General Meeting, Dinner - Thursday, February 12th, 2015 6:30 pm Mount Virgin Church Hall







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#### **Message from the President**

It is time to review the budget for 2015 (printed on page 2 of this newsletter). This is the opportunity to review and re-enforce those things that are important to the club. Take the time to review the numbers in the proposed budget published in this edition of the club newsletter. I encourage anyone with questions or concerns to make their voice heard when the budget review period is open this month. Your input will help guide the club. The club belongs to the membership, the board serves the membership, make your opinions known so we can ensure the budget reflects the membership's requirements, knowing we cannot please everyone.

Budget Items to note:

- Contribution to Festa Italiana decreased from \$3650.00 to \$3300.00.
- Dinner meetings from \$4000.00 to \$5000.00.
- Italian American Heritage Alliance \$1000.00 a new budget item.
- San Gennaro \$300.00 a new budget item.
- Contribution to Scholarship decreased from \$1500.00 to \$1000.00.

Events can and do occur without a budget, it sometimes requires that participants pay a fee to support the specific event, as occurs in Mariners Italian Heritage Night, Day at the Races, Crab Feed, and Sounder's Night. Actual attendance to a specific event reflects a budget change. If the members of the club feel the monies for the social events should be distributed differently, that difference should be proposed at the general meeting. This is true with all aspects of the budget.

The Ficcanaso has a new Editor in Joe Jacobin due to Nick Grossi's illness. We wish Nick a rapid recovery and that he can contribute in the future to the Ficcanaso in some capacity. I look forward to member input concerning the priorities of the membership for 2015.

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions, comments, or concerns. Feel free to contact me directly by phone: (206) 232-7880 or e-mail: <a href="mailto:Dianakaczor@hotmail.com">Dianakaczor@hotmail.com</a> Ciao!

Diana Kaczor

## il Ficcanaso

#### il Ficcanaso

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Budget for The Seattle Italian Club Seattle		
Income	2014	2015
Advertising / Newsletter	\$450.00	\$275.00
Advertising / Roster	\$1,200.00	\$0.00
Casa Subsidy	\$900.00	\$2,000.00
Crab Feed	\$3,750.00	\$3,000.00
Festa Italiana	\$2,200.00	\$2,800.00
Interest	\$140.00	\$800.00
Vanguard Mutual Funds	\$17,500.00	\$16,000.00
Member Dues	\$9,750.00	\$9,500.00
New Members	\$500.00	\$500.00
	\$36,390.00	\$34,875.00
Expenses		
Accountant	\$450.00	\$475.00
Administration	\$7,200.00	\$7,200.00
Board Meetings	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Childrens Halloween Party	\$350.00	\$350.00
Dinner Meetings	\$4,000.00	\$5,000.00
Festa Italiana	\$3,650.00	\$3,300.00
Italian American Heritage Alliance		\$1,000.00
Insurance	\$850.00	\$810.00
Legal Fees	\$10.00	\$10.00
Newsletters	\$5,250.00	\$5,000.00
Office	\$150.00	\$150.00
Past Presidential Lunch	\$1,000.00	\$600.00
Picnic	\$500.00	\$250.00
Postage	\$300.00	\$300.00
Pres. Discretionary Fund	\$300.00	\$300.00
Progressive Draw	\$250.00	\$250.00
Past President's Gift	\$0.00	\$250.00
Rent - Meetings	\$3,250.00	\$3,250.00
Rent - Dexter Office	\$880.00	\$880.00
Rent - Storage	\$600.00	\$600.00
Roster	\$1,250.00	\$0.00
San Gennaro	<b>*</b> 4 <b>=</b> 00 00	\$300.00
Scholarship	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00
Seafair Miss Italian Club Seattle	\$500.00	\$500.00
Christmas Party - Adult	\$500.00	\$500.00
Christmas Party - Children	\$500.00	\$500.00
Website Development	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
	\$36,240.00	\$34,775.00



#### **Health & Welfare**

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

Mary Zorotovich passed away. There will be a Liturgy & Memorial Mass for Mary on Tuesday 2/10/15 at 10:30 a.m. at the Chapel at Forest Ridge School - 4800-139th Ave. S.E. Bellevue. It is being hosted by the Sodality of the Children of Mary. (Parking - drive through the campus to the chapel, spots are on the south side of the building. School will be in session so car pooling is encouraged). There will be a reception following the Mass. There was already one Memorial Mass offered for Mary at St. Anne's on Jan. 23rd. Our sympathies are extended to Mary's family.

