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COLLECTION SUMMARY

Collection number:	MS 11
Collection title:	Center for Italian Culture records
Dates:	1956-2016
Size:	11 boxes (9.5 linear feet)
Creator/Collector:	Center for Italian Culture (Fitchburg State University)
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Accruals:	Accruals are expected annually.
Custodial history:	Material was acquired from creator/collector.
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Conservation notes:	Not applicable.

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ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORY

The Center for Italian Culture was established at Fitchburg State College in 1999 through a gift from Amelia V. Gallucci-Cirio as a community outreach program and is funded by the Fitchburg State University Foundation. The Center's mission is to encourage the understanding and appreciation of Italian language and culture and the Italian-American experience.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of the records of the Center for Italian Culture at Fitchburg State University. Included are administrative and programming records, oral history interviews for the Sogni d'Oro project, and research materials and media related to the history of Italian-Americans in the Central Massachusetts area.

COLLECTION INVENTORY

The collection is organized into four main series: Administrative records, Program records, Sogni d'Oro, and Italian-American research/history.

SERIES 1: Administrative records, 1997-2016

This series contains the administrative and publicity records of the Center for Italian Culture.

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Advisory Board by-laws & mission	1	1

Advisory Board agendas 1999-2014	1	2
Budgets	1	3
Fundraising	1	4
Fundraising	1	5
Mailing lists	1	6
Minutes 1999-2005	1	7
Minutes 2006-Present	1	8
Executive Board Minutes 2006-2011	1	8a
Advisory Committee Minutes 1999	1	8b
Archive Committee Minutes 2016	1	8c
Public use policy	1	9
Publicity	1	10
Publicity: Gallucci-Cirio film (DVD)	1	10a
Publicity: clippings	1	11
Facilities	1	12
Miscellaneous	1	13
Correspondence, 1998-2000	1	14
Correspondence, 2001-2009	1	15
Il Migliori award, Riccards application	1	16
Photographs, 5/23/2007	1	17
Photographs, misc.	1	18
Gallucci-Cirio endowment	1	19
Volunteer Staffing	1	20
Maine Directory of Italian Families, 1975-1979	1	21
Bulletin news 1950-1954	1	22
Study Room Dedication	1	23
Report of the President 1998-1999	1	24
The A.P Giannini Tribute and Awards Dinner	1	25
English for American Citizenship	1	26
Unprinted photographs		Oversize 1

SERIES 2: Programs, 2001-2016

This series contains records related to programs organized and hosted by the Center for Italian Culture.

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
ALBA program, 2001	2	1
ALBA program for children	2	1a
Circolo Vocale, 2001-2002	2	2
Taste of Italy, 2001	2	3
Italian-American Citizen of the Year, 2003-2005	2	4
Una Storia Segreat, 2004	2	5
Sogni d'Oro, 2002	2	6
Study Abroad	2	7

Celebration dinner, 2001	2	8
Celebration II, 2002	2	9
Celebration III, 2003	2	10
Celebration V, 2005	2	11
Celebration VI, 2006	2	12
Celebration X, 2010	2	13
Celebration X, 2010 Planning Guide	2	13a
CIC event calendars	2	14
Events external university	2	15
Scholarships: applications, 2006	2	16
Scholarship Awards Reception 2012-2013	2	16a
Scholarships: Gallucci-Cirio	2	17
Gallucci-Cirio dinner, 2002	2	18
Ephemera	2	19
Library dedication, 2002 (VHS)	2	20
CIC program posters/flyers	Oversized 1	

SERIES 3: Sogni d'Oro (Dreams of Gold), 2001-2002

This series consists of two subseries: 2.1, Sogni d'Oro interviews; and 2.2, Sogni d'Oro administrative records.

SUBSERIES 3.1: Sogni d'Oro interviews, 2001-2002

This series contains oral interviews conducted from 2001-2002 to document the experience of Italian-Americans in Worcester County, Massachusetts. Organized by individual, the files contain documentation and sound recordings of the interviews.

