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Your Cultural and Social Newsletter



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la Parola del Presidente

As the board and I begin our second year, I hope we can continue to have another successful one. Even though the road has been a little bumpy at times, the ride has been relatively smooth, thanks to you, the members.

The membership has been increasing very nicely. At the last board meeting we interviewed 10 applicants and we will see another 11 this week. Many applications were given out at the Feast. I spoke to Carl Sellitti, our Feast Chairman and he declared "on the whole, the Feast was a success, about 15% below last year". On behalf of the club I want to personally thank Carl and all the volunteers for a great job. It takes a lot of work throughout the year to produce an event of this magnitude. Thanks again Carl.

Watch for & attend the many events planned for the coming months. Please note that all members are invited to the monthly Birthday Celebrations! All are welcome to help celebrate with those having birthdays. Next one is March 21st. Ciao, Bruce

Celebrazione! Fare Festa!

*St. Patrick's
and
St. Joseph's Day
Celebration!*

The Italian American Club Of Venice
1375 Ringling Drive

Saturday, March 13th, 2010

Cocktails 5:30 to 6:00 pm

Cash Bar

Dinner Served 6:00 to 7:00 pm

Menu

Stuffed Pasta

Corned Beef & Cabbage

Irish Soda Bread

Italian Pastry

For Tickets Call: Barbara M 941-493-3204

Or Barbara T 941-493-8883

Music & Song
by "The Mangroves"

Donation

Members: \$15.00 per person

Guests: \$20.00 per person

The Italian American Club of Venice
1375 Ringling Dr. Venice, Fl. 34284

Presents.....

A Wine Tasting

An Informative Wine Program



Featuring:

Program featuring Italy's Wine Industry

Tasting of 8 Varietal Wines of Italy

Accompanied by Cheese & Crackers at your Table

Souvenir Wine Glass to Keep

Complimentary Coffee and Biscotti following the Program

Wednesday, March 24th, 2010

7:00 pm

Seating limited to 160 place settings.

Admission by ticket only.

Donation: **Members \$10.00**

Guests \$12.00

For Tickets call:

Barbara 941- 493-3204

Mario 941- 493-5571

Got your tickets yet?

Report on Pops Concert: On the last Wed in January the club was privileged to host a concert & tutoring session attended by more that **120** members & guests. Led by member Edmond DeMattia, the quartet, accompanied by Soprano, Sharon Lesley, played a variety of Classical & popular pieces. This enjoyable evening was coordinated by the Cultural Committee & Chair **Mario Capecci**, followed by refreshments & **Chef Joe's** delicious "Biscotti"!

St. Joseph's Day Celebration

Epiphany Cathedral

Friday March 19th, 2010

12:30 pm Mass Celebrated in Italian

All members wishing to attend, please wear club shirts and arrive by **12 noon**. Volunteers will distribute bread after Mass.

Volunteers welcome to help prepare bread at the club on

Thurs Mar. 18th at 10 am. Call Joe DiMarco at 321-6523

****Reminder**
Have you paid
your 2010 Dues
Of \$40.00?**

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Benvenuti!

Welcome New Members: *Yvonne Cordero, Donald Lazzaro, Emmett Mennetti, Katherine Ostrovsky, Grazia Pastore, Eda Scott.*

Luce del Sole Get well soon!

Amelia Lissor



In Sympathy: Condolences to families & loved ones on the passing of *Marie Gorgoglione, Jerry Brugnola and Sue Zoben, Carlo Ferroni's sister.*

Note: Please call **Barbara Terzi at 493-8883** if you know of someone needing the support of the members through cards, calls & prayers.

E-mail: justbarbt1@verizon.net

Buon Compleanno!

Enjoy one **Complimentary** Carafe of Wine During Friday Night Pasta Dinner for your Birthday in the Month of **Marzo!**



Bob Palumbo **4th**, Peter Zazzali **5th**, Karl Bicknese **6th**, Gabe D'Angelo, Rose Innocenti, Tony Maggio **8th**, Leona Virzi **11th**, Anne Meeker **14th**, Patrick Alfarano, Carl Sellitti Jr. **15th**, Gert Carpenter **16th**, Noland Middaugh **18th**, Katherine Ostrovsky **21st**, Bob Houston **22nd**, Liz Maggio, Domenic Scotece **23rd**, Pat Mastroirilli, Thomas Santurri **24th**, Albert (Buzz) Vickers **26th**, Richard Dionisio **27th**, Sal Amati, Angie Orientale **29th**.

