

Bankstown Chamber of Commerce & Industry

All Correspondence to Hon. Secretary, Box 902 P.O. Bankstown, N.S.W. 2200

RAY MARTIN MIDDAY SHOW.
TCN Channel 9 Pty.Ltd.
24 Artarmon Rd.
WILLOUGHBY NSW

30th June 1993.

Att.Mr.Ray MARTIN

Dear Ray,

I would like to take this opportunity, to introduce to you a very remarkable little woman, CAV. Lena Gustin MBE known in this country as MAMMA LENA through the Radio programmes of "Arrivederci Roma" & "Sorella Radio" in the early sixties to the eighties on the Radio stations, 2SM, 2CH, 2KY, FM 2.

This delightful little woman, will be 79 years old on the 9th of July and she is still very witty and very active in the Italo-Australia communities as a Social Worker and Journalist for the Italian press.

Seven weeks ago she decided to go ahead with a proposal to expand the Child Care Centre of "Sorella Radio" at Fairfield NSW of which she was the original founder and at the present she still holds the position of Committee Chairman and President.

The proposed addition to the centre will accommodate 45 extra children, between the age of 2 to 5 years old, plus 60 children between the age of 5 to 12 years old in the proposed after school accommodation. The proposed project will be partly financed by government funding and partly by MAMMA LENA community appeals.

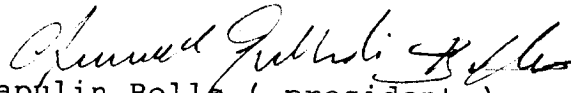
At the present she is also involved in organising with Joe Giunti a Charity Night at the Wesley Theatre the proceeds of this function will go to the: VICTOR CHANG CARDIAC RESEARCH INSTITUTE of the St. Vincents Hospital.

Dear Ray, would you be interested in meeting and interviewing this humble and compassionate little woman on your morning show? MAMMA LENA is already a living legend to thousands and thousands of migrants that she has helped and assisted to settle in this beautiful country through her radio programmes of the early sixties in the same time you will be helping her in these difficult times to launch an appeal for support for her later initiatives that she has undertaken as the Child Care Centre expansion and the promotion of the Charity Night of the 24th of July for the St. Vincents Hospital.

If the proposal beforehand appeals to you, I can assure you also the participation of Joe Giunti to present a song and that of his son Gianni Giunti the Australia Model of the Year if you are interested.

I am including for your perusal two books on the life and story of MAMMA LENA.

Sincerely


Arnold Grapulin Bello (president)

30th JUNE 1993.

WESLEY CENTRE
220 Pitt Street
SYDNEY 2000

Att.Mr.Mark K.Hayes
Sales Executive

REF: Your Quotation; MKH/2290.93.6

Dear Sir,

With this letter we would like to confirm our booking for the use of,
the Wesley Conference Centre for the SPECIAL CHARITY EVENT on July 24, 1993.

With the following amendment:

The omission of the catering services as quoted \$ 1.925-00.

In lieu of this omission, standard services to be provided by the Centre
at the Coffee Lounge Kiost.

In reference catering for the Orchestra needs, we ask permission to your
management, to allow us to provide our self the catering required for the
needs of the Orchestra.

As a charity event we try to minimize our cost expenditure.

Enclosed please find a cheque for \$ 526-00 rapresenting a 20% deposit on
the total fee of \$ 2630-00.

Your Faithfully

Joe Giunti

Equipment: Please do not hesitate to contact Mr Garrick Kalman, our Technical Services Manager on 285-6001.

Advertising: I have handed your information over to Christine Johnson on 267-5555 who is responsible for the advertising on the "Sunday Night Live Program" on 2GB. ✓

To obtain advertising space for the rest of the week please contact Sandra Boreham of 2GB on 269-0646.

To provide Supper for the Orchestra you will have to contact Mr Gary Dring our Food & Beverage Manager on 285-6001. I am not in a situation help you in your endeavours to secure complimentary food & beverage.

Bookings must be made in writing with a 20% deposit for confirmation. The remaining 80% of the booking fee should accompany confirmation of numbers of delegates. The minimum numbers will be catered for if we are not informed of the final numbers at least three working days prior to the function.

In the event that a confirmed function must unfortunately be cancelled with less than 30 days notice, a cancellation fee will apply. Please note that all menu prices are current and subject to revision without notice.

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours sincerely,



**MARK K HAYES
SALES EXECUTIVE**

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Ingrazio di cuore d

Caro Floriano,

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ll' accoglienza che hai dato a noi tutti ed ancora congratulazioni per lo straordinario lavoro fatto per l'nteressante MUSEO, che se non fosse stato per la tua tenacia, costanza ed immensi sacrifici e forza di volonta' ancora non esisterebbe.

Come saprai, anche noi, io e Mamma Lena, abbiamo creato qualcosa che potra' interessare le generazioni future, al Centro di Sorella Radio, con la tua stessa determinazione e forza di volonta' e sacrifici per lasciare qualcosa ai futuri, affinche' possano constatare quello che hanno creato i veri pionieri che hanno dato all' Australia una immagine reale del lavoro degli italiani; ora purtroppo chi viene in questa Terra, mira solo a conquistarsi un posto di lavoro piu' facile e piu' remunerativa di quello dei Pionieri.

Ritornando al "REGALO DEL "PORCELLINO" donato da Mamma Lena, (perche' era di nostra proprieta') lo ha voluto donare assieme all' Associazione Lombardi nel Mondo, essendo lei la Patrona, eletta sin dalla formazione del Comitato che e' stato scelto anche su mio suggerimento.

