

# Novità

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## la Parola del Presidente

Dear Fellow Members, After a couple of tumultuous months, the ship is back on course! Our election will take place Dec. 1st and it should be a busy night. It's nice to see that so many members have stepped up to the plate to give of their time to help keep this club one of the best in the area. Recording Secretary position was unopposed & I will move into Past President place but all others will be voted on, so plan to attend & cast your vote. Best wishes to all the candidates. Ciao, Tom

### Executive Board of the IACofV 2012



Thomas Colangelo  
Rec. Secretary



Tom Martorana  
Past President

### Sarasota Opera Studio Singers Report Nov. 9th

By Diane Houston

How much more Italian could we be and this WAS the place to be last night. It was the most treasured ticket in town. The Sarasota Opera Studio Singers were exceptionally magnificent again this year. Unbelievably talented young singers' voices numbering seven filled our social hall with vigor and personality plus. Solos, duets, and trios from this magnificent group of professional singers brought awe, enchantment, and romanticism to our audience. Opera selections from many of Verdi's operas including "Macbeth" and "Don Carlo" as well as duets from the Broadway shows "Oklahoma" and "The Most Happy Fellow" were sung with amazing artistic style and stage presence. Every song brought bellows of bravos and our record breaking audience to their feet. Just as in all our other events, our organization presented a classy evening of entertainment and our cultural committee, decked out in their white and black attire and bow-ties looked fantastico!!!! "Noi abbiamo fatto una bella figura!" We made a very good impression as our audience consisted mostly of non-members and the kudos were overwhelming. Joe's delicious biscotti was the perfect ending to a beautiful evening. Everyone had smiles on their faces both entering and leaving our portals. How proud were we and how fortunate are we to bring this program to our community each year. Our patrons left our Club with joy in their hearts looking forward to next year's performance. However, this event could not have run so smoothly if it weren't for the following members who were right there when I needed them to coordinate or attend to details.

#### VOLUNTEERS:

Barbara & Justin Terzi, Linda & Bruce Bastian, Viola Giancola, Lousie DiVecchio, Anthony & Jimmie Ann Rondello, Nancy Canto, Gene & Angie Orientale, Joe DiMarco, and Bob Houston.

Wishing everyone a very happy & healthy holiday season!

**\*\*BUON NATALE A TUTTI\*\***



### Children's Christmas Party

Dec. 17th, 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Children 10 years old & under welcome!

Featuring games, gifts & goodies!

**\*\*PONY RIDES\*\***

Children/grandchildren/nipoti/friends: bring them all!

**Compliments of the Club!**

The Italian American Club of Venice.....Presents.....

**\*Some Enchanted  
New Year's Evening\***

Saturday, Dec. 31st, 2011

Social & Cocktails 7pm

Dinner Buffet 8pm

Venetian Dessert Table  
Complimentary Champagne  
At Midnight

Donation: Members \$50 Guests \$55



Ticket #

**Catered by Café Venice & Menu Includes:** Caesar Salad, Carved Beef Tenderloin, Grilled Shrimp w/Scampi Butter, Vegetable Lasagna, Mushroom Spinach Risotto, Fresh Garlic Green & Yellow Mixed Beans & Peppermint Cheesecake. Champagne for toasting & Midnight Venetian Dessert Table! Musical Entertainment by "Mainstreet" from Naples!  
**Limited number of tickets! Make your plans early!**

**REMEMBER:**  
**VENICE  
HOLIDAY  
PARADE**  
**SAT NOV. 26TH**  
Ride the float or walk the Parade route in Red Tops, Dark Bottoms, Comfortable Shoes! Social follows at the Club.

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# Benvenuti!

## Decembre 2011

### Welcome New Members:

Phil Appolonia, Bob Avena, Felicia Hock, John Hock, Phyllis Lucca, Judy Mossorofo, Charles Mossorofo, Paul Palmeri, Leanne Rodick



### Luce del Sole Get well soon

Sophie Petracco, Marge Hanson, Tony Rich  
Fred Opie

**Note:** Please call **Nancy Canto at 925-3479** if you know of someone needing the support of the members through cards, calls & prayers.

