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A MESSAGE FROM

National President Thomas A. Lupo



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we bid farewell to a vibrant October, I want to pause to reflect on what an extraordinary month it has been for our Order and the entire Italian American community.

Throughout Italian American Heritage Month, I was honored to travel and partake in events that showcased the incredible pride, history, and strength of our community.

In celebration of Columbus Day, I marched alongside thousands of Italian Americans in the annual Columbus Day Parades in Long Island and New York City. It was truly inspiring to partake in these celebrations and see how proudly our community continues to embrace and uplift the legacy of Christopher Columbus.

To further commemorate the holiday, I met with Commission for Social Justice (CSJ) President John A. Fratta to record a special 2026 Columbus Day message, reflecting on the holiday's history, the CSJ's anti-defamation efforts, and the importance of preserving our heritage for generations to come. Click here to view this year's message in its entirety.

I also had the honor of delivering virtual remarks at the Columbus Monument Corporation's 42nd annual Columbus Day luncheon, held at Progresso Lodge 1047 in Syracuse, New York. It was an honor to be chosen to represent OSDIA and our community at this event, and to discuss the importance of protecting Columbus monuments in Syracuse and beyond. I commend the Columbus Monument Corporation greatly for another successful event and for their tireless efforts to preserve our shared heritage.

On a related note, it was my profound privilege to attend this year's White House Columbus Day ceremony with OSDIA National 3rd Vice President Brian Andzik, OSDIA National Executive Director Shayla Kaestle, and our fellow leaders from the Italian American Leadership Forum (IALF). This special ceremony was a truly powerful reminder of the profound impact our heritage holds and the ongoing recognition our community deserves at a national level. The week following the event, I was proud to join IALF leadership for our biannual meeting, collaborating with other Italian American leaders to advance key priorities for our community and ensure our voice remains strong and unified at the highest levels.

While this year's Italian American Heritage Month is now behind us, our mission and momentum continue as strong as ever as we enter the season of gratitude and giving. November brings several meaningful opportunities to pause and reflect on our many shared blessings.

On November 13, we recognize and celebrate the Feast Day of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, the patron saint of immigrants, whose transformative legacy of courage, compassion, and advocacy represents the best of our community.

As we gather around the table with our loved ones for Thanksgiving celebrations in just a few short weeks, let us cherish our rich traditions and give thanks for the strength and unity of our Order.

Looking to the weeks ahead, I am proud to announce that the 2026-2027 Sons of Italy Foundation (SIF) scholarship applications will soon be opening. Investing in the next generation of bright and capable Italian American leaders is one of our most sacred responsibilities, and I strongly encourage our scholars to take advantage of these life-changing educational opportunities. Please share these opportunities with the students and families in your lodges so we can continue supporting our youth in reaching their highest potential. For more details on the SIF Scholarship Program, read further in the newsletter, or click here.

Thank you all for your continued commitment to preserving our heritage and serving our lodges. I wish you and your families a warm, blessed Thanksgiving holiday, and a joyful, bright beginning to the holiday season.

Fraternally,

Thomas A. Lupo
National President

OSDIA Leadership Represented at 2026 White House Columbus Day Celebration



From left to right: OSDIA National Executive Director Shayla Kaestle, OSDIA National President Thomas A. Lupo, and OSDIA National 3rd Vice President Brian M. Andzik.

On Friday, October 9, Thomas A. Lupo, National President of the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America (OSDIA), Brian M. Andzik, OSDIA National 3rd Vice President and Shayla Kaestle, OSDIA National Executive Director, attended the 2026 White House Columbus Day Ceremony, which gathered leaders of major Italian American organizations for a high-level celebration of Italian American history and culture.

The celebration came after Donald J. Trump, President of the United States, signed an official Columbus Day Proclamation on Oct. 7.

"It was a true pleasure and honor to attend this year's ceremony," said Lupo. "To witness the legacy of Columbus and generations of Italian American immigrants recognized at such a high level in the U.S. government was both humbling and inspiring."

