Preserve Little Italy

- Collaboration with SDSU Department of Geography
- Funded by National Park Service’s Preserve America Program, Dec 1, 2010 – Aug 31, 2012, with additional support from Supervisor Ron Roberts
- Purpose: to research and document the neighborhood’s history
Telling a Place History

- Tapping into multiple sources
- Mapping the history onto the neighborhood as it is now
- Organizing the narrative(s) and developing the neighborhood’s “character”
- Finding ways to share the history that are informative, creative and engaging
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**S.S. *Caroline***

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#### Note

Name changed by Decree of Court from EMMIDIO PALESTINI as a part of the Naturalization January 8th, 1943.

J.B. McLEES, CLERK

By A. T. [Signature]

Deputy.

Rec. Cert. No. 5773851 this 19th day of January 1943.

Emidio Paolo Palestini
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Themes and Stories

• The Land: how you get from Middletown to Little Italy

• The People: immigration routes and home regions; the role of family and community; non-Italians in Little Italy

• The Waterfront: link to bay and ocean; changing shoreline; before tourists (canneries, fishing boats, lumber ships, shipyards)

• The Local Economy: fishing and related activities; other employment; home economics

• Inside the Neighborhood: housing; street life for children and adults; social networking sites; India Street business corridor; key institutions (Our Lady of the Rosary, Washington Elementary, Bayside Social Center, etc.)
Products in Development

- Illustrated neighborhood history on LIA web page
- Historic walking map of the neighborhood available in print and linked to online sources
- Short videos drawing on interviews and incorporating archival material
- Google Map and Little Italy App
- A hub for collecting relevant information:
  - YouTube channel with our videos and links to related content on YouTube
  - Invitation to submit memories and memorabilia via the Preserve Little Italy page on the LIA web site
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Tuna Fishing
- PreserveLittleItaly added to a playlist
- Fishing From The Rack
- Port of San Diego Honors Tuna Cannery Workers
- Sole Luna Cafe - San Diego's Authentic Italian Bar/Cafe
- The Ironman of the Tuna fishing
- Tuna Fishing 1940's Pt2
- Tuna From Catch To Can, 1950s

Taste of Little Italy
- PreserveLittleItaly added to a playlist
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Mercato
- PreserveLittleItaly added to a playlist
- Little Italy Farmer's Market

About PreserveLittleItaly
- LATEST ACTIVITY: Jul 20, 2012
- DATE JOINED: Jul 19, 2012
- AGE: 105
- COUNTRY: United States
THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING THE LITTLE ITALY
STATE of the NEIGHBORHOOD 2012

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PRESENT & FUTURE PRESENTATION BY MARCO LI MANDRI & CHRISTOPHER GOMEZ OF NEW CITY AMERICA, INC.

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