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President's Message



This summer, the Foundation lost another dear friend. Hon. Joseph Carlino passed away on August 13, 2006. Joe was one of our Founding Members in 1967, when we acquired the Townhouse, and over the years he was a tireless voice for Italian-American culture. As the Speaker of the New York State Assembly he championed the interests of all New Yorkers. I especially remember Joe as a great public speaker who could get the attention of a crowd with his booming voice. He really set the example for contemporary Italian-American success. Joe was the third Founding Member to pass away during the past several months, following Dr. Richard Bellucci and Frank Giambelli. Our current success

in celebrating our Italian heritage and bettering the opportunities for hundreds of young Italian-American men and women each year – 749 during the 2006-2007 academic year – through our scholarship funds is a testament to our Founding Members' commitment. We will miss Joe dearly.

I am also deeply saddened to report the passing of Monsignor George J. Cascelli. Msgr. Cascelli was not a Member, but he was a good friend of the Italian-American community and the former Director of the Italian Apostolate of the Archdiocese of New York.

This issue of the *Quarterly* includes an homage to Christopher Columbus, the Foundation's namesake. This year marks the 500th anniversary of his death, and the article by Member Dr. Joseph Scelsa reflects on the visionary explorer's achievements.

Looking forward, we have a spectacular Columbus Week Celebration in store. Our Grand Marshal is General Peter Pace, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He is both a Brooklyn native and the first Marine to hold his position. We will be presenting an exhibition about General Pace in Grand Central Terminal, on the bridge between Vanderbilt Hall and the Main Concourse, from October 2 to October 14.

Our two honorees illustrate the wealth of experience and insight that members of our community bring to society at large: Joseph Moglia, who parlayed his leadership skills as a college football coach into building a winning team on Wall Street and is now CEO of TD Ameritrade; and Joseph Perella, whose name is synonymous with successful mergers and acquisitions and is the founder of Perella Weinberg Partners LP.

The Celebration also features additional exhibitions at Vanderbilt Hall and Grand Central Terminal. Once again, we have two incredible Lamborghini sports cars in the Main Concourse, including a topless Spyder. Both will be raffled to benefit our scholarship funds. In Vanderbilt Hall we will present exhibitions about *Lombardia*, home of *Milano*, a European capital of fashion, finance, industry and tourism, and *Campania*, a beautiful, diverse region that is the home of Naples, the breathtaking Amalfi coast, the Roman ruins of Pompeii, Herculaneum and Castellammare di Stabia and, many would argue (and others would fiercely contest), the source of some of the best mozzarella in Italy. Highlights of the products, crafts, fashions and sights of these two great regions will be presented in Vanderbilt Hall from October 2 to October 14.

I look forward to seeing you at the many Columbus Week Celebration events this year – of course including the Gala at the Waldorf-Astoria, the Mass at St. Patrick's and the Parade – which are listed on pages 8-9, as we put our hearts and souls into our mission of fostering an appreciation of Italian-American heritage and achievement.

Sincerely,

Louis Vallareni

Louis A. Tallarini, President

General Peter Pace Redeeming the Sacrifices of His Ancestors

By James Brady

hen President Bush announced in April 2005 that he was nominating Gen. Peter Pace to be chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff—the first Marine ever to hold that job—the President gave the following introduction: "Gen. Pete Pace's life is the story of the 'American Dream,'" he said. "His father was an immigrant from Italy. Peter Pace was born in Brooklyn. It tells you something about Pete Pace's devotion to his troops that under the glass on his desk at the Pentagon, he keeps a photo of Lance Corporal Guido Farinaro, the first Marine he lost in combat in Vietnam."

I rode the train south last month to interview Pace, who was unanimously confirmed by the Senate to succeed Gen. Richard Myers as chairman. Pace was occupying temporary Pentagon E-Ring office space until the actual date when Myers would step down (Sept. 30). When I asked about that photo of a long-dead Marine, he showed me the snapshot. It was in the top drawer of his borrowed desk. "Call me 'Pete," were just about the first words out of Pace's mouth as we began to talk. "Yes, sir. General, sir." I replied, which got a laugh out of Pace, whose sense of humor has been noted by many. Pete is a trim and slim, very erect six-footer who looks maybe 15 years younger. He's been a happily married man for 34 years. (He and wife Lynne met when Pace was at Annapolis, and they have two children.) He stays in shape by walking and doing 30- to 40-mile bike rides. "I used to run," he said, "but biking is better for my back."

I admitted to being a bit unclear about the job description of chairman of the Joint Chiefs. Does he work for the President or for Donald Rumsfeld, Secretary of Defense? Or both? Said Pace, "The definition is that I am the principal military adviser to the President, to the Secretary of Defense and to the National Security Council. In a normal week, there are two or three NSC meetings that I go to with the Secretary of Defense. The Secretary and I also have private time with the President."

Pace takes over at an especially dicey time. The nation is at war in Iraq and still in Afghanistan; Osama bin Laden, full of hate, is still roaming free; and the resuscitation of New Orleans has just begun. "In prepping myself to take over, I find my ego getting huge," he told me. "But my brain is saying, 'Uh, oh!'" With Hurricane Katrina still very much in the news, the general recently told an audience of U.S. and foreign military officers: "Our fellow citizens are right to expect our military will act during a disaster but to respect their civil rights at the same time. We must now absorb those lessons from Katrina."

During his Senate confirmation hearings in June, Pace was grilled about the "parallels" between Iraq and Vietnam. "Well," I asked, "are there parallels?" "I use my experiences from Vietnam today," he told me. "They help focus me and help focus the people I'm talking to about how Iraq is going to play out on the ground. As a rifle platoon leader, as you and I both were in the Marines, we know that ground combat doesn't change that much. If we sat down with a rifle platoon leader from Fallujah, there would be shared experiences. But I remember the lessons of Vietnam." Do we have enough troops in Iraq? "I believe we have sufficient numbers now," he said. "We do need more security—not more American forces but more responsible Iraqi army and police forces. If we knew that two or three years from now we would still need



General Pace answering a question during a press briefing about the Department of Defense rescue and relief efforts in the Guinsaugon, Philippines mudslide disaster and the global war on terrorism earlier this year.

these things, then that would impact my thinking on the level of sustainable active forces."

"But how will we know that the war in Iraq is over and the troops can come home?" I asked the general. "There won't be a VE Day or a VJ Day," he said, referring to the World War II dates when the Germans and then the Japanese surrendered. "An end to the war in Iraq does not mean an end to the war on terror. It will be going on for a long time." Pete Pace is obviously a bright guy, and I asked if he ever thought about getting out of the service and taking a big-bucks job in the private sector. "Every Christmas I've sat down with a yellow pad and listed 'reasons to stay' and 'reasons to go,' discussing the lists with Lynne. But I always ended up with the same bottom line on the 'stay' list: 'You still owe more than you can pay."

