

# ELLIS ISLAND COMMITTEE SAYS: HELP!

*By Steve Pusateri*

Few brothers of APD do not know about or understand the importance of Ellis Island in Upper New York Bay. From 1892 to 1943, Ellis Island served as the principal east coast processing station for millions of immigrants who came to America from across the Atlantic Ocean. Ellis Island processed as many as 15,000 people each day. Since 1943, the facility has been dormant; however, its long sleep may be over if the Restore Ellis Island Committee has its way, and APD can help.

Through the Committee's efforts the Congress has authorized \$24 million, in October, 1978, for restoration.

Dr. Peter Sammartino (Eta Chapter, 10th Grand Consul and founder of Fairleigh Dickinson University) is a guiding light on the Committee. Along with Dr. Sammartino is Dr. August C. Bolino of the Catholic University of America, Chairman of the Committee and Vice President in Charge of Archives, Research and Documents. He is responsible for creating a museum and research center on the Island. His plan is to collect documents and memorabilia to be put in ethnic rooms when the Island is totally restored. He has asked for ADP's help.

Dr. Bolino's greatest need now deals with collecting oral histories. He needs people who went through Ellis Island and who would be willing to tell the stories of their experiences. Because of the age of these people, this is a matter of great urgency.

Since 1976 Dr. Bolino has been contacting archives and museums to locate documents of the Ellis Island.

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## ALPHA PHI DELTA PARTICIPATES IN FIRST INTERNATIONAL ITALIAN CONFERENCE

*by Steven Feraca*

*(The author currently serves as V.P. for Cultural Affairs)*

The First International Italian and Italo-American Conference was held on May 11 and 12 at the Capital Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C. Co-sponsored by the National Italian American Foundation and the Giovanni Agnelli Foundation of Italy, the conference was attended by over 500 and included a most impressive number of professionals from a variety of fields.

Alpha Phi Delta was well represented by Dr. Peter Sammartino (Eta), Past National President; Michael Zerega (Psi), Vice President for Expansion; Steve Feraca (Beta Beta), Vice President for Cultural Affairs; Gaetano Iannace (Beta Beta), Professor of Italian at Central Connecticut State College; and by Charlie Giampietro and Jim Michalowicz of Beta Psi Colony (Catholic U.) who assisted the sponsoring foundations with conference arrangements.

Of particular interest to the fraternity was the Workshop on Humanities and Cultural Affairs at which Brother Feraca submitted the fraternity's proposal for the establishment of a Center for Italian Studies at the Catholic University. This was the first public airing of the proposal, which had been signed by National President Barbarino and by Feraca, in New York City on May 6.

The proposal, a summary version of which follows, is unique in itself and nothing resembling it in concept and scope was offered at the conference. It was well received, but it is too early for formal comment from the sponsoring foundations. The fraternity's National Cultural Affairs Committee will be submitting the proposal to potentially interested organizations and individuals after discussion at the National Convention.

### CENTER FOR ITALIAN STUDIES

The proposed Center for Italian Studies embraces all aspects of the humanities in the classic and contemporary senses as they pertain to Italian and Italian American society.

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## STEUBENVILLE SAYS GO

Dear Brother Santo,

The Steubenville Alumni Club loves Alpha Phi Delta. Never before has the spirit and brotherhood been so great and exciting. Our recent meeting was a donnybrook, uncontrollable, a melee, shouts and screams, but when the air cleared, Alpha Phi Delta was right on top. The reason for all of this: The Computerized Mailing List.

Now Brother Santo, lets get down to business. Do you recall when you challenged the Steubenville Alumni Club in December about the Computerized Mailing List? Well, here is a check for \$1,000 earmarked for that mailing list. I do vaguely remember that you said National needed \$2,000 to implement the program. Sit back and listen to this.

Challenges, we all love a challenge. Now it's our turn to challenge the other alumni clubs throughout our fraternity. This is our challenge. If any other alumni group pledges a thousand dollars as of this letter towards a specific project of Alpha Phi Delta, we will not only match their thousand but will double it. That's right, two more thousand over and above what we already contributed. We are willing to dig deep, and I mean deep, into our pockets to provide National with the necessary funds to support its new programs.