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Addante, Joseph	3	1
Addante, Annelisa & Brown, Maxwell	3	2
Angelini, Quintina Chiarelli	3	3
Antonioni, Atillio & Robert	3	4
Antonioni, George J.	3	5
Ballarin, Pia Cattel	3	6
La Banda	3	7
Battista, Monsignor Leo J.	3	8
Bisceglia, Grace "Aunt Grace"	3	8a
Brown, Maxwell (see folder 2 for CD-ROM)	3	9
Bisol, Sister Angela	3	10
Cali, Mary Spano	3	11
Caligaris, Phyllis Lanza	3	12
Casey, Julia	3	13
Clementi, John	3	14
Clementi, Sandro	3	15

Canlangelo, Matthew, Sarah & Anna	3	16
DiGeronimo, Arthur	3	17
Desjean, Doris Cattel	3	18
Educators: Damon, Jean DiPaoli		
DeCarolus, Joe		
Masciangioli, Pelino		
Scaramuzzi, Lucy		
DiNino, Vincent	3	19
Frigoletto, Robert	3	20
Gallucci-Cirio, Amelia	3	21a
Gallucci-Cirio, Amelia (photographs)	3	21b
Kelley, Christina Bisol	3	22
Lelli, Mary	3	23
Levanti Family: Mulcahy, Gloria Levanti		
Madonia, Marion Levanti	3	24
Mahoney, Theresa Mastrangelo	3	25
Mammone, Josephine Valera	3	26
Marcello, Antonetta (VHS)	3	26a
Mastrangelo, Fred "Angel"	3	27
Mazzaferro, Aldo	3	28
Mazzaferro, Anna	3	29
Mazzaferro, Maryanne Taylor & Rose Mary Pepin	3	30
Mercadante, Frances	3	31
Pellechia, Settimio A. "Babe"	3	32
Pisciotta, Salvatore "Sam"	3	33
Poirier, Dottie Giadone	3	34
Spacciapoli, Peter & Francesca	3	35
Tata, Daniel	3	36

SUBSERIES 3.2: Sogni d'Oro administrative records, 2001-2003

This subseries contains administrative records related to the Sogni d'Oro oral history project.

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Committee work, Feb.-Oct. 2001	4	1
Committee work, Nov. 2001-May 2002	4	2
Financial records	4	3
Grants	4	4
General information	4	5
Journal articles	4	6
Video scripts	4	7
Video scripts	4	8
Interview summaries	4	9
Presentation	4	10
Photo Documentation, scripts, interview summaries	4	10a

Audience Evaluation Form	4	11
Working Script	4	12
VHS tapes (6 copies)	5	11
DVD recordings (3 copies)	5	12
Plans for 2003	5	13
FSC Script Order 5/8/02	5	14

SERIES 4: Italian-American research, 1956-2006

This series consists of four subseries: 4.1, Italian-American Clubs/Organizations; 4.2, Italian-American families; 4.3, Italian-American War Veterans; and 4.4, Music.

SUBSERIES 4.1: Italian-American Clubs/Organizations

This subseries contains historical and research documents relating to local Italian-American clubs and organizations.

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Corfinio Club	6	1
Della Cava Administrative Records	6	2
Foggia Society	6	3
Foggia Society (VHS)	6	3a
Foggia Society Administrative Records	6	4
Italian Clubs of Fitchburg and Leominster, 2002	6	5
Pietra Perzia	6	6
Principessa Iolanda Society	6	7
Saladini Ladies Mutual Aid Society	6	8
The Saladini Club	6	8a
Sons of Italy	6	9
St. Anthony's Church	6	10
Mass. Italian-American Democratic Committee	Oversized	2
Italian Society M.S. Regions of Italy	Oversized	2
Founders Regions of Italy, 1909	Oversized	2
Foggia Society Gavel	6	
Mass Italian – American Democratic committee	6	11
Founder of Leominster Credit Union	6	12
Founders regions of Italy 1909	6	13
Saint Anna's Boy Scout Troup 13	6	14
S.O.S Club Private Businessmen's Club	6	15
Italian American Naturalization Club	6	16

SUBSERIES 4.2: Italian-American Families

This subseries contains historical and research documents relating to local Italian-American families.