Pace's son Peter is a Marine captain now in the Reserves and studying for an MBA at the University of Chicago. The Paces' daughter, Tiffany, is an accountant boning up for her CPA exams. In May, after the President announced his nomination, Pace took Lynne to Italy on vacation. "My dad was born in Noci," he said, "near Bari. I met relatives I'd never seen. One of them came up and used a phrase I will remember: 'All the sacrifices of your father and your grandfathers are being redeemed by you."

Personal Born Nov. 5, 1945, in Brooklyn, N.Y. Married since 1971; two children.

Education Includes graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, 1967; The Basic School in Quantico, Va., 1968; master's degree in business administration from George Washington University, 1972; Marine Corps Command and Staff College in Quantico, 1980; graduate of the National War College in Washington, D.C., 1986.

Career Highlights Include rifle platoon leader in Vietnam, 1968; promoted to captain, 1971; promoted to major, 1977; promoted to lieutenant colonel, 1982; promoted to colonel, 1988; assigned duty as chief of staff, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N.C., 1991; promoted to brigadier general, 1992; president, Marine Corps University, 1992-94; promoted to major general, 1994; promoted to lieutenant general and assigned as director for operations, Joint Staff, Washington, D.C., 1996; commander, U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Atlantic/Europe/South, 1997-2000; promoted to general, 2000; and served as commander-in-chief, U.S. Southern Command, 2000-01; appointed chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, 2005.

TD Ameritrade CEO Applies Lessons from Football Days Joseph Moglia took competitiveness from gridiron to Wall Street

By Del Jones

D Ameritrade CEO Joe Moglia coached football for 16 years, finishing as a Dartmouth College assistant from 1981-83. Two of those three teams tied for the Ivy League championship. Moglia switched careers, climbed the ladder at Merrill Lynch and became CEO of Ameritrade in 2001 and,

subsequently, CEO of TD Ameritrade. A year later, in the depths of a down stock market, Moglia threw what has been described as a Hail Mary pass, acquiring Datek Online Holdings to create the largest online brokerage.

Q: Dedication often means hard work. In your high school coaching days, you installed four-a-day practices. Can you work others too hard, or push yourself too much?

A: Yes. I got out of coaching, not because of the 90-to-100-hour weeks, but because I was no longer satisfied. There's nothing I've ever done that's more competitive and intense than the in-season part of coaching. For four months, you don't get a day off. You don't make much money, and you have to move regularly.

At the end of the 1983 season, I had a good reputation coaching, so I thought I would give myself three years on Wall Street. If I wasn't cut out for it, I would go back to coaching. I was put into a training program at Merrill Lynch. There were 26 of us. Twenty-five MBAs from Stanford, Harvard and one football coach.

Q: Most coaches don't get paid much. Pride and the likelihood that they will be fired if they don't perform seem to be enough motivation. Why wouldn't the pride/fear combo work for CEOs? Why must they be paid millions?

A: Professional athletes are paid well, but they played hard back in grammar school. It's the same in business, but on Wall Street, pay is a sign that you've done well. If everyone around you is getting paid X, and you're getting paid half that, how do you feel? You expect to be rewarded relative to how well you've done. A pat on the back and a reasonable compensation package are fine, but if everyone is getting paid more, you don't feel quite as good about it.

Q: Your 1981 book *Perimeter Attack Offense* is still a popular read among football coaches. It describes how to assail the corner with quick pitches, bootlegs and power. How would you apply that in business?

A: It describes how to attack the cornerback, safety and outside linebacker, players with dual run-pass responsibilities. I wanted to make those players hesitate, even for a fraction of a second, to give a two- or three-inch advantage to my players. In business, the point is to create a competitive advantage, to leverage the strengths of your team. TD Ameritrade's technology is our competitive advantage.

Q: Great football coaches beat teams with superior talent. Every company wants superior employees, but how do you win with fewer resources or even a worse product?

A: If you don't have a core competency that you can lever to

an advantage, you're going to be out of business. Merrill Lynch doesn't compete with us in terms of our ability to provide the online experience. I recognize I can't give clients sophisticated tax preparation. But our clients aren't paying for that. They're paying \$9.99 for a great online experience.

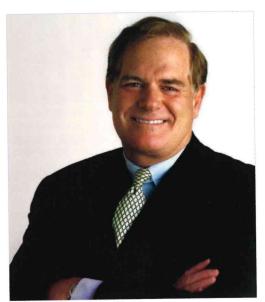
Q: You give speeches to everyone from young athletes to executives. What do you tell them?

A: I've been telling them both the same thing since 1971. To succeed, you need four qualities: spiritual soundness, dedication, courage and love.

Q: Love? That's an unusual word in business.

A: I define love as the willingness to sacrifice yourself for the betterment of

someone else -- the team, the organization. It's not the same thing I felt when I asked my wife to marry me. \clubsuit



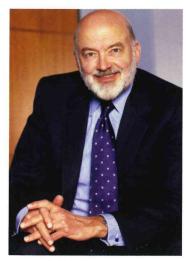
TD Ameritrade CEO Joseph H. Moglia

Some insight into Joe Moglia

- * Grew up in Washington Heights, Manhattan. Oldest of five children. Father owned Cabrini Foods, a fruit and grocery store.
- * B.A. in economics, Fordham University ('71). Master's, secondary education and social sciences, University of Delaware ('74).
- * High school and college football coach for 16 years; author of books and articles on coaching. Finished coaching career as an assistant for Dartmouth.
- * Left coaching to join Merrill Lynch in 1984, top broker by 1988. Oversaw investment products, insurance and 401(k) businesses. Left to become CEO of TD Ameritrade in March 2001.
- * Four grown children. Second wife, Amy Jardine, is an illustrator.

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Joseph Perella: Honor and Achievement



Joseph R. Perella

s a co-chairman of the 2006 Intrepid Salute to Freedom, Joseph R. Perella was among those who spoke at the event, which honored Italian Minister Silvio Prime "I've known Berlusconi. [the Prime Minister] for a long time," said Mr. Perella. "On one of my first visits with Mr. Berlusconi he said to me: 'Joe, I will always be a supporter of America, because I know whose soldiers are buried in my country."

Mr. Perella often finds himself in the company of world

leaders such as Prime Minister Berlusconi. Mr. Perella first achieved prominence, and later preeminence, in the financial industry. His unyielding commitment to his country and the causes of education and medicine have helped to elevate him to the world stage.

Mr. Perella was born in 1941 in Newark, New Jersey. His father, Dominic, was born and raised in the Abruzzo region of Italy and came to the United States in the 1930's. His mother, Agnes Russo, was born in America after her parents arrived from Avellino. They were married in 1940 and had three children -Joseph, Doris and Louis. He graduated from Lehigh University in 1964, joined Haskins & Sells, became a CPA and worked with the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. He also served as a crew chief on F-105 fighter-bombers in the United States Air Force and the New Jersey Air National Guard from 1964-1970. He subsequently attended Harvard Business School, where he received his MBA in 1972. That fall, he joined First Boston, and the next year he founded First Boston's Mergers & Acquisitions Group and, as the M&A boom of the '80s developed, he and his associate Bruce Wasserstein were recognized as "the two men who made The First Boston Corporation a leader in mergers and acquisitions," said The New York Times.

