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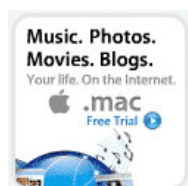
February 13, 2008

I didn't have anything new yesterday, so I couldn't update.



I remember when they were filming this movie and I see it has been completed. The movie, "PJ" recently screen at the Park City Film Festival and garnered a **Bronze Medal for Excellence** (*Artistic Excellence for Best Impact of Music in a Feature Film Competition Award*). [The website 411 mania](#) did a review on the film and I look forward to seeing this one. The movie features **John Heard** (*Detective Vin Makazian*), **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) and that *Baked Ziti guy*.

It's absolutely miserable outside my window today; it snowed, it sleeted and right now it is raining. What a mess! If you can find a reason to stay in today, by all means do. Here is an excuse for tonight to stay in, between 6 & 9 pm is the live airing of **Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show** on [Sirius Radio Raw Dog 104](#). To see who tonight's guests are, check out **John 'Cha Cha' Ciarcia's** (*Albie Cianflone*) [web site](#).



The play, "Sisters, Such Devoted Sisters" which is directed by **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) will close on February 16. It is playing at [Studio Dante](#) and if you haven't gotten out to see it, time is running out. Tickets are available thru [smartix.com](#) Studio Dante is located at 257 West 29th Street, between 7th & 8th Avenues, New York City. For more details on the play read this article from [Broadway World](#).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 10, 2008

It's the beginning of a new week, always a lot of fun.

This is for Italian fans of good music, The Chesterfield Kings have some upcoming tour dates in Italy. [Go to their website](#) to get the details.

I see that there [may be a settlement](#) in the Writers Strike, that will be a good thing, it will put a lot of actors back to work.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

NEW!

February 7, 2008

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It's getting closer to the weekend so that makes me happy.

New York City has many high schools in it educational system where students can study at a



school of their choice, where they can pursue the career path of their dreams. It was announced [that a new school will open](#), which will focus on careers in Television and Film industry, will open in the fall. The school which will be located in the borough of Queens, will include as part of the curriculum working at [SilverCup Studios](#), where shows like The Sopranos and 30 Rock are produced. Ah, to be young again.

Looking for snowplowing in North Jersey's Hudson and Bergen County, here's [the best company around](#).



Congratulations are in order to **Drea De Matteo** (*Adriana La Cuerva*) on [her nomination by the CMT](#) for their 2008 Music Awards. Ms. De Matteo was nominated as for *Best Supporting Character of the Year*, for her participation in [Shooter Jennings](#) video "Walk of Life."

Viewers are invited to vote, so let's do "as a Soprano would" and [vote often for Drea](#).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 6, 2008

It's Wednesday, and what a better way to recover from the Tuesday festivities held for the Super Bowl Giants is to stay home and rest and listen to **Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show** on [Sirius Radio Raw Dog 104](#). For who will be in the hot seat tonight, check out **John 'Cha Cha' Ciarcia's** (*Albie Cianflone*) [web site](#). The program airs between **6 & 9 pm** tonight. You can call in, so don't forget to wish Joe Causi a belated birthday wish or two.

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!](#)

February 4, 2008

Congratulations to the Giants, who play in the heart of the Meadowlands for their successful win at yesterday's Super Bowl. I got an email from a cast member who lives in the Beantown area and he admitted he was an MassHole (*I guess that's better than being a Patsy...*)

Shame on me, that new television program, "[Lipstick Jungle](#)" features **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*). I feel bad, I'm usually current on this stuff.

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Tony's Moved To LA. Watch his new show at Super Deluxe.
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This event is for tomorrow, February 5. There will be [a special screening](#) of **Joe Pantoliano's** (*Ralph Ciffaretto*) movie, "Canvas" at [The Avon Theater](#). Following the film, there will be a question and answer session. The theater is located at 272 Bedford Street in Stamford, Conn. You can reach the box office by calling (203) 967-3660.

Congratulations are in order again to **The Sopranos** for receiving the **Norman Felton Producer of the Year award** at the **PGA** (*Producers Guild of America*) Award ceremony [held on Saturday night](#).

Michael Imperioli (*Christopher Moltisanti*) is [apparently on his way](#) to New Zealand.

I received an email from Davide, who is looking for a fan who possibly has a copy of a Sopranos special that aired about a month ago on the A & E network. If anyone can help him, [please send him a email](#).

Here's that [Denny's commercial](#) with **Tony Sirico** (*Paulie Walnuts*) I mentioned last week. Here's [the other one](#).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

February 1, 2008

Ah, it's the month of hearts and the month the groundhog determines whether we have 6 more weeks of winter. It's been getting dark here later and later in the day, so it gives me hope spring will be just around the corner.

The play, "*Sisters, Such Devoted Sisters*" is presently in production at **Michael Imperioli's** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) theater [Studio Dante](#), located in mid town Manhattan. [The Gothamist](#) recently interviewed him about the play he is directing.



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The play will run until **February 16**. Tickets are available via smarttix.com. The theater is located at 257 West 29th Street, between 7th & 8th Avenues, New York City. I don't know whether this is still valid (*it's worth a try*) When you purchase your tickets from Smartix, use this code: **sister** and get 20% percent off on the ticket price.

The article also states his band, **La Dolce Vita** is working on an upcoming album and will have a New York appearance on **March 15** at [Snitch](#), located on West 21 st Street.

James Gandolfini (*Tony Soprano*) will be producing the upcoming movie, "*Sexual Healing*" according to [The Hollywood Reporter](#). The movie is about the final years of the life of the legendary singer [Marvin Gaye](#).

I only caught the last minute of "[Celebrity Apprentice](#)" last night and it was the moment when **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*), dodged Donal Trump's infamous words, "You're Fired", by resigning from the show. This episode (705, *first episode to the right of episode link*) was so dramatic; it was a 2 hour program. If you haven't watched it, [the episode is on line](#). I received several emails about the show after it aired, some saying he shouldn't have quit.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 31, 2008

I am looking forward to this weekend. Since the football team The Giants are in the Super Bowl, and they play in the heart of the Meadowlands in East Rutherford, its going to be pretty exciting in this area. Starting tonight, the Empire State Building will be "Blue" at night.

Tonight, "[Celebrity Apprentice](#)" airs on the NBC network and we follow the escapades of **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) as he strives to be *THE* Celebrity Apprentice and tries not to get fired. [Boston Now](#) reports that he will be part of the women's team, "*Empresario*". The women haven't been doing to well, they have yet to win one challenge that they have been presented with. Maybe with Vinny being on their team, their luck and marketing skills will improve. Tonight's episode is a 2 hour program.

I usually don't do this (copy and paste actual text), but the [webpage where I found this story is hard to read](#). QSR Magazine reports "*Denny's Takes Aim at Fast Food Restaurants in Its Launch of Scrappy Real Breakfast Leadership Strategy*". Remember "[Denny's](#)" the food that *Christopher Moltisanti* craved in **The Sopranos** episode, "[Pine Barrens](#)"? The dining chain has hired **Tony Sirico** (*Paulie Walnuts*) for a couple of television advertising slots which started airing on **January 28**.

"Components include two new TV spots starring tough guy Tony Sirico, formerly of the hit show "The Sopranos," and he' s out to bust fake breakfast as he sports a "don't mess with me" attitude. In "Phony Money (:30 & :15) Tony tosses down fake money at a fast food joint to pay for breakfast -- his rationale: fake money for a fake breakfast. The spot showcases real breakfast at Denny's with the Complete Breakfast Trio starting at \$5.99.

In "Line Up" (:30) Tony and an upset man are featured behind a two-way mirror, along with a police officer, and they're viewing a lineup of fast food workers in various crazy themed costumes. The man picks out the offender that sold him a fake breakfast. The spot promos real breakfast at Denny's with the Complete Breakfast Trio starting at \$5.99.

