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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

TIAHA Brothers,

We are about to enter the most challenging and demanding, but most profitable, two month period of our year. In two weeks we will have St. Raphael's Fair and then in early October we will have the International Festival. I am still working on the golf tournament which look like it will slip to October after the International Festival.

These are the events where we work the hardest, but take in the most money which enables us to fund, not only our club functions but more importantly, all the charitable work we do throughout our community and beyond. We support a number of worthy charities very well and the money we raise allows us to do an outstanding job on all fronts.

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Accordingly I am reaching out to all members, and your families, to dig deep into your sense of being and charity. We really need for everyone to really step up and volunteer to give your time and efforts to these events. Volunteer early and often. The more folks we have, the easier it is to accomplish our goals and the less work for each individual. I always say that if we have too many people, it just makes it a more social event than a labor event. We will not only need people to man the booths, etc., we really need people with trucks, vans etc. to help in transporting equipments, and all other supplies, food, etc. to the events. We need people to come before the event to set up and do prep work (Gotta love those Cary Guys). And we need people to commit to the day after the events to break down clean up, and get everything back to our storage facility.

St. Raphael's Fair is Friday and Saturday, Sept. 11th and 12th with clean up on the morning of the 13th. We need people starting around 10 or so on Friday till 10 that evening. On Saturday we need you starting at 10 till 11 or so that night. Call me or any Board Member and tell us when you'll be there.

Be advised that The Board is also working on another money maker for September 19, 20, and 21. More details to follow.

Stand up, step forward, and be counted! I don't have any idea who might have said that, but it sounded like a good way to end this message, and it is definitely what we all as members need to do.

**Fraternally yours,
Frank**

TIAHA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 4th, 2009 at Knights of Columbus, New Hope Road and Columbus Road, Raleigh, NC

Attendees: Frank Ferraro, Bob Caprioli, Victor Cononi, Jim Frederici, Vince Salvaggio, John Bono, Neal Caliendo, Bob Vetrano, Jack Giamportone.

Meeting Called To Order: 6:42pm at Knights of Columbus.

- **New Members Voted In By Board:**

1. The board unanimously voted in two new TIAHA members: James Barone and James Palmieri. (James Barone is no relation to Ray Barone of “Everybody Loves Raymond”.)
2. James Barone was introduced to TIAHA by Ryan Toni. James Palmieri was a guest of Sal “No Tomatoes” Notarmaso.
3. Congratulations to both James and James for becoming TIAHA’s newest members.

- **P.O. Box Rent:**

- a. TIAHA P.O. box rent still not paid. Box has probably been recycled by the post office by now.
- b. John Bono volunteered to go pay the box rental, or rent a new P.O. box for TIAHA; whichever is required.
- c. Capi gave John a check for payment of the P.O. box rental fee.

- **Durham Bulls Game for Oxford Orphanage:**

1. The date of the game is Thursday, August 20th.
2. Tony Aiello has obtained 30 tickets, compliments of his company, Humana.
3. John Bono said 22 children from Oxford will attend the game. That leaves 8 tickets available for TIAHA members and their families.
4. The board decided John Bono and Tony Aiello will each get a ticket for organizing and sponsoring the event. That leaves 6 tickets for TIAHA members on a first come, first served basis.
5. Speaking of baseball, these minutes are being typed on Monday morning after the NY Yankees completed an impressive 4-game sweep of the Boston Red Sox, putting the Yankees in a commanding lead in the AL East. I thought I’d throw this tidbit into the minutes for both President Frank and Victor Cononi to chew on. I love a good fight.

- **Cary Lazy Days:**

1. Bob Vetrano said TIAHA has withdrawn from the Lazy Days event due to logistical problems. Bob said the logistics are tougher to handle than those for the International Festival.
2. Lazy Days organizers would only provide one 20 amp electrical service to the TIAHA tent. That’s not enough for two fryers and a small refrigerator. Everything would have to be kept cold in coolers. That’s not acceptable, nor easy to do.
3. Bob will work at the Knights of Columbus booth at Lazy Days to learn from the Knights to see how they handle the logistics for the event.
4. TIAHA will get our \$250.00 entry fee back.

