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TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6:30 P.M.

WELCOME Frank Zeoli, IACC President

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ITALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

BENEDICTION
JIM SANO, IACC FOUNDATION
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DINNER

7:00 P.M. AWARDS

Donna Zumbo Cuore d'oro award (Heart of Gold)

ROBERT LAMORTE & STEVE FRANKE PASQUALE TIRINO SERVICE AWARD

Nancy Sano President's Award

HON. PAUL COLLINS (POSTHUMOUSLY) IACC ITALIAN SPIRIT AWARD

David Cesari IACC Italian American of the Year

9:00 P.M. DANCE: GOOD TIMES BAND



2022 COLUMBUS DAY GALA COMMITTEE

Frank Zeoli Columbus Day Gala Chairman

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The Italian American Community Center is deeply saddened by the passing of Father Anthony Chiaramonte whose dedication to the IACC, and to the Italian Community was unconditional. His presence and spiritual guidance will be missed at our club.

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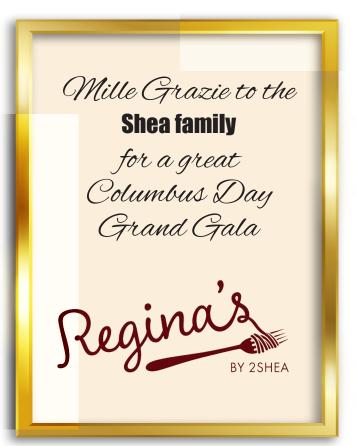
The Foundation holds many annual cultural programs and events. Our goal is to connect a new generation of Italian Americans with traditions and an ethnicity which has been all but lost in today's world. With your ongoing support we hope to continue this good work for generations to come.

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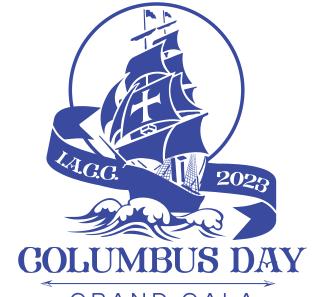
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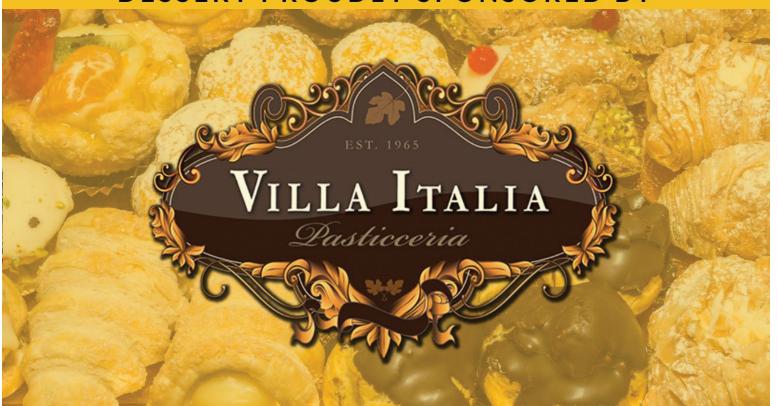
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I wish you a successful event."





a note from Paul Tonko

@paultonko

Congratulations on nearly a half-century of celebrating the contributions Italian culture has made to our community in the Capital Region.

I applaud honoring David Cesari with the *Italian American of the Year* award, and I join the chorus of solemn appreciation for Paul Collins' spirit award recognition.

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Congratulations to the honorees at this year's

Italian Community Center Columbus Day Grand Gala



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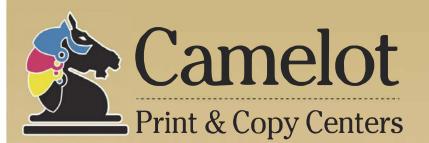


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Italian American of the Year







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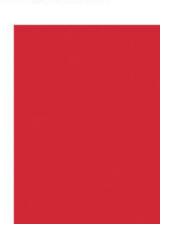
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49TH COLUMBUS DAY GRAND GALA





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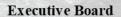


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Congratulations to the 2022 Honorees at the IACC's 49th annual Columbus Day Grand Gala!

> David Cesari Italian American of the Year

> > Hon. Paul Collins (posthumously) Italian Spirit Award



Daniel P. McCoy Albany County Executive



I WISH TO EXTEND MY WARMER WISHES TO DAVID CESARI,
THE FAMILY OF MY FRIEND AND COLLEAGUE,
THE LATE PAUL COLLINS,
AND ALL OF TONIGHT'S HONOREES.