The Denny's national broadcast buy with Optimedia, Publicis' sister agency, catches consumers during their favorite shows such as "American Idol" and "Grey's Anatomy" and spans primetime/premium syndication, early morning, late night/overnight, general syndication, African American syndication, late night cable and general cable."

Very cool, this has the potential to be better than the Super Bowl commercials.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 30, 2008

Didn't update yesterday, all that was out there was like 5,000 stories about **The Sopranos** "*making a killing*" at the SAG Awards. I did look though.

[Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) will be directing acting classes at **The College of Staten Island**, starting February 26 until April 15, 2008. For those interested in attending, [click the link here](#). He also has upcoming classes which will be held in Brooklyn and Long Island, Call **212-769-7746** for details & registration information. Email workshop@robertfunaro.com

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~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 28, 2007

If you haven't heard by now, the cast of **The Sopranos** did quite well [at the SAG Awards](#) last night held in Los Angeles.

"The Sopranos" swept the dramatic categories, grabbing the lead-acting honors for James Gandolfini and Edie Falco and, minutes later, the overall cast award.

Here's a [link with a full cast photo](#) and a quote by one of my favorite Sopranos, **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*). Here's the link to the [SAG website](#).

I know I should really let those who missed last week's "[Celebrity Apprentice](#)" (*click on this link to see the episode*) but I'd like to share the news that **Team Hydra** won, and **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) was the team leader. [I found a story about what he did](#) with the bonus prize money he received.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 27, 2008

It's a week before Super Bowl and all through the house...It seems that **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) has gotten into the spirit of things, In the [The New York Post](#), Steve speaks out about his feeling on who is going to win the game (*which of course we know is true*). In another section of the paper, he talks about [the things he loves about New York](#).

**Saving Money in North Jersey
and having fun doing it!**

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I mentioned last week about **Charles Messina's** new play "*Klepto*" which is part of the Shortened Attention Span Baseball Festival. Here's a little more detail about the production;

"*Klepto*" tells the tale of a boy with an encyclopedic mind for baseball and his complex relationship with his overbearing, kleptomaniacal mother. Gina Ferranti, who won accolades for her role as a twisted mom in Messina's *Merging* last year, here plays another woman of dubious maternal instincts. **Lou Martini** (*Anthony Infante on The Sopranos*) stars as a Department Store Investigator hot on the trail of some missing merchandise. The play introduces audiences to 11 year old newcomer John Barbieri, as the fatherless boy in the center of the storm.

The dates are March 6 thru 9, showtimes being Thursday – Saturday 8 pm and Sunday there will be a 3 pm performance. The performances will be held at [The Players Theatre](#) is located at 115 MacDougal Street (between West 3rd and Bleecker Streets). Tickets: \$17, call **212-352-3101**

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 25, 2008

Birthday cake is on the menu tomorrow for **David Strathairn** who played Carmela's love interest, Robert Wegler. May your day be wonderful!

[Movie Web](#) reports that **Tony Sirico** (*Paulie Walnuts*) has landed a role in the movie "*Peace be with you*" which will film this summer.



James Gandolfini (*Tony Soprano*) [has been spotted in Keansburg, NJ](#) this week. Apparently he is working on the film, "Kiddie Ride." [The Courier Post](#) has some photos from the filming.

[A synopsis](#) of last night's "[Celebrity Apprentice](#)", the NBC site usually has the episode up for streaming by Monday.

Lou Martini, Jr. (*Anthony Infante*) has been cast in **Charles Messina's** newest play, "*Klepto*." This play which will be part of the "Shortened Attention Span Baseball Festival" will be performed during the opening week of the fest. Its limited run will be performed from **March 6 thru 9** at [The Players Club](#), 115 Mc Dougal Street, New York City. For more about this production, view the [Broadway World article](#).

Today in history, gangster [Al Capone](#) died in 1947.

Have a wondoerful weekend!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 24, 2008

It's quiet in the sphere of The Sopranos and pretty much quiet here in New Jersey (*it's January what did I expect?*).

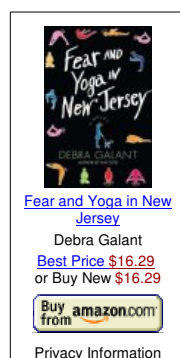
Last night, the play "*Sisters, Such Devoted Sisters*" began previews and on **Saturday January 26**, the play, directed by **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) will officially open. [Broadway World](#) has more details about the production. The play is at [Studio Dante](#). The play will run until February 16. Tickets are available via [smarttix.com](#) Studio Dante is located at 257 West 29th Street, between 7th & 8th Avenues, New York City. I don't know whether this is still valid (*it's worth a try*) When you purchase your tickets from Smartix, use this code: sister and get 20% percent off on the ticket price.



Tonight is the fourth episode of "[Celebrity Apprentice](#)" and **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) has NOT been fired. The show airs at 9 pm on NBC. I was looking at the CA web site and I came across something that will explain why Vinny choose the [Lustgarten Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research](#) (Mitchell Berke Memorial). [I suggest viewing the video](#) on this page, it will give you some insight about what type of guy Vinny really is.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 23, 2008



[Variety has an article](#) about Sopranos creator **David Chase**, who is nominated for a DGA Award, for the final episode, "Made in America." Interesting quote by Don Scardino, "The Sopranos always took risks -- with the last episode and the last moment pushing the risk envelope to its limit. And no one who saw it will forget it."

Wednesday really came quickly this week, and that means the live airing of Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show on [Sirius Radio](#). Cha Cha's [website has the listing](#) of tonight's anticipated guests.

Have a wonderful, wonderful day.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 21, 2008

Nice having the long weekend. Now I can spend Monday catching up on all the thing's I didn't do (*cause I didn't feel like it*) over the weekend.

[USA Today](#) reports that HBO, who apparently was a hold out with streaming of there television shows on the internet, will now make that option available. There is one catch, you

must be a subscriber to HBO and receive your internet via a cable connection (*guess that leaves me out*). [Check Out All The Newest Arriving Merchandise At Store.HBO.com!](#)

If you have been following "[Celebrity Apprentice](#)", I found something about this Wednesday, January 24 episode, that [you might find interesting](#).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 18, 2008

It's quiet, maybe because we have a 3 day weekend to look forward to.

I have word that the movie, "[Doughboys](#)" will be screening at the [Palm Beach Film Fest](#) which will be held April 10 thru 17. When I have exact screening date and time, I'll let you know. The movie features **Louis Lombardi** (*Agent Skip Lipari*) and **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*). The movie also has a profile on [MYSPACE](#).

We have 2 things going on, for those who want to get out of hibernation for a little while.

The first event is for **Saturday, January 19, Michael Imperioli's** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) band, **La Dolce Vita**, which consists of Michael, Elijah Amitin and Olmo Tighe, will be performing at the [Luna Lounge](#), in celebration of the venues one year anniversary. The Daily News boasted "*Imperioli blew them off the stage at Don Hill's with his band.*" They have been receiving rave reviews for their punk performances. The [Luna Lounge](#) is located at 361 Metropolitan Avenue, Williamsburg Brooklyn, NY. Admission is reasonable priced at \$10.00, doors open at 7:00 pm, performance begins at 10:30 pm.

On Saturday, **January 20**, The movie, "*Beyond Wiseguys: Italian Americans and the Movies*," will premiere at **2 pm** at the [Cinema Arts Centre](#), located at 423 Park Avenue, Huntington, NY. For a synopsis of the film and to view the trailer, [click here](#). **Dominic Chianese** (*Uncle Junior Corrado Soprano*) along with the film makers will answer questions after the screening. The film, features interviews with well known Italian Americans such as Sopranos creator, **David Chase**, **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*), and **Martin Scorsese** speaking about their Italian heritage and how it has affected their career choices.

Ongoing (*and this one I really want to go see*). The play "[Dirty Dancing](#)" has opened in Toronto, Canada. This play, based on the hit movie, with the same name features [Al Sapienza](#) (*Mikey Palmice*). The play's venue is **The Royal Alexandra Theatre**, 260 King St. West, Toronto. For [ticket information visit this link](#).