*If we missed your Birthday, please call Barbara Moccia to update your information. Show ID at the Bar to add your name to the list for March.

Reviews on Recent Happenings

Sat. Jan 30th: The club was a busy spot filled with treasures at the **Mega Garage Sale!** A steady stream of purchasers sorted through the many items, bargained and left with big smiles & full tummies! Thanks to Mike Sollitto for the "food tent". The sale was initiated & coordinated by Joy Serino, aided by many and all are to be commended for a great job! The Bocce Courts will benefit from the proceeds of the day, close to \$1200! Grazie!

Sat. Feb. 6th: The Valentine & Installation Dinner Dance was attended by **124** members & guests who watched the "elegantly" garbed board take the oath of office for 2010, heard a few words from President, Bruce Bastian on the state of the club, followed by a Café Venice catered dinner and then danced the night away to the sounds of Perfect Chord Productions. Thanks to Tom & Julie Aquila as chairpersons, Father Jack Cosentino, invocation, Mario Capecci, swearing in the board, Linda Bastian decorations, Barbara's, Moccia & Terzi, ticket sales and the myriad of helpers in setting up, cleaning up & putting back! The Aquila's appreciate your support & contribution in helping to make this event successful.

Sat. Feb. 14th: The February Birthday Celebration offered Italian Subs, trimmings & a DiMarco Custom Cake to the **65** members in attendance. Birthday wishes were sung & the cake was enjoyed by all. It really is a nice way to get to know the other members and all are welcome! Mark your calendars for next month's celebration- March 21st, 4pm. See you there!

Wed. Feb 10th: Peter's Video featured regions of Italy. Plan to attend the next one on March 11th at 7pm. Refreshments too!

Marzo 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

March Notable Dates:

- **March 4th**— General Meeting 7 pm
- **March 7th**— Opera "The Magic Flute" 8 pm
- **March 11th**— Peter's Video Rick Steve's Venice 7 pm
- **March 13th**— St Patrick/St Joseph Party, see flyer
- **March 19th**— St Joseph's Day at Epiphany Cathedral
- **March 21st**— Monthly Birthday Celebration 4 pm
- **March 24th**— "Wine Tasting" featuring Italian Wines
- **March 25th**— Executive Meeting 6 pm
- Wednesday's Card Games Call Paul 408-7247
- **Mar 28th**— BocceTourney Venetian Falls here at 1pm
- Weekly Italian Classes/ Study of Italian Culture

*Save the Dates: Mark your Calendar

April 1st: General Meeting 7pm

April 2nd-4th: Good Friday & Happy Easter to all

April 10th: Fabulous Fifties Festino! Dance to "Oldies"

April 11th: Monthly Birthday Celebration: all welcome 4pm

April 17-24th: FFIAC Cruise to Bermuda

April 22- Peter's Video on Italy 7pm

The Italian American Club of Venice

Fabulous Fifties Festino

Sat. April 10th, 2010

Social Hour 5:30
Dinner & Dessert 6:30
Dancing to the "Oldies" 7:30

Donation: Members \$13.00
Guests \$18.00
Ticket #

Highlights from the Board

Update to sound system: include Peter's funds *Approved \$100 donations to FFIAC & AGAPE for Haitian Relief
New Cash Register installed at the Bar.
Added lighted Dry Eraser Advertising Board
Donated 50 Eggplant dinners to Venice High School

Special Notes

- **Plan your Spring Vacation:** Take a 7 day cruise with the FFIAC April 17-24, featuring a 3 day stay in Bermuda. Very reasonable rates. See Lou Sclafani for info.
- **Need a ride** to the General Meeting? Call Bruce 966-3857
- **General Language Forum** with Domenic Sundays 2-4 pm
- **Beginner Italian Class** with Domenic Tuesday 4-6pm
- **Intermediate Italian Class** with Bruce Monday 4-6pm
- **Study of Italian Culture** with Carlo Ferroni Wed 2 pm

This month's list for General Meeting goodies is **A to L**. Your contributions are greatly appreciated!

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