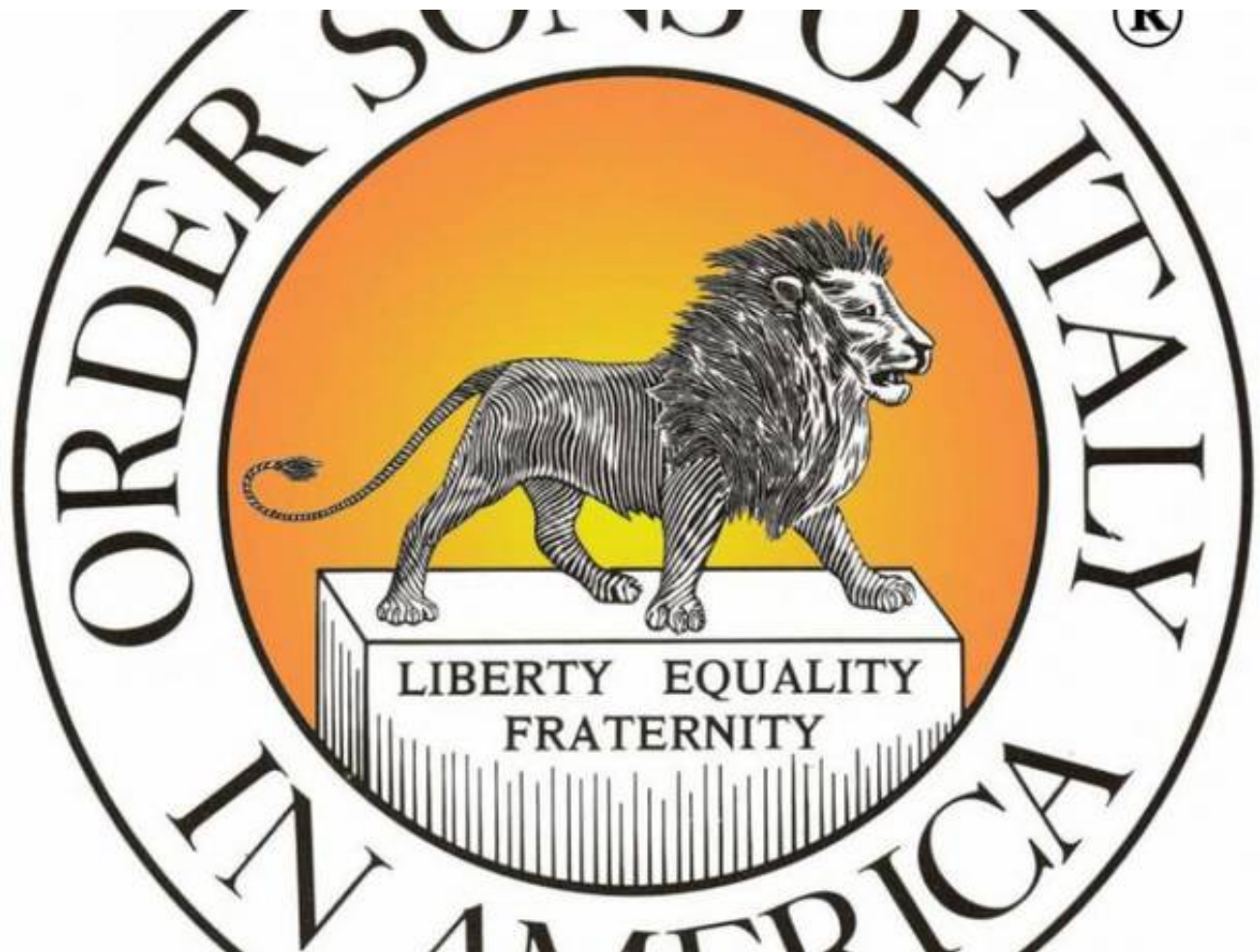




OSIA: Honoring Joseph Sciamè

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The Guglielmo Marconi Award, the Order Sons of Italy in America's (OSIA) highest honor, is named for the Nobel prize-winning Italian physicist who invented wireless telegraphy. It is presented biennially to an Italian American who has made significant contributions to the United States. This year's honoree is Joseph Sciamè. He will be recognized at the Marconi Gala during the Sons of Italy's 54th Biennial National Convention in Bonita Springs, FL, on August 22, 2015.

Joseph Sciamè has been an active member of the Order Sons of Italy in America® since September 1968 when he joined the Cellini Lodge #2206 in New Hyde Park, NY. From 1993-1997, Mr. Sciamè served as the Sons of Italy® Grand Lodge of New York President where he doubled the Grand Lodge's scholarship endowment and actively raised funds for various philanthropic efforts.



Mr. [Sciamè](#) [2] was elected National President of the [Order Sons of Italy in America®](#) [3] in 2003 becoming the 30th president to serve. Since 2010 he has served as the Chair of the Conference of Presidents of Major Italian American Organizations where he brings over 45 organizations together to work on issues affecting Italian Americans.

Mr. Sciamè also serves as the Vice President for Community Relations at his alma mater St. John's University. He has served on numerous boards and committees including the Queens Division of the American Cancer Society, [John D. Calandra Italian American Advisory Council of CUNY](#) [4], the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee - NY, Inc. and the Board of Directors of the Cooley's Anemia Foundation.

Mr. Sciamè has also received over 150 awards for his leadership and commitment to the Italian American community and his profession. He was appointed to the rank of Cavaliere Ufficiale (Knight Officer) by the [Order of Merit of the Republic of Italy](#) [5]. He has also been honored by the Vatican, among others, with orders of knighthood.

Please join us as we celebrate the history and legacy of OSIA. OSIA lodges and the Sons of Italy Foundation® (SIF) award more than \$1 million every year to Italian American college-bound students. The SIF also funds cultural programs, medical research and disaster relief - nearly \$163 million to date. Proceeds from the Marconi Gala support these OSIA and SIF programs. Joseph Sciamè has been instrumental in helping raise these funds.

Please help us support these programs and pay tribute to Joseph Sciamè by attending the Marconi Gala and/or placing an advertisement in the Biennial National Convention commemorative journal. Please see below for information about ticket and ad purchases, contact [Diane Crespy](#) [6] or call [202.547.2900](tel:202.547.2900) [7]. Thank you in advance for your support.

2015 Guglielmo Marconi Award Gala

Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa | Bonita Springs, FL
Saturday, August 22, 2015 | Reception: 7-8 p.m. | Dinner: 8 p.m.-11 p.m.
Formal Attire (White Jacket preferred for men)

MARCONI AWARD GALA TICKETS/TABLES

Tickets and tables must be reserved by **July 31, 2015**.

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The Commemorative Journal is 8 1/2" x 11". Deadline for advertisement submission is **July 31, 2015**. Advertising/listing contributions are tax- deductible, and proceeds go to the SIF's education and charitable funds.

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