Unless you've mastered the fine art of operating a motor vehicle, holding a map, and googling Soprano locations at the same time, might I suggest doing it the easy way by taking [The Sopranos Tour](#) instead.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 17, 2008

Tonight on television we have the third episode of "[Celebrity Apprentice](#)" which features **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) as one of the contestants. If you missed last weeks episode, [Reality Dish website](#), has a quite detailed re cap of the episode, the [NBC website has last week](#) and the first episode on line, so even if you missed it, you can still see it. Vinny hasn't been fired yet, so that's a good thing.

Juliet Polska, the person responsible for dressing the various characters on The Sopranos [has received a mention in the nominations](#) at the 10 th annual [Costume Designers Guild](#) Award which will be announced on February 19. The HBO site, has a page about Ms. Polska. [Click here](#), the first item is "*Dressing The Sopranos*", click the link that says "*click to launch*" link and you can read about this talented person by selecting "*About the designer*" the link on the far right.

One of Alcatraz's most famous residents, [Al Capone](#) was born today in 1899. I guess he never got that birthday cake he wanted while staying there, with the metal file baked inside of it. He was released from the Federal prison system November 1939, he died in 1947, from a STD (*back then they just called it what it was - syphilis*).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 16, 2008

There are a lot of us out there who are fascinated with Italian culture, [the food, customs](#), la familia and unfortunately the myth of the Mafia (*I'm not denying the fact that La Costa Nostra existed, but that is a very tiny part of the culture*). I extend [Kudos to film maker](#) Roseanne DeLuca Braun for bringing us the movie, "*Beyond Wiseguys: Italian Americans and the Movies*" which focuses on some of the positive Cinematic achievements of Italian Americans.

The film features interviews with several well known Italian Americans such as Sopranos creator, **David Chase**, **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*), and **Martin Scorsese** who speak about their Italian heritage and how it has affected their career choices.

The movie will have its World Premiere this **Sunday, January 20 th at 2 pm** at the [Cinema Arts Centre](#), located at 423 Park Avenue, Huntington, NY. For a synopsis of the film and to view the trailer, [click here](#). **Dominic Chianese** (*Uncle Junior Corrado Soprano*) along with the film makers will answer questions after the screening.

[Apparently this video](#) has been around for a couple of months, ESPN did a spoof of the finale of **The Sopranos**. I really don't know much about football, but I am sure there are people out there who do, and will appreciate this.

Joe Pantoliano (*Ralph Cifaretto*) alert! Thanks to my friend over at the [Celebrity Book Signings and Event website](#), who reports that he will be signing copies of "*Canvas*" on Friday, **February 1**, 6 pm at the [Tribeca Barnes and Noble](#) store located at 97 Warren Street in New York City. I don't see the event listed on the website, but his information is usually on the money. You can always call the store for more information at **212-587-5389**.

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I just looked, I would have flunked spelling yesterday.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 15, 2008

Sorry about the delay, I started updating and then I remembered I had a [dentist appointment](#). Made it there in time, it was uneventful.

Remember the episode where *Tony Soprano* and *Bobby Bacala* meet with 2 French Canadians to discuss a future business relationship? That scene was filmed at [Tierney's Tavern](#) in Montclair, and [The Gazette out of Canada](#) has a article about the guy who gave technical advice about those characters.

Soprano's Producer, **Matt Weiner's** television program, "[Mad Men](#)" is the recipient of a [Golden Globe Award](#) for Best Dramatic Series. Congratulations!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 13, 2008

Ahh, another wonderful work week. Apparently we are supposed to start this week in Jersey with some of that fluffy white stuff. It's fluffy white stuff now, but you really don't want to hear what I'll be calling it after I shovel my vehicle out of some snow drift and the plow driver drives by...

Last chance is today for the following events:

January 13, 2008 - The exhibition, **Annie Leibovitz: A Photographer's Life, 1990–2005** will be on exhibit at the Corcoran Gallery in Washington, DC through January 13, 2008. Annie Leibovitz is responsible for many of the promotional photos used in *The Sopranos*, since the beginning.

Vincent Pastore (*Big Pussy*) and **Aida Turturro** (*Janice Soprano*) joined the cast of the hit Broadway musical, "Chicago." Starting on **November 19**, they will be part of the cast until January 13. Tickets may be purchased through [Telecharge](#).

This event is for Monday, January 14 - **Steve Van Zandt** (*Silvio Dante*) will appear on VH1's "[Seven Ages of Rock](#)". Check your local listing for air times.



Since I may be holed up inside, I consider catching up on some reading (heaven forbid housework). One of my favorite authors, who wrote the official Soprano trilogy, newest book, has been recently released in soft cover. Pam Vetter, from American Chronicle, interviewed Allen Rucker. Mr. Rucker's latest book is entitled, "[The Best Seat in the House](#)" and is available from [Amazon](#). He also wrote, "[The Sopranos Family History](#)" and "[Entertaining with The Sopranos](#)".

It has been reported that **Steve Buscemi** (*Tony Blundetto*) and Stanley Tucci have teamed up to start [their own production company](#).

Party time! The Charlotte Forum located at 300 North College Street in Charlotte, North Carolina, is hosting a Sopranos party on **February 1**. **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) and **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) are expected in attendance. For further information [check out the web site](#) or call 704.375-8765. Table reservations are being accepted. There is a contest for the bested dressed gangster couple, so spiff up those cement shoes and wear your finest!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 11, 2008

It's the weekend, the time of the week I really enjoy. This weekend I have guests coming in from out of state so rather than me take them on a personalized tour of the Sopranos locations, I am treating them to a tour of the sites, with [On Location Tour's Sopranos Tours](#). They do a much better job at this than I could ever do. It's also a great way of getting them out of my hair for a couple of hours, remember relatives are like fish, after a few days they start to stink. They also offer a [Sex in the City tour](#), a [NYC TV and movie location tour](#), a [Central Park movie and television tour](#) and a [Washington, DC movie site tour](#), so I figure I can get rid of them for a few days, if I plan things right. Shame she doesn't offer a Gilligans Island tour, I'd pay her extra to stick my guests on that one.

The [Directors Guild of America](#) announced their television nominations and **The Sopranos** [garneered nominations](#) for the episodes, "*Made in America*" directed by **David Chase**, and "*Sopranos Home Movies*" directed by **Tim Van Patten**. One of my personal favorite directors, **Alan Taylor** was nominated for the "*Mad Men*" episode, "*When Smoke Gets in Your Eyes*". Alan Taylor won an Emmy for directing The Sopranos episode, "*Heidi and Kennedy*". Winners will be announced on **January 26**. Variety reports that the [striking screenwriters have canceled](#) the award ceremony which was to be held at Century Plaza.

More nominations! [The Cinema Audio Society](#) announced its [nominations for outstanding scheivement](#) in sound mixing and **The Sopranos** episode "*The Blue Comet*" was nominated. The award winners will be announced on **February 16**.

Little Steven speaks, "[he's still alive!](#)" Little Steven played the character of *Silvio Dante*.

HBO apparently is [jumping on the Blu-ray boat](#). The government is issuing coupons for the new converter boxes, which you will need in a couple of years to view television, [here is the link with the scoop](#) where to get a coupon for a discount.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

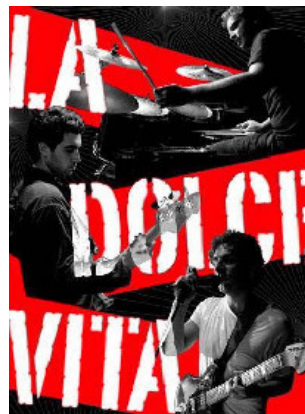
January 10, 2008

Happy Birthday to Frank Sinatra, Jr. who celebrates today. Frank Jr. appeared in the episode, "*The Happy Wanderer*". He was one of the participants at the "*executive card game*". Little trivia on this episode, the hands you saw as belonging Frank Sinatra, Jr. weren't his, they belonged to [Marc Baron](#). Motel look familiar? The location was the Wayne Motor Inn.

