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April 17, 2007

We'll start this day after the flooding, with some interesting reviews of Sunday night's episode. First we have a report from one of my closest and dearest friends, **Irish Mafia** (*the lucky SOB had the day off yesterday*). [Irish starts off with Tony](#) complaining about how unsafe it is to walk down and get his paper in the morning (*he should come [in my hood if he wants](#) to experience dangerous*).

It's good to see that **Steve Rubio** is back to his old stuff. Steve has begun his weekly listing of the [Soprano F-Word count](#) for the new season. He not only keeps count, he also lists "*first utterance*", "*episodes averages*" and "*total for the series*".

The SF Gate has a detailed review on [Sunday night's episode](#), "*Stage Five*".

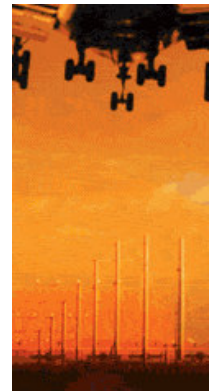
Has anyone noticed that the character of *Carmine Lupertazzi, Jr.* looks familiar? The actor, **Ray Abruzzo** had played the character of Sergeant Zorelli, Fallon's love interest on the television show, "*Dynasty*". [Newsday has an interview](#) with Mr. Abruzzo, and I have an interview with Ray, [which includes photos from his Dynasty days](#). Good guy, he is a kayaker also.

I have had a lot of positive feedback about [Vincent Curatola's](#) performance in Sunday night's episode. [The New York Daily News](#), interviewed him and gives some interesting insight into the role he portrayed so brilliantly as the dying Johnny Sack.

[March Sopranos photos of the month](#), including the world premiere at Radio City Music Hall

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On April 27, **Edie Falco** (*Carmela Soprano*) will be a guest on the ABC network program, "The View"

Steven R. Schirripa's new book,

"[The Goomba Diet: Living Large and Loving it](#)" is

expected to be released on **May 9, 2006**. The book review on [Amazon](#) is hilarious!

A picture can say a thousand words, and since I can't read Polish, there photos will have to speak for themselves. I came across a [Polish Paparazzi web site](#) which has photos from the Soprano sets which are located at Silvercup Studios.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

April 16, 2007

I think we all should observe a moment of silence over the passing of Johnny Sack in last night's episode. There was definitely some tremendous acting by all involved in that scene.

If there were "*minority set asides*" in the business of The Sopranos, the woman of the show, are more than entitled to that piece of the pie. [John Berman from ABC Nightline](#), speaks with **Edie Falco** (*Carmela Soprano*), **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) and **Jamie-Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*), about how the role of woman in the show, bring complexity to the plot lines of the series.

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And you thought that most men thought woman are sexy. [Forbes Magazine has an article](#) about the ten sexist cars out there. Tony Sopranos 55 thousand dollar Black Escalade made the list for the "*Sexist car for a Mobster*".

From the "*All the News that it fit to print*" is an article entitled, "[This Thing of Ours, It's Over](#)".

On Monday night at 7:45 pm HBO will have a behind the scenes on the making of the movie within a movie, "Cleaver". There is nothing on the schedule on the HBO website, but immediately after Sunday night's episode they had a commercial for this.

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Lou Martini Jr. who plays the character of *Anthony Infante* is going to be talking upp a storm tomorrow (*wasn't the storm North Jersey had on Sunday enough?*). Here is a listing of where you can catch him.

7:45 am – [WNNJ-FM](#) Classic Rock – The Jay Wulff Show

8:05 am – [Q92 WZKL 92.5 FM](#) (Canton, Ohio) – DeLuca in the Morning

8:30 am – [KHMx – FM](#) (Houston, Texas) The Morning Show

Time to be announced – KFYX 107.1 FM (Texarkana, Texas) – [The Sonny Mac Show with Shaggy](#)

Most of these stations you can listen to the broadcast live via streaming.

Imbibe, Inc. has come out with a new Sopranos soda line which includes flavors such as Chianti, Limoncello and Amaretto. The [Bevnet website](#) has a review of the beverages on its website.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

April 13, 2007

It's the end of the week, and after hearing what the weather forecast is for this weekend, do what you have to do on Saturday. Sunday, in North Jersey they are predicting monsoon like conditions.

Yesterday I had a piece on how **The Sopranos** changed the careers of certain actors lives, today [Tulsa World](#) has an article how the show, changed the rules that had been set



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in stone for television. One of the points brought up is how "it presents brutal murder as art." I never thought of it that way, but as much as you hate to admit it, most of us do look forward to some creative wackings.

I spoke to **Jeff Marchetti** (*Petey La Rosa*) the other day about this event, and it is going on. On **May 19** the annual "[Walk To D'Feet for ALS](#)" will be held at the same location, Boardwalk and Heiring Avenue in Seaside Heights, New Jersey. Several Sopranos actors are expected in attendance, but I have no names as of this early date. Past participants have included; James Gandolfini (*Tony Soprano*), Vincent Curatola (*Johnny Sack*), Robert Iler (*AJ Soprano*), Max Casella (*Benny Fazio*), Vincent Pastore (*Big Pussy*), Dan Grimaldi (*Patsy Parisi*) to name a few.



I see HBO is having some new Sopranos goodies produced. This article from the [Monterey County Herald](#), reports that the local artisan, Pat Areias was commissioned by HBO to produce a silver Sopranos belt buckle, which will be given to the cast & crew. No word when a couple of these will end up on E Bay.

We have a few more Sopranos episode names;

Number 82 – "*Walk Like a Man*" air date will be **May 6**

Number 83 – "*Kennedy and Heidi*" air date **May 13**

Number 84 – "*The Second Coming*" air date **May 20**.

There will be no episode aired on May 27, in respect of the Memorial Day holiday.

I am assuming that this means tonight, according to this link, John Berman of ABC's program "[Nightline](#)" will sit down with the female stars on The Sopranos to talk about the final season. [They also have a poll](#) which you can vote on which Sopranos character you would must want to see return.

This one is for those who attended [Barista of Bloomfield Avenue's](#) Soprano party, party boy and the [Tony Soprano look a like](#), Don Metzger made the [MSNBC list of best Soprano look a likes](#).

Tonight, **Jamie-Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*) will be a guest on "*Jimmy Kimmel Live*" (ABC)

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

April 12, 2007



When Vinny speaks the world listens. Have you ever thought about how **The Sopranos** has changed how you view television? I was usually in bed resting for the work week at 9 pm Sunday night, now I stay awake. But the show also has changed some actor's lives, mainly their professional ones. If you were a star of the big silver screen, you wouldn't even consider a role in a television show. Now because of The Sopranos, many screen actors are considering television roles for their careers. Eric Deggans from the [St. Petersburg Times](#) gets into how our favorite show, broke all the rules.

I see an ex [Jersey City boy](#) makes good on The Sopranos. Martial arts teacher, Joe Conti will be in the April 22 episode of The Sopranos. The guy won't say anything about what he did on the show; I'll have to get my nephew (*the black belt*) to persuade him in a kind gentler way...

Not sure whether [this is still going on](#), since I just heard that Don Imus got fired, but apparently **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*), was going to be a guest on his MSNBC show today. Scroll down in the article, and I see our boys are in Las Vegas doing a little filming. I just they didn't want any spoilers getting out since "*what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas*"....

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Edie Falco (*Carmela Soprano*) will be a guest on "Live with Regis and Kelly" on **April 12** (Thursday).

Feel free to comment on any of these stories at [The Sopranos Blog](#). You can also sign up there to be alerted on updates or suscribe to various RSS feeds.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

April 11, 2007

The ratings are in and Sunday night premiere of **The Sopranos**, saw a lower amount of viewers than usual according to [The Daily News](#). No explanation was given, but I know of one person, because of the holiday, wasn't able to watch the show until they got home and TiVo'd it. For those who missed Sunday night's episode, a episode re cap is up at the [HBO Sopranos web site](#).

When The Sopranos are over, what will happen to the cast of the show? [An ABC television affiliate](#) in Houston, Texas tackles this issue and what the future will bring to some of the actors. I think it will take a long time for viewers to see **James Gandolfini** not as Tony Soprano, but as a new character in a totally different production.

Tonight, [Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show](#) airs at 6 pm on Sirius Radio Raw Dog 104.



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Set the alarm for tomorrow, **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be a guest on the ABC program "The View". **Jamie-Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*) will be the guest host.

Feel free to comment on any of these stories at [The Sopranos Blog](#).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

April 10, 2007

It felt really good to finally get some well deserved sleep last night; the last couple of days have been crazy for me. I just can't be in two places at the same time (*but I really did a good job making it seem that way*).

She's BAAACCCKKK! My dear friend **Irish Mafia**, was busy doing her intensely personal recap on [Sunday night's episode](#). For those not familiar with Irish, check out some of her other tasteful (*aka less*) [spins on the show](#). You haven't seen the show until you have seen it through Irish's smiling eyes.

[Playbill has a list](#) of theatrical actors; we can expect to see in the final episodes of **The Sopranos**.

Who better to write about the music on The Sopranos, than the Master of Arms at the Underground Garage, **Steve Van Zandt** (*Silvio Dante*). Steve points out how the show besides the great writing, the show will also be remembered for the music scores. [This article originally appeared](#) in Billboard Magazine, where he a regular contributor. For more about the music, [I have song listings](#) by episode and artist.

Previously mentioned that HBO had some promotional spots created to promote sales of

the DVD sets. Here are the promotional spots, the first in entitled, "[Pole](#)" and the second is titled, "[Hair](#)".

Location, location, location, that is some of what has made the show so fascinating for me. [The Times Record](#) has a piece about the location used in the first episode, mainly the summer house that Bacala chose to spend his summer vacation at. They also have [some interesting pages](#) with more scoop and interactive maps, definitely worth checking out.

I see we have a new book about the Sopranos which will be released on **May 15, 2007**. The book is titled "[Sopranos: The Book](#)".

This isn't exactly MTV's "*Pimp My Ride*" but Forbes Magazine has a list of the [Ten Memorable car scenes](#) in The Sopranos. On a side note, "*Pimp my Ride*" & Governor Schwarzenegger, are working on a episode set to air on Earth Day, showing how you can pimp and stay green. Maybe Tony Soprano should take a [shorter ride home in the opening credits](#), he'd definitely save some of our natural resources.

Have a great day, today is a great day to go sample some water bagels from one of the original stores in North Jersey that had them. One notation, the is not the store that [Barista of Bloomfield Ave](#) patronizes.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

April 9, 2007

Great episode, definitely some funny points. Sometimes I look at the show, and I am simply amazed how fact and fiction are so similar. A prime example is the scene where a hung over Tony Soprano is woken up by Bobby Bacala, doing his civic duty with recycling, which I am a firm believer of. I can definitely relate to that one. I have a summer place, and my girlfriend's brother, whom I will refer to as "*lawn boy*" has the same nasty little habit of dumping the recycling into the container located directly below the window (*where my head is resting blissfully on a pillow*) at 6 am in the morning. I guess it is his way of reminding me, how he doesn't have a social life, and goes to bed early... The only reason I haven't confronted him about this is he really does a good job of mowing the lawn (*one less thing for me to do*).

I have some information about an upcoming event with **James Gandolfini** (*Tony Soprano*). On **Thursday, May 3 rd**, he will be at [Paramus Catholic High School](#), for a tribute to his father, the late James Gandolfini, Sr. The evening will benefit the James Gandolfini, Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund, and will feature a gourmet buffet dinner at 6:00 pm, where Mr. Gandolfini will join lucky attendees for greetings and photos. The elegant meal will be followed at 8:00 pm by an intimate **Actor's Forum**, in the school's auditorium. This will be a truly unique opportunity for guests to engage Mr. Gandolfini in conversation about his life, his career, and perhaps some behind-the-scenes scoops that would surprise even his most devoted fans.

In this exceptional public appearance, James Gandolfini, Jr. will honor his father, a noted local figure in his own right, and all proceeds from the event will benefit the scholarship that bears his name. The James Gandolfini, Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund was founded in honor of Mr. Gandolfini Sr.'s forty years of service to the Paramus Catholic community.

Reservations for dinner and priority seating for the Actor's Forum can be made for \$250 each, and reservations for the Actor's Forum only can be made for \$100 each. Seating is limited and will be assigned in the order reservations are received for an evening that is sure to fill up fast.

For reservation information: Please call **201-445-4466** extension **115**. There are a limited amount of tickets available for this event! This is sure to sell out.

Upcoming - **Steve Buscemi** (*Tony Blundetto*) and **Dominic Chianese** (*Uncle Junior Corrado Soprano*) [will be guests](#) at the upcoming Sarasota Film Festival. Mr. Buscemi, will participate in the event titled; "*In Conversation with...*" on **April 17** at the Asolo Theater, in Sarasota, Florida. This event will include a Q & A session. **Joe Pantoliano** (*Ralph Cifaretto*) will also be part of this event. Dominic Chianese, will introduce Norman

Jewison, when he receives the 2007 Lifetime Achievement Award at the closing night tribute being held on **April 21**. For more information, [click here](#).

An update about **Lorraine Bracco's** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) appearance on the ABC program, "*The View*" on April 11. **Jamie-Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*) will be the guest co host for that day.

If you ever had any questions regarding how to enjoy this special time, the premiere of *The Sopranos*, **Chris Lau**, from the "How to do things" website, has made up [a humorous list](#), to help with your party planning.

Not sure if I posted this link (*I really weed through a lot of stuff sometimes*), but [MSN has a video](#) which gives a **tour of the set of The Sopranos**, which originally aired on the Today Show. Lucky guy, the rest of us take the [Soprano Location Tour](#).

Now that everyone has seen the first episode, I have some goodies to share. First, I have some [behind the scene photos](#) that pertain to the first episode, that I have been holding (*something about getting wacked if I broke that Oath of Omerta*) and our good friend at Tierney's Tavern in Montclair, New Jersey, the location used to as the Canadian bar, where Tony and Bacala met to discuss a potential business relationship, with 2 hoods, also has some [photos up from the filming](#). If you are going to visit this location, Monday through Friday between 4 and 7 pm, its Happy Hour, drinks are half price across the board.

Lot of **Sopranos news stories** out there.

The Beacon News has a piece of *The Sopranos*, on what [they consider the six sickest hits](#).

[Zap 2 it has a Q & A piece](#) with several of the cast which includes; **Frank Vincent** (*Phil Leotardo*), **Sharon Angela** (*Rosalie Aprile*), **Tony Sirico** (*Paulie Walnuts*) and **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*).

I not sure whether you are aware of this, but generally when young child is cast on a television production, the protocol is to cast a set of twins to play that one particular character. It has to do with the laws regarding children in film production, and let's face it kids can be fickle (*so if one twin is maybe the other one isn't*). [The Ledger out of South Boston](#), has a piece about the 4 year old twins who play the character of AJ's girlfriend's kid.

[PR.com has an interview](#) with **Robert Iler** (*AJ Soprano*).

[Esquire Magazine](#) has a score card listing events in the show that need resolving, before the series ends. It's pretty funny.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

April 8, 2007

Tonight is the night we have been patiently waiting for. Even though the wait between part one of season 6 and part 2 of season six, has not been as long as previous waits between seasons, it has still been long nevertheless.

This is not on the HBO schedule tonight, so I am making an assumption, but there is a 27 minute gap between the end of the 7 pm movie, "*The Dukes of Hazzard*" and the 9 pm airing of the first episode, "*Home Movies*". My guess is that HBO will use to show footage from the premiere at Radio City Music Hall, held on March 27. HBO has always done something special in previous seasons, so I have no reason to believe, this time around will be any different.

Also a reminder about the party tonight, being held at Satin Dolls, located at 230 Route 17 South, Lodi, NJ 07644. There will be a free Italian Buffet, prizes and they have permission to air the episode, so you can watch it on the numerous large televisions at the establishment. I spoke to a few people who have done this in previous seasons and they

said it is a lot of fun!



A little refresher course on season 6 . We started out the season, tragically with Eugene Pontecorvo hanging himself after pleading with Tony and the FBI (*he has been a rat for quite some time*) to leave the family because of a substantial inheritance he received from a aunt, which can finance a move to Florida and leave the family. Uncle Junior's steady progression into fantasy land, results in Tony Soprano receiving a bullet in the gut with Pussy Malenga's (*old associate*) name on it.

The second episode deals with the hospital situation, as Tony blissfully lives in the (*la la*) land of Kevin Finnerty. Tony still into coma during episode 3, his other family (*especially Silvio*) struggles trying to control the Soprano Empire. Dick Barone, the owner of record of that Waste Managent company that Tony is a consultant at suddenly dies, leaving his heir to determine the company future. This heir, Jason Barone has been blissfully in the dark about the role of his father's company in Tony Soprano's life. He quickly learns a lesson from Paulie Walnuts, after a skully paddle adventure on the Passaic River. He really didn't need those knees for rowing anyway. Paulie's rage could have been fueled by the discovery of the deep family secret that he learns about his nun Aunt Dottie, on her death bed. She's not his true aunt, she's his mother. Turns out the woman, who he held in high regard as his mother, is really his aunt.

Life goes on. Johnny Sack, gets a one day pass from his cold dank jail cell at Club Fed, to attend the wedding of his daughter Allegra. Afterwards, Vito Spatafore, is out partying in his finest leather, at a gay bar, when he is spotted by someone making a collection for the mob. Vito, knowing the being gay in the organization, is the kiss of death, flees to the small town of Dartford, New Hampshire. There he discovers the sweetness of Johnny Cakes (*and we don't mean the fried corn bread kind*).

In the mean time Christopher and Carmine Jr. (*who handed over his role in the leadership on the NY family to Phil Leotardo*) fly to California to convince Ben Kingsley star in the yet to be produced movie, "*Cleaver*". Spurned by Ben, Christopher always the opportunist, mugs film legend Lauren Bacall, for the swag he received at an awards show. Artie and Charmaine Bucco, struggle with the lack of popularity of Vesuvio's recently because of a competitor, suffer another blow when credit card fraud investigators pay Artie a visit, to ask about some unauthorized charges on his patrons credit cards.

Times are changing. Tony is approached by a real estate agent Julianna Skiff, about selling one of his properties, to a national juice chain. Tony declines, but when the buyer matches what Tony wanted, it's a deal. Tony feeling loyalty to Carmela, after she professed her deep love during his recovery, backs off from "*doing the deed*" with Julianna, after a signed deal celebration. Vito's still dealing with his sexuality, AJ learns the hard way about being a heir to mob royalty (*he gets stuck paying the tab at some high priced clubs in NYC*). AJ is promptly arrested while visiting Uncle Junior, where he brought a butcher knife, in retaliation for what Junior did to his father. Confused by his path in life, pressured by his so called friends, AJ keeps with the family tradition and suffers a panic attack (*similar to one he had when he was younger on the football field*).

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With finances being squeezed, Paulie Walnuts cuts some corners during the annual Feast of Saint Elzear, which he runs in East Newark. This results in a injury to a child, on a ride that Janice and her daughter, were on at the time. Father Jose, wanting a higher percentage of profits to go to the parish, pisses Walnuts off, so the Priest denies use of the gold saint's hat. During the saint's procession from the Cathedral, Paulie is dissed by the local residents about the hat. He runs into Nucci, his aunt/mother who also comments about shameful it is for St Elzear to be missing the hat. While at a T Shirt concession, Paulie gets the call he has been dreading, his doctor wants to do a biopsy for prostate cancer. Christopher's girlfriend being pregnant, gets married, and then "*zones out*" with a

stray dog, while being high at the fair. Traveling back from a meeting with Tony, Chris (*opportunist again*) spots the Viper Motorcycle game robbing some expensive vintage of wine from a store and decides to rob the bikers. Bobby and Paulie are at odds, Bobby fuming over the possibility of his precious family being injured on the ride. The episode, "*The Ride*" ends, with Paulie visiting his Aunt Nucci at Green Grove, to make peace.

Vito is getting restless with the atmosphere in New Hampshire and makes the decision to go home and deal with everything. Janice pressures Tony to advance her husband in the corporate structure of things. Johnny Sack's bleak existence in jail is made even worse, when the Feds detail every facet of his finances (*even the hidden ones*). Faced with mounting money problems, Johnny Sack reluctantly agrees to sell his house to Bacala for half the market value. Johnny Sack eventually pleads guilty and accepts a jail term of 15 years. The news spreads, and Phil Leotardo ends the truce with New Jersey.

Vito returns to the Garden State knowing there is a price on his head, immediately goes to Tony to plead his case on economic grounds. Tony, who doesn't feel being gay is a capitol offense, mulls over the situation. Phil on the other hand, pressured by his wife who is the Vice President of Concerned Catholic Mothers, is outraged over the shame Vito's actions has brought on his family (*Vito is married to Phil Leotardo's sister*) and takes action. At Satriales, Silvio and Carlo Gervasi don't think it was too funny when Fat Dom, one of Leotardo's guys, shows up and starts talking \$hit how the whole thing about Vito's death as being hilarious. AJ is screwing up again, being fired from his Blockbuster job. Carmela and Rosalie Aprile do the smart thing, and take a trip to Paris.

Anthony Jr. is forced into the working world by his father, meets a hot looking Spanish girl on the construction job. Carmela is still haunted by the ghost of Adriana she spotted in Paris. Agent Harris, stops by the Satriales for a sandwich and warns Tony someone close to him may be in peril. Phil Leotardo is still pissed about the death of his brother Billy, but Little Carmine wants a truce. Newly married Christopher is still carrying on with his acquaintance, Julianna the Realtor, which he met in rehab, Tony disapproves and as a result, it sends both of them off the straight and sober wagon. Carmela's spec house gets approval to finish construction. Being Christmas at the Sopranos, the family gets to meet AJ's new girlfriend. Maybe she's not Italian, but at least she is Catholic, Meadow is in California with Finn.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

April 6, 2007



Great Sopranos party last night with [Barista](#), the food was awesome at [Joe Bartoni's](#), 151 Valley Road, Montclair, New Jersey. I definately have to go back to get some take out or even sit down and have a meal.

Pictured left to right, [Joseph Manuella](#) (*Robert DeNiro look a like*) Annette (*Barista reporter at large*) and [Don Metzger](#) (*winner of the HBO Soprano look a like contest*) . If you are considering having a party these guys are a lot of fun!

Next thing on my Soprano party list is the traditional ride of the [Sopranos Tour](#).

April 5, 2007

Today is "*National fun at work day*" and I am sure someone over at HBO PR had a lot of fun sending me this press release yesterday.

THE FINAL EPISODES OF THE SOPRANOS BEGIN THIS SUNDAY, April 8 at 9 PM !

We will not get into my response to this, but you can just imagine...

Anyway, they did send me some goodies, one is [this MSN page on the show](#), which includes some exclusive video clips, and more fun stuff about the show and a [Rolling Stone microsite](#) about the show which has some cool videos and music on it.

I saw the first two episodes of the show at the premiere last week. One of the scenes we see was filmed at a local establishment in Montclair, New Jersey, Tierney's on Valley Road. It's a scene where Tony Soprano and Bobby Bacala meet with 2 Canadian mobsters. [Here is an article](#) about the actors who portray them.

Last week **James Gandolfini** (*Tony Soprano*) attended the screening for the short film, "Club Soda" which he appears in. [The Examiner of Monmouth County](#), has an in depth article about it.

The play that [Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) is appearing in is [moving to a new location](#), the Galapagos Art Space in New York City.

HBO apparently has [2 commercials out](#) to promote sales of the DVD sets. Read the descriptions at that link.

One of my favorite actors on the show is **Steve Schirripa**. Steve is originally from Brooklyn, but presently resides in Las Vegas. Steve plays the character of *Bobby Bacala*, the sap who is married to Janice Soprano. [The New York Post](#) has an article about him and how he originally auditioned for a FBI agent on the show.

[Forbes Magazine](#) has an interesting article about social mobility on The Sopranos. Just remember one thing, people who live in New Jersey all live in houses just like Tony Soprano.

Lou Martini, Jr. (*Anthony Infante*) alert – today at 9 am, he will be a guest on the **Sam Malone Show** on [KHMx – FM](#) in Houston Texas.

Friday he is a busy guy, 8 am **WJRR-FM** in Orlando Florida, 8:15 am he will join the crew on the [Jay Wulff Show](#), then [WNNJ in New Jersey](#) at 8:15 am. You'd think he could squeeze in an interview with me, since he is so good at multitasking.

Two more dates to mark the calendar with;

April 13, 2007 – Jamie Lynn Sigler (*Meadow Soprano*) will be a guest on "Jimmy Kimmel Live" (ABC).