"Particularly as efforts crop up across the country to remove monuments to Columbus and to diminish our heritage, today's ceremony was tangible proof that Italian Americans are not just part of, but central to America's story," added Kaestle.

Addressing guests, President Trump also spoke publicly about the importance of preserving Columbus' legacy and the impact that Italian Americans have had on the United States.

"In 1492, Christopher Columbus undertook one of the boldest voyages in the history of our planet, [and] with just around 90 men, he sailed into the unknown," said Trump, adding that "he pushed onward, [and] discovered the New World, eventually leading to the creation of the most exceptional nation in history, the United States of America."

"Christopher Columbus changed the future of humanity forever, and in this administration … Christopher Columbus … is a hero," he further added.



From left to right: Mario Mattera, New York State Senator, Thomas A. Lupo, OSDIA National President, John Calvelli, NIAF Chairman, Shayla Kaestle, OSDIA National Executive Director, and Brian M. Andzik, OSDIA National 3rd Vice President.

These comments echo the mission of OSDIA's anti-defamation and positive image arm, the Commission for Social Justice® (CSJ). Since its founding in 1979, the CSJ has advocated for a positive image of Italian Americans across all aspects of public life, and has successfully defended against efforts to defame or discriminate against members of our community. Click the button below to learn more about the CSJ's anti-defamation and positive image advocacy.

Learn More

2027 Sons of Italy Foundation Scholarships Opening Soon!



Eleven of the 21 scholarship recipients honored at the 37th Annual National Education & Leadership Awards (NELA) Gala in Washington, D.C., on May 28, 2026.

This fall, National Leadership Grant applications will open for the 2027-2028 academic year. Every year, through the Sons of Italy Foundation (SIF), the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America (OSDIA) awards 10-21 merit-based scholarships, ranging from $5,000-$32,000. This year, the SIF awarded a record-breaking $220,000 in scholarships during its 37th Annual National Education and Leadership Awards (NELA) Gala.

“I’m honored to receive this scholarship because being Italian American is something that has always been very important to me,” said Christopher Minicozzi, recipient of the 2026 DeNunzio Family and Elsie, Ubaldo and Vivan Cardia Scholarship. “It has shaped who I am as a person in ways I never expected… wherever I go my culture seems to come up, and it’s a way that I've connected people all around the world.”

“I’m very grateful to be honored for my Italian American heritage, said Madeleine Martufi, recipient of the 2026 Charles Evans Scholarship.

“I aspire to be a doctor, and being able to combine my love for my heritage and civic engagement [with] being a physician is super inspiring," she added.

Eligibility Requirements

Individuals* of Italian descent** enrolled in a four-year undergraduate or graduate program at an accredited academic institution for the fall 2027 term.

What You'll Need

- $35 application fee
- Transcripts through December 2026
- 2 recommendation letters (from non-family members)
- Results from all standardized tests taken during the past 5 years, if applicable

