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Parola del Presidente The club has had three events since last month's Novita'. Our Feast was a tremendous success this year. We were blessed with four days of outstanding weather. Special thanks to our Feast Director, Bruce Bastian, for his leadership and to all our dedicated volunteers. The Meet

weather. Special thanks to our Feast Director, Bruce Bastian, for his leadership and to all our dedicated volunteers. The Meet Your Paesano dinner dance was enjoyed by some 126 paesanos and was attended by more members than non-members. Kudos to the Anticos & the Maccarones for making this first-time event a great success. Kudos to Joe DeMarco for organizing the St. Joseph's Day celebration. The colorful tribute to St. Joseph was very festive with the Knights of Columbus in costume, our ushers and readers dressed with red sashes and carnations, and 57 members in red shirts. With the deadline past for 2017 membership dues, we have some 60 vacancies. On 3/30 the Board will vet the first 30 applicants on the waiting list. The successful candidates will be sworn in at the April 6th General meeting. To our seasonal members, we wish you safe travels home and look forward to seeing you in the fall.

Buona Pasqua a tutti.

Ciao, Ron





*This event is in the planning stages. See Ron DeBacco for more information or to offer help!

RECENT HAPPENINGS....

3/11/17 Wow!! What a wonderful time we had at the "Meet Your Paesano" Dinner Dance. Café Panini surprised us with full table service - no buffet. The food was authentic Italian cuisine, fresh and delicious with a beautiful presentation. Thanks so much to Annmarie & Nick owners of Café Panini and the whole staff who provided us with excellent food and service. Thank you to the Cruzer DJ who played a variety of Italian music and dance tunes. What fun we even danced the Tarantella!! Much thanks to our Co-Chairs Carol & Ralph Maccarone who gave us endless assistance. The cookie table was an added treat thanks to Carol M, Ralph's sister Ann and Joe D. Thanks to Linda Bastian for the beautiful tickets and table cards. Thank you to Johanna Giordano for ticket sales. Thanks to Tom Martorana for the raffle. Thank you to Joe Bird & Johanna for help with table settings. Thanks to Ralph M. who coordinated and helped setup the dining room, assisted by John A., Joe B, Dick C, Dave J. and Anthony R. Thanks to the many members who stayed to help clean up, and the Monday guys that helped finish up, it was much appreciated. Membership attendance for this event was great maybe we should have an "Italian Night" next year!! Submitted by Kate Antico

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner was held Sunday March 5 at Donato's restaurant with 86 attending. It seemed as though all enjoyed the unique atmosphere of a New York subway leading you to a moonlit outdoor restaurant. We were serenaded by the

opera pasta maker who presented roses to those who were close to celebrating birthday's. Two \$25 gift certificates were given by the Manager by a drawing. Thanks to all who volunteer for the sake of the betterment of the club. If a member works 6 times they will be invited to the next event in June. Thank you Donna for arranging this successful dinner. Great choice!

Submitted by Donna Sherman

3/18/17: 33 people went to L'Italiana in Algeri, it was a very funny Opera, lots of laughs, well acted & good music. I counted 22 people at Salute's, where most had their three course early bird dinner. Thanks Gene O. for organizing this Opera & the one coming up next week.

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Welcome New Member!

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



Luce del Sole: Get Well Soon!

Leona Virzi, Janet Rose, Jeannette Castiglione, Joe Carbone

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

Buon Compleanno!

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



*Call Kathy Carbone 928-0902 to update your info if you were missed. Show ID at the Bar to add your name to April list.

March 19th- Birthday Celebration 74 members attended and sang to 9 birthday celebrants, including Tom Santurri, Domenic Scotece, Bob & Lea Sherman, Noland Middaugh, Sal Amati, Bob Monaco, Doris McPeek & Bob Houston. Once again Joe Carbone stepped up to the plate (pun intended!) to put together a delicious dinner! Thank you Joe & your Kitchen helpers including: Pasquale Santaguida, Marino Roncari (he iced the cake with Cannoli filling! Yummy), Tom Santurri, & Frank Uttaro. Table setups were done by Emma Tarhalla, Marion Capecci, Jackie McLean & Mary Indovino. Bar was tended by Bob Houston, Raffle by Joe Bird, Door was Linda Bastian, Cake by Joe DiMarco & Table Caller "first-timer" was Bill Meyers, great job! Chair, Bruce reminds new members that it's a perfect way to get acquainted with your fellow members! Remember, it doesn't have to be your birthday to attend! It's your club to enjoy! Next Birthday/Anniversary on April 9th!

*NOTE: next Birthday will be an always popular, POT LUCK! Please see Julia Griffith (488-3979) to sign up with your food choice. She will make sure we have a good variety! There are some wonderful cooks in the Club, we're in for a treat!



Semplicemente To Charles & Anna Derrick for their generous donation in I Semple generous donation in honor of the 38th anniversary of the IACV & Grand anniversary of the IACV & Grandmother

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

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April Notable Dates:

- April 6th- General Meeting 7:00 pm
- April 9th Member Birthday/Anniversary POT LUCK
- April 14th- Closed Good Friday...have a blessed Easter
- April 16th- Buona Pasqua a tutti.
- April 23rd- Celebration for all Feast Workers at IACV
- April 27th Executive Board Meeting 6pm
- April 30th-Members Picnic in the Park! 4 to 8 pm
- Mon & Tues Bocce 9am & coffee too. All welcome.
- 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 4th—General Meeting 7pm

May 7th—Member Birthday/ anniversary celebration 4pm

May 14th—Mother's Day Celebration: plans are being made!

May 25th— Executive Board Meeting

June 18th- Father's Day Breakfast: in planning stage too.

TO ALL FEAST WORKERS:

You are invited to an

* * Evening of Appreciation * *

for 2017 Feast Workers To be held at the IACV

Sunday, April 23rd, 2017

Happy Hour 5 pm Catered Dinner 6 pm

Just back from Las Vegas! "Jimmy Mazz" New Show! "Legends & Laughter"

RSVP by April 14th

To Bruce's Email bdbastian3@verizon.net Or call **941-266-3317** or **941-321-6203** Guest Fee-Limit One: Forty-Five Dollars

March 20th- St Joseph's Day at Epiphany Cathedral was very well attended This annual mass is celebrated in Italian and readings were done by Marino Roncari, Maria Tims & Nancy Canto. The gift : Ron D, Joe C, Joe M, Pasquale S, & Joe D. 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. God bless all.