April 18, 2007 – Edie Falco (*Carmela Soprano*) will be a guest on the CBS show, "Late Show with David Letterman"

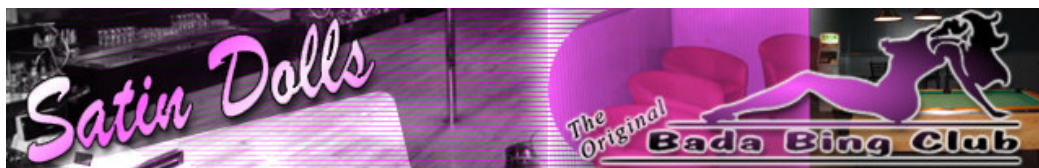
Today, **April 5, 2007** - . [EBay will have an auction](#), in which several items from [High Profile shows](#), will be up for bidding. An item of Sopranos fans interest is the "bloody" shirt worn by Tony Soprano when Uncle Junior shot him in the first episode of Season 6, part one. The catalog for this auction is [available on line](#), and they also have a print catalog.

Have a good day and dress warm. It may be the first day of summer in Iceland, but it isn't here.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

April 4, 2007

Looking for something to do for the premiere of the Sopranos on April 8 th? My dear friends over at Satin Dolls, the original Bada Bing Club (this is the actual location used in the show), are having a huge party in celebration and everyone over 21 is invited. It's going to be a all day party with hourly give a ways, free Italian Buffet, and promises of a lot of fun!



Satin Dolls is conveniently located at 230 Route 17 South, Lodi, NJ 07644. For directions [click here](#). Sopranos Vig is available for purchase at the club.

[Visit the Sopranos Blog](#), you just might find something that is not here.

It's Wednesday, and it being a short work week, this is such a nice thing. For those who work a 40 hour week, who wouldn't trade a 10 hour day, for perpetual 3 day weekends? Tonight, is a good night to stay home and listen to **Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show** on Sirius Radio. Check out [Cha Cha's web site](#) to see who will be in the studio. Immediately following the radio show, A & E will be airing 2 "sanitized" episodes, starting with episode 24, "House Arrest" and following with "The Knight in White Satin Armor". If you've forgotten what the plot lines are, [A & E has a brief synopsis](#).

A few months ago, in Brooklyn, New York, **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) was filming the movie, "PJ". [This is significant](#), because it marks the first time since "The Sopranos" that actor **John Heard** (*Detective Vin Makazian*) and Vinny have worked together. John Heard went on to do several projects, most notably being *Governor Frank Tancredi* the Fox network show, "Prison Break".

[The New York Post](#) spoke with **Steven Van Zandt** (*Silvio Dante*), about the show and how despicable Adriana La Cuerva's killing was.

NY Resident Magazine has articles about [James Gandolfini](#) (*Tony Soprano*) and some questions with [Robert Iler](#). [This AP story](#) about **James Gandolfini** answering his door, I heard about years ago.

If you still can't wait until Sunday, the HBO Sopranos website has a new video up about [Tony's birthday party](#). Have a wonderful day and stay dry.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

April 3, 2007

Sunday night is rapidly approaching, and for those looking to get away, Presidente InterContinental Hotels & Resorts is offering a "[Swim with the Fishes](#)" package just in time. I don't think this is the package Tony had in mind when he suggested it to Big Pussy. In case you are looking for a refresher course on the show, [The NY Post](#) has a quick guide to bring you up to par.

Last week there was a "First Reading: A Benefit for Studio Dante" held at the New York Historical Society. [Playbill](#) has some photos from the event. **Studio Dante** is the theater owned by **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) and his lovely wife Victoria.

A long, long time ago, nobody had heard of the show, **The Sopranos**. [The Chicago Times](#), has a piece about the beginnings of the show, and they quote one of my favorite entertainment reporters, **Virginia Rohan** (*who by the way got a sneak peak at the inner workers at the studio*). In the beginning, HBO begged **Little Steven** to bring Bruce Springsteen to the premiere to try to generate some hype about the show. Word is the first premiere party was held in a small pizzeria.

April 11, **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be a guest on **The View**.

Boobtubers Blog is having a blog a thon starting now, which they tout as a mob a thon, for more about this fun event, [check it out](#).

You can comment on these stories at [The Sopranos Blog](#), a reminder please keep it nice.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

April 2, 2007

We're definitely in the home stretch now, next Sunday, after the traditional dinner of baked ziti, the final episodes of the final season of **The Sopranos** will commence. It's amazing to think that the show first premiered in 1999. I guess all good things have to come to an end.

[The Jersey City Reporter](#), reflects on how the show has affected Hudson County and the surrounding areas, by its presence. The show has literally made the State of New Jersey a "star".

Visit the Sopranos Blog
<http://blog.sopranosuessightings.com/>

I have always wanted a "money tree" on my front lawn, but having a "cannoli tree" wouldn't be such a bad thing. Our friends over at [Comcast created](#) a promotional spot, with one of our favorite characters "Big Pussy" walking the streets of "[Soprano Heaven](#)" (*aka New Jersey*). I have a different cable system, so it was a treat to see the video on that SH link.

The Friday weekend [edition of USA Today](#), had an article, in which they interviewed **James Gandolfini** (*Tony Soprano*) and **Robert Iler** (*AJ Soprano*) about the show. Good stuff.

[Time Magazine](#), talks about The Sopranos Administration, and how everything is coming to an end.

[Some Sopranos trivia](#) to have fun with, while your boss isn't watching. Do you know how many animals died on the show? Or can you name all the things Tony Soprano hit Georgie the bartender with.

Not sure whether we will see Meadow's boyfriend Finn in the upcoming season (*last I heard was he was looking for the state furthest from New Hampshire*), but the actor **Will Janowitz**, recently did a independent film feature, "[Bristol Boys](#)". Check out the trailer on [YouTube](#). The movie is being released on **April 3, 2007**. It can be ordered via [the web site](#).

Here we go again, the odds makers are [listing the odds](#) of who won't make to the end of the series. I thought you couldn't wager on a fact that is known (*like by the deceased, the cameraman, the writers, etc*).

Funny to think, there are some people with the last name of Sopranos. [The Sun Times](#), has a piece how this last name, has its perks.

I've added a new thing to the site [a Sopranos Blog](#), which you can make comments (please keep them civil and NO SPOILERS) about any of these stories and subscribe to a **RSS feed** for update notifications. The new format will also categorize posting by subject topics.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

April 1, 2007

First, Bloomfield, New Jersey tried to ban The Sopranos, now [they are banning that delicious Italian treat](#), Zeppoles. Something about the white sugar getting all over your suit, and portraying Italian Americans in a bad light. Good thing that Pizzatown isn't in that town. They always have that treat on their menu.

March 30, 2007

The results are in from the screening of the short film, "*Club Soda*" at the Garden State

Film Festival. According to the [Boston Herald](#), it won the Best Dramatic Award. The movie features **James Gandolfini** (*Tony Soprano*).

The last night (Weds) there was an event held at the Museum of Radio & Television, titled, "Wacked Sopranos." [The New York Times](#) reports on some of the comments that were made by our dearly departed. If you missed it, [The Wise Guy Show](#) broadcasted live from the event, that show will be rebroadcast on Saturday, from 4 – 7 pm.

Forgot what has happened since the first episode of the show, [click here for a hilarious video re cap](#).

Newsday has a listing of the [10 greatest Sopranos moments](#), brings back some old memories.

I'm not a regular watcher of television in the morning (*or anytime*), but on April 12, **Edie Falco** (*Carmela Soprano*) will be a guest on "Live with Regis and Kelly". Regis is recuperating, so Pat Sajek will be the co host.

Cigar Aficionado, has [an article about Cigars and The Sopranos](#).

Friday, a wonderful thing!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 29, 2007

Lot's of stories out there about the premiere held the other night, so I'll try to skip them unless there is something worthy in them (*this actually makes my job harder weeding through everything*). I came [across on Fox News story](#), which gets into what some of the cast members plans are after the show.

Here's a chance to win a copy of a **Sopranos Cookbook** (*not sure which one*) for the reader who comes up with the [most creative ending for the series](#). Or you can [purchase the books here](#).

The town of Boonton, New Jersey's [Historical Society will host a house tour](#), on May 12, in which they also will be showcasing locations which were featured in The Sopranos. Boonton, New Jersey was used as the fictional town of Deptford, New Hampshire, where Vito Spatafore fled, to find himself (*or was it some tasty Johnnycakes*).



[Entertainment Weekly](#), compares two photos of family Soprano. One when the show originally premiered in 1999 and the other is much more recent.

I retrieved my camera from the other night, [click here to see some photos](#) from The Sopranos premiere at Radio City Music Hall, Tuesday night.

Have a wonderful day!

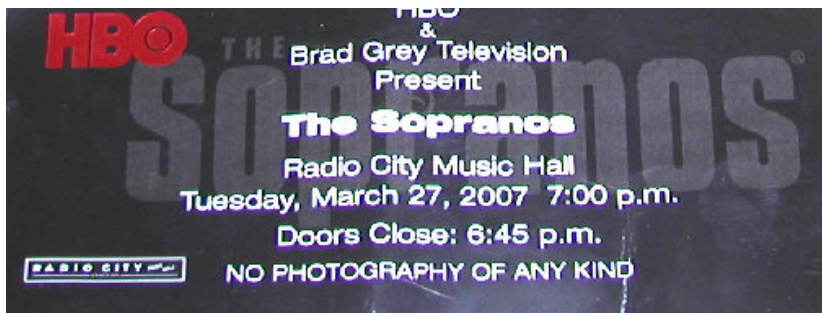
~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 28, 2007



Last night I

got to go to the premiere of **The Sopranos** at Radio City Music Hall in New York City. The no camera rule was being strictly enforced, so I dumped my camera with someone I knew. I'll get some photos up later on, when I get my camera back. For now, there is some [video on YouTube](#) of the "mob scene" on 51 st Street entrance, as the cast arrived on the red carpet. HBO was filming out there also, the cast on the carpet (*no they weren't rolled up in it*) and also the crowd who was watching the fun from across the street. Some of the loudest noises in the crowd came when a truck would be struck at the light, blocking everyone's view. [Media Bistro](#), has a listing of some of the talent, that was there.



[The NY Post](#) has some reports from last night.

The night started with the obligatory speeches from the royalty at HBO. David Chase, creator of the show, spoke about how HBO has fostered creativity in the artist, in addition to acknowledging those who made the show possible. Then, he introduced the cast of the show, some past (*away*) and others present, who have not yet had the chance to push up some daisies. Listening to the speeches, it hit me that, this really is the end of the show.

The screening started with a film, paying tribute to the entire crew of the show. Here we are introduced to all the individual crew members, in a short movie about them getting rounded up, and getting their mug shots. It was well done, and no one, regardless of their status on the crew was forgotten.

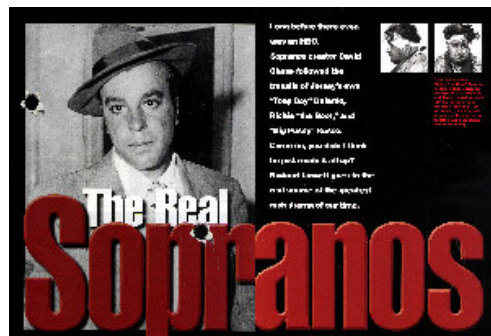
Immediately afterwards, the audience was treated to, the first 2 episodes of the show. I really don't want to get too much into the storyline and ruin it for anyone, but here are a few tidbits.

- Tony Soprano has his 47 th birthday, I have to admit some interesting gifts.
- At least 3 people leave their existence on earth
- We get to see the Montclair location, Tierney's interior
- Some of the performances by the cast were outstanding.
- There were definitely some really funny parts
- It always has simply amazed me, how a there can be loud gun fire, and nobody pays attention to it.

Sorry no spoilers, but I truly want you to watch this unaffected, and everything to be a surprise. I always look back on the scene when Richie Aprile was killed. Yes, we all knew his days were numbered on the earth, but as the audience, think back on the impact that scene had on you when it ended up Janice pulled the trigger. For those who just have to know something, [check out Newsday](#).

Monday night, there was a "First Reading" benefit for Studio Dante, [Broadway World](#) has some photos from the event. Studio Dante is the theater owned by Michael Imperioli and his wife. The play "Chicken" is [presently in production there](#). The play stars **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) and **Sharon Angela** (*Rosalie Aprile*).

For those over the age of 18 (*says on the magazine, you must be*), **Richard Linnet** has a story about the real Sopranos, in the April issue of Penthouse. The story on page 94, is a comparison between the lives of the real life Jersey wise guy, Anthony Boiardo and the fictional, Tony Soprano, in which the author believes the storyline of the show is based on. The Union County based DeCavalcante family and some guy in Garfield, New Jersey, are also making this claim. Richard Linnet interviewed Tony "Boy" Boiardo's son, and I have to admit he has a good argument.



Tonight, is the live airing of [Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show](#) on Sirius Radio, and I have to admit it doesn't get much "liver" than this. Sirius Radio will be broadcasting live from the "Wacked Soprano" event being held at The Museum of Television & Radio. Bryant Gumble will be moderating a panel which will consist of Sopranos creator, **David Chase**, **Steve Buscemi** (*Tony Blundetto*), **Drea De Matteo** (*Adriana La Cuerva*),

Annabella Sciorra (*Gloria Trillo*) and **Terence Winter** (*co executive producer*). David Chase is expected to discuss, "*the fine art of wacking.*"

Opens tonight! [Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) is part of the cast of a [Working Man's Clothes production](#) scheduled to open on **March 28, 2007**. Tickets can be purchased via [Smart Tix](#) or by calling (212) 868-4444.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 27, 2007

Weather report is predicted to be fantastic today, so definitely make a point of getting out and enjoying it while it lasts. According to [weather.com](#), after today it will return to temperatures which are more seasonal (*cold*).

There is a lot of speculation about how **The Sopranos** series will end (*or will it, I'm being optimistic*) In the [April 2007 issue of Dish Magazine](#), there is an exclusive interview with selected cast members, in which they asked this question. Some of the cast members also reveal their fondest memories about the show. I read somewhere that Tony Soprano takes over Holstens, and almost immediately sets out to get rid of his competition from [Rits'a Ice](#) across the street (*something about the music on the web site, I wouldn't exactly call it, "That's Amore"*).

Jersey boy, **Little Steven Van Zandt** (*Silvio Dante*) [Wicked Cool Record](#) company has signed a nationwide distribution agreement with [RED distribution](#).

In season 6 part one, we were introduced to a new character, *Kelli*. She was a replacement for Adriana, as Christopher's love (*lust*) interest, after she mysteriously disappeared after taking a one way ride with Silvio Dante. [The New York Post](#) has a story, about the Bronx born actress, **Cara Buono**, who plays the character. Christopher Moltisanti, immediately married her, after she announced a unplanned pregnancy.

[It was announced](#) that Soprano writer, **Terrence Winter**, will be part of an upcoming project with Martin Scorsese and Leonardo DiCaprio, to bring the book, "*The Wolf of Wall Street*" to the silver screen.

Get out and enjoy!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 26, 2007

With only **thirteen** (*very long*) days before the premiere of Season 6, part two of **The Sopranos**, it's good to know that HBO has been busy at work coming up with some cool stuff to get us more excited than we already are. If you want to know what is in store for us, [check out this link](#). I have to find someone who has Comcast Cable, I heard about the "*Sopranos Heaven*" spot, when it was made, and it sounded really good.

On **April 6**, HBO will have a behind the scenes look at the making of Christopher Moltisanti's movie, "*Cleaver*." If you missed some of the commercials that are running (*like me, I don't watch much TV*), they are available on line at the [HBO Sopranos website](#). There are also a few cast interviews on the page worth checking out.

Albert Ching from [AZStarNet is asking fans to voice](#) what they want to see in the final episodes of the show.

Tuesday, the DVD of the horror film, "[Dark Ride](#)", which features **Jamie-Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*) will be available. The story line is about a killer who preys on college kids who go on a haunted amusement ride, while at the Jersey Shore (*in Jersey we don't call it the beach*).

On **April 6**, **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) will be a guest on the NBC network show, "*Late Night with Conan O'Brien*."

[The Asbury Park Press](#) reports on **James Gandolfini's** (*Tony Soprano*) appearance at a Q & A session, held after the screening of the short film, "*Club Soda*" at the Garden State Film Festival on Saturday.

Some character names, you just can't shake of, [check out this video on YouTube](#), about one of the most loved characters on the show.

Shot by shot, "[Sopranos altered New Jersey landscape](#)", read some of the comments made by the people directly affected by the show, and what it has been like.

Have a good start to the week.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 23, 2007

Crazy day out there with **The Sopranos** filming in Bloomfield, yesterday. Lot's of spectators, but I do have to say it was an orderly bunch. The weather was fantastic, Italian Ice's from Rita's were cold, and I think the majority enjoyed the excitement that the filming brought to the town. A note to those die hard shopaholics out there, the store next door to [Holstens](#), had London Fog jackets for 20 bucks, and other fantastic deals on some brand name merchandise, definitely put Bloomfield on your shopping map. Buy Rite Liquors, a few doors down from Holsten's apparently stocks **Lorraine Bracco's** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) [Italian wines](#).

Sunday, Star Ledger is doing a huge spread, about New Jersey's number one fictional family. So, don't forget to pick up a copy.



Bunch of news stories about what was definitely a happening yesterday! **Peter Genovese**, from The Star Ledger (*the actual newspaper that Tony Soprano has delivered to his house every morning*), writes [about the die hard fans](#), whom some of which were out there at 5:30 am (*not me I was worshipping St. Mattress*). One correction, the spelling of the names is, Sadik, it was kinda loud out there yesterday, people were cheering **Robert Iler** (*A.J. Soprano*), when he arrived on set, so I can see how it got misheard.

I was out there reporting for my website and the Soprano's Watch blog I write (*and I must say, having a blast doing it*) for [Barista of Bloomfield Avenue](#). So, we also had live reports, going up as the event went on. Reports of **James Gandolfini** (*Tony Soprano*) [snubbing the crowd](#), judging by this picture on Barista, weren't exactly true.

1010Wins radio, has a photo montage from yesterday's [Sopranos filming at Holstens](#). According to Jonathan Miller of the New York Times, The Sopranos have spend [over 60 million dollars](#) in New Jersey, over the years, filming the series. Many of these include international tourists who spend, when they take the [Sopranos Tour with On Locations Tours](#). I contributed to the local economy yesterday, patronizing several of the local stores, and buying on of those commemorative t shirts from Holstens, to add to my shrine, with the Boonton Sopranos filming commemorative shirt.



Speaking of the economy, the [Associated Press](#), has some dollar figures on what the [Irish American Club](#) and the town of Kearny, New Jersey added to their coffers because of the show. And if you have had that urge to pole dance at Satin Dolls (*aka Bada Bing*), you'd better hurry up, the building is going to be razed and condo's will be built on the property.



Pig on the roof? Yeah, that is a sure sign The Sopranos are filming, but the pig only goes up, they are already there filming. Rumor (*legend*) has it they used to leave the Satriales pig up on the structure on Kearny Avenue, but it was stolen. [This piece from MSNBC](#), has some interesting tidbits, about some of the filming locations they use. **Peter Genovese**, from The Star Ledger, just couldn't stay away from a location that served hot tasty food (*he also writes the Munch Mobile column*), so it was just natural for [him to visit Pizzaland](#) from the [Sopranos opening credits](#). Pizzaland, probably is the states smallest pizzeria, and naturally it is located next to the state's smallest bar. Rumor has it, this bar is so small, all drinks are served in shot glasses....

One of the most talented actors on the show is New Jersey born and breed, [Vincent Curatola](#) (*Johnny Sack*). A huge supporter of [Hackensack University Hospital](#), he will be participating in the 2007 Seventh Annual Charity Motorcycle Run, on **August 19, 2007** where they will be [raffling off a One of a Kind, autographed](#) Sopranos Motorcycle. [DMN News wire reports](#) that Mr. Curatola has been cast in the upcoming martial arts feature film, "*Never Submit*". No word when production of this film is set to begin.

Tomorrow (*Saturday*) at the [5 th Annual Garden State Film Festival](#) screening event #P4, we have a 23 minute film, featuring **James Gandolfini** (*Tony Soprano*). The movie title is "Club Soda", and the story line reads, "*The Kid Leaves Boston for New York with dreams of becoming an actor. There he is befriended by a group of barflies who offer their own brand of advice to help the "young Brando from Boston" He steals money from the bar which brings him into conflict with his new friends causing him to re-evaluate his life, forcing him to make some tough choices and changes.*" [According to IMDB](#), the movie was released in September 2006, and also features **Michael Rispoli** who played the character of *Jackie Aprile, Sr.* from The Sopranos.

A reminder, about next week's symposium being held at the Museum of Television & Radio. The name of the event is "**Wacked Sopranos**" and will feature; Sopranos creator, **David Chase**, **Steve Buscemi** (*Tony Blundetto*), **Drea De Matteo** (*Adriana La Cuerva*), **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*), **David Proval** (*Richie Aprile*), **Annabella Sciorra** (*Gloria Trillo*) and Sopranos director, **Terrance Winter**. For more information, [click here](#). Portions will be broadcast on Wednesday night's Wise Guy Show on Sirius Radio. The date is March 28.

Today on the [Independent Film Channel](#), the movie, "[Two Family House](#)" which features; **Michael Rispoli** (*Jackie Aprile, Sr.*), **Kathrine Narducci** (*Charmaine Bucco*), **Matt Servitto** (*Agent Dwight Harris*), **Michele Santopietro** (*Jo Jo Palmice*), **Vincent Pastore**, **Joseph R. Gannascoli** (*Vito Spatafore*), and **Sharon Angela** (*Rosalie Aprile*) at **9:45 am** and **3:35 pm**. Excellent movie, so don't forget to TiVo it. The DVD is [available from Amazon](#).

Have a great day, stay dry.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 22, 2007

I see we have some younger readers out there. Yesterday's title was a reference to those television commercials from years ago, that touted Wednesday as being "*Prince Spaghetti Day*". Sunday's now have become, "*Baked F*\$cking Ziti day*."

In a few hours (*depending when you read this*), a new Sopranos commercial is set to air on MSNBC around noon. Not sure whether this is the commercial, but on the MSNBC website, "[they have a trailer up](#) (*click see trailer, window pops up, then in right column, "Final Episodes"*). Feel free to talk about it in at the [Barista Sopranos Board](#).

Having a little problem finding out [more about this event](#), but according to Broadway World, "First Readings; A Benefit for [Studio Dante](#)" is set for **March 26**. Some of the talents, who are participating include **Steve Buscemi** (*Tony Blundetto*), Jon Bon Jovi, and **Jamie-Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*). **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) will do the introductions and **Steven R. Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) will host a auction.

Couple of night's ago there was a very, very exclusive screening of the first two episodes of **The Sopranos** . [NY Mag](#), has a listing on 14 things that you will learn from these episodes.

Yesterday, **The Sopranos** were filming at New Jersey's favorite Pork Store, "*Satriales*" (*love this place, pork chops are aways on sale, they never change their prices in the windows*) according to [The Associated Press](#). Reports that I got from my spies, reported that it was a scene, with **Tony Soprano** (*James Gandolfini*) and **Paulie Walnuts** (*Tony Sirico*) sitting at a table in front of the store, shot from different vantage points over several

hours, exciting stuff! Good to know our boys are in the “*hood!*”

Vanity Fair, this month has a photo spread of **The Sopranos** which was shot by photographer, **Annie Liebowitz**. The text of the interview with Sopranos creator, [David Chase is on line](#).

When you're in your favorite newsstand, look for the [April issue of Cigar Aficionado](#), also has a Sopranos piece. The issue has a photo of the four main men of The Sopranos (*Christopher, Tony, Paulie and Silvio*).

Don't forget to visit the best source for the *scoop* in Bloomfield, Glen Ridge and Montclair, [Barista of Bloomfield Avenue](#).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 21, 2007

It's Wednesday, as always it is one of my favorite times of the week. First of all, we are halfway through the week, and the weekend is coming soon, and also it's the live airing of [Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show](#) on Sirius Radio, Raw Dog 104 at **6 pm**. For a listing of tonight's guests, check out [Cha Cha's web site](#). **Cha Cha** plays the character of *Albie Cianflone*, Phil Leotardo's driver on The Sopranos. Immediately afterwards at **9 pm**, The Sopranos airs on the A & E network.

I have two new video clips featuring our favorite television show. The first is entitled, [“Paint it Black”](#) and the other is a [“Sopranos Death Montage”](#).

[Don Metzger](#), when you win the prize while participating in this reality show, remember WHO you pay the “*vig*” to, after all [I told you about this one](#).

With the filming of **The Sopranos** wrapping up shortly, it is freeing up many of the actors to pursue new projects. **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) is no exception. [Iceland Review](#), reports that he has been cast in the Icelandic movie, “*Stóra planid*” (“The Big Plan”). Production is expected to commence in April and May.