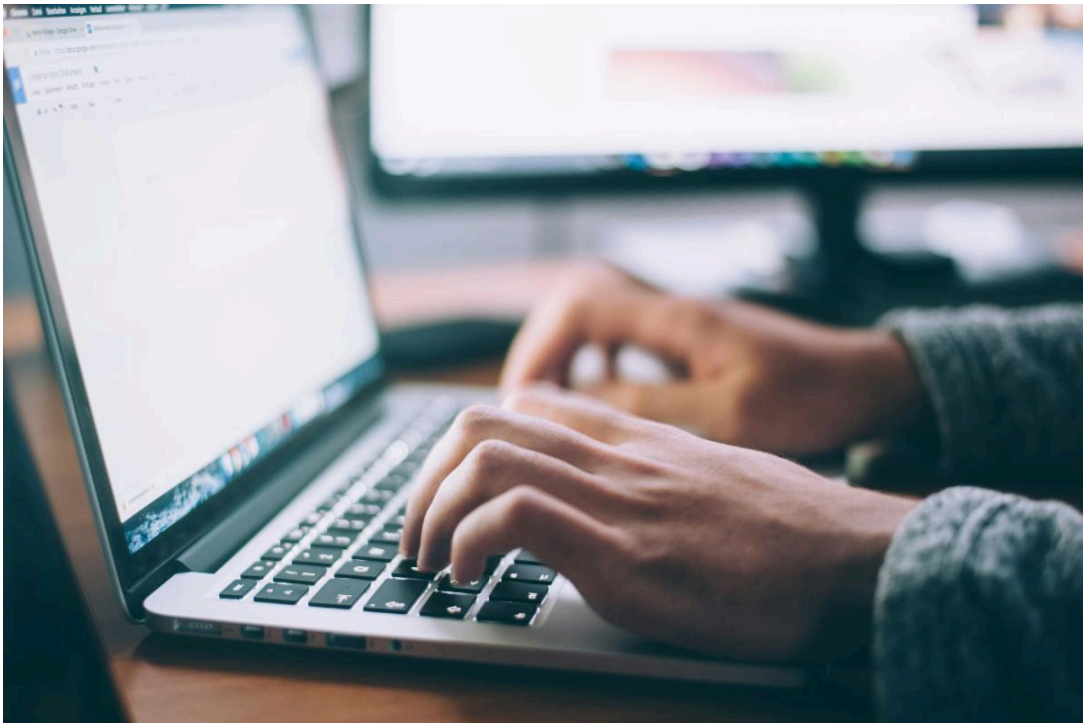
Deadline: February 22, 2027, 5pm ET

Click the button below to learn more, and stay tuned for an official announcement when scholarship applications are open for the 2026-2027 cycle.

Learn More

** U.S. citizens and Green Card holders*
***At least one Italian or Italian American grandparent*

Save the Date: Boost Your Lodge's Impact with the Interactive iMembersDB Forum



The OSDIA iMembersDB Committee invites **you** to join an upcoming informational forum on Wednesday, November 11, 2026 at 8:00 PM Eastern Standard Time (EST) about **iMembersDB and the tools available to help lodges manage their membership and activities more effectively.**

This forum is intended for lodge officers and others currently using iMembersDB, those interested in implementing its features in their lodges, and anyone who would like to learn more about the system and its benefits.

We will discuss the general processes and advantages of using iMembersDB, including:

- Maintaining membership data and facilitating member communication.
- Collecting dues and renewing membership (E-Z Dues).
- Creating a lodge calendar and registering members for events.
- Newsletters (E-Z Stories), and other available features.

Participants will have an opportunity to ask questions, learn how these tools can benefit their lodges, and better understand the steps involved in putting them to use.

Because access to certain iMembersDB features is limited to authorized lodge officers, the forum will focus on providing information, answering general questions, and helping interested lodges determine how best to proceed. Individualized assistance with implementation and specific procedures can be coordinated with lodges as needed.

Our goal is to encourage greater awareness and use of iMembersDB throughout OSDIA and to help our lodges take advantage of the resources available to them.

Click below to join the meeting.

We look forward to seeing you on the call and answering your questions about iMembersDB!

Click Here for Zoom Link

Last Chance! Sellaro and Marconi Award Nominations Closing Soon for OSDIA's 2027 Biennial National Convention



Frank Panessa, 2025 Dr. Vincenzo Sellaro Awardee.



Lynn Lawrence-Murphy, 2025 Dr. Vincenzo Sellaro Awardee.



New York State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli, 2025 Guglielmo Marconi Awardee.

Nominations are now open for the **2027 Dr. Vincenzo Sellaro Award** and **Guglielmo Marconi Awards**, both to be presented at OSDIA's 60th Biennial National Convention (BNC) in Albany, New York next August. These prestigious awards are to be presented in person, so nominees must be present to accept.

