General Meeting,
Dinner – Thursday,
April 11th, 2019
6:30 pm
St. Patrick's
Parish Hall



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# Swing Batter, Batter Saawwing!! By Martin Nigrelle

Baseball season is officially here! If you only go to one game, make it this game. At 7:10pm, Thursday, June 20th, 2019, the Mariners will be hosting the Baltimore Orioles. Why this game? It is the 13th annual Mariners Italian Heritage Night. The Mariners have extended a welcome to all of the members of the local Italian and Italian-American communities.

The event has been more than just a discounted ticket and giveaway item. We will have a member of our community throw out the Group first pitch. In years past, we have had Governor Rossellini, Lou Guzzo, Art Oberto, and others. Who will be added to the line-up this year?

Other added attractions have been an Italian-American singing the National Anthem, Bocce in the "Sod Farm." Peroni beer served (an exclusive to the Italian Heritage night). We continue to work with the Mariners on what else can be added to the event. New news as soon as it becomes available.

The giveaway item this year is a blue baseball cap. The new cap is customized on the front above the bill. Featuring "Mariners" in white letters and below, a bar in the il tricolore

("Swing Batter"... continues on page 2)

# **Message from the President**

Hello Everyone. Hope all of you got to enjoy the beautiful weather we had these past few weeks.

As you know the crab feed was cancelled in February but is now scheduled for April 6th at St. Al's in Ballard. Although I had some cancellations I was able to get a good number of requests for tickets. As usual it will be a fun night with good food and drink, and a nice raffle.

The West Side Italian Civic Club (WSICC) is having their Annual Banquet on Saturday, April 27th. It will be held at St. Bernadette Church Hall located at 1028 SW 128th St. in Burien. Great food and a terrific raffle all for just \$35.00. No ticket sales at the door. Contact Joanne McDaniel 206-947-9576. for tickets.

Up and coming events for the Italian Club include the Mariners' Italian Night and Italian Day at the Races. Check the calendar on page 7 for dates.

I hope to see you at the meetings.

Take care everyone. Happy Easter to you and your family.

Sincerely,

Anna Popovich

# il Ficcanaso

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Mariner Baseball Night...... Martin Nigrelle

New Membership ..... **Dennis Caldirola** 

Parliamentarian......Dorothy Whitney
Picnic ......Ron Roletto

Scholarship ...... Diana Kaczor

## "Swing Batter" ... (continued)

color scheme. The cap should be a great match to go with either of the recent blue or white t-shirts from past Italian Heritage Nights.

Main Level seats are \$38, View Level seats are \$23. The Italian Club will be buying Main Level seats.

For tickets to sit with the Italian Club friends & family, contact Martin Nigrelle. Tickets will be available for pick-up at the May & June meetings.

Tickets may also be purchased through the Mariners web site: http://mariners.com/italian.





# **WINNERS**

Drawings were conducted by Michael Troiani, Sergeantat Arms.

The Birthday Winner for February was Joe Jacobin. The birthday winner for March was Joe Galluccio.

Spirits, Coffee Cards and Dinners were won by Paul Pioli, Chip DiJulio, Terry Sacco, Mona Nelson (2x), Scott Fitzpatrick, Frances Rossi (2x), Matthew FitzGerald, Linda L. Jacobin, Diane Grey, Cathy Lembo and Gerome Thielges.

Progressive Prize of \$75 was won by Angela Wright who was present, so the jackpot goes back to \$25.

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#### **Health & Welfare**

## by Gemma Di Julio Thielges and Assistant Angela Di Julio Wright

During Frances & Amadeo Rossi's recent trip to Rome, they went to a show titled "Universal Judgement - The Sistine Chapel Immersive Show" at the Conciliazione Auditorium which leads to Saint Peter's Square. The show holds about 1,500 guests and is called an "Immersive Show" since at times there are not only projections on the auditorium ceiling but also on all four walls including the wall behind the audience – full immersion, as if in the middle of the Sistine Chapel. It is an unbelievable experience, and they will go again. The main theme song is by Sting. The show is about 20 Euro; you can make reservations online or in person. The show is in Italian, but for 5 Euro you can get headsets set to English.