More folks stopped by to see the Broadway show "[Chicago](#)" which features **Vinny Pastore** and **Aida Turturro**. [Broadway World](#) has photos from a visit from Vinny's castmate on "[Celebrity Apprentice](#)", Stephen Baldwin. "*Celebrity Apprentice*" airs tonight, and we can find out finally *WHO* insulted Donald Trump's daughter.

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January 9, 2008

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~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 8, 2008

If it's free, or a chance of being free, it is definitely for me. I'm not eligible to win on this one, but if you are living in one of the areas, that the Toronto Community News is distributed, you have a chance of winning. Insider Toronto has 5 copies of **Steve Buscemi's** (*Tony Blundetto*) movie, "Interview" to give away. To enter, [click here](#), entries must be received by January 27 by 11:59 pm. You can view the trailer for the movie [by clicking here](#).

DVD alert – On **March 18**, the movie "[Revolver](#)" featuring **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) will be released on DVD in The United States. The movie will come with several features including alternate endings and beginnings and Director's commentary. source: [Movie Web](#)

Another date to mark on those new calendars you got for a holiday gift. On **January 14**, **Steve Van Zandt** (*Silvio Dante*) will appear on VH1's "[Seven Ages of Rock](#)". Check your local listing for air times.

On January 13, Annie Liebowitz's photo exhibition "A Photographer's Life" will close at the Corcoran Gallery in Washington, DC. According to the [San Francisco Sentinel](#), it will open on March 1 at the [Legion of Honor](#) in San Francisco, California. It will close at that venue on May 25, and then the tour will go international.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 7, 2008

If you haven't gotten out to see the play "Chicago" which until Aida Turturro and Vincent Pastore are part of the cast you only have until January 13 to get out and see it. I went this Sunday afternoon and I have to admit it was a wonderful show. I originally saw the show when it opened in November 1996, and the show I saw in 2007 is a totally different performance than I originally saw. It is definitely better, so if you previously saw this show years ago, reconsider seeing it again.



Left to right (top row) **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*), **Tony Darrow** (*Larry 'Boy' Barese*), **Dominic Chianese** (*Uncle Junior Corrado Soprano*), **Aida Turturro** (*Janice Soprano*), **Vincent Curatola** (*Johnny Sack*), Jeffrey Mc Carthy, **Anthony Rubistello** (*Dante Greco*)

Front row: Brenda Braxton, Michelle DeJean, **Frank Pellegrino** (*Bureau Chief Frank Cubitoso*)

Sunday's performance was an extra special one. Traditionally Vincent Pastore sponsors a holiday party for members of the Throgs Neck, NY, American Legion. Since this year, Vinny didn't have the time, he was committed to the Broadway show, [he invited a group](#) to be his guests instead. It was good to see JP again and to meet some other the group members outside the theater. Also this being a special day, several cast members from The Sopranos were in attendance. So it made for a very fun day. Former cast members have been coming to see the show, according to

[Broadway.com](#) last week **Maureen and Steve Van Zandt** (*Gabby and Silvio Dante*) and **Sharon Angela** (*Rosalie Aprile*) also stopped by to see a performance. So, be prepared if you go, for a possible surprise. Like I said, make a point of going to see this show. Tickets are [available via Telecharge](#).



Next, I'm going north, to Toronto, I have to see my birthday twin in [Al Sapienza](#) in "[Dirty](#)"

[Dancing](#).

Theater is what is happening. [Broadway World](#) reports that Michael Imperioli will be directing the play, "Sisters, Such Devoted Sisters" which will open on January 26 at [Studio Dante](#). The play will run until February 16. Tickets are available via [smarttix.com](#) Studio Dante is located at 257 West 29th Street , between 7th & 8th Avenues, New York City.

For those, like me, who missed "[Celebrity Apprentice](#)" the first episode is [available on line to view](#). You won't see me, I am laying somewhere on the cutting room floor (*probably kicked under a cabinet by now*). Doesn't matter, I am proud to have contributed to the "Hot Dogs for Charity" campaign. It was a lot of fun. I did see [Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) in the video (*he is standing to the right of Mayor Bloomberg and Donald Trump*).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 4, 2008



I relied on [this article from Reuters](#), about the premiere of "[Celebrity Apprentice](#)" being delayed by one week to January 10. So last night I get a call around 9:30 pm saying that the show is on. Well it turns out it is, and I feel like a idiot. I figured my news source was reliable, and now I find out it wasn't. I was really looking forward to seeing the program, to watch [Vincent Pastore](#) (*Big Pussy*) who is part of the cast raise money for his favorite charity, [The Mitchell Burke Memorial Fund for Pancreatic Cancer](#). The task the celebs were assigned with was to hawk New York City "Dirt Water Dogs" (*just an affectionate local term in no way true*) to raise the most amount of money for charity. They used their celebrity skills and private phone number list, to get people out to purchase the dogs. I caught some of the show (*after I received a call*) and besides spotting Donald Trump and Mayor Mike Bloomberg at the hot dog stand, I also saw [Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) there. [The show airs on Thursday night at 9 pm](#), and after seeing the preview for next week, things are going to get real interesting in Trumps Board Room. I am hoping the NBC web site puts the episode on its web site, you see I also purchased a hot dog at that stand on the corner of 49 th Street.

Also part of the cast are actress/writer, Marilu Henner, heavy weight boxing champ Lennox Lewis, former " Apprentice ", Omarosa, Piers Morgan, Ulltimate fighting champion Tito Ortiz, and Kiss frontman, Gene Simmons.

Eventually everything goes north, and in this case it's the AMC hit program, "[Mad Men](#)". [CTV.com reports](#) that it has obtained broadcast rights for that show. This show, written by [Matthew Weiner](#) from [The Sopranos](#), has been nominated for a Golden Globe for "Best Dramatic Series". Matthew Weiner, won an Emmy for "[Outstanding Drama Series](#)", with The Sopranos.

It may be January, but that doesn't mean there is nothing to do. My plans for this weekend include going to see the Broadway Show, "[Chicago](#)", in which [Vinny Pastore](#) and [Aida Turturro](#) (*Janice Soprano*) are part of the cast. I'm going Sunday, at the same performance that several Veterans from the Bronx will be attending as a guest of Vinny's. I also heard rumors of other Sopranos cast members being in the audience for that performance. Our favorite Sopranos are part of the show, until **January 13**, so time is running out if you haven't gotten tickets. I have heard positive things about their performances from my dear friend over at [Baristanet](#). Tickets may be purchased through [Telecharge](#).

Also, for those up north, the play "[Dirty Dancing](#)" has opened in Toronto, Canada. This play, based on the hit movie, with the same name features [Al Sapienza](#) (*Mikey Palmice*). The play's venue is [The Royal Alexandra Theatre](#), 260 King St. West, Toronto. For [ticket information visit this link](#).

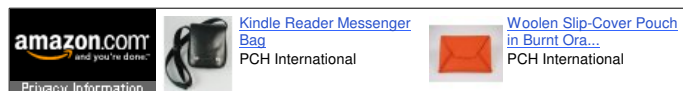
Time is running out on this one, it closes on **January 13, 2008** - The exhibition, [Annie Leibovitz: A Photographer's Life, 1990–2005](#) will be on exhibit at the [Corcoran Gallery in Washington , DC](#). Annie Leibowitz is responsible for many of the promotional photos used in The Sopranos, since the beginning.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

January 2, 2008

I was at the party when the photo in this article was taken. [The New York Daily News](#) has an article about [Steve Schirripa](#) (*Bobby Bacala*) and how his career has taken a new direction since being on The Sopranos.

Congratulations to **Steve Van Zandt** (*Silvio Dante*) on the 300 th episode of his [Underground Garage Radio Show](#).



Matthew Weiner has written several episodes of The Sopranos besides the new hit show, "Mad Men." He recently spoke with the [Baltimore Sun](#).

