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Italian Club Christmas Party

Linda Madrid, Chairperson and Audrey Manzanares, Co-Chair.

Early reminder to mark your calendars for a gala event.

What: Italian Club Christmas Gala

When: Sunday, December 1, 2013

Where: Seattle Yacht Club

A wonderful way to start off the Holiday Season, that you will not want to miss. Family and friends are welcome. More details will be coming in the future.

Message from the President

Ciao Tutti!! I hope this newsletter finds you all safe, warm & dry. Warm & dry were two conditions that many of us missed at this year's Festa Italiana at the Seattle Center. I want to say a huge THANK YOU to Joe Galluccio, Tom Grossi and ALL of the volunteers who gave their time in the Festa Sausage Booth. Despite the weather it



seemed like the business was fairly constant. It was no small effort this year with the poor weather, to all of you club members & friends, again, thanks. if it were not for your efforts & contributions, we could not have pulled it off.

This year was indeed one of the wettest Festas I can remember. Despite the weather nearly every aspect of Festa continued on, there were even a few brave Italian auto s to be seen. Lets hope the event has enough in the rainy day fund to survive to represent the Italian-American community to Seattle again.

There were three events integral to Festa that were not impacted by the weather; the Festa Mass in Italian, the Festa Luncheon, and the new art exhibition. I was able to attend the first two & got a chance to see the third at the Friday Night wine tasting. I volunteered my time to set up the reception & as such was not able to attend the mass itself. The mass was again well attended & the reception following a great chance for the attendees to meet & greet those who share their appreciation for the tradition & culture that comes with a mass said in Italian. As club president it was my duty & honor to deliver the opening & closing remarks at the Festa luncheon. Just over one hundred people attended the luncheon. During the awards presentations there were very few dry eyes in the room. It was inspiring to hear of what a generous giver Jules Orsucci continues to be to the community at large. Then our own Brian DiJulio turned his acceptance speech in to a statement honoring his own and the community's Italian American Heritage, it was really guite moving. Following the awards was a lively & endearing presentation from Olympic Gold Medalist Brian Boitano. New this year to (Continued on page 2)

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Festa Art Exhibition, it was great to see so many entries of art related to Italy that for all intents & purposes had not been seen before. If you have the time next year I encourage you to try to attend each of these events. They can be inspiring in and of themselves or as a group.

Beyond Festa we enter into the Holiday season with Halloween at the end of the month. I hope the children (& this year the grandchildren) of our members will be able to attend the event in force. I know a lot of effort goes into putting the event together, and hope we can get a great turn out of children to enjoy the festivities, parents keep your cameras ready I'm sure there will be quite a few "Kodak moments".

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions, comments, or concerns. Feel free to contact me directly by phone: (206) 310-7689 or e-mail: martin.nigrelle@hotmail.com.

Buona Fortuna.

Martin Nigrelle, President Italian Club of Seattle

First Le Arti Della Festa

Joel Patience, FESTA Board, Event Curator

A gracious thank you to everyone that helped to make our first le Arti Della Festa a big success! We could not have done this without everyone getting the word out, the artists creative works, the cooperation of Seattle Center, and of course, for the secret Nonne as judges and my Wife Dale for putting the show together. The winners and the name of their pieces of art for Le Arti Della FESTA 2013 are:

1st - Ian Caruana for Colosseo Nella Sera

2nd - Marcel Schwarb for Suspended

3rd - Mimi Boothby for Giuseppina

4th - Karen Walsh for Gondollas in Venice

The 2014 Le Arti Della Festa Seattle - Call for Artists Document - is already designed and is ready for distribution. It should be on the FESTA web site before the first of November. (see attached)

Thanks again and see you at FESTA 2014!

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SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN PARTY



The Italian Club's Annual Halloween Party will once again be at Mt. Virgin School Hall at 11:00 am, Saturday, October 26, 2013.

Prepare your little ghosts, goblins, witches and fairies for a hauntingly good time. Games, games and more games are part of the morning fun and

ghoulish sticky treats and light beverages will be served to keep the hunger pains at bay.

We must have an RSVP from all the spirits that wish to attend, with the name of your child (children) and their age by October 24th.

