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Your Cultural and Social Newsletter



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la Parola del Presidente

Do you agree with me that the older you get, the faster the time goes? The Club enjoyed a successful 2015 with many events & member club functions. It's nice to see many new members getting involved. The 2016 season is upon us & there are many events to take advantage of, from Dinner Dances, Symphony Sampler, Cultural Programs, Member Birthday parties, Opera, Bocce, Mahjong & as always, Friday Night Dinners! I am gearing up for the upcoming Feast & Carnival so make sure you let me know if you are available to work between Feb. 18th & 21st. The order is in for good weather! Remember, ideas produce vitality & we value yours. Let us know how to make the Club better! Hope your Christmas was merry & you enjoy good health & happiness in 2016. **Buon Capodanno!** *Ciao