We are confident that with the help of the Steubenville Alumni Club, Alpha Phi Delta will move forward to even greater heights. Fraternally,

RICHARD ANGELICA  
*President*

## CHAPTER CHATTER

The year began with twenty-one chapters. One chapter, Beta Pi (St. John's) was closed while three new chapters Beta Psi, Beta Omega, and Gamma Beta were established at Catholic University, Pace University and University of Illinois-Chicago Circle, respectively. In addition, two active colonies (Fairleigh Dickenson and Beherend College) are awaiting installation next year.

At the beginning of the year, eleven chapters were on the potential problem list (twelve or fewer members). Five remain on that list. Two hundred initiations represents a seven year high and an 82% increase over the previous four years. As a result, year end membership is up 31%, ending a decline in ten of the last twelve years. End semester brotherhoods look this way:

<b>Delta</b> (Polytechic Institute of N.Y.)	5
<b>Pi</b> (University of West Virginia)	15
<b>Chi</b> (Penn State)	13
<b>Psi</b> (Duquesne University)	27
<b>Theta Beta</b> (N.Y.U.)	30
<b>Beta Delta</b> (Temple)	4
<b>Beta Eta</b> (Brooklyn College)	19
<b>Beta Theta</b> (College of Steubenville)	20
<b>Beta Iota</b> (Utica College)	21
<b>Beta Lambda</b> (St. Francis - Loretto)	53
<b>Beta Mu</b> (DePaul)	12
<b>Beta Xi</b> (N.J. Institute of Technology)	19
<b>Beta Omicron</b> (Youngstown University)	19
<b>Beta Rho</b> (Gannon College)	26
<b>Beta Sigma</b> (St. Francis - Brooklyn)	29
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<b>Beta Chi</b> (Stat University NY/Utica-Rome)	6
<b>Beta Phi</b> (Glassboro State)	35
<b>Beta Psi Colony</b> (Catholic Univ.)	6
<b>Beta Omega Colony</b> (Pace Univ.)	40
<b>Gamma Beta Colony</b> (Univ. of Ill.)	11

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# GOING TO MEDICAL SCHOOL

By Robert Cucco\*

If you're thinking of applying to medical school, the first step is a realistic evaluation of your credentials.

The two most important criteria for admission are grade point average and Medical College Admission Test scores. If you don't measure up to these minimum standards, reconsider your career choice. The money for application expenses and the time involved could be put to better use exploring alternate professions.

Should you meet these requirements, you should establish yourself as a unique individual. Outside experience in some health field is a definite plus and is looked upon as a genuine interest in the medical field. This experience may be obtained as a hospital volunteer, research assistant or community social worker, to name a few. It is important to note that not all people who gain admission are science majors. Those with different backgrounds are, again, considered unique. Participation in extracurricular and community activities are also looked upon favorably. If you have been involved in some research, be sure to make it known; published papers are also quite impressive on an application.

The time to apply is the summer preceeding your senior year. Most schools are members of AMCAS, an organization which summarizes applicants credentials. After screening this summary, the individual schools will then send you their own applications. These applications all require letters of recommendation usually from the Recommendation Committee of your school. These letters plus any others you can obtain are all very important. If you know any doctors on a personal or fraternal level, their letter can be a foot in the door especially if this doctor is associated with a teaching hospital, or medical school itself.

Make sure all required documents are received early. Call frequently to determine the status of your application. Make appointments with various school officials for impromptu interviews, information sessions, school tours. In short, make yourself more than an application number.

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# Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity 59th NATIONAL CONVENTION 1979

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(DINNER)

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The Center will be devoted to the understanding and preservation of the values and contributions of the Western Mediterranean tradition.

Special attention will be placed on the legacy of *Il Mezzogiorno* as the birthplace of much of Western Civilization and the place of origin of the great majority of Italo-Americans.

### ESTABLISHMENT OF A CHAIR FOR ITALIAN STUDIES

As the first step it is proposed that a Chair for Italian Studies be endowed to support appropriate staff to pursue the development of the full Center. The chair would be initially associated with the School of Arts and Sciences at the Catholic University of America. With public support and funding actively sought by an executive committee and a large number of Italo-American organizations, eventually an independent Center is to be established.

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Thanks, Brother.