### Buon Compleanno!

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



Thomas Opipari **1st**, Gene Barattini, Alex Carpenter, Lydia Magnotti, Michael Sollitto, Salvatore Trofi, **all on the 3rd**, Dominic Gatti **4th**, Carl Wilson **6th**, Jennie Sturchio, Peter DiVecchio **7th**, Judi Rider, Lou Mastro **9th**, Carol Sollitto, Steven Sudia, Colette Russell **10th**, Louise DiVecchio **11th**, Bob Rexroat **16th**, Anna Derrick, Jack Ulkis **18th**, Barbara Moccia, Judith Perkey **19th**, Connie Samuels, Richard Serino, Chuck Russell, Loretta McFarland **21st**, Elisabeth DeMattia **25th**

\*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 Dec.

### LIVE WELL, LOVE MUCH, LAUGH OFTEN

**DIVA & ITALIAN GUY** will put on their **Unique Cabaret** following dinner on **Sat. Jan. 21st** "Serious singing & the rest is pure fun!" "This Gal can sing." "Glittering Entertainment." "Sebastian is a funny, funny man!" (previous press comments) Great opportunity for a dinner show in an intimate setting! Sold out crowd last year!

Tickets available in December. DETAILS TO FOLLOW!

### \*\*HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BOARD\*\*

- ByLaws committee was appointed. Includes Sophie Petracco, Gene Orientale, Tony Rondello & Ron DeBacco
- Approved floor mats purchase for the kitchen
- Approved Carpet & Tile cleaning
- Ordered new Flags
- Motion passed to donate 50/50 draw proceeds to Our Mother's House
- Next Executive Board meeting is Tues. Nov. 29th

### ANTIPASTO TRAYS FOR SNOWBIRD DINNER!



Delizioso!

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

### December Notable Dates:

- Dec 1st- General Meeting 7 pm
- Dec 11th- Member Birthday/Anniversary Party 4 pm
- Dec 17th- Children's Christmas Party 1 to 3 pm
- Dec 25th- Christmas day
- Dec 29th- Executive Board meeting 6pm
- Dec 31st- Some Enchanted New Years Evening
- Wednesday's Card Games continue
- Monday's Bocce— 2 pm to sundown
- Weekly Italian Classes/ Study of Italian Culture

### \*Save the Dates: Mark your Calendar

**Jan. 12th:** Peter's Video features Northern Italy

**Jan. 15th:** Member Birthday/Anniversary Party 4pm

**Jan. 21st:** Dinner with Diva & The Italian Guy

**Feb. 4th: Valentine Dinner Dance**

**Feb. 8th:** Sarasota Mandolin Orchestra

**Feb. 16th:** Peter's Video features Southern Italy

**Feb. 23rd-26th: The Feast 2012** flyer available & schedule next month. Questions? Call Bruce Bastian at 266-3317

**March 8th:** Peter's Video features Sicily

**March 24th: "Carmen" Opera.** See Gene for tickets.

**March 14th: "Wine Tasting"** Wines to be decided.

### 11.07.11 5th Annual Snowbird Dinner

#### ..... After Action Review

With the observance of 'All Saints & All Souls' days, November hosts a myriad of notable annual events. Election Day, Marine Corps B-Day, Veteran's Day and Thanksgiving most readily come to mind. Another is the migration south, recently evidenced by the appearance of extended family club members at the **5th Annual "Welcome Home Snowbirds" Appreciation Dinner.** Bruce Bastian chaired the gala gathering that was held at the club on **Sun, Nov 6th.** In attendance were more than eighty members who were treated to 'una colazione eccelente' prepared by Chef Joe D and staff of sous chefs. The atmosphere was enhanced through the decorative décor developed by Linda B, helped by Diane H. An open bar tended by Michael A. provided libations and lubrication. Ever vigilant talent scout Bruce B. found a polished, professional performer in Jimmy Mazz, a vocalist who entertained the rapt audience for over an hour with a one man show that featured well known songs by renowned singers of Italian heritage.

Through the coordinated efforts of many dedicated members, another enjoyable social became a reality.

Thank you to all those who worked so hard.

Report submitted By "Roving Reporter" AJ Rondello

This month's list for General Meeting goodies is **M to Z.**

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