HONOREES' BIOS



DAVE CESARI Italian American of the Year

David was born in Niagara Falls, New York, moving with his family to Albany in 1972. He is a graduate of Colonie Central High School and Albany Business College. David has one daughter and 2 grandsons that are the light of his life. David says, "I am blessed with many good friends and colleagues". He is a huge Buffalo Bills fan, enjoys a good game of golf, and working with other local businesses to support the community.

Following in his grandfather's and father's footsteps, he started working for Morgan Linen Service in 1977. Under his father's guidance and supervision, he worked every aspect from the top to the bottom of the laundry business. He says, "If you knew my dad, when I say I started at the bottom, I did, and I thank him for that now, maybe not so much back then"!

In 1989 David became the plant manager and by 2001 he was the President and CEO. David boasts "I am surrounded by many loyal and dedicated employees, and colleagues".

Since that time through acquisitions and new sales, Morgan Linen have become the industry leader in the market, best known for our snowflake signa, quality and service. The company believes in giving back to the community and supports several charities including Ronald McDonald House, Center for Disabled, Hospice, and countless others.

David has proudly served, in the past, on the Board of Directors for the Italian Community Center in Albany, Colonie Chamber, Hospice Foundation, and Upstate Bakery and Drivers Pension Fund. "I am very honored to receive this award," said David.

The IACC is proud to announce that David Cesari is the Italian American Community Center's Italian American of the Year!



HON. PAUL COLLINS *Italian Spirit Award*

Paul M. Collins was born on February 22, 1949. Paul was a graduate of Vincentian Institute in Albany and was an active alumnus of his cherished alma mater. He attended the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass., where he majored in history, graduating cum laude, and became steeped in the ideals of Jesuit social justice. Throughout his life, Paul devoted himself to serving the next generation of Crusaders as President of the Holy Cross Club of Eastern New York. Paul

earned his juris doctorate from Albany Law School, where he was salutatorian of the class of 1974. The same year, he began a courtship with Lea Campion. They married in 1976 and embarked on a life-long journey together, bringing four children and six grandchildren into the world.

Paul began his career in law as an assistant corporation counsel in Albany, working his way up to executive deputy counsel until his departure in 1985. He spoke fondly about his time as a "baby

lawyer" and frequently recounted the memorable days of his legal career working with Erastus Corning II, Tom Whalen, and the staff and attorneys in corporation counsel. From 1985 - 2005, he was an attorney at Hinman Straub P.C., eventually becoming a principal partner, where he focused primarily on civil litigation. Paul later served as deputy special counsel to the New York State Board of Elections and argued several times before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. After six years with the Board of Elections, Paul was finally ready to retire, but could never take down his shingle. Instead, he occasionally practiced law for the remainder of his life, helping others with whatever their needs may be, and always giving back to those less fortunate than himself. Paul served as an Albany County legislator in 1983, Paul's accomplishments as a legislator included ushering the passage of the first diversionary program for drug addicts, funding an adolescent drug treatment facility, rebuilding the pool at Lincoln Park, and protecting the rights of members of the LGBTQ+ community.

He took special pride helping to solve the everyday problems of his constituents during his 27-year career as a civil servant. Committed to social justice, he was a true man of the people. Paul was an active member of the New Scotland Avenue and Albany communities. He was a devoted member of the Catholic church and was a regular at the 8:15 a.m. weekday Masses in the Mater Christi Parish. He was the first president of the St. Teresa of Avila School Board, and helped plan the annual bazaar, where he held court at the raffle station with his beautiful wife, Lea. At Westland Hills and Central Babe Ruth, Paul coached his sons'

baseball teams. Though the teams were often a rag-tag bunch of underdogs who seldom came out on top of games, he had a positive influence on innumerable young men well after they left the playing field, as well as those that did not play. Quiet in this type of work, he touched the lives of countless young people by finding them jobs or keeping them out of the criminal justice system. When he was not coaching or watching his daughters and sons excel in their pursuits, Paul was busy ensuring the Central Babe Ruth properties were well maintained, concessions were filled, and teams

were plentiful, as president of the league. This love of the game carried over to his lifelong devotion to the New York Yankees, which he shared with his father, Howard. Paul spent many a weekend with his family and friends taking in a ballgame (and we all learned not to call him during a Yankees' game). As his children aged out of sports, Paul began substantial involvement with numerous local charitable organizations. He was especially proud of his work with Catholic Charities, providing service to people in need and advocating for justice. He was a longtime member of the Knights of Columbus and the Ancient Order of Hibernians and member of the Italian American Community Center since 2009.