- **Italian Earthquake Relief:**

1. Tony Aiello was not at the board meeting, but he'd sent an email to President Frank asking what TIAHA's plans were with regard to Italian earthquake relief; since TIAHA has done nothing up to this point.
2. Tony's email requested that TIAHA simply collect a sum of money, since no fund raising effort ever got off the ground. Tony requested that money collected to be sent through appropriate channels to reach the earthquake victims.
3. Bob Vetrano made a motion that TIAHA donate a sum of money to the earthquake relief (without holding a fund raising event), but the board should vote on the amount to donate after the Raleigh International Festival. Bob felt we need to check TIAHA's financial health after the International Festival before deciding how much to donate. The motion was seconded by Capi.
4. John Bono made a motion that the board tables all discussion about making a donation to earthquake relief until after the International Festival. Jim Frederici seconded the motion.
5. Both motions were approved by board vote.

- **Jack Giamportone Investment Options:**

1. Jack was invited by Capi to present to the board some options for investing the money TIAHA currently has tied up in Certificates of Deposit.
2. Capi is not sure who is receiving the bank statements for the TIAHA CD's. It may be Vince Conzola, who was Treasurer before Capi. Capi needs to contact Vince.
3. Jack discussed a couple of options available for moving the money from CD's into other investment vehicles. They'd be low to medium risk investments.
4. Nothing can be done until Jack can see the current bank statements for the CD's to know how much money there is, and when the CD's are scheduled to automatically renew.
5. The board thanked Jack for attending the meeting and providing his financial wisdom.

- **Newsletter:**

1. Neal Caliendo, our newsletter editor, attended the board meeting to discuss options available for having the hard copy versions of the newsletter printed, stapled, folded and mailed.
2. There are approximately 20 – 22 TIAHA members who receive their monthly newsletters via snail mail.
3. Neal presented costs and options from some of the area copy services. Neal Caliendo will have the copies made at the least expensive A Place To Copy, Spring Forest Road, Raleigh and he will also take care of applying mail labels, stamps and mailing of newsletters.
4. Jim Frederici made a motion that Neal Caliendo should receive his annual TIAHA dues for free for doing an outstanding job as newsletter editor for the past several years, and for continuing on as editor. The newsletter requires a very large amount of work each month. The motion was seconded by both Vince Salvaggio and Bob Vetrano. The motion was approved by the board.

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- **TIAHA Member Application:**
 1. Victor Cononi asked: “Where are the membership applications for all of the TIAHA members? Who has them?”
 2. The membership chairman should have them. Capi thinks they may be in several boxes of TIAHA stuff that was given to him in the past. Or, President Frank thinks they may be in the file cabinet that’s in the TIAHA storage shed.
 3. The membership applications should be found. A search will be made.

- **Raleigh Sidewalk Painting Festival:**
 1. Held the weekend of September 19th and 20th in downtown Raleigh on Fayetteville Street. The street is closed to traffic.
 2. About 10,000 people attend over a 2-day period. The festival hours are 10am – 10pm.
 3. Since TIAHA is pulling out of the Lazy Days in Cary, the \$250.00 Lazy Days entrance fee could be used to set up a grill on the sidewalk outside of Sarah Parker’s art shop. TIAHA could cook and sell simple sausage and pepper subs. No electricity required for a charcoal grill.
 4. Victor Cononi has discussed this with Sarah Parker and gained her approval.
 5. For vegetarians, TIAHA could also sell eggplant parm subs.
 6. TIAHA could sell bottled water only as drinks and make a good profit from water sales.
 7. This would be a simple event in which to participate, with easy logistics. Sausages could be par cooked at K of C ahead of time.
 8. TIAHA would donate 10% of our profits to the Visual Art Exchange, for Sarah Parker allowing TIAHA to set up a grill in front of her art shop.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:15pm

TIAHA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

July 15th, 2009 at Knights of Columbus, New Hope Road and Columbus Road, Raleigh, NC

President Ferraro called meeting to order at 6:58pm. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

GUESTS

Tony Antonelli, former TIAHA member.

Jim Barone, guest of Ryan Toni, works in commercial property management, Sicilian heritage.

