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# il Ficcanaso

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## Italian Club Scholarship

MARTY NIGRELLE

*2012-13 Submission Window is Closed By Martin Nigrelle (Italian Club Scholarship Chairperson)*

*The Italian Club of Seattle is awarding up to three individual \$500.00 scholarships. A total of 4 applications were received in time for consideration. During May each application will be validated & reviewed.*

*The scholarships for the 2012-2013 school year will be awarded to students who are selected based on meeting or exceeding the scholarship criteria (noted below). As in years' past; the better the GPA, the better chance of scholarship award.*

*Next steps in the scholarship process:*

*May 2012 – Applications reviewed & verified*

*June 2012 – Award Recipients announced in il Ficcanaso*

*September 2012 – Award Recipients presented @ General Meeting*

*October 2012 – Scholarship*



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Everyone,

I write to you with a heavy heart carrying the news of the passing of our dear friend and member Carolyn Jackson. Like everyone else I was shocked by the news and had expected her to be with us forever.

Carolyn was as involved as anyone in our club and she saw what

needed to be done and just executed. I will miss that and the intangible ways she gave of herself making everyone feel welcome and being uniquely the magical personality that she was. I have so many stories of her antics and each one brings tears to my eyes because I know there will be no more live shows. I prayed about this and through stillness I realized that Carolyn is right where she belongs in purity, love and divine light and that my sadness is for my loss of this great friend and co-worker. Carolyn and I worked closely together as she was the Treasure of Italian Community Hall and constant contributor to the Italian Club of Seattle. She wrote the Health and Welfare article, took care of Mt. Virgin Church Hall until the last person went home, managed the luncheon along with her numerous other contributions. When I became president of the Italian Club of Seattle and the Italian Community Hall, Carolyn let me know who was really running the show and when and where things were going to happen. It always made me happy that I was surrounded by someone who had more history and could give me advice and guidance going forward. We did have issues from time to time and we worked through them without any residual hurt feelings. God Bless You Carolyn Rest in Peace. (Cont. Page 2)



MONTE MARCHETTI

### GENERAL MEETING & DINNER



Thursday, May, 10th

Mount Virgin Church Hall

Dinner (\$10) @ 6:30PM

Progressive prize \$50

### MARINERS ITALIAN HERITAGE NIGHT

Thursday,  
June 14th  
Safeco Field





## Italian Club Scholarship (CONT.)

(From page 1)

*Payments made to the schools on behalf of the recipients .*

*The qualifications each recipient needs to meet or exceed are:*

- 1. A parent of the applicant (student) must be in good standing in the Italian Club for at least three years. (Grandparents are not included).*
- 2. The parent(s) of the applicant must attend at least three club meetings during the year.*
- 3. The applicant (student) is enrolled in high school (grades 9 through 12) for the 2012-2013 school years, in the greater Seattle area*
- 4. The applicant (student) must have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher (with official transcript) and take part in extra-curricular activities, community service, etc.*
- 5. Each applicant must write a letter telling about themselves and activities in which he/she is participating.*
- 6. The application and transcript must be post marked no earlier than April 1st 2012 and no later than May 1st 2012.*
- 7. Applications that are incomplete or missing a transcript will not be considered.*



## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

BY MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN MARTY NIGRELLE



By Martin Nigrelle – Membership Chairperson

At the May general meeting the club will be voting on one new applicant:

Glen Suggs – Glen lives in the Mercer Island area & owns his own Italian food import business. Glen & his spouse Barbara have two children, Jennifer & Megan. Application is sponsored by Monte Marchetti & Dennis Caldirola.

There were three new member applications voted on for the April General meeting. All three applicants were voted into the Club.

Please join in welcoming:

Paul Case, Michael & Linda Manning!

If you have friends or family interested in joining our club, please have them use the Application button found on the club's web site: <http://www.italianclubofseattle.org>

## Morels in Wine Sauce (Recipe)

Gently sauté scallions and/or garlic with rehydrated morels, in a combination of oil and butter, until morels are lightly browned and have absorbed the butter and oil. Remove the morels and deglaze pan with white wine. Reduce by half, then return morels with freshly chopped parsley. Simmer a few more minutes. Serve on toast with freshly ground pepper.





## The Golf Tourney Sept 27th, 2012, 1pm at Echo Falls Golf Course By Brain DiJulio Event Chair



\$125 per person and Includes lunch (Isernio Sausages) Dinner (Four Course Italian Meal) Golf Cart/Greens Fees and lots of other goodies! Famous Raffle afterwards and a few select Auction Items too...Dinner only for \$25 ...all to Benefit the fast rising Seattle U Baseball Program, who's 19-17 right now and Beaten the U of w, Oregon state, Portland and WSU...amazing results for only the third year of the new program... due in part to our support!! Hope to see you all there...