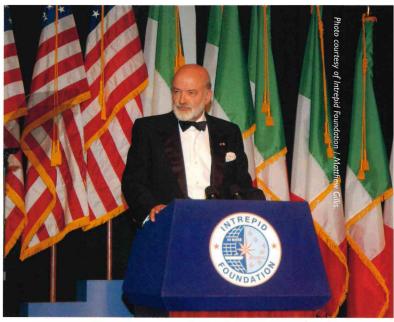
Mr. Perella teamed up with Mr. Wasserstein in 1988 to form Wasserstein Perella & Co., a M&A advisory business that quickly became a key player in its industry and expanded the reach of its services. In 1993, he left Wasserstein Perella and later that year joined Morgan Stanley as a managing director, member of the Management Committee and later became Chairman of the Institutional Securities and Investment Banking. He left the company in 2005, as Vice Chairman, and in early 2006 was described by Bloomberg news as "the top Wall Street dealmaker." Last June, he announced the formation of Perella Weinberg Partners LP, a financial services firm that provides corporate advisory and investment management services to clients around the world.

The deals that Mr. Perella has been involved in chronicle major events on Wall Street over the past 35 years.

Despite the frantic pace of his industry, Mr. Perella has repeatedly taken time to commit himself to enterprises that further education, medical research, veterans causes and the arts, and, interestingly,

the institutions serve very disparate groups. He is a Director of the American Italian Cancer Foundation, which brings together American and Italian resources in the war on cancer; of the Foundation for Italian Art and Culture, which helps make great works of Italy's 3000-year-old artistic and cultural legacies available to the American public through exhibitions; of the conservationist Atlantic Salmon Federation; of Boys & Girls Harbor, Inc., a charter school for inner city children; of the internationally celebrated Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts; and a Trustee of the Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund, which supports the dependent families of American military personnel who have given their lives in defense of the United States, and military personnel who have been catastrophically disabled in the performance of their duties.

His commitments have been especially strong in the fields of education and medicine, and on two occasions they have grown out of his personal experience. While a member of the Yale Cancer Center advisory board in 2003, Mr. Perella and his wife, Amy, created the Amy and Joseph Perella Professor of Medicine chair at Yale University. The first person to hold the chair is Dr. Vincent T. DeVita, Jr., an oncologist who had helped Mrs. Perella survive Hodgkin's disease. "I feel so fortunate that Joe and I are able to honor the man who developed a cure for the disease that I had," said Mrs. Perella.



Mr. Perella speaking at the Intrepid Foundation's Salute to Freedom, 2006.

In 2004, the Perellas endowed his alma mater, Lehigh University's Department of Finance at the College of Business and Economics, with four endowed professorships. The chairs, Mr. Perella said at the time, "will stimulate the university's commitment and ongoing investment in finance, thereby securing a position of leadership for Lehigh in the education of tomorrow's business innovators."

Like Prime Minister Berlusconi's acknowledgement of Italy's debt to and friendship with America, and like the Foundation's recognition of and dedication to young members of our community who have the drive but not the resources to get a good education, Mr. Perella's commitments honor his past while at the same time building opportunities for the future.

Why We Honor Columbus

By Dr. Joseph V. Scelsa President, Italian American Museum

erhaps Samuel Eliot Morison, in his book "Admiral of the Ocean Sea' has said it best as to why we should remember Christopher Columbus. "The whole history of the Americas stems from the Four Voyages of Columbus; and as the Greek city-states looked back to the death-less gods as their founders, so today a score of independent nations and dominions unite in homage to Christopher, the stout hearted son of Genoa, who carried Christian civilization across the Ocean Sea."

On May 20, 2006, the world quietly marked the 500th anniversary of the passing of one of the most important men to have walked on and in his case sailed the face of this earth. Christopher Columbus, or Cristoforo Colombo as he was known by his Genoese parents, dared to dream and act in ways no other had done before. Some have called him the first American, others, an adventurer or even a tyrant. Whatever one's opinion, no one can deny that it was his indomitable spirit that drove him and lives on today in the new world he opened by his voyages of discovery.

Historically, Columbus is an icon; in fact, the first known celebration in his honor in New York took place in 1792 on the occasion of the third hundredth anniversary of his landing on the Americas. It was organized by the "Society of Saint Tammy," an organization of American revolutionary war veterans. The society later went on to become "Tammany Hall" the most powerful political machine New York City has ever known. Its last leader, an Italian American, was Carmine DeSapio.



The U.S. Post Office in 1992 issued stamps to celebrate the 500th anniversary of Columbus's first voyage

Sadly, today, both parades and protests take place in America on Columbus Day. This once venerated "American Hero" has been under attack since before the 500th anniversary even though there are streets, highways, towns, cities, universities and even our nation's capitol, the District of Columbia, named in his honor. For the past several years, protesters in Denver, Colorado have disrupted the Annual Denver Columbus Day Parade claiming that Columbus is responsible for plight of all indigenous people in America, and several states have sought to remove Columbus Day as an official holiday.



The drawings that Columbus made on his first voyage, such as The Ship of Columbus, The Ocean Wave, were copied by draftsmen and reproduced in facsimile for a broader distribution by the Vatican in 1493. They are reprinted in "The First Letter of Columbus," 1492, by the Lenox Library.

In New York State it was then-Assemblyman Al Smith and Senator "Big Tom" Sullivan who introduced the bill in 1909 which Governor Charles Hughes signed making Columbus Day a state holiday. By 1910, eight other states followed New York: New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Maryland, California, Michigan, Montana and Illinois making Columbus Day a legal state holiday. In 1934, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt designated October 12 a day of nationwide celebration and in 1968, President Lynden B. Johnson signed the bill making Columbus Day a Federal Holiday.

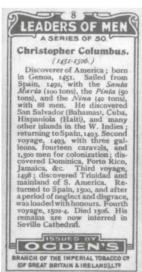
Perhaps the most famous Columbus monument stands in New York City at Columbus Circle at the junction of Central Park and Broadway. It was mostly the Italian immigrants at the time who contributed to the fund for the monument started by Carlo Barsotti in 1889, the publisher of Il Progresso Italo-Americano, who then presented it to the City of New York in 1982 in time for the 400th anniversary of Columbus' first voyage. In 1968, the Columbus Citizens Foundation under the New York City Adopt-A-Monument Program raised the \$450,000 necessary to restore the monument to its original splendor prior to the 500th anniversary. Today the Manhattan parade rarely passes by the monument. The well-known route up Fifth Avenue detours to the monument only when the solemn Jewish holy day of Yom Kippur falls on Columbus Day, and the change is made out of respect for our Jewish brethren who hold services at the Fifth Avenue synagogue. Yet the monument still stands as a beacon of hope and encouragement for all to see, Italian and non-Italians alike.

