

Happy Thanksgiving

General Meeting & Dinner
Thursday, November 10th,
6:30 PM
Mount Virgin Church Hall

il Ficcanaso



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Monte Marchetti

Greetings Everyone and Happy Thanksgiving,

I hope everyone is settled in and prepared for winter and the coming period of less sunlight. All seasons have promise and aspects to celebrate and yet Thanksgiving offers something special that should stay with us every moment of everyday. Giving thanks puts us in a place that dissolves all the anxiety of wishing things were different. Non-resistance to the realities of life calms us and reminds us to be grateful for the way things are and as Albert Rosellini always said, "Things could have been a lot worse". It

would not be hard to make a list of things to be thankful for and to acknowledge your blessings. If you have problems and are thankful for the lessons they are teaching you those issues will take on a whole new light. Take time to be thankful and open yourself up to the graces and love that come with this season. If none of that works try helping someone else who needs you more than you need to spend your time thinking about your problems.

I am excited to celebrate Estelle DiJulio 100Year Birthday Party at the general meeting November 10th. We are going to have some special guests coming to the dinner meeting to honor Estelle on her special day. The October meeting was well attended and the food is excellent. I am glad to have Doug Chiechi as our chef . Be sure to come early for

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Past Presidents Luncheon

Wednesday, November 16th

It's that time again, when we will be honoring the Past Presidents of the Seattle Italian Club. We were founded in 1920 and 49 loyal members have served as president of the Italian Club. Prior to the merger of the Women's Auxiliary 36 Gracious Ladies served as presidents of the Women's Auxiliary Italian Club. To the past presidents, female and male you are invited to be our guests at lunch on Wednesday, November 16, 2011. at the Courtyard, Marriott, Lake Union, 925 Westlake Ave. Seattle Puget Sound Room. There will be a social at 11:30 AM and lunch at 12:00 noon. All members and guests are welcomed. Lunch is \$23.00. Reservations are a must to Carolyn Jackson, (206) 725-9405 or e-mail Srmarylholwater@aol.com by Friday, November 11. Door Prize donations are Welcome . Committee Chair- persons will be guest of the club. Reservation made is a reservation paid. Choice of chicken or salmon.

Carolyn Jackson Chair

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Dinner (\$10) at 6:30PM
Progressive prize ... \$25

Fall & Winter Events

Nov. 16..... Past Presidents' Luncheon
Dec. 3..... IC Children's Xmas Party
Dec. 11..... IC Adult Xmas Party



100th Birthday Party

Estelle DiJulio

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Mt. Virgin School Hall
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Children's Christmas Party

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Golf Tournament..... **Brian DiJulio**

Crab Dinner..... **Anna Popovich**

Day at the Casino..... **Michael Lazzaretti**

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Estelle's party. I would like to close by saying goodbye to our dear friend Albert Rosellini. Governor Rosellini was a great leader and a visionary, for this state and for our community he was a source of pride for every man, woman and child of Italian descent. God Bless You All we love you and will always remember how you lifted us up as Italian Americans. Let us give thanks!

The nominating committee met in early October:

Members of the Nominating Committee are the following: Dorothy I. Whitney, Michael Kaczor, Brian DiJulio

At this time they would like to place in nomination the following names for the 2012 officers:

President: Monte Marchetti

Vice President: Martin Nigrelle

Secretary: Dennis Caldirola

Treasurer: Joseph Galluccio

Trustees: Audrey Manzanares, Rod Warczak

Tom Grossi

Two returning trustees for their second year are:
Ronald Alia, Barbara Peretti

The Committee will take nominations from the floor at the November meeting. Nomination must be in writing if the nominee is not present at the meeting.

CRAB FEED FEBRUARY 18th 2012

It is a little earlier this year, so the Crab Dinner will be held again at St. Alphonsus Parish Hall. Mark your 2012 calendar for February 18th, Details to follow in the next issue of il Ficcanaso.

Anna Popovich

Chair 206-453-4002

Get Your Table Early!



CHANGE & INNOVATION ABOUND 2011 ITALIAN FESTIVAL

For those not paying attention to detail, this year's Italian Festival probably looked a great deal like the 23 that preceded it. While the physical footprint of the event hasn't changed much for the last ten years, there really were a number of new activities and features. Probably the most dramatic was the relocation of the Historical Photo

Exhibit to a tent just outside the Fisher Pavilion. Although this was due to the remodeling of the Center House and therefore temporary, there is no question that more people visited the exhibit this year than ever before. Now that they are aware of how special it is, perhaps from now on, they will seek it out if it moves to the Center House. For the same reason, there was no KING-FM Stage in the Center House this year and consequently, no previews from Seattle Opera. We did manage to schedule the Ballard Sedentary Sousa Band on the Moretti Main stage and they were a big hit! Look for them to return next year on one stage or another. Gerardo DiPietro, an ASL storyteller, gave a pair of wonderful performances acting out the story of Pinocchio. Adults and kids of all ages were fascinated by his ability to communicate by body language alone. Home Depot was also new to Tino's Cortile, the kids courtyard. There children could

paint actual tiles to take home. Right next door was another new booth doing colored hair, feathered hair extensions and sparkly tattoos.

