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Dinner – Thursday,
September 14th, 2017

6:30 pm

St. Patrick's
Parish Hall



Seattle Festa Italiana – September 23 & 24
Seattle Center

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Italian Club Sausage Sandwich Booth

HELP WANTED!

Hello everyone!

Just a note that I need help again this year in the Italian Club Sausage Sandwich booth at Festa Italiana at Seattle Center on Saturday, September 23rd, and Sunday, September 24th. Please let me know if you can help out, and also please pass this information along to anyone else who can help.

We need helpers to take orders, assemble sandwiches and to cook. Please let me know if you or anyone can help out – even if it's for just a few hours. The more the better!

Thanks.

Tom Grossi

Message from the President

Ciao Amici di Famiglia,

I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer!!! I can't WAIT to see you all at our September meeting.

September will be a busy month with San Gennaro (Sept. 8-10), Festa Luncheon (Friday 9/15), Festa Mass (Saturday Sept. 16), Father Evoy Banquet at Mt. Virgin (Sunday 9/17), and Festa Italia at Seattle Center (Sept. 22-24). Please remember to try support all these events.

I'm taking reservations for Festa Luncheon, (\$55 per person, 11:00am at the Seattle Yacht Club). Our very own Brian DiJulio will be receiving the Gil Centioli award. It would be so great to have a large turnout from our club to show our appreciation to Brian who is so deserving of this award!

Our luncheon at Emerald Downs in July was a great success. I am thankful to Joe Galluccio for organizing such a fun day. The Italian Club/Seattle University Golf Tournament was also a fun event. I got to attend with the Galluccio's and Anna Popovich and I can't wait for next year. It would be wonderful to see more of our members (especially those who attended SU) participate!!

Festa is fast approaching so anyone interested in helping out at the Festa Sausage Booth should contact Tom Grossi. Along with the Crab Feed, this is one of the primary fund raising activities of the club. It is important we have the right people and the right number of volunteers to help make the booth a success. Please consider volunteering. There are multiple jobs as well as time slots available. Whether it is cooking or cashiering or in between, we could use your help.

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Health & Welfare..... **Gemma Thielges**

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Mariner Baseball Night..... **Martin Nigrelle**

New Membership **Anna Popovich**

Parliamentarian..... **Dorothy Whitney**

Picnic **Ron Roletto**

Scholarship **Anna Popovich**

President (continued)

We also still need help chairing the Italian Club of Seattle booth at Festa. This booth will be indoors and out of the weather. The chairperson will be responsible for organizing volunteers to staff the booth and work with me to ensure the booth has the right items to share with the public in promotion of the club (perhaps balloons again?!). Activities include handing out printed club information and/or applications, collecting applications, and sharing the general good will of the club. Please contact me if you are interested in chairing or volunteering at the booth.

Mark your calendars for the Annual Columbus Day Dinner on Monday October 9th at 6:00 at Frankie's B-Town Bistro. The cost is \$45 per person. Please contact me for reservations.

Please keep those families that lost their loved ones over the summer in your thoughts and prayers. Those beloved members will be missed for sure.

Looking forward to seeing you at the next meeting as well as all the fun events we have planned within our community!!

Con amore ed affetto,

Audrey Manzanares

Traditional Catholic Mass

Every year preceding Festa Week we're fortunate to have a traditional Catholic Mass in Italian at Mt. Virgin Church, Seattle's original Italian Mission church.

This year Mass will be on Saturday, September 16th, 6:30 PM.

Our Lady of Mt. Virgin Church,
2800 S. Massachusetts St.
Seattle, WA 98144

Celebrant will be the The Very Reverend Paul Magnano. Light refreshments will be served in the school hall following. No registration is required and all are welcome.

Health & Welfare

by Gemma Di Julio Thielges and Assistant Angela Di Julio Wright

Hoping you had an enjoyable summer. We certainly have had good weather after our long stretch of rain.

We have a bit of sad news and also some good news – typical of life on earth.

JoAnne Piergrossi, sister of member (and past president) **Steve Piergrossi**, passed away on July 7th after a difficult and courageous battle with cancer. She was only 63 years old. We extend our sympathies to her family and ask for prayers for them and for the peaceful repose of JoAnne's soul.

Carissa Dahlgren, granddaughter of **Marie Dahlgren**, was married on June 10th. Congratulations to her and to Tomasina De Vitis who was married on July 15th and is the granddaughter of **Quinto & Dolores De Vitis**.

Estelle Di Julio passed away on July 20th at the age of 105! She was such a special lady to so many of us and was a very gracious and loving person. Estelle was a long-time member of the Club and her husband John was a former president. She will be missed by many family members and friends.

