

How it came to be

In the sun-drenched hills of northern Italy some years ago a small family-owned estate [Italian: *fattoria*] produced excellent wines and was known for the gracious hospitality shown to invited guests.

The jovial patriarch Antonio Lanza loved nothing more than to host friends and family for several days of music, dancing, story-telling, and enjoying good food and drink at his *Fattoria di Antonio*. For those who appreciated fine beers, he built a charming little drinking pub down the lane,

between the main house and the winery, where he stocked lagers, ales, and stouts from the great beer-making countries of the world. Rustic tabletops of wood supported by spent oaken kegs provided an appealing atmosphere for those present.



The summer of 1957 he entered his yacht in a Mediterranean sailing competition and was narrowly beaten by the American sailor George Rose. Good-natured insults were shouted across the water, and both men laughed heartily. They met ashore where Mr. Rose introduced his entire crew, consisting solely of wife Tony, to Antonio. This irony of names and George's gregarious manner caused the Italian to spontaneously invite the couple for the upcoming weekend festivities at his estate. The Roses accepted and had a wonderful time, much of it spent in the pub, where Antonio and George played chess and learned that they had also competed against each other as soldiers in World War II. Across a wooden table, and across time, the two men became friends that day.



Later in the evening, with a wink to his svelte wife Tony, George Rose corrupted *Fattoria di Antonio* and dubbed it "Fat Tony's Italian Pub."

During the ensuing forty-three years they were invited back there many times, always engaging in sparkling conversation and sometimes vociferous camaraderie.

In the year 2001 Antonio Lanza traveled to America to attend the funeral of his friend. The elegant Italian gentleman, now eighty-six, kissed Tony's hand saying, "My American fratello [brother] will be missed, *Belcaro* [beautiful dear one]."

This establishment in Wilmington, North Carolina, borrows the name **Fat Tony's Italian Pub** honoring the spirit of congeniality and the tradition of trusted friends. Don't ask for credit.



BUILD YOUR OWN

Pizza & Calzone

	Toppings	Premium Toppings
By the slice	\$2.25	\$1.25
Medium	\$10.99	\$2.75
Large	\$12.99	\$3.50
Calzone	\$6.99	\$2.00
Tortilla	\$5.99	\$2.00

Toppings

Pepperoni	Ham
Mushrooms	Black Olives
Sausage	Green Olives
Meatballs	Jalapeños
Onions	Sliced Tomatoes
Green Peppers	Spinach
Anchovies	Pineapple
Bacon Bits	Garlic
Premium Toppings	Feta cheese
Grilled chicken	Goat cheese
Artichoke hearts	Shrimp
Sun-dried tomatoes	



Soft Drinks	\$2.00
Bottled water	\$2.00
Sparkling water	\$2.25
Coffee	\$2.00
Iced Tea	\$2.00

Desserts

Tiramisu	\$5.00	Ice Cream:	
Cannoli	\$3.00	Scoop Vanilla	\$2.50
Plain Cheesecake	\$4.00	Cup Vanilla	\$4.00
Raspberry Cheesecake	\$4.00	Cup Special	\$4.00
Oreo Cheesecake	\$4.00		

**GOOD
FOOD
SERVED
LATE**



**Pizza
Calzones
Nachos
and
Desserts**

Late Night Menu 11PM-2AM

WE DELIVER

Fat Tony's
ITALIAN PUB

**GOOD
TOGO**

It's all good.

Two Wilmington Locations:

**131 North Front Street
Historic Downtown
343-8881**

**250 Racine Drive
Near Eastwood Road
452-9000**

**HOURS OF OPERATION:
11:00AM - 2AM, Mon-Sat
Noon - Midnight, Sunday**

18% Gratuity will be added
to parties of 6 or more

Private Parties are our specialty
fatpub.com

Cigar, pipe and clove cigarette smoking is allowed on our patios
-- but not indoors. Thank you