Ora, come puoi vedere dal libro e dalle pagine che ti allego, nel 1969, abbiamo assistito all' inaugurazione del "PORCELLINO" posato davanti all' ospedale di Sydney in Macquarie St. e dedicato al famoso DOTTOR FIASCHI. L'originale si trova a Firenze.

Ora ti consiglierei di metterlo anzicche' nel padiglione Lombardo, di fare un piedestallo, come una fontana, con una "griglia" come e' a Sydney ed a Firenze e metterlo appena si entra nel Museo, cosi' chi viene a visitare il Museum e desidera stuzzicare la fortuna puo' gettare la monetina, che in certo qual modo potrebbe essere molto utile, anche per aiutare l' andamento del Museo. Se ci fosse stato per l' inaugurazione avrebbe certamente dato un bel po' di soldini. Lo avessimo pensato prima.... Percio' caro Floriano, approfitta e con uno sforzo fai anche questo.

Col tempo penso che potro' mandarti altro materiale per fare, se credi una angolo di Mamma Lena.

Ancora congratulazioni, auguri di buon successo anche a nome di Mamma Lena che e' rimasta molto contenta di aver intrapreso un cosi' lungo viaggio per essere presente ed ammirare il vostro lavoro.

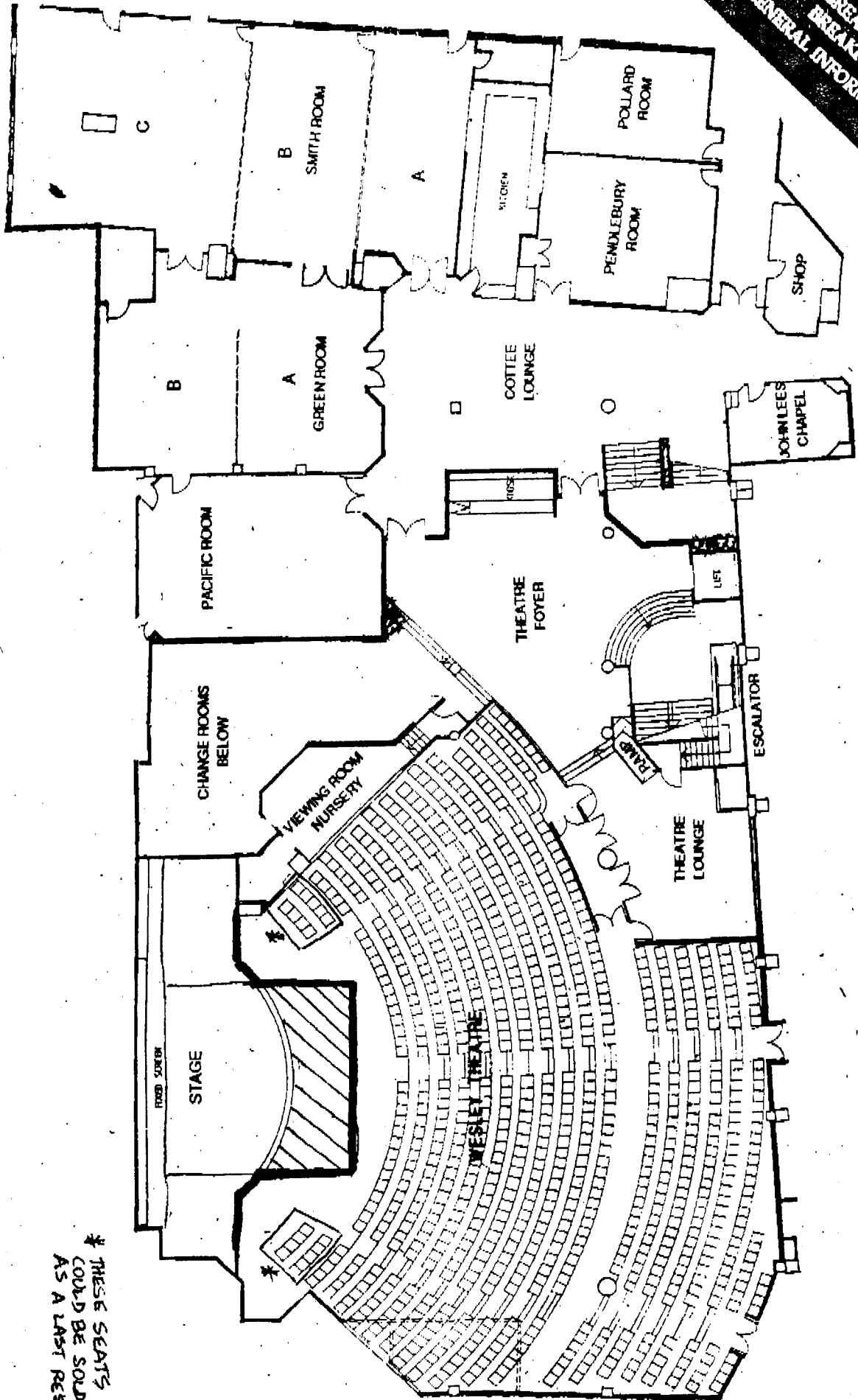
A presto, saluti a tutti i collaboratori ed a RUGGERO.

Tuo DINO GUSTIN

Come vedi a pag. 368 del libro "70 anni di ricordi....c'e' un po' di storia del porcellino ed a pag. 231 si parla anche di te.

allegare 24 fotografie che potrai dare a chi vuoi. Fare incisioni anche da mamma Lena
3 pagine del materiale dal libro - mamma Lena a Firenze

PLATE & DINNER
FREE BREAKS & BRUNCH
GENERAL INFORMATION



* THESE SEATS
COULD BE SOLD
AS A LAST RESORT.

WESLEY
CENTRE

LOWER GROUND FLOOR