In 1907, New York City (Manhattan) had two parades one on Mulberry Street and the other in East Harlem (which was in the 1930s and 40s, the largest Italian district in the country). In 1927, the Columbus Citizens Committee assumed responsibility for the

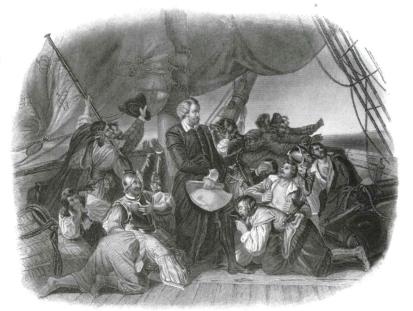
parade and later, in 1944 under the leadership of Generoso Pope, the Columbus Citizens Foundation took over the responsibility for the parade and has done so every year since then.

Perhaps the most significant parade in Columbus's honor was that of October 8, 2001, just one month after the tragedy of September 11, 2001 when nearly 3,000 American lives were lost in the worst attack on the United States interests since December 7, 1941 when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. The first official public gathering after 9/11 in New York City was the Columbus Day Parade. People from all walks of life, not just those of Italian descent, came out to line the streets not only to celebrate the achievements of Columbus but to show their patriotism, a testament to his and our indomitable spirit, which he represents.





More than anything that is what Christopher Columbus has come to stand for and why he will always be remembered. His indomitable spirit lives on, his belief in himself and his determination to follow through on his dreams of a better life in America for ourselves and our children. That is Christopher Columbus's real legacy and that is why we, the children of Columbus, the heirs of his legacy, must never forget him. He led our way.



Above: Columbus - Discovery of Land, by Ch. Rubens shows Columbus's grateful crew

Left: Columbus's image was used to sell cigarettes. Ogden's cigarettes listed Columbus as eighth of 50 in its "Leaders of Men" series.



The Landing of Columbus Oct. 11th 1492, an 1846 lithograph by Nathaniel Currier, commemorated his landing. Columbus thought he spotted land on October 11 but verified it at 2:00 AM on the morning of October 12.

Columbus Citizens Foundation Events October through December

Join us as we lead New York's Columbus Week Celebration and as we honor our Italian heritage throughout the fall.

Lombardia and Campania Exhibitions Vanderbilt Hall and Grand Central Station October 2-14

A celebration of the fashion, food and fun of Lombardia and Campania – plus the Lamborghini Gallardo Coupe Raffle and a concert in Grand Central Station's Main Concourse



Sponsor and Media Party and Concert Vanderbilt Hall and Grand Central Station October 6 7:00 - 9:30 PM

Columbus Weekend Gala Dinner Waldorf-Astoria Grand Ballroom October 7 6:30 PM

Food, friends and the Hank Lane Orchestra provides music as the dance floor is reopened! Plus: tributes to our 2006 Grand Marshal, General Peter Pace, Honorees Joseph Moglia and Joseph Perella, entertainment by Johnny Maestro and The Brooklyn Bridge, and the raffle of a gorgeous Lamborghini Spyder.

Wreath Laying at Columbus Circle Columbus Monument, 59 St. and Eighth Ave. October 8 10:00 AM

Columbus is honored at a wreath laying ceremony

Columbus Day Mass St. Patrick's Cathedral, 50 St. and Fifth Ave.



October 9 9:30 AM

His Eminence Edward Cardinal Egan celebrates
the Columbus Day Mass in bonor of the explorer
who introduced the Americas to Europe

Columbus Day Parade 44 St. and Fifth Ave. to 79 St. and Fifth Ave. 11:45 AM to 3:00 PM

35,000 marchers, over 100 contingents, a score of floats and over a dozen marching bands in the world's largest celebration of Italian-American beritage, culture and achievement



Opera Night: Tosca
Columbus Citizens Foundation, 8 E. 69 St.
October 26 6:00 PM

Dr. Frank V. Celenza presents insights and revelations into Puccini's masterpiece. A gourmet meal accompanies a large-screen projection of the opera.

Young Adults Wine Tasting Columbus Citizens Foundation, 8 E. 69 St. November 11 7:00 PM A survey of notable Italian vintners.

"The Life of Andy Anselmo in Song" with Special Guest Caroline Jones Columbus Citizens Foundation, 8 E. 69 St. November 15 6:30 PM

Singer, voice coach and founder of the New York vocal academy, the Singers Forum, will recount his life of music. Caroline Jones, one of Mr. Anselmo's students, will join him in an evening of anecdotes and classical and contemporary music.

Fortunoff Cocktail Party for Members Columbus Citizens Foundation, 8 E. 69 St. November 28

A private showing of specially-created jewelry and Italian designs and an auction to benefit our scholarship funds

Fortunoff Shopping Night on Fifth Avenue December-TBA

An exclusive invitation-only cocktail reception open to Foundation Members

Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Boutique and Luncheon

Columbus Citizens Foundation, 8 E. 69 St. December 5 11:00 AM

Couture and charity presented by the Ladies Auxiliary

Ladies Auxiliary Children's Christmas Party Columbus Citizens Foundation, 8 E. 69 St. December 10 1:00 - 5:00 PM Annual party for Members' children

Members Christmas Party
Columbus Citizens Foundation, 8 E. 69 St.
December 16 7:00 PM
Annual seasonal celebration of Christmas

New Year's Eve Party
Columbus Citizens Foundation, 8 E. 69 St.
December 31 8:00 PM
Champagne, caviar and more

Italian Heritage Month Calendar

The Greater Metropolitan Area celebrates Italian culture and heritage throughout October with hundreds of concerts, exhibitions, readings and other events, some of which are listed below. All locations are in New York State unless otherwise noted.

Opera and Pops Concert October 1 3:00 PM

Concert of popular Italian arias and ensembles, featuring Regina Opera Company soloists.
Regina Pacis Church
65 St. at 12 Ave., Brooklyn
Admission: \$10
Information: 718.232.3555
reginaopera@yahoo.com

A Tribute to Joe Di Maggio, Italian American Hero October 1 - 31

A display of the life and achievements of the Yankee Clipper: Loretto Memorial Library, St. John's University, Staten Island Campus 300 Howard Ave., Staten Island Information: 718.390.4350 cantaret@stjohns.edu

Italian Women in Jazz
October 3 7:30 PM
A multimedia retrospective of

Italian and American contemporary female authors and jazz musicians, and a brand new, all women jazz big band. In collaboration with the Italian Cultural Institute of New York.

Peter Jay Sharp Theatre

Symphony Space 2537 Broadway at 95 St., Manhattan

Information: 212.864.5400



Pianist Patrizia Scascitelli

Mozart in Italy October 4

8:00 PM

A new period-instrument ensemble directed by Charles Brink, The Grand Tour Orchestra.
Italian Academy for Advanced Studies, Columbia University.
1161 Amsterdam Ave., at 117 St., Manhattan Information: 212.854.2306
The Grand Tour @gmail.com

Le Pose del Caffe ... a New York October 4

Photography exhibition by Salvatore Sparavigna.
Sponsored by Regione Campania.
Four East 54 St. at Fifth Ave.

