



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Jeffrey D. Klein

Ciao Italia!

JEFFREY D. KLEIN March 9, 2008



NEW YORK-In the interest of increasing access to Italian culture for both the Italian American community, and the 34th Senate District at large, Senator Jeff Klein met with the Consul General of Italy, the honorable Francesco Maria Talo. The two leaders discussed ways in which to increase access to the services and resources provided by the Consulate.

A long time admirer of Italian culture, Klein continues to sponsor Italian language classes for children, as well as the annual Morris Park Columbus Day Parade, various Italian-American social clubs, and upcoming cooking classes.

Just this year Klein was selected to receive the 1st Annual "Person of the Year" award by the 102 year old Italian cultural organization, the Esperia Benevolent Society, which recognized him for his "relentless work for the good of (our) community and country."

"It is my great pride to represent a community with such a well established tradition; one that pays homage to its roots while making simultaneous and significant contributions to the world we live in. I am honored to contribute to that great legacy," said Senator Klein.