# EXPANSION

## WHERE WE SHOULD BE INTO THE 90's

Brothers admitted to APD during the Post World War II era (1946 to the present) are constantly amazed at the type and quality of Fraternity APD was during the antebellum period. If one looks at the publications, alumni activity, and the discipline of that time, one immediately can see that the antebellum APD was a quality operation. The number of chapters (about 32) provided an adequate revenue base to maintain the organization in a high living standard. Inflation was virtually non-existent so the cost of services was constant.

The war changed all that. Young men were called out of college into National Service and chapters closed. This phenomenon was not unique to APD, and all fraternities came on hard times. What was unique was that APD, as an Italian American group, faced a new more democratized America after the war. The war, and the eastern and southern European descent Americans' contributions to that effort, made the need for an Italian American fraternity as a reaction to discrimination obsolete. APD needed to analyze its program and tenets; to reassess its role. It did not begin to do this until recently, 33 years later but not too late.

Another more serious problem was that we had no mechanism, methodology or plan to recoup our wartime chapter losses and expand the chapter base (to increase revenue to stay ahead of inflation).

Presently, we're "slugging it out" trying to get to our 1936 level of 32 chapters. We are fortunate in that we are beginning our campaign during a fraternity boom period and that we have some enthusiastic and intelligent expansion coordinators and project managers on board. We have already experienced a 100% growth from 1970 to 1979 (from 11 chapters to 22) but this is not nearly enough. Our 1936 level of 32 chapters is not enough. A level of 50 chapters will start to put us on a sound footing.

We are at peace as a nation and APD must, quite literally, prepare for

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## PROPOSED PROGRAMS, COURSES AND ACTIVITIES

### *Visual Arts*

Following the historical approach, formal study of the Visual Arts at the Center will begin with pre Greco-Roman accomplishments, Magna Graecia and Rome. Study will extend through the Middle Ages and the Renaissance to the works of Italo-American and contemporary Italian painters, sculptors, and architects, as well as a host of craftsmen, artisans and masters of design in a variety of fields.

Within the general area of the Visual Arts are to be included the study of Italian cinema and the development of student-produced films on aspects of contemporary Italian and Italo-American society.

Although international workshops and cultural exchange projects are considered basic to virtually every program of the Center, it is in Visual Arts that high priority is to be given in such efforts, including archeological field studies in Italy.

### *Political History*

The Center will include a program focusing on the influence of a host of Mediterranean and other societies on Italy, beginning with pre Greco-Roman development and extending through the Middle Ages and the Renaissance to the formation of the Italian Nation state and modern Italy. Special attention will be given to the myriad political experiences of *Il Mezzogiorno* and the impact of such experiences through the Age of Immigration to the Present.

### *Ethnohistory and Folklore*

Ethnohistorical, ethnographic, ethnological, sociological and folkloric studies will include every region of Italy, with appropriate attention to *Il Mezzogiorno*, from ancient times to the contemporary scene.

Courses, outreach programs and cultural exchange programs will be developed in cooperation with the Republic of Italy and with agencies such as the Smithsonian Institution. These programs will enhance the educational, social and cultural atmosphere of Italo-American communities and their neighbors.

A major goal is the development of an Ethnohistorical Resource Library.

### *Language, Literature and Philosophy*

Great attention will be given to Italian literature and philosophy from the ancient classic period to contemporary times. Special attention will be given also to the writing, particularly the novel of modern Italo-American and to the development of new bilingual instructional materials.

### *Music*

It is mandatory that a center devoted to Italian studies place great emphasis on a most imaginative program on the study, appreciation and performance of the astounding variety of forms of Italian music. Full attention will be given to Italian opera, the innumerable musical achievements preceding the operatic era, and all forms of Italian classical music. In addition, the richness of Italian folk music and the works of modern Italo-American (including Latin American and Canadian) composers will be recognized.

The musical program will lend itself admirably to exchange with Italy.

### *Public Education*

The Center will serve as a catalyst in terms of encouraging the mass media, especially television, in the production of appropriate publications and programming and will involve all aspects of the activities of the Center.

