



Trentini prepare for international convention on the Range

Twenty-three Trentini national officials and club presidents from the U.S. and Canada as well as a representative from Trento, Italy converged on the Mesabi Iron Range for their annual meeting and to review plans for the 20th International Tyrolean Trentino Organization of North America (ITTONA) convention, scheduled for July 20-22 on the Mesabi Iron Range.

After an evening and full day of meetings at the Holiday Inn Express in Mountain Iron, participants were given a tour of the central Range that was highlighted with an extensive visit at the Minnesota Discovery Center in Chisholm. Then before viewing the Hibbing High School and Bob Dylan's home, the group made a dinner stop at the Atrium Restaurant in Hibbing where they posed for the above photo.

Next year's convention, hosted on the Range by the Minnesota club and its 120 members, is being organized to celebrate the lives and accomplishments of the early Italian immigrants who came to Minnesota's three iron ranges from the Trentino Alto Adige region of northern Italy.

Most recent ITTONA conventions---scheduled every other year---have been held in Toronto; Solvay, NY; New York City, San Francisco, and Trento, Italy. Minnesota Trentini co-chairs for the 2012 convention are Club President Deb Corradi, Louise Fort, and Sue and Joe Gnoza.