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c/o John Pappas
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Mae Fraley
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Ms. Fraley,

I am sorry to inform you that the workshop we were planning on Italian Folk Dances has been postponed. It seems that the Italian Hall has been booked on those dates that are satisfactory to you and the Miami Valley Folk Dancers. In addition members of the Italian Ethnic Community who were interested in such a workshop are over committed at this time.

This is a disappointment to me as I am sure it is to you. I feel confident, however, that we will re-group in the near future and invite you to lead us in a workshop of Italian Folk Dances in Dayton, Ohio. After all, it is not too often we find a nationally known teacher of folk dances that knows as many Italian Folk Dances as you do. Plus, you have the interest to promote and encourage the Italian culture.

The Dayton International Festival, Inc. is interested in promoting the cultures of the 33 member ethnic groups. Couple that with the strong desires of the Regional Alliance of Italian-Americans, and you can see why I am confident that we will see you in Dayton in the near future. Sorry it can't be sooner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John E. Pappas".

John E. Pappas
President, Dayton International Festival, Inc.

C.C. Carolyn Stovall, Miami Valley Folk Dancers
Joseph Giambrone, Sons of Italy
James Togliatti, Christopher Columbus Lodge
Tom Folino, Regional Alliance of Italian-Americans
Paul Massullo, Regional Alliance of Italian-Americans
Joseph Franchina, Regional Alliance of Italian-Americans
Rose Marah, Italian Folk Dancers