



PENNSYLVANIA

A culinary school in Bucks County will be the beneficiary of the proceeds from a new Italian cookbook created by **John Oliano**, a member and trustee of the **Piazza Nuova Lodge #2665** in Yardley.

Italian Family Cooking and Wine Pairing Cookbook has over 140 family recipes along with full-color photographs and nutritional information for each dish. Wines are paired with each entrée. It is available in both book form and on CD.

It was published by the author and his lodge as a fund raiser for the Culinary Arts School at Bucks County Community College of Newtown. The book funds a \$10,000 endowment program for the college’s culinary students. The lodge also has established “The Italian Collection,” a \$10,000 endowment that to date has donated has more than 150 books, videos, and CDs to the college library, which are also available through the Bucks County public library system. *The cookbook costs \$27.76 and can be ordered on line through Amazon.com or by calling 215/493-4120.*



John Oliano at a book-signing of his new cooking guide.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- **JOSEPH CAPOGRECO** has received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the **Vincent Lombardi Lodge #2270** in Rochester, NY, where he is a member. For 44 years, Joe has hosted “Italian Carousel,” a bilingual radio show broadcast Sundays from 8 AM to 10 AM on WROC 950 AM in upstate NY. A former teacher, he helped introduce Italian in the city’s schools.
- **RICH DiSILVIO**, an OSIA national at-large member in Massapequa, NY, is the author of “The Winds of Time,” an ambitious 730-page analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of Western civilization from Ancient Greece and Rome to modern times. *Available through Amazon.com for \$35.00.*
- **WILLIAM JENNARO, Esq.** has been voted the *Best Mediator in Wisconsin* for the second consecutive year in a statewide poll conducted by the *Wisconsin Law Journal*. Now with the law firm of Cook & Frank in Madison, WI, he is a retired circuit court judge and a charter member of the **Filippo Mazzei Lodge #2763** in Milwaukee.
- **JOSEPH SCIAME** is the new chair of the Conference of Presidents of Major Italian American Organizations, which promotes Italian heritage through greater cooperation among its various member organizations. Sciame, an OSIA national past president (2003-05) and a member of the **Cellini Lodge #2206** in New Hyde Park, NY, is vice president for community relations at St. John’s University in New York City.

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FLORIDA

Laura Falzone Sherry was the guest of honor at a recent meeting of the **Daughters of Italy Lodge #2825** in Clearwater to celebrate her passing a rigorous state exam that certifies her to teach Italian.

“For many years, teachers of Italian in Florida required no certification and the quality of instruction reflected this lack of standards,” says lodge president **Vincenza DiLiberti**. In 2008, the Grand Lodge of Florida, led by its president, **Edward Mottola, Jr.**, successfully lobbied the state legislature and governor to institute this exam.

Mrs. Sherry was born in Sicily but educated in the U.S. where she has lived for many years. She currently teaches Spanish at East Lake High School in Tarpon Springs.



Laura Falzone Sherry (L) with lodge president Vincenza DiLiberti

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NEW YORK

About 20 local entrepreneurs showcased their products and services in the first Italian Business Expo on Long Island, NY November 4. It was organized by the **Perry Como Lodge #2846** and sponsored by Verizon and Michele Martin Allstate Agency.

new members,” says lodge president **Gabriel Ciccone**. “We intend to hold an even bigger expo next year,” he says. *For more information contact Michele Martin at **michelemartin@allstate.com** or **631/261-4200***

About 100 people attended the event which featured the firms of many Sons of Italy members. The keynote speakers were Suffolk County Executive **Steve Levy** and OSIA National President **Joseph DiTrapani**.



Getting down to business at the Italian Business Expo

“While not intended as a fund-raiser, the event was covered by the local newspaper and got us five