An event for tomorrow, **January 3, 2008 - Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be a guest on "The View". Also on January 3, if you see **Robert Loggia** (*Feech La Manna*) don't forget to wish the Staten Island born actor a Happy Birthday.

4 more days until I go to see **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) and **Aida Turturro** (*Janice Soprano*) in the Broadway show, "Chicago", someone is counting the days.

Tickets may be purchased through [Telecharge](#).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 28, 2007

Remember the 7 minute Sopranos? It's been updated to 9 minutes including the final seasons, [click here to see it](#).

Vincent Pastore is one of the contestants on the new "[Celebrity Apprentice](#)" scheduled to start airing on January 10. [Reality World TV](#) has a detailed article about the show, which gets into some of the competitiveness and viciousness that came out during the filming. There is a mention about a little "hot dog vending" stint that was filmed as part of the show, I'm looking forward to that segment, I have from a reliable source that a lot of cool people showed up to support the charitable works.

Best wishes to everyone out there for the New Year. For those looking for some appetizers to serve on that special night, I came across a [page that had a lot of good ideas](#). Personally I'm thinking of making reservations for that night.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 27, 2007

It's pretty much a silent night here in Jersey. Yesterday, I went into the city to pick up tickets to the Broadway show, "[Chicago](#)", which is playing at the Ambassador Theater on West 49 th Street. I chose the **Sunday, January 6, 3:00 pm**, as the day to go. [A group of Veterans](#) from the Kingsbridge Veterans Hospital are coming to see the show, as a guest of Vincent Pastore, I wanted to lend my support to a wonderful thing. **Aida Turturro** (*Janice Soprano*) and **Vinny** (*Big Pussy*) are part of the cast until **January 13**, so time is running out to see some of our favorite Sopranos on the great white way. In case you didn't tag it, [here is the link for the discount tickets to "Chicago"](#)

ANother fun thing to do for the holiday season is to see [Al Sapienza](#) (*Mikey Palmice*) in the play, "[Dirty Dancing](#)" which is presently in production at the **The Royal Alexandra Theatre**, 260 King St. West, Toronto, Canada. For [ticket information visit this link](#).

The exhibition, **Annie Leibovitz: A Photographer's Life, 1990–2005** will be on exhibit at the Corcoran Gallery in Washington , DC through January 13, 2008. Annie Liebowitz is responsible for many of the promotional photos used in The Sopranos, since the beginning.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 25, 2007

Merry Christmas to all! I also send the happiest of birthday wishes to my dear friend Debbie, over at [Baristanet](#). She won't tell me which anniversary of her birth this one is.



TVSquad had it right, this is one of the most unlikeliest gingerbread man, I ever saw. **Steve Buscemi** (*Tony Blundetto*) does an excellent portrayal of the holiday's most lovable character, the gingerbread man. [Click here to see the AT & T commercial](#) he lent his voice to.

If you haven't subscribed yet to [Sirius Satellite Radio](#), read this [list of their top 10 music events of 2007](#), if you need convincing. Another bonus is you can listen to Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show on Wednesday night (always a treat). I've been a suscriber for years and it

has been one of the best things I've ever subscribed to. The music selections are fantastic!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 21, 2007

It holiday season is officially here!

Sunday night, on the NBC network **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) and **Tony Sirico** (*Paulie Walnuts*) will lend their voices to the newest holiday special "*Elmo's Christmas Countdown*" according to [Sun Sentinel](#). It airs at **7 pm** and the [article linked here](#), gives the program excellent reviews.

Starting today, at 10 p.m - [CTV starting](#) and every night until the end of the year they will be airing an uncensored episodes of *The Sopranos*. They have appropriately named this "*The Sopranos Mob-a-Thon*".

Donald Trump's "*Celebrity Apprentice*" has [delayed it premiere by a week](#) to January 10. The show will feature **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*).

Best wishes for the holidays, may all your wishes come true, and may that coal left in your stocking help keep your heating costs down...

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 20, 2007

It's pretty much quiet here in Jersey. The ice on the ground isn't melting as fast as I'd like it to. The malls are packed, and I think I'll take a day off from updating and spend it shopping.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 19, 2007

Sorry about the tardiness, I was out of town for the weekend, got in late last night and have been running around playing catch up since that plane landed.

On Thursday **January 3 rd** Donald Trump's "*Celebrity Apprentice*" is premiering on the NBC network. I did see a little of the show being filmed and took an "*Oath of Omerta*" on what I saw. What makes this version of "*Apprentice*" unique is that rather than vying for a job with Donald Trump, the contestants will be working towards a greater goal — raising over a million dollars for their various charities throughout the season. The final winner will have the opportunity to donate a \$250,000 bonus check to their designated charity.

One of my favorite Sopranos, **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) will be a contestant, and after [reading his profile on the NBC website](#), it really made me realize what a very special person he truly is with the charity he is supporting, the [Lustgarten Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research](#) (Mitchell Berke Memorial). If that's not enough to earn his wings, Vinny traditionally does something special for the Veterans at the Kingbridge Veterans Hospital in the Bronx for the holidays, this year on **January 6**, he has invited [several of the Veterans](#) and Sopranos cast members to the **3:00 pm** performance of the Broadway show, "*Chicago*", in which he and Aida Turturro are performing in. Vincent Pastore also has a [video profile](#) for "*Celebrity Apprentice*". In case you didn't tag it, [here is the link for the discount tickets to "Chicago"](#)

Burt Young played the character of *Bobby 'Bacala' Baccalieri, Sr.* in the season 3 episode "*Another Toothpick*." A talented actor who had roles in "*Rocky*", "*Carlito's Way: Rise to Power*" and over 125 film projects, he is also a talented artist. [Newsday has a article](#) in which they interview Burt Young about his career and his paintings.

John L, I hope you are happy now...

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 13, 2007

Happy Birthday wishes today are extended to **Steve Buscemi**! Mr. Buscemi played the character of *Tony Blundetto* and he also directed several episodes of **The Sopranos**, including the legendary episode "[Pine Barrens](#)."

There are a lot of fun things going on this Saturday, that are definately worth attending. Starting on the day, if you are looking for a unique gift for a Sopranos fan (*or for yourself*), [Vincent Curatola](#) (*Johnny Sack*) will be signing copies of "*The Sopranos...The Complete Book*" at [Bookends Bookstore](#) (*great place*) located at 232 E. Ridgewood Ave. Ridgewood, NJ 07450. For more information please call 201-445-0726. Time to be there is 1:00 pm

The play "[Dirty Dancing](#)" has officially opened in Toronto, Canada. This play, based on the hit movie, with the same name features [Al Sapienza](#) (*Mikey Palmice*). The play's venue is **The Royal Alexandra Theatre**, 260 King St. West, Toronto. For [ticket information visit this link](#).

Florida fans, on Saturday, **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be the Grand Marshall of the [Annual Winterfeast Parade](#). This announcement was made at the Semiole Hard Rock Café on October 6, you can [view the video here](#). The parade starts at 6:30 pm at the [Broward Center for the Performing Arts](#), located on the New River.

Can't make it to Florida? The holiday movie, "*Snowglobe*" featuring **Ms. Bracco** will air on the ABC Family channel. The story is about Christian Milian, who dreams of a traditional holiday and gets her wish.

Save this date! Saturday, December 22. "Sopranos Holiday Family Reunion" which will honor several of the extra special members of the Sopranos team who were directly responsible for bringing us one of the greatest shows ever to come into our living rooms. The place to be is [Mirage](#), located at 737 Merrick Avenue, Westbury, Long Island, New York. The time to be there is 10 pm. So, mark your calendar. More details to follow. Admission to this event is **\$20.00**. This is going to be a great event! Several major cast members are expected in attendance.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 12, 2007

Everybody must be out there doing their holiday shopping. I got the word that the movie, "*Doughboys*" will be screening at 2 film festivals in March. I don't have any specific dates, the first screening will be at the Westchester County Film Festival will runs from March 7, 8 and 9 in White Plains, NY and the second screening, it will be the opening film is at the 3rd annual [Kent Film Festival](#) in Connecticut on March 27. The movie features **Louis Lombardi** (*Agent Skip Lipari*) and **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*). The movie [has a web site](#) where you can view a teaser.

