



PANETTONE RECIPE FOR CHRISTMAS

Ingredients:

- 1 stick unsalted butter
- 2 eggs, plus 3 egg yolks
- 3 1/2 cups flour
- 1 cup milk
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup currants, soaked and drained
- Zest from 2 oranges
- 2 tsp cream of tartar
- 1 1/2 tsp baking soda

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 425. Grease and flour an 8-inch round cake pan (or coffee can!). Soften the butter, and cream with eggs and yolks in mixer.

Use dough hook or knead, and add half of the flour. Then add half the milk and mix for 1 minute. Add the remaining flour followed by the remaining milk and all of the sugar and mix well. Continue kneading until the dough becomes dry enough to handle. Turn out dough onto a floured surface and sprinkle with the currants, orange zest, cream of tartar, and baking soda. Knead by hand for 5 to 10 minutes.

Place the dough in the pan and bake for 35 to 45 minutes. Cool upside down. Slice into wedges to serve.
Buon appetito!



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Everyone & Merry Christmas!

It's that wonderful time of year again and I hope this newsletter finds you in good health and good spirits. I am happy to report that the Italian Club of Seattle is welcoming so many new members. I extend a warm personal welcome to you and would like to encourage you to get involved with club activity and volunteer early and often. It is through service that you can instantly connect with the club and forge new friendships. Being president means that I am of service to every member of the club and looks for ways to continually improve the experience. Being in service only increases our gratitude and joy that builds our experience of the unity of all life. 2011 was a real test for me. Over the course of the year we have seen three different caterers, a re-hosting of the web site, and transitioned the

IL Ficcanaso to an in house operation. With the help of many members things have turned out well and the future is bright thanks to all of you. The loss of Albert Rosellini was both a shock and an inspiration, as I researched the history of this great man I gained a whole new appreciation his accomplishments. My favorite factoid about Al was that he spent his time working on things that he could change and let the rest take its course. Most people will never deliver as much as Al did in their lifetime and yet we can all make a difference if we choose to be of service and look for ways to help. See yourself making a difference and get busy making magic with the talent and

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MONTE MARCHETTI

GENERAL MEETING & DINNER



Thursday,
December 8th,

Mount Virgin Church Hall

Dinner (\$10) @ 6:30PM

Progressive prize ... \$50

WINTER EVENTS

12/3 IC Children's Xmas Party

12/11 IC Adult Xmas Party

2/18 CRAB FEED

HOLIDAZE DINNER

Sunday
December 11th, 2011

Embassy Suites,
Tukwila

Time: 4:00 to 8:00 P.M.

Social: 4:00 to 5:00 PM



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Adult Christmas Party **Joanne Marchese**

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

Crab Dinner **Anna Popovich**

Day at the Casino **Michael Lazzaretti**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (cont.)

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skills god gave you.

I hope everyone has a great holiday season and takes time to attend the Italian Club of Seattle Christmas Party, Sunday December 11th at the Embassy Suites, Tukwila. This is a wonderful time to extend our Christmas best and spend time with friends and family. I also want to encourage you to reach out to the people you meet and know to join the club. The Italian Club of Seattle has the frame work in place for a great social experience for people of all ages to enjoy. I bring many people into the club and I will share my secret. First, I know that if they join the club chances are I will get to know them and see them at the many meetings and social events. So in my mind I am thinking, hey I would like to get to know this person and have a chance to see then more often, please come join the club I will sponsor you. I believe people are really looking to connect and have a great social experience and respond graciously to the opportunity. The human race has resorted to having virtual friends and connections on line as a way to fulfill an emotional need and connect in a genuine way. Meeting face to face, breaking bread and working together in person face to face is a high form of living in community. I look forward to meeting new people in 2012 and thank you for helping expand our for real life social network. I leave you with a quote from Albert Einstein a great thinker of our time on being of service. Buon Natale Bello's Y Bella's !

- **Monte Marchetti**, President Italian Club of Seattle

ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS IS SET FOR DECEMBER 8TH MEETING

By: **DOROTHY WHITNEY CHAIRWOMAN**

The nominating committee chaired by Dorothy Whitney presented the slate of officers to the members at the November meeting. There were no nominations from the floor. We will vote on the slate of officers at the December meeting.