The show is a journey through time starting with Michelangelo in the guarries of Carrara in search of the perfect marble. Visually, Michelangelo's passion for stone emerges from the relationship with 'the giant,' a boulder deemed impossible to sculpt and from which he would release the iconic statue of the David. Pope Julius II commissioned him to fresco the vault of the Sistine Chapel. He told the Pope multiple times, "I am a sculpture not a painter," however, he finally accepted the commission. The Pope wanted the ceiling to be covered with the apostles. Michelangelo said no, it must be bigger than that. They agreed the vault would be painted starting with creation through the early church. The commission took from 1508 to 1512. The Sistine Chapel continued as the conclave for papal elections. Later, when Michelangelo was almost 70 years old, Pope Clement commissioned him to paint the back wall of the Sistine Chapel. He said he was too old but accepted the commission. The back wall was fresco with the last judgement (1536 - 1541). The lower walls of the Sistine Chapel had been previously painted by other Italian Masters. It should be noted that a fresco is not just a painting on stone. The painter's assistants would apply a special concrete like material to the stone in maybe a one square meter area. The painter then had a limited amount of time to apply the colors, laying on his back hundreds of feet above the ground. The show is stunning and worth attending and visiting again. Sounds very interesting!

I heard from **Deanna Dent** on March 17th who shared: "My 96-year-old mother died yesterday (the 16th) morning – peacefully in her sleep. Her services will be this Saturday, March 23rd. Viewing at 10:00 am and Service at 11:00 am. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 26106 164th Avenue SE, Covington, WA. 98042. She had a full life and will be missed. All our children/her grandchildren will be here! Needless-to-say my plans have changed the next couple weeks!" Our condolences to Deanna and their entire family. No matter what age we or our parents are, it is always sad to see them leave this life. Deanna also mentioned that she's going to be visiting the Pacini and Cecchini sides of her family in the LA area and also some other family. We wish her safe travels. **Bill & Angela Wright** spent two weeks in mostly sunshine in Palm Desert with friends and in Scottsdale with their daughter Karen & her (Health & Welfare continues on page 4)



## Health & Welfare (continued)

family. Fun to get away but always nice to get back home.

And this news came in from **Chip Di Julio**: "Sigi & I leave for Egypt Monday (25th) return Apr.10...I'll try to keep sand out of my shoes....GO ZAGS!!" Spoken like a true Gonzaga U. grad (1966). We hope they have a great trip & a safe return home on 4/10.

**Sister Mary Di Julio** is looking toward the warmer weather so she can get herself ready for the annual Bloom's Day race in Spokane on May 1st. She hopes to beat her last year's record and come in under three hours. Good luck & stay safe!

I can only share news in this column if you share it with me. Hope to hear from more of our members in the future. Thanks.

Happy Easter to everyone!!!

# Membership

## By Dennis Caldirola

Paul Massaro from SFO and his wife, Lee, have submitted an application for membership which will be voted on at the April meeting.

Dennis made a motion that since the applications of Angela, Bruno and Joseph Peranzi, Earl Frank and Nicholas Wheeler have been printed in the *il Ficcanaso*, we put their membership up to a voice vote; seconded by Paul Pioli. Motion carried. Everyone was subsequently voted into the Club unanimously.

## On-Line il Ficcanaso

If you would like to receive the il Ficcanaso via e-mail rather than have it mailed to you, let us know. Send an e-mail to Dennis Caldirola (<u>Dennis@FestaSeattle.com</u>).

The current newsletter, in color, is posted at: <a href="http://italianclubofseattle.org/newsletter.html">http://italianclubofseattle.org/newsletter.html</a>. Save a tree & some postage – Go Digital!

# Secretary's Report

# By Dennis Caldirola

THIS COULD BE YOUR LAST IL FICCANASO! Your Italian Club dues for this year are due by April 15, 2019. At that point, as per the bylaws, anyone still in arrears will be dropped from the mailing list and the email database.

At present, the Italian Club of Seattle has a total of 194 members. As of March 27th, only 172 have paid their dues leaving 22 who have not yet responded. If you have friends or family members you think are delinquent, now would be the time to call them and encourage them to stay in our great organization.

If you plan to attend the April meeting, you can save yourself and the Club 55¢ each by paying your dues in person and having your membership card issued on the spot. This will be your last chance!

# Prawns in Nets (Gamberi nella reti)

By Joel Patience

## <u>Ingredients and Preparations</u>

- Oil for cooking in a broad pan about ½ inch deep set on warm and covered with a wire shield.
- Extra-large prawn 5-6 per person cleaned and deveined without the shells.
- Angel hair pasta, about 6-10 strands for each prawn.
- A deep pan to cook all the pasta with water brought to a boil.
- Place the oil in the broad pan and set the temperature at low.
- · Corn starch.

Cook the angel hair pasta first. It cooks quickly, then drain it when done and place on a large plate and toss it with corn starch so none of the strands stick together.

Spice the prawns to taste using lemon zest, garlic powder and pepper for your first try.

Raise the heat on the oil from low to middle for frying.

Using 8-10 strands of coated pasta gently wrap each of the prawn.

When you have wrapped enough prawns gently slide them into the pan with the heated oil the so they do not touch each other. Cook for about five minutes to gauge the heat of the oil then turn them over. The pasta nets should be crunchy.

Serve with your favorite marinara sauce for dipping.