Manhattan Admission: free Information: 212.486.8227 infoproject@ leposedelcaffe.org



Le pose del caff ...a New York"...

Italian Tribune Columbus Day Gala October 6 7:00 PM

A gala in the spirit of Christopher Columbus honoring achievements of Italian American celebrities and community leaders.

Mayfair Farms
481 Eagle Rock Ave. West Orange, New Jersey Admission: \$165
Information: 973.485.6000
mail@italiantribune.com

Little Italy Columbus Day Parade October 7 1:00 PM

Marches along Mulberry St. between Canal St. and Broome St. in Manhattan. Information: 212.302.0551



Lucio Fontana, Venice/New York October 10 - January 21

Exhibition of paintings created around the cities of Venice and New York presented together for the first time.

Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum 1071 Fifth Ave.at 89 St., Manhattan Information: 212.423.3500

Closing Time: Storia di un Negozio October 11 6:00 PM

Directed by Veronica Diaferia.

Sponsored by the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute, Queens College/CUNY.

25 West 43rd St., 17 Fl., Manhattan Admission: free Information: 212.642.2094

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Behind the Barbed Wire: A Living Testament of the Human Spirit October 11 - November 4

Photography exhibition by Angelo Spinelli about life in a German prisoner of war camp during World War II. Sponsored by Wagner College, Italian American Museum, and Garibaldi-Meucci Museum, Order Sons of Italy in America.
Union Building, Wagner College One Campus Rd., Staten Island Information: 718.984.5404 johndabbene@hotmail.com

Italian Academy Film Series October 13 – 20

A series of Italian films with remarks by guest speakers. Italian Academy for Advanced Studies, Columbus University 1161 Amsterdam Ave., 117 St., Manhattan Information: 212.854.2306 www.italianacademy.columbia.edu

My Dad is 100 Years Old and The Flowers of St. Francis October 14 8:00 PM

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Isabella Rossellini will to conduct a Q&A about her short film, My Dad is 100 Years Old which is a tribute to her father Roberto Rossellini. A screening of the director's The Flowers of St. Francis follows. Pelham Picture House
175 Wolfs Ln., Pelham
Admission: \$20
Information: 914.738.3161
www.thepicturehouse.org

Mozart in Italy October 15

2:00 PM

Piano concert by Cristiana Pegoraro. Sponsored by Hofstra University Cultural Center.
Monroe Lecture Center Theater
California Ave., South Campus, Hempstead Admission: \$16, \$13
Information: 516.463.6644
culrts@hofstra.edu

Lucio Fontana, Venice/New York
October 18 Time TBA

An exhibition that coincides with the Guggenheim Museum's show about the 20th century Italian master.
By invitation.
Italian Cultural Institute of New York 686 Park Ave., Manhattan Information: 212.879.4242

Cavalleria Rusticana by Pietro Mascagni and Pagliacci by Ruggiero Leoncavallo October 20, 23, 26, 30 and beyond.

Maria Guleghina and Dolora Zajick share the role of the hot-blooded Santuzza in Mascagni's verismo thriller, and Salvatore Licitra takes on the tragic role of Canio in Pagliacci for the first time in his career. Metropolitan Opera House Lincoln Center, Manhattan Tickets 212.362.6000



Vladimir Galouzine as Canio Photo: Ken Howard / Metropolitan Opera

Giada Valenti in Concert October 21 8:00 PM

Performing the most beautiful Italian love songs and American songbook standards. Giada Valenti takes her audience back and forth across the Atlantic in an evening filled with romance and elegance. Lighthouse International Theatre

111 East 59 St. Manhattan Admission: \$40 Information: 917.478.4217 info@giadavalenti.com



Accordion Spectacular Show October 22 3:00 PM

A parade of champions featuring Mario Tacca, world champion accordionist.

Westchester Community College
Academic Arts Theatre
75 Grasslands Rd., Valhalla
Admission: \$20, \$17
Information: 914.606.6790
carlo.sclafani@sunywcc.edu

The Works of Enrico Bernard
October 23 6:00 PM
A play in English and lecture presentation by

Italian playwright Enrico Bernard. Casa Italiana Zerilli-Marimò, New York University. 24 West 12 St., Manhattan Admission: free Information: 212.582.6697

The Italian American Theatre of New York City, 1746-1899, Volume I October 24 4:30 PM

The launch of a new encyclopedia that examines the presence of Italians in New York theater since 1746. Refreshments and a light supper will be served. UFT Headquarters 52 Broadway, Manhattan Admission: \$20 Information: George Altomare 212.598.7772 galtomare@uft.org

Pavarotti and the Italian Tenor October 25 11:15 AM Filmed in his home town of Modena,

Filmed in his home town of Modena, Luciano Pavarotti reveals the heritage of Italian tenors who have directly influenced him.

Westchester Community College.
Classroom Building, Room 200
75 Grasslands Rd., Valhalla
Admission: free
Information: 914.606.6790
carlo.sclafani@sunywcc.edu

The New York Italian Film Festival October 25 - 30

Contemporary Italian cinema and bonoring the studio bistory of the DeLaurentiis family. Information: 646.808.5057 samantha@doveentertainment.us For more information: www.nyitalianfilmfestival.com

Peasant's Bible
October 27 7:30 PM
October 28 3:00 PM

Sandy Higgins in a one-woman comedy by Dario Fo that retells the Book of Genesis through the irreverent eyes of an Italian peasant. A.T.A. Theatre 314 West 54th St. Manhattan

314 West 54th St., Manhattan Admission: free Information: 212.582.6697

Everything 4 Festa Italiana October 27 - 28

A two-day event dedicated to everything and anything that has to do with the cultural roots of Italians and Italian Americans.

The Metropolitan Pavilion
125 West 18 St., at Sixth Ave., Manhattan Admission: \$10, \$15
Information: 631.957.7035
christinec@starfishjunction.com

Rigoletto
October 28 - November 26
Fully costumed performance in Italian
of Giuseppe Verdi's classic opera with
chamber orchestra.
Amato Opera
319 Bowery at Second St., Manhattan
Admission: \$35, \$28
Information: 212.228.8200
www.amato.org

The Giglio Feast of Brooklyn
October 29
2:30 PM
Presentation by Professor Salvatore Primeggia.
Glen Cove Public Library
4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove

Information: Kathryn Grande 516.676.7436

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At the Townhouse

Adopt-A-Scholar Dinner Celebrates Effort, Achievement

oundation Member Gail Guy, who serves on the College Scholarship Committee, reviews the applications of over 20 students a year. Last year, after receiving a promise of confidentiality, she enlisted her college-age daughter to assist her. They pored over information about the applicants: school records and their situations at home and ability to finance college. The young woman was struck by the hardships many of the students face. "She looked at a couple of the files," Mrs. Guy



Benefactors Cleveland and Gail Guy, Recipient Michael Abatemarco and family

recalled, "and said, 'Mom, I'll never ask for another thing again."