They are as follows:

President- Monte Marchetti

Vice President- Marty Nigrelle

Secretary- Dennis Caldirola

Treasurer- Joe Galluccio

Trustees- Audrey Manzanares, Rod Warczak & Tom Grossi

Trustees returning for their second year are- Ron Alia & Barbara Peretti

Past President- Anna Popovich, Ex-officio

2012 MEMBERSHIP DUES

By: Dennis Caldirola



DENNIS CALDIROLA

As usual, notices for 2012 membership dues will be mailed out the first week of December. Notices will not be sent to those who have been voted into the Club since September 1, 2011 nor to those who have Honorary Membership or Full Life Membership.

Those seventeen members will receive their 2012 membership cards about mid-December. Once again, we should acknowledge the last living Full Life Member, **Luigi Borda**, who will be 91 this coming Christmas Day, and joined the Club in 1949.

Since 1989, members who have attained Life Membership pay 1/2 dues or \$25. To qualify, you must be over 70 years of age and have been a member for 35 years. Our records show that out of 249 members, 44 currently have Life Membership status. If you think you qualify, call the Italian Club office at **(206) 282-0627** and have that information verified.

If you plan to attend the December meeting, you can save yourself and the Club 44¢ each by paying your dues in person and having your membership card issued immediately.

Vi invio i nostri più sentiti auguri di Buon Natale

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

By Membership Chairman Marty Nigrelle



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

Deana Schuler

31820-53rd Pl. S., Auburn, WA 98001.

She is a teacher at St. Vincent DePaul school and has been a resident of Auburn for 8 years. Her husband is Chris Schuler and they have two children, 3 1/2 and 7.

Sponsors are Gemma and Jerome Thielges.

Elizabeth Ann Muniz

19146-66th Pl. N.E., Kenmore, WA

She was born in Seattle and is employed at National Achiever Services. Her husband is Antonio and they have two children, 2 and 8. Her Grandmother is Estelle DiJulio. Sponsors are George DiJulio and Chip DiJulio.

Donna Marie Ingram

19146-60th Ave. N.E. Kenmore, WA 98028.

Sponsors are Chip DiJulio and Owen Hall and Joan DiJulio.

The following applications were accepted into the Italian Club at the October meeting:

WELCOME TO THE ITALIAN CLUB!

The \$50.00 "Festa Special" is still in effect until December 31st.

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



NEW RECORD TURNOUT FOR HALLOWEEN PARTY

The annual Italian Club Halloween Party was a resounding success this year with a turnout setting a brand new record. In addition to 20 children, there were 37 adults in attendance due to the fact that most kids were accompanied not only by their parents but their grandparents as well.

Chair **Andrea Petrone** assisted by **Ron Roletto** and **Michael Troiani**, led the children in Toss-the-Spider, the Spider Crawl (a spoon race with spider-veined hard-boiled eggs), Pass the Pumpkin (hot potato), a Halloween arts & crafts project and a Best Costume Contest.

The games were followed by a tasty buffet of Sand-Witches, Wormy Jell-O, Bone Chips, Frights Krispie Treats and Witches's Brew in special cups. Total expenses for decorations, prizes and refreshments was \$269.

Among the families represented, many multi-generational, were **Caldirola, DiJulio, Driano, Grossi, Marchetti,**

Ringstad (Tucci), Ruppin Saltarelli, Theilges, Volpone (Croce), and Warczak.

Congratulations and thanks to **Andrea Petrone** for producing such a great event, and she in turn would like to thank **Ramona Durham** (Andrea's mother), **Carolyn Jackson, Ron Roletto & Michael Troiani** for helping set up and clean up.

Next year's date is October 27th, 2012.



WINNERS of the Best Costume Contest!!!

PICTURES FROM PAST PRESIDENTS LUNCHEON



Past Presidents: Mike Kaczor, Lou Cella, Nick Grossi, Brian DiJulio, Tony Facciuto, Orly Saltarelli, Dom Driano



Past Presidents: Barb Peretti, Joanne Lazaretti, Mary Hoffa, Linda Desimone, Carolyn Jackson, Velva Saltarelli, Anna Popovich

HEALTH AND WELFARE DECEMBER 2011



BUON NATALI A TUTTI!

December, where did 2011 go? We know it's been busy and this month is going to be among the busiest. Have you made out your to-do list yet? I'm still working on mine. It gets harder every year, doesn't it? Then I remember something my Mother told me many, many, many years ago

"The purpose of life is a life of purpose".

My list then becomes easier and a little more meaningful.