Our Celebrity Chef was Rossella Rago of WebTV's "Cooking with Nonna." She fascinated the audience with a cooking demonstration by an Italian grandmother who didn't speak any English. Rossella lives in New Jersey but grew up in Bari and was able to be witty and charming in both languages. Finally, our headliner on the Moretti Mainstage appeared on Sunday afternoon instead of Saturday evening as usual. They were still able to hold the crowd and if you missed them, you really missed something.

The band was Enrico Capuano & Tammuriata rock from Rome and as the name implies, they play tarantellas and other old Italian rhythms with a definite rock 'n roll sensibility - fun to listen and dance to and very exciting to watch.

The 25th Annual Italian Festival is only 11 months away on September 28, 28 & 30, 2012. It will coincide with the 50-year celebration of Seattle Center and the 1962 World's Fair.

--Dennis Caldirola



HAPPY HOLIDAZE DINNER 2011

Embassy Suites, Tukwila
Sunday, December 11, 2011
Time: 4:00 to 8:00 P.M. Social: 4:00 to 5:00 PM

Dinner:

Prime Rib _____ Chicken _____ Salmon _____

Served with Rice and Hot Vegetable, Salad, Dessert, Coffee, Tea NO HOST BAR

\$50.00 PER PERSON

**'Reservations with check
(payable to Italian Club
of Seattle)**



Must be made by Monday, December 5th, 2011

Name _____

Phone _____ Amount _____

Send To: Joanne Spino Marchese

1937 31st Avenue West, Seattle, WA 98199

Phone 206-284-6938

Governor Albert Dean Rosellini Biography

Al Rosellini was born in Tacoma, Washington, the only son of Italian immigrants. He worked his way through college and law school at the University of Washington. At the age of 29, he was elected to the Washington State Senate as its youngest member, representing the 33rd district in south Seattle, the home of many Italian immigrants. A New Deal Democrat, Rosellini served from 1939 to 1957, eventually rising to the rank of majority leader. He was elected governor in 1956.

As governor, Rosellini coupled personal charm with decades of political know-how, developing a reputation for decisiveness and ability to move ahead on long-stalled projects. Don Hannula, longtime political columnist for The Seattle Times, wrote in 1996, "He was not a man of empty rhetoric. He got things done. His legacy is everywhere. In order to promote economic development, Rosellini established a state department of commerce and championed the Seattle World's Fair in 1962. He shepherded construction of the longest floating bridge in the world, the Evergreen Point Floating Bridge, which was opened in 1963, and carries State Route 520 over Lake Washington from Seattle to Medina. The bridge is named after him. In addition, he was a tireless supporter of higher education, strengthening the state university system and developing a system of junior colleges. During his time in office, Rosellini also reformed the state budget process and balanced the budget. Rosellini was defeated in his bid for a third term as governor by Republican Daniel J. Evans in 1964. Rosellini made a comeback bid in 1972, but while he captured the Democratic nomination, he was again defeated by Evans.

In his 1997 biography, *Rosellini, Immigrant's Son and Progressive Governor*, author Payton Smith wrote: "He was attracted to issues where progress could be

made and measured . . . Budget reform, economic development, transportation, higher education and institutions were the core matters to which he devoted his talent and governmental know-how."

In order to support projects, he raised the state sales tax from 3.5 cents to 4 cents, prompting Republicans to dub him "Taxellini."

After leaving office in 1965, Rosellini returned to the practice of law, and also became a political consultant, specializing in matters of the liquor and entertainment industries. Over the years, Rosellini served as an elder statesman of the state Democratic Party, mentoring political figures such as current Washington governor Christine Gregoire and former governor Gary Locke. In 2003.

Until his death, "The Gov." still attended fundraisers for candidates and helped raise money for charities, particularly the Washington State Olympics Committee, which he chaired for many years. As the Pacific Northwest has flourished, many local academics, media columnists, and political veterans have concluded that Rosellini was the state's best governor of modern times. Danny Westneat,

May You Rest in Peace !



A VERY HAPPY THANKSGIVING.