Richard Lee Matteo, oldest brother of **Judy Lewis**, passed away August 3rd, at age 77. We extend our sympathies to Judy and her family.

I got this far in sharing the above news when I received a call from **Marie Dahlgren's** son Matt telling me that she passed away very unexpectedly on August 21st at her home. She was continuing her treatment for cancer but was looking forward to completing it and getting on with her life. She apparently fell getting out of bed and hit her head. Marie, Judy Seth and I were Mount Virgin classmates and Judy and I are pretty devastated, especially when another of our classmates, Ron Alia, had just passed away in May. Marie's family is in our prayers.

We offer our prayers and our condolences to the Carrosino family on the death of **Louie Carrosino**, husband of **Helen**. Louie passed away on August 21st (after a brief illness). He and Helen had recently moved from the family home on Beacon Hill into assisted living, following their 61st wedding anniversary earlier this year. He was a longtime member of the Italian Club as are his wife and son **Mike** and daughter-in-law **Kimberly**. His funeral is to be held at St. Joseph Church on Capitol Hill on Thursday, August 31, at 10:30 am.

It was nice to get this report from **Monte & Margaret Marchetti** regarding the picnic at the Royal Arch Park in Maple Valley on Sunday, August 20th. They said "We had a great time at the Italian Community Picnic. Porcetta sandwiches along with full dinner led by chefs Tom and Joe Salle. Many families brought delicious food. I'll say it again, leave it to the Italians to bring food to a catered event. Thanks, Croce family, for leading this event. The weather was perfect with sun and a light breeze."

Brian & Barb Di Julio welcomed their 4th granddaughter, Daisy Di Julio, daughter of **Brad & Katie Di Julio**.

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Health & Welfare (continued)

Dale Bonn sent in this note and photo (right): “**Velva Saltarelli, Joel Patience and Dale Bonn** have been painting this summer. Here are Velva and Dale with their paintings of Venice. Velva will be entering hers in Festa Italiana in September.”

We also want to wish **Velva** a very Happy 90th birthday on September 3rd. May you enjoy many more years of good health, happy times and great paintings!

Have a safe and Happy Labor Day. We pray for all our family members heading off to college, and returning to elementary and high school this month. Study hard, it will be worth it to your future.

Enjoy participating in the San Gennaro Festival and Festa at the Seattle Center.



WINNERS

Birthday Drawing: (June meeting; second draw for July; September meeting includes drawing for August.)

June was won by Joseph Picciano; July was split by Rosa Facciuto, Dot Whitney, & Al Nelson (\$15 in total).

Raffle: Steve Clayton (*2), Colleen Flower, Frances Rossi (*2), Anna Popovich (*2), Mona Nelson, Scott Fitzpatrick, Velva Saltarelli, Judy Seth (*2), Martin Nigrelle (*2),

Progressive Prize: Karen Bianchi who was not present. Next meeting: \$100.00



Raffle time at the 2017 Italian Community Picnic in Maple Valley

2017 Italian Festival!

Welcome to Seattle's 30th Annual Festa Italiana! Festa Italiana is an all-volunteer community organization which produces an annual series of events the last week of September, culminating in a major Italian Festival at Seattle Center. Since 1988, Festa Italiana has been celebrating the cultural roots of Italians and Italian-Americans in the Pacific Northwest by promoting the arts, the food and the culture that are uniquely Italian.



30th Annual FESTA ITALIANA SEATTLE SEPT. 22-24

Where and When:

Come join us in the beautiful Fisher Pavilion and the surrounding grounds and buildings of the Seattle Center, as we present the 30th Annual Italian Festival:

Festa Seattle 30th Anniversary
Seattle Center
305 Harrison Street
Seattle, WA 98109

September 23 & 24, 2017
10AM – 7PM, Saturday and Sunday



Highlights:

Our highlights include two concerts starring New York tenor Aaron Caruso in only his third appearance in Seattle, Celebrity Chef Rossella Rago headlining a great schedule of cooking demos, puppetry by the Olde World Puppet Theatre and a Grape Stomping competition which has to be seen to be believed! By popular demand, the Food Court & Vendor Market has been expanded as well.

Friday night at 7PM we will also present the Taste of Italy™ Wine Tasting and Opening Reception in the Armory at Seattle Center. Featuring music by Danny Quintero, over 70 Italian wines to taste, and delicious Hors d'oeuvres and antipasti from Big John's PFI. Tickets are \$25 per person and you must be 21 or older to enter. (Service charges apply.)