We send our best wishes and congratulations to our Newlyweds, **Mr. & Mrs. Martin Nigrelle**. The Ceremony was in New Orleans last month. Among the guests from Seattle were **Michael and Kimberly Carrosino**. Marty and Kacy, may your future be full of love and happiness (and the Italian Club).

Again, we wish our member, **Estelle DiJulio**, a happy "100th." What a lady. She was her sparkling self at our November meeting and many members of her family were able to join us in honoring her on this very special occasion. God Bless and watch over you Estelle.

Enjoying the weather in Mexico were **Art & Dorothy Oberto**.

Received a call from our sharer, **Bill Picchena** informing us that he and his family would be spending Thanksgiving at the new Disneyland, yes, you're right, in Hawaii. We want to hear all about it Bill. You are a traveling family, good for you.

I Attended an early Christmas party. Many of our Italian Club members were there, two that I would like to pass on their good wishes and Merry Christmas were **Angie Molinaro** (another special woman) and **Dolores Patricelli Ashbaugh**, both mentioned that they miss attending the meetings but we are in their thoughts.

Past President, Committee Chairpersons lunch is now history and it was a great day. Thirty-seven happy sharing members

and friends enjoyed the atmosphere, the food and just being together. I personally thank all that attended and were most generous in bringing door prizes. We thank **Fr. Paul Magnano** for taking time to join us on this special occasion with his friendliness and spirituality I thank **Brian DiJulio** for serving as Master of Ceremonies. He does do a great job. All Past-Presidents attending were introduced and the year given they served. (*Pictures on Page. 4*) **Dominic Driano, Anthony Facciuto, Orlie Saltarelli, Nick Grossi, Brian DiJulio Franco Tesorieri, and Michael Kaczor**.

Ladies present: **Carolyn Jackson, Mary Hoffa, Velva Saltarelli, JoAnne Lazaretti, Linda Pagni Desimone, Anna Popovich, and Barbara Peretti**

To all our Past Presidents, thank you for the years you have given to continue the purposes of our Founders in 1920.

Also hosted by the Italian Club at this Luncheon were our loyal working Committee Chairpersons, they were thanked for their leadership and contribution of time and energy.

Our current President, **Monte Marchetti** was unable to attend the luncheon as he was out of State on business. He sent his regrets and wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

This is the time of sharing, a beautiful season. We are aware that our thinking and praying for you list gets a little longer this time of year. Let us try and make a special phone call, send a card or go visit a shut in or a person that needs a little special attention. Let's put on that to-do list:

Love, Pray, Share. In 2009 I wrote, "You can be positive or negative, hopeful or cynical, joyful or miserable." Well, take your pick, we did and here are the results, We're positive, hopeful and joyful" It makes for a wonderful Christmas season and a greater and happy New Year.

I think I hit bottom, the news is slow in coming this time of year, too busy with all the activities that are happening. The Children Christmas Party will be over this Saturday, but still a Thank you to Tom and

Nancy for their work.

Get ready for the adult party that does will be the following week, **Joanne Marchese** and her committee are working hard to make it a happy and successful party. See you there!

A blessed Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year! Remember the less fortunate, and let's keep our troops in our prayers.

In closing, here are Mother Teresa's words: *'IT'S NOT HOW MUCH WE DO, BUT HOW MUCH LOVE WE PUT IN THE DOING.'*

On that note Dear Members, Please, to have a Health and Welfare column, we need news. We'll be happy to hear from you this coming year with all your happy and sharing and need prayers news.

The informer, Sweet little old holy Italian, AMEN !

Carolyn Zechel Jackson

AKA Sister Carolyn.

THANK YOU!

"Thank You, Thank You" to the Italian Club and its members for a beautiful 100th Birthday Party. It was wonderful seeing so many of my old friends and meeting new ones.

I'm proud of having been a member of this great Club for so many years and have so many fond memories of good times that we shared together.

Best Wishes for the future!

Estelle Di Julio



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CRAB FEED

\$35.00
PER PERSON

Saturday, February 18 - 6:30 pm

ALL YOU CAN EAT!

Delicious Dungeness Crab!