We unfortunately lost Paul earlier this year, but his spirit lives on in all that he achieved and what he meant to everyone in his family, church, and his community, whether Italian or Irish. The Italian American Community Center is honored to present the Italian Spirit Award posthumously to Paul Collins.



HONOREES' BIOS

NANCY SANO President's Award

DONNA ZUMBO Cuore d'oro Award (Heart of Gold)

Nancy was born in Chicago in 1956 to Patrick and Dorothy Cardinale from Utica, New York. She is the youngest of three sisters: Patricia and Linda. She lived in St. Louis, Missouri, Dunkirk, New York, and Cheektowaga, New York, before marrying Jim Sano and moving to Albany.

Jim and Nancy have been blessed with two amazing girls, Kathryn (Kate) and Michele, both outstanding women. Nancy had a 26-year career in the Albany School District as a physical education teacher mostly at Hackett Middle School. She coached swimming, diving, volleyball, and track & field, at the high school and at modified levels. Nancy retired in 2011 and spends her time traveling with Jim and volunteering at the club.

She has been a member of the IACC since 1984 but worked at the club as a lifeguard since 1980 which, she continued through 2016. She started the Learn to Swim Program for members in 1980 and continued it for 16 years. As a member, she has been involved in the women's league, women's bocce, festas, holiday parties, pool parties, Superbowl and most importantly can be seen every Friday night at the pavilion. Her commitment to the club over the past 38 years is paramount and her presence is seen all around the IACC. Nancy said, "I'm honored to receive this award".

Due to her hard work and ongoing commitment to the IACC; President Frank Zeoli is proud to present the 2022 IACC Presidents award to Nancy Sano.

Donna Zumbo was born of IACC Charter Members, Joachim and Anna Zumbo in Albany, New York. She is 1 of 5 children and grew up in Latham. Donna's parents have installed a strong work ethic have kept their Italian heritage alive. Donna's grandparents owned and operated the famed "Panetta's Restaurant" for decades and now her brother continues to keep the restaurant business alive with his own restaurant. Donna's younger brother continues to operate her dad's business, that he started in 1969.

After receiving her degree from Junior College of Albany in Theatre Arts, she worked for many area professional theatres before beginning her career at the Albany County District Attorney's Office. A member since 1999 and she has been an active member on both the IACC Board of Directors, the IACC Foundation and has served three times as Women's League president.

She volunteers every Friday night, during the summer, at the bar during our "Friday Nights at the Pavilion." Donna has served on many committees for a host of different functions and has maintained helping the community, here and in Italy, with several projects through the Women's League, including donations to several charities. She loves playing bocce and is the chairperson of the Women's Bocce League and has begun a "Mixed Bocce League" a few years ago that has been extremely successful.

Donna lives in Albany and is recently retired from over 30 years of service with the Albany County District Attorney's Office. She loves to travel, including several trips to Italy and Sicily. Donna says, "I love my IACC family and Im honored to receive this award".

Donna's love and compassion for her fellow club members is what makes the club proud to present her with the 2022 Cuore d'oro Award.

STEPHEN FRANKE Pasquale Tirino Service Award

Stephen Franke was born in Albany, attended Siena College and earned a Bachelor's in Finance beginning a career in banking with KeyCorp that lasted 41 years, retiring as a Senior VP in the Operational Risk and Regulatory Analysis division. He is happily married for 46 years to his lovely wife Fran; together they have two beautiful daughters: Maran and Kristin, and three wonderful grandchildren: Max (9), Zac (6) and Francesca (21 months).

Following retirement from KeyCorp his time is spent as a full time plus babysitter for Max, Zac and Francesca, soccer and aikido dad for Max and Zac, and package return /grocery shopper dad and daily dog walker for Maran and Kristin and their four dogs and cats. He enjoys cooking, reading and vardwork with the help of their dog Maggie.

He and Fran have enjoyed trips to Italy and Scotland and annual trips to Ogunquit Maine and the coast when they can get the time off! An active member of the IACC since January 1983 (39 years), he served on the Board and was Treasurer for two years. Steve is a part of the Friday Night Pavilion "Fry Guys" and enjoying the delicious food. In addition, he is part of the pool set up and close crew.

