General Meeting, Dinner – Thursday, November 8th, 2018 6:30 pm St. Patrick's Parish Hall



Italian Club Elections

By Dorothy I. Miori Whitney

The Nominating Committee met the last week of September 2018. The committee included Dorothy I. Miori Whitney, Chairwoman; Anna Popovich, Past President; and Brian Di-Julio, Past President.

At this time the committee would like to list those Officers for 2019 returning for their second year of service.

President: ANNA POPOVICH Vice President: DIANA KACZOR Secretary: DENNIS CALDIROLA Treasurer: JOSEPH GALLUCCIO Ex-Officio: AUDREY MANZANARES

Trustees Returning for their Second Year of Service are: **TOM GROSSI** and **AMADEO ROSSI**.

There are three open positions for Trustees. Nominations from the floor will be open at the November Meeting.

^归 Crab Feed — Save the Date!

Saturday, February 16th, 2019 is the Italian Club of Seattle's annual Crab Feed at St. Alphonsus.

More information in the December issue of your *il Ficcanaso*!

Message from the President

Hello to all! October was a busy month and we have the two events in December.

NOVEMBER 2018

Our Past President's and board members dinner will be held at Mamma Melina's on Wednesday, December 5th, at 6:30 pm. Please RSVP me if you are planning to attend. Everyone had a great time last year, so I hope we can get more Past Presidents to attend.

The Christmas party for the Italian Club and Westside Italian Civic Club will be held at the Rainier Golf & Country Club on December 2nd. Tickets are \$55.00 per person. Contact Audrey for tickets –no tickets sold at the door.

The Children's Christmas party that is held jointly with Seattle Fedele will be held at December 8th at St. George.

Nominations for board members will be conducted by Dorothy Whitney at our November meeting. Please consider running to be a board member. We always welcome new faces and new ideas.

Happy Thanksgiving to all of you, we have so much to be thankful for.

Take Care! **Anna Popovich**

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Sergeant at Arms: **Committee Chairs**

Adult's Christmas Party Audrey Manzanares	
Bylaws	TBD
Crab Dinner	Anna Popovich
Family Christmas Party	TBD
Day at the Races	Joe Galluccio
Festa Sausage Booth	Tom Grossi
Golf Tournament	Brian DiJulio
Health & Welfare	Gemma Thielges
Luncheons	Audrey Manzanares
Mariner Baseball Night	Martin Nigrelle
New Membership	Dennis Caldirola
Parliamentarian	Dorothy Whitney
Picnic	Ron Roletto
Scholarship	Diana Kaczor

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Famous Italians Born in November

Giovanni Casanova (2nd) Lou Ferrigno (9th) Joel McHale (20th) Pope John Paul XXIII (25th) John Basilone (4th) Brenda Vaccaro (18th) Lucky Luciano (24th) G. Gordon Liddy (30th)

Secretary's Report

By Dennis Caldirola

We currently have 190 members in good standing.

One new application was received over the summer from Christina Maria Tiberio, a fashion specialist at Amazon. Marty Nigrelle made a motion that she be accepted as a member, seconded by Linda L. Jacobin. Passed unanimously.



WINNERS

Drawings: Michael Troiani being absent, drawings were conducted by Amadeo Rossi.

The Birthday Winners for October were Diana Dent and Frances Rossi, splitting the prize.

Spirits, Coffee Cards and Dinners were won by Scott Fitzpatrick, Deanna Dent, Frances Rossi, Martin Nigrelle, Angela Wright, Steve Clayton, Trudy Picciano, Joanne Spino Marchese, Dick Whitney, Kathy Scaringi Langenegger, Marven Hansen, Matthew FitzGerald, Scott FitzGerald and Anna Popovich.

The Progressive Prize of \$25 would have been won by member Doris Pellegrini had she been present. Jackpot now goes up to \$50.

New Membership

By Dennis Caldirola

Members are reminded that if they invite a guest who is a potential member to a meeting, you look like a great host and your guest dines for free!

Health & Welfare

by Gemma Di Julio Thielges and Assistant Angela Di Julio Wright

I know the leaves are beautiful back east at this time of year, but we can enjoy some wonderful Fall colors right here too.