The Sellaro Award is the highest honor given to a member of the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America. This award was originally created to honor those who have dedicated their time and effort on behalf of the Order and who have distinguished themselves by exemplifying the ideals and principles of the Order's founder, Dr. Vincenzo Sellaro. In 2025, OSDIA members Frank Panessa and Lynn Lawrence-Murphy received the Sellaro Award and presented remarks in person to convention guests.

Note: All nominees for the Sellaro Award must be an active *regular* member of the Order, with a minimum of 10 years of membership. Social members, honorary members, and current line officers of the OSDIA Supreme Council are not eligible for this award.

The Guglielmo Marconi Award is the highest award given by the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America. It is presented to an American individual whom OSDIA believes has contributed to our beloved nation and exemplifies OSDIA's creed and way of life, in a manner that best expresses the ideals for which the Order stands. In 2025, Thomas P. DiNapoli, New York State Comptroller, received the Marconi Award and personally addressed convention attendees.

Sellaro Nomination **Marconi Nomination**

The nomination deadline for both awards is November 30, 2026 at 11:59 pm ET.

Our Italian Roots | OSDIA Members Reflect on Their Ancestral Towns

📍 Torre Le Nocelle | Avellino | Campania

By Dr. Mark DeNunzio, OSDIA National 2nd Vice President
Buona Fortuna Lodge 2835 | Pensacola, FL



The DeNunzio and DeAngelis families, 2005

In October 2003, at a family reunion, my cousin Ed handed me a newspaper article from 1955. It detailed my grandparents' 50th anniversary celebrating their wedding in 1905 in Torre Le Nocelle, a quaint Italian town. This simple artifact ignited a spark of curiosity within me that I couldn't ignore.

As the unofficial family historian since my father's passing, I had diligently updated our family tree. But this article revealed a missing piece—a connection to a small town in Italy where my grandparents had tied the knot. I wondered, "Why had my father never shared this story with us?"

Determined to unravel this mystery, I embarked on a journey with my family to Italy in 2005, the 100th anniversary of my grandparents' wedding. Despite setbacks like Hurricane Ivan and schedule conflicts, we pressed on. Finally, we arrived at Torre le Nocelle, where the search for my family's past truly began.

Navigating the narrow streets, we stumbled upon the municipal building, but the front door was locked with no sign of anyone inside. Franco Troissa, a local who was walking by the building, took an interest in our quest and took us inside. We discovered the precious document in the records department—a wedding certificate confirming my grandparents' union in that



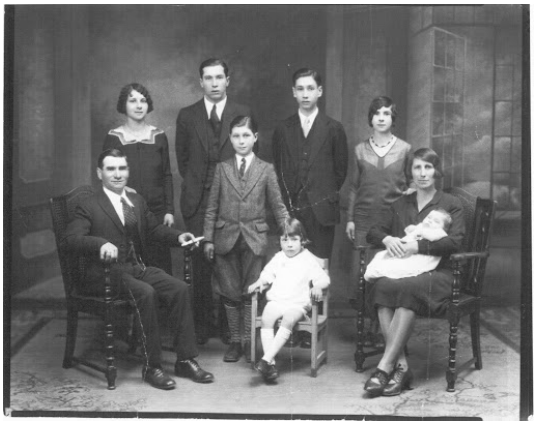
The church where Dr. DeNunzio's grandparents were married in 1905,
taken in 2005.

very town a century earlier. The feeling of validation was overwhelming.

After spending a night in the nearby hotel, we ventured to the town Post Office. The lady behind the counter was extremely patient and helpful and introduced us to Pasquale DeAngelis, a second cousin. Pasquale's invitation to lunch filled me and my family with gratitude and a sense of belonging. Overwhelmed by the warm welcome, I learned that Pasquale's house was where my grandmother was born.

Through broken Italian and the help of neighbors who spoke some English, we shared stories and laughter over a traditional Italian lunch. Despite some initial skepticism, our newfound bond felt undeniable. The evening ended with dinner at a local pizzeria.

Pasquale and I promised to stay in touch. His visit to the United States the following year cemented our newfound kinship. What began as a quest to find the church where my grandparents were married evolved into a journey of discovery exceeding my wildest dreams.