To RSVP, either call Andrea at (425) 774-6976 or e-mail <u>CiaoIta-lia817@gmail.com</u>.

Spook you real soon!

Italian Club Past President's Luncheon

By Audrey Manzanares

The Past President's Luncheon will be held Wednesday, November 13, 2013 at Il Fornaio Restaurant in Pacific Place (600 Pine Street, Seattle) at 11:30 am. Parking is available in the garage (2 hours is \$5.00; 3 hours is \$7.00).

Lunch choices are:

<u>Insalata di Pollo al Girarrosta</u>: Mixed greens, shredded chicken, applewood smoked bacon, shaved parmesan cheese, tomatoes, garlic croutons; house vinaigrette.

<u>Conchiglie al Pollo</u>: Shell pasta, chicken breast, broccoli, sun-dried tomatoes, pecorino, roasted garlic, Trebbiano wine.

Lasagne Ferrarese: House made pasta, meat ragu, porcini (Continued on page 4)

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Health & Welfare - October 2013

by Gemma Di Julio Thielges, Assistant Angela Di Julio Wright

Mt. Virgin class of 1958 has been meeting yearly since their 50th reunion in 2008. Club members Ron Alia, Marie Dahlgren, Judy Collins Seth, Karen Gazarek Bianchi & Gemma Di Julio Thielges joined with ten others to visit and enjoy lunch together at the Tap House Grill in Bellevue on Sept. 7th.

Our sympathies to the Borrachini family & to Dee Cella on the death of their family member, Dee's sister, Teresa Simone Borracchini who passed away on 9/1/13.

Congratulations to Martin Patricelli who received the "extra mile" award for his participation in the Seafair events of 2013. He has been a Seattle Seafair Clown for 35 years and has made a significant impact on hundreds of children through his, often behind the scenes, efforts. He was the driving force behind a successful Ronald McDonald House dinner hosted by the Clowns along with many other volunteer hours and efforts that he donates.

Marissa Manzanares, Audrey's daughter, is a senior in high school but has received early acceptance into the Fashion Institute of Design Merchandising in L.A. where she will be heading after graduation.

For those who were not at our September meeting, we wanted to tell you about Rosa Facciuto's most recent escapade. She visited the Northwest Trek in Enumclaw and, at age 95, she was their oldest zip line rider!

Velva Saltarelli enjoyed a one week cruise to Alaska last month. Barbara Peretti attended her 60th class reunion in Raymond, Wa. She said it was great to see old faces again!

Domanique Peretti, former Miss Italian Club of Seattle, the daughter of Dino and Sharon Peretti and granddaughter of Barbara Peretti returned home for the summer from California. While here she completed an internship with the U. of W.'s football program. She was able to be on the sidelines for the opening game at Husky Stadium which was an exciting experience. Domanique returned to California the day after the game to complete her last year of graduate studies in Athletic Training at California Baptist University.

Don Gulden & Linda Madrid, who were married a year ago April, were headed for a two week delayed honeymoon to Italy. They were going to Rome, Assisi, Venice, Pompei, Capri, Florence, Sorrento, then three nights in Positano on the Amalfi

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Luncheon (continued)

mushrooms, and béchamel sauce; baked in a brick oven.

Penne Pomodoro: Imported penne pasta tossed with a fresh tomato sauce with basil, garlic and extra virgin olive oil.

Choice of dessert: Tiramisu; Ladyfingers soaked in espresso and rum, mascarpone cheese, shaved chocolate.

Spumone: Strawberry, chocolate hazelnut and pistachio gelato folded together with cherries, chocolate chips and pistachios; served with raspberry and chocolate sauce.

Please RSVP to Audrey Manzanares (206-779-7325 or amanzanares@live. com) your choice for lunch & dessert.

Cost for guests that are not Past President's will be \$37.00 per person. Checks should be made out to "Italian Club of Seattle."

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Health & Welfare (continued)

Coast, back to Rome, & then home to Seattle. This was Linda's first trip to her homeland, Don had gone 30 years ago. Hopefully they'll share more about it at our October meeting.

We are sad to report the death of Mike De-Santis, son of Army & Rose DeSantis. Mike was only 65 and had battled with cancer. His mom, Rose passed away just seven months ago.

