

# Novità

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## la Parola del Presidente

As Easter arrived early this year, we will be saying arrivaderci to some of our seasonal members. Hopefully you enjoyed the activities at the Club over the Fall & Winter and are looking forward to returning later this year. Remember, if you want to keep up with Club news, access the website (above) & check your email for occasional updates that I will be sending out. If we don't have your email on file, please let me know by sending an email to [president@italianamericanclubofvenice.com](mailto:president@italianamericanclubofvenice.com). There was a great turnout for last months events, nice to see member participation. There are some exciting events coming up— Jimmy Mazz Dinner Show to benefit Monday Bocce, Member & Guest Beach Party at the pavilion by Sharkey's, the last of the Video Series "Immigration to California" & the Feast Appreciation Party. Looking forward to "Feelin' Groovy at VPAC at the end of the month! You too? It has been another busy and enjoyable season. Watch for the swearing in of some new members at the next meeting, we are now working on the waiting list. *Hope you all enjoyed a blessed Easter.* **Ciao, Bruce**

The Italian American Club of Venice...presents

### Picnic at the Pavilion

Dinner &  
DooWop

Sun April 10th...4-8pm

Catered Dinner/BYOB

Donation: \$20.00

Limited Seating/No Refunds

Refunds only for inclement Weather.

Ticket #

## Mother's Day Brunch

Come and celebrate with us

**\*\*Sunday, May 8th, 2016\*\***

From 10:00 am to 12 noon  
at

The Italian American Club of Venice

### Special Menu of the Day

Features a Tasty Array of Brunch Specialties  
That will make your Mother's Day a Delight!

(Includes a complimentary Mimosa for Mother!)

Brunch is "Complimentary" for Club Member "Mothers"!

For Tickets Call: Johanna 941- 468-5013

Kathy 941- 928-0902

Or Email: [kathleen.carbone@gmail.com](mailto:kathleen.carbone@gmail.com)

#### Donation

Members: \$16.00 per person 10 yrs & Under \$8.00

Guests: \$22.00 per person 10 yrs & Under \$12.00

\*NOTE: Member Mothers are complimentary but need to have a ticket to be added to the count for food planning purposes!

## RECENT HAPPENINGS.....

**On February 28th:** 97 workers and their guests met at the Gulfview Grill, in Englewood for a very special meal. The diners were greeted by Al & Phyllis Angelastri and Karl Bicknese. Our cocktail hour began at 3 sharp with fruit and cheese platter, spinach dip and crackers. Also our drinks were specially priced. The meal choices were prime rib, salmon or Chicken Florentine and was served promptly at 4pm. The room was ours until 6pm but no-one who stayed to watch the sunset was chased.....This meal, it's price and the specialties were negotiated by Al Angelastri & was assisted by Mike Alexandratos and Karl Bicknese. Dick Cattelona is back to work with Al and they'll be working soon on our next venue. Our current period will end May 6th and our dinner will be held **May 22nd**. Mark your calendars ....your team will be out seeking to find a venue fit for this great group of workers! **By RAC**

**Tampa Bay Downs March 6th:** 47 enthusiasts boarded our charter bus and headed for Tampa. We had a distinguished horse player aboard, Larry Fisher. Larry owns 4 race horses and has them stabled at Churchill Downs, the annual site of the Kentucky Derby. He spoke to the riders on our trip northward about betting, horses and jockeys but had our attention with his tales of various Kentucky Derby's. Larry has made every Derby since 1968...It is fair to say his audience was very interested and entertained. Once at the track and before the races, we had a delicious buffet. in our own designated seating section. At 12:25 we all got down to business as the racing was to begin. Thereafter, we'd all circulate to how the other guys were doing. When the dust settled there were a few who seemed happy ....but all in all, it was otherwise a wonderful day. More than likely we'll do it all over again next year, come along, see if you can have "beginner's luck". **By RAC**

**Note: Multi Grazie to Dick for organizing the trip again this year.**

**March 9th: Ken McBride Himself:** It was an evening of fantastic entertainment, humor, and wonderful singing both by Ken McBride and our audience participation of 135 people. Ken kept us laughing heartily with his Irish wit and banter. His rendition of "Phantom of the Opera" was spellbinding and his tribute to our armed forces and our national songs evoked our patriotism. It was definitely a night to remember. What fun!!!! Thank you to all our dedicated members who helped to make this evening possible: Linda Bastian, Johanna Giordano, Kathy Carbone, Tony Rondello, Bob Houston, Dick Cattelona, Marion Capecchi, Vi Giancola, Nancy Canto, Ron DeBacco, Ralph Maccarone, Joe DiMarco. **By Diane.**

**\*Grazie Diane for another successful event!**

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# Benvenuti!

## Welcome New Member!

*This month's meeting will see some new members from the waiting list joining the Club.*



## Luce del Sole: Get Well Soon!

Carl Wilson

## Condolences to:

*Vi Giancola, Donna Sherman & Gil Giancola, their families & friends on the passing of their Mother.*

*To Carl Wilson on the passing of his brother.*

*To Sheila Sullivan on the passing of her sister-in-law.*

*To Julia Griffith on the passing of her brother.*

**Note:** Please call **Vi Giancola 497-6942** if you know of someone needing the support of the members with cards, calls & prayers.