[Broadway World](#) has the cast line up for the new Eric Sander production. [Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) is part of the cast.

Peter Bogdanovich (*Dr. Elliot Kupferberg*), will be a guest star in an upcoming episode of [“Law & Order: Criminal Intent”](#) set to air on **May 8**.

Looking forward to my nightly 8 pm call about stuff showing up somewhere else.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 20, 2007

Today marks the fourth anniversary of the war in Iraq. One of the forgotten casualties of the war are our Veterans, who are left (*sometimes far from home*) in the hospitals to recover. Without fan fare and the glare of the media, **James Gandolfini** (*Tony Soprano*) [visited one of a military hospital](#) in Washington, DC. Apparently Mr. Gandolfini has been doing this for months, before HBO's documentary chief discovered this and produced a film, “*Alive Day Memories: Home From Iraq*,” tentatively scheduled to air **July 4** on HBO.

James Gandolfini isn't the only cast member who has been visiting our wounded veterans. **Maureen Van Zandt** (*Gabby Dante*) in February 2007, with the Chris Daugherty (*American Idol*) fan club personally visited soldiers in Walter Reed and the Bethesda Medical Centers to distribute the Daugherty CD, with the song which the song “*Home*” Chris Daugherty dedicated to the soldiers. **Tony Sirico** (*Paulie Walnuts*) traveled to Iraq. **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) spent time at the [Kingsbridge Veterans Hospital](#), visiting patients. We have a few veterans facilities which are local, [East Orange](#) and the Paramus Veterans Home, spend some time up there. Got old DVD's (*not so old is even better*) you are not going to watch any time soon? They can be donated and will be enjoyed by the

patients.

There has always been speculation about a "*Sopranos spin off*". According to [NY Magazine](#), don't hold your breath or you will be turning blue, like many of the characters of the show. The rumors about a movie, that has been floating around in the Meadowland's swamp gas for years.

[There another rumor](#) going around about **James Gandolfini** possibly being cast in the upcoming Batman trilogy, "*The Dark Knight*". No word on what role he is being considered for.

Some people will do just about any thing for money. **Joseph R. Gannascoli** (*Vito Spatafore, aka the man who finally brought Phil Leotardo out of the closet*) is no exception. Joe being the sweetie is, took advantage of a flight cancellation and [attended an event held to raise money](#) so that high school student David Woodcock, would be able to travel with his senior class to Disney World. David has muscular dystrophy, and will incur additional expenses to join his friends in Florida.

The Canadian magazine, "*Inside Entertainment*" has an interview with **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) in its [upcoming April issue](#). The issue will be available select news stands and in the National Post on **March 24, 2007**.

[Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) has been announced as part of the cast of a [Working Man's Clothes production](#) scheduled to open on **March 28, 2007**. Tickets can be purchased via [Smart Tix](#) or by calling **(212) 868-4444**.

Tonight, **Lou Martini, Jr.** will play the character of "*Detective Yaros*" in the episode of "*Law & Order – Criminal Intent*" which airs on this day. Lou plays the character of *Anthony Infante* on The Sopranos.

Enjoy the [Vernal Equinox](#) !

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 19, 2007

Another start of a week and we are getting closer to spring, even though we have a very nice coating of ice out there from Friday's storm. Personally I won't be there today to witness another rite of spring, but today, Monday is when the [swallows return to San Juan Capistrano](#) . At this point of winter, I'd be happy to see some of those Canadian Geese flying north, like anywhere north of New Jersey . Those over sized rats with wings, are just plain obnoxious.

Nothing like a little capitalism and **Joseph R. Gannascoli** (*Vito Spatafore*) was never one to miss an opportunity. According to [Inside Pool Magazine](#), Joe was touting his new cue stick, named "A Cue to Die For" making light of how he died on The Sopranos. No word whether **John Foire** (*aka Gigi Cestone, the Capo that went crappo on the toilet*) is the new spokesperson for American Standard products. [Click here to see what really happened](#) to the actor that played Gigi.

Everyone portrays Tony Soprano has a bad bad guy, but according to this [Associated Press article](#), some good came out of the Bloomfield Sopranos fiasco.

Father Phil Intintola (*oh how I hate to bring up anything religious over at Baristaville*), apparently is joining the cast of Rambo IV according to [Rotten Tomatoes](#). No word on what character **Phil Schultze** will be playing.

One of [Barista's](#) favorite subjects Bobbi Brown, [has a new book out](#), "*Living Beauty*". **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) in the first chapter, she lists her as a role model for woman.

[Anthony Mason from CBS](#) had the opportunity to interview **Steven Van Zandt**, Bruce Springsteen and Tony Sopranos right hand man.

The Sopranos series is almost over. Now James Costos, HBO Vice President of Licensing and retail is looking to [develop Soprano labeled products](#) which will include Wine and Cigars. What have you been doing since 1999?

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 16, 2007

Good Morning, Watchung Ave!

Good morning everyone! Today is my first day in [Baristaville](#). Feel free to come over and visit, they have some great stuff over there.

Movie buffs, the [5 th Annual Garden State Film Festival](#) is coming up starting on March 22, 2007 . Looking through the listing of movies, I see on **March 24** , at screening event #P4, we have a 23 minute film, featuring **James Gandolfini** (*Tony Soprano*). The movie title is "Club Soda", and the story line reads, "*The Kid Leaves Boston for New York with dreams of becoming an actor. There he is befriended by a group of barflies who offer their own brand of advice to help the "young Brando from Boston" He steals money from the bar which brings him into conflict with his new friends causing him to re-evaluate his life, forcing him to make some tough choices and changes.*" [According to IMDB](#), the movie was released in September 2006, and also features **Michael Rispoli** who played the character of *Jackie Aprile, Sr.* from The Sopranos.

Lou Martini, Jr. plays the character of *Anthony Infante* on the show. If you aren't quite sure who he is, Lou will be playing "*Detective Yaros*" in the **March 20 th** episode of "*Law & Order – Criminal Intent*" and will be featured on "*The Black Donnelly's*" in the episode set to air on **April 20 th**. Lou will be in The Soprano's episodes set to air on April 15 & 22.

I see the HBO has released some information about the new season which is set to start on **April 8** (*Easter Sunday – does this mean the dead of The Sopranos will rise?*) [According to Newsday](#), new guests will include, **Nancy Sinatra**, **Geraldo Rivera** (*my guess he will be airing on a television set during the show*), and **Daniel Baldwin**. Returning guests include **Tim Daly** (*J.T. Dolan*) and **Julianna Margulies** (*Julianna Skiff*). [The Penn Live website](#) has episode descriptions. On [YouTube](#), there is a season 6, part 2 promo, spotlighting some of the more memorable deaths on the show, interesting point is they are showing "*Valery*" the infamous Russian as dead, dead, dead . Could this be the answer to the question we've all been asking?

According to [film jerk.com](#) the **Terence Winter** film (*Director from The Sopranos*) movie "*Brooklyn Rules*" which features Freddie Prinze, Jr. and Alex Baldwin will open in New York City and Los Angeles on **May 18, 2007**.

Got a little extra money to spend? On **March 18**, **Joe Pantoliano** (*Ralph Cifaretto*) will be hosting a dinner at his house (*which is in Connecticut*) to help raise money for "[A Better Chance](#)" (ABC) of Wilton, a program which gives opportunities to youth to study at some of the nations best educational facilities. For more information, call 762-7449 or 834-1882 or check out this article from the [Wilton Villager](#).

Maybe this story is out of the [Richmond Virginia area](#), but let it be a warning to all Comcast Customers. In May, the HBO network (*which includes The Sopranos*), will not be available to their analog subscribers. Reading the article I see they are also adding some additional fees for HBO. Lot of changes with the channel line up offered, it gets a little confusing. I receive my HBO via satellite, but this doesn't mean I am going to be immune to this in the future.

If you are looking for something to do this weekend, **Joseph R. Gannascoli** (*Vito Spatafore*) will be at the Lower level booth L27 – L30 at the Brianna Product Booth as part of the [Super Billiards Expo 2007](#) to be held in the Valley Forge Convention Center, located in Valley Forge, PA. Joe will be promoting his new pool stick.

Have a great day, drive carefully!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 15, 2007

Watch out where those leprichans go

Who ordered this snow forecast for St. Patrick's Day? I guess marching in green snow is better than yellow snow.

I haven't gotten out yet to see this, but [Studio Dante's](#) reputation for hosting quality productions, I can be ensured that the play is worth seeing. [Newsweek](#) has a review of the play, detailing the story line. So, get out and go see it. Tickets are available via [Smart Tix](#) or by calling 1-212-868-4444. The theater, which was designed by Victoria Imperioli, is located at 257 West 29 th Street, New York, New York. The play features **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Imperioli*) and **Sharon Angela** (*Rosalie Aprile*).

[Bracco Wines](#) were featured in a lengthy article in [The Street.com](#) touting its attributes. This is **Lorraine Bracco's** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) line of Italian wines.

I see the [airlines are embracing the concept](#) of an individual's choice of video entertainment on their flights. Starting in May, Delta will offer HBO programming. What do you do if your flight is going to be over and you've yet to see the conclusion of an episode of **The Sopranos**, ask the pilot to circle around the airport a few more times?

[Barista of Bloomfield Ave's](#) friend, **Dalton Ross** from Entertainment Weekly, has a piece on creative ways to infiltrate the set of The Sopranos when they show at Holstens in Bloomfield to film. [Let's see how creative](#) we can get with this one!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 14, 2007

There are saying 70 degrees today, all I can say is - nice. Let's hope the weather stays favorable for Saturday's [St. Patty's Day parade](#) in New York. I was looking forward to going with my side kick, [Irish Mafia](#). Even Tony Soprano is a wee bit Irish on St. Patrick's Day.

Just what I need in my apartment, more memorabilia. [EBay will have an auction](#) starting on **April 5, 2007**, in which several items from [High Profile shows](#), will be up for bidding. An item of Sopranos fans interest is the "*bloody*" shirt worn by Tony Soprano when Uncle Junior shot him in the first episode of Season 6, part one. The catalog for this auction is [available on line](#), and they also have a print catalog.

Time to pull out that crystal ball! [Milwaukee's JSOnline](#) has a contest where they are asking readers to predict how **The Sopranos** will end. As an incentive, they are offering a Sopranos themed prize for the winner. Best of luck to everyone, dust off those creative minds!

Eric Sanders (*great guy*) has a new play in the works, [get out there and see it!](#)

[The Daily Record](#) had an article about The Sopranos filming in Morris Plains.

Dress appropriately today!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 13, 2007

Nice weather today here in New Jersey. But then again, anytime the temperatures rise over 50 degrees here, I consider it nice. A few weeks back, it was just too dang cold out there.

Music plays an integral part of [any film production](#). It can set a mood, and change the way a viewer perceives a scene. Did you know that there is actually [a company out there](#) who over sees licensing of this music for use?

The Sopranos premiered originally in 1999, and when you think about it, that was a really long time ago. I came [across a blog](#), which gets into some of the details about the long gap between seasons, and how the break between Season 6 part one and part two, is so much shorter, than us fans are used to.

No idea whether this is true or not, but the word is the “*Officials from the HBO mob drama*” have been in Las Vegas, [looking at locations](#). And I thought what happened in Vegas stayed in Vegas...

Seize the day!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 12, 2007

Today starts a new work week, what a wonderful thing. What a way to start out the week, today is [National Napping at work day](#)! Shame I had to leave my bed...

Seems that Bloomfield, New Jersey has [had a change of heart](#). Turns out that the Mayor and the city Council and didn't have the authority to ban **The Sopranos** from filming in their town.

It is well known that **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) pulled out of “*Dancing with the Stars*”, [listen to the audio](#) of **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) speaking about it.

[Read one of Little Steven's](#) (*Silvio Dante*) columns from Billboard, that the Reuters picked up on.

Upcoming event for **March 28!** Bryant Gumble will be moderating at “[The Wacked Sopranos](#)” at the Museum of Television and Radio. Tickets go on sale Saturday, March 17. The venue is located at 25 W. 52 St. in NYC.

Frank Santorelli (*Georgie, the Bartender*) is be participating in a fund raiser for Matt's Place on **March 15**. [Matt's Place's goal](#) is to improve lives of people with debilitating illnesses. The venue is Prince Pizzeria and bar, 517 Broadway, Saugus, Mass. Sounds like a lot of fun for a great cause. Matt's Place is looking for help, visit the official website and lend a hand.

We have another wonderful person on the cast of The Sopranos. **Joseph R. Gannascoli** (*Vito Spatafore*) was heating up more than Johnny Cakes this weekend. Joe participated in a [charity fund raiser](#) for the [Americares Free Clinic](#) in Danbury, Connecticut this weekend, where he cooked up some of his mouth watering delights for this great cause. Joe you truly are a wonderful person!

We should follow the examples these cast members has shown up. Do a good thing. It makes other feel good.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 8, 2007

Updated - The permit to film has been issued! [The Barista of Bloomfield Ave](#) has the scoop!

Bloomfield and The Sopranos perfect together

There are 2 types of people. Those who are from New Jersey and and now because of **The Sopranos** , those who wish they were from New Jersey.

I see that Bloomfield's decision to bar **The Sopranos** from filming is causing a lot of controversy. Having seen the Sopranos film, as many times as I have, I do not agree with the opposition. Here are some issues, maybe the City Council should consider Monday night, when they promise to re visit this issue.

- **Locations where The Sopranos** have filmed, I have heard nothing but positive things about the experience. In fact most locations were thrilled and want the filming crew back. Holstein's and adjoining businesses will benefit economically for years to come.
- Concern has arisen about possible **street closures due to filming** on Broad Street, a major thoroughfare. The Sopranos do this all the time. It is done with the minimally amount of time as to not disturb normal traffic flow. North Jersey has traffic delays all the time, except most of them are much longer than what The Sopranos will need for filming.
- **Italian Culture?** There are 2 popular cookbooks out, "*Cooking with The Sopranos*" and "*Entertaining with The Sopranos*". The Sopranos has spurred an positive interest in some of the best parts of Italian Culture, food and entertaining!
- In the February 23 issue of the Clifton Journal, Maryann Peterson wrote a letter to the "Your View" section, **praising how great it was** that The Sopranos chose Clifton, NJ to film and how it was such a great thing for the town.
- The Soprano story line has always had a thread about **Italian Pride** the characters feel;
 - o Paulie Walnuts comment about how a big name coffee shop, stole our culture
 - o In the episode, "Christopher", the anger they feel over Native Americans protesting at Columbus Day ceremony.
- The show has made **New Jersey a tourist destination** . People from all over the world have taken The Soprano location tour, offered by [On Location Tours](#). These tourists bring money and do spent it at the various locations the tour stops at. Bloomfield could become a tourist destination for not only Americans, but internationally with visitors coming from from The Netherlands, England, South Africa, Thailand, and Australia to name a few.
- **Economics** – Anytime The Sopranos film in an area, the crew and cast frequently spend money in surrounding businesses. Locations are compensated. I have never heard any complaints.
- I can't tell you how many times I have been at a filming when another spectator has asked me, "*Where is a good place to eat around here, or where can I buy this* (disposable camera, batteries, etc)." I direct them to the closest place to make their purchases. I spend money when I am out there doing a Sopranos sighting. You don't think I "*brown bag it*" it when I am out there? Not my style.
- The show gives employment opportunities to locals. California is no longer the only option available to an aspiring actor/actress. The crew members are from Tri State region.
- I have gotten several emails in the last couple of days, from people in other New Jersey towns, asking "*Bloomfield doesn't want The Sopranos, PLEASE put me in touch with the locations scouts, Our town wants them!*"
- **Boonton, New Jersey** – originally there was some hesitation about allowing filming. Now the **Boonton Historical Society** needs photos from filming, for an upcoming booklet. Boonton, I personally never knew the town had such great shops and boutiques. If the show had never filmed there, I would never known

that the town had such a great shopping district and so much to offer.

- I can't tell you how many times, I have had **visitors in from out of the area**, and what is the first thing they want to do? Visit locations! These people love going to Satin Dolls, eating pizza at Pizzaland, having a burger (*with pickle*) at Stewart's in Kearny, now I can take them to Holsteins for an ice cream desert (*Ferraras in Newark closed a few years back*). No longer is the first thing on their list is visiting New York City. The first location they get to see is Newark International Airport, The Sopranos filmed there!

- New Jersey has always been the butt of jokes, and **many people only saw the state from the New Jersey Turnpike**, The Sopranos has been good to the state and will be good for Bloomfield, but giving the world some insight into the state I love.

- **The Sopranos are a fictional television show**, not reality TV. These criminals are so stupid it is comical. Think about the portrayal of illegal activities, and how these guys never seem to get caught. Remember when Christopher Moltisanti killed the Clifton detective who shot his father? Christopher left several cigarette butts at the scene of the crime, can you spell DNA, Mr. CSI?

Any capitol crime such as a murder, a good investigative team, will dig back a long time in the victim's history. Cops normally don't shoot that many suspects, and this past incident would have come up, it would have been looked into, even just to rule it out. The list could go on, in reality, these guys would have been behind bars years ago. The locations which are chosen is about the only realism in the show. You just can't duplicate New Jersey on a stage in California or north into Canada. The show portays New Jersey as a special place. **The show has made the state into a star.**

- Barista of Bloomfield Ave as of this morning has [151 posts regarding the filming in Bloomfield](#), the vast majority are in favor of allowing filming. Check out the [Bloomfield Forum on NJ.com](#), it is the same sentiment over there.

- By allowing the show to film in Bloomfield, **it would encourage other film productions to use the town**. Believe me; the location scouts know what towns are extremely film friendly. These towns know the long term economic benefits derived from the industry. [New Jersey has a film commission](#) whose specific purpose is to promote the film industry because of the economic benefits it brings to the communities involved. The state legislature passed a bill giving these companies a 20% tax break to encourage filming, we're serious about this!

- NJ.com at one point, gave the Italian Americans a platform to blog against me at the Bada Bing Blog. I could never figure out why their posts were detailing the story line from a previous Sunday night show. If they hate the show so much, by all means, don't watch it! Our country constitution is based on an individual's rights, and one of these is freedom of choosing what you watch on television and what you don't want to watch. Spot light the reasons why we love the Italian American culture, the traditions, food, and the family. America wants to know more!

Tony Soprano is miserable with every facet of his life. The program shows he isn't a happy person with the path he has chosen. The only thing he can count on is his newspaper being in the driveway and having milk in the fridge for his cereal every morning. Organized crime is still prevelant in many ethnic groups, not just Italian. You can not deny its exsistance.

The City Council of **Bloomfield will reconsider its position** at the meeting being held at **7 pm, Monday, March 12, 2007**. According to the web site, the meeting will be held in the Council Chambers in the **Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza, Bloomfield, New Jersey**. For directions if you plan on attending, [click here](#). The complex is located within

blocks of The Garden State Parkway, exit 148. Any questions should be referred to the Municipal Clerk at (973) 680-4015.

The Council members all have email addresses, if you don't plan on attending, you can send an email to voice your opinion, by utilizing the [email addresses found on this page](#).

Tonight on the NBC network program, "*Late Night with Conan O'Brien*", **Martin Scorese**, will be a guest. This is a repeat of the show which originally aired on October 3, 2006.

Tomorrow night, March 10, 2007, The play "[Chicken](#)" officially opens at Studio Dante . This play is about a guy who decides to take in a rooster, with the intention of training it to be in cockfights, so he can raise some much needed money. Directed by the talented Nick Sandow, it will feature **Sharon Angela** (*Rosalie Aprile*), **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*), and Raul Aranas. Tickets are available from [Smart Tix](#) or by calling **1-212-868-4444**. The theater, which was designed by Victoria Imperioli, is located at 257 West 29 th Street, New York, New York.

Weekend, I love it!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 8, 2007

UPDATE - [Baista has poll](#) where you can vote and predict the final scene of The Sopranos which as rumor goes is to be filmed at Holsten in Bloomfield, New Jersey. Best entertainment around! Monday night at Bloomfield town hall the City Council will be voting on issuing film permits, this is a public meeting, attend and show your support! I have the council members email addresses if you can't attend, [click here for email addresses and show your support](#).

No snow/ice here in Jersey today, just cold weather. Officially spring will be here in about 2 weeks. Let's hope the Weather Witch knows how to read a calendar. I already sanctioned a "*hit*" on that ground hog, who predicted an early spring. Ever since that rodent [popped his head out](#), and didn't see his shadow (*a prediction of an early spring*), the weather in Jersey has gotten colder and just plain fowl.

[Philly.com](#) announced yesterday that **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be a guest "programmer" for [Turner Classic Movies](#), starting on March 22.

Irish Mafia (*I don't think this name is politically correct in Bloomfield*) swears to me that she is aching to scratch some of her Soprano insight into her slate. Please encourage to start carving by visiting her blog over at [NJ Writers](#).

There was nothing more precious than seeing Bobby Bacala wearing his train conductor's hat, and playing his train set in his garage. [Train Station, Inc.](#) located in Mountain Lakes, was responsible for the design and set up of the elaborate display of track. For those train buffs, they [have some photos on the web](#), showing some of the detailed work they put into the display.

March 15 through the **18**, **Joseph R. Gannascoli** (*Vito Spatafore aka Mr. Johnny Cakes*) will be at the Lower level booth L27 – L30 at the Brianna Product Booth as part of the [Super Billiards Expo 2007](#) to be held in the Valley Forge Convention Center , located in Valley Forge , PA.

Have a fantastic day!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 7, 2007 UPDATED

Wednesday the new issue of Vanity Fair hits the streets. I have been hearing a lot about it. [The Boston Herald](#), apparently got a sneak peak at it, and spills a little of the beans. I'm looking forward to seeing the issue, I heard about it, when it was being shot. Curious, what

the new promotional poster will look like. No word when we will see that image.

There were rumors about some filming in a cemetery in Newark, yesterday. This is one were [truth is stranger](#) than fiction.

Speaking of recent filming, The Sopranos have been using various locations in Clifton, New Jersey as part of the final episodes of the show. The Clifton Journal received a letter to the editor, praising Clifton for allowing the production company to film there, because everyone was so considerate, and they felt it was a good thing for the town.

Apparently the Bloomfield, New Jersey city council doesn't feel this way. Originally, it was agreed that [filming would be allowed](#). Apparently, due to a minority viewpoint, [permission has been withdrawn](#), and it's not going to happen. Something about negative stereotyping. Reading some of the comments, it is obvious, the majority were in favor of filming. Note to the Sopranos Locations scouts; continue north on Broad Street, Clifton welcomes (*becken*) The Sopranos. *I know a real nice block*

UPDATE - Take a visit over to [Baristaville](#), besides that free coffee she is giving out, and see what has transpired today regarding the filming in Bloomfield. How about bringing some of that free coffee north to Clifton (*file that under "if its free its for me catagory"*)?

Tonight, [Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show](#) airs on Sirius Raw Dog 104, between 6 & 9 pm. Immediately afterwards, The Soprano airs on the A & E network. [Episodes 16 & 17](#), "Toodle F***ing" (*that's A & E talk, [click here for correct spelling](#)*) and "Commendori" will be airing.

Note, If you have [an event](#) that needs to be listed Email me at sopranosue@hotmail.com. Very important, Press releases must be in a one page word document, formatted according to [industry standards](#). I really don't have the time or patience to peice pertinent information together.

Have a great day!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 6, 2007

The week is progressing, and if it progresses like the winds I hear outside my window, hopefully it will go quickly. The weather reports say presently we are experiencing 24 mph winds and it is to be windy, windy, windy, the rest of the day.

Presently **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) and **Sharon Angela** (*Rosalie Aprile*) are in previews of the play, "**Chicken**" at [Studio Dante](#). According to the [New York Daily News](#), it is a real chicken used in the production, and it really enjoys being on stage. In the photo it appears to be a rooster, not sure whether the neighbors enjoy this as much. The bird's name is "*Dino*".

Tonight, [Allen Rucker](#) will be discussing his newest book, "[The Best Seat in the House](#)" tonight at the Barnes & Noble Store, located at 6326 E. Pacific Coast Highway, Long Beach, California. Allen Rucker is the author of the official [Soprano's trilogies](#), in addition to "[The Sopranos Family Cookbook](#)" and "[Entertaining with The Sopranos](#)". For further information please call (562) 431-2253.

The April issue of [Vanity Fair](#) magazine, which goes on sale this week, has some fantastic photos by photographer Annie Liebowitz and an interview with James Gandolfini. Keep an eye out for this issue, it features Mr. Gandolfini on the cover with a nude woman. [New Jersey Monthly](#) has a 12 page spread about **The Sopranos** in its **March 2007** issue.

