

ANNUAL EVENTS IN ITALY

BLUES FESTIVAL - two nights of music featuring blues greats from the US and Europe; May 24th and 25th: citta - Castel San Pietro, BOLOGNA.

PENTECOST PALIO PIAZZA ARIOSTEA – citta- FERRARA - every weekend with the "big event" the last Sunday of the month. This wonderful celebration goes back to the 13th century and 800 characters with typical costumes belonging to the eight town neighborhoods take part in it. In the afternoon, after a rowdy, colorful parade, a variety of manifestations take place including banquets, musicians, flag waving demonstrations and a donkey race. Then, of course, there is the palio itself which is a hair raising, thundering race through the city streets on bareback horses. This one is less famous than other palios but, perhaps, even more charming because it takes place in the setting of a pristine, almost unchanged Renaissance town. The beautiful city itself is reason enough for a visit.

FIERA del LIBRO (Turin Book Fair) - TORINO -- the second weekend of May beginning the Wednesday before ----- this is Italy's largest book fair with over 1,350 publishing houses being represented and over 200,000 readers browsing their wares. The events has grown in importance and size since its start in 1987 and it's widely accepted that anyone who wants to make a name for themselves in the literary world must have a presence at this show. The authors turn out in droves for signings and interviews and the selection of books on display is one of the most massive and varied that can be beheld anywhere on this earth.

YACHT RACE - 3rd weekend of May - PORTO CERVO - SARDEGNA ---- this event beckons some of the most famous names in yacht racing to the most exclusive, most spectacular and most fascinating sailing event in Italy. Known for its sparkling clean, deserted beaches and its mouthwatering cuisine, Porto Cervo is nestled on Sardegna's Emerald Coast where the waters are pristine and the climate superb. At 11:00 on Saturday morning the 25 entrants, representing the best that the world of sailing can offer, break away from their starting point at the roar of a cannon and begin the grueling task of proving which team has the true grit to win. The start of the race can be observed from the observatory which towers on a promontory high on the granite cliff. Then the race can be followed by car as it progresses in the direction of archipelago della Maddalena towards Capo Testa.

MOTHER'S DAY - first Sunday after the 8th of May --National Holiday -- the bond between Italian mothers and her children is probably the strongest in the Western world and is on the rise according to experts. With all the Italian family bonding it is understandable that Mother's Day carries a special significance here. Most children remember their mothers with flowers and special dinners.



BIRTHDAYS MAGGIO (MAY) 2005 BUON COMPLEANNO !!

Last Name	First Name	Birthdate
Flitt	James Vito	5/21
Flitt	Patricia	5/2
Carducci	Bernardo	5/20
Galofaro-Moore	Julie	5/23
Quistberg	Nancy	5/20
Damico	Rosalie	5/4

SING.....

"Tanti auguri a te,
Tanti auguri a te,
Tanti auguri a (name of person),
Tanti a auguri a TE!"

It is the same tune as our:
"Happy Birthday to You"

(our database has these names only.....,
please if you see an omission, contact us).

THANKS

Just a short note of "Thanks" for your prayers, cards, and words of encouragement during my recent triple-bypass.....Lou Perry
SEMPRE FAMIGLIA – BUONI AMICI

VESPA TURBO



UPCOMING EVENTS

Jim Vito Flitt, IAA Program Director

MAY 30, Monday (Memorial Day) – V Foundation For Cancer Research – Bob Valvano CELEBRITY BOCCE TOURNAMENT - The 2nd annual bocce tournament will be held on Memorial Dayon the Belvedere in Louisville, KY from 11:00am to about 2:30pm.

As a board member of the Celebrity Bocce Tournament and of IAA, I am seeking volunteers from the Italian American Association to help our event to be a bigger success than last year's event. We are looking for volunteers to tend to the beer, and wine booths, as well as the soft drink booth, an Italian American Association information booth, and various food, and merchandise booths. Please contact Bob Scorsolini by phone (964-2499), or e-mail (bscorsolini@aol.com) for more information, and to volunteer. This would be a high profile opportunity for the Italian American Association here in the Louisville area. Also, we are looking for someone or company to sponsor an IAA bocce team with \$2500 great advertising, visibility, V Foundation provides a very nice package filled with wonderful "stuff", and a fun time for sure.

JUNE 25 - Saturday ...BATS baseball game at 6:15.

JULY.....IAA COOKOUT (date/time - TBA).

AUGUST 13 – St. Joseph Charity Picnic (IAA Booth).

SEPTEMBER 9-11, FESTA ITALIANA - Friday, Saturday, Sunday; St. James Church.

OCTOBER 10 (Monday)IAA Dinner/Awards.

NOVEMBER 16 (Wednesday) Elections/Dinner at Cliftons.

DECEMBER 11 - IAA CHRISTMAS GATHERING

MESSAGE – President (con't from p 1)

The IAA participation and recognition in the Frankfort Avenue Easter Parade is only one example of the fun we have when the members of the IAA get together. In this spirit fun and enjoyment, I hope you will help the IAA maintain its vitality and visibility in the community by participating in the many wonderful, family friendly events we sponsor throughout the years. And as always, you can find out more about these events by reading about them in this newsletter.

Warmest regards,
Bernardo J. Carducci, President

ITALIAN LESSIONS – Dialect of Luigi

Vowels/Vocali

a = ah e = a i = e o = oh u = oo

(simple, but workable at this stage)

Nouns/Il Nome:

Genders ... **masculine** - usually ends in "o" or "e",
feminine usually ends in "a".

Syllabication/Sillabazione

Italian words are divided into syllables as follows:

- A **single consonant** goes with the following vowel.

Italian	English
ca-sa	house
po-si-ti-vo	positive

- Double consonants** are divided.

Italian	English
bab-bo	dad
ros-so	red
bel-lo	beautiful
at-to	act

Remember
Italians also speak
with their hands.

Sconggiuro !!!!!
Luigi

**Qualcuno ha messo gli
spitits diabolici sulle
mie sfere di bocce.**

**Someone has put the
evil spirits on my bocce
balls.**



**"GOTCHA
BOCCE"**
**.....Coming
Soon**