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# ALUMNI ACTION

Support from APD alumni in both time and money during the year has been very strong. The number of alumni contributors is up 12% with returns continuing. The average size of contributions is also up significantly. Support from the organized alumni clubs has been unprecedented. Four alumni clubs have made or pledged four figure contributions in sponsorship of critical National projects. The **Steubenville Alumni Club** got the ball rolling (See Page 2). Their challenge to other clubs spurred a fraternal response.

The **Mohawk Valley Alumni Association** volunteered to sponsor the production of the upcoming rushing material which will consist of posters, flyers and pamphlets for chapters to attract pledges during the semiannual semester rush.

The **Long Island Alumni Club** and the **New York Alumni Club** were not to be outdone. They also have pledged substantial sums to fund several Good & Welfare projects aimed at upgrading material National supplies to chapters, and increasing service to the undergraduates.

The **National Capital Alumni Club** celebrated the second annual feast of St. Francis of Paola (See above photo) on April 22nd.

Meanwhile in 5-D country, the **Pittsburgh Alumni Club** held a highly successful Awards Presentation in honor of Frank Rubolino and Doug Sundo, Outstanding Alumnus & Undergraduate, respectively. These Psi men have worked to help their local alumni club and chapter (Duquesne University).

Noted also, is the fact that the **Chicago AC**, **National Capital AC**, **Erie AC**, and **North Jersey AC** have each sponsored successful expansion projects during this past year.

Still it is felt that APD is underutilizing its tremendous base of alumni. Soon, the Office of Alumni Affairs will be established (per the new organization structure) to help coordinate this vast pool of talent.



PHOTO BY JOSEPH GAMBATESE

A STATUE OF ST. FRANCIS OF PAOLA, CARVED OUT OF CEDER WOOD IS TRANSPORTED ACROSS LAKE ANNE IN RESTON, VA., IN THE CLUB'S SECOND ANNUAL ITALIAN-TRADITION CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF THE "PATRON SAINT OF ITALIAN SEA WORKERS." STANDING BY THE STATUE ARE GRAND MARSHAL STEVE PUSATERI, LEFT, AND DAVE LOMBARDI, BETA UPSILON. FATHER BERNARD DELOS, WHO CELEBRATED MASS, IS SEATED BESIDE THEM. THE MUSICIANS ARE FROM THE ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL BAND. MEMBERS OF THE BETA UPSILON CHAPTER AT GEORGE WASHINGTON U. AND THE BETA PSI COLONY AT CATHOLIC U. PARTICIPATED IN THE CELEBRATION, WHICH WAS FOLLOWED BY A PICNIC AT THE RESTON HOME OF BROTHER FERACA.

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**Beta Eta** held a successful Fourth Annual Alumni Nite honoring Al Palazzo. **Beta Omega Colony** topped off a fine first year by assisting the university raise \$26,000 for Muscular Dystrophy and the Leukemia Society. They also treated a group of orphans to a day out with some brothers. **Beta Sigma** highlighted the spring semester with a surprise retirement banquet for Brother Camilus. Over 100 attended the affair, including alumni from the early 1960's.

The 50th Anniversary of **Beta Beta** was celebrated in grand style on the Manhattan College campus early in May. The brothers ran a fine affair which included a history of the chapter and a complete directory of the 50 years of brothers of Beta Beta. Guest of Honor was Joe Derrico, Sr., Beta Beta '37.

**Beta Phi** held their Annual Spring Formal in Cherry Hill, N.J. on May 11th. Attending were 30 chapter brothers, local alumni and fraternal officers. Awards were given to the graduating seniors while Mark Weber was named "Brother of the Year". The chapter has gained much attention recently at Glassboro by sponsoring dances, charity dinners and sporting events, to name a few. Thirty four active brothers will launch the fall semester, led by President Steve Calabro.

**Beta Rho's** 20th Anniversary Dinner featured oral histories of both the chapter and APD as it was in 1959. Several Brothers told the 'Beta Rho Story' to the over sixty guests in attendance. This affair rekindled activity in the Erie AC as many brothers reminisced through old scrapbooks of the chapter's years. APD alumni in the Erie area are asked to contact Rich Vendetti, 713 French Street, Erie, PA, for alumni club information.