We hope everyone had a great time at Festa. At the time I>m submitting this I am saying a prayer that the weather will be comfortable, no rain, for the weekend of the Festa activities. Also, congratulations to Brian Di Julio on having been honored as Volunteer of the Year at the Festa luncheon. A well-deserved recognition!

Our condolences to Remo & the Borracchini family on the recent death of Remo's wife Betty. She passed away just days before her 85th birthday. Her beautiful funeral Mass and reception was held at St. Monica's church/hall. She & Remo have been active, long-term members of our Club.

We also extend sincere sympathies to the Vena family on the death of Frank Sr. who was 91 when he recently died. A celebration of his life will be held on October 6th. He was a life member of the Club for many, many years.

Joanne Lazzaretti is recovering from a recent fall. Keep her in your prayers. She is not used to having everyone doing things for her so pray that she will heal completely and quickly.

Happy Halloween to everyone.

2013 Scholarship Winners

At the September meeting, Diana Kaczor introduced two of our scholarship winners:

James Ferrese, is a junior at Seattle Prep. son of Vince & Amber. James has a 4.0 average. is President of the Junior class. is an Eagle Scout & in the National Honor Society. He also participates on



Diana Kaczor presenting the scholarship award to James Ferrese.

the cross country & swimming teams. He has volunteered helping at shelters for homeless women.



Diana Kaczor presenting the scholarship award to Danielle Peretti.

Danielle Peretti. is a freshman at John F Kennedy, and the daughter of Dawn Peretti. She has maintained a 4.0 in previous studies. and is in the Honors Program at JFK. She volunteers at Northwest Harvest for food banks throughout Washington.

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Brian Dijulio accepting the Volunteer of the year award

2013 Festa Italiana Luncheon



Jules Orsucci accepting the Annual Gil Centioli Memorial Award.



Guest speaker, Olympic gold medalist Brian Boitano.



Nick Grossi with Olympic Gold Medalist and Festa Luncheon guest speaker Brian Boitano



President Marty Nigrelle

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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, Mount Virgin Church Hall

Trustee Meetings:

First Thursday of every other month

October 2013		
	No Trustee meeting this month	
10th	IC General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM	
12-13	Italian Festival, Reno, NV	
25th	Input Deadline for November il Ficcanaso	
26th	Italian Club Children's Halloween Party at Mt. Virgin	

November 2013		
7th	Trustee Meeting	
13th	Past President's Luncheon Il Fornaio Restaurant	
14th	IC General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM	
28th	Thanksgiving	
22nd	Input Deadline for December il Ficcanaso	



January 2014		
1st	New Year's Day	
2nd	Trustee Meeting	
9th	IC General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM	
22nd	Input Deadline for February il Ficcanaso	

February 2014		
	No Trustee meeting this month	
13th	IC General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM	
14th	Valentine's Day	
15th	Crab Dinner St. Alphonsus	
19th	Input Deadline for December il Ficcanaso	

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New Membership By Diana Kaczor, Chairman

There are no new membership applications at this time. If you know of anyone interested in joining our club please have them use the Application button found on the club's web site: http://www. italianclubofseattle.org.

Children's Christmas **Partv**

Nicole Nyblod, Chairman

This year's Children's Christmas Party will be at the same venue - Northcut Landing, 5001 25th Ave N.E., Seattle. The party will be on December 14th, 2013. Please keep this date in mind. The reservation form will be in a future il Ficcanaso issue.

On-Line il Ficcanaso

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WINNERS

Barbara Galluccio won the August birthday prize; Margaret Ward won for September. Raffle winners were: Angela Wright (2), Linda Jacobin, Linda Madrid, Dale Boin, Linda Manning, Marie Dahlgren, Dolores Devitis, Carole Bishop, Lou Fontana, Antonette Ruppin, Monte Marchetti (2), Nick Grossi, Diana Kaczor, Marlene Ward, Bill Picchena, Robert Sylvester, Jane DiJulio, Joanne Marchese (2).

The winner of the \$50 progressive prize, Mona Nelson, was not present. The Jackpot goes to \$75.00.



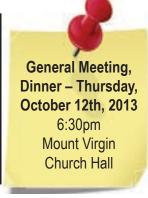






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