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Angelini Family	7	1
Gerante Family	7	2
“History of Italian-Americans in Worcester...” – Polito, D’Argenis, and others	7	3
Letter from the Italian-American Citizens Club – To the Addorisio Family	7	4
Palumbo Family	7	5
Pirandello Family	7	6
Pirro-Paglia Family	7	7
Polito Family	7	8
Proietti Family	7	9
Proietti Family Big Poster with names	Over size 1	
Scopelliti and Mella Families	7	10
Tiberio Family	7	11
Tiberri Family	7	12
Tocci Family	7	13
Pellechia Family	7	14
Lolli Family	7	15
Piermarino Family	7	16
Lisciotti Family	7	17
Sostilio Family	7	18

SUBSERIES 4.3: Italian-American War Veterans

This subseries contains historical and research documents relating to Italian-American War Veterans in Massachusetts.

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Italian-American War Veterans 4th National Convention - 1939	8	1
Photos: Old Foresters, 1916 and - Italian American War Veterans, 1953	8	2
Photo: Italian-American Honorably Discharged – Soldiers Club, 1919	Oversized 2	

SUBSERIES 4.3.1 : Michael Vincent Addorisio Family Collection

Michael Vincent Addorisio Family Collection is a unique series of letters written by a son of the City of Fitchburg, Michael Vincent Addorisio, to his family during World War II. The letters, postcards, and medals presented here depict a military life that was tragically cut short while serving on the USS Reid during World War II. His letters describe his travels across the United States by train to his first duty station and his journey across the world by sea. Routines of a sailor's life and a firsthand account of Pearl Harbor are included. His medals, letters and that fateful Western Union Telegram bring Michael's story to life. This collection was carefully curated, preserved, and donated by Michael Vincent Addorisio's niece Rose Anne Addorisio, a Center for Italian Culture Board Member, and Professor Emeritus from Fitchburg State University.

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Collection Summary	12	1
Letters 1940	12	2
Letters 1941	12	3
Letters 1942	12	4
Letters 1943	12	5
Letters 1944	12	6
Death Notice	12	7
Honors/Award	12	8
Photos	12	9
Gifts that are mentioned in the letters	12	10

SUBSERIES 4.4: Music

This subseries contains documents relating to Italian-American musicians, composers, and bands as well as musical scores created by Italian-Americans.

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Christopher Columbus Suite Misc.	9	1
Christopher Columbus Suite Sheet Music	9	2
Fiori Fransescani Text from Musical Scores	9	3
Frankie Dee and his Orchestra	9	4
Italian Community Band, Fitchburg MA	9	5
Leominster Colonial Band	9	6
Musical CD's, Monatgna Infinita	9	7
Shine Dinardo and Bill Raffael, Corfinio Italy Area –	9	8

October 1995		
Una Serata Di Musica Italiana, Fitchburg State University –	9	9
November 12 th , 2004		
Italian Colonial Band Disc	9	10
Renato Carosone, L. Murphy	9	11

SUBSERIES 4.5: Italian-American Businesses

This subseries contains historical and research documents relating to local Italian-American businesses.

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Perla's Restaurant	10	1
S.M.S Santa Maria Del Campo di Alvito Ind.	10	2
Monty's Garden Restaurant	10	3
The Fraticelli Oil Company	10	4
Founder of Leominster Credit Union	Oversized 2	
Star Container Interview	10	5
Clito F. Piermarini Contractor & Builder	Oversized 2	

SUBSERIES 4.6: Italian-American Churches

This subseries contains historical and research documents relating to local Italian-American churches.

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
St. Anne's Church	11	1
St. Anna Parish Minstrel Show	11	2

SUBSERIES 4.7: Sports

This subseries contains historical and research documents relating to local Italian-American sports teams.

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Lancaster Areo Club meet el capitan R.L		
Gerhart co. Inc. Trophy	Oversize 2	