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## GREAT SUCCESS FOR THE ASILM GALA DINNER DANCE & AWARDS CEREMONY

A glamorous evening awaited members and guests of the American Society of the Italian Legions of Merit as they stepped into The Pierre Hotel to attend the organization's 48th Gala Dinner Dance & Awards Ceremony. With its elegant setting, unprecedented presentation, and spectacular Italian wine and food, the Gala was a memorable occasion that celebrated ASILM and its members and showcased Italian excellence.

Held February 20, 2014, this year's edition of the ASILM Gala was staged in the stunning Grand Ballroom of The Pierre, a luxurious five-star hotel whose prime location across from Central Park is just one of the many features that distinguish it from other fashionable hotels in New York City. The splendid interior of the Grand Ballroom was at once warm, inviting, stunning and unique.

In attendance were Italian officials in New York: Min. Natalia Quintavalle, Consul General of Italy; Dr. Lucia Pasqualini, Deputy Consul; Dr. Roberto Frangione, Vice Consul General; Dr. Pier Paolo Celeste, Italian Trade Commissioner; Hon. Piero Fassino, Mayor of Turin; Dr. Eugenio Magnani, Director of ENIT; Mr. Marco Martella,

U.S. Representative at the Bank of Italy; and Couns. Cecilia Piccioni, Gen. Giuseppe Alineri, Vice Adm. Alessandro Picchio and Gen. Mario Sumatra from the Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations.

Notable members of the Italian community in New York were present: Comm. Stefano Acunto; Comm. Robert Allegrini; Cav. di Gran Croce Lawrence Auriana; Cav. Vivian Cardia; Mr. Frank Desiderio, Esq.; Gr. Uff. RoseMarie Gallina-Santangelo; Uff. Hon. Marie Garibaldi; Uff. Marco Grassi; Cav. di Gran Croce, Hon. Frank J. Guarini; Cav. Josephine Buscaglia Maietta; Cav. di Gran Croce, Hon. Dominic Massaro; Cav. Joseph Mattone, Sr.; Cav. Dr. Domenico Mignone, M.D.; Uff. Hon. Eugene Nardelli; Cav. Berardo Paradiso; Comm. George Pavia; Comm. Salvatore Rotella; Comm. Salvatore Salibello; and Cav. Angelo Vivolo, among many others.

In addition, there were previous award recipients at the Gala (Cav. Irma Jaffe, Comm. Sirio Maccioni, and Comm. Dr. Fabrizio Michelassi, M.D.), distinguished friends of ASILM (Dr. Paolo Andreoli, Mr. Francesco Cafiso, Archbishop Francis Chullikatt, B.ssa Sheri de Borchgrave, Mr. Francesco De Angelis, Ms. Christina Fontanelli, Dr. Silvia Formenti, M.D., Hon. Patricia de Stacy Harrison, Mr. Peter Morrell, Mr. L.C. Sandi Pei, Cav. del Lavoro Giovanni Rana, Ms. Alessandra Rotondi, Dr. Francesca Verga, M.D., and Mr. Salvatore Zizza, to name a few), and the foremost press representatives.

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*Left (L to R): ASILM President Cav. di Gran Croce, Dr. Lucio Caputo, Hon. Patricia de Stacy Harrison, Dr. Silvia Formenti, M.D., Cav. del Lavoro Giovanni Rana, Toastmaster Mrs. Laura Savini and Ms. Kimberly Fry (ASILM) during the awards ceremony of the 48th ASILM Gala on February 20, 2014.*



*ASILM members, guests and Italian officials fill up the Garden Foyer at The Pierre Hotel on the occasion of the 48th Gala Dinner Dance & Awards Ceremony of the Society.*



*(L to R): Gr. Uff. RoseMarie Gallina-Santangelo, Mrs. Lisa Salibello, Mrs. Maria Theresa Fauci and Comm. Salvatore Salibello at the reception preceding the dinner.*



*(L to R): Mr. Pasquale Sorrentino, Mrs. Rita Sorrentino, Mrs. Francesca Lari Sorrentino, and Mr. Roberto Bellissimo of the Rana Group.*



*(L to R): Dr. Alessandro Francois, Mrs. Maria Antonietta Corsi and Mr. Carmine D'Orsi in the Garden Foyer for the reception.*



*Mrs. Mary Ann Mattone and Cav. Joseph Mattone, Sr., pose for a photograph at the reception.*



*(L to R): Cav. Dr. Edward Jackson, Cav. Josephine Buscaglia Maietta, and Cav. Dr. Vito DeSimone gathering together at the Gala.*





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## Message of the President of the Italian Republic H.E. Giorgio Napolitano



Roma, 20 febbraio 2014

Cav. di Gran Croce

Dott. Lucio Caputo

Presidente

American Society of the Italian

Legions of Merit

New York

Desidero porgere il mio più cordiale saluto alla American Society of the Italian Legions of Merit in occasione del suo 48mo Gala Annuale.