At the annual Adopt-A-Scholar Dinner on August 4, the Foundation's Philanthropic Committee welcomed 11 scholarship recipients and introduced them to the benefactors who are making their education possible. The recipients, who are now in their first semester of high school or college, attended with mothers, fathers, grandparents, great-grandparents or guardians.



Recipient Samantha Clemente and family

"The Adopt-A-Scholar Dinner is one of the most memorable nights at our Foundation," said Frank Fusaro, Chairman of the Philanthropic Committee, Board Member and driving force behind the program. "No event more clearly demonstrates the level of commitment of our Members and their dedication to our mission. During the course of the evening each student is reminded that their scholarship is not simply a gift but an investment in their future that carries with it an obligation on their part to make the most of that investment and re-pay it in the future by creating a scholarship of their own."

"The scholarships are a very good deed," said Foundation Member Robert Ingenito, who this year created the Ingenito Family Scholarship. "I don't think many Members know how proud they should be of these young Italian-American kids. They're the complete opposite of the stereotype you see on television and in movies."

The recipients have made great contributions to their communities and achieved academic success, all despite the challenges they have

Perpetual Scholarship Benefactors Ronald and Suzanne Mannino

This summer, Ronald and Suzanne Mannino became Perpetual Scholarship benefactors by supporting the Adopt-A-Scholar Program with a donation of \$100,000. The Ronald and Suzanne Mannino Scholarship enables the Program to provide a continuing scholarship for a deserving and determined college student in the field of pharmacy.

Mr. Mannino, who received his B.S. from the Rutgers University School of Pharmacy, is Chairman of the Board and co-CEO of Interchem Corporation, a privately held company he co-founded with Member Joseph Pizza. "We started the business

from scratch in 1981, working out of a kitchen with no money," he said. Today, Interchem is among the world's largest suppliers of pharmaceutical raw materials. Its clients range from companies manufacturing generic drugs to industry giants Pfizer, Inc. and Merck & Co., Inc.

Mrs. Mannino is also both professionally and personally interested in the field of medicine. A registered nurse, Mrs. Mannino attended the Felician College of Nursing in New Jersey. They live in New Jersey and have two children, Lisa, 26, and Robert, 24.



Ronald and Suzanne Mannino

A Member since 1997 (his grandparents emigrated from Sicily and Naples), Mr. Mannino has served on the Journal Committee, continues to serve on the College Scholarship Committee, is part of the Foundation's new Mentor Program and has repeatedly made generous donations to the Adopt-A-Scholar Program. He joined the Foundation, he said, "because of its commitment to propagating the image of Italians and Italian-Americans as we are, versus what people see on television and in the movies, and, more importantly, its generosity in helping young people further their educations.

"Serving on the College Scholarship Committee I've seen first hand some of the difficulties young

people have," he continued. "My grandparents came here with nothing, against tremendous odds and with a lot of prejudice against them. A surprising number of our scholarship recipients today are first generation Italian-Americans who are not only still learning the language but working hard to do well in school and making the most of being here. We've been very fortunate, so we're happy to help these talented young people, many of whom come from very difficult circumstances."

"You can't help everyone," said Mr. Mannino, "but you can help a few, and that's a start."

faced. Many are from broken homes. Few have role models for financial success, though many cite parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles as the inspiration behind their hard work. One recipient lost her brother in Iraq in the service of his country, and her father passed away from cancer. The father of another recipient was slain in a random street crime.

"These are young kids," said Member Gail Guy, who with her husband, Cleveland, just created their second Annual Scholarship. "That's what's so impressive. Despite the trials that these young men and women endure, they still strive to achieve, and that's what I find so rewarding."

Foundation Members and outside donors have contributed over \$5.5 million to the program since its inception in 2001. Donors are encouraged to dedicate the scholarship in honor of a family member or loved one.



Scholarship Donors Lyn-Miriam and Robert Ingenito with Tiffany Patafio

The program offers annual and perpetual scholarships. Annual scholarships fund a student's education for four years. Perpetual scholarships create a permanent endowment, and the resulting income funds scholarperpetuity. ships in Perpetual scholarship commitments total nearly \$2.5 million, an amount estimated to generate approximately \$150,000 in annual scholarship aid. Benefactors are

honored at the annual Awards Dinner and recognized on a plaque permanently displayed in the Townhouse, in the *Foundation Quarterly* and in our annual report.

Among the recipients this year is Tiffany Patafio, who is now studying engineering at Lafayette College in Pennsylvania, a school she would have been unable to afford without her scholarship. She met her benefactors, Mr. Ingenito and his wife, Lyn-Miriam, at the Adopt-A-Scholar Dinner. "They were possibly the sweetest people I've ever met," she said. They exchanged e-mail addresses so she could stay in touch. "I want to let him know that his money is not being wasted." •



Recipient Stephanie Chiappetti and family members with, at right, Donors Mauro C. and Camille C. Romita

The Foundation is grateful for the guidance and leadership of its Members and friends, who have helped create and sustain the Adopt-A-Scholar Program. To learn more about the Adopt-A-Scholar Program, please contact Frank Fusaro or Christine Meola, Executive Director, at 212.249.9923.

Italian Shore Dinner – Thursday, July 27, 2006

he spirit of Italy came to the Foundation the evening of July 27 at the annual Italian Shore Dinner, which was organized by House Committee Chairman Dr. Frank V. Celenza and General Manager John Boden. Two ice sculptures one a lighthouse, the other a lobster – helped set the tone of the evening, which lured 126 Members and guests to the Townhouse. An accordionist provided music, and lobster boxes and table centerpieces featuring buckets of sand, seashells and reeds rounded out the décor. An extensive raw bar and lobster, king crab and other delicacies were featured on the menu.



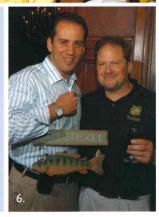








- I. Louis and MaryAnn Aidala
- Bob Striano and Anthony D'Onofrio
- Frank Campione and Dr. Gail Campione, Peter and Nancy Cuttita, Dr. Anthony D'Amato and Dr. Marianne Centanni D'Amato, Anthony and Vera Cugini
- 4. Angelo and Denise Vivolo
- 5. Richard and Barbara Naclerio
- 6. Anthony Giordano and John Boden



Spotlight: Maria Bartiromo

aria Bartiromo's days start as early as 6:00 AM unless she's doing a segment on the Today Show, when they start earlier. They end at 7:00 PM and are often followed by dinner with people in the financial world, which she reports on for

CNBC and NBC. The days are long and grueling, and she couldn't be happier.

"I'm lucky," says Ms. Bartiromo, who has been associated with the Foundation for 10 years and became a Member in 2001. "I love what I do, and I have a very, very strong work ethic." She attributes the trait to her upbringing in an Italian-American home where work was highly valued. "I grew up watching my mother get up every day to go to work and seeing her carry a million bags of groceries down the street in Brooklyn on the way home. I grew up seeing my father in his restaurant, and he wasn't working the phone in the front or planning parties. He was in the kitchen with a bandana around his head."