If you notice people out there are acting a little stranger than usual, it may be because today is [National Ding-a-ling Day](#).

If you don't have any plans for tonight, or you have plans, here's a reason to change them. Tonight at New York 's Hawaiian Tropic Zone (located at Broadway and W. 49 th Street) Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show will air live from 6 – 9 pm on Sirius Radio Raw Dog 104. This very special holiday show, is an opportunity to watch the mayhem they create live. [Cha Cha's web site](#) has tonight's guests.

Immediately afterwards, same venue, **Little Steven's Underground Garage** will host "[Wicked Cool Maximum Rock and Roll A Go-Go!](#)" featuring [The Woggles](#) (Atlanta, GA), [The Grip weeds](#) (New Jersey), [The Stabilisers](#) (England), and the [Garage Girls A Go-Go](#). I believe this is the last in a series of performances at the Hawaiian Tropic, so don't miss your chance! **The Garage Girls A Go Go** are **Maureen Van Zandt's** (*Gabby Dante*) dance troupe.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 11, 2007

I was supposed to stop at the box office this morning to pick up tickets for "*Chicago*" but at 6:30 am it wasn't open yet. Maybe I'll take a trip into the city later today for tickets. [The New York Daily News](#) has a brief interview with **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) who presently stars in that Broadway show. I know [someone](#) who saw his performance, and they only had good things to say about it. [I found a link for discount tickets](#) (*with decent seats*) for the show, "*Chicago*" which he is appearing in until **January 13, 2008**.

Michael Imperoli (*Christopher Moltisanti*) is [speaking out also](#). Apparently he knew his days were numbered on **The Sopranos**, creator **David Chase** told him a year in advance.

We have another show going on at the [Hawaiian Tropic Zone](#) in New York City tomorrow night.- "*Wicked Cool Maximum Rock and Roll A Go-Go!*" featuring [The Woggles](#) (Atlanta, GA), [The Gripweeds](#) (New Jersey), [The Stabilisers](#) (England), and [Garage Girls A Go-Go](#) are on the bill. [Tickets are only \\$15](#), and the show is ALL AGES, There are NO services charges on the tickets. I attended [last Wednesday's show](#), excellent entertainment!

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 10, 2007

It's never too late to make plans for next year. According to [Yum Sugar.com](#), **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be hosting the 6th annual S. Pellegrino Almost Famous Competition being held in at the Culinary Institute of America in Napa Valley on **March 7 - 10**. For more about this upcoming event, [click here](#).

Don't get any ideas about me going undercover to do a sighting here. [The Suburban Chicago News](#) reports that **Frank Vincent** (*Phil Leotardo*) has been spotted at [Joliet Prison](#) as part of the filming of the movie, "*Chicago Overcoat*". If the prison looks familiar (*not that you've spent any time there*), scenes from the Fox Network program, "*Prison Break*" were also filmed at this prison.

I got a call about this on Friday, and I found it on line. **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) was interviewed by [The Star Ledger](#). He is presently on Broadway, and [I found a link for discount tickets](#) (*with decent seats*) for the show, "*Chicago*" which he is appearing in until **January 13, 2008**.

December 10, Lorraine Bracco (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be a guest on "*The View*".

If you missed "*Steve Schirripa's Hungry*" premiere the other night, [here's the link where you can watch his new series on line](#).

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 7, 2007

The other day, while being interviewed, I was asked "Do you think there will be a Sopranos reunion?" I hesitated answering, maybe because I might have known about something (*or maybe I didn't*).

I have just gotten the official word that several well known cast members (*whom we all know and love*) will be hosting a "**Sopranos Holiday Family Reunion**" which will honor several of the extra special members of the Sopranos team who were directly responsible for bringing us one of the greatest shows ever to come into our living rooms.

This event is open to the public.

Here's the scoop! The date to reserve on your holiday party schedule is **Saturday, December 22**. The place to be is [Mirage](#), located at 737 Merrick Avenue, Westbury, Long Island, New York. The time to be there is 10 pm. So, mark your calendar. More details to follow. Admission to this event is **\$20.00**. This is going to be a great event!

The movie "*Revolver*" featuring **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) is opens in American theaters.

December 9 - Michael Imperioli (*Christopher Moltisanti*) has been working on the adaptation of Mitch Albom's "*One More Day*" which is being produced by Ophray Winfrey's Harpo Films. The date has been set for its airing on the ABC network. For more about the film, [click here](#).

December 10, Lorraine Bracco (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will be a guest on "*The View*".

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 6, 2007

I had a really fun day on Wednesday. Don't ever say I didn't tell you about it.

To start today off, I found a contest on the web where one very lucky person will win a autographed poster from the movie, "*Revolver*" which opens this Friday. The poster is signed by Guy Ritchie, Jason Statham and Vincent Pastore (*Big Pussy*). [Click here to enter](#), please read the rules first, they are very specific.

I see I wasn't the only one in Little Italy today. Sewell Chan from The New York Times, [reports on the unveiling of the World's Largest Cannoli tree](#) by **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) at Il Cortile restaurant. Today, Steve will make an appearance on "*The Today Show*."

Like I said Wednesday was a wonderful day but also busy. I started my day at the [unveiling of the above tree](#), and later on I continued my adventure north into midtown to see [The Garage Girls A Go Go](#). Both links, lead to sightings.

Steve's show "*Steve Schirripa Hungry*" premieres tonight on [Lifeskool television](#) on Cablevision. I will have the link up in the next day or two, where it also can be viewed on line.

I'm going to bed.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 4, 2007

It's Tuesday, the second day of the first work week of December, may it seem like a short one.

We have two events going on tomorrow, so I'm putting them up today, so you can have some time to tell your boss why you can't make work tomorrow (that shouldn't be too hard).

The first event for tomorrow is between **1 and 4 pm** one of our favorite Sopranos, **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) will trade his engineer's hat for a Santa hat for the unveiling of the **World's Largest Cannoli Christmas Tree** located at **Il Cortile Restaurant, 125 Mulberry Street** (*located at Canal and Hester Streets*) in New York's Little Italy.

This is an opportunity for fans to take a photo with this deliciously-crafted confection, 10-foot tall, 3,000-cannoli strong tree! By participating in this event fans will receive a complimentary mini-cannoli. Steve has a new show which premieres on **Lifeschool TV** entitled "*Steve Schirripa's Hungry*" on **December 6**. While you are in Little Italy, don't forget to stop by [Cha Cha's In Bocca Al Lupo Cafe](#) located at 113 Mulberry Street (*closer to Canal St*). Cha Cha played the character of Albie Cianflone (*Phil Leotardo's right hand man*) on **The Sopranos**. Don't forget to try the sausage, I love his special recipe.

The next event for Wednesday, the **Hellfire Hillbilly Hullabaloo & Rock And Roll Raveup**, being held at the **Hawaiian Tropic Zone (729 7th Ave @ 49th Street)** is another exciting show in the **Little Steven's Underground Garage** series. Tomorrow night's show will feature [The Garage Girls A Go Go](#), fiery freakbeat sounds of London's Len Price 3 and the feral Rock and Roll of Wisconsin's Wildbirds. Plus, an appearance by Vinny "Big Pussy" Pastore. Tickets for this All Age show are reasonably priced at \$15.00. [The can be ordered at this link](#). No tickets will be mailed, so bring you ID to the show for entry. The **Garage Girls A Go Go** are choreographed by **Maureen Van Zandt** (*Gabby Dante*).

Looking to escape from the Mall Madness, take the [Soprano Tour this weekend](#). Gift certificates are available.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 3, 2007

[The Detroit Free Press](#) lists some gift suggestions for music lovers, Little Steven's "*The Coolest Songs in the World*," made the list. It is his most recent compilation of songs featured on his [Underground Garage](#) program. The Underground Garage link has information about this Wednesday's event at the Hawaiian Tropic Zone in Manhattan.