We're hoping that **Audrey Manzanares** had an enjoyable, productive, and safe trip to Palm Springs last month. As she was leaving our October meeting she quickly commented that she was on her way south for work. I imagine she enjoyed some lovely weather while she was there.

Our sympathies to **Judy Lewis** & her family on the recent death of her brother, Tony (Anthony) Matteo, who passed away on October 10th. He was 66 years old and was the 6th of 7 children.

Last September **Frances & Amadeo Rossi** traveled to Tuscany and spent some time in Montepulciano. They went to an art and craft studio where they found a lovely oil painting of the Tuscan landscape. They procrastinated and did not purchase the painting; however, they did take pictures of the painting. Several months ago, they called the store and the painting had sold. The owner of the store and the artist were very accommodating, and the artist painted a similar painting. With all the coordination, discussions in Italian, conversions between metric and imperial units, and multiple wire transfers, they finally received the painting on the day of their 37th wedding anniversary. The painting was so great, that they are having another painting done of a field of sunflowers for their home.

Linda Jacobin is home & recovering quite nicely from her recent hip replacement surgery. Coincidentally, her mother had the same hip replacement surgery on the same day, at different hospitals. This coincidence made it impossible for them to visit each other for comfort and support.

Not a long column. Very few contributors this month. Hopefully that just means everyone is settling in for the winter. They often say "no news is good news" so I guess that's what we can assume. We hope all is well with all our members. We keep all of you in our prayers, so they must be working. God Bless. Have a Wonderful Thanksgiving. We have so much for which to be grateful.

Festa Sausage Booth

Chair Tom Grossi said business was steady for most of the weekend. Sales were \$8,094, the 4th highest total in the last 20 years.

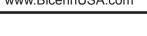


(Above) Working in the 2018 Festa Italiana Italian Club Sausage Booth: Ava Grossi, Addie DerGarabedian, Nicholas Grossi and Tom Grossi.

(Right) Satisfying so many sandwhich customers takes happy workers.









Joel Patience Watercolors.com

West Coast Italian Radio Holiday Charities by Tony La Stella

For the 4th year in a row, West Coast Italian Radio will be participating in Charitable Holiday programs to support Homeless Veterans in our Community. There are three ways you can get involved:

1) Donate to the Feast of Valor: Last year we provided Christmas Dinner & Gifts to 200 Homeless Veterans. Every \$20 you donate enables us to feed one more Homeless Veteran their Christmas Dinner.

2) Support Blankets of Hope: Donate Used Clothes & Blankets to this program which will distribute those items to Homeless Veterans and their families in our community.

3) Attend the Italian New Year's Eve Event: Apart from having a great time at the ONLY Italian New Year's Eve Event in Puget Sound (and a chance to Win a Trip to Italy), a portion of the proceeds from this event will support veteran charities in our area.

For more info on how you can support these Holiday Charitable Events please visit the West Coast Italian Radio website at: WCIR.biz.

PARTY ITALIAN STYLE! -10:30PM DECEMBER The ONLY Italian New Years Eve Event in the NW Pellegrino's Event Center in Tumwater Live Music & Dancing with Tony La Stella & The Go Great Italian Dinner Included Cash Bar with Spe Ity Drin Drawings and Giveaways NY Theme with Live Broadcast of Times Square Ball Drop at 9pm **Champagne Toast Included** CHANCE TO WIN A JULIA WWW.PELLEGRINOSEVENTCENTER.COM | (360) 709-9055 LIMITED SEATING - PURCHASE TICKETS IN ADVANCE ceeds will go to Support Veteran Charities through the



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The Pope and Mussolini, by David I. Kertzer (Random House)

A book review by Joel Patience

Most of us know the individual stories of Benito Mussolini (1883-1945) or Pope Pius XI (Achille Ratti 1857-1939). Just by the fact that they lived in Italy at nearly the same time line, one would think they could have engaged in a communal good. The fact is however that they laid claim to every body and soul within its borders and sometimes beyond.