Unlike many people who have achieved success, Ms. Bartiromo, who is married to Jonathan Steinberg, Chief Executive Officer and founder of WisdomTree, an

asset management company, is happy to talk about her workingclass origins. "I'm really proud of my humble upbringing. I have long believed that when a person loses their humility or loses touch with their upbringing it's the beginning of the end. It's not a coincidence that I have a strong work ethic, a close family and have had

some success."

Some success, indeed.



Ms. Bartiromo at the Intrepid Foundation's Salute to Freedom Gala

Ms. Bartiromo is the best-known financial reporter on television. She was the first journalist to report daily from the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, for "Squawk Box," a show she appeared on from 1994 to 2004, is anchor of CNBC's "The Closing Bell," which airs 3:00PM to 5:00PM weekdays, and is the

Maria Bartiromo, the best-known

financial reporter on television

Host and Managing Editor of the nationally syndicated "Wall Street Report with Maria Bartiromo," which has the highest viewership of any financial and economic news program. She also has regular columns in *Business Week* and *Reader's Digest* and hosts the daily radio report, "Your Money Matters."

Ms. Bartiromo's first job was as a coat check girl at her father's restaurant and catering hall. Doing the books fascinated her, and when she attended New York University, she started off as a business major. "I figured I would get a job in investment banking," she said, until her mother one day innocently asked, "Why don't you try journalism – you'd probably be good at it." She was, and

she soon switched majors. She graduated in 1989 with a degree in journalism and a minor in economics. After a job at a radio station, she wound up at CNN Business News as a writer and producer and in 1993 landed at CNBC.

In addition to her regular broadcasts, Ms. Bartiromo has anchored the television coverage of the Foundation's Columbus Day Parade since 1995. "I was lucky enough to get to know people like Larry Auriana, Louis Tallarini, Angelo Vivolo, John Loconsolo, Frank Fusaro. All of them have been good friends to me over the years, even before I was broadcasting. I joined the Foundation because I like the idea that we celebrate Columbus Weekend and we remember our heritage."

One trait she associates with her heritage, in addition to the work ethic, is family closeness. She recalls suffering a classic teenage crisis – a break-up with her boyfriend – and being in tears in her childhood home. Her mother consoled her, and Ms. Bartiromo asked her mother not to tell anyone. "The first thing she did was tell my father. The second thing was to tell my brother. I was seething at the time, but in retrospect it was an important lesson. My problem wasn't just my

problem. It was my family's problem. And when something good happened for one of us, it was cause for a family celebration."

That is something Ms. Bartiromo feels at the Foundation. "Going to the Foundation is like going home to me. The food is phenomenal, and I can have business dinners there and still have privacy and still feel like I'm around family," she says with an affectionate laugh. She adds, "The Foundation serves a very important role in helping our youngsters become educated so they can contribute to our society. I enjoy giving back, and I am proud to be part of a Foundation that is working to raise money and awareness to help this country's children. It is so satisfying to see how much money we have raised and to see the faces of the children who are actually able to do things that they otherwise would not be able to." *



Ms. Bartiromo and Louis Tallarini during the 2005 Columbus Week Celebration

The Membership Committee Welcomes Our Newest Members



John V. Cioffi Chairman, Membership Committee

Over the summer, we welcomed eight successful, committed men and women as new Members of the Foundation. They share our passion for Italian-American culture, our heritage and our willingness to create opportunities through education for young men and women in our community.

The caliber of applicants and the level of interest in our Foundation remain strong. However there is still more that we would like to accomplish. I encourage you to continue sponsoring friends and colleagues who recognize the importance of our initiatives and share our spirit of generosity.

I would like to acknowledge the Membership Committee for their diligent work in vetting our new members: Lawrence Auriana, Lewis Barton, Alfred T. De Maria, Anthony F. Giordano, Robert R. Guinta, Anthony M. Malllardi, Marian U. Pardo, Louis A. Tallarini, Angelo V. Vivolo and Amb. Joseph Zappala.

I would also like to thank the Foundation staff, notably Lisa LoRusso and Millie Aponte, who have provided indispensable assistance. Please direct your recommendations for candidates to them or to Committee Members.

Please join us in congratulating and welcoming our new Members.

John B. Amodio, M.D.
Sponsors: Vincent Bonomo
Matt Sabatine

Dr. Amodio is the Associate Professor of Radiology at NYU School of Medicine. His maternal and paternal grandparents were both born in Calabria. Dr. Amodio is affiliated with American College of Radiology, Institutional Board of Research Associates and many other organizations and institutions. He was presented with the Taussend Resident Award for Radiologic Excellence, Best Doctors New York Metro Area, and Great Teacher Award from the Department of Radiology.



Mr. Corvino is the President and CEO of Greenwich Hospital, a healthcare facility. He derives his Italian heritage from his father who was born in Avellino. Mr. Corvino is on the Board of Directors of Connecticut Hospital Association and Norwalk Community College among other affiliations. Mr. Corvino is the recipient of the Ellis Island Medal of Honor, the Greenwich Citizen of the Year Award and St John's University Alumni Achievement Award. Mr. Corvino, who has helped Greenwich Hospital raise \$170 million in private donations, hopes to bring his knowledge and experience to the Foundation to help further its noble goals and objectives.





Anthony D'Amato, M.D.
Sponsors: Peter Cuttita
Joseph Licata

Dr. D'Amato is an Ophthalmologist at Eye Surgeons of North Jersey. Both sets of his grandparents were born in Italy. Dr. D'Amato is affiliated with, among many others, Fellow of the American College of Ophthalmology, Fellow of the American Academy of Medicine and Fellow American of Surgeons. Dr. D'Amato joins the Foundation because of its success in furthering the Italian-American image through its cultural, educational and philanthropic contributions. He would like to be involved with the Adopt-A-Scholar program and the Scholarship Committees.



Hon. DioGuardi is a self-employed Certified Public Accountant. His father was born in Avellino. Hon. DioGuardi is a life member of the U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress, the Founder and President of the Albanian American Civic League, a member of the Knights of Malta and affiliated with numerous other organizations. He has received the Paul Harris Fellow Award, NYS Society of CPA's Annual Award for Outstanding Service and many more awards. Hon. DioGuardi was a Member of the Foundation from 1978 to 1984 and served as a Board Member and Dinner Chairman.





Joseph R. Ficalora Sponsors: Louis A. Tallarini Paul R. Fornaby

Mr. Ficalora is the President and CEO of New York Community Bank. Both sets of his grandparents were born in Italy. He is a Board Member of the Queens Borough Public Library, Queens Chamber of Commerce and New York Hall of Science, among many affiliations. He has received awards from the Boy Scouts of America-Greater NY Council, Queens Chamber of Commerce and Holy Cross School Award among others. A past Honoree, Mr. Ficalora will support the positive efforts of the Foundation.



Mr. Genovese is the principal architect at Anselmo Genovese Architect, a building and design company. His parents were born in Calabria and Catanzaro. Mr. Genovese is the Treasurer of the American Institute of Architects. He was awarded the Recipient of Chamber of Commerce Award for design excellence for exterior and interior design. Mr. Genovese looks forward to supporting the Foundation's goals and activities through contributions of his resources and time.