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This weekend, **Louis Lombardi's** (*Agent Skip Lipari*) movie, "*Doughboys*" screened at the the Whistler Film Festival in Whistler, B.C. (Canada). [The Globe and Mail](#) interviewed him and the article gets quite personal I never knew that Mr. Lombardi and **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy* and also part of the cast of *Doughboys*) knew each other long before *The Sopranos*.

The Sopranos made to [Top 12 list of television series](#) centered in suburbia.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

December 1, 2007

This is for tomorrow, Sunday morning. Steve Van Zandt (Silvio Dante) will be a guest on ABC's "This Week". Steve is the founder of the [Rock and Rock Forever Foundation](#), whose mission is study, preserve, and celebrate rock and roll's place among the arts that have defined the 20th century and continue to shape life in the 21st.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 30, 2007

I remember when they were filming this movie in Clifton, my hometown. The film "Tony 'n' Tina's Wedding, opens today in Manhattan . The movie features **John Fiore** (*Gigi Cestone*), in one of his finest performances as the loudmouthed father of the bride. [The New York Times](#) has a review of the film. The movie will be at the IFC Center, 323 Avenue of the Americas at Third Street, Greenwich Village. If you plan on attending, I do not see this movie on the website, so call in advance. **212-924-7771**.

Ah to live in Canada, [CTV starting](#) on December 21 -- 23 and Dec. 26 -- 31 at 10 p.m., every night they will be airing an uncensored episode of the final season of The Sopranos. They have appropriately named this "The Sopranos Mob-a-Thon".

The lights came back on Broadway last night, the [Associated Press](#) has a story which mentions **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) and **Aida Turturro** (*Janice Soprano*) debut in the play "*Chicago*". It also has a listing on what dates the rest of the shows will resume regular performances.

Time is running out, a reminder to enter the [contest to win a copy](#) of the book, "[How Strong Women Pray](#)" by Bonnie St. John. December 1 is the last date to enter. You have to be in it to win it!

On Saturday, December 1, Dominic Chianese (*Uncle Junior Corrado Soprano*) will host the Little Italy's Official tree light at the Most Precious Blood Church. The church is located next to [Cha Cha's restaurant](#) located at **113 Mulberry Street , New York City** . Be sure to stop by Cha Cha's and try his famous sausage, it lives up to the legend. I have some calls out not, trying to get a time on this event.

Sorry about the late update, my mouse on my computer was being fickle.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 29, 2007 Hot update!

The Broadway strike has been settled and the show much go on. **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) and **Aida Turturra** (*Janice Soprano*) will finally debut in the hit show "*Chicago*" tonight. According to Playbill, to celebrate this event they are offering highly discounted tickets to tonight's performance. For the scoop, [click here](#). I saw this play when it first opened and I enjoyed it. I look forward to seeing my favorite Sopranos on stage, (*you can never have enough of a good thing*).

November 29, 2007

We're one day closer to the weekend.

This is an event for tonight, Thursday November 29. Jamie Lynn Sigler (Meadow Soprano) will be honored by the [National Eating Disorder Association](#) in New York City . For more information about this event and this organization, [click here](#).

The holiday movie, "*Snowglobe*" featuring **Lorraine Bracco** (*Dr. Jennifer Melfi*) will air on the ABC Family channel on **December 15**. The story is about Christian Milián, who dreams of a traditional holiday and gets her wish. On **December 10**, Ms. Bracco will be a guest on "The View".

I'm waiting for they interview I was promised. [Sports Illustrated](#) has a Q & A with **Michael Imperioli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*).

Did you ever wonder what **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) thoughts are on Molecular Gastronomy? [Click here to read](#) his thoughts. There is also an interview with **Steve** in [New York Magazine](#), about his favorite subject (and mine) food.

[The Rochester City Newspaper](#) has an article about one of my favorite groups that performed on The Sopranos, [The Chesterfield Kings](#).



The prevailing view was that once our favorite show, **The Sopranos** saga concluded on HBO, that everyone out there was going to cancel their HBO subscriptions. Well, some of those folks who boasted of their plans to banish the channel from their television sets and monthly bills, apparently were lying (*more like laying on the couch watching the television*). Subscriptions to [HBO are apparently on the increase](#) since after the finale.

This Saturday, **December 1, Dominic Chianese** (*Uncle Junior Corrado Soprano*) will host the Little Italy's Official tree light at the Most Precious Blood Church. The church is located next to [Cha Cha's restaurant](#) located at **113 Mulberry Street , New York City** . Be sure to stop by Cha Cha's and try his famous sausage, it lives up to the legend. I have some calls out not, trying to get a time on this event.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 28, 2007

It feels strange, it's only November and we are heavily into the holiday season. Nice to know that I have one more extra week to shop.

The holidays are coming and if you are looking for an extra special gift for someone really close to your heart, I have a fabulous suggestion. On **December 15** at 1:00 pm, [Vincent Curatola](#) (*Johnny Sack*) will be signing copies of "*The Sopranos... The Complete Book*" at [Bookends Bookstore](#) (*great place*) located at 232 E. Ridgewood Ave. Ridgewood , NJ 07450 . For more information please call 201-445-0726.

A personalized book always makes an excellent gift.

On **December 7**, Guy Richie's movie "*Revolver*" opens in the United States. Madonna is making plans for a [spectacular premiere](#) for the movie's release. **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) is featured in this movie.

[The New York Observer](#) had a great article about **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) and his favorite subject food. Steve has a new show which premiere's on Lifeskoool TV entitled " Steve Schirripa's Hungry " on December 6 . This Italian cooking series, Steve will take viewers on a tour of his favorite restaurants, chefs, pastry shops, cheese stores and butcher shops throughout New York City , with in-depth explorations of its most popular Italian neighborhoods, from Bensonhurst, Carroll Gardens and Bay Ridge in Brooklyn to Arthur Avenue in the Bronx to Little Italy in Manhattan . He'll share his expertise on where to find the best Italian delicacies, how to prepare authentic Italian dishes and, most importantly, how to enjoy them like a true Italian!

Frank Borelli (*the original Vito Spatafore, Jr.*) is doing the show "*Christmas Caper*" at the [Hackensack Cultural Arts Center](#) starting **November 30th**. Miss New Jersey 2006, Georgine DiMaria, is part of the cast, Frank plays "Jingles" the "Head Elf". Miss DiMaria plays the "Snow Queen". For tickets you can call the Hackensack Cultural Arts Center at **201-646-8042**.

If you ever wondered what it is like to be a Jersey Girl, remember one thing, [You can take the girl out of New Jersey , but you can't take New Jersey out of the girl](#). that's what those [Taylor Ham](#), egg and cheese sandwiches can do to you!

Tonight on [SIRIUS Satellite Radio](#) Raw Dog 104, between and 9 pm, **Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show** airs live from the studio hidden deep in a building in New York City. [Cha Cha's web site](#) has tonight's guests.

Tonight at the [Hawaiian Tropic Zone](#), Little Steven's Underground Garage presents, [Battle Beyond the Valley of the Super Vixens](#), which will include "Girls Rule and Boys Drool", "Norwegian Garage Valkyries", "The Launderettes", join up with Phoenix, Arizona's Trash and Glam Queens, Hell on Heels, for a night of estrogen fueled Rock and Roll Frenzy.

Hosted by the original Rock Grrl - the legendary Genya Raven . And of course, **Maureen Van Zandt's** (*Gabby Dante*) [Garage Girls A Go Go](#). The Hawaiian Tropic Zone is located at 729 7th Ave @ 49th Street, New York City. No tickets will be mailed. You must bring YOUR ID to the show for entry! To purchase tickets, [click here](#).

My dear friends over at [Baristanet have a survey](#), please take a moment to participate (*its a short one*).

I was floating around You Tube and found some new Soprano videos, I saved the best ones for my readers. Enjoy!

