



ITALIAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

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NEWS OF NOTE:

There's one thing certain about April (besides the showers) it's the **Frankfort Avenue Easter Parade**, and in the parade is the Italian American Association (IAA) having as much fun as the other "parade performers". The Easter Parade is one of our favorite events because it is so much fun and a great way for the IAA to get some high visibility in the community. Basically all you have to do to participate in this parade is to show up. As a participant in the parade, you can walk, ride a bike, or even drive your car. **We encourage all IAA members, their children, grandchildren, relatives, friends, and co-workers to join us to walk in this one-mile parade.** Please wear as much green, white, and red as possible. In addition to the IAA banner and Italian and American flags, the IAA will also provide green, white, and red streamers and balloons to decorate your car or bike or yourself.

For those of you who are worried about the physical strain of participating in this parade, I should add that this parade is only about one mile and moves at an extremely slow and easy pace—its like walking at the mall, taking only about 75 minutes from start to finish. During this **leisurely stroll**, those walking with the IAA will be tossing candy to all of children who gather to watch this very family friendly parade. The IAA will also provide the candy.

For this event, we will **gather at 10:30 a.m.** near the front of the entrance to St. Joseph Children's Home at 2823 Frankfort Ave. As has become our tradition, **after the parade**, we will gather at a nearby restaurant to have some lunch, relax, and socialize.



F*L*A*S*H NEW PROVINCES IN ITALY

Total Now - 110

The Italian provinces (counties) have been undated. Italy now have three (3) new provinces, they are:

"**Monza e della Brianza**" (Lombardy),

"**Fermo**" (Marche), and

"**Barletta-Andria-Trani**" (Apulia).

Also the municipalities have been moved from the old provinces to the new ones. The regions (states) still total 20.

Next Event

Easter Parade – Saturday, April 3

(see p. 2 for details)



The sleepy colors of winter
Fade fast in the dawn of Spring.
The joy of Easter's promise,
Delivers sweet reason to Sing

EASTER PARADE – FRANKFORT AVE.

Join in the parade – one and all. Bring the kids to the fun-fill

eclectic accumulation of bikes, skateboards, unicycles, candy-tossing floats, fire-trucks, fire-throwing street-rods, shoe-leather-express, and ... **BIG SMILIES and HAPPY FACES.**



Join in behind the "Italian American Association" banner..... (see p.2 for details).

Buona Pasqua!

Pani Pasquali (Italian Easter Bread)

(roasted baby lamb) **Abbacchio Al Forno**

uova di Pasqua (Italian chocolate Easter eggs)

(explosion of the cart) **Scoppio del Carro**

art of palm weaving (cross, crown of thorns)

("Little Easter", Monday) **la Pasquetta**

via crucis (way of the cross)

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Find Italian Culture in Louisville!

You don't have to be Italian to join our fun events, so invite family & friends to participate in many exciting gatherings focused on the Italian culture and cuisine.

MARK IT DOWN:

EASTER PARADE – Saturday, April 3, Frankfort Avenue; If you are interested in participating in the parade or want more information, please contact Bernardo Carducci by phone at 812-282-3938 or email at bcarducc@ius.edu.

As is our tradition, we will meet somewhere (TBD) for lunch after the parade. Parade Time - 11:00 a.m. Where to meet: we gather at 2862 Frankfort Avenue, which is just south of the entrance of St. Joe's Children Home between 10:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. What to bring: IAA members are encouraged to bring a few bags of bulk wrapped hard candy to toss to the many children & adults who line the parade route. Parade route: 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, very slow pace.

IAA First Annual Golf Outing

Heritage Hills, June 23, 2010
Tee Times from 9:00am to 10:30am
First 40 players registered.
\$49.00 Cart Green fees and range balls
\$10 Each for Prize money (format to be determined)
Contact: Walt Carpenter vwww@bellsouth.net

JERSEY BOYS MUSICAL - So far 25 have signed up. The time of the performance is July 31 Saturday 2 PM Matinee. The ticket prices: \$ 82.50 Orchestra, 75.50 Grand Tier, and 55.50 Balcony. Important: place tickets orders early for best seating. Call David Mitchell at 569-3061 (reference IAA for discount).

