

From Angel in California

“I am glad to hear that I did reach you. I misspelled your name because I made a mental connection to Schindler as in "Schindler's List."

The film is for you to keep. I purchased two, used, through Amazon. One for you and one for my girlfriend and her son to watch here with me. I got them for about \$2 so even if I only had one, I wouldn't have asked you to mail it back as the postage cost more than the DVD.

My girlfriend Norma enjoyed the film very much as she already had a good introduction to the experience from our tour of Ellis Island.

Her 14 yr old son is a teenager and generally not interested in history, but NYC and Ellis Island gave him more history than he was going to absorb this coming year in HS when he takes American History. Your tour was definitely a highlight for him too and I suspect that he will look at history differently now.

When I lived in NYC ('69-'79) Ellis Island was not open to the public, so I enjoyed the tour. We all thank you for bringing history to life for us with the mental pictures that your stories painted.

During the tour, some of your stories reminded me of the film so I wanted to get you a copy. Although you are right that the movie is not quite all historically accurate, I do think that it captures the experience of being a simple Italian peasant and making a trip to a mythical land that requires you to leave everything that you have ever known.

Many thanks again to you for giving us one of our most lasting memories from our trip to NY. If you and your wife pass through the Southern California area, send me an e-mail ahead of time and I will see if I can return the favor of showing you something memorable and historic.”