## Italian Club Heritage Day at the Races

The Italian Heritage Day will be held on Sunday, July 22 at Emerald Downs Racetrack in Auburn. Bring some guests and join your friends from the Italian Club for a fun filled afternoon of horse racing. Your \$48.00 ticket includes admission to the track, a tip sheet, and a reserved seat in the Shinpoch room, which is located on the fourth floor in the clubhouse area overlooking the finish line, and a delicious buffet lunch. The menu will be sliced marinated flank steak with caramelized onion au jus, grilled chicken with Asian glaze, herb roasted potatoes, vegetable platter, Caesar salad, fresh fruit bowl, assorted rolls and butter coffee, and tea service and assorted cake tray. The pari-mutual betting windows are only a few steps from your reserved seat and it is real easy to make your wager on your favorite horse. The view from the room is beautiful and the entire afternoon is very enjoyable. If you have never been to "A Day at the Races" give yourself and anyone else you feel would enjoy it, a memorable day at Emerald Downs. Reserve your seat now by contacting

**Joe Galluccio at 206-275-4688.**



## Health and Welfare (Cont. Page 2)

are doing well and took Reese home this morning to start their new family life together! God bless them on their journey and again, welcome home sweet Reese!"

**Wedding:** Joe and Barbara Galluccio had a beautiful wedding for their daughter Lauren, at the Washington Athletic Club. Fr. Magnano officiated the ceremony. Barbara and Joe hosted many relatives from the East Coast for this wonderful union.

**Recuperating:** I talked to Barbara Peretti at Carolyn's funeral and she looked great!. It was the first time she had been out since her surgery, It is a hard road, but Barbara is a trooper! Hang in there Barb. Our prayers are with you. She is at The Klien Galland Home for rehabilitation.

Change Gemma DiJulio Thielges will be the new reporter for the Health & Welfare column in the Il Ficcanaso. She would like to hear from all, any stories, Italian Club news. etc. please send them to her at 12962 SE 23rd, Bellevue, 98005 or phone 425-747-0655 or cell phone 206-295-4161 or e-mail

gdijulio@comcast.net Thanks

Gemma for being so helpful.

Nick and Ginny



## Mariners

*Italian Heritage Night 2012:*

Tickets are Going Fast!

By Martin Nigelle – Event chairperson

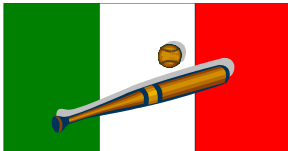
This year the Mariners will be hosting the San Diego Padres on Thursday June 14th, 7:10pm. Tickets for the 2012 Mariners Italian Heritage Night will be available again @ the May General Meeting or via the Mariners web site:

<http://mariners.com/Italian>. The giveaway item has been determined to be a T-shirt for this year. The Mariners are still working on possible editions to the event as well.

The Mariners have adopted a new pricing system this year, which has impacted the price of Italian Heritage Night. The prices this year are: \$14 View Reserved (normally \$15) \$30 Field Level (normally \$35).

The Italian Club has acquired a total of 57 tickets this year, they are all Field Level seats @ \$30.00

Tickets will be handled on a first come first serve basis.



## The Search for Miss Italian Club Continues!

We are continuing our search for this year's Miss Italian Club to represent The Italian Club of Seattle in the Miss SEFAIR competition. The Miss SEFAIR competition is a scholarship program, the foundation of the competition being a blend of volunteer work, academic achievement and creative talent that each woman displays during the month of preparation for her moment in the SEFAIR spotlight. Last year our Italian Club Queen won a one thousand dollar scholarship and of course we would like to repeat that success again.

For more details and the official application, please go to: <http://www.seafair.com/foundation/subcontent.aspx?SecID=938>

If you know a young woman, 18 years or older, enrolled in a college, university, or vocational program and think that they might be interested in the being the next Miss Italian Club of Seattle, please have them complete the application and mail to:

**Audrey Manzanares @ [amanzanares@live.com](mailto:amanzanares@live.com)**. The application deadline is May 8, 2012.



*Sharing recipes is a very important part of our everyday culinary experience. That's why so many cook books and magazine are out there in the market place. But best of all, sharing recipes with others you know has a wonderful bonding feeling and so I was asked to share with you each month a few of my favorite recipes along with traditions and possibly regional specialties. Today I am going to give you a little bio of myself and ask you for help with a favorite marinated wild mushroom that my mother prepared when I was a child and walk down memory lane in spring. As some of you know, I spent my younger childhood in Yakima WA in Terrace Heights. My mother, Jeanette Macchia was from Rainer Valley her home in Mount Virgin. My father August Matteo was born and raised in Yakima. We were surrounded by orchards of apples, peaches, and cherries. Spring is a very special time with blossoms everywhere. Every spring my father would forage for mushrooms by large tree stumps in pastures after the first spring rains my mother marinated them in a tangy tomato sauce then canned them in quart sized mason jars. The strips were the length of the jar or bigger. I bet each mushroom did at least two or three jars. They were a great luncheon treat on crunchy Italian bread with her canned roasted red peppers. They were used mostly when we had special guests. Another treat for spring were the wild asparagus that grew profusely throughout the orchards. Every afternoon we were sent out to pick them for our evening meal. Those were the days when dinner was on the table at 5:30 p.m. sharp and with those dinners you might have another spring treat of a wonderful rhubarb sauce with pork or after dinner a special rhubarb strawberry pie. Oh thank you Lord for many blessing and good memories. If anyone knows about these mushrooms, what kind they are and how they were marinated, I surely would love to hear from you. Check out recipes for asparagus frittata, cream of asparagus soup or prosciutto wrapped asparagus. God bless you, Judy Lewis*



May, 2012

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

Dennis Caldirola

I regret to announce that as of May 1st, 17 members have been dropped from the rolls of the Club for nonpayment of dues. This leaves us with a total of 238 members in good standing at the present time. As suggested by the editor of il Ficcanaso, this issue will be mailed to those in arrears along with a headline urging them to contact us as soon as possible to be reinstated with no initiation fee.

On a happier note, Nick Grossi, the aforementioned editor, is busy selling ads for our biannual roster due to come out the first week of June. Please give him a call if you'd like to put your or your company's name in front of the members on a regular basis.

If you have any new contact information that you'd like listed or changed in the roster, please email me at <Dennis@FestaSeattle.com> as soon as possible. This includes residence phone numbers, business phone numbers, FAX lines, cell phones and email addresses. Needless to say, the roster will not list anyone who has been dropped for nonpayment of dues.



## MAY 2012



3rd Trustees Meeting

10th IC General Meeting/  
Dinner 6:30PM

15th Breakfast of Hope  
 NW Kidney Center  
 Westin Hotel  
 7:30 AM

## JUNE 2012



14th IC General Meeting/  
Dinner 6:30PM

14th Seattle Mariners  
Baseball,  
Italian Heritage Night

20th IC Luncheon at  
Courtyard Marriott

## 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

## JULY 2012



Summer Break

No Meeting  
No il Ficcanaso

22nd Day at the Races  
Emerald Downs

## AUGUST 2012



Summer Break

No Meeting

No il Ficcanaso

19th Italian Community  
Picnic

23-25th Festa Italia Portland

### Trustee Meetings:

- First Thursday of every other month, unless otherwise noted

## September 2012



13th IC General Meeting/  
Dinner 6:30PM

15th Festa Mass Mt. Virgin

25th Festa Luncheon

27th Golf Tourney

28-30th Festa Italiana

## October 2012



11th IC General Meeting

"Strange is our situation here upon earth. Each of us comes for a short visit, not knowing why, yet sometimes seemingly for a divine purpose. From the standpoint of daily life, however, there is one thing we do know: That we are here for the sake of others...for the countless unknown souls with whose fate we are connected by a bond of sympathy. Many times a day, I realize how much my outer and inner life is built upon the labors of people, both living and dead, and how earnestly I must exert myself in order to give in return as much as I have received." Albert Einstein



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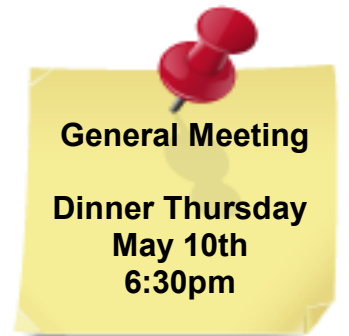
**BIRTHDAY WINNER: April**



Audrey Manzanares

Spirits, coffee cards and dinners were won by Diana Kczor, Linda Jacobin, Dick Whitney, Catherine Scaringi Langenberger, Ron Alia, Mike Troiani, Jerry Lewis, Mike Carrosino Robert Sylvester, Jim DiJulio, Judy Lewis, Judy Collins Seth, Sharon Pioli, Barbara Galluccio, Louis Fontana, Mark Alia and Lucia Di Rupis.

The Progressive Prize was won by Angelo Borrachini but he was not present so the jack pot will be \$50.00 at the May Meeting.



**General Meeting**  
**Dinner Thursday**  
**May 10th**  
**6:30pm**

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