Dr. DeNunzio's grandparents and the DeNunzio family circa 1931. My father is the child wearing white seated in the chair.



Pasquale DeAngelis, far left, and his wife Carmen in the yellow top, taken in 2005.

Do you have a story about your Italian roots? We want to hear them! Click the button below to access our submission form for OSDIA members.

Submit Your Story

"Our Italian Roots" is a series of stories from OSDIA members reflecting on their ancestral towns in Italy. The project, started by OSDIA's Culture Committee, was created to bring members closer to their roots aand to highlight the vast cultural diversity of Italian towns and cities.

Umbria Travel Spotlight

📍 Gubbio, Perugia



The landscape of Gubbio.

The sixth largest and one of the oldest municipalities in Umbria, Gubbio is known for its remarkably well preserved medieval and Roman architecture. Standing on the flank of Mount Ingino, Gubbio possesses a storybook-like medieval charm that captivates visitors far and wide.

Steeped in history that stretches back to antiquity, Gubbio has preserved rich archeological treasures, including the late Roman remains of the Theater and the Antiquarium in the Guastuglia archaeological area; the largest of its four rooms most famously contains a mosaic with a reproduced geometric pattern framing a scene of Ulysses and Scylla from Homer's "Odyssey".

Further uphill is Piazza Grande, an impressive elevated terrace where the Palazzo dei Consoli towers over the town. Kept inside the Palazzo dei Consoli's Civic Museum are the Eugubine Tables, or the Iguvine Tablets, Umbria's "Rosetta Stone"; a series of seven ancient bronze tablets discovered in 1444 with writing inscribed in the Umbrian language using both Etruscan and Latin alphabets.



In the upper part of Gubbio stands the Gothic Gubbio Cathedral, dedicated to Saints Mariano and Giacomo, whose sacred relics are preserved within a Roman sarcophagus beneath the main high altar. And just steps away is the Palazzo Ducale, the only prominent example of Renaissance architecture in Gubbio,

The Palazzo dei Consoli.

commissioned by the famed Duke Federico da Montefeltro.

Just outside Gubbio's medieval center is the Basilica of Sant'Ubaldo, which houses the ashes of Gubbio's beloved patron saint, Saint Ubaldo, whose legacy of peace, charity, and heroism has left a profound impact on the town, and continues to inspire today.

Beyond its grand landmarks and rich history, Gubbio is renowned for its historic majolica pottery tradition, which was famously elevated during the Renaissance by master artisan Mastro Giorgio. Gubbio is also known for a variety of festive traditions, including the ancient *Corsa dei Ceri* (Festival of the Candles) held each year on May 15, where teams run up Mount Ingino carrying massive wooden pillars topped with statues of Saint Ubaldo, Saint George, or Saint Anthony, as well as the annual holiday light display mapped across the slopes of Mount Ingino, stretching over 2,000 feet high and earning Gubbio the title of world's largest Christmas tree.



The world's largest Christmas tree in Gubbio.

Whether wandering its ancient stone alleys, marveling at its impeccably-preserved architecture, or taking in the breathtaking mountain scenery, Gubbio offers an unforgettable window into the medieval soul and spirit of Umbria.

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OSDIA Members Experience the Heart of Umbria Through the Umbria Immersive Experience

Four OSDIA-affiliated participants join an international group in Norcia for a week of Italian language, food, culture and discovery



Umbria Immersive Experience participants—including four OSDIA members and affiliates—in the historic town of Norcia.

From September 27 through October 3, four people associated with the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America (OSDIA) participated in the Umbria Immersive Experience in Norcia, Italy.

Diann Blizniak of the John Pirelli Lodge 1633 in Dayton, Ohio; Tessa Floreano of the Bellevue Lodge 2377 in Bellevue, Washington; Dr. Mark DeNunzio, OSDIA National 2nd Vice President; and Nicole D'Arcangelo, Programs Director of the OSDIA National Office in Washington, D.C., joined six other participants from the United States, Canada and Slovenia.

