



CAPE FEAR REGION

# Italian Heritage Society

Membership Newsletter  
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Our Country



Our Heritage

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## Monthly Meeting

Our next meeting is Sunday, March 18th; 3:00pm – 5:00pm at  
St Marks Catholic Church Parish Center  
Eastwood Road, Wilmington

Our guest for the March meeting is Lou Criscuolo, founder and artistic director of the Opera House Theatre Company. Lou was born in Manhattan where he became active in the theater and then in movies. He came to Wilmington in 1983 and started a theater company shortly thereafter. It is our hope that we can attend one of Lou's shows this season as a group.

\*\*\* Please feel free to bring snacks. Coffee will be provided \*\*\*

## ATTENZIONE!

Our new web site is up: [IHSscapefear.com](http://IHSscapefear.com)

This month IHS member Dr. Lou Buttino's new play: "In the Womb of the Moon" opens. A heartfelt journey through three generations of an Italian immigrant family they adapt to a new life in America. Drawing on his own life-molding experiences, playwright and UNCW Film Studies Chair, Lou Buttino, blends old and new, memory and anticipation, gain and loss into a richly textured marinara that is a delight to the senses and soul.

UNCW Mainstage Proscenium Theatre, Cultural Arts Building. March 22, 23, 24, 26 at 8:00p.m. March 25 - 2:00pm matinee. Call 962-3500 for more information.

No meeting in April due to the Azalea Festival. Our singing group will perform. Help is needed for our stand on the parade route.

Our booth at the Intercultural Festival was a great success. Special thanks to Sophia Wells and everyone who pitched in.



Our booth, displays and socializing won 'Best in Show' and will insure we have the same great location an space for next year. Well done!

## COMMITTEES & GROUPS

All members are encouraged to join at least one committee that interests them.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Chair – Francis Esposito. Please pick up an extra application from Fran to carry with you and give to any potential new member.

**PROGRAMS:** Chair – Regina Grimes. Thanks to Richie Martino for the great idea of having our own members be presenters on the Regions of Italy and stepping up and doing the first talk. Richie spoke on his "hometown" region, Naples and we have two speakers confirmed to speak on the Piedmont and on Sicily. Please call Regina to volunteer for your own Regione...before they are all gone!

**PUBLICITY & RECRUITING:** Chair – Joe DeMichino. Our goal is to make everyone of Italian heritage aware of our society. Look for our signs around town about our frequenting certain establishments. Please pick up a framed sign to have displayed in your favorite establishment.

**BENEVOLENCE:** Chair – Sal Carrera. Please contact Sal whenever a Get Well or Sympathy card should be sent to any member or family member.

**CANTIAMO ITALIANO:** Chair – JoAnn Toscano. Our singing group continues to entertain and brighten the days of everyone who hears them. Singers and musicians are always welcome and experience is not a prerequisite.

**DINNER GROUP:** Chair – Open. The group is divided into groups of 4 couples who meet in each other's homes five or six times a year.

**BOCCE:** Chair – Marco Zaza. The transition kids program has begun and play is every other Tuesday from 11:00 to noon at Empie Park. Please contact Marco for the schedule or just come to the Empie Park courts on alternate Tuesdays. Anyone who can help is welcome – no ability necessary.



Weekend play and social time is every Saturday morning at 10:00 am at Empie Park. Everyone is invited and welcome. Our club gets wonderful publicity with anyone happening by and watching us enjoy the game and each other's company.

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## NOTES FROM THE BOARD

**Our planning schedule for the year is as follows:**

- \* April - Azalea Festival, No Meeting.
  - \* June 24 – Meeting
  - \* August - No Meeting
  - \* October – Picnic, Empie Park
  - \* December 8 – Dinner/Dance
  - \* May 20 Picnic, Empie Park
  - \* July 15 – Meeting
  - \* September 16 – Meeting
  - \* November 18 – Meeting
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