Steve's tireless years of service to the club is why the IACC is bestowing upon him the 2022 Pasquale Tirino Service Award.

ROBERT LAMORTE Pasquale Tirino Service Award

Robert LaMorte was born in Bronx, New York City. He served in the US Armed forces serving in the Army. In 1973 he married Maria Riccio and together they had 2 children and 1 granddaughter. After retiring as the Director of Operations from Verizon Bob went on to start his own business named "House Doctors Remodeling".

Maria and Bob joined the IACC in 1988 and Bob immediately immersed himself fully in the club volunteering for any task big or small and did it with style. His loud personality always lends itself to a lot of laughs always ensuring our members don't take things "too seriously". When not volunteering at the club Bob enjoys his cowboy action shooting, cooking, and spending time with his family especially with his granddaughter Lucy. In the past few years Bob can be seen every Friday night in the pavilion frying dough and calamari or "Calamad" as he calls it. Bob is a larger-than-life person who cherishes life, makes people laugh and has a big heart.

The IACC is proud to present him with the 2022 Pasquale Tirino Service Award.



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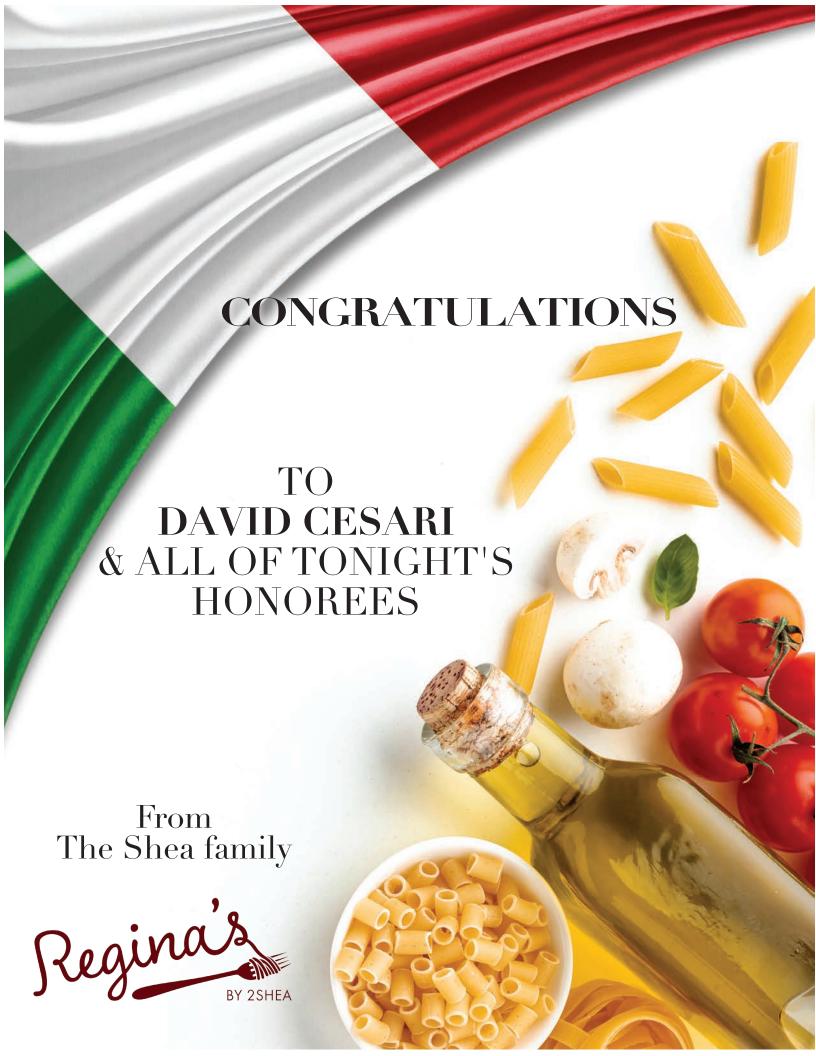


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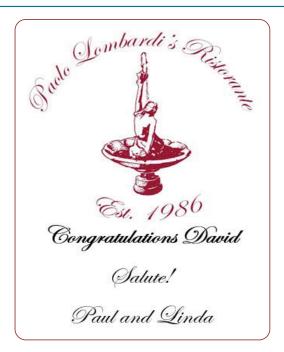
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David Cesari Italian American of the Year

Hon. Paul Collins Italian Spirit Award

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