Sponsored by the University for Foreigners of Perugia and Progetto Fenice, the program combined Italian language instruction with an immersive exploration of Umbrian food, agriculture, history and culture.

Norcia provided a particularly meaningful setting. The town suffered devastating earthquakes in 2016, including the powerful October 30 earthquake that severely damaged its historic center. Ten years later, reconstruction continues, but the resilience of its people is evident everywhere. The spirit of Progetto Fenice—symbolized by the phoenix rising from the ashes—was reflected in the community's determination to preserve its heritage while rebuilding its future.



Ancient archway entrance to the historic section of Norcia.

Italian language classes were held daily under the direction of Caterina Calicchio. Classroom instruction was complemented by opportunities to use Italian while visiting local businesses, farms, restaurants and historic sites.

The program's lectures focused largely on food production and culture and were presented by food anthropologist Dr. Clelia Viecelli. Participants learned how Italian food traditions are inseparable from geography, agriculture, family and history.

The lessons came alive through visits to local producers. At Il Casale de Li Tappi, participants explored the centuries-old Norcian tradition of norcineria and the production of cured pork products. The group also visited a producer of sheep's-milk ricotta and other traditional products at Le Case di Quarantotti, experienced a truffle hunt, and toured an agriturismo, Zafferano e dintorni, specializing in saffron and other natural herbs.



A scenic view of Norcia in the background from Casale de Li Tappi

At Vespasia, the Michelin-starred restaurant, run by Chef Fabio Cappiello and operated by the Bianconi family, participants took part in a cooking experience that demonstrated how the finest Umbrian cuisine begins with quality local ingredients.

The group also visited the Abbey of St. Benedict, where they learned about the Benedictine tradition and enjoyed a tasting of beer produced by Trappist monks.

The Bianconi family, whose hospitality tradition in Norcia dates to 1850, hosted the group's evening dinners and lodging at the Hotel Bianconi. Their warmth and generosity contributed greatly to the experience.



Four porchette roasting on spits.

Logistical support was provided by Enrico Graziosi, whose efforts kept the program running smoothly.

With daily classes, shared meals and excursions throughout the region, the 10 participants quickly bonded. People who arrived as strangers departed as friends, united by their appreciation for Italy and its culture.

For the four OSDIA participants, the Umbria Immersive Experience demonstrated that Italian heritage is not simply something to study or remember. It is a living culture expressed through language, food, family, agriculture, craftsmanship, hospitality and community.

And in Norcia, a town still rising from the devastation of a decade ago, they experienced firsthand the enduring strength of those traditions.

For one memorable week, they did more than study Italy.

They lived it.



Participants of the Umbria Immersive Experience during a tasting at Fattoria Didattica Il Casale de Li Tappi.



Norcia's City Hall (left) and the Basilica of St. Benedict (right).



Continued reconstruction on part of the historic section in Norcia damaged by earthquakes in 2016.



Umbria Immersive Experience participants during an introductory dinner the day before classes started on

OSDIA's Leadership Development Committee Announces New 'Lion-to-Lion Connection' Mentoring Program



The OSDIA Leadership Development Committee is focused on cultivating strong leadership development, mentorship, and succession planning for OSDIA at the local, grand, and national levels. One of its signature initiatives is designed to demonstrate the value and impact of effective leadership development across the organization.

Last term, the Women's Development Committee launched the Mentor/Mentee Program, calling on past and current leaders to guide newly elected officers. The mentor/mentee leadership program—now renamed Lion-to-Lion Connection—is a powerful way to build stronger leaders, create a culture of growth, transfer knowledge, and prepare future leaders from within.

Through regular conversations, goal setting, and reflection, mentors and mentees develop the skills needed to lead with confidence, accountability, and empathy. This creates a consistent pipeline of leaders who understand OSDIA's values and are ready to take on greater responsibility. The Lion-to-Lion Connection is an investment in people and the organization's future. When implemented with purpose and consistency, mentorship becomes a key driver of professional development, member engagement, and long-term organizational success.