[The most popular word \(or letter\)](#) in The Sopranos (and it not a 4 letter word)

Al Qaeda Issues Fatwa on the [Super Lame Sopranos Finale](#)

I missed this one (past my bedtime) The entire cast of The Sopranos doing the top [10 list on the David Letterman Show](#). Very Enjoyable! I should have stayed up for this one.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

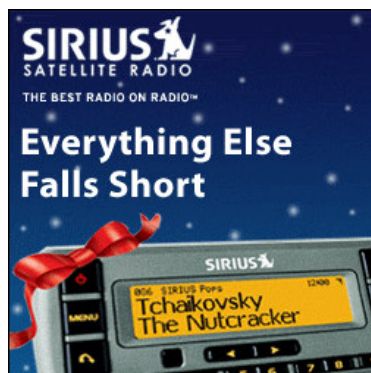
November 27, 2007

I really don't have any new news today. This is what happens when you are the first one on the block, with everything going on Sopranos, or anything else I find useful/less.

I am extending an invitation for my readers to visit my dear friends over at [Baristanet](#). There are usually some interesting comments on her stories to read.

It's not too early to plan your trip into New York City on December 5, to see the unveiling of the **World's Largest Cannoli Christmas Tree** located at **Il Cortile Restaurant, 125 Mulberry Street** with **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*). Time to be there is between 1 and 4 pm.

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\$15, ALL AGES, and NO services charges on the tickets. It's \$15 — that's it. And remember you get an extra special

laminate when you pre-order tickets, too! Laminates will be held with your name at the venue - the Hawaiian Tropic Zone (729 7th Ave @ 49th Street). No tickets will be mailed. You must bring YOUR ID to the show for entry! To purchase tickets, [click here](#). **Little Steven** played the character (*and his clothes definately had that*) *Silvio Dante*.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 26, 2007

It was really nice having a long weekend. I hung out and read the newspapers about all those people camped out on Friday morning to start shopping. After looking at the ads, there was nothing I saw worth me losing some precious sleep. I guess it just tradition with some people.



[The Hollywood Reporter](#) announced that **Steve Buscemi** (*Tony Blundetto*) will be one of the lead voices in (I am presuming) an animated flick, "*G-Force*" for Walt Disney Pictures. Steve will play "Bucky" a hamster.

Here's something to do this Thursday night, [Gianni Russo](#) (*The Godfather's favorite son - in - law* aka *Carlo Rizzi*, *Don Corleones wife-beating/double-crossing son-in-law*) will be part of an "*Evening You Can't Refuse*" at [Catch a Rising Star](#), Thursday **November 29** 7:30 and 10 pm show. At the [Twin River Casino](#) located in Providence, Rhode Island. Tickets are available via [ticketmaster](#) or by calling **401-331-2211**.



[Parade Magazine](#) recently spoke with **Michael Imperoli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*) about his leading role in the ABC movie, "*For One More Day*".

The Sopranos made Entertainment Weekly's "[Top 25 Stars of 2007](#)".

[Save with Cyber Monday Specials through 11.30 at Walmart.com](#)

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 21, 2007

Best wishes to all and may everyone out there have the Happiest of Turkey Days! For those looking to pick up some Black Friday bargains, I found a link to Walmart where you can find those bargain Sopranos DVD's, etc. Yes, I do get a commission on sales, when you enter the Walmart store from this website, the proceeds help keep this website maintained. I am also an [affiliate of Amazon](#), so shop away!



I just heard from [Robert Funaro](#) (*Eugene Pontecorvo*) and he still has a few openings in the acting classes being held in Staten Island, for more information please drop [Bobby a email](#). He also is planning for a workshop to be held in Brooklyn shortly, so if you have an interest in acting, want to hone the skills you already have, these classes are affordable, [so check them out](#). Let Bobby know you read about it here, no commission on my part but it does score me brownie points and an occasional cannoli when I visit Brooklyn...

Planning a holiday party? [Cha Cha's in Boca Al Lupo](#), located at 113 Mulberry Street located in New York's Little Italy has a [festive menu](#) for your holiday festivities. I highly recommend the sausage and peppers. I also have word that in addition to the food, you could also have a [celebrity guest](#) at your party to make it extra special. Cha Cha's is owned by Soprano and co host of Vincent Pastore's Wise Guy Show, [John Ciarcia](#) (*Albie Cianflone*), [did a very nice thing](#) the other night.

Something to do over the long holiday weekend (*besides shop*) The exhibition, **Annie Leibovitz: A Photographer's Life, 1990–2005** will be on exhibit at the Corcoran Gallery in Washington, DC through January 13, 2008. Annie Liebowitz is responsible for many of the promotional photos used in The Sopranos, since the beginning.



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The play "[Dirty Dancing](#)" has opened in Toronto, Canada. This play, based on the hit movie, with the same name features **Al Sapienza** (*Mikey Palmice*). The play's venue is **The Royal Alexandra Theatre**, 260 King St. West, Toronto, For [ticket information visit this link](#).

The movie, "*The Lovely Bones*" directed by Peter Jackson, will be released on March 13, 2009. It features **Michael Imperoli** (*Christopher Moltisanti*). The movie is based on the book by Alice Sebold.

Tonight, like every Wednesday night, a reminder between 6 & 9 pm, the live airing of The Wise Guy Show on Sirius radio Raw Dog 104. I don't have the guest list yet, but I am sure it will be interesting as usual. *****UPDATE*****, the guest list is now on line at [Cha Cha's website](#).

Happy Birthday wishes to **Little Steven** (*Silvio Dante*) who celebrates his birthday on Thursday!

And say this isn't so, no Sopranos movie? Apparently **David Chase** spoke out in [an](#)

[upcoming issue of GQ.](#)~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 20, 2007



Turkey Day is rapidly approaching. This was planned the early date, by the merchants in order to squeeze in a few more extra shopping days. Walmart's circular had DVD sets of the early seasons of The Sopranos REAL cheap (*if I remember correctly they were under 22 buckeroos*) as a early bird special for balck Friday. I've never participated in the Friday after Thanksgiving thing, but that's such a good deal, I just might... I prefer [to shop online](#), the check out lines are shorter.

[It was announced yesterday](#) that **Vincent Pastore** (*Big Pussy*) will be part of the cast of Donald Trump's Celebrity Apprentice. [January 3](#) is the date when the show will air.

Happy belated birthday to **Frank Santorelli** (*Georgie the bartender*), who celebrated this special landmark yesterday.

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

November 16, 2007



I have a really fun event for **Wednesday, December 5!** Between **1 and 4 pm** one of our favorite Sopranos, **Steve Schirripa** (*Bobby Bacala*) will trade is engineer's hat for a Santa hat for the unveiling of the **World's Largest Cannoli Christmas Tree** located at **Il Cortile Restaurant, 125 Mulberry Street** (*located at Canal and Hester Streets*) in New York's Little Italy.

This is an opportunity to fans to take a photo with this deliciously-crafted confection, 10-foot tall, 3,000-cannoli strong tree! By participating in this event fans will receive a complimentary mini-cannoli. Steve has a new show which premiere's on **Lifeskool TV** entitled "*Steve Schirripa's Hungry*" on **December 6**. This Italian cooking series, Steve will take viewers on a tour of his favorite restaurants, chefs, pastry shops, cheese stores and butcher shops throughout New York City , with in-depth explorations of its most popular Italian neighborhoods, from Bensonhurst, Carroll Gardens and Bay Ridge in Brooklyn to Arthur Avenue in the Bronx to Little Italy in Manhattan . He'll share his expertise on where to find the best Italian delicacies, how to prepare authentic Italian dishes and, most importantly, how to enjoy them like a true Italian!

While on Mulberry Street, don't forget to stop by [Cha Cha's Cafe](#) and try the sausage, it a simply the best! The cafe south of Il Cortile, located at 113 Mulberry, closer to Canal Street.



[The Wise Guy Show at the San Gennaro Feast](#)

~ [Soprano Sue](#)

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