Hold on to those dancing poles today!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 5, 2007

Just think only **34** long day until the premiere of the final episodes of The Sopranos. My how time flies.

Everytime there is a film crew out and about in North Jersey, the first thing I hear is, it's **The Sopranos**! Yes, some of the time it is true, but many times it isn't. Recently [Barista of Bloomfield Avenue](#) reported on the recent filming of an episode of "Law & Order" in her hood. [NJ.com](#) has an article which if you've ever dreamed of becoming an extra, describes what it like. [There is also a piece](#) on what it is like to be a location scout. According to the article in 2005, 92 movies, 173 television series or specials, 408 commercials, 21 music videos, 240 documentary and educational films were filmed in New Jersey. A note on this, the figures are probably higher, considering some production companies, do not go through the film commission when filming, they just go out and do it.

One of my favorite authors, [Allen Rucker](#), was recently interviewed by the [Press Telegram](#) about his new book, "*The Best Seat in the House*". The book has gotten really good reviews, and should be a definite on your reading list ([it is available from Amazon](#)). Allen Rucker will be making an appearance on Tuesday night at the Barnes & Noble Store, located at 6326 E. Pacific Coast Highway, Long Beach, California. Please call this number for further information (562) 431-2253. Hey Allen, Clifton has a Barnes & Noble, which is really outstanding facility; I'd love for you to visit!

[Tech Blog](#) has what they think is an innovating and creative advertisement for The Sopranos. Viewers are invited to vote on their favorite.

You may want to check on this one, regarding ticket availability for this MOnday night event. There were a limited amount of affordable tickets available for a benefit reading of "[The Sisters Rosensweig](#)" being held at the [Vivian Beaumont Theater](#), in New York City. **Edie Falco** (*Carmela Soprano*) is part of the cast. For more information, [Broadway.com](#), has an article about this performance.

Have an interesting day.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 2, 2007

Today definitely reminds me of the pilot episode of The Sopranos . We've had heavy rain in North Jersey since last night, and it's the type of day I can go out and swim with the ducks in my back yard (*who needs a pool*).

I am not going to let the rain extinguish the candles of this cake. Birthday wishes are extended to **Robert Iler**, who celebrates a this special event today. Robert plays the character of "*AJ Soprano*".

Show your appreciation for the frequent updates about all that's going on with **The Sopranos**, please visit our [Strip Mall](#) for [Sopranos clothing](#), [books](#) and [food items](#)! Your patronage is greatly appreciated!

I received this one from **Jim**, and it is much appreciated. Jim points out on the HBO web site, we have some episode titles, to look forward to in April. I checked IMDB this morning and nothing over there as of yet.

On **April 8, 2007**, the premiere episode title is "[Soprano Home Movies](#)"

On **April 15, 2007**, the episode title is "[Stage 5](#)"

On **April 22, 2007**, the episode title is "[Remember When](#)"

On **April 29, 2007**, the episode title is "[Chasing it](#)"

No episode descriptions are available yet for these episodes. I think **June 10, 2007** is the date the final episode will air.

Take it dry today.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

March 1, 2007

Very quiet around here, it almost like the calm before the storm. The **Weather Witch** says, we are getting a rain storm in North Jersey, later this afternoon.

Tonight, the non profit agency, [Urban Pathways](#), has an event, "[Buon Appetito!](#)" which will be held at the "[Landmark on the Park](#)" facility, located in the Universalist Church across from New York's Central Park at 76 th Street. The goal of this event is to raise money to provide 200 housing units for the homeless of New York. There are several different packages available for this event which will be hosted by [Vincent Curatola](#) (*Johnny Sack*) from **The Sopranos**. The night will feature a live auction, several Italian food tasting stations, wine, music and a family style meal. To purchase tickets, please call: **212-736-7385** or visit www.urbanpathways.org. Sounds like fun!

If you haven't made any plans for this weekend, might I suggest the [Connecticut Home & Lifestyles Exposition](#) being held in Hartford this weekend. According to the Courant, **Joseph R. Gannascoli** (*Vito Spatafore*) will be making a guest appearance on Saturday and present a program, "*My Life as a Soprano*". The venue is at 100 Columbus Blvd.

Have a wonderful, wonderful day.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 28, 2007

Mid week, what a wonderful time. We have 2 great things going on. One is the live airing of [Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show](#) and immediately afterwards **The Sopranos** airs on the A & E network. Check out [Cha Cha's web site](#) (*Albie Cianflone*) for what festivities are in store for the third anniversary of the show. The show airs from 6 to 9 pm.

Tonight, the play "*Chicken*" will open for previews tonight at Studio Dante. The play is set to run until March 31, with opening night being **March 10**. [Broadway World](#) has an article about this production in it today. The play features **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) and **Sharon Angela** (*Rosalie Aprile*). Tickets may be purchased through [Smart Tix](#), [Ticket Central](#), or by calling (212) 868-4444. Tickets are \$35.00. For further information, visit [Studio Dante's web site](#). The theater is located at 257 West 29 th Sreet, New York City.

Twinkle Toes of Broad Street, [this casting call](#) is definitely for you!

Have a fantastic day!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 27, 2007

It's one of those days, when I just don't have that much to offer, news wise. Every once in a while this happens.

Tonight [John Fiore](#) (*Gigi Cestone*) will be a guest at the WEEI – am radio's fifth annual Whiney Award ceremony being held at the TD Banknorth Garden in Boston. This radio station has a call in line, in which listeners are encouraged to moan about the sports world. The best of the best will be chosen at this award ceremony, and the event will benefit the Cam Neely House and the Boston Bruins Foundation. For more information about this event, and to purchase tickets, [click here](#), call Ticketmaster at (617) 931-2222, or at the Garden box office. Word is [John is a regular caller](#).

The first ever mafia - horror film, "[Payback's a Bitch](#)" will start production in April. Several

of our favorite Sopranos are featured in it.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 26, 2007

On February 28, the play "*Chicken*" which will feature **Sharon Angela** (*Rosalie Aprile*) and Michael Imperioli (*Christopher Moltisanti*) will open for previews at [Studio Dante](#). The [Theatermania](#) website got to ask a few questions with Michael. Tickets are available via [Smart Tix](#) or by calling **1-212-868-4444**. The theater, which was designed by Victoria Imperioli, is located at 257 West 29th Street, New York, New York.

It wasn't me, but congratulations to **Rachel Rosenblatt** [for winning \\$100,000](#) clams in the A & E The Sopranos Connection game.

Be sure to pick up the March issue of [NJ Monthly](#), I heard my dear friends over at [Barista of Bloomfield Avenue](#) got a mention.

Stay warm and dry today.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 23, 2007

[John Fiore](#) (*Gigi Cestone*) in a tuxedo, this is one I have to see. On **February 27**, [John will be a guest](#) at the WEEI – am radio's fifth annual Whiney Award ceremony being held at the TD Banknorth Garden in Boston. This radio station has a call in line, in which listeners are encouraged to moan about the sports world. The best of the best will be chosen at this award ceremony, and the event will benefit the **Cam Neely House** and the **Boston Bruins Foundation**. For more information about this event, and to purchase tickets, [click here](#), call Ticketmaster at (617) 931-2222, or at the Garden box office. Word is John is a regular caller.

The Food Network South Beach Wine & Food Festival is going on Miami, Florida, right now. [Sunset Corners Fine Wines & Spirits](#) has an event, going on that is of interest to **Sopranos fans**. This is all [part of the festival](#) going on in which **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) is participating in. You can call **877-762-3933** for more information. Ms. Bracco has a line of Italian Wines, appropriately called [Bracco Wines](#).

If you are in the San Diego, California vicinity, be sure to check out the **Annie Liebowitz** exhibition at the [San Diego Museum of Art](#). Ms. Liebowitz is responsible for many of the promotional images used in **The Sopranos**.

Saturday, **Karen Young** (*who plays the character of Agent Robyn Sanseverino*) is expected as a special guest at the [3rd Annual Main Film Academy Award Gala](#). There will be a special screening of her short film, "*The Pesky Suitor*" that she directed.

If you see **Dominic Chianese** (*Uncle Junior Corrado Soprano*), be sure to wish him the happiest of birthdays, which he is celebrating Saturday.

Also going on this Saturday, [Frank Santorelli](#) who plays the character of "*Georgie, the bartender*" will be part of a [comedy show](#) being held at the [Sapphire Manor](#) located in Sharon, Mass. He is part of Annette's Comedy Asylum performance. Tickets are \$40.00 which includes dinner and show, \$20.00 for show only. Reservations can be made by calling **781-784-2400** or **781-843-4833**. Showtime is 9 pm.

Weekend, finally!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 22, 2007

The week is almost over, now if winter would be almost over, I would truly be happy.

Today, the temperature isn't going to be too bad, and rain is expected. Hopefully the rain will wash away all the snow crud.

Apparently there are a limited amount of affordable tickets available for a benefit reading of "[The Sisters Rosensweig](#)" being held on **March 5** at the [Vivian Beaumont Theater](#), in New York City. **Edie Falco** (*Carmela Soprano*) is part of the cast. For more information, [Broadway.com](#), has an article about this performance.

Michael Imperioli (*Christopher Moltisanti*) fan's will be interested in [this event](#) being hosted by the [Museum of Modern Art](#) film department.

Have a cheery day!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 21, 2007

It is a little bit warmer here, and today also is promised to be pleasant, let's hope that nobody spots that "*Weather Witch*" lurking around. The warm weather should start eliminating all that "*black ice*" that is around. I am not talking about the thin layer of ice on a roadway, I am talking about the mounds of frozen plowed snow, which turned to ice and is just plain black from the dirt on it.

I can across a press release for Canadian viewers, listing **April 8** on **The Movie Network** as the premiere date of the final episodes of **The Sopranos**. Even if you aren't in Canada, [check out the link](#), there are some interesting tidbits, about some upcoming cast members on the show.

[Rod Stewart apparently was looking](#) for a "*quiet*" place to watch a soccer game. He ended up in the [Irish American Club](#), which is located next door to **Satriales Pork Store** in Kearny, NJ (*the club flies the Italian flag when The Sopranos are filming*). Good thing Mr. Stewart didn't show up on St. Patty's Day, that club is anything but quiet (*same with the town of Kearny*). Rod Stewart has been in the New York area, for some recent concert dates.

Tonight is the live airing of [Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show](#). Check out [Vinny's web site](#), to see who will be joining Vinny (*Big Pussy*), Joe Rigano, Joe Causi, "Uncle Floyd" Vivino and [John "Cha Cha" Ciarcia](#) (*Albie Cianflone*) in the studio tonight. The show airs live from **6 to 9 pm** on Sirius Radio's **Raw Dog 104**. Immediately following the show, 2 more episodes of The Sopranos [airs on the A & E Network](#). Busy night!

And yes that was me on [The Ted & Amy Show](#) this morning on Syracuse's Q 93.

Do something wonderful today!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 20, 2007

Three day weekends are nice, but they really should schedule more of them when the weather is warmer. It was cold and windy here in Jersey over the weekend. They say that today (*Tuesday*) the temperatures are going to rise. Wet ice isn't my idea of nice...

This weekend, **James Gandolfini** (*Tony Soprano*) and **John Ventimiglia** (*Artie Bucco*) [traveled to New Orleans](#) to participate in the Mardi Gra parades. Mr. Gandolfini led the Krewe of Bacchus parade, through the city, delighting many according to the news reports. [This hyperlink](#), has some photos from his visit to the city.

Steve Schirripa (*Bobby Bacala*) was in Beantown for the annual "[Running of the Brides](#)" event at the Filene's Basement store.

Delta Airlines may be joining the ranks with Jet Blue is providing "*in air*" television entertainment service, according to [The New York Times](#). It will include HBO content

including The Sopranos . But will they have those really cool A & E Sopranos cocktail napkins? This new service is scheduled to start in May.

Allen Rucker, the author of the official Sopranos books, has a new book out, entitled "*The Best Seat in the House: How I Woke Up One Tuesday and Was Paralyzed for Life*," which has been [published by Harper Collins](#). This book, which has been getting fabulous reviews from The NY Times, and other prestigious publications, details what Mr. Rucker's life has been like since his suddenly became paralyzed in 1996. For more information about the book, please visit [Allen Rucker's website](#). The book is [available from Amazon](#).

File this under, "*If it's free, it's for me!*" category. Tomorrow in celebration of International Pancake Day, IHOP has partnered with the [Children's Miracle Network](#), is offering a free short stack of pancakes from 7 am to 10 pm. In return (*don't be a cad*) IHOP guests are asked to donate what they would have spent to the Children's Miracle Network. I expect the true Soprano's fans to be at the **International House of Pancakes** location on Route 17 South in [Hasbrouck Heights](#), to show what great people we really are by supporting this cause by donating heavy. This location was used in an episode of **The Sopranos**, featuring **Tim Daly** (*J.T. Dolan*) and **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*).

It's white knuckle time, and if you haven't experienced one of the best "*free*" thrill rides in New Jersey, you'd better get out there and experience the joy before it is too late. [Plans are in the early stages](#) for a new roadway to replace the **Pulaski Skyway**, which connects Newark and Jersey City, New Jersey. The Pulaski Skyway is prominently featured in the credits, and in several episodes of the show (*Tony Soprano threw the painting of Pie Oh My off of the Skyway*). A boat was stationed below to retrieve the item every time the item was thrown, so not to litter.

Have a great one!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 16, 2007

There is no excuse to say there is nothing to do during this extended holiday weekend.

If you haven't gotten out to see the play, "[The Lady Swims Today](#)" at the **Richmond Shepard Theater**, by all means do it this weekend. The play, which features [Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) and **Maureen Van Zandt** (*Gabby Dante*) officially closes this Sunday. I saw the play on opening night and really enjoyed it. Parking in the area, wasn't a problem (*there is a parking garage directly across the street from the venue, if you can't find legal parking on the street*). Tickets can be purchased by calling **(212) 868-4444** or at the box office the day of the show. They can be ordered on line via [Smart Tix](#). I really enjoyed the show. See my news for **February 8, 2007**, for a review of the show. We also have some images from the play, [click here](#).

I heard on the radio this morning that **James Gandolfini** (*Tony Soprano*) is traveling to New Orleans for the Mardi Gras celebrations, today (*I'm assuming the reporter carrying his luggage to know this fact*) to reign as celebrity monarch Bacchus during the 2007 Carnival season. On Sunday, The Bacchus parade begins at Tchoupitoulas and Napoleon, follows the Uptown route, ending at the Convention Center for the Bacchus Rendezvous Ball at 5:15pm. He will lead 30 floats and 30 marching bands through the streets. The theme is "*Through the Eyes of a Child*."

A limited edition painting, entitled "*The Carnival Angel*" is available to purchase. The website says, "*Each lithograph has been signed and numbered by the artist as well as individually hand-signed by award winning actor James Gandolfini as a generous tribute to the City over which he will reign as this year's Mardi Gras Bacchus King.*" Information about purchasing this item is posted on the [Mardigrasimages website](#).

If you missed last night's airing, **Steve Schirripa's** (*Bobby Bacala*) appearance on "*TNA Wrestling Impact*", it will re air on Spike TV on **February 17** at **11:00 pm**.

Also on **Saturday**, the **17 th**, The winners will be announced in Los Angeles for the **Outstanding Achievement in Sound Mixing Award for 2006** by the [The Cinema Audio Society](#). The nomination in the Television Series Category went to Sopranos sound mixer, **Mathew Price** for his work on the sixth season episode, "*Members Only*". Mr. Price has been with the show since season one (*he is considered a 'lifer'*). He has also worked on productions which include, "*Jonny Zero*" and "*Sidewalks of New York*". Mathew Price has been nominated for this award 4 other times, and has been nominated for an Emmy award 5 times. In the year 2000, he won the "*Golden Reel Award*" by the Motion Picture Sound Editors, USA. Mathew, you already know my prediction!

Upcoming:

[Frank Santorelli](#) (*Georgie, the bartender*) on **February 24** will be part of a [comedy show](#) being held at the [Saphire Manor](#) located in Sharon, Mass. He is part of Annette's Comedy Asylum performance. Tickets are \$40.00 which includes dinner and show, \$20.00 for show only. Reservation can be made by calling **781-784-2400** or **781-843-4833** . Showtime is **9 pm**.

Have a great one.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 15, 2007

It's the calm after the storm that hit Jersey yesterday. The skies are clear, but the radio says the temperatures are still cold. The high wind alert, which had been predicted to today, has been cancelled.

Today is a very special day for someone we all know and love. Today is **Joseph R. Gannascoli's** birthday. Joe played the colorful charcter of *Vito Spatafore*. To wish Joe the happiest of for today, [you can email him](#) and wish him a happy personally!

Joe was featured as the character "*Giusuppe Primavera*" in the movie, "*Artie Langes Beer League*", here is [a review](#) of the movie which is [available from Amazon](#).

Tonight on [Spike TV](#) , **Steven R. Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) will be on the show "*TNA Wrestling Impact!*" starting at 9:00pm. A repeat of this show will air on Saturday , **February 17** at 11:00 PM, JST (*Jersey Standard Time*).

Show your appreciation for the frequent updates about all that's going on with **The Sopranos**, please visit our [Strip Mall](#) for [Sopranos clothing](#), [videos](#), [books](#) and [food items!](#) Your patronage is greatly appreciated!

Stay warm for today.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 14, 2007

Ice, wind, rain, sleet, and snow we have it all!

It's cold and icy out there. Where I am in Jersey, I probably have half inch of snow with a delightful crusting of ice to top it off. The sound of pelleting ice is tapping on my window. These are a days I pray, work will be called off.

Not sure whether [this news story](#) is part of the Virgin Media press release from yesterday. **BT Vision Video** has added an "on demand service" for customers in Great Britian, with some HBO programming.

[The Hollywood Reporter](#), reports that **Julianna Margulies** (*Julianna Skiff*) will play the lead in a new Fox network drama, "*Canterbury's Law*".

A little birdie told me this one, **Al Sapienza** (*Mikey Palmice*) will be in the Lifetime Network movie, "*Stalked by a Madman*". No word on an air date on this one.

Some of the most memorable promotional photos for **The Sopranos** are the work of the world reknown photographer, **Annie Liebowitz**. There is an [exhibit going on](#) of her work, at the [San Diego Museum of Art](#). Beside The Sopranos, Ms. Liebowitz has done portraits of Bill Clinton and advertising campaigns for the Milk Board and American Express. The exhibit is scheduled to run **February 10** through **April 22, 2007**.

[Vinny Pastore](#), high tailed it to warmer climates, so **Frank Vincent** (*Phil Leotardo*) will be hosting the **Wise Guy Show** tonight. Sirius Radio **Raw Dog 104**, between **6 & 9 pm**.

If you have to go out today, by all means **PLEASE** be careful! And for all the men out there, the conditions outside do not constitute as a valid excuse, for forgetting what today is. To shop in comfort, [click here](#).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 13, 2007

Snowzy is the forecast today in the Garden State. Yesterday the weather reports said that fluffy white stuff was to start around four o'clock in the afternoon, now I am hearing around 12 noon. Say it isn't so. Let's hope that us Jerseyans [aren't singing this tune](#), like the folks up in upstate New York have been for the last week.

Congratulations to the writers of **The Sopranos**; **Mitchell Burgess**, **David Chase**, **Diane Frolov**, **Robin Green**, **Andrew Schneider**, **Matthew Weiner**, and **Terence Winter** for winning the [2007 Writers Guild Award](#) for a television drama. This is a well deserved honor for excellence in writing they exhibit.

I have a couple of new photos from the theatrical production of "[The Lady Swims Today](#)", which features [Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) and **Maureen Van Zandt** (*Gabby Dante*) [click here to see them](#). Haven't seen this production yet? [Tickets are still available](#) for the limited run of this play. Get out and see it!

I came across an interesting page on the WGA website, listing the [101 Greatest Screenplays](#) of all time. I see that they have some of my favorites listed. Click the links for the Godfather trilogies, there were some interesting tid bits about the films. Maybe we'll be seeing bowls of oranges, on those little tables in front of Satriales this season or maybe even on Carmela's kitchen table. With the [price of oranges this year](#) how can they afford this? It is possible in the Jersey version the would be a better choice of fruit.

A review of the [Sopranos Poker game](#) which is available on the [THQ Wireless system](#). I haven't seen this, most of my friends are on Verizon Wireless.

[Virgin Media](#) has announced an agreement with HBO, which will significantly increase the amount of HBO content in the British market. Besides **The Sopranos**, shows like "Curb Your Enthusiasm", "Band Of Brothers" and "Six Feet Under" will become available.

I have previously mentioned HBO opening a retail store near Bryant Park in New York City. This store offers unique merchandise based on many of HBO's most popular shows, and one in particular that we love is The Sopranos. Official merchandise that is available for purchase include; Sopranos branded poker set, cigar boxes, leather picture frames, DVD's, Books, sweatshirts, and the singing fish from the Bada-Bing! Club, as well as many other unique items are all available to view or purchase at the HBO Shop.

The HBO Store is located at **1100 Sixth Avenue, New York City** at the intersection of 42nd Street. The phone number for the store is **212-512-SHOP**. I have some photos from this fine establishment, on the [Sopranos Photos for February 2007](#) web page.

Stay warm, stay dry, and learn to laugh at all those people who drive those huge 4 X 4's who think those vehicles handle just as well on ice as on snow. **NOT**.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 12, 2007

Is it ever going to warm up, or better yet, am I ever going to warm up. I feel like I spent most of the weekend standing around outside...

I know the final episodes of **The Sopranos** haven't even premiered yet (*April 8*) but the sad news is that we have an air date for the finale of the series. According to the [Washington Post](#), that date is **June 10**. That's less than 5 months away. That probably will be the night I'll just burn the traditional Sunday night baked ziti for good.

I didn't have this event listed (*shame on me*) but the **February 15** lecture at Vanderbilt University with **Jamie-Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*), has been cancelled. [Click here for more information](#) and ticket refunds.

A clarification, about **Michael's Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) and **Sharon Angela's** (*Rosalie Aprile*) appearance in the production of the play "*Chicken*" at [Studio Dante](#). Previews begin on **February 28**, and the play officially opens on **March 10**. To purchase tickets [click here](#) or by calling **1-212-868-4444**.

[Johnny Slade's Greatest Hits](#) is now available for purchase at [Amazon](#). The movie features **John Fiore** (*Gigi Cestone*), **Vincent Curatola** (*Johnny Sack*), **Frank Santorelli** (*Georgie the bartender*), **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*), **Joseph R. Gannascoli** (*Vito Spatafore*), **Steve Schirripa** (*Bacala*), and **Tony Ray Rossi** (*Fred Peters*).

Vincent Pastore (*Big Pussy*) has been busy, he recently completed a film and he's been hanging out [with some of our favorite dearly departed](#).

Event for today! **Peter Bogdanovich** (*Dr. Elliot Kupferberg and director of The Sopranos episode, "Sentimental Education"*) [will be speaking](#) at the [Vero Beach Museum](#) of Art, today (*Monday*). Tickets are priced at \$65.00, and the 4:30 pm event will be held at the museum located at 3001 Riverside Park Drive, Vero Beach, Florida. For more information please call (772) 231-0707.

Have a warm wonderful day!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 9, 2007

58 more days

Fridays are a good thing. Hopefully, the arctic blast of frigid air which has settled over North Jersey, decides to retreat north where it belongs. It has been said that it doesn't snow when the temperature drops below a certain temperature, so maybe the cold should pay a visit to the counties in [western New York State](#), who have been experiencing huge amounts of snow fall this week. I remember the last time North Jersey experienced a couple of feet of snow, a few towns "*forgot*" to call the snow plows out, when shifts changed.

There is absolutely no reason to say "*there is nothing to do*".

Tonight, [Louis Lombardi](#) (*Agent Skip Lipari*) will be a guest on the NBC television show, "[Las Vegas](#)". The program will air at **9 pm**. The episode, is entitled, "*Pharaoh 'Nuff*", Mr. Lombardi's character is Harris Lipsky.

This event is for those in the warmer climate of Florida. **Peter Bogdanovich** (*Dr. Elliot Kupferberg and director of The Sopranos episode, "Sentimental Education"*) [will be speaking](#) at the [Vero Beach Museum of Art](#), this Monday. Tickets are priced at \$65.00, and the **4:30 pm** event will be held at the museum located at 3001 Riverside Park Drive, Vero Beach, Florida. For more information please call **(772) 231-0707**.

On **February 28** through **March 31**, the play "*Chicken*" will be in production at [Studio Dante](#). This [play is about a guy](#) who decides to take in a rooster, with the intention of training it to be in cockfights, so he can raise some much needed money. Directed by the talented Nick Sandow, it will feature **Sharon Angela** (*Rosalie Aprile*), **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*), and Raul Aranas. Tickets are available from [Smart Tix](#) or by calling **1-212-868-4444**. The theater, which was designed by Victoria Imperioli, is located at 257 West 29 th Street, New York, New York.