What Participants Are Saying

Mark, one of the program's mentors, described the experience of witnessing his mentee's growth firsthand as one of the most fufiling parts of his involvement in OSDIA. "It is heartening to know that I can play a role in helping someone navigate their journey in OSDIA, while at the same time reinforcing the core principles and traditions that define who we are," said Mark.

For Michael, another mentor, the experience was mutually beneficial, as he learned from his mentees just as they learned from him. "I went in looking forward to sharing my experiences and thinking I would be a small part of building the foundation for our next generation of leaders, but what I found was how much I learned about our organization from the same people I was to be mentoring." He's even carried the same techniques into state conventions, enriching those experiences as well.

Mentees echoed that sense of support and growth development. Lynn, paired with mentor Tony, praised his honesty and his thoughtful encouragement. "I feel comfortable to pick up the phone and call him," Lynn said.

Barbara, mentored by Michael, was grateful to have someone with experience to rely on and provide her with meaningful guideance. "I have asked for guidance, and he has given it to me. It has been great to have someone with more experience to rely on."

Getting the Most of the Lion-to-Lion Program

Taking full advantage of the Lion-to-Lion Connection requires consistency. Regular meetings, mutual respect, confidentiality, and accountability to build the trust that turns conversation into real leadership development that supports personal growth, professional confidence, and long-term success.

How to Get Involved

Share this dynamic program with future leaders throughout OSDIA. Whether you're a current leader or hope to become one, you're encouraged to join the Lion-to-Lion Connection Program. Participation is an opportunity to invest in your own growth, support the development of others, and strengthen OSDIA's leadership culture. Click the button below to fill out the involvement form.

Get Involved

If you have any questions about the Lion-to-Lion Connection program, please reach out to nationaloffice@osia.org.



Throughout the United States and Italy, OSDIA is home to nearly 400 lodges, and more than 100,000 members and affiliates. Through scholarships, cultural activities, philanthropic efforts, and advocacy on behalf of the Italian American community, our members are making a difference in their communities.



Celebrating Italian American Heritage Month

Patch

Members of Wakefield Lodge 1734 of Wakefield MA held a special celebration for Italian American Heritage Month with a table full of Italian delicacies and a "Baby's Item Drive," which raised donations in support of the Heartbeat Pregnancy Center of Burlington, MA.

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Long Island Columbus Day Parade returns to Deer Park: What to Know

Patch

Constantino Brumidi Lodge 2211 of Deer Park, NY served as the final destination for the annual Long Island Columbus Day Parade on October 10. The lodge also hosted families and community groups for a festival featuring live music, food trucks, and fun activities.

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Italian flag raised at Parsippany Town Hall to honor Italian American Heritage Month

Parsippany Focus

Members of Morris County Lodge 2561 of Parsippany, NJ joined township officials on October 12 for a ceremony to raise the Italian Flag in celebration of Italian American Heritage Month.

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News from the Boot

Check out the latest from Italy!

N.I.C.E. returns to the United States for its 36th edition: free Italian cinema in New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania



We The Italians

The 36th edition of the N.I.C.E. (New Italian Cinema Events) festival is returning to the United States from November 7 to December 5 to offer free screenings of contemporary Italian films and documentaries across New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania.

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Bialetti Plans Its First U.S. Stores as Italian Coffee Icon Expands in 2027

We The Italians

Bialetti is planning to open its first-ever American retail stores starting in 2027 as part of an international expansion strategy to bring its iconic moka pots and coffee products directly to U.S. consumers.

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Thieves steal 30,000 bottles of Italy's most prized wines

CBS

Thieves stole approximately 30,000 bottles of prized wines, valued at $5.8 million, from Marchesi Antinori's winery in Tuscany, marking what is believed to be the biggest wine heist in Italy's history.