THAT WAS A FAST SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER WE HAVE BEEN BUSY. IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE WE ARE ALMOST COMPLETING NOTHER YEAR OF THIS CENTURY?? LET US BE THANKFUL FOR ALL THE HAPPY EVENTS THAT ARE NOW IN OUR BOOK OF MEMORIES AND NEVER FORGET AND PRAY FOR THE SAD ONES THAT HAVE OCCURRED. O.K. LET'S START OFF THIS

MONTH'S NEWS LETTER WITH SOME HAPPY NEWS. TO ALL OUR NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS, A VERY HAPPY AND LOVING BIRTHDAY. YOUR BIRTHSTONE IS THE TOPAZ AND YOUR FLOWER IS THECHRYSANTHEMUM. "MIDDLE AGE IS WHEN YOU CHOOSE YOUR CEREAL FOR THE FIBER, NOT THE TOY" (PLEASE NOTE, I SAID "MIDDLE AGE")

IT WAS SO GOOD TO SEE LOU CELLA AND BOB POPOVICH AT OUR OCTOBER MEETING. REALLY, IT'S GREAT TO SEE ALL OUR MEMBERS, BUT WHEN THEY HAVE BEEN UNDER

THE WEATHER, WELL, THAT'S DIFFERENT. JOE SARGENT IS STILL FIGHTING THAT BACK PROBLEM. WE APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK HE AND HIS VOLUNTEERS DID AT FESTA.

OUR PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS ARE SENT TO ALL OUR UNDER THE WEATHER AND HOME BOUND MEMBERS. HOW DID YOU ALL LIKE MY PHOTO AT THE END OF LAST MONTH'S COLUMN.?.GOOD JOB EDITOR. THANK YOU. (I REALLY THINK I LOOK BETTER IN CIVIES)MANY OF OUR MEMBERS HAVE BEEN R & R ING. RON ROLETTO A LITTLE TRAVELING TO THE EAST SIDE.HEARD THAT MIKE & DIANA KACZOR HEADED FOR NEVADA. NOT SURE IF THEY WON ?? OR LOST?? THEIR MONEY. HOW DID YOU DO? GARY AND KRISTI BRANZE THORN WILL BE AT THEIR PLACE IN HAWAII. ENJOY AND RELAX. I'LL BE TRAVELING FOR A LITTLE R & R THE FIRST PART OF NOVEMBER. GOING TO SAN FRANCISCO AREA TO VISIT FRIENDS AND

ATTEND A COUPLE MEETINGS. PRAY FOR A SAFE AND HAPPY TRIP.WE'VE MISSED JOANNE LAZZARETTI AT THE MEETING. MIKE INFORMED US THAT SHE HAD A DOCTORS APPOINTMENT ON FRIDAY. BUT SHE SENT HER BEST TO ALL OF US.COMING UP: THE PAST PRESIDENTS AND COMMITTEE CHAIR PERSONS LUNCH. THAT WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 16TH. PAST PRESIDENTS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS WILL BE GUEST S OF THE ITALIAN CLUB. THE RESERVATION FORM WAS PASSED AROUND AT OUR LAST MEETING AND WILL BE AVAILABLE IN NOVEMBER. PRICE FOR NON GUESTS IS \$23.00 PER CHECKS MADE OUT TO THE ITALIAN CLUB. DOOR PRIZES WOULD BE APPRECIATED CHOICE OF CHICKEN OR SALMON. OUR HAPPY HOLIDAZE CHRISTMAS PARTY; CHAIRED BY JOANNE SPINO MARCHESE: WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11TH AT THE EMBASSY SUITES IN TUKWILA. SOCIAL TIME; 4:00 TO 5:00 P.M. DINNER 5:00 P.M.RESERVATION FORMS AND DETAILS ARE IN THE IL FICCANASO.(WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE PAST PRESIDENTS AND CHAIRPERSONS LUNCH

YOU CAN TELL I DIDN'T HAVE MUCH MEMBER'S NEWS, MAYBE NEXT TIMEI KNOW THERE'S MORE NEWS ABOUT YOU AND YOURS. WE LOVE SHARING. SO HOW ABOUT IT? GIVE ME A CALL. PLEASE

A VERY HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO YOU AND YOURS HAPPINESS, PEACE AND PRAYERS. THE NOT VERY INFORMED, INFORMER.

CAROLYN E. JACKSON, aka SISTER.



Estelle DiJulio

By Donna Ingram

Our Mother is an exceptional woman. She will be 100 years young on November 10, 2011. Her parents immigrated from Rocelle Ionica, Calabria. She is truly an Italian Mom, grandmother of 11, great-grandmother of 18 and great-great-grandmother of one. She is well known for her spaghetti sauce, meatballs, (the best), homemade biscotti and of course, her chicken soup. She is an avid reader, knits, watches the golf tournaments, football and the Mariners on TV. She golfed till the age if 89, never rode a cart because it would "ruin her game". She still walks as much as possible. Her love of music, song and dancing are still a big part of her life. She is the youngest of nine, and we'll bet she'll be doing the Tarentella on her birthday celebration with family and friends. Mom has always had a deep devotion to her faith and taught us how important this is in one's daily life. Most important in her life would be her love of family and spending time with people of all ages.