Velva Saltarelli has been recovering from hip surgery these few past months and was scheduled to undergo a second hip replacement on Feb. 2nd. We can keep her in our prayers and hopefully she'll be at our meeting in March or April feeling pain-free and looking as good as new!

Velva said that she, Mary Hoffa, Rosa Facciutto and the rest of their "girls club" were going out for lunch Jan. 19th. It had been a few months since they'd been out together so they were looking forward to it.

Clarise Dent is leaving for college at California Lutheran University on Jan. 16th. It is in Thousand Oaks, CA. She is studying Exercise Science and will be home after May 15th. Maybe we'll see her at our June meeting.

Nick Grossi had to go to the hospital on January 1st for shortness of breath as a result of phenomena. After a week in the hospital, he is improving and will most likely go for additional care outside of the hospital before returning home, hopefully soon. Please pray for Nick's recovery.

Joe Jacobin had hernia surgery last month. The surgery went well and he's recovering nicely. Same with Bill Wright, recovering nicely after having gone through two cataract surgeries in the past few weeks. Never fun to go through these things, even if considered pretty routine.

Keep Jim Di Julio in there too as he continues to be put through more head and facial surgeries for cancer that he's been dealing with for more than 10 years! We're glad that he's still here even with all the incisions & scars.

Dennis Caldirola was missed at the January meeting but we had heard that he was away on a ski trip. I initially heard it was a family get-away but as Dennis clarified "it was a 'guys' trip or maybe even a 'geezers' trip since we are all over retirement age. Brian's house in Hailey was clean and comfortable and it comes with a new Volvo SUV in which to drive back and forth to the ski slopes. We were there for four nights, skied every day and dined at a different great restaurant every evening." Sounds like a good time.

Steve & Shirley Di Julio welcomed a new grandson in December. Rocco Stephen Soldato was born on 12/26/14 to their daughter, Kit, and her husband Anthony Soldato. All are home in Seattle and doing well. Congrats!

Where are all our members that we don't see often and seldom hear from? We would love to hear from/about you. Let us know if you've had health issues and could use some prayers and maybe even some cheerful cards and/or phone calls. Tell us about your trips - might entice us to make some travel plans.

Happy Valentine's Day to all.

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### CRAB FEED REGISTRATION

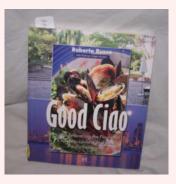
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### Cookbook Review – Good Ciao

By Joel Patience

I received a new cookbook for Christmas. The recipes are easy to construct and are in both Italian and English.

"Good Ciao" – as the mixed language title suggests – is collaboration between Italian and American cooking. On the Italian side is Roberto Russo, chef and hotelier



at his organic farm and agriturismo Realais Parco Fiorito. An agriturismo is a working farm that has a bed and breakfast component. On the American side is Kathryn Hilger Kinger, co-owner of Salty's Restaurant with husband Gerry.

Each recipe uses both languages side by side and in the Italian version has metric measurements. For those of you that are advancing to reading Italian and want to learn measurements before going to Italy this is a nice teaching component. In addition, they are all photographed so as to capture the presentation.

The recipes are easy to follow and compose. The simplicity is appreciated and is the foundation of Italian cooking. I would not hesitate to have a group of cooks create a meal from this book.

When there is an ingredient that may be difficult to find, the authors suggest substitutions that work for our Pacific NW shopping. This is not a large research cookbook and one does not need a lift to remove it from the shelf. Some of the recipes will delight you as familiar with a PNW twist, while others will have you discussing them with friends to appreciate the creativity of the chef and author.

I will not be re-gifting it so you will have to get your own. If you have seen a good cookbook or book about Italy that you would like us to review please contact Joel.



Joel Patience celebrates New Years Eve with Lucia Galizia and Anthony Chiodo in Portland

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#### **Presentation at General Meetings**

If there is an interest in attending the exhibition on Pompeii as a group from the club please make mention of it at the next meeting. For information about the exhibit online please visit: <a href="http://www.pacificscience-center.org/Exhibits/pompeii">http://www.pacificscience-center.org/Exhibits/pompeii</a>.

