



From Left: Prof. Sgaramella, Ripalta Scalzo, Luisa Marinelli, Lucia Nigro, and Prof. Umberto Albanese. The scrolls the girls are holding were made of blue foolscap displaying the Association logo.

### First Letter

The sum you gave me will enable me to start school , to pay school fees and buy the required books. With the scholarship grant I am more sure about my future now. My goal is to obtain a degree in Biologic Sciences.

Of course I'd not been born yet in 1944-45, but I've heard about that period and the airmen who stayed at the airbase of Torretta from my father and from Professor Albanese.

I would be very happy to meet these brave airmen to learn more about that period, and to thank them personally for their generosity.

I am yours sincerely,

Luisa Marinelli

### Second Letter

Thank you very much for giving me the 800,000 lire award, but I am very sorry I can't thank you directly. I've been hoping to meet you in Cerignola and shake hands with you.

The award will allow me to go to the University to study law. Your generosity is freeing me from paying university taxes for the first year and from buying the texts for my first exams.

My parents are very glad about that and they look forward to meet you too.

I'll attend the University in Bari which is the nearest to my town.

I hope that you'll be able to come to Italy next fall as you promised to Professor Albanese with whom you have to share my gratitude.

My best regards,

Lucia Nigro,  
Stornara, Italy

### Third Letter

My thankfulness to all of your members for granting me the 800,000 Lire award.

I am sorry none of you could not come to Cerignola to attend the award presentations, but I am sure you will be in Cerignola some time or another, not only for my joy but to renew your memories of that time. My parents too hope to meet you and thank you for your generosity.

The scholarship grant, in fact will allow me to go to the University in Bari. I want to study law and your award is almost freeing me from university taxes and book expenses. Bari is about 100 kilometers from here.

It is also my duty to thank Professor Albanese whose unselfish work has been so important to accomplish your initiative. I look forward to meeting you.

Very special regards,

Ripalta Scalzo  
Cerignola, Italy

## NEW AWARDS TO BE MADE NEXT YEAR

The scholarship committee has communicated with Professor Albanese to proceed with the selection of two candidates for 1986-87. When the successful candidates are chosen, the awards will be presented in the spring or summer of 1987. Members wishing to participate in the ceremonies to take place in Cerignola next year should contact the Association office.