# Obituary

## MICHAEL P. SACCO

Beta Iota

A counseling psychologist for the State of New York, Bro. Sacco died on January 15th, at age 34. Upon graduating Utica College in 1966, he attended Syracuse University where he received his Master's Degree in Psychology in 1969. Surviving him are his wife Frederica, daughter Tracey and son Michael Jr., both at home.

## DANIEL N. DRAGONETTE

Bro. Dragonette was born in Philadelphia in 1902 and lived most of his life in Newark, New Jersey. He graduated the Wharton School and went on to receive his C.P.A. Interested in boating, fishing and photography, he died June 7th of last year. He is survived by his sister Mary and brother Harry.

## PASQUALE (PAT) BERNARDI

Beta Iota

A prominent Utica attorney active in community affairs for the past twenty-one years, Bro. Bernardi passed away suddenly on February 28th, at age 47. Employed by the Utica Board of Water supply, he was active in Republican Party politics, worked with the Boy Scout Council and was a board member of the American Diabetes Association. He leaves his wife Anna, sons Dominick and John, and daughter Carla.

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He intends to have them microfilmed or purchase copies of those already on film. He is working daily on the documents in the National Archives, the Smithsonian Institution and the Library of Congress. There are many thousands of pages that need to be reviewed, catalogued and microfilmed. To assist the above work, the Committee has created a National Advisory Committee of scholars, archivists, and historians. This committee will function in 33 cities having the largest ethnic compositions.

If any brother has relatives or friends who would wish to participate, have them write to Dr. Bolino at: Restore Ellis Island Committee, C.U.A. Cardinal Station, Box 1314, Washington, D.C., 20064

# ACHIEVEMENTS

Joe Gambatese, National Capital AC, noted author and columnist, has edited the 17th annual edition of "Golf Guide", a small paperback that is recognized as one of the handiest and helpful books published on golf. Copies of the book can be obtained by writing the author at 7119 Exfair Rd., Bethesda, Md., 20014. Cost ranges from \$1. to \$1.50.

Charles Garbarino, Brooklyn AC, recently graduated New York Medical College and will pursue an internship at Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn, in pediatrics.

Charles Fiore, Brooklyn AC, has just completed his law studies at Fordham University Law School and is currently preparing for the New York State Bar Examination.

Richard Gaylord, past 6-D Governor, has been awarded one of the City of Long Beach, California, Human Relations Commission Awards. This award is presented to individuals who have made outstanding contributions toward improving the quality of human relations in the community.

The Palazzo Boys, Al, Vincent and Al Jr. all of Theta Beta and the New York AC, have all been honored recently. Al was toasted by Beta Eta Chapter (Brooklyn College) at "Al Palazzo Nite", in recognition of his many years of service to APD. Meanwhile his elder offspring swept the Third District Outstanding Alumnus & Undergraduate Awards. Vince was cited for his service to the New York AC and activity within the 3-D, Al Jr., who recently graduated N.Y.U., represents the 'ideal undergraduate' around 3-D town. Good work Dotty!

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If your lucky enough to receive an interview, you're almost home. About 1/3 of those interviewed get accepted. It is not important which side of an issue you take during the questioning, as long as you are consistent and logical. Do not lose your cool under pressure and vacillate in your views. The main purpose of the interview is to weed out those who appear unstable and unable to handle the pressures of medical school life.

Should you make a waiting list, your chances of getting in are good provided you make the list early. But, if you are rejected and are dedicated enough, there is the alternative of foreign medical schools. The most popular are those in Italy and Mexico. Graduates from these schools are just as much doctors as any other. Allied health field professions or even reapplication are viable alternatives. Some schools admire persistence, others do not.

One more hint, apply to those schools in the state(s) of your residence, as well as a selected few out-of-state. It will save you time and money. The main task of anyone applying to medical school is to be realistic and plan appropriate recourse should you fail in gaining admission or meeting minimum requirements. Know where your strengths lie, and make the most of what you've accomplished. Lastly, good luck!

(\*Bro. Cucco graduated N.Y.U. in 1976 and is currently a member of the Downstate Medical Center/State University of N.Y. class of 1980.)

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war. We must make our delicate mechanism as "shock-proof" as the other fraternities obviously were. Further, we must fully understand our reason for being; what our goals and objectives are as an undergraduate and graduate-alumni organization.

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