The non profit agency, [Urban Pathways](#), has an exciting event on **March 1**, for those who enjoy eating! The event, "[Buon Appetito!](#)" will be held at the "[Landmark on the Park](#)" facility, located in the Universalist Church across from New York's Central Park at 76 th Street. The goal of this event is to raise money to provide 200 housing units for the homeless of New York. There are several different packages available for this event which will be hosted by **Vincent Curatola** (*Johnny Sack*) from **The Sopranos**. The night will feature a live auction, several Italian food tasting stations, wine, music and a family style meal. To purchase tickets, please call: **212-736-7385** or visit www.urbanpathways.org. Sounds like fun!

Also ongoing: [Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) and **Maureen Van Zandt** (*Gabby Dante*) are in the theatrical production of H. G. Brown's "[The Lady Swims Today](#)". Tickets can be [purchased at Smart Tix](#), by calling **(212) 868-4444** or at the **box office the day of the show**. The show will be performed at Richmond Shepard Theatre, 309 East 26th Street, New York, NY 10010 (*NE corner of 26th St & 2nd Ave*). I attended a performance on Wednesday night, I really enjoyed the show. Parking is not a problem near the theater.

[Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show](#) will repeat Wednesday night's show on Saturday between **4 and 7 pm** on Sirius Radio's **Raw Dog 104**.

Have a great weekend! 58 more days till the **premiere of season 6 part 2** of **The Sopranos**.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 8, 2007

These late nights out howling are going to kill me. How come when I was younger (*long long time ago*) I could stay out all night, get an hour sleep and go to work cheerfully the next morning.

Last night I traveled into New York City for the opening night of the play, "[The Lady Swims Today](#)" at the **Richmond Shepard Theatre**. I immediately found a free parking spot on the street (*note there was a reasonably priced parking garage directly across street from the theater for those who aren't as lucky as we were*).



The cast of
"The Lady
Swims Today"
left to right, top
row

Gordon Silva ~
George the
Spanish chef
Kelli Barnett ~
Alice Bender,
the stripper
Carole Brooks
~ Beverly
Sharon
Peters, the wife
Will Fowle ~
Mal Peters
Robert Funaro
~ Eddie Hajazi
Maureen Van
Zandt ~ Joyce
Stevens
Jack
Rodgers ~
Harley Davis

Kneeling ~ H.G.
Brown

The scenario of this 2 hour play (*with an intermission*) takes place in the Carney Hook Marina Motel, which is located on the eastern shores of the Chesapeake Bay. **Robert Funaro's** (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) character Edie Hejazi, has a plan to steal 2 million dollars, but he needs some willing accomplices to help in pulling this caper off. The diverse group of characters, make everything just a little bit more complicated than what originally started out as a simple heist, with a payoff that should solve everyone's problems.

My companion and I really enjoyed the show, which runs until **Sunday, February 18, 2007**. **Robert Funaro's** performance is strong and on the money (*I won't tell you whether his character gets the money*). **William Fowles's** portrayal of Mal, almost makes the audience believe that he really was a pilot who specialized in low flying plane trips (*below the radar*) from South America. **Maureen Van Zandt's** portrayal of the different facets of Joyce's character (*a travel magazine writer*) was outstanding. Maureen is quite a talented performer, which because of Gabby Dante's limited scenes in *The Sopranos*, one doesn't really get a chance to appreciate her acting skills. A special star twinkles in the sky for **Carol Brooks**, who joined the theater company on February 3 to replace Suzanne DiDonna at the last minute. She was fabulous in her role as Beverly (*probably the only character in the production who had her feet firmly planted in the terra firma of Carney's Point*).

The play has a short run, make a point of getting out and seeing it. Tickets are reasonably priced and are available via [Smart Tix](#), by phone at **(212) 868-4444** or at the box office the day of the show. If time permits, I may go back to see this one. And yes, Maureen's husband **Steve** (*Silvio Dante*) was in the audience last night. The theatre is located at **309 East 26th Street, New York, NY 10010** (NE corner of 26th St & 2nd Ave).

The movie, "*Brooklyn Rules*" which the screenplay was written by **Terence Winter** will be distributed by [City Lights Pictures](#). **Terence Winter** is one of the writers and producers of **The Sopranos**, but did you know he also played the character of *Tom Amberson* in 3 episodes of *The Sopranos*.

We have a heat wave outside, it a big 15 degrees outside!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 7, 2007

If the Sopranos are not out side filming, I don't blame them. It's just too damn cold out there. Somebody should put a "*hit*" on that groundhog.

This link is for those manly characters out there. **Jamie-Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*) apparently is going (*I believe*) in [Arena Magazine](#).

I hope tonight during the live airing of [Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show](#), they take some video instead of still photographs. [Cha Cha's web site](#) (*Albie Cianflone*), has tonight's guests. The show airs on **Raw Dog 104**, starting at **6 pm**.

2 new "*sanitized*" Sopranos episodes air on **A & E** tonight, starting at **9 pm**, immediately after *The Wise Guy Show*. Time to get your [game pieces in order](#).

More great stuff ...



Tonight, the play, "[The Lady Swims Today](#)" opens at **Richmond Shepard Theatre**, 309 East 26th Street, New York, NY 10010 (*NE corner of 26th St & 2nd Ave*). The show starts at 8 pm, and it is general admission. With a tag line, "*Money, secrets, sex and crime... what more could you ask for?*", you know its going to be a good production.

The play features [Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) and **Maureen Van Zandt** (*Gabby Dante*). This play has a limited run, so by all means get out there and see it! Robert was on the [Joey Reynolds Show](#) last night.

I know that those social websites, like Myspace, and Facebook (*to name a few*) has become extremely popular in recent years. If you believe that some of the profiles listed are REALLY some of your favorite Sopranos actors, I bet you believe in the tooth fairy also. Yesterday, one profile was pointed out to me, and it proved to be a phony. After more poking around, I discovered more bogus profiles (*I verified this*). It eventually got pretty funny, not only do the dead come back on *The Sopranos*, they come back on Myspace. Livia Soprano has an active profile.

Busy day planned for today.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 6, 2007

Still cold, cold cold here in Jersey. It's taking a little to get used to it, considering I just started wearing a winter coat a week ago. The ground hog said we will get an early spring, so that definitely is a good thing.

Allen Coulter, recently directed the movie, "*Hollywoodland*", but he also directed at least 12 episodes of "*The Sopranos*" (*besides several episodes of "Sex in the City" and "Six Feet Under"*). [Underground Online](#), has an interview with him, where he talks about his first full length movie, "*Hollywoodland*" and "*The Sopranos*".

Steve Van Zandt (*Silvio Dante*) has signed on as the [musical coordinator](#) of the film, "*Glad All Over*" which will begin production in Jacksonville, Florida in April.

I have previously mentioned at HBO has opened a store in the Bryant Park area of New York City, [this link mentions](#) that they have some memorabilia on display in the store. Very cool!

Robert Funaro (*Eugene Pontecorvo*), I know where [you'll be hanging around tomorrow night](#) (*February 7*).

Dress warm, better yet, don't leave the house (*or that warm bed*).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 5, 2007

Hope everyone had fun at the Super Bowl parties held last night, and if you are still at one, this Monday morning it so probably time to think about going home.

This one is for those who are into collectibles. There is an auction to benefit the [Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation](#), which includes an autographed Graco Mosaic Stroller. This stroller has been signed by 17 celebrities, including **Edie Falco** (*Carmela Soprano*) and is [listed on EBAY](#).

This Friday, **February 8, Louis Lombardi** (*Agent Skip Lipari*) will be a guest on the NBC television show, "[Las Vegas](#)". The program will air at **9 pm**.

I am not sure whether this is a new, or they are talking about the recently released (*a few months ago*) game, "*The Sopranos: The Road to Respect*". It is possible this is only for wireless devices, Wireless IGN, [has an article](#) about "*The Sopranos Bada Bing Manager*". Believe or not, I am technologically challenged.

Have a wonderful day, and speak softly.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 2, 2007

Weekends are good.

I came across a Sopranos contest where there are dangling 2 prize packs as bootie. The problem I found with this one is they ask for 2 actors names, which honestly is a very vague question. So for those needing, a little help, [use this link](#). To enter, [click here](#).

Lorraine Bracco (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be on the [Martha Stewart Show today](#), check for your local listings for time and channel.

[John Fiore](#) (*Gigi Cestone*), I know where [you were the other day](#).

A well deserved nomination. [The Cinema Audio Society](#), has announced its nominees for **Outstanding Achievement in Sound Mixing Award** for 2006, and the nomination in the Television Series Category went to Sopranos sound mixer, **Mathew Price** for his work on the sixth season episode, "*Members Only*". Mr. Price has been with the show since season one (*he is considered a 'lifer'*). He has also worked on productions which include, "*Jonny Zero*" and "*Sidewalks of New York*". The winners will be announced at the 43rd Annual Award Ceremony on **February 17**, being held in Los Angeles. Mathew Price has been nominated for this award 4 other times, and has been nominated for an Emmy award 5 times. In the year 2000, he won the "*Golden Reel Award*" by the Motion Picture Sound Editors, USA.



I don't really understand the point and odds thing with football, but with the Super Bowl

coming up this weekend, I see some of our favorite Sopranos cast members have made some predictions. [Schripps Howard News Service](#), is offering an award for the celebrity who predicts the winner of Sunday's game. 2 Sopranos cast members, gave their professional opinions.

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At 6 pm Saturday, Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show re airs on Sirius Radio Raw Dog 104. Robert Funaro, Maureen Van Zandt and Dominic Chianese joined Uncle Floyd Vivino, Joe Causi, [John "Cha Cha" Ciarcia](#), and Vinny in the studio.

This should be a fun weekend.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 1, 2007

Anybody catch on last night's airing of The Sopranos on A & E, the part where Tony is driving with "*chip of the old block son*", A.J. and they get a flat tire while driving on Fish House Road in Kearny? When Tony stops to change the flat tire, the bridge structure in the background is now grey (*Pulaski Skyway is black*). The reason being is the scene where they actually change the tire was filmed in Queens, near Silvercup studios. Here is another observation. I know that A & E has commercials but when it originally aired on HBO it didn't. Also, Tony and Christopher drove over that bridge on Route 7 in Kearny at least 3 times (*called you just can't get enough of a good thing?*). Those were the days when Vito was a Gino (*Vito Spatafore, the one and only Joseph R. Ganascoli, originally was the character Gino when he walked into the bakery scene where Christopher was going to shot the clerk in the foot, a tribute to Goodfellas*). Many of the episodes on HBO barely hit the 55 minute point, with one I remember being like 47 minutes. How come an episode on A & E, The Sopranos is starting at 9:00 pm and finishing at 10:10 pm. It doesn't seem like they are adding THAT many commercials, so is it possible we are seeing footage we didn't see the original time it aired (*or are they stretching the film a little*).

I received a email a few weeks back asking me for the name of the nail salon, which was utilized by **The Sopranos**, [TimeOut](#), has that information that was requested.

[EchoStar Dish Network](#) has added A & E in HD to its lineup of channels, for those who have a HD television.

Lorraine Bracco (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be participating in the American Heart Association's campaign "[Go Red for Women](#)" fund raising campaign, in which she will be wearing a dress designed by Michael Vollbracht of Bill Blass, at the Women's Day Red Dress Award function. On **February 15** that dress will be auctioned off on Ebay, with proceeds going to that charity.

Looking to see photos of the Bing and some great places to eat in Sopranoland, visit [Sopranos Guide on AOL CityGuide](#)

Have a good one.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 31, 2007

Midway through the week and this morning a lot of people are mid way through the Meadowlands. All I have been hearing on the radio this morning is how Route 3 is a huge traffic mess because of a water main break in the Meadowlands. I have yet to figure out why engineers put these huge water pipes under roadways, considering the weight of the

trucks that travel these roads.

A very special thanks to **Christy** , for sending me this scoop. One of my favorite comedians, **Lisa Lampanelli** (*aka the Queen of Mean*) released a new DVD/CD yesterday, entitled, "[Dirty Girl, No Protection](#)". If this is anything like her previous releases, I am positive it is going to be really great. Lisa is a regular guest on **Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show** , which by the way, airs live tonight on **Raw Dog 104** starting at **6 pm** . Among tonight's guests are 2 of my favorite people, **Maureen Van Zandt** (*Gabby Dante*) and [Bobby Funaro](#) , who will be speaking about their upcoming theatrical production, "[The Lady Swims Today](#)". To see who the other people on tonight's guest list, check out **Vincent Pastore's** (*Big Pussy*) [web site](#) .

Paul Mazursky (*Sunshine from the third season episode, "Amour Fou"*) has a documentary which is making the Film Festival Circuit. "*Yippee: A Journey to Jewish Joy*" was filmed in the Ukraine. The film screened on **January 7 & 8** at the [Palm Spring Film Festival](#) and in **May (4-10)** , New York's Lincoln Center with host a retrospective of this Oscar nominated artist. Interesting article, [definitely worth reading](#) .

I've been watching the re runs of The Sopranos, but didn't catch this one, which someone sent a question about to the Arizona Republic. If you were ever wondering what the term, "*at sixes and sevens*" meant, [here is your answer](#) .

This event is for fans who live in Maine (*who affectionately refer to themselves as Mainiacs*). **Karen Young** (*who plays the character of Agent Robyn Sanseverino*) is expected as a special guest at the [3 rd Annual Main Film Academy Award Gala](#) to be held on **February 24** at **7 pm**. There will be a special screening of her short film, "*The Pesky Suitor*" that she directed. [Here is an article which](#) has more details about this event.

This one is for those car buffs out there. **Forbes Auto** has an extensive article about the **Top 10 cars** from **The Sopranos** . Naturally Tony Soprano's Cadillac tops the list, but an older model Grand Marquis, is also on it. What makes [this article great](#) , with every car mention, there is a link with a page, detailing each machine.

Stay warm and stay off of Route 3.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 30, 2007

Truth is sometimes stranger than fiction, but we all have known that for a long time. It has also been said that **The Sopranos**, is a loosely based story whose escapades mirror the [DeCavalcante crime family](#) of New Jersey. Interesting what I found in today's [Star Ledger](#) . For more insight, I highly recommend reading the book, "[Made Men](#)", by Greg Smith.

A very special thanks to **Anna**, for sending me this tidbit. **David Provale** (*Richie Aprile*) has a supporting role in the movie, "*Smokin Aces*". The film's Official [website is here](#) , and [IMDB has lots of photos](#) from the movie.

I found a really interesting piece which mentions James Gandolfini (*Tony Soprano*), being the King of the Krewe of Bacchus parade, which will be held on February 18 in New Orleans for Mardi Gras. I've been to Mardi Gras in South America and in Spain, and some of the prices to travel to New Orleans are quite reasonable, which is giving me an idea. Lots of [interesting stuff in this article](#) !

Have a good day, dress warm if you plan on being outside.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 29, 2007

Its spring and many of us consider going back to school to acquire some new knowledge. I have come across another Sopranos course that just might have some merit. After all it is being taught in New Jersey and hopefully being in the state it will have the proper perspective into the show. This course is being taught in South Jersey at [Burlington County Community College](#) located in Willingboro. The class is being offered through **LIFE**, a program designated to adults over the age of 50 (*I guess that keeps me out*). For more about this course, [click here](#). I have hope for this class, considering its location, by just being in New Jersey, should be more on the money. When a course on The Sopranos is taught in some far off place like Canada, it makes me wonder, how they could possibly understand New Jersey without living here. For more information about the **LIFE** course on **The Sopranos**, call (609) 894-9311 ext. 7498 or (856) 222-9311.

A prime example of this is I recently looked at the book, "[Reading The Sopranos](#)" edited by David Lavery. One section I read was about the opening credits and the statue of the "working man". [Muffler Man](#) **IS NOT** a statue of the working man nor has it ever been considered as that. It is a fiberglass structure, created by **Steve Dashew** of International Fiberglass, as part of a roadside advertising program for large companies, to draw attraction to the businesses. The original concept was conceived as a way of keeping the company production during the slower times of the boat building business. Where they got the idea that it is a statue of the "working man" I have no idea. Can't wait to read the rest of the book to see what else is misinterpreted incorrectly.

I watched the DVD of [Johnny Slade's Greatest Hits](#) this weekend, definately a lot more entertaining. Any movie that features [John Fiore](#), [Vincent Pastore](#), [Frank Santorelli](#), [Vincent Curatola](#), [Joe Gannascoli](#) and my all time favorite **Joe Rigano**, can't be bad.

Montclair, New Jersey is the fictional location of Dr. Melfi's office (*it is actually a set constructed in the studio*), but many scenes in The Sopranos were actually filmed in Montclair. [NJ.com has a story](#) about some of the locations used in the show and other major movie productions, which were filmed in [Barista's home turf](#).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 26, 2007

I like Fridays, and my regular readers have known this for a long time. I'd like today a little better if it wasn't so cold out there, but what was that saying, "*you can't always get what you want*."

Birthday wishes are extended today to actor **David Strathairn**. Mr. Strathairn, played the character of AJ's high school counselor, Robert Wegler. Appearing in 3 episodes during the fifth season of The Sopranos, but that was long enough for Carmela Soprano to have a brief tryst with him. David Strathairn was nominated for an best actor Oscar award in 2006, for his portrayal of Edward R. Murrow in the movie, "*Good Night, Good Luck*".

1:00 pm . [On Wednesday](#), he will narrate a four part documentary, entitled "*The Supreme Court*" about the inner workings of the United States Supreme Court, on the **PBS network** (*no commercials just prolonged beg sessions*). That program is scheduled to air at **9 pm**, but check your local listings.

Sunday night on the **TBS** and **TNT** networks, the **Screen Actor Guild Award** show will air. **The Sopranos** were nominated in 3 catagories; Best Actor nomination, **James Gandolfini** for his portrayal of Tony Soprano, Best Actress Catagory nomination went to **Edie Falco** as Tony's wife, Carmela and the **Cast of The Sopranos** were nominated for Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble in a Drama Series. Airtime for this program is **8 pm**.

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26th St & 2nd Ave).

Have a warm wonderful weekend!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 25, 2007

I looked outside my window this morning, and here in Northern New Jersey we have a dusting of that white fluffy stuff outside. The temperatures here are supposed to take a radical downward turn, so dress warm when you leave the house this morning. Also please be careful, the radio is reporting all sorts of motor vehicle accidents on the roads. Take it slow is the way to go.

Over the last month, I have been catching bits and pieces of the Bravo television show, "[Top Chef](#)". The show's premise is you have a group of professional chefs from all over the country. They are presented with various types of cooking challenges in which they compete to win the coveted prize of a trip to Hawaii and to earn the coveted title of being *the* Top Chef. Some of the cooking proposals presented are themed, and others present unusual situations where cooking and preparing the meal demands on the spot creativity. The majority must be done within a specific time period, which includes everything from planning, budget and presentation. In an episode which aired last night, there were 2 Sopranos touches, one was that [Kathrine Narducci](#) (*Charmaine Bucco*) was a guest taster and also, [Lorraine Bracco wine's](#) were served at the table.

The Writers Guild of America [has announced](#) that **Jamie-Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*) will be one of the presenters for the New York portion of the award show on **February 11**.

Dress warm, and take it easy today.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 24, 2007

It's midway through the week, the weather has finally started to resemble winter and because it's Wednesday, there is no good reason to leave the house tonight. After a meal of spaghetti (*I save the F&\$king baked ziti for Sunday night*), it's time to settle down first with the live airing of [Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show](#) and then for dessert, we have 2 episodes of our favorite show on A & E.

Tonight's episodes, according to the [A & E website](#) are "*College*" and "*Pax Soprana*". As a refresher, the first episode to air tonight, "*College*" involves a road trip with Meadow, where Tony Soprano runs into the "*rat in hiding*", Fred Peters (*played by* [Tony Ray Rossi](#)). Tony decides to deal personally with the transgressions he has done. "*Pax Soprana*" introduces us to a new character, Johnny Sack ([Vincent Curatola](#)), during a sit down to discuss how Uncle Junior's leadership, since the death of Jackie Aprile, Sr. is driving everyone nuts. The [Wise Guy Show](#) airs between **6 and 9 pm** on **Raw Dog 104**, and The Sopranos on A & E starts at **9 pm**, so it's a busy night for us fans.

I have an update about **Lorraine Bracco's** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) upcoming **February 25** appearance at the Food Network's [South Beach Wine & Food Festival](#). Her line of wines, [Bracco Wines](#) will be featured at 2 different events, associated with the festival. The first will be on **February 22**, where Chef Michael D'Andrea will be preparing dishes, which complement the wines, and then on **February 25**, Ms. Bracco will participate in a seminar, showcasing her line of wines, at the Grand Tasting Village. For more about the event, [click here](#).

The magazine **Cigar Aficionado**, has a poll up where they are looking for readers input about how the final episodes of The Sopranos will end. [Click here to participate](#). Poll results will be in the magazine (*not sure what issue*).

Have a good day.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 23, 2007

Reality is that we all indulged ourselves a little too much over the holiday season. Everywhere you went there were plates of cookies, candies, and all sorts of tasty foods to pick on. So I guess it's about time to start thinking about healthier eating. I said thinking. I just received a press release about **Joseph R. Gannascoli's** (*Vito Spatafore*) latest endeavor, a radio program whose focus is a healthier lifestyle. The show will broadcast on [FM 98.5 WBZB](#), Business Talk Radio, starting sometime in late February. The program, appropriately named, "*Chewin the Fat*", will also broadcast via the internet. For more about the program, check out [the press release](#).

Joe is also [responsible for this one](#). The Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation ([GLAAD](#)) has announced the nominees for the 18 th annual GLAAD Media Awards, and The Sopranos have been listed as one of the nominees. The announcement was made last Sunday. The award ceremony will be broadcast on **April 21**, on the [Logo cable channel](#). This is the first GLAAD nomination for The Sopranos.

Dress warm, and the end of the week is getting closer.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 22, 2007

What a wonderful time I had Saturday night at the screening of the movie, "*Searching for Bobby D*". To those who missed the screening, here's a [little about what you missed](#). Don't know when it will be screening again, but the movie is [available from Amazon](#). Also available from Amazon is the comedy "[Johnny Slade's greatest Hits](#)". So no need to leave the nice warm house you are in.

Those "*in the know*" are well aware of the filming of the final episodes of The Sopranos, that has been going on in various locations in North Jersey, up State New York, and The Big Apple. [Read what Jamie-Lynn Sigler](#) (*Meadow Soprano*), has to say about it, and what new projects she has been working on.

Last month, I encouraged everyone to purchase the Daugherty CD, which were going to be delivered to hospital bound troops in Military Hospitals. A special star is twinkling brightly in the sky, for the [Sopranos actress](#) who took time out of her busy schedule to make the trip to deliver them personally to our troops.

On **January 31**, **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be a guest on the ABC network program, "*The View*".

It's going to be a long (5 day) cold week.

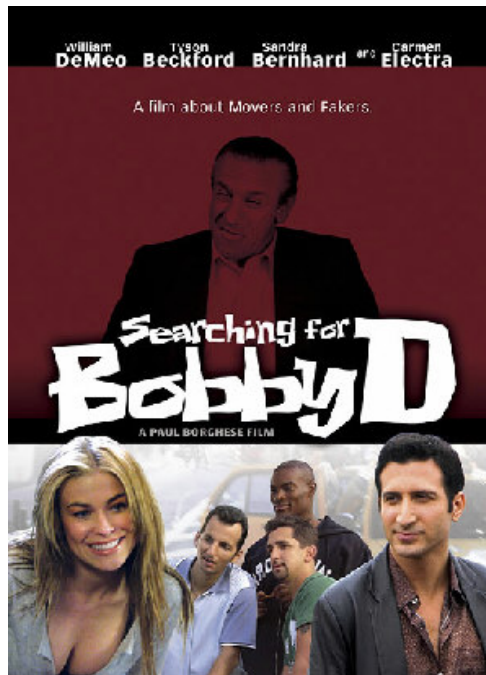
~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 18, 2007

We have some of the white fluffy stuff, outside my window this morning. It looks like the snowflake express made a stop on my street last night. Maybe if *Vito Spatafore* knew this beforehand, he would have gotten on 95 south instead of north, in **1810**, the overnight temperature in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, dropped 50 degrees. With a drop like that, you're going to need more than "*Johnny Cakes*" to keep you warm.

The happiest of birthday wishes are extended to **Drea De Matteo** (*Adriana La Cuervo*), who will be celebrating that very special day, all day today.

For those who use the HD Disc format, the HD DVD Promotion group announced in Las Vegas at the recent [Consumer Electronics Show](#), they will be releasing sets of **The Sopranos** in the future.