Winery Visit - May

Special Olympics-Bocce – June 5, Richmond
Opera – September 26, “Cavalleria Rusticana”
Wine Seminar & Tasting – October
IAA Dinner/Elections – November

Book Review

“A New Language, A New World”

author Nancy C. Carnevale

Nancy C. Carnevale is an Associate Professor of History at Montclair St. University and author of 'A New Language, A New World: Italian Immigrants in the United States 1890-1945.' Nancy C. Carnevale received her Ph.D in U.S. History from Rutgers University, New Brunswick and is an expert in history of immigration, race, and ethnicity in the U.S.

Among her recent publications: “Language in American Immigrant Life” and “Culture of Work: Italian Immigrant Women Homeworkers in the New York City Garment Industry, 1890-1914”. Prof. Carnevale won the Montclair State University/College of Humanities & Social Sciences Dean’s Award for Service in 2007.

BIRTHDAYS
FELICE COMPLEANNO!!

Bianchi, John 4/27 Hanka, Marty 4/26
Cordini, Roz 4/30 Francesconi, Charles 4/3



POSTE ITALIANE
SATURDAY DELIVERIES STOP

Rome - Unions are finalizing an agreement with the Italian postal service which will result in an end to deliveries on Saturday. The growing popularity of electronic mail and competition from other parcel delivery services has greatly reduced the business of Poste Italiane which has compensated by expanding into other services including banking and even mobile phone service. Last year, union sources said, there was a 20% drop in mail delivery which put the jobs of 10,600 letter carriers at risk. Poste Italiane currently employs some 140,000 people, 73,000 of whom work sorting and delivering mail

WINTER OLYMPICS
VANCOUVER 2010

IAA congratulates the Italian American Olympic athletes, and salutes the team from Italy for their efforts and metals

IAA is proud to salute all the Italian American Olympians, including the following Olympic medalists:

Brett Camerota, Park City, Utah, was one of a four-man team to win a silver medal in the Nordic Combined. Their Olympic win is an American first for the sport, in which ski jumps determine the start time for a relay race.

Julia Mancuso, Italian American athlete, of Olympic Valley, Calif., won two silver medals during the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games, becoming the first U.S. woman to win three career Olympic medals in Alpine skiing.

Angela Ruggiero - The U.S. Women’s Hockey Team’s silver-medal win was due in part to four-time Olympian Angela Ruggiero of Harper Woods, Mich. This is the second career silver Olympic medal for Ruggiero, who previously won gold in 1998 at Nagano, Japan, silver in 2002 in Salt Lake City, Utah, and bronze in 2006 at Torino, Italy.



Julia Mancuso

METALS

	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
United States	9	15	13	37
Italy	1	1	3	5

ITALY’S Medallists ---- Gold: Alpine Skiing - Men’s Slalom; RAZZOLI, Giuliano. **Silver:** Cross-Country Skiing - Men’s 15 km Free; PILLER COTTREER, Pietro. **Bronze:** 1. Short Track Speed Skating - Ladies’ 500 m; FONTANA, Arianna; 2. Luge - Men’s Singles, ZOEGLER, Armin; 3. Nordic Combined - Individual NH/10 km CC; PITTIN, Alessandro.

EVENTS IN ITALY

Liberation Day (Italy), Festa della Liberazione; **April 25**, the anniversary of the 1945 fall of Mussolini's Italian Social Republic; a public holiday in Italy. You'll see gatherings in towns of every size, large and small, some with marching bands and some with big flags, rallies, and music concerts.

Fossato di Vico (PERUGIA); Historical Parade. In the most historic parts of the old city center the different episodes of the Passion of Christ are re-enacted (the last supper, the trial, the ascent to Calvary, the crucifixion, and the removal from the Cross). Date: Holy Week.