Joel Patience is an independent writer and watercolor artist deriving inspiration from travels with his wife Dale Bonn. They attend precurso Italiano and wanted to share their homework. The assignment was to write their favorite recipe then try to translate it to Italian. If you would like the Italian version, just ask. We can email it to you or have copies at the next meeting.





Joel Patience
Watercolors.com



# 2019-2020 Scholarship Application

#### By Diana Kaczor, Scholarship Chair

The Italian Club of Seattle is awarding a single \$1,000.00 dollar scholarship. The scholarship for the 2019-2020 school year will be awarded to the student who is selected based on meeting or exceeding the scholarship qualifications (noted below). As in years past; the better the GPA, the better chance of a scholarship award.

#### Next steps in the scholarship process:

- April 1, 2019 Application submission window opens.
- May 31, 2019 Application submission window closes, application verification.
- June 2019 Award Recipient determined, all applicants notified of their status.
- September 2019 Award Recipient published in the *il Ficcanaso* and presented at the General Meeting.
- October 2019 Scholarship payment made to the school on behalf of the recipient.

## The qualifications the recipient needs to meet or exceed are:

- 1. Parents must be in good standing for three years.
- 2. G.P.A must be 3.0 or above.
- 3. Scholarship is paid specifically for tuition, directly to a state accredited High School the recipient attends.
- 4. The scholarship amount is \$1,000.00.
- 5. The scholarship is applied only for the regular school years 9-12.

# 2019/2020 Italian Club of Seattle Scholarship Application Form (Completed Applications must be postmarked no earlier than April 1, 2019 and no later than May 31, 2019.)

Applicant's name:	
Applicant's Parent(s) (Italian Club Member(s) in good standing):	
High School Applicant will be attending in the 2019/2020 School year:	
Applicant's Mailing Address:	
Phone:	
e-mail:	

#### The Application form must be accompanied by:

- 1. Official Transcript, from the Middle or High School the applicant is currently attending (2018-2019 school year).
- 2. Letter detailing the applicant's participation in extra-curricular activities & community service.

Applications are to be sent to: Italian Club of Seattle - Scholarship

c/o Diana Kaczor P.O. Box 9549

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#### **ICoS Calendar**

#### April 2019

No Trustee meeting this month

- 11th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 25th Input Deadline for May il Ficcanaso
- 27th WSICC Annual Banquet, St. Bernadette, Burien

#### May 2019

- 2nd Trustee's Meeting
- 9th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 13th CASA meeting, Angelo's in Burien
- 16-18 Sons of Italy Convention, Lynnwood, WA
- 25th Input Deadline for June il Ficcanaso

#### June 2019

No Trustee Meeting this month

- 13th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 20th Italian Heritage Night, Seattle Mariners vs. Baltimore Orioles
- 21st WSICC "Italian Idol Dinner Show" Mt. Virgin School Hall

#### July 2019

No Trustee Meeting this month

- 4th Independence Day
  No il Ficcanaso this month
- 21st Italian Club Day at the Races Luncheon at Emerald Downs

#### August 2019

No Trustee Meeting this month

- 12th CASA meeting, Angelo's in Burien
- 18th All Italian Community Picnic Royal Arch Park, Maple Valley
- 20th Input Deadline for September *il Ficcanaso*

#### September 2019

- 1st Italian Day at the Races at Emerald Downs
- 6th Trustee's Meeting
- 12th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 14th Mass in Italian, Mt. Virgin
- 20th Festa Luncheon, Seattle Yacht Club
- 27th Taste of Italy, Seattle Center 28-29 Festa Italiana, Seattle Center

#### October 2019

- No Trustee meeting this month
- 10th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 25th Input Deadline for November *il Ficcanaso*

#### November 2019

- 7th Trustee Meeting
- 14th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 18th CASA meeting, Angelo's in Burien
- 25th Input Deadline for December il Ficcanaso
- 28th Thanksgiving

#### December 2019

No Trustee meeting this month

- 12th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 25th Christmas Day
- 26th Input Deadline for January il Ficcanaso

#### January 2020

- 2nd Trustee's Meeting
- 9th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 25th Input Deadline for February il Ficcanaso

General Meeting & Dinner
Thursday,
April 11th, 2019
6:30 pm
St. Patrick's Parish Hall

# ITALIAN CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## General Meetings:

Drinks & Dinner (\$10.00 charge) followed by meeting & prize drawings,
 6:30pm on the SECOND Thursday of the month,
 St. Patrick's Parish Hall

# Trustee Meetings:

 First Thursday of every other month

Please send ICoS Calendar additions or updates by the 25th of each month to Joe Jacobin (joejacobin@gmail.com or to 4822 S. Juneau Street, Seattle, WA 98118-2848). Thank you.

















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