Spaghetti Aglio, Olio e Pepperoncino

Rolls, Beer, Wine, Pop,

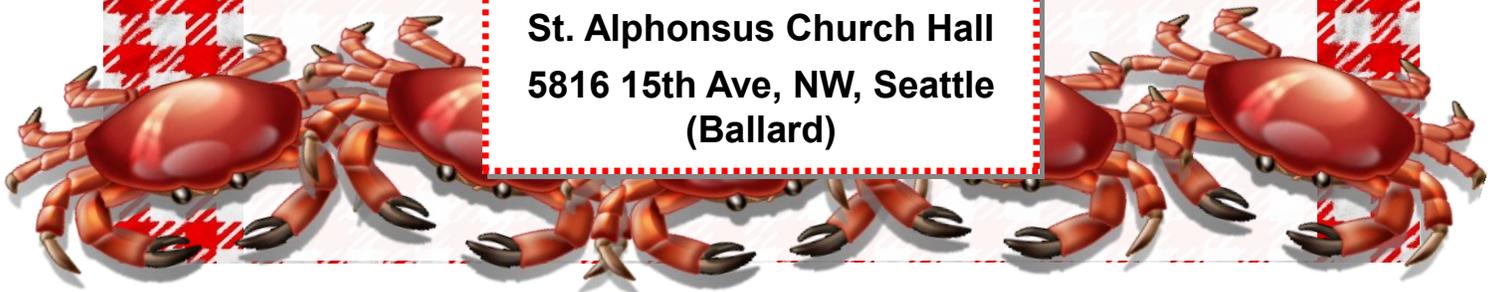
Ice Cream, Drawn Butter

Huge Raffle!

Buy your Tickets Today!

Anna Popovich - 206-453-4002

St. Alphonsus Church Hall
5816 15th Ave, NW, Seattle
(Ballard)



CRAB FEED - REGISTRATION



Name _____

Address _____

Send Me _____ Tickets or Reserve _____ Tables of Ten for My Family

Here's my check for my Ticket(s), Reservation(s).



Mail to: Anna Popovich 2901 NE Blakley Street, #505, Seattle, WA 98105

ITALIAN CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER 2011

- 3rd IC Children's Christmas Party
- 8th IC General Meeting/
Dinner Election of Officers, 6:30PM
- 11th IC Christmas Party, 4-8PM
Embassy Suites, Tukwila
Joanne Marchese, Chair

JANUARY 2012

- 12th IC General Meeting/
Dinner
Installation of Officers, 6:30PM

FEBRUARY 2012

- 2nd Trustees Meeting
- 9th IC General Meeting/
Dinner, 6:30PM
- 18th CRAB FEED!

MARCH 2012

- 8th IC General Meeting/
Dinner, 6:30PM

APRIL 2012

- 12th IC General Meeting/
Dinner, 6:30PM
- 18th IC Luncheon Courtyard at Marriott, Carolyn Jackson, Chair

MAY 2012

- 10th IC General Meeting/
Dinner, 6:30PM

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

Trustee Meetings:

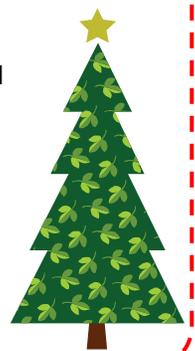
- First Thursday of every other month, unless otherwise noted

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.



New Members to The Italian Club

The following applications were accepted into the Italian Club at the November meeting William Edwards, Evelyn Tronca and Cindy Taylor.



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ADDRESS SERVICES REQUESTED

**General Meeting,
 Dinner
 & Election of Officers**

**Thursday
 December 8th
 6:30pm**

Mount Virgin
 Church Hall

2 **FESTA ITALIANA**
FOR
1 **MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL**

\$50 Dollar Special
 Bring a friend for a free dinner
 At our regular dinner meeting

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**BIRTHDAY WINNER
 FOR
 NOVEMBER:**
Ron Roletto

**Spirits and coffee cards
 were won by:**
 Tom Grossi, Carole Bishop, Diana Warzak, Barbara Galluccio, Mark Alia, Phil Segadelli, Rod Warzak, O.J. Saltarelli, Lou Carrosino, Franco Tesorieri, Delores DiVitis and Chip DiJulio.

Turkeys were won by:
 Carolyn Jackson, Donna Ingram, Edith Carlsen, Rod Warzak, Mark Alia, Dick Whitney, Katherine Scaringi Longenegger, Mary Beth DiJulio and Robert Sylvester.

The Progressive Prize winner of \$25,00:
 Nils Seth, was not present so the jack pot goes to \$50.00 at the December meeting.