Nel corso degli anni, l'associazione ha dato prova di notevole capacità di aggregazione di talenti in grado di dar vita ad iniziative che hanno contribuito a rafforzare la tradizionale amicizia tra le Società civili al di qua e al di là dell'atlantico.

Formulo dunque le mie più vive congratulazioni ai nuovi decorati che si sono distinti nei rispettivi ambiti d'attività, facendo emergere lo spirito d'iniziativa e la creatività italiane e rendendo ancor più forti i legami e le sinergie tra Italia e Stati Uniti.

Porgo infine il mio saluto ai promotori dell'iniziativa ed ai gentili ospiti, augurando ogni successo all'associazione.

Giorgio Napolitano

#### Translation:

*I would like to express my warmest greetings to the American Society of the Italian Legions of Merit on the occasion of its 48th Annual Gala.*

*Over the years, the association has proven its notable capacity to aggregate talents who are able to create initiatives that have helped to strengthen the traditional bonds of friendship between civilian societies on both sides of the Atlantic.*

*Therefore, I send my highest congratulations to the newly decorated who are distinguished in their respective fields of activity, resulting in the emergence of the Italian spirit of initiatives and creativity, and rendering even more strongly the bonds and the synergy between Italy and the United States.*

*Finally, I offer my greetings to the promoters of the initiative and the dear guests, wishing every success to the association.*



*Ms. Denise Finnegan, from Colangelo PR and Ferrarelle USA, with her guest, Mr. Alessandro Boga.*



*Dr. Michele Verga, M.D., and Dr. Francesca Verga, M.D., arrive at the reception in the Garden Foyer.*



*Comm. Stefano Acunto and Mrs. Carole Haarmann Acunto at the cocktail reception.*

Throughout the evening, guests mingled with one another, fully enjoying the relaxed and pleasant atmosphere that settled over the Grand Ballroom. With the absence of speeches and a concise awards ceremony, guests were able to socialize and appreciate the presence of friends and new acquaintances.

Acknowledging the importance of the Society and its annual Gala, the President of the Italian Republic, H.E. Giorgio Napolitano, granted his high patronage to the event, a rare honor. This is the second time the president bestowed this honor, having done so the first time for the December 2012 ASILM Gala.

In addition to granting high patronage, President Napolitano included a written message for the occasion, which was included in the event program and read aloud during the Gala by the Consul General of Italy, Minister Natalia Quintavalle. The president expressed his warmest greetings and wishes for success to the Society on the occasion of its 48th Annual Gala and recognized the organization's valuable initiatives (full message on page 3).

The kindness of the president's words and his appreciation of the significance of the Society produced a warm atmosphere in the Grand Ballroom, providing an excellent beginning to the evening.

The toast to President Napolitano met with much enthusiasm from the guests, as did the toast to President Barack Obama.

One of the key highlights of the evening was the awards ceremony and its impressive line-up of honorees, all of whom have made important achievements in their respective fields and have established themselves as leaders in their professions. ASILM

President Lucio Caputo and Toastmaster of the event, Laura Savini, led the ceremony and presented the three prestigious awards: the Grand Award of Merit, the Grand Medal of Merit and the Gold Medal for Excellence in Wine.

The Grand Award of Merit, the highest honor given by the Society, is presented in recognition of individuals whose accomplishments, dedication and leadership have been influential in the lives of many. These individuals have strived toward improving the daily lives of the public with their contributions in diverse fields, including art, medicine, business, politics and jurisprudence, earning them fame nationally and internationally.

This year, the Grand Award of Merit honored four extraordinary leaders in their fields: Dr. Silvia Formenti, Chair of the Department of Radiation Oncology at NYU Langone Medical Center; Cav. del Lavoro Giovanni Rana, founder of the Rana Group and one of the most prominent food producers in Italy; Hon. Patricia de Stacy Harrison, President and CEO of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting; and Mr. Francesco Cafiso, a talented jazz musician who received the award on behalf of his predecessors: Sicilian jazz musicians who contributed to the development and diffusion of the musical style throughout the world.

Dr. Silvia Formenti is one of the strongest leaders in breast cancer research. In addition to her positions as Sandra and Edward H. Meyer Professor and Chairman of the Department of Radiation Oncology at the prestigious NYU Langone Center, she is also the Associate Director for Clinical Research and the Co-leader of the Breast Cancer Research Program of the NYU Cancer Institute. With over 150 research publications, she is a pioneer in the use of concurrent chemo-radiation in locally advanced breast cancer. Her advances in the treatment of breast cancer have earned her



high recognition throughout the world and have made substantial differences in countless lives.

Cav. del Lavoro Giovanni Rana began working with pasta when he was just 13 years old in his family bakery, and years later founded the Rana Group, whose outstanding pasta is the most popular in Italy and also an international success. The Rana Group's ingenious advertising campaigns, of which Mr. Rana acted as the company's spokesperson, in the 1990s, earned numerous awards and increased the company's level of visibility tremendously. Always striving to raise the bar of excellence in Italian cuisine, Mr. Rana has shown great dedication in promoting Italian brand-name foods in international markets, and in creating high-quality, easy-to-prepare food products for consumers everywhere.

Hon. Patricia de Stacy Harrison is the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the leading funder of public radio and public television programming in the U.S. Hon. Harrison is devoted to public media initiatives

that help communities across the country, such as "American Graduation: Let's Make it Happen," which identifies and implements solutions to the high school dropout crisis. She is also an influential and inspiring advocate for the education of women and girls across the globe, serving as Chairman of the Leadership Council for "Women and Girls Lead," an innovative public media initiative that landed her on the Forbes list of "Women Changing the World in Media" in 2012.

Each recipient spoke briefly upon accepting their awards, thanking the Society and its members for the recognition.

The presentation of the fourth Grand Award of Merit 2014 was a particularly memorable moment in the evening. The final award was being given, as explained by President Caputo, on behalf of Sicilian musicians who have been instrumental in the development of jazz in the United States and throughout the world.

"In the late 19th century," Dr. Caputo noted, "Sicilian musicians



*Dr. Lucio Caputo with the evening's award recipients: Mayor of Turin Piero Fassino and Cav. del Lavoro Giovanni Rana (right).*



*Mr. Frank Desiderio, Esq., and Mrs. Barbara Desiderio at The Pierre Hotel.*



*(L to R): Prof. Elizabeth DeFeis, Uff. Hon. Marie Garibaldi (Executive Vice President of ASILM), Cav. Vivian Cardia and Ms. Patty Theis pose together during the reception.*



*Architect L.C. Sandi Pei and Mrs. Kari Pei, both distinguished friends of the Society, enjoying the evening's festivities.*





immigrated to New Orleans where, as they mixed their musical style and ideas with those of local musicians, they would play a pivotal role in the rise of jazz. To underline this important contribution by Sicilian musicians, we are awarding the Grand Award of Merit tonight to a talented musician who has played for President Barack Obama in Washington, during the Olympics in London, and has represented Italy during the celebration for the Year of Italian Culture in the U.S. Mr. Francesco Cafiso represents a rich musical tradition and continues to project it toward the future, as his predecessors had done.”

Mr. Cafiso stepped onto the stage and graciously accepted his award. With a warm grin, he informed the guests that he would be delighted to play a song for them. His saxophone in hand, he performed his signature “La Banda,” whose soothing notes and playful melody enraptured the guests. The room, silent during the performance, erupted in applause at the song’s finale.

Previous recipients of the Grand Award of Merit include: Hon. George W. Bush, former President of the United States; H.E. Giorgio Napolitano, President of the Italian Republic; Comm. Dr. Fabrizio Michelassi, Surgeon-in-Chief at New York Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center; Cav. di Gran Croce, Hon. Arnaldo Pomodoro, the renowned Italian artist whose works stand prominently throughout the globe, from the Vatican Museums in Rome to the United Nations in New York; Cav. di Gran Croce, Hon. Antonin Scalia, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States; and Gr. Uff. Hon. Ronald Spogli, former United States Ambassador to the Italian Republic.

In addition to the Grand Award of Merit, ASILM bestowed the Grand Medal of Merit upon two relevant political figures: the Mayor of Turin, Hon. Piero Fassino, and ASILM member Cav. di Gran Croce, Hon. Frank J. Guarini. This medal is presented to members and personalities who actively support the Society, and help to further its mission by participating in its significant initiatives.

Becoming Mayor of Turin in May 2011, Piero Fassino is renowned throughout Italy for his great works for Turin. Under his leadership and through his many activities, the city of Turin has risen as a leader in industry, finance, culture and education on an international level. Mayor Fassino has an impressive political resume, having served such roles as State Secretary for Foreign Affairs during the Prodi Government, Minister of Foreign Trade during the D’Alema Government and Minister of Justice during the Amato Government, among many other leading positions.

Further exemplifying his support and high recognition for the Society, Mayor Fassino has gladly volunteered to offer a welcome reception in honor of ASILM during its trip to Turin this June (more info on page 11).

Cav. di Gran Croce, Hon. Frank Guarini represented Hudson County (New Jersey) in the State Senate for two terms (1966-1972) and served in the U.S. House of Representatives for seven terms (1979-1993). Hon. Guarini served as a delegate to the NATO Convention in London, and was later nominated by President Bill

Clinton, with the consent of the U.S. Senate, to serve as U.S. Representative to the General Assembly of the United Nations. In addition to having an impressive political career, he has had extensive involvement in education throughout his life.

A member of ASILM for many years, Hon. Guarini has consistently showed pride and support for the organization’s activities, including when he represented the Society, along with his fellow ASILM delegation members, at meetings with President Giorgio Napolitano and with the then-Pope during the Society’s trip to Rome in November 2011.

Previous notable recipients of the Grand Medal of Merit include: Uff. Hon. Marie L. Garibaldi, Cav. Irma Jaffe and Comm. Sirio Maccioni.

This year, the awards ceremony again celebrated some of the highest-quality Italian wine in the world with the Gold Medal for Excellence in Wine. The producers who accepted medals on behalf of their outstanding wines were: Mr. Jacopo Biondi Santi (of Biondi Santi), Dr. Pierluigi Bolla (of Valdo), Dr. Alessandro Francois (of Castello di Querceto), Mr. Calogero Mannino (of Abraxas), Francesco Rabellino (of Zonin), Dr. Luca Rigotti (of Mezzacorona) and Dr. Maria Teresa Severini (of Lungarotti). Chef Nicola Valle, the Executive Chef of Rana Pastificio & Cucina, who prepared the evening’s dinner, was also recognized with the Certificate of Merit for his passion for excellence in cuisine, and joined the wine producers on stage.

After President Caputo gave his closing remarks, Panorama Music began playing its buoyant tunes, and all of the honorees—the wine producers, Chef Valle, and the Grand Award of Merit and Grand Medal of Merit recipients—once again went on stage to join in the festive closing ceremony. The audience clapped and cheered. It was a touching scene that enhanced the entire evening.

One of the most memorable parts of the evening was the four-course dinner-with-a-twist: each course featured pasta. Specially designed by the master of pasta himself, Giovanni Rana, and prepared by Chef Nicola Valle, each dish was playful, colorful and delicious. Rarely has such a dinner taken place before, and it proved to be an inventive touch to an already unique program.

For the first course, guests feasted on ravioli aperto, beets, and goat cheese, artichoke ravioli, pecorino and a sauce of fresh herbs. The second dish was ravioli baccalà in squid ink pasta and lobster alla diavola. Guests then moved on to the third plate: Nduja ravioli, fresh burrata and spicy bread crumbs.

The delectable dessert featured Vin Santo gelato, Sicilian paccheri with chocolate, ricotta, pistachio and candied orange, fried ravioli with cream and fried ravioli with chocolate.

To further showcase Italian excellence and the dining experience,

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*Dr. Lucia Pasqualini and Dr. Lucio Caputo in the Grand Ballroom of The Pierre Hotel.*



*(L to R): Mr. Enzo Capua, Dr. Silvia Formenti, M.D., Dr. Fabrizio Michelassi, M.D., Mr. Alberto Cribiore, Dr. Caren Heller, M.D., Min. Natalia Quintavalle, Cav. Josephine Buscaglia Maietta and Cav. Dr. Vito DeSimone.*



*Dr. Paolo Andreoli and Mrs. Paola Andreoli of Rome, long-time friends of ASILM, in the Garden Foyer.*



*(L to R): Mrs. Olga Paradiso, Mr. Alberic Paradiso, Mr. Mike Malloy, Mrs. Claudia Malloy, Mr. Mike Burns, Mrs. Loyse Paradiso, Cav. Bernardo Paradiso, and Mrs. Linda Burns mingle at the reception.*



*(L to R): Cav. di Gran Croce, Hon. Frank Guarini, Prof. Elizabeth DeFeis, Cav. di Gran Croce, Hon. Dominic Massaro and Ms. Christina Fontanelli catching up before dinner begins.*



*(L to R): Italian Trade Commissioner, Dr. Pier Paolo Celeste; Ms. Paola Potenza; and journalists Ms. Valeria Robecco and Mr. Francesco Semprini.*





*Uff. Hon. Eugene Nardelli with Consul General, Min. Natalia Quintavalle.*



*Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the UN, Archbishop Francis Chullikatt, and Grand Award of Merit recipient, Dr. Silvia Formenti, M.D.*



*Hon. Frank Guarini and Hon. Piero Fassino (right) pose with Dr. Lucio Caputo after just receiving their Grand Medals of Merit.*



*Cav. del Lavoro Giovanni Rana (right) receives his Grand Award of Merit from ASILM President Lucio Caputo.*



*Left (L to R): Chef Nicola Valle (of Rana Pastificio & Cucina); Dr. Paolo Andreoli (on behalf of Jacopo Biondi Santi); Dr. Pierluigi Bolla (of Valdo); Dr. Alessandro Francois (of Castello di Querceto); Mrs. Jannie Romani (on behalf of Calogero Mannino of Abraxas); Dr. Luca Rigotti (of Mezzacorona); Dr. Maria Teresa Severini (of Lungarotti); and Mr. Francesco Rabellino (of Zonin) accept their awards during the ceremony. Valle received the Certificate of Merit, and the wine producers received the Gold Medal for Excellence in Wine.*





Clockwise:

*Dr. Lucio Caputo holds the microphone for Hon. Patricia de Stacy Harrison, President and CEO of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, as she expresses her gratitude after receiving the Grand Award of Merit.*

*Dr. Silvia Formenti, Chair of the Department of Radiation Oncology at NYU, gives some remarks upon receiving the Grand Award of Merit.*

*(L to R): Dr. Pierluigi Bolla, Mrs. Jannie Romani, Mr. Francesco Rabellino, Dr. Paolo Andreoli, Dr. Maria Teresa Severini, Dr. Luca Rigotti, Mr. Francesco Cafiso, Dr. Alessandro Francois, Dr. Silvia Formenti M.D., Hon. Patricia de Stacy Harrison, Hon. Frank Guarini, Min. Natalia Quintavalle, Hon. Piero Fassino, Mrs. Laura Savini and Cav. del Lavoro Giovanni Rana come up on stage all at once to join in on the special finale of the evening's awards ceremony.*

*Mr. Francesco Cafiso performs "La Banda" for the guests after receiving the Grand Award of Merit.*





guests sampled an impressive assortment of fine wines donated by the top Italian producers. Among them were: Abraxas, Passito di Pantelleria DOC, 2008; Biondi Santi, Sassoaloro IGT Rosso Toscana, 2009; Castello di Querceto, “Il Sole di Alessandro” IGT Colli della Toscana Central, 2008; Consorzio Asti, Asti DOCG, 2013; Lungarotti, Torgiano Rosso Riserva, Rubesco Vigna Monticchio, DOCG 2007; Mezzacorona, Rotari, Flavio, 2005 (served during the reception); Valdo, “Oro Puro” Prosecco di Valdobbiadene Superiore DOCG, NV (used during the toasts to the president of the United States and the president of Italy); and Zonin, Masseria di Altemura, Fiano del Salento IGT, 2012.

The mineral water was provided by Ferrarelle USA.

Additional features of the evening’s program were the invocation given by Archbishop Francis Chullikatt, Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the U.N.; and the performance of the National Anthems of Italy and the U.S., both of which were performed by

Panorama Music under the direction of Mr. Rino Minetti.

Adding a more meaningful, long-term impact to this event, proceeds from the Gala were solely used to further the ASILM Education Fund.

The ASILM Education Fund was established by the Society for undergraduate college students who would like to pursue a degree in the Italian language. The scholarship will be granted on the basis of achievement, character, motivation and financial need, and will be subject to renewal throughout the recipient’s undergraduate college career.

Panorama Music performed its full range of jazz standards, top hits and rhythmic music as guests danced until midnight when the 48th Annual Gala of ASILM came to a satisfying close. ■

**KIMBERLY FRY**



*Guests socialize over the four-course pasta-themed dinner prepared under the supervision of Cav. del Lavoro Giovanni Rana.*



*Cav. di Gran Croce Lawrence Auriana (left) with Cav. del Lavoro Giovanni Rana.*



*(L to R): Guests conclude the enjoyable evening on the dance floor.*





## PIEDMONT TRIP PROGRAM

### JUNE 21 - 29, 2014

#### Saturday, June 21, 2014

Arrive in Turin  
 Check in at Grand Hotel Sitea (Via Carlo Alberto 35)  
 8pm: Welcome dinner at Grande Carte restaurant in hotel

2pm: Transfer to Portofino (*10 min. from SML*)  
 7pm: Dinner at Ristorante Stella in Portofino  
 9pm: Return to hotel by private coach

#### Sunday, June 22, 2014

9am: Full breakfast in hotel  
 10am - 5pm: Walking tour of the city (Santuario Basilica La Consolata, Mole Antonelliana, National Cinema Museum, San Lorenzo, Piazza Castello, and Palazzo Madama)  
 1pm: Lunch in a local restaurant  
 5pm: Return to hotel  
 8pm: Dinner at La Smarrita in Turin  
 10pm: Return to hotel

#### Thursday, June 26, 2014

9am: Full breakfast in hotel  
 10am - 5pm: Visit by private coach to Basilica di Superga; Turin Cathedral and its Holy Shroud; and then the National Auto Museum  
 1pm: Lunch in a local restaurant  
 6pm: Early dinner at Grande Carte restaurant in hotel  
 9pm: "Magic Turin" guided tour  
 11:30pm: Return to hotel by private coach

#### Monday, June 23, 2014

9am: Full breakfast in hotel  
 10am: Tentative meeting & medal ceremony with the Mayor of Turin  
 1pm: Lunch in a local restaurant  
 3pm: Visit Valentino Park and Borgo Medievale (*15 min. walk*)  
 6pm: Return to hotel  
 8pm: Dinner at Del Cambio Restaurant in Turin  
 10pm: Return to hotel

#### Friday, June 27, 2014

9am: Full breakfast in hotel  
 10am: Transfer by private coach to Asti  
 11:30am - 1pm: Visit to Consorzio d'Asti  
 1pm: Lunch  
 3pm: Transfer to Fontanafredda Winery by private coach (*30 min. from Asti*)\*  
 4pm: Tour of Fontanafredda Winery and the hunting house of La Bela Rosin\*  
 7pm: Transfer to Rivoli by private coach (*1 hour from Fontanafredda*)  
 8pm: Dinner at Combal.Zero restaurant in Rivoli  
 10pm: Return to hotel by private coach

#### Tuesday, June 24, 2014

8am: Full breakfast in hotel  
 9am: Transfer by private coach to Alba (*1 hour from hotel*)  
 10am - 12:30pm: Visit Ferrero confectionary plant  
 1pm: Lunch hosted by Amb. Francesco Paolo Fulci in a local restaurant  
 3pm - 7pm: Visit Palazzo Comunale and its Bishop's Palace, Cathedral of San Lorenzo, San Domenico Church, and historic center in Alba  
 8pm: Dinner at Ristorante Piazza Duomo in Alba  
 10pm: Return to hotel by private coach

#### Saturday, June 28, 2014

9am: Full breakfast in hotel  
 10am: Visit the Egyptian Museum  
 2pm: Lunch in a local restaurant  
 3pm: Transfer by private coach to Royal Palace of La Venaria Reale (*30 min. from hotel*)  
 8pm: Farewell dinner at Dolce Stil Novo Restaurant in Turin  
 10pm: Return to hotel by private coach

#### Wednesday, June 25, 2014

8am: Full breakfast in hotel  
 9am: Transfer by private coach to Santa Margherita Ligure (*2 1/2 hours from hotel*)  
 1pm: Lunch in a local restaurant

#### Sunday, June 29, 2014

9am: Full breakfast in hotel  
 Check out of Grand Hotel Sitea. Depart from Turin

**8 NIGHTS TOTAL**

**\*TENTATIVE - PROGRAM SUBJECT TO CHANGES**

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