The winners of tickets to the **Saturday, January 20 th** screening of the movie, "*Searching for Bobby D*" will be notified later today. If you didn't win, you are still welcome to attend the screening at [Riverspace Arts Theater](#) located at 119 Main Street, Nyack, New York. The box office opens at 7:30 for the **8:00 pm** screening. Several cast members are expected to be in attendance, and the director extraordinaire, **Paul Borghese**, is expected to speak about the film.

The synopsis of the movie is several young Italian-American actors, and one African-American actor, are frustrated with their lackluster careers and also with how they can only book typecast bit parts at best. Obsessed with meeting and getting to work with their idol Robert DeNiro, they write their own screenplay and set out to try to raise the money to make the movie and to get Robert DeNiro to star in it with them.

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[Saturday](#), the winners for The Norman Felton Producer of the Year Award in Episodic Television in the Drama category, from the [Producers Guild of American](#) will be announced. A Soprano win would be nice.

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Have a wonderful, fantastic, weekend and definately attend the Bobby D screening, I may know something I am not telling.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 17, 2007

For all those driving around today looking for St. Isaac's Hospital, where **Jackie Aprile, Sr.** (*played by Michael Rispoli*) died, it doesn't exist in North Jersey. There was a [St. Isaac](#), who was a missionary, that was martyred.

[A review of The Sopranos](#), Season 6, on the Blue Ray Disc, in which the writer really enjoyed the Directors commentary for episode 9 "*The Ride*". So did I! If you haven't watched this commentary, by all means, do, some things are like so cool!

The movie, "[Adrift in Manhattan](#)" will screen at the Sundance Film Festival. It features **Dominic Chianese** (*Uncle Junior Corrado Soprano*).

The Sopranos airs in Iceland and Estonia, and those places may be the only outposts where any of the Sopranos Ice Cream bars could survive. Apparently the company "[Cool Brands](#)" is having [some financial problems](#) and the end may be near for not only The Sopranos creamy treat but the Eskimo Pie. Never saw this item in the stores, so can't comment on the taste.

Don't forget to enter to win some free tickets Saturday night screening of the movie, "*Searching for Bobby D*" The email address to enter is bobbyd@sopranosuessightings.com.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 16, 2007

What's with the cold weather that is blanketing Northern New Jersey this week? I was really starting to enjoy that mild weather the area experienced the last couple of months. Is the weather witch considering sanitizing the climate with that 4 letter word, snow?

It's going to cold tonight and there is definitely no reason to go outside. Stay inside, because we have some wonderful stuff going on this Wednesday night. For starters, tonight is the live airing of [Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show](#). They always have some interesting guests and tonight's will definitely be a show of interest to **Mr. BakedZiti**, so check out [Cha Cha's web site](#) (*Albie Cianflone*), and see who will be visiting the studio tonight. The boys start at **6 pm** and ends at **9 pm** on Sirius **Raw Dog 104**, just in time to watch the third and fourth sanitized episodes of [The Sopranos on A & E](#). By the way, [here is a game piece](#), for the "*Suitcase of Cash*" game, compliments of A & E. **The Sopranos** airs on the A & E network at **9 pm**.

Some insight behind A & E's marketing plans with **The Sopranos**, including that 42 minute commercial break in the first episode, from [Media Week](#).

[Blockbuster](#) has announced the most popular game rentals and "*The Sopranos: Road to Respect*", made the top ten list for the Playstation console. Our resident gamer, **Ryan** (Yo-Yo), said he has been really enjoying the game.

Saturday night, **January 20 th**, at **8 pm**, there is a special screening of the movie, "*Searching for Bobby D*" at the **Riverspace Arts Theater** located at 119 Main Street, Nyack, New York. This is a special [Soprano Sue](#) exclusive, but I have some tickets for this screening to give away, to a few randomly selected people who email me their name and phone number. I'll be notifying the lucky winners by this Friday so get your one entry in ASAP. Repeat entries will be deleted. The email address to enter is bobbyd@sopranosuessightings.com.

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Dress warm, or better yet, don't leave the house.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 15, 2007

It was really nice having an extra day tacked on to the weekend. I really won't mind working a couple of extra hours a every day to have a longer weekend. Shame is type of work I do, it's just not possible, and how many hours do I really want to work more a daily

than I already do?

[Contact Music website](#) sent me this little tidbit, apparently **David Chase** (*Our Hero*) will be writing and directing the finale of *The Sopranos*.

Steven Van Zandt (*Silvio Dante*) [wrote an article for Billboard](#) about **Lenny Kaye's** omission for the Hall of Fame. Lenny Kaye, according to [Wikipedia](#), collaborated with the Patti Smith group and made one of the first references of the term "*Punk Rock*". For more reading about this Jersey Boy, Lenny Kaye, [click here](#).

On **Tuesday January 16**, if you live in Westchester, Rockland and Orange Counties (NY), on channel **12** or channel **156** on the Time Warner Cable system, there will be an interesting piece about a screening of the award winning film, "*Searching for Bobby B*" which features, **Tony Darrow** (*Larry Boy Barese*), **Joe Lisi** (*Dick Barone*), **Lou Martini, Jr.** (*Anthony Infante*), **Arthur J. Nascarella** (*Carlo Gervasi*), **Frank Pellegrino** (*Agent Frank Cubitosi*), and **Al Sapienza** (*Mikey Palmice*) from **The Sopranos**.

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For those who don't get the forementioned cable systems, the Saturday, **January 20** th screening is at the [Riverspace Arts Theater](#), 119 Main Street, Nyack, NY. Box office opens at 7:30 pm for 8:00 pm screening. Rumor has it, (*and you know I have such really good sources*), many celebrities will be in attendance.

Robert Funaro (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) and **Maureen Van Zandt** (*Gabby Dante*) are working on the theatrical production of H. G. Brown's "[The Lady Swims Today](#)". The show will open on **February 7, 2006**. Tickets can be [purchased at Smart Tix](#), by calling (212) 868-4444 or at the box office the day of the show. The show will be performed at **Richmond Shepard Theatre**, 309E 26th Street, New York, NY 10010 (*NE corner of 26th St & 2nd Ave*).

I really didn't have the day off, I spent it putting up [3 new sightings from season 6 part 2](#).

Have a good one!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 12, 2007

I was thinking last night about A & E's airing of **The Sopranos**. My feelings about it, was that it was a good thing. It's waking up the fan community; I had several conversations yesterday in my travels about the episodes aired. On the message boards' people are posting trivia questions, which have been thought provoking. [The Hartford Courant](#), actually tallied up data of the **F-word count**. Not surprised that [A & E had 4.3 viewers](#), making the show the most watched cable show for the night. A & E also has been making this event fun for us, with their "[Suitcase of Cash](#)" game. I have some of those coveted pieces cleverly hidden on this website (*3 – duck, coffee, and another one*), so have fun finding them. I tried to make it easy, so do a little thinking.

Congratulations to **The Sopranos** on a [DGA \(Directors Guild of America \) nomination for Best Drama](#), for the Sixth Season, Part 1, episodes, **David Nutter** for "*Join the Club*" and **Tim Van Patten** for the episode "*Members Only*" (*the first episode where Eugene Pontecorvo tragically hanged himself over his dilemma about leaving the "family"*). The winners will be announced on **February 3, 2007** in Los Angeles.

This one is for those in the Granite State, according to [The Portsmouth Herald](#), proceeds from a lithograph signed by the cast of **The Sopranos**, will be auctioned off to benefit the Thomas Edward Fogarty Memorial Fund. They are also having a concert, for more details

please [visit this website](#) or call 1-603-225-1111.

I just knew if we all worked together, we could make it happen. Congratulations to **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) on the success of her [line of Italian wines](#). Sales for [Bracco Wines](#), have now reached over the 11,000 case mark for 2006. No bad considering the wines were introduced to the market in the second quarter of 2006 (*April to June*).

I came across an interview with a few of my favorite Sopranos, **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*), [Vincent Curatola](#) (*Johnny Sack*), **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) and **Dominic Chianese** (*Uncle Junior Corrado Soprano*) from [FHM magazine](#) entitled " *The Sopranos guide to acting like a man* ", enjoy!

Television history for today, in 1971, the first toilet flush on TV was heard on the CBS program, " *All in the Family* ". How times have changed, now we've had scenes with Gigi Cestone (John Fiore) and Johnny Sack (Vincent Curatola) on the porcelain throne.

Do fantastic things today.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 11, 2007

I really don't like staying up late like I did last night for the airing of **The Sopranos** on A & E, but it is something I just have to do (*screw the beauty sleep*). Just don't understand why I feel so tired this morning, where I didn't feel tired last night. The episodes aired from 9 to 11:10 pm, and repeated immediately after the first airing.

The other day I mentioned the play, " [The Lady Swims Today](#) " which features **Maureen Van Zandt** (*Gabby Dante*) and **Robert Funaro** (*Eugene Pontecorvo*), [Broadway World](#) has an article about the play. A bunch of us are looking forward to seeing this production.

This one is for those out there playing the A & E game, " *Suitcase of Cash* ", according to the [A & E website](#), the tip of the day is there is a game piece in the new [Vanity Fair Magazine](#). The game piece should be mailed to game@mobot.com

Tonight, **Edie Falco's** (*Carmela Soprano*) movie, " *Freedomland* " will be airing at **9 p.m.** Thursday on Starz .

Last night the sanitized version of **The Sopranos** aired on A & E, and naturally I had to watch it, hey sanitized Sopranos is always better than no Sopranos. I think the hatchet job I have [been reading](#) about for the last week, was being a little over dramatic, and over all it wasn't such a big deal (*but I did hear one of the main characters utter the word \$hit, a by stander mutter A\$\$ hole with a long pause between the 2 words, and the word hell*). I understand that the language had to be cleaned up but AJ's classic line about the baked Ziti, was probably the only line they should have let stay (*but I understand that it had to be edited*), Friggin on that one just didn't cut it (*and when Carmela scolds him for his language immediately after the remark, has she really been spending that much time with the good Father?*).

I did appreciate A & E's professionalism in not airing its first commercial until **9:41 pm** and I am truly sorry I missed the little pre show thing with **Micheal Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*). Having not watched these episodes in years, I found it refreshing to be re introduced to the characters, and was amazed how physically over the years they have changed. That was the one thing about The Sopranos, everytime I re watched an episode, I always picked up on something new, I didn't notice the first time around. The episodes will be re airing on Monday night at 9 pm.

The [locations used in The Sopranos](#), have always been a point of interest to me. Here is a listing of the locations used in the episode;

Dr. Melfi's Office (*actual location is in studio*)

Soprano house (*you didn't really think I was going to tell you exactly where this house was did you*) hint: *Stagg Drive*

Office complex on Mack Drive, Paramus

Centanni's Pork Store in Elizabeth – this is an actual operational store, only used in pilot (*which by the way was filmed 1 year prior to remaining episodes, when HBO rented a location which they created the fictional Pork Store, Satriales*)

Manolo's (*used as Vesuvio's, my spelling may be wrong on this one*) location Elizabeth

Livia's house – Verona, NJ note that house has fence in front yard, actual house doesn't and in first episode house does not have screen door in second episode it does

Green Grove Retirement Home – West Orange, NJ

Great Falls National Park – Paterson, NJ or also known to the locals as the Paterson Falls

Putting Range – Routes 1/9 southbound, Jersey City, NJ

Recycling company located at base of Broadway and Routes 1/9 in Jersey City NJ (about 200 feet from the Muffler Man statue)

The Stugots – I believe was docked at a marina in Staten Island at the time. If you aren't sure what Stugots means, check out the Mob Speak section of the [HBO website](#) .

School yard - probably located in the Verona/West Orange/Montclair area

For those who enjoyed the opening credits, I have a [listing of them here](#) .

A few more interesting tidbits. In the pilot the town of Booton is mentioned and Tony suffers 3 black outs. The township of Booton will play a significant role in the show in future episodes of the show as a plot line and also as a physical location used in filming. The first words uttered on the show were “ *Mr. Soprano* ” by Dr. Jennifer Melfi (played by **Lorraine Bracco**).

In the second episode, “ *46 Long* ” Tony mentions singer, **Frankie Valli** to his mother Livia (*Nancy Marchand*) when speaking about where the flowers he bought her came from, Frankie Valli in Season 6 joined the cast as character *Rusty Millio* in 6 episodes.

In the second episode, above the main entrance of Satriales, there is a large “ **101** ” number over the door, that isn't seen in later episodes. I can't confirm this on IMDB, but was that a cameo of **Martin Scorsese** entering the club or was that a look a like?

Have a good one.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 10, 2007

Tonight is the night. But there a dilemma, should I listen to the Wise Guy Show or watch a sanitized version of The Sopranos? I think I will watch the show, with the sound turned down, and listen to [The Wise Guy Show](#) on Sirius radio's Raw Dog 104. Vinny and his posse will definately make up for what is missing on A & E. For tonight's guest list, check out [Vinny's website](#) . Speaking of A & E, I received an e mail this morning about the “ *Suitcase of Cash* ” game which reads as following;

“ *There's \$100,000 on the line so don't forget to set your game board for tonight's episodes of The Sopranos on A&E.* ”

Game boards lock each Wednesday at 8:45 PM ET (5:45 PM PT) so go to [www.suitcaseofcash.com](#) and arrange your game pieces based on what you think will

happen in this week's episodes. Play along each week in real time with The Sopranos on A&E Wednesdays 9PM/8C.

Become an A&E Insider at www.aetv.com/insider to get inside tips on each week's episodes. "

If you haven't decided about the A & E version of The Sopranos, look at it this way. A & E is saying the the episodes will be of the same length as the original episodes, and after the editing, they had to replace the deleted scenes with something, so that alone is a reason to re watch the show again for possibly some new stuff.

Joe Gannascoli (*Vito Spatafore*), you didn't get your Emmy nomination, but you did make [the Pop Matters website](#) list of best television performers for 2006. Congratulations.

Did you know that the airline [Jet Blue](#) names their planes? Aircraft number **534** , one of its most popular planes is named " *Bada Bing, Bada Blue* ", how cool is that? Checking the website this morning I see they have departures out of [New York or Boston to San Francisco](#) from \$99.00 one way, I need another vacation, don't I? Every seat on their Jets have television screens, which if you time your flight right, you can watch The Sopranos via Direct TV which is broadcast on their planes. The reception is really good, after all being in a plane you are definately closer to the broadcasting satellite.

Tonight at **8 pm** , A & E will be rerunning the original episodes of The Sopranos, I am not sure whether this is a coincidence but on the same date in **1999** , The Sopranos premiered on HBO. Strange but true. If that isn't exciting enough, in **1994** the [trial of Lorena Bobbit began](#) (*she was acquitted*).

The only Sopranos actor with a Doctorate degree, will be participating in the first ever " [Ben Bowl](#) ". This championship, sponsored by [St. Benedict Catholic Church and School](#) in Homdel, New Jersey will be held on **January 28** at the Brunswick Zone Bowling Lanes in Hazlet, NJ. **Dan Grimaldi** (*Patsy Parisi*) will be in attendance for this fundraiser. Registration deadline is **January 14** , and can be done by emailing Golfnow@att.biz.

It's a good day, half the work week is over.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 9, 2007

What's the matter, seems that New York City is blaming that mysterious odor yesterday on New Jersey (*Johnny Sack must have had something to do with that decision, he is always blaming New Jersey for stuff*). I just they are not used to that expensive perfume fondly known as, " *Midnight over Moonachie* ". I say expensive, because the tipping fees at our landfills are pretty steep. I was in Jersey City yesterday and I didn't smell \$hit (*other than the normal crappy odors*)

[Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) and **Maureen Van Zandt** (*Gabby Dante*) are working on the theatrical production of H. G. Brown's " [The Lady Swims Today](#) ". The show will open on **February 7, 2006** . Tickets can be [purchased at Smart Tix](#) , by calling **(212) 868-4444** or at the box office the day of the show. The show will be performed at **Richmond Shepard Theatre** , 309E 26th Street, New York, NY 10010 (*NE corner of 26th St & 2nd Ave*).

A & E sent me a mailer yesterday, with some clues where to find game pieces for the " *Suitcase of Cash* " game, they have. The clues they sent me are as following;

[History Channel Website](#)

[Buy dot com website](#)

[Sonic, America's Drive In](#) (*never saw one of these in Jersey, guess we are NOT considered part of America*)

[The Cao Cigar website](#)

I also heard that A & E is advertising heavy on NYC buses and also in the subways, no idea if any game pieces are part of these promotions. The Sopranos will begin airing tomorrow night on the A & E network.

Dress warmer today than you have been, forecast is calling for wind, and there is some black ice out there.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 8, 2007

I'm Baaccckkkk! Needed a few days off, now I need a few days to play catch up on the work I normally do. All I can say is I returned from my travels on **Jet Blue**, with some wonderful "**A & E Soprano cocktail napkins**". No word whether these are considered a game piece as part of the A & E's "*Suitcase of Cash Game*", but if someone needs I photo of one, I can provide if necessary. Great flight – great service.

Steve Schirripa (*Bobby Bacala*) will be featured in a commercial for Slazenger Raw Distance balls, which will air on ESPN and The Golf Channel starting on **January 4**. According to the [Tribune Review](#), these commercials were created by the master minds at Dick's Sporting Goods.

Calendar alert, on **January 28**, at **8 pm** on **TBS** and **TNT** networks, the [Screen Actor Guild Award Show](#) will air. **The Sopranos** were nominated in 3 categories; Best Actor nomination, **James Gandolfini** for his portrayal of *Tony Soprano*, Best Actress Category went to **Edie Falco** as Tony's wife, **Carmela** and the **Cast of The Sopranos** were nominated for Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble in a Drama Series. Congratulations on the nominations and I am rooting for winnings in all three nominated categories!

Did anyone catch **Al Sapienza** (*Mikey Palmice*) Thursday night on the CBS program, "*Shark*". He plays the reoccurring role of top Mafia attorney *Simon Bernhardt*. And **John Fiore** (*Gigi Cestone*), you can run, but you can't hide, I KNOW what [you were up to recently](#).

I welcome all the new viewers who will have the opportunity to see The Sopranos, since it will now be airing on A & E network starting Wednesday night. My advice is don't dwell too much of the recent reviews about the editing which has been done on the show. If you think about it, it wouldn't be much of a news story if they just wrote it was wonderful. Give the show a chance. After all, when The Sopranos first aired, I personally won't watch it because I thought the show was about a "*bunch of stupid singers*", how times have changed, once I gave the show a chance. [Gannet News Service](#) has an article which will give you a guide to the program's characters, which I think will help make the show more interesting for the newbies out there. Enjoy it, when I first saw the show, I thought the Route 1 and 9 sign on the bridge was interesting (*I still do everytime I go underneath it, it's near my office*). If you aren't sure how to celebrate some great television, check out my [Soprano watching guide](#).

Have a great day!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 29, 2006

The countdown to party time has officially started here in New Jersey.

A special type of magic was in the Brooklyn air the other night. Kudos to **Tony Sirico** (*Paulie Walnuts*) and his friends for [participating in an event](#) held for [Heartshare Human Services of New York's](#) tree festival event, which raised over \$100,000 for this worthy cause. The Heartshare website [has some photos up](#) from the event. [This photo](#) shows

Dan Grimaldi (*left, Patsy Parisi*) and **John “Cha Cha” Ciarcia** (*right, Albie Cianflone*) from The Sopranos, who also participated in the event.

New Year's Eve is rapidly approaching and if you haven't made plans as of yet, I have a few Sopranos related events.

According to [Broadway World](#), **Sandra Bernhard** (*Gina*) has performances tonight, tomorrow and New Year's Eve at [Joe's Pub](#), located at 425 Lafayette Street, New York City.



“ *First Night Boston* ” will have a comedy event at [Park Plaza Castle](#), in which [Frank Santorelli](#) (*Georgie, the bartender*) will be performing. For more information and tickets (*called buttons*) for this event and the many other festivities which will be celebrating the arts in Beantown that night, [click here](#). source: [PR Web](#)

On **January 2, 2007** the **Julianna Margulies** (*Julianna Skiff*) movie, “ *Snakes on a Plane* ”, will be released on DVD.

Best wishes for the New Year. I plan on taking a few well deserved days off for the holidays.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 28, 2006

It's getting near the end of the year and don't look at it as a bad thing, we have some stuff to look forward to in 2007. [Buddy TV website](#), lists the finale of The Sopranos as the **#4** television event for 2007.

The Sopranos has always had lots of fans in Australia. [The Herald Sun](#), reports on how the television Gods down under have driven fans of the show crazy with the constant changes in air times, and other disruptions. They also point out that watching the show; will not turn you into a violent sociopath.

For those out there considering purchasing the [Daugherty CD](#), which will be brought to military patients at Walter Reed and Bethesda Hospitals, in January, my ex professor, **Eric Cameron's** blog (*copycat*), has [a link to a 10% discount coupon](#) for **Best Buy**, which if you buy several CD's for our troops, can add up to a substantial savings. You still have time to mail the CD's to

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Today bidding ends on the following auctions to benefit VH1 Save The Music Foundation and the Rock and Roll Forever Foundation . The auction items, are as following;

- [Gibson Firebird Guitar Little Steven](#) - Wiseguy Auction
- [Signed Cigar Set From Sirius Satellite](#) -Wiseguy Auction
- [Guest Spot On Sirius The Wiseguy Show](#) - Wiseguy Auction
- [Saxophone Signed by Clarence Clemons](#) - Wiseguy Auction
- [RCR NASCAR VIP Race Experience](#) - Wiseguy Auction

Do wonderful things today!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 27, 2006

I guess today is like a retraining day for all those out there who also had yesterday as an extra day off from work. The good news for those who are having a rough day going back to the grind, is we have another day off from work coming up next weekend (*and that day is considered a party day!*)

Speaking of parties, the 2006, the [2006 Gala Award nominees](#) have been announced by *Special Events Magazine* . Award trophies will be handed out on January 12, at an event being held in Los Angeles. Congratulations to **XA: The Experiential Agency** in New York was nominated for the Sopranos Premiere party held at Roseland Ballroom. The party's theme was of an Italian Feast, complete with feast style food and street games. It was definitely a very cool event to be at!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 26, 2006

Traditionally it's the quiet news time of the year, so there is no need for some journalists to make up mean spirited and hurtful stories based on incorrect facts, so guys have some ethics out there. Thankfully the majority of writers' are professionals, get the facts right and have pride in their writing. Enough said.

With the holiday season here, I came across of video of **Little Steven** (*Silvio Dante*) & the E Street Band doing The Ramones song " [Merry Christmas \(I don't want to fight\)](#) " .

We've got another gamepiece for A & E's game " [A Suitcase of Cash](#) " . Special thanks to the [JOYSTIG website](#) for making our quest a little bit easier! WWTSD

The Sopranos made the Best, worse, most and least list at the [Hampton Roads website](#) for the " *Most Shocking Moment in Prime Time* " item on their list.

If you still haven't made your party plans for New Year's today is the last day to bid on the [New Year's Eve package](#) being held at the Hard Rock café in New York City.

Work today, yuch!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 22, 2006

May all your wishes come true or go look for some Inner Peace

Ho, ho, ho Santa says everytime he walks into the Bada Bing. It's crazy out there, I am a little late, I was out shopping this morning before the stores got busy.

If you aren't into the mall thing, [Johnny Slade's Greatest Hits](#) is now available for purchase at [Amazon](#) . The movie features **John Fiore** (*Gigi Cestone*), **Vincent Curatola** (*Johnny Sack*), **Frank Santorelli** (*Georgie the bartender*), **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*), **Joseph R. Gannascoli** (*Vito Spatafore*), **Steve Schirripa** (*Bacala*), and **Tony Ray Rossi** (*Fred Peters*).

A special thanks to **Carrie** for sharing some " *Suitcase of Cash* " tidbits. Here's her clues, Sonic website, and somewhere on my space. She wasn't too sure about exactly where on My Space, so if someone comes across it, [send the clue over](#) . Remember our motto **WWTSD** (*What would Tony Soprano Do ?*).

Joe Gannascoli , I have congratulated you on a few things over the years, but never did I think your character, *Vito Spatafore* , would make the [Year in Queer list for 2006](#) .

A special occasion in **Sopranos location** history. In **1937** , the [Lincoln Tunnel](#) (*from the opening credits*) opened officially for traffic, giving Tony Soprano a toll free way to get to New Jersey (*there is no toll going west, but they get you double the other direction*).

[The Dogmatic Blog](#) , has their Sopranos archives up on line.

I have a little more information about some new items added to the **VH1 Save the Music Foundation** and the **Rock and Roll Forever Foundation** , auctions listed on EBAY.