Karen Legotte Langdon Sponsors: Amb. Joseph Zappala Lawrence E. Auriana

Mrs. Langdon is a Partner/Broker of Gilder Gagnon Howe, a broker dealer/finance industry. Her maternal and paternal grandparents were born in Sicily. Mrs. Langdon is Chairperson of a fund raising organization for the Montauk Downs Golf Club. She joins the Foundation to help assist young Italian-Americans to further their education and looks forward to working with the Foundation to preserve the Italian-American heritage.

David A. Pope Sponsors: Frank G. Fusaro John V. Cioffi

Mr. Pope is the President/CEO of the Generoso Pope Foundation, a non-profit organization. Both sets of his great-grandparents were born in Italy. He is affiliated with the Westchester County Board of Realtors, is on the Board of the Blythedale Children's Hospital and is the President of the Westchester Italian Cultural Center. Mr. Pope has received the Congressional Proclamation Award several times and he has also been presented with Certificates of Appreciation from different organizations. He acquired his knowledge of the Foundation's goals and purposes from his family. His greatgrandfather was Generoso Pope, Sr., who was one of the Founders of the Columbus Citizens Foundation.









Foundation News

Renaissance Epic Presented in Foundation-Sponsored Production

his summer, the Foundation co-sponsored Orlando in Love, a new adaptation of the celebrated Renaissance Italian epic poem by Matteo Maria Boiardo. Performed on July 15, 16 and 17 at the Naumburg Bandshell in Central Park, the production wed an Italian masterpiece with the talents of young actors, musicians and singers from Italy and the United States.

In "L'Orlando Innamoroto," Boiardo (1440 to 1494) mined legends to create a powerful tale of love, loyalty, military honor and patriotism. Boiardo's poetry is inventive, full of humor and imagination and explore Orlando's ardent love for "the fairest of her Sex, Angelica" (as the poet Milton described her) as he traversed a fantasy land-scape that combined the heroism of Charlemagne's knights and magic found in the tales of King Arthur's court. It was also perhaps the first Renaissance epic that discussed the conflicts between Christian Europe and Islam.



The cast of Orlando in Love

The production was directed by Vittorio Capotorto, an Italian director who, since moving to New York in 1997, has developed courses for Columbia University and Brooklyn College, among other activities. Mr. Capotorto teamed with Jo Ann Cavallo, an associate professor of Italian at Columbia University, who provided the adaptation and translation. The performances were presented under the auspices of the New York City Department of Parks & Recreation. •



The Columbia Association New York City Fire Department presented its Special Recognition Award to the Foundation for its dedication to the education and well being of our community. The presentation was made during the Association's Gala Dinner on June 15. Frank Fusaro received the plaque on behalf of the Foundation.

In Memoriam

The Honorable Joseph F. Carlino

The Foundation lost one of its most distinguished Members on August 13, when the Honorable Joseph F. Carlino passed away at the age of 89.

Mr. Carlino was "a man of great stature and presence, and he was the best orator that the New York State Assembly has ever had," said Foundation Member John Loconsolo, who was a great friend of Mr. Carlino's. "He was devoted to public service and improving the welfare and standing of those in the Italian-American community."

Joseph Francis Carlino was born on the Lower East Side of Manhattan in 1917 and moved to Long Beach as a child. At the age of ten, he witnessed Charles Lindberg's historic take-off from Roosevelt Field on his record-breaking trans-Atlantic flight to

Paris. Mr. Carlino graduated from Fordham Law School in 1939 and became a lawyer on Long Island, where his father, Lorenzo, was the Republican leader. When his father passed away in 1943, Mr. Carlino filled his father's shoes and the following year was elected to the State Assembly.

Mr. Carlino served as Majority Leader and Speaker of the New York State Assembly from 1959 to 1964 and represented his district in Long Beach, New York. He "epitomized the breakthrough of Italian Americans and we were very proud of him for that," former Senator Alfonse D'Amato told *Newsday*. "We were no longer the guys who drove the trucks or worked in the parks. He was erudite, urbane and dressed immaculately. He conducted himself as a gentleman and was a master of his craft."

Known for his grace, impeccable dress, booming voice and sense of decorum, Mr. Carlino was "a trailblazer" and "bridge builder" who created political links with Democrats in the Assembly, Senator D'Amato told *The New York Times*. A moderate Republican who worked closely with Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller and with Democrats in the Assembly, Mr. Carlino helped the state develop major improvements to the state university system, increase state aid to public schools and ban racial bias in housing. "He had a working relationship with the Democratic side that is probably unparalleled in the history of the Legislature," Mr. D'Amato said. "He was able to accomplish things. He had the ability to achieve."

Like many New York State Republicans, Mr. Carlino was swept out of office in the 1964 Democratic landslide. Mr. Carlino



Joseph F. Carlino at a Board of Directors Meeting, Lehigh University

remained the Nassau County's Republican Party Chairman for several years and became one of Albany's most influential lobbyists. He represented Cablevision, Unisys, Philip Morris and the New York Racing Association. He also continued to serve the public interest. In 1969, Governor Rockefeller sent Mr. Carlino on a mission to Panama to counsel Gen. Omar Torrijos, who had taken power in a coup, on the importance of establishing a representative government.

Throughout his career, Mr. Carlino championed the communities he served, including Italian Americans, and was instrumental in key moments in the Foundation's history. He was among the Charter Members of the Foundation, in 1967 when the Townhouse was acquired, "and he was very

much involved in the formation of the committee that put together the ideas on how to finance the acquisition," Mr. Loconsolo recalled.

"He was one of those people who could get 25 people together to the Foundation and inspire them to help others – as he did following the Italian earthquake in 1980 when we raised half a million dollars to help earthquake victims," said Mr. Loconsolo.

Mr. Carlino was also instrumental in the renovation of the Columbus Monument, located at Columbus Circle in Manhattan. Through Mr. Carlino's leadership, the Foundation raised \$450,000 for the restoration and maintenance of the monument through New York City's Adopt-A-Monument Program. The restored monument was unveiled in 1992 to commemorate the 500th anniversary of Columbus's first voyage to America.

"He was very interested in having the Italian-American community viewed in the light it should be seen, and he was an example of that – warm, serious, generous and passionate and outspoken about the issues that concerned him," said Mr. Loconsolo. "His mere presence said a lot about our organization, and we will miss him greatly."

Mr. Carlino is survived by his daughter Donna Maria McCoyd, of Garden City, NY; his son Robert, a lobbyist from East Moriches, NY; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his first wife, Joann, whom he met in high school while working as a lifeguard, and by his second wife, Anneliese, who died in 1994. His son, Joseph Jr., died tragically in a flying accident in 1977.

In Memoriam

Hon. Alfred F. Calabro, Cav. Father of Member Gregory G. Calabro and a former Member

Hon. Joseph F. Carlino Founding Member and father of Member Robert F. Carlino

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