Their relationships however, were not close but woven through intermediaries. These titans constructed written contracts and fed each other's success with awards and publicity. Their moves made it obvious to the truly informed that nothing good could come from it all – WWII for example. These folks however were silenced. Their followers were impressed with their performance. Italy as a result was in turmoil between the forces of good and evil – the reader can decide which is which. The great depression had the world in its grips for over a decade. The Russian revolution preceded it as a powerful example of political reform. WWI was the war to end all wars. In Italy, over half the population was in farming and a vast number of the overall populous were leaving for a better life elsewhere in places like South America, Canada and the United States.

What prevented us from knowing many of the details is that until recently the information was restricted: from Vatican archives, to ambassadors, records from Mussolini's spy network and even diaries. The author has accessed thousands of documents and presents a chronological and seemingly a personal reconstruction of the events that lead to WWII; what drove these individuals as leaders and influenced one of the great exoduses of modern times.

There is a phrase that translates into almost any language. We like, who likes, what we like. These and other leaders enjoyed regular meetings with Victor Emanuel III. Yet, with their futures at stake, all records show that Mussolini only met the Pope once. They trusted other people with their own agendas to shape their world. Media were limited to newspapers and radio. Victor Emanuel III (1869-1947), who was made King of Italy at age 30 in 1900 openly did not like the role of the King and preferred to make decisions by sending them back between others until a decision was reached.

The author adds into the mix – Adolf Hitler (1889-1945) – himself a catholic. He was such an admirer of Mussolini that he kept a bust of him on his desk. While much of these stories are seemingly in the distant past, Italian Americans should be cognizant of their own efforts as a political force. Charles Coughlin (1891-1979) was a parish priest in Detroit with his own radio show. He was in constant touch with Italian Americans and offered a conduit to try and change their collective future.

This book will open your eyes and fill in the blanks on an aggressive, even brutal time, in world history. We can always hope it will not repeat itself.

Joel Patience is an independent writer and watercolor artists drawing inspiration from travels with his wife Dale Bonn.

ICoS Calendar

November 2018

- 1st Trustee Meeting
- 8th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 12th Festa Italiana Volunteers Appreciation Dinner, 6pm, Our Lady of Fatima

22nd Thanksgiving

26th Input Deadline for December *il Ficcanaso*

December 2018

No Trustee meeting this month

- 2nd Adult Christmas Party, Rainier Golf & Country Club
- 5th Past Presidents Luncheon & Board Appreciation dinner, Mamma Melina's
- 8th Children's Christmas Party combined with Seattle Fedele SOI at St. George Church
- 13th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 25th Christmas Day
- 26th Input Deadline for January *il Ficcanaso*

January 2019

- 3rd Trustee's Meeting
- 10th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 25th Input Deadline for February *il Ficcanaso*

February 2019

- No Trustee meeting this month
- 14th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 14th Valentine's Day
- 16th Crab Dinner, St. Alphonsus
- 25th Input Deadline for March il Ficcanaso

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March 2019

7th Trustee's Meeting

- 14th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 25th Input Deadline for April *il Ficcanaso*

April 2019

- No Trustee meeting this month
- 11th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 25th Input Deadline for May *il Ficcanaso*

May 2019

- 2nd Trustee's Meeting
- 9th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 25th Input Deadline for June il Ficcanaso

June 2019

- No Trustee Meeting this month
- 13th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 20th Italian Heritage Night, Seattle Mariners vs. Baltimore Orioles

July 2019

No Trustee Meeting this month

4th Independence Day No *il Ficcanaso* this month

August 2019

No Trustee Meeting this month TBD All Italian Community Picnic Royal Arch Park, Maple Valley

No *il Ficcanaso* this month

- TBD Portland Festa Italiana
- 20th Input Deadline for September *il Ficcanaso*

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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, St. Patrick's Parish Hall

Trustee Meetings:

• First Thursday of every other month

Please send ICoS Calendar additions or updates by the 25th of each month to Joe Jacobin (joejacobin@gmail. com or to 4822 S. Juneau Street, Seattle, WA 98118-2848). Thank you.





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