Louie Bruno and James ???, guests of Sal, retired Brooklyn firefighters, both Napolese.

GOOD AND WELFARE

1. Bob V. read e-mail from Vinnie Caldaro; wife had baby, sorry he hasn't been to meetings lately..

2. Lou Fabrizio's uncle or grandfather passed away in Long Island.

3. Frank's mother-in-law has been in a temporary nursing facility and will hopefully be coming home to Frank's house soon.

4. Mark Aliano's wife has been ill.

OLD BUSINESS

LAZY DAYS – August 22nd

- Bob V. needs lots of volunteers to help with setup Friday the 21st at 7:00pm, and all day Saturday (7am to 5pm). Also will need help cleaning up on Sunday.
- Menu includes mozzarella sticks, rice balls, tortellini, and cannoli.
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- **Editor's Note:** TIAHA's participation in Lazy Days has been cancelled.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

- President Frank trying to schedule. Shooting for a Friday in September at Hedingham.
- Need prizes and hole sponsors. Benefit for USO and Soldiers' Angels.
- Frank to send e-mail explaining how to elicit sponsors along with tax exempt status letter.

ST. RAPHAELS

September 11 & 12. We again will have food booth and waste management.

INTERNATIONAL FEST

October 2,3 & 4

ADOPT A HIGHWAY

Was going to be August 22nd, but will move to following Saturday because of Lazy Days.

ANNUAL PICNIC

Sunday, September 20th, at Odd Fellows.

Sidewalk Painting Festival

September 18-19 in downtown Raleigh. Vic to get more information on this as possible fundraiser.

DURHAM BULLS GAME FOR OXFORD HOUSE

August 20th at 7:00pm.

32 tickets will be purchased by Humana Healthcare via Tony Aiello.

USO

- Dale is looking at trying to do something in early Fall, probably on a Tuesday or Wednesday.
- Need a place to cook – possibly Healing Place for Women.

ANNUAL PICNIC

Sunday, September 20th, at Odd Fellows.

NEW BUSINESS

- No one checked the PO Box at the post office in a while and our lease expired. Bob G. will work to submit new application so we can re-open.
- Tony A. expressed disappointment that the Board hasn't done anything with respect to Italian earthquake relief. Frank asked Tony to bring his concerns to next Board meeting.

COOKS

Thanks to Carmine, Rudy, Ron, and Tony A.

NEXT MONTH: Ryan Toni, Jim, and Vince Salvaggio

ITALIAN HERITAGE

Tony A. showed a great Rick Steve travel video about the Italian Riviera – Cinque Terra.

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Tony Antonelli - \$30.00

Meeting adjourned 7:55pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Vince Conzola (subbing for Jim F.).

TIAHA 2009 Board Members



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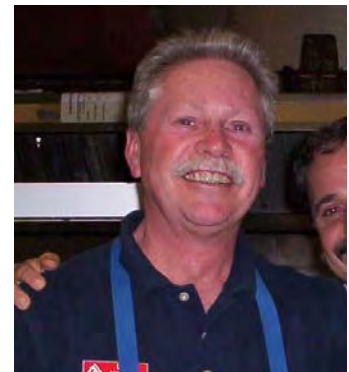
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John Bono
Member at Large



Dale Mancuso
Member at Large

Lee Iacocca (Famous Italian-American)



Born: October 15, 1924
Allentown, Pennsylvania

American businessman and auto industry executive

After a thirty-two year career with Ford Motor Company, including eight years as president, Lee Iacocca engineered one of business history's greatest comebacks at Chrysler Corporation. His success, coupled with appearances in television commercials and his best-selling book, made him one of the nation's most known and admired businessmen.

Early life

Iacocca was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania to Nicola Iacocca and Antonietta Perrotta, Italian immigrants (from San Marco dei Cavoti, Benevento) who had settled in Pennsylvania's steel making belt and operated the restaurant, Yocco's Hot Dogs. It was reported that he was christened with the unusual name "Lido" because he was conceived during his parents' honeymoon at the Lido Island district in Venice.^[3]

Iacocca graduated from Allentown High School (now known as William Allen High School) in 1942, and Lehigh University in neighboring Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, with a degree in industrial engineering. He is a member of Tau Beta Pi, the engineering honor society, and an alumnus of Theta Chi Fraternity.