Orgosolo (NUORO); at Easter, S'Incontru - these are two, separate parades starting from two different churches and carrying the statues of the Risen Christ and the Virgin Mary, that finally meet, amid a clamorous celebration, in the center of the town. The bells of the region ring a joyfully in unison.

Chieuti e Scalo (FOGGIA), during the Feast of Saint George there's a race of oxen-pulled carts between the five neighborhoods of the city. In preparation the drivers of the carts enter a program of rigorous athletic training and the oxen are trained for endurance and strength in a slightly different (but always secret) way in each of the neighborhoods. The winner of the race gets to lead the parade into the piazza of the cathedral where there is a benediction and the commencement of the evening celebrations. Date: the 23rd of April.

Agliano (ASTI), Hospitality Festival – this is kind of a hard one to explain because it is rather unique. This is a tiny town of less than 2000 residents and on this day they leave the front door to their houses wide open so that anyone who wants to can come in and taste some of the special Barbera wines and salamis that the area produces (every house is well stocked with food and wine). But the most important aspect of this day of sharing is the fact that you can sit at a kitchen table, or on the living room couch, of a regular, ordinary, unspoiled Italian family and just talk about nothing special...Date: the first Sunday after Easter.

Fermignano (PESARO), The Golden Frog Race (Palio) - this is a rousing race of frogs in which the contestants try to keep their frogs in tiny wheelbarrows while they run. The race evokes a similar event marking the town's municipal autonomy, granted by the Duke of Urbino in the year 1607. The race and a host of other events are scheduled for the Sunday after Easter while the Saturday before hosts a pageant in historical costume and a fireworks show.

Montese (MODENA) - Remembrance of fallen Brazilian Soldiers - few people outside of Italy know that more than 15,000 Brazilian soldiers arrived in Napoli in July of 1944 to fight the Germans in the Tuscany-Emiliano Appennino mountains. Unfortunately, they were ill-equipped, poorly trained, and unaccustomed to living in the cold mountains and many perished before they had a chance to put up a fight. When the smoke cleared after 239 days of conflict, 465 were dead, 15 disappeared, 2,700 injured and 35 taken prisoner. Many of the soldiers were taken in and fed by the people of this town during the conflict and the town remembers them on this day with parade, spoken word and a statue that they have erected in memory of their fallen brethren. Date: second Sunday of April

ITALIAN LESSONS

Just in time for Easter Try it out
Italian Easter Vocabulary List

l'agnello—lamb

Buona Pasqua—Happy Easter

il coniglietto—bunny rabbit

la crocifissione—Crucifixion

la pace—peace

la Pasquetta—Easter Monday

la primavera—spring

la resurrezione—Resurrection

la settimana santa—Holy Week

l'Ultima Cena—Last Supper

le uova—eggs

Venerdì Santo—Holy Friday

ITALY: MANNERS, BEHAVIORS, and ETIQUETTE

Good Topics of Discussion

Food, wine, soccer (the national pastime), politics (if you know what you are talking about), music, philosophy, and current events.

Bad Topics of Discussion

Inquiring about private family matters, personal income, stereotypes, World War II, and Vatican politics. Also the common American question "what do you do?" is considered rude and too personal.

Walking - The evening "passeggiata" is a common occurrence in Italy. Strolling the streets, seeing who is out and catching up with friends is a nightly occurrence.

Meal Time - Breakfast is generally from 8 to 8:30 AM. Coffee (espresso is after dinner) with a couple of cookies. Lunch is generally served from 1 to 3 PM; and is the biggest and usually the longest meal of the day. Wine and sparkling mineral water usually accompanies the meal. Dinner is generally served from 8 to 10 PM; and is often a light affair; however, it maybe quite elaborate depending on the lunch.

Remember

Italians also speak with their hands

Che canzone Nero ha giocato sul violino mentre Roma ha bruciato?

What song did Nero play on the fiddle while Rome burned?