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Roma Jazz festival celebrates 50 years in 2026



Wanted in Rome

The 50th edition of the Roma Jazz Festival runs from November 1 to 24, 2026, celebrating its milestone anniversary and the 100th anniversary of Miles Davis's birth with a program themes around rethinking jazz.

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How to Access Digital Magazine Copies Using iMembersDB

All members of OSDIA receive a complimentary subscription to Italian America magazine, the nation's most widely read magazine for people of Italian heritage. While the magazine is primarily a print publication, all OSDIA members can access a digital copy of the most recent issue using iMembersDB.

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For Local Lodge Members:

1. Navigate to imembersdb.com and log into your account (see the August edition of *Questo Mese* here for detailed instructions on how to log in).
2. Click the "My Lodge" tab at the top of the screen.
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For At-Large Members:

1. Navigate to OSDIA.org, and log into your At-Large Member account dashboard (see the August edition of *Questo Mese* here for detailed instructions on how to log in).
2. Click "Profile" at the top right of the screen to navigate to your dashboard.
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If you have any issues with logging in, please contact your local lodge or reach out to the OSDIA National Office at nationaloffice@osia.org or (202) 547-2900.

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About iMembersDB

iMembersDB is OSDIA's official membership management platform. With nearly 400 lodges throughout the United States, and tens of thousands of members, iMembersDB makes it easy to recruit, manage and engage members in one place.

Stay tuned to future editions of Questo Mese for more details on how to get the most out of iMembersDB.

Help us Highlight Your Lodge's Festivals & Festas!

We are compiling a comprehensive list of OSDIA lodges that sponsor or participate in local Italian festivals and festas. This resource will help showcase the incredible cultural traditions happening across our organization and serve as a valuable reference for members nationwide.

To ensure your lodge is included, please take a moment to complete this short questionnaire at the link below:

Click Here for Submission Link

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Calling all local lodge leaders!

All official OSDIA membership pins, banners, regalia, Dante scholarship medals, and other branded merchandise are available for purchase through our partners at Russell Hampton.

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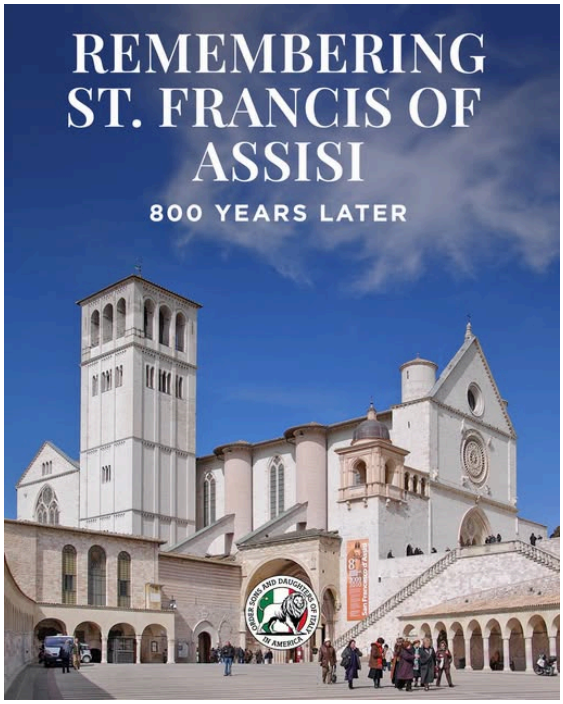






SOCIAL MEDIA

Post of the Month



Today marks the 800th anniversary of the passing of St. Francis of Assisi.

While his influence spans the globe, his spirit is rooted in the Region of Umbria, "The Green Heart of Italy," and OSDIA's 2026 Region of Celebration.

St. Francis' legacy of humility, peace, and care for creation has shaped Umbria's geography, medieval art, and identity for hundreds of years.

As we commemorate this historic anniversary, we honor the lasting impact of St. Francis on faith, culture, and the shared heritage of Italy and the Italian American community.

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Invite your friends and family to celebrate our rich heritage, make lasting connections, and be part of our vibrant community.

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