Email: [misssvig007@comcast.net](mailto:misssvig007@comcast.net)

## Buon Compleanno!

One **Complimentary** Carafe of Wine during Friday Night Pasta Dinner for your Birthday in **April!**



Chris Accardi **11th**, Tony Aceto **5th**, Al Angelastri **23rd**, Theo Angelini **15th**, Sharon Borsella **13th**, Betty Burrafato **20th**, Nancy Canto **12th**, Kathy Carbone **4th**, Peggy Carlozzi **14th**, Paul Castiglione **27th**, Jeannette Castiglione **12th**, Dominic Cicero **1st**, George Clark **7th**, Joe Fiorella **30th**, Lynn Fontana **24th**, Suzanne Heise **12th**, Sebastian Liseo **22nd**, Tom Lloyd **17th**, Bob Marcario **4th**, Tom Marchesello **7th**, Tom Martorana **11th**, Giuseppe Mastrandrea **13th**, Marian Navratil **5th**, John O'Donnell **5th**, Rose Ott **28th**, Conrad Perkey **9th**, Patricia Rice **11th**, Grace Robbio **28th**, Anthony Rondello **19th**, Janet Rose **15th**, Bob Santurri **30th**, Donna Sherman **11th**, Jamie Sooy **28th**, Maureen Spacciante **22nd**, Denise Sudia **23rd**, Ron Tenaglia **8th**, Marge Ulkis **19th**, Nancy Ziozios **2nd**.

\*Call **Kate Antico 882-4894** to update your info if you were missed.

**March 20th- Birthday Celebration** 114 members attended and sang to 10 birthday celebrants! **Mike Alexandratos** hosted the very popular **Greek themed** food including dolmades & feta, Greek style salad, chicken & roasted potatoes, spanakopita and Baklava by Joe D (Mike's recipe). **Tutti Delizioso!** Helpers included: Pasquale, Joe C, Randy & Susan P, Teresa L, Marino, Marion C, Lynn F, Elaine T, Tom M, Linda B, Lou Piazza & Joe Bird on Bar. Chair, **Bruce** reminds new members that it's a perfect way to get acquainted with your fellow members! It's your club to enjoy! Many thanks to Mike A for organizing this great celebration. Next Birthday/Anniversary on **April 24th!**

**March 13th- St Patrick's Day Dinner** was served to approx. 60 members & guests (Irish for a day!) to the "wearing of the green" party! Hors d'oeuvres of olives & mozzarella skewers were served before prima piatti pasta farfalle (yummy) & traditional Irish soda bread, corned beef & cabbage dinner, followed by ricotta filled cannoli's. All prepared by our "culinary team" of Joe DiMarco, Patsy Santaguida, Marino Roncari, Susan & Randy Pistone, Anthony Rondello & Frank Uttaro. Bar set-up, Bob Houston, decorations, by Linda B. Tickets & Door Kathy C & Johanna G., 50/50 Tom M. Kudos to **Bruce & Joe** for chairing this dinner event. "

Although many assume that St. Patrick is of Irish descent, he was actually not born in Ireland. No one knows specifically where he was born, but historians believe he was born in Kilpatrick, near Dumbarton in Scotland (technically a territory of Britain at the time). **Patrick's parents were Calpurnius and Conchessa, who were Italians living on a British estate. So technically - he's Italian! Who knew?**

This month's list for General Meeting goodies is **N to Z**. Everyone appreciates your "sweet" contributions! **Grazie.**

## Aprile 2016

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## April Notable Dates:

- **April 7th-** General Meeting **7:00 pm**
- **April 10th-** Picnic & DooWop at the Beach 4-8pm
- **April 12th-** Last Seasonal Video: 7pm All Welcome
- **April 17th-** Celebration for all Feast Workers at IACV
- **April 24th-** Monthly Birthday **4pm**
- **April 28th-** Executive Board Meeting **6pm**
- **April 30th-** VPAC "Feelin' Groovy"
- **Mon Bocce 9am & coffee too. All welcome.**
- **Tues, Weds & Fri 9am Coffee** Come on down!
- **Wednesday's Card Game continues** in Columbus Room
- Weekly Italian Classes/ Study of Italian Culture
- **Wednesday Mahjong 1-4** Maria for info: 497-0665

## \*Save the dates: Mark your calendar

**May 5th**—General Meeting 7pm

**May 8th**—Mother's Day Fabulous Buffet Brunch

**May 15th**—Member Birthday/ anniversary celebration **4pm**

**June 19th-** Father's Day Breakfast

**TO ALL FEAST WORKERS:**

You are invited to an  
**Evening of Appreciation\*\***  
 for 2016 Feast Workers  
 To be held at the IACV

**Sunday, April 17th, 2016**  
**Happy Hour 5 pm**  
**Dinner 6 pm**  
**Featuring Music by "The Cruzor"**

**RSVP by April 10th**  
 To Bruce by replying to this email  
 Or call **941-266-3317**  
**One Guest limit : Thirty-Five Dollars**

**March 19th- St Joseph's Day** at Epiphany Cathedral was well attended by about 150 people. This annual mass is celebrated in Italian and readings were done by Marino Roncari, Maria Tims & Nancy Canto. In keeping with tradition, the congregation enjoyed the breads & biscotti provided by the club, after the services. Joe DiMarco thanks all who attended & especially those who helped make the bread. Mille Grazie.



**MARCH 5th:** A very enthusiastic group of Opera goers enjoyed dinner at Salute in Downtown Sarasota before the outstanding performance of "AIDA". Kudos to Gene Orientale for being the "in-house" Opera contact! What's next year....?

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