[Wiseguy New Year's Eve in Times Square](#) - Hard Rock- NYC ~This event held at the Hard Rock Cafe in New York, gives you and select friends the opportunity of the lifetime to party New Year's Eve with the stars of The Sopranos. This once in a life time experience will allow you to bring in 2007 in style, including an open premium bar, hors d'oeuvres, a gourmet dinner, champagne and continental breakfast. You will enjoy dinner outside on top of the Hard Rock Cafe's Marquee - a perfect view just seconds away from where the ball drops and approximately 20 feet above an estimated 500,000 people attending the greatest New Year's gathering in the world.

Not only will you be the host of the most talked about bash of the year, but you will also have your name or affiliated logo on Broadway for all to see - animated on the Hard Rock Cafe's Marquee. Bidding ends December 26

[Gibson Firebird Guitar Little Steven](#) - Wiseguy Auction ~ Bidding ends December 28

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[RCR NASCAR VIP Race Experience](#) - Wiseguy Auction ~ Bidding ends December 28

This is some really fantastic stuff and proceeds go to a really great cause, so participate! I heard through the grapevine they will be adding an exclusive dinner with 4 of the actors from the show and some other good stuff later on today.

When you are out there tonight driving around looking at the holiday lights, remember that today in **1882** , the first string of Christmas Tree lights were created by Thomas Edison (*of course in New Jersey*).

When you are out shopping (*yes, you still have 2 full days*) to pick up a CD of [Chris Daughtry's](#) (*from American Idol*) song " *Home* " in which the fans and celebrities, will be bringing to **Walter Reed Hospital** and **Bethesda Hospital** in January, to thank the troops for their service and to give them care packages which will include the Daughtry CD.

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Maureen Van Zandt (*Gabby Dante*) is friends with **Chris Daughtry** and is wholeheartedly supporting this cause, so it really is a good thing to do for the holidays.

If you were wondering about the **Inner Peace** thing, here it is (*this is for those who still have a sense of humor out there*)

By following the simple advice I heard on the Dr. Phil show, I have finally found inner peace. Dr. Phil proclaimed, "The way to achieve inner peace is to finish all the things you've started and never finished". So, I looked around my house to see all the things I started and never finished, and before leaving the house this morning I finished off a bottle of Merlot, a bottle of white Zinfandel, a bottle of Baily's Irish Cream, a bottle of Kahlua, a package of oreos, the remainder of my old prozac prescription, rest of the cheesecake, all the Doritos and a box of chocolate. You have absolutely no idea how freaking good I feel right now! Dang, that Dr. Phil is smart!

Have the happiest of holidays!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

Decemeber 21, 2006

We're almost there, that long holiday weekend. For some it will be even longer, since for many businesses, today is the last work day of the week.

VH-1 has really had a great year according to this [press release](#) . Part of this is attributed to " *Celebrity Fit Club* " which attracted 1.8 million viewers for its premiere on August 6. **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) joined the club, which **Joseph R. Gannascoli** (*Vito Spatafore*) also participated in, a few seasons back.

[The Market Brands website](#) has announced that **Lorraine Bracco's** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) line of wines, " [Bracco Wines](#) " will be distributed to the Montgomery County Department of Liquor, allowing consumers in the county, located next to Washington, DC, to enjoy these wines.

New Year's Eve is rapidly approaching and if you haven't made plans yet, here is something you should seriously consider. The Hard Rock Café in New York City and **Steve Van Zandt** (*Little Steven*) have something really exciting going on for the upcoming -New Year's Eve. The event is appropriately named " *A Wise Guy New Year's Eve in Times Square* ."

This auction, in which benefits, [VH1 Save The Music Foundation](#) and the [Rock and Roll Forever Foundation](#) promises a once of a life time experience to party with some of the cast members of **The Sopranos** . The auction items, [listed on Ebay](#) include as part of the package; an open bar from 8:30pm to 2am, hors d'oeuvres, a gourmet dinner, champagne toast, a VIP outdoor view of Times Square from Hard Rock's marquee and a continental breakfast upon departure. The winning bidder can further show off to the world through video messaging on the marquee. You have about 5 days remaining to place your bid, [so remember you have to be in it to win it](#) .

Have a great day.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 20, 2006

If you haven't gone out shopping yet, you really should consider starting. But then again you do have a full day on Saturday and Sunday to get it all done. I heard on the news last night that a certain Macy's is going to be open 24 hours, which could be a dangerous thing for me.

A & E has a game called, " [A Suitcase of Cash](#) " (*very good thing to take to the mall*), and I may have invertively came across one of the game pieces (*to be honest I really*

haven't had time to read the directions on how to play this game, so correct me if I am wrong). What I think is a game piece is on this page, [about halfway down the page](#) . If anyone else out there comes across locations of pieces, send them in. After all, we are Sopranos fans, so we always have an angle, on winning things. Just remember those famous initials, **WWTSD** – “ *What Would Tony Soprano Do* ”.

A special thanks to our friends over at [Barista of Bloomfield Avenue](#) for throwing a fantastic party last night!

AOL's has the nominees for the City's Best categories in New Jersey up on line. Check out the list and vote in the following categories for which you think are the best! A very cool thing about this list is The Sopranos has filmed at a few of the places!

- [The main page for the best](#)
- [Best Italian Restaurants](#)
- [Best Pizzerias](#)

I must mention that last night's party was held at the [Diva Lounge](#) in Montclair, NJ and the establishment has won this award several times. It truly deserved the award!

Tonight, whether you are sitting in traffic or cuddled up at home in front of a warm fire, it's not a valid excuse for not listening to the live airing of [Vinny Pastore's Wise Guy Show](#) . Santa, a warning, starting at 6 pm – don't even think of coming down my chimney until after 9 pm. To see who tonight's guests will be, [click here](#) .

Have a wonderful, wonderful day.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 19, 2006

I'm still dreaming of palm trees for New Year's Eve, but if you can't picture that, in Liberty, NY, Tony Darrow (*Larry Boy Barese*) will be hosting an event for the town. [Click on this link](#) for further information.

What would be it be, if the new video game, “ *The Sopranos: Road to Respect* ” didn't have any cheats? Of course there are few, [this link provides a couple of them](#) . Last Sunday, James Gandolfini (*aka Tony Soprano*) visited the GameStation store in Morris Plains, NJ to sign copies of the game. Proceeds from the event, went to [The October Woman Foundation](#) for Breast Cancer Research. [The Daily Record](#) has an article about this event and some photos.

Today, **December 19** , the [Blu Ray version of Season 6, part 1](#) of The Sopranos is being released. The [Video Business website](#) has a review of the graphics of this set.

It's not too late to [fulfill my holiday wishes](#) (or any other Sopranos fan on your list)

Spread the joy of the holiday season!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 18, 2006

For the most part it is quiet out here. I did manage to get my 2007 Sopranos Calendar. Haven't opened it as of yet (*it's not 2007 yet*), but I am looking forward to that moment.

The only thing I found out there was [an interview](#) with **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) about the video game.



Just for fun, I came across this photo and I'm looking for a really great caption, [so send them in !](#)

Have a superb week!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 15, 2006

I found something out there that is more fun than holiday shopping. Today is the official start day of the “[Suitcase of Cash](#)” game on the [A & E Sopranos website](#). To join the fun, [click here to sign up](#). Now if I could only figure out how to send my game pieces in on my cell phone... They also have a [sweepstakes contest](#) you can win some cool stuff.

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Congratulations are in order to **Edie Falco** (*Carmela Soprano*) on her [nomination for a Golden Globe Award](#). Ms. Falco has been nominated **5 times** (*2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2005*), she won twice in 2000 and 2003. Hopefully she will tie the score this time around.

Federico Castelluccio (*Furio Giunta*), we know where [you were supposed to be](#) the other day.

A reminder, about the event that is scheduled for this weekend (Sunday). **James Gandolfini** (*Tony Soprano*) will be making an appearance where you can have the new video game, “*The Sopranos: Road to Respect*” signed this weekend at the [Game Station Store](#), 1711, Morris Plains, NJ. The time to be there is **11 am to 2 pm**.

Have a fantastic weekend.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 14, 2006

Think about it, the month of December is almost half way over. Then we go into the month of January, and the final wait for new episodes of The Sopranos will have officially begun.

[Congratulations are in line](#) for Soprano writers, **Mitchell Burgess, David Chase, Diane Frolov, Robin Green, Andrew Schneider, Matthew Weiner**, and **Terence Winter** on their nomination for a [Writers Guild Award](#) in the Drama Category by the Writers Guild of America. Well deserved!

This one is for those people out there that use [Cingular cellular service](#). Digital Chocolate and HBO are developing something called " *The Sopranos Bada Bing! Manager* ", which will provide an interactive gaming experience, on their cell phones. This product is supposed to launch this December. No word whether a high powered magnifying glass is provided with each phone.

Enjoy the spring like weather today, it isn't going to last very long.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 13, 2006

We will start this day by paying homage to **Steve Buscemi** on his birthday, which happens to be today. So if you see Mr. Buscemi, don't forget to wish him a happy. Steve is not only a director for the show, but also played the character of *Tony Blundetto*.

Another historical event for today, actually it was yesterday (*I missed this*) is that I am officially wishing our friend, [Irish Mafia](#) and very happiest of birthdays. Not sure exactly what century she is into (*first, second, third*), but from what I hear she is really old. Word is that at her and her husband's first apartment, they had regular ice delivery for the ice box to keep those liquid refreshments cold.

There is a really really nice thing going on for the holidays. Fans of [Chris Daughtry](#) (*from American Idol*), are trying to collect the CD of his song, "Home" to send to our troops. A group of DAUGHTRY fans are going to Walter Reed Hospital and Bethesda Hospital on a SPECIFIC day in January to thank the troops for their service by giving them care packages and DAUGHTRY CDs in which we are dedicating the troops the song "HOME", the 3rd song on the album, for their welcome home. This group of DAUGHTRY fans are going to be joined by celebrities to bring cheer to the troops AFTER the Holidays when the loneliness often is the worst for there are less volunteers/care packages/family & friends who come to visit.

What you can do is order a DAUGHTRY CD or CDs online at [Amazon](#), Walmart, Barnes & Nobles, etc and send them DIRECTLY to the following address:

Cindy Ozbat
P.O. Box 2075
Prince George, VA 23875-1998

Many online stores are giving FREE SHIPPING to a destination if you mark the box for 5-9 business days for shipping. If you have any extra DAUGHTRY CDs laying around as well after you have given all your family and friends their stocking stuffers, please send them to the above address as well.

DEADLINE ON SENDING CDS TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS: The last date to send DAUGHTRY CDs to the above address is JANUARY 6TH.

Great cause, send 2 CD's if you can!

Tonight, while you can multitask, shop on line for the CD and listen to the live airing of Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show. [Click here to see](#) who will be the guests.

Oh to be in New Orleans, for Mardi Gras. This year's [Monach Bacchus](#) for the festivities will be James Gandolfini (*Tony Soprano*).

Have a great day!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 12, 2006

It's that special, special time of the year. Especially at this time of year, I expect to be bought presents. If you aren't sure exactly what to get me (*besides front row tickets to the Rolling Stones*), Amy from [NewYorkology](#) (*a really cool site that has everything you could possibly want to know about my favorite city*) informs me that HBO recently opened a store near Bryant Park, that you could definitely find me something at. [Click on this](#) link to find out the scoop.

James Gandolfini (*Tony Soprano*) garnered a " *Supporting Performance Award* ", for his work on the video game " *The Sopranos: Road to Respect* ", during the [4 th annual Spike TV Video Game Award](#) show (VGA) which was recently held. The show will air tomorrow night on Spike TV at **10 pm** (*right after the Wise Guy Show*).

John Fiore (*Gigi Cestone*), I KNOW [where you are!](#) His movie " [Johnny Slade's Greatest Hits](#) " recent won the " *2006 BIFF Audience Award for Best Narrative Feature* " at the Bahamas Film Festival. If I remember correctly, it was [Vincent Pastore](#) (*Big Pussy*) who does the narration. Congratulations on this prestigious award!

January 10, 2007 is the date that The Sopranos will start airing on the A & E Network. The [A & E Sopranos pages](#) has a game, which has started called " [A suitcase full of cash](#) ". [The Hollywood Reporter](#) has an articles giving more details about the game.

I always wondered what **Tony Sirico** (*Paulie Walnuts*) does in his spare time. [The New York Daily News](#) has some quotes from Sopranos creator, **David Chase** responses about the possibility of a Sopranos movie in the future.

If you [live in Pennsylvania](#), Southern Wines and Spirits will be the distributor of **Lorraine Bracco's** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) line of wines, [Bracco Wines](#).

And if you are in the celebrating mood, today is **National Ding a Ling Day** . Ring those [two silver bells!](#)

Have a great day!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 11, 2006

Work, work, work, it's time to start paying off those holiday gifts that you had sooo much fun buying. I got a little shopping in Saturday, after a bunch of us went to see the filming of the pilot for the new Steve Schirripa Show . Everybody I went with agreed that the show was really funny and enjoyed it. Steve Schirripa plays the character of *Bacala* on the show.

Julianna Margulies (*Julianna Skiff*) has been confirmed as one of the final guests for the Culture Project's " *Speak Truth to Power* ". For more about this event, check out this article in [Theatermania](#) .

Monday night (*December 11*), the Sci Fi program, " *The Lost Room* " will premiere. Julianna Margolis is part of the cast. [The Contra Costa Times](#) has a synopsis of this three part series. 9 pm be there.

Remember the contest being held to be a Garage Girl A Go Go ? The lucky winners [have been announced](#) . Congratulations to the winners, I look forward to seeing you on stage.

If you happen to be in Asbury Park, make a point to visiting the newly dedicated monument honoring the people who were responsible for the early days of [The Sounds of Asbury Park \(SOAP\)](#). Our own, Little Steven (*Silvio Dante*) name is carved on the statue.

Have a fantastic week! 14 more shopping days to go. Don't feel like looking for a parking space at the mall, [shop here](#).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 8, 2006

It's the end of a wonderful week. Anytime it is Friday, it's a good thing. But don't fret, I do have a few things to keep you away from the malls, and that rush to get your holiday shopping done. [Shop at home](#), a much better suggestion.

There was [some big news](#) yesterday. Little Steven Van Zandt (*Silvio Dante*) announced the formation of his own record label. For those who have been living in a cave for the last several years, Little Steve hosts his own nationally syndicated radio show and is the programming director at Sirius Radio, which also features a [Garage Rock 24](#) hour feed. The new label name is [Wicked Records](#), and a partnership has been formed with Best Buy for distribution.

It's cold and windy out there, so tonight, just don't go out. At 9 pm , [Vincent Pastore](#) (*Big Pussy*) has an appearance on the NBC program, " *Las Vegas* ". [The Globe & Mail](#) lists this program for its television pick list for tonight and has a brief description about the episode.

Today the movie, " *A Tale of Two Pizzas* " is being released on DVD. This movie which features Soprano cast members, [Vincent Pastore](#) (*Big Pussy*), [Frank Vincent](#) (*Phil Leotardo*), Patti D'Arbanville (*Lorraine Calluzzo*), story line is about [2 fueding pizza parlor owners](#) who learn that all is fair in love and pizza. If you are interested, in purchasing the movie, [click here](#).

Saturday night, December 9, Dominic Chianese (*Uncle Junior Corrado Soprano*) will be making an appearance in Saratoga, Florida at the [Flanzer Jewish Community Center](#). The Flanzer website does not list this event, but the [Herald Tribune](#) has the story. He will be part of the one man performance by Stephen Axelrod. Tickets are on sale now, by phone 941-378-5568, Ext. 227 or in person at JCC, 582 McIntosh Road.

A reminder to those who received seats for the filming of the new Steve Schirripa Show (*Bacala*), please be on time and if you can't make this historical television event, please be considerate and let them know. I got a call about this yesterday and from what I heard, this promises to be an exciting event to be in attendance at.

Have a warm weekend.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 7, 2006

Less than 20 days until Christmas. Just curious how many people out there have finished their holiday shopping? Better question would be how many haven't even started their holiday shopping.

I have an upcoming event to add to your calendars. On Sunday, **December 17** , **James Gandolfini** (*Tony Soprano*) will be making an appearance at the [GameStation store](#) located in Morris Plains, NJ. The time is **11 am to 2 pm** . He will be signing copies of the **Season 6 DVD** and the recently released video game, [The Sopranos: Road to Respect](#) . The store is located at 1711 State Route 10 East, Morris Plains, NJ 07950.

Tonight, **Michael Imperioli's** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) band, **La Dolce Vita** , has an upcoming appearance at **Pianos** at 10 pm. The venue is located at 158 Ludlow Street, LES, New York, NY 10002. For further information call 212-505-3733.

We all know that **The Sopranos** will begin airing in a sanitized version on **A & E** network starting on **January 10** . They will be airing back to back episodes every Wednesday night. [The New York Daily News](#) obtained a copy of the new version and did a side to side comparison of the 2 versions.

Congratulations to the people who make the The Sopranos possible, [for being nominated](#) for a [Producers Guild of American](#) award for the **The Norman Felton Producer of the Year Award** in Episodic Television in the Drama category. Winners will be announced next month on **January 20, 2007** .

There is a new book about The Sopranos out there. The name is "[Reading The Sopranos](#)" and it is available from [Amazon](#). I haven't seen it as of yet, so I can't really tell you much about it.

Have a good one.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 6, 2006

It's never too early to start planning for the festivities on New Year's Eve. Presently, I have fantasies of clear blue water, palm trees, maybe a grouper thrown in for good measure. Bostonites are probably familiar with this event, which is one of the oldest and largest (*guess they haven't been to Times Square in New York City*) New Year's celebration, "*First Night Boston*". One of the events being held is a comedy event at [Park Plaza Castle](#) , in which [Frank Santorelli](#) (*Georgie, the bartender*) will be performing. For more information and tickets (*called buttons*) for this event and the many other festivities which will be celebrating the arts in Beantown that night, [click here](#) . source: [PR Web](#)

An event for today. At **7 pm** , the Golden Globe Award winning actress, **Lauren Bacall** , who played herself in the season 6 episode, "*Luxury Lounge*" will be signing copies of the book, "*By Myself, And Then Some*" at the Barnes & Noble store located at Lincoln Center, New York City, NY.

It's Wednesday, and that is **Wise Guy Day** on Sirius Radio, see who will on the show tonight, on **Cha Cha's** (*Albie Cianflone*) [website](#) . The no call, no knock rule is in effect tonight between **6 & 9 pm** .

Bidding ends on today on The National Eating Disorders Association's "*EveryBODY is Beautiful*" fundraiser at **3 pm EST** for the [autographed pair of jeans](#) by **Jamie Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*).

I came across these pages yesterday which are dated, but they are still interesting to look at. Check out Entertainment Weekly's [Soprano's pages](#) .

Lorraine Bracco (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) was on WOR AM this morning at 8 am, talking about a Emergency Preparedness Kit and Hackensack University Hospital.

If it is just too cold out there for you today, the 1996 movie, "*I Shot Andy Warhol*" featuring **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) and **John Ventimiglia** (*Artie Bucco*) will air on the STARZ EDGE channel at **11:05 pm** .

Jacket alert for today.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 5, 2006

Looking for a unique and special present for someone? In the spirit of all the good things about the holiday season, BID 2 BEAT AIDS, has several auctions on EBAY. An item of interest is the one of a kind, autographed "**Lend-A-Hand to LIFEbeat**" cards in which several Sopranos actors created just for this wonderful cause. There are literally hundreds

of items available, and for more information, including a complete list of participating artists and images of many of the items, visit www.Bid2BeatAIDS.com.

Here are the ones signed by The Sopranos cast members;

Signed hand by [Vincent Pastore](#) (*Big Pussy*)
Signed hand by [Drea De Matteo](#) (*Adriana La Cuerva*)
Hand signed by signed by [Little Steven Van Zandt](#) (*Silvio Dante*)

Bidding for most the items ends in about a week, just in time to ensure delivery, for the perfect holiday gift.

Jamie Lynn Sigler (*Meadow Soprano*) and **Robert Iler** (*A J Soprano*) will be hosting the [one year anniversary party](#) for the New York City night club " *Pacha* " on December 16, 2006.

What does the famous advertising slogan " *Plop Plop Fizz Fizz* " have to do with Sopranos actor **Julianna Margulies** (*Julianna Skiff*)? [Click here to find out the answer](#).

If you think the wait until Christmas is long, the long wait for the movie " *Return to Sleepaway Camp* " has been even longer. My buddy John has revamped the [Official Sleepaway Camp website](#), and No he doesn't have an answer to that question, " *When?* ". The movie stars [Vincent Pastore](#) and features **Tony Ray Rossi** (*Fred Peters*).

If you have an interest on the vehicles used in Season 6, there is a thread on the [Motor trend message board](#), about a few of the cars used.

Extra special thanks to the following posters on the original NJ.com Sopranos Forum message board, **ccorces1** and **wingeater** for sharing the fact that A & E now has some web pages dedicated to our favorite television show (*and I'm not talking about the news show that tells you work and school is cancelled because of snow*).

The main site [link is here](#), and they also have a [game named "A suitcase full of cash"](#) which will start in a couple of weeks that looks like a lot of fun. Let's see how good our experts are at the game. I particularly enjoyed the [video of Vinny Pastore](#) and what he said about his relatives, I have the same type (*brother Marty, this means YOU*)

Bidding ends tomorrow on The National Eating Disorders Association's " *EveryBODY is Beautiful* " fundraiser . One of the items to be auctioned off are [an autographed pair of jeans](#) by **Jamie Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*).

Have a good one

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 4, 2006

December is the party month. I think a good thing would be for everyone not to get so stressed out and to earnestly try to enjoy this festive month.

This one is from a secret source in Newark. **Michael Imperioli's** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) band, **La Dolce Vita**, has an upcoming appearance at **Pianos** on **December 7** th at 10 pm. The venue is located at 158 Ludlow Street, LES, New York, NY 10002. For further information call 212-505-3733.



Joseph R. Gannascoli (*Vito Spatafore*) newest endeavor is a pool cue, with a name no less, ' *A Cue to Die For.* ' The 'Badda-Breaker' according to the [New York Daily News](#) .
No word when it will be available to the public.

Good Day

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 1, 2006

End of week, good thing, just don't open up those umbrellas too early or you'll end up like Mary Poppins.

I have an addition to the film list at Sundance (*no my invite didn't come yesterday*). According to [E Online](#) , The movie " *Adrift in Manhattan* " will feature **Dominic Chianese** (*Uncle Junior Corrado Soprano*) as part of the cast.

Kudos to **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*), for her participation in a [PSA video](#) in the fight against HIV/AIDS. The name of the Cable Positive campaign is " *Join the Fight* ", which will launch today, World AIDS Day.

I heard there are still a few remaining free seats for you to be part of television history, [click here for more](#) of the scoop on this exciting event, which is scheduled for next weekend.

Have a wonderful weekend, even though its time to bring those winter coats out.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 30, 2006

I didn't get an invite to this film festival, nor am I geographically in the area to attend (*I prefer warmer climates in the winter*), but **Drea De Matteo** (*Andriana La Cuerva*) has 2 movies which are entered in the Sundance film Festival. The first flick is " *Broken English* " in which **Peter Bogdanovich** (*Dr. Elliot Kupferberg*) also appears, and the second is " *The Good Life* ". [New Orleans on line](#) has a few more details about these movies.

[Click here](#) to order the [Sopranos 2007 Calendar](#) , it makes a great gift (for yourself).

[I found an interview](#) , with one of the girls, who have been a " *Bing Girl* " on The Sopranos, And yes there are photos.

My readers already had a week's jump on this story in [The Post](#) , about the new **Steve Schirripa Show** , [this link has more details](#) for the television history event going on December 9th .

Isn't this a great way to start your day?

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 29, 2006

I have something for all those HBO deprived viewers out there. We have a date for the sanitized version of **The Sopranos** to air on the A & E network. That date is **January 10, 2007** . It will air at 9 pm. These episodes were edited for content not time. All I can say is I remember there was one 47 minute episode, please don't make that one any shorter. This news was announced yesterday and the [Orlando Sentinel reported](#) on it.

Vincent Pastore (*Big Pussy*) recently completed the filming of an episode of the UPN Network program, “ *Everybody Hates Chris* ”. The episode is anticipated to air in the spring of 2007. He plays the character of “ *Paulie, the Bookie* ”.

Stu Cazzo , I know what you'll be doing tonight. Let's face it you do this every Wednesday night, it's listening to **The Wise Guy Show** . [Vinny's web site](#) has up who the guests will be tonight during the live airing of the show.

