

TRINITY COLLEGE ELDERHOSTEL PROGRAMS IN ITALY

Marvels of the Mediterranean: Malta, Sicily, and the Aeolian Islands
September 8 – 18, 2005

Coordinating and Instructional Staff

The Trinity College teacher and program co-coordinator is **GIUSEPPE LAMACCHIA**. Giuseppe received his college degree in Foreign Languages and Literature from the University of Palermo, and lived in Great Britain before returning to his native Sicily a few years ago. Giuseppe will lecture on the history of Sicily surveying the vicissitudes and unique character of the Mediterranean crossroad island from the earliest periods to modern times. He will also offer the lecture "The Mafia: Myth and Reality" which analyzes the factors that account for the origin, development and influence of Sicily's peculiar criminal phenomenon. Giuseppe will offer a session on "Survival Italian" the evening you board ship.

IRENE MATRANGA, Trinity College lecturer and program co-coordinator, was born in Madison, Wisconsin and lived there until she was 8 years old. She studied in France for a semester while in high school, spent a year recently studying in Spain and is currently a student of Political Science at the University of Palermo. Irene will lecture on "Sicilian Carts and Marionettes", and "A Sicilian View", which offers insights on everyday life, institutions, customs, and traditions in Sicily today. She will also lecture on "Present Migrations Through the Mediterranean" which examines the effect that current demographic trends and international political events have on countries in the Mediterranean basin.

LAURA JONES, Cruise Director, has been a cruise director for eight years for both American-flagged and international ships. She received her undergraduate degree at Lander University in Greenwood, South Carolina. Laura has recently lent her expertise on travel planning and cruises for golf enthusiasts with Perry Golf.