Joanne, Donna, Jack and Paul

Membership News

By Membership Chairman Marty Nigrelle

New applications for membership to the Italian Club were received from:

Evelyn Tronca , 12415 NE 6th Pl. Bellevue, WA 98005

Her father Oscar Tronca is from Aquila, Italy. Her sponsor is Dennis Caldirola

Cindi L. Taylor 12415 NE 6th Pl. Bellevue, WA 98005

She works in the field of Hospitality. Her sponsor is Dennis Caldirola .

William E. Edwards Jr. 3321 S 194th St. SeaTac, WA. 98188

William is the Director of Operations for the Seattle Police Department , His sponsor are Rod and Diana Warczak

The following applicants were accepted into the Italian Club at the

October meeting: Elizabeth Barbuto, Tom Napoli, Kathryn Scarringi and Angela Sgartata.

WELCOME TO THE ITALIAN CLUB!

Children's Santa Christmas Breakfast Set for December 3rd

For reservations, please call Nancy or Tom Grossi at 425-557-0071 or send an e-mail to nancygrossi@hotmail.com, or turn in form below to Tom Grossi at a General Meeting

Greeters will be ready to receive all guests at 8:30 A.M. with juice for the children and freshly brewed coffee for the adults. Breakfast will begin at 9:00 A.M. After breakfast the children will gather for special entertainment and pictures may be taken at this time while waiting for Santa to arrive. The atmosphere will be very festive with Nick playing Christmas songs on the accordion.

The breakfast will be held at Northcut Landing which is across the street to the west of University Village. Northcut Landing (The Landing) is at 5001-25th Ave NE. Go to the second floor of the east building. Follow the signs to the parking garage. Park on the P1 level and take the east building elevator to the 2nd floor.

We must have an RSVP from all who plan to attend, with the name of your child (children), age and boy/girl information by Friday, November 18th.



Children's Santa Christmas Breakfast Registration

Member Name _____

Phone Number _____

Child's Name _____ Age _____

Boy _____ Girl _____

Italian Club Calendar of Events

General Meetings: Dinner (\$10.00 charge) followed by meeting at 6:30PM

Meeting on SECOND Thursday of the month, Mount Virgin Church Hall

Luncheons: 11:30PM at Marriott Courtyard (925 Westlake Avenue North) are held quarterly

Social Hour 11:30AM, Luncheon 12 Noon

Finance and Bylaw Meetings: 7PM at IC Office

Trustee Meetings: First Thursday of every other month, unless otherwise noted

NOVEMBER 2011	DECEMBER 2011	JANUARY 2012
<p>3: Trustees Meeting 10: IC General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM Nominations will be taken from floor for 2012 officers 16: Past Presidents Luncheon Carolyn Jackson, Chair</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>	<p>3: IC Children's Christmas Party Tom & Nancy Grossi, Chairs 8: IC General Meeting/Dinner Election of Officers, 6:30PM 11: IC Christmas Party, 4-8PM Embassy Suites, Tukwila Joanne Marchese, Chair</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>	<p>12: IC General Meeting/Dinner Installation of Officers, 6:30PM</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>
FEBRUARY 2012	MARCH 2012	April 2012
<p>2: Trustees Meeting 9: IC General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM 18: Crab Feed</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>	<p>8: IC General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>	<p>12: IC General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM 18: IC Luncheon Courtyard at Marriott, Carolyn Jackson, Chair</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Our annual Christmas holiday dinner social will be held Sunday, December 11 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Embassy Suites, Tukwila.

Put it on your calendar and save the date. Joanne Marchese is the chairman.

See the article in this issue.



CHILDREN'S SANTA BREAKFAST

The Children's Santa Breakfast will be held on December 3rd. Santa will be there!

For more information and sign up, read the article in this issue. Heading this event are Tom and Nancy Grossi.



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**Thursday
November 10th**

Mount Virgin
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At our regular dinner meeting**

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The birthday winner for October was Vince Ferrese.

Raffle Winners October

Spirits, coffee cards and dinners were won by Gemma Theilges, Jane Hall, Joe Sargent, Michael Troiani, Paul Pioli, Ron Alia, Edith Carlsen, Barbara Peretti, Diana Kaczor, Anna Popovich, Marie Dahlgren, Franco Tesorieri, Mike Kaczor, Nick Grossi, Mary Hoffa, Sharon Pioli, Leonard Smith, Maria Bellavia, Lou Carrosino, Carolyn Jackson, Robert Sylvester, Bill Picchena, Amber Ferrese and Diana Warczak.

The \$100 Progressive Prize was won by Gemma Thielges. In November the jackpot will be \$25.00.