As always, we will again offer a wide array of cultural and educational opportunities in which to participate and learn. Year after year, however, our main attractions continue to be food, entertainment and fun for the whole family!

Annual Festa Luncheon

The Annual Festa Luncheon, sponsored by the Italian Club of Seattle, will be held this year at the prestigious Seattle Yacht Club overlooking Portage Bay. The date is Friday, September 15th, from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM. The Seattle Yacht Club offers us a beautiful dining room, great food and free parking, all for the reasonable price of \$55 per person. It almost always sells out so we suggest you get your RSVPs in early.

Festa Italiana is happy to announce that this year's Gill Centioli Award winner is Brian DiJulio, and veteran stage announcer John Venables will be the recipient of the Patricia DeLaurenti Volunteer of the Year Award. This year's Keynote Speaker will be Dr. Paolo Feraboli from the world-famous Laboratorio Automobili Lamborghini located in the Interbay neighborhood of Seattle. Dr. Feraboli will speak on the subject of carbon fiber that is lighter than aluminum and stronger than steel as was developed for racecars by Lamborghini and is now used in Boeing airplanes.

Tickets including lunch are \$55.00 per person. For more details and to make reservations, call (206) 779-7325, or send a check for \$55 per person to: Audrey Manzanares, 829 NW 54th Street, Seattle WA 98107-3646. Tickets may also be purchased on-line via the Festa website at www.FestaSeattle.com.

The Taste of Italy™ ITALIAN WINE TASTING



The "Taste of Italy™," the popular Wine Tasting and Reception will be held this year on Friday, September 22, 2017 and will again be located in the Seattle Center Armory, right next door to the Italian Festival in the heart of the Seattle Center grounds.

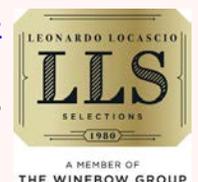
The "Taste of Italy™" is a chance for the general public to try over 70 wines representing every region of Italy at the minimal cost of \$25 per person in advance, or \$30 at the door. Each ticket includes a souvenir wineglass and five 2 oz. tastes of wine. Additional tastes may be purchased for \$2.50 apiece, and there will be sparkling water, bread, Italian antipasti and crudites available for palate-cleansing.

You must be 21 years of age or older to attend this event and there is no child-care provided. In addition, attendees will be able to view the Le Arti della Festa art & mixed-media exhibition, and the Festa Italiana Historical Photo Exhibit. Patrons can purchase bottles or cases of wine to be delivered the following week.

Details are as follows:

- When: Friday, September 22nd from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM
- Where: The Armory at Seattle Center (formerly the Center House)
- Live Music by: Danny Quintero and his band
- Catering by: Big John's PFI
- Wine Sales by: Esquin Wine & Spirits
- Cost: \$25 per person in advance or \$30 at the Door. You must be 21 years of age or older to enter.

To purchase tickets in advance: Please visit Eventbrite (<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/taste-of-italytm-wine-tasting-at-seattles-italian-festival-tickets-33057429662?aff=es2>) (There is a processing fee of \$2.24 per ticket).



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September 2017 

7th	Trustee Meeting
8-10	San Gennaro Festival Georgetown
14th	ICoS General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM
15th	Festa Italia Luncheon Seattle Yacht Club
16th	Festa Mass Mt. Virgin Church, 6:30PM
22nd	Taste of Italy, Seattle Center
23 & 24	Festa Italiana, Seattle Center
28th	Input Deadline for October <i>il Ficcanaso</i>

October 2017 

	No Trustee meeting this month
7 & 8	Italian Festival, Reno, NV
9th	Columbus Day Dinner
12th	ICoS General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM
25th	Input Deadline for November <i>il Ficcanaso</i>
28th	Seattle Fedele “John Croce” Homemade Wine Festival

November 2017 

2nd	Trustee Meeting
9th	ICoS General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM
23rd	Thanksgiving
25th	Input Deadline for December <i>il Ficcanaso</i>

December 2017 

	No Trustee meeting this month
3rd	Adult Christmas Party Rainier Golf & Country Club in conjunction with WSICC
9th	Children’s Christmas Party combined with Seattle Fedele SOI, St. John’s Parish Hall
11th	Past Presidents Luncheon & Board Appreciation dinner (combined), Mamma Melina’s
14th	ICoS General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM
24th	Input Deadline for January <i>il Ficcanaso</i>
25th	Christmas Day

January 2018 

1st	New Year’s Day
4th	Trustee Meeting
11th	ICoS General Meeting/ Dinner 6:30PM
25th	Input Deadline for February <i>il Ficcanaso</i>

**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

On-Line *il Ficcanaso*

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