Dues are *DUE*

Yearly membership for IAA is \$15 for adults and children under 18 are free. Membership forms are on our website. Send dues to Italian American Association of Louisville, c/o Mary Perry, 7809 Windgate Drive, Louisville, KY 40291



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