If you know someone or a group that has an aspect of Italian culture to share, and can keep their presentation to 15 minutes or less, please contact anyone on the board to discuss scheduling a presentation at a General Meeting. Some General meetings may already be booked or have competing venues. The request should be made at least one month in advance of the intended meeting.

#### Secretary's Report

#### Dennis Caldirola

The Italian Club of Seattle currently has a roster of 223 members in good standing of which 139 have paid their dues for 2014. This is just about where we were last year at this time so things are on track.

Please remember you can save yourself and the Club 49¢ apiece by attending the February general meeting and paying your dues in person, and we will even issue your membership card on the spot!

On February 18th, "past due" notices will be mailed out to those still in arrears. In the meantime, have a wonderful Valentine's Day and Presidents Day weekend.

### Ms. Seafair Scholarship Program Rod Warczak, Miss Italian Club Chair

It is that time of the year again when we will select a representative for the Italian Club to the Seafair Foundation Scholarship Program (Ms. Seafair). I am aware of at least three young women who would like to do this.

If you are interested please email a 100 word statement on why you would like to be our representative for 2015 as well as your most recent transcript showing your GPA to <a href="mailto:rod.warczak@gmail.com">rod.warczak@gmail.com</a>.

If you are interested please realize that you are committing yourself to this endeavor for the entire summer of 2015. There are some general guidelines I have posted below and further information can be found at: <a href="http://www.seafair.com/foundation/subcontent.aspx?SecID=938">http://www.seafair.com/foundation/subcontent.aspx?SecID=938</a>

A selection will be made in March and our representative will be notified at that time.

#### Participant Guidelines:

- Must be between the ages of 18 and 25 before August 1, 2015.
- A United States citizen, permanent resident or on a definitive path to citizenship.
- Able to show proof of enrollment at a post secondary school, college, university, or vocational institution for the Fall 2015 – Spring 2016 quarter/semester(s).
- Pay the \$150 application fee.

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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

February 2015	
	No Trustee meeting this month
12th	IC General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM
14th	Valentine's Day
14th	Crab Dinner St. Alphonsus
20th	Input Deadline for March il Ficcanaso

March 2015	
5th	Trustee Meeting
12th	IC General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM
25th	Input Deadline for April il Ficcanaso

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April 2015	
	No Trustee meeting this month
9th	IC General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM
25th	Input Deadline for May il Ficcanaso

May 2014	
1st	Trustee Meeting
12th	IC General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM
25th	Input Deadline for June il Ficcanaso

June 2014	
	No Trustee meeting this month
11th	IC General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM
20th	Italian Heritage Night Seattle Mariners
	No July <i>il Ficcanaso.</i> No inputs.

#### New Membership Linda Madrid, Chairman

The Italian Club has received an application for membership from Marven Hansen. Marven is a retired Civil Engineer and has been a resident of Seattle for 35 years. Marven was married to Giuseppa Costantino who passed away in 2010. He has three children – Gioia, Jennifer and Paul. Giuseppa's parents were from Messina, Italy but lived in Napoli.

It is important to keep the club a vital and evolving organization. Members must encourage younger family members to consider joining the club. Please continue to encourage new membership and have those interested in joining to use the Application button on the web site.

#### 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 (dennis-caldirola1@gmail.com).









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### ADDRESS SERVICES REQUESTED







#### **WINNERS**

Drawings: were conducted by Robert Sylvester.

The Birthday Winner for January was Quinto De Vitis.

Raffle prizes: Carole Bishop won twice with tequila & liqueur, Clarissa Dent won a coffee card. Linda Jacobin won lemoncello. Diana Kaczor won Jim Beam, Mike Kaczor won spiced rum, Ron Roletto won twice with vodka & coffee card. Dot Whitney won Tuaca liqueur, Dale Bonn won 2 prizes for meals, Max Leone won a coffee card. Paul Pioli won 2 prizes for rolls & meals. Linda Madrid won twice for meals & coffee card, Dick Whitney won 2 meals, Barbara Galluccio won 2 meals.

Progressive prize of \$100 was won by by Ines Angiono. We start over in February with \$25.

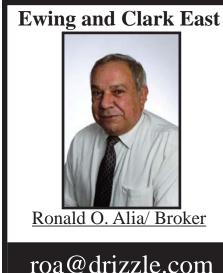






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