Have a productive day; your boss will appreciate it.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 28, 2006

Add this movie to my holiday gift wish list. The movie, “ *A Tale of Two Pizzas* ” is being released on DVD on **December 8** . This movie which features Soprano cast members, [Vincent Pastore](#) (*Big Pussy*), [Frank Vincent](#) (*Phil Leotardo*), **Patti D'Arbanville** (*Lorraine Calluzzo*), story line is about [2 fueding pizza parlor owners](#) who learn that all is fair in love and pizza. If you are interested, in purchasing the movie, [click here](#) .

This event is in February, snow birds out there may be interested. The Food Network South Beach Wine & Food Festival is being held in Miami, Florida on February 22 thru February 25. One of the events being held is a cooking demonstration with **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*). For more information check out [the festivals website](#) or call 877-762-3933. [The Journal News](#) also has an article about the activities associated with this event.

I have to tell you about a book I am reading which I am finding really hard to put down. The book is “ [The Brotherhoods](#) ” written by Guy Lawson and William Oldham. It is the true story of 2 corrupt New York City Police Detectives who had a dual career murdering for the mob. The book gives quite a bit of insight to the actual workings of organized crime and the hierarchy of the New York City Police department. This hardcover book is available from [Amazon](#) .

Have a fantastic day!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 27, 2006

It was sooo nice having a long holiday weekend, I wish I could afford to take another day off, but it is just not to be.

Did anybody catch the [International Emmy Award ceremony](#) on November 20 th held at the New York Hilton? Among the presenters were **Maureen Van Zandt** (*Gabby Dante*), **Steve Van Zandt** (*Silvio Dante*), **Dominic Chianese** (*Uncle Junior*) and **Robert Iler** (*AJ Soprano*).

Speaking of **Steve** , according to [The Florida Times Union](#) , he will be the musical coordinator for the movie, “ *Glad All Over* ” which will be filmed in Louisiana and California.

The National Eating Disorders Association's “ *EveryBODY is Beautiful* ” fundraiser is having an online auction, which runs through **December 6 th** . One of the items to be auctioned off are [an autographed pair of jeans](#) by **Jamie Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*).

We have a [date for the premiere](#) of the second part of Season 6, **April 8** . I am assuming that the year will be 2007, even though the article does not state the year specifically.

And if anyone out there is looking to buy me, or someone who is a real Sopranos fan a holiday gift, [check out my sopranos wish list](#) .

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 22, 2006

It's the beginning of a long holiday weekend. Definitely nice.

Congratulations are in line today.

The first is to the cast and crew of " *Johnny Slade's Greatest Hits* " for winning the "Best Screenplay Award" at the Big Apple Film Festival. The film features; **John Fiore** (*Gigi Cestone*), [Vincent Curatola](#) (*Johnny Sack*), [Frank Santorelli](#) (*Georgie, the bartender*), [Steve Schirripa](#) (*Bobby Bacala*), [Vincent Pastore](#) (*Big Pussy*), **Tony Ray Rossi** (*Fred Peters*), **Richard Portnow** (*Attorney "Hal" Melvoin*) and **Joe Gannascoli** (*Vito Spatafore*). The [photos from the premiere](#) are on line.

The " **Award For Creative Excellence** ", at the Big Apple Festival was given to the movie, " *Searching For Bobby D* ". This movie features several Soprano actors which include; **Tony Darrow** (*Larry Boy Barese*), **Joe Lisi** (*Dick Barone*), **Lou Martini, Jr.** (*Anthony Infante*), **Arthur J. Nascarella** (*Carlo Gervasi*), **Frank Pellegrino** (*Bureau Chief Frank Cubitoso*) and **Al Sapienza** (Mikey Palmice). The DVD of this movie will be released on **November 28** .

Tonight, **Little Steven's The Rolling Rock and Roll Show** tour bus will be parked in front of [Irving Plaza](#) in New York City. **Little Steven** will be ushering in The New York Dolls, The Chesterfield Kings (*seen and heard on The Sopranos*), the Charms, and most important, **Maureen Van Zandt's** (*Gabby Dante*) **Garage Girls A Go Go** . Get out and see the show, it's a lot of fun! **Little Steven Van Zandt** plays the character of " *Silvio Dante* " on The Sopranos, the manager of the Bada Bing gentlemen's club. If you happen to see Steve today, be sure to wish him the happiest of birthdays!

Tonight is the live airing of **Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show** on Sirius Radio; [Cha Cha's](#) (*Albie Cianflone*) site is updated with who will be the guests for tonight.

A reminder, you can be part of television history, there are a limited number of tickets available (*and they are free*) to the filming of the new Fox Network Show, " *The Steve Schirripa Show* " [click here for more information](#) .

Have a wonderful holiday!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 21, 2006

The radio just said that Route 80 is closed in the Rockaway area this morning. Apparently the road is iced over. Yuck. Just think this is just the beginning of that cold slippery stuff (*and white fluffy stuff*).

If you haven't gotten out to see **Tom Aldredge's** play " [Mimi Le Duck](#) " try to make a point of getting out and seeing it. The play also features [Eartha Kitt](#) (*Catwoman from Batman*) and is tentatively set to close on **January 7** . Tom Aldredge plays that character of Carmela Soprano's father on The Sopranos. For more about the play, there is an article in [Broadway World](#) . The venue for the play is New World Stages, 340 West 50 th Street, between 8 & 9 th Avenues, New York City.

[Backscreen reports](#) that fans of the CBS program are disappointed in the canceling of **Joe Pantoliano's** (*Ralph Cifaretto*) show on the CBS network, " *The Waterfront* ". There is a move to get CBS to reverse their decision. Viewers are asked to send a letter of

protest to CBS Corporation, 51 W. 52nd St., New York, NY 10019; or contact the company electronically by visiting www.cbs.com and clicking " *Feedback* " in the menu at the bottom of the screen.

Steve Schirripa (*Bobby Bacala*) recently came up in eighth place in a [charity poker competition](#) , recently held at the Caesars Casino in Las Vegas. Steve has a new book out, " [Nicky Duece: Home for the holidays](#) ", which was released on November 14. This is the latest in his Nicky Duece series, it makes a [wonderful holiday gift](#).

Hurry up and start shopping for that big meal on Thursday!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 20, 2006

I promised everyone something exciting, but I'm going to make you read all the news first and save the best for last.

Do I hear the word Ebay? [Comic Relief 2006](#) will hold a [charity auction on Ebay](#) for an Autographed 2007 Ford Fusion. **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) is expected to sign it.

This one is for our fellow Sopranos fans across the big pond. Hendon Times is having a contest where you can win a copy of the video game, "The Sopranos: Road to Respect". The contest ends on **December 4th** and you can [enter here by clicking this link](#) .

This event is for Monday night, **November 20 th** at [BB Kings Blues Club](#) in New York City. **Sandra Santiago** (*Joan/Jean Cusamano*) will be participating in " *An Evening of Latin Rhythms* ". For more information visit the [news story on Broadway World](#) . Tickets can be [purchased online](#) or by calling **212-840-0770 x 268** .

On **December 6** , Lauren Bacall, who played herself in the Season 6 episode, " *Luxury Lounge* " will be signing copies of the book, " *By Myself, And Then Some* ".

Remember the episode " *Funhouse* ", where Tony Soprano and his crew executed his best friend "Big Pussy" on a boat? According to the [Boston Herald this boat](#) , " *Lady Dy* " was partially damaged in a fire at the Braintree yacht club. Interesting story, how this particular boat ended up in the episode.

The photos are up from NYC premiere of " [Johnny Slade's Greatest Hits](#) " which was held last Thursday at the Big Apple Film Festival. Besides **John Fiore** , Ray Ianecelli, Lou Martini, Jr., John Trimboli and [Vincent Curatola](#) were in attendance.

Now I promised a special announcement for Soprano fans in which you can be a part of television history.

To all "Sopranos" fans!

Steve Schirripa , aka " *Bobby Bacala* " , and Fox Television would like to invite you to be a member of our studio audience for a live taping of " **The Steve Schirripa Show!**

The show is a late night comedy talk show pilot and will feature Steve Schirripa hosting along with a live big band plus surprise special guests.

The show will be taping on **Saturday, December 9th** at 2:45PM in Manhattan at The Metropolis Studios at 106th Street and Park Avenue. **You must be available to line up between 1:45PM and 2:00PM and you must be able to stay until 5PM** .

If you are interested in being part of this exclusive free, live Fox Television show, please email us at freetv@broadwayvideo.com with the following information in both the **subject line** and body of your email:

1. Schirripa Show

2. your full name
3. your email address (one which will not "spam" out our reply to you.)
4. your phone number(s)
5. 2 tickets is the maximum number we can allow per request.(if you want 4 tickets send a second request under another name and email address. Thanks)

Example: *Schirripa Show /Kevin Smith /rocksnj@youremailadres.com/ (212) 555-1212 /2 tickets*

The show will last approximately 2 1/2 hours and you must stay with us for the entire taping. The tickets are complimentary.

We will contact you via email or phone with a detailed confirmation if there are tickets available. You should hear from us within a day or two of your request but at latest by Monday Evening, December 4, 2006. **PLEASE DO NOT EMAIL US DUPLICATE REQUESTS THIS IS CONFUSING FOR US** . Thanks.

Come join us for **The Steve Schirripa Show** and prepared to entertained by a new style of late night talk show!
FOR TICKETS EMAIL FREETV@BROADWAYVIDEO.COM

It just doesn't get better than this does it?

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 17, 2006

I don't have to say it; this definitely is my favorite time of the week. So if you don't have plans for the weekend, I have a few [Soprano Events](#) to keep you busy.

Today, the horror film (*horror is cool*), " *Dark Ride* ", which features **Jamie-Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*) opens. [The Reno Gazette Journal](#) has some information about it.

Tonight, [Frank Santorelli](#) (*Georgie, the bartender*)will be performing at the **Stoughton Cinema Pub** , 807 Washington Street. Tickets are available on line at <http://www.stoughtoncinema.com> or by calling **781-843-4833** .

A very important event is happening on Saturday night. The award winning movie, " *Searching for Bobby D* " will screen at the [The Big Apple Film Festival](#) . Brilliantly directed by [Paul Borghese](#) , it is the tale of Johnny Argano, a young Italian-American actor born and raised in Brooklyn, N.Y., who is frustrated with his lackluster career and also with how he and his actor friends are frequently typecast. Obsessed with meeting and getting to work with his idol Robert DeNiro, Johnny writes his own screenplay and sets out with a few of his buddies to try to raise the money and make the movie and to get Robert DeNiro to star in it with them. Soprano actors in this movie include; **Tony Darrow** (*Larry Boy Barese*), **Joe Lisi** (*Dick Barone*), **Lou Martini, Jr.** (*Anthony Infante*), **Arthur J. Nascarella** (*Carlo Gervasi*), **Frank Pellegrino** (*Bureau Chief Frank Cubitoso*) and **Al Sapienza** (*Mikey Palmice*)

Tickets for these events will go on sale at the box office approximately one hour prior to showtime and will be on a first come first served basis. The screenings will take place at **The Tribeca Cinemas** , 54 Varick Street (at Laight Street), New York City. I went to see [Johnny Slade's Greatest Hits](#) last night there and I easily found parking on the street. The venue is right really close to the Holland Tunnel.

Attention **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) fans! I will be have a very important announcement on **Monday** , so make sure you check back to find out how you can be a part of television history!

Have a fantastic time this weekend.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 16, 2006

Don't believe everything you read. Does someone really believe that a [photo with James Gandolfini](#) was exchanged in lieu of useage fees for a certain room? Okay, maybe I can sell you a bridge or two (*the more the merrier*).



A reminder about tonight's screening of “ [Johnny Slade's Greatest Hits](#) ” at the Big Apple Film Festival. Tickets are first come first served so, get there early. 8 pm is Showtime.

Federico Castelluccio (*Furio Giunta*) will be unveiling a painting tonight at the “ *Night of Hearts* ” fundraiser to benefit Boca Raton Community Hospital. For more information and to check the availability of tickets call **561-955-3633** .

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 15, 2006

Is the sun ever going to come out this week? Saturday was so nice why is the **Weather Witch** making us pay for such a wonderful, wonderful day?

Vincent Pastore (*Big Pussy*) and **Tony Lip** (*Carmine Lupertazzi*) will be working on a new movie with **Nick Puccio** check out his [website for more details](#) .

This release is just time for the holidays. HBO has announced that the DVD set for Season 6 part 1, will be released on **HD-DVD** and **Blu Ray Disc** on **December 19** . This news tidbit is brought to you by [The Man Room](#) .

Federico Castelluccio (*Furio Giunta*) is expected at an [event for the opening](#) the **Christine E. Lynn Heart Institute** at the Boca Raton Community Hospital. He will be unveiling his painting of a child on the beach drawing a heart in the sand, which will be on permanent display. For more information call **561-955-3633** .

The pilot for “ *Split the Difference* ” has been [acquired by NBC](#) . The pilot features **Matt Servitto** (*Agent Harris*). The complete 22-minute pilot can be [viewed at this link](#) . No word when this program will have a permanent time slot.

Tonight, **Jamie Lynn Sigler** (*Meadow Soprano*), will be speaking at Vanderbilt University at 7 pm. For more information about this event, [visit this link](#) . Tickets will be available via Ticketmaster or students may visit the Sarrat Student Center Box Office. You can also call this number **615-322-2471** or visit [www.vanderbilt.edu/vpb](#) .

A reminder about this event for tomorrow night, “[Johnny Slade's Greatest Hits](#)” will be ay [The Big Apple Film Festival](#) . The movie features **John Fiore** (*Gigi Cestone*), **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*), [Vincent Curatola](#) (*Johnny Sack*), **Richard Portnow** (*Harold 'Mel' Melvoin*), [Frank Santorelli](#) (*Georgie, the Bartender*), [Vincent Pastore](#) , **Tony Ray Rossi** (*Fred Peters*) and [Joe Gannascoli](#) (*Vito Spatafore*). [The Unofficial website](#) has more details about what and who will be coming tomorrow to the event (*many of the cast are based in New York*).

The screenings will take place at **The Tribeca Cinemas** , 54 Varick Street (at Laight Street), New York City. For directions by car or subway, [Click Here!](#) .

Another great movie screening at this festival is “ *Searching for Bobby D* ”. The movie has won several awards at the various festivals. Sopranos in this movie include; **Tony Darrow** (*Larry Boy Barese*), **Joe Lisi** (*Dick Barone*), **Lou Martini, Jr.** (*Anthony Infante*), **Arthur J. Nascarella** (*Carlo Gervasi*), **Frank Pellegrino** (*Bureau Chief Frank Cubitoso*) and **Al**

Sapienza (*Mikey Palmice*).

Tonight, the live airing of **Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show** will be on from **6 to 9 pm** . To see who will be on the show, check out [John Cha Cha Ciarcia's](#) (*Albie Cianflone*) website.

Good day!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 14, 2006

Hopefully we won't have rain today; I am really tired of it. It makes driving a chore and not a pleasure. And if it does rain, today would be a good time to hand out in a bookstore, **Steven R. Schirripa's** (*Bobby Bacala*) new book, " *Nicky Duece: Home for the Holidays* " is being released today. Steve usually has book signings, and I'll have the dates up when I know more. [The book is available from Amazon.](#) It makes a wonderful holiday gift.

This is a news piece which is defiantly a pleasure. Last weekend, **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) participated in an event held at the Borgata Casino which was to benefit the Living Beyond Breast Cancer and Atlantic County Women's Center. [Television station KVBC reports](#) that the event raised \$101,500 for the recipients. No word when the next event will be held. This was truly was a wonderful thing.

Cellular service company Cingular has launched [a new cell phone](#) , in which us Sopranos deprived fans can view video clips from The Sopranos.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 11, 2006

Short and sweet, just like I'd like this work week to be.

Dominic Chianese (*Uncle Junior Corrado Soprano*) and **Robert Iler** (*AJ Soprano* , will be celebrity presenters at the 34th International Emmy Awards being held on November 20 at the New York Hilton, according to [World Screen. Com](#) .

[The Courier Post](#) has an article about where you can learn how to pole dance from one of the dancers from the **Bada Bing Club** .

[The Asbury Park Press](#) reports on **Jamie Lynn Sigler's** (*Meadow Soprano*) movie, " *Dark Ride* ", which will open Friday nationwide.

Congratulations to **Frank Borrelli** (*Vito Jr.*) on being [cast in the movie](#) , " *Saving the Lives of Children* ".

In the next couple of days, I am going to be switching over to a new system, for any reason there are some delays with updating, please be patient, they are coming.

Have a great day!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 10, 2006

Weekend, weekend, weekend, it's finally here! Hard to believe it's already November, my two favorite times of the year are rapidly coming up, Christmas and the premiere date of a new season of The Sopranos (*that's like having a leap year holiday*).

I have an upcoming event for this Monday night. On **November 13**, **Michael Imperioli's** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) band, " *La Dolce Vita* " will be having a performance at [The Bowery Ballroom](#) . The address of the venue is 6 Delancey Street, New York City. For further information call **212-533-2111** . The link to purchase tickets is on [calendar page of the](#)

[website](#).

It's never too early to start your holiday shopping, next week on **November 14**, one of my favorite Sopranos, **Steven R. Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*), has a new book being released, titled "*Nicky Duece: Home for the Holidays*". Very cool. The book is available for [pre order at Amazon](#). In a few days, I'm going to have an exciting announcement about Steve (*I don't have all the details yet*), so keep checking back.

November 22, the **Little Steven's Underground Garage Presents The Rolling Rock and Roll Show** tour bus will be parked in front of [Irving Plaza](#) in New York City. **Little Steven** will be ushering in The New York Dolls, The Chesterfield Kinds (seen on The Sopranos), the Charms, and most important, **Maureen Van Zandt's** (*Gabby Dante*) **Garage Girls A Go Go**. Get out and see the show, it's a lot of fun! Little Steven Van Zandt plays the character of "*Silvio Dante*" on The Sopranos, the manager of the Bada Bing gentlemen's club.

[The Patriot Ledger](#) has an interview with [Frank Santorelli](#), who plays the character of "*Georgie, the Bartender*".

Thank you **Sean**, you were the first to catch it, for pointing out that there is something really cool in the commentary of one of [my favorite episodes](#) of [Season 6, part 1 DVD set](#), which was released on Tuesday. You and **TW**, truly brought a smile to my face. Much, much appreciated.

If you haven't gotten out to see Francis Volpe's play, "*The Given*", you'd better hurry up. The play, directed by **Michael Imperioli**, closes on Saturday, **November 11**. For ticket information visit [Studio Dante's website](#). The play has gotten excellent reviews.

Saturday, November 11 - **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be participating in the [2nd Annual Women in Wine event](#) being held in Atlantic City. She will be showcasing her line of fine Italian wines, [Bracco Wines](#). This is a charity event benefiting Borgata Heart and Soul Foundation to Living Beyond Breast Cancer and the Atlantic County Women's Center in New Jersey. Tickets can be purchased by calling **866-900-4TIX (4849)** or at the [Borgata website](#).

Have a great weekend!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 9, 2006

The week is almost over and I'm glad. Yesterday, I was driving around wearing a life jacket; it literally poured cats, dogs, and a few cheetahs yesterday, all day. I figured that if I put a rowing oar out the window of my car, I'd go faster than the traffic was moving. I knew I should have stayed in bed.

Music has such meaning in The Sopranos, as related to the storyline. In the final episode of Season 3 at the repast being held for *Jackie Aprile, Jr.*, *Uncle Junior* (**Dominic Chianese**) stood up and sang "*Core N' Grata*" from his album, "*Ungrateful Heart*". The song truly set the mood for the scene. On **November 19**, you have an opportunity to see the talented Dominic Chianese in person. The venue is [Ray's Lounge and Comedy Club](#), 9604 Third Avenue, Bay Ridge, Brooklyn. For further information and to make reservations (*highly recommended*), call **718-748-6400** or email reservations@rayslounge.com. The Bay Ridge section of Brooklyn is really easy to get to from the Verrazano Narrows Bridge.

So you think you're funny? [The Marshfield Kiwanis Club's Pro Am Comedy Night](#) being held on **November 18**, will determine that. And if you win, nobody will laugh at you. The prize is a Official Soprano's jacket signed by [John Fiore](#) (*Gigi Cestone*) and [Frank Santorelli](#) (*Georgie, the bartender with no last name*). What a great way to earn some respect. For more information email newinlet@aol.com.

Speaking of Frank, he will be participating at the [Tewksbury Youth Soccer Club's](#)

[Comedy night](#), being held tonight at the Tewksbury Country Club, located at 1880 Main Street, Twerksbery, MA. 8 pm is showtime! Some limited tickets will be available at the door.

Two days ago, the video game "*The Sopranos: Road to Respect*" became available for sale to the public. The game, written by **Allen Rucker**, presently is only available for the Play Station 2 systems. I came across [a press release](#) this morning, which has some additional information about the game. If you buy the game, there is also a special limited edition with bonus features. This collector's edition includes a commemorative booklet, an DVD on the making of the game, and a limited edition poster (*very cool*).

The premise of the game is about a potential mob war which is as the result of the murder of a Philadelphia's mob boss nephew. In the game, the ghost of "*Big Pussy*" (voiced by **Vincent Pastore**) gives his illegitiamate son, pointers, on how to move up in the ranks of the crime family. The game utilizes locations familiar to Sopranos fans, and makes use of ordinary objects, to become weapons of brutality.

Tonight, **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be having a book signing at the Yogi Berra Museum, [located on the campus](#) of Montclair State University in Little Falls (*school straddles the border of Montclair and Little Falls, NJ*). The time for this event is between 7 and 8:30 pm. There will be books available for sale. For information and reservations, call **973-655-2378**. The name of the book is "*On the Couch*". A bunch of us went to a book signing a few months back, Ms. Bracco spoke prior to the signing, she is a really interesting and entertaining speaker. Christmas is coming up and the book makes a fantastic gift!

Enjoy the day, the weather report is promising for today.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 8, 2006

It wet and gloomy out side my window, what I nice day to crawl back in bed, pull the covers over and worship my patron Saint, the great St. Mattress.

Happy Birthday wishes are extended to **Maureen Van Zandt**, who plays the character of Gabby Dante (*Silvio's wife*).

Sony Pictures Home Entertainment will be releasing **James Gandolfini's** (*Tony Soprano*) movie, "*All the King's Men*" on **December 19**. The DVD will have additional features which will include deleted scenes. To read more about this movie, [click here](#).

I knew if we all worked together we could make it happen. [Straight Up Brands](#), reports that sales of **Lorraine Bracco's** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) line of wines, [Bracco Wines](#) has passed the 10,000 case mark. The wine is being distributed in a limited basis presently, with nationwide distribution expected in 2007.

[Leoweekly](#), from Louisville, KY reports that **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) will be making an appearance at the [Rite Aid's](#) Health and Beauty Expo, being held at the Kentucky International Convention Center this Friday and Saturday. [Click on the link](#), for more information.

The new episodes of "*Celebrity Jeopardy*" featuring **Steve Schirripa**, are supposed to start airing tonight, they were filmed last month in New York City.

[The Boston Herald](#) reports that **Joe Pantoliano** (*Ralph Cifaretto*) will be on November 29, a presenter at the Boston Choice Awards ceremony.

With the weather being so yucky outside, you really need something to make you laugh. Being Wednesday, there is always something humorous going on because it's the live airing of **Vincent Pastore's** Wise Guy Show. Somebody better bring a box of tissues to the studio tonight, cause judging by the guest list, you'll be laughing so hard, you're going to need them to wipe the tears from your eyes. Tonight's line up (*and not against the wall*

with a firing squad) include;

The Italian Australian Comedian, [Joe Avanti](#). Joe recently completed the United Kingdom part of his world tour and is presently touring the United States. This bi lingual comedian has fans world wide who embrace his 6 comedy albims and his 3 DVD's in circulation. This Friday, **November 10**, Mr. Avanti will be performing at the Walt Whitman Theater, at the Brooklyn College Center for the Performing Arts. The show starts at 8 pm, and tickets are available at Ticketmaster and the Brooklyn Center Box Office. For directions, [click here](#).

Comedians [Ritch Shnyder](#) and [Mark Schiff](#), the authors of the book, "[I Killed](#)", the true stories of stand up comedians on the road.

"*Snip, snip, cut cut*", that's the sound of **Kathleen Giordano**, better known as "[The Lady Barber](#)" makes when she is in the room. Kathleen is the country's first on site stylist for male business executives, besides being a columnist for "*Your Life!*" magazine.

The show airs from 6 – 9 pm on Sirius Radio Raw Dog 104.

Stay Dry!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

There has been a story going around on tabloid television, about 2 actors from The Sopranos, appearing on an episode of "Entourage" – NOT. It was only one, **Jeff Marchetti**. Here is a photo of **Jeff** (*Petey Bisset*) with his personal entourage.



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