After graduating from Lehigh, he won the Wallace Memorial Fellowship and went to Princeton University, where he took his electives in politics and plastics. He then began a career at the Ford Motor Company as an engineer. Eventually dissatisfied with that job, he switched career paths at Ford, entering the company's sales force. He was very successful in sales, and he moved up through the ranks of Ford, moving ultimately to product development.

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Iacocca was married to Mary McCleary in 1956. Mary Iacocca died in 1983 after a decades-long struggle with diabetes. Both before and after her death, Iacocca became a strong advocate for better medical treatment of diabetes patients, who frequently faced debilitating and fatal complications. Iacocca married his second wife Peggy Johnson on April 17, 1986 but in 1987, after nineteen months, Iacocca had the marriage annulled. He married a third wife, Darrien Earle, in 1991. They were divorced three years later, in 1994. He has two daughters: Kathryn and Lia.

Iacocca's enlistment in the military during World War II (19139–45) was denied because of his childhood battle with rheumatic fever, a terrible disease that can cause permanent damage to the heart. He earned an undergraduate degree in engineering from Lehigh University and later earned a master's degree from Princeton University. Even as a teenager, Iacocca decided that he was going to be an automobile company executive and focused his studies in that direction. He secured a much sought-after engineering trainee job at Ford Motor Company in 1946, but put off his start until he completed his master's degree at Princeton.

At Ford Motor Company

Joining Ford as an engineering trainee in 1946, Iacocca soon entered the fast pace of sales. In 1960, at age thirty-six, he sped into the vice presidency and general managership of the company's most important unit, Ford Division. In 1964, with others on his staff, he launched the Ford Mustang, which, thanks to brilliant styling and marketing, introduced a new wave of sports cars, set a first-year sales record for any model, gave its name to a generation, and landed its creator's picture on the covers of *Time* and *Newsweek*.

In 1960 Iacocca was named Ford's vice president of the car and truck group; in 1967, executive vice president; and in 1970, president. Pocketing an annual salary and bonus of \$977,000, the flashy executive also earned a reputation as one of the greatest salesmen in U.S. history. Of Iacocca, it has been said that he was always selling, whether products, ideas—or himself.

From Ford to Chrysler

Iacocca was let go from Ford Motor Company in June 1978 by Chairman Henry Ford II for reasons Ford never revealed. Though bitter at being dismissed from Ford, Iacocca was not out of the car business for long. Five months after his dismissal, Iacocca was named president of Chrysler (becoming chairman in 1979) and began transforming the number three automaker from a sluggish moneymaker into a highly profitable business.

How was Chrysler turned around? By downsizing (to make smaller) expenses to a much lower break-even point; by winning approval of \$1.5 billion in federal loan guarantees; by selling off profitable units such as the tank division; and by introducing timely products. In addition, Chrysler welcomed, for the first time in U.S. corporate history, a union president to a board of directors. In 1984 the company posted profits of \$2.4 billion (higher than in the previous sixty years combined), and in 1985 it bought Gulf-stream Aerospace Corporation for \$637 million and E. F. Hutton Credit Corporation for \$125 million.

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In the early 1980s Chrysler issued the K-car and what would later become its best seller—the minivan. Just as the Mustang reestablished the sports car for Ford, the minivan would be loved by the young family in need of room and efficiency and revitalize Chrysler. In 1983 Chrysler paid the government back its loans and Iacocca became a star, a symbol of success and the achievement of the American dream.

Along with spearheading Chrysler's rise, Iacocca took leadership roles in many noteworthy causes, most notably the chairmanship of the President's Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Centennial Commission, which was set up to raise funds for and to oversee restoration of the two monuments in New York City. While Iacocca gained a worldwide reputation through business leadership, television commercials, and association with the Statue of Liberty, he gained much additional exposure through his 1984 autobiography (a book written by someone about their life). *Iacocca: An Autobiography*, the best-selling nonfiction hardcover book in history, had two million copies in print by July 1985.

Folk hero

By the mid-1980s Iacocca had achieved folk-hero status. The *Saturday Evening Post* described him as "the sex symbol of America" and *Reader's Digest* as "the living embodiment of the American dream." Talk of Iacocca-for-president became increasingly widespread, and a 1985 poll of 1988 presidential preferences showed that the cocky industrialist trailed Vice President George Bush (1924–) by only three percentage points (41 to 38 points).

The late 1980s and early 1990s were not as kind to Iacocca. His public image, like Chrysler's earnings, began to fall. At a time when the American people, in the grip of a recession (a temporary slowing of the economy), criticized the huge paychecks of executives whose companies were hurting, Iacocca who had once achieved a publicity coup (takeover) when, for a time, he only accepted one dollar a year from Chrysler, was paid a 1987 salary of \$18 million. In addition, Iacocca, criticized Japanese trading practices, blaming them for the ills that American car manufacturers had suffered. Critics stated that the American public believed that Japanese cars were superior and instead of criticizing the Japanese, Iacocca's car company should have competed with them. At the end of 1992, Iacocca retired. He remained a consultant to Chrysler, with a \$500,000 thousand a year salary and use of the company jet, until the end of 1994.

In 1995 Iacocca announced that he was taking Chrysler to court, claiming that it unlawfully blocked him from exercising \$42 million in share options that he had earned while he was the chairman. Chrysler claimed that Iacocca's role as an adviser to Kirk Kerkorian, the investor who wanted to purchase the company, violated the share option plan agreement. Although Kerkorian's bid failed to materialize because he was unable to raise the financial backing, Chrysler agreed to pay Iacocca \$21 million to settle the lawsuit. Iacocca continued to work as Kerkorian's consultant.

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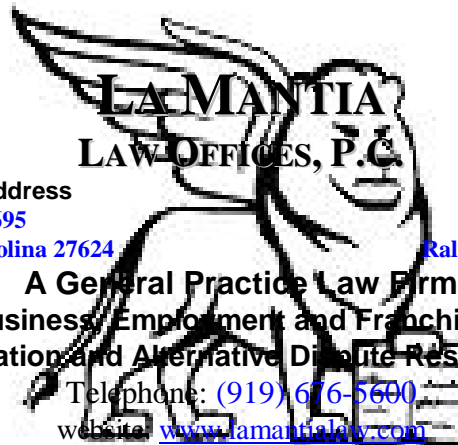
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QUIZ (See next page for answers)

- 1: Costa Smeralda (Emerald Coast) is a popular tourist destination for Italians during the summer. Where is this destination hotspot located?
- 2 During World War II, what significant historical Italian monument was nearly destroyed by the U.S. Army due to the potential threat from snipers?
- 3: Which Italian city is known for its craft in making glass, including blown glass?
- 4: This town was originally built on Mount Subasio and was home to Saint Francis. Name this town.
- 5: This city, founded as a safe haven for people fleeing barbarians after the fall of Rome, is known for its renowned canals and 118 tiny islets. Name this city.
- 6: How many Italian cities have populations of over one million and which cities are they?
- 7: What is the largest metropolitan area by population in Italy?
- 8: What are the Dolomites?
- 9: Along with the town of Pompeii, this town was destroyed by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in A.D. 79. Name this town.
- 10: This opera house, perhaps the world's greatest theater, opened in Milan in 1778 and can accommodate 2,800 people. Name this opera house.
- 11: This town in Sicily is known for the exquisite Roman Villa Imperiale, built by Emperor Maximilianus. Name this town.
- 12: This city, founded as Tergeste by the Celts, is the largest port city on the Adriatic Sea. Name this city.
- 13: Which two great leaders of the American Revolution were fluent in the Italian language?
- 14: During World War II, Rosie Bonavita was an icon of sorts and a symbol of American women who worked in the factories while men were away in the armed forces. By which other name was she known?
- 15: Italian immigrant Ettore Boiardi established this company that rose to become the largest supplier of rations to the United States and Allied armed forces during World War II. Today, this company specializes in ready-to-eat spaghetti dinners, pasta and pizza. Name this company.

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

1: Sardinia, specifically the northeast coast

2: Leaning Tower of Pisa

3: Venice

4: Assisi

5: Venice

6: Four - Rome, Milan, Naples, and Turin

7: Milan

8: Mountain chain in northern Italy primarily spanning the Trentino-Alto Adige region

9: Herculaneum. Resina now sits atop the buried town.

10: La Scala

11: Piazza Armerina

12: Trieste

13: Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin

14: "Rosie the Riveter"

15: Chef Boyardee

Top 20 Italian Last Names

Below are the top 20 Italian surnames throughout Italy:

Rossi
Russo
Ferrari
Esposito
Bianchi
Romano
Colombo
Ricci
Marino
Greco
Bruno
Gallo
Conti
De Luca
Costa
Giordano
Mancini
Rizzo
Lombardi
Moretti

Italian Naming Conventions

Traditionally, Italian parents have chosen their children's names based on the name of a grandparent, choosing names from the father's side of the family first and then from the mother's side. According to Lynn Nelson, author of [A Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your Italian Ancestors](#), there has been a strong custom in Italy that determines how children are named:

- the first male is named after his paternal grandfather
- the second male is named after his maternal grandfather
- the first female is named after her paternal grandmother
- the second female is named after her maternal grandmother

Nelson also points out that: "the subsequent children could be named after the parents, a favorite aunt or uncle, a saint or a deceased relative."

On the Map

Historically, many Italian last names were based on where a person lived or was born. Leonardo da Vinci's family was from [Vinci](#), a town in eastern Tuscany—hence his last name, meaning "from Vinci." Ironically, during his lifetime, he was referred to solely by his first name. The sculptor Andrea Pisano, best known for his panels on the bronze south door of the Florence Baptistery, was originally named Andrea da Pontedra since he was born in Pontedra, a village near Pisa. He was later referred to as "Pisano," indicating the town famous for the Leaning Tower. The single-named Perugino was from the town of [Perugia](#). One of the most popular Italian last names today, Lombardi, is tied to [the region of the same name](#)

ON A PERSONAL NOTE:



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

John and Debbie Argento
Peter and Kathleen Cari
Emelio and Rosa D'Arduini
Joe and Carole Frangiosa
Dale and Lorraine Mancuso
Andy and Jackie Porcelli
Carmine and Anna Sacchitello
Ron and Carol Torsone



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Dale Mancuso
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Ginny Aiello
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Mary Colombo
Fran Giannuzzi
Hanny Isenrich
Rachel Kuharcik
Patricia Pagnani
Therese Polito

CONGRATULATIONS:

Tony Aiello's daughter, **Lauren**, got engaged 2 weeks ago. A July 2010 wedding is planned. Tony was thinking of retiring but, I guess, he'll have to put it off for awhile.

Sal Notarmaso's son, **Sal**, leaves for the Army August 21. He is 31 and joined the service.

Vincent Caldaro's wife gave birth to a baby boy this past May. The baby's name is Angelo **Emmanuelle**. The Caldaro's have three other teenage children.

Steven Spampinato has accepted a position with CorVel in Raleigh in their workman's compensation claims department.



EDITOR:

Is something newsworthy?

Let us know, send it to

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TIAHA UPCOMING EVENTS

August 19th (Wednesday), 6:30 PM - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Knights of Columbus, New Hope and Columbus Roads, Raleigh

August 20th (Thursday), 7:00 PM - DURHAM BULLS GAME FOR MASONIC HOME FOR CHILDREN

August 29th (Wednesday), 8:30 AM – ADOPT A HIGHWAY Meet at Brassfield Elementary School at the intersection of Brassfield and Honeycutt Roads, north Raleigh.

September 1st (Tuesday), 6:30 PM – EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: Knights of Columbus, New Hope and Columbus Roads, Raleigh.

September 11th-12th (Friday-Saturday), ST. RAPHAEL'S FAIR St. Raphael's Church, Falls of Neuse Road, Raleigh, NC

September 16th (Wednesday), 6:30 PM - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Knights of Columbus, New Hope and Columbus Roads, Raleigh.

September 20th (Sunday), - TIAHA FAMILY PICNIC Odd Fellows Lodge, 7805 Six Forks Road, Raleigh

October 2nd thru 4th (Friday-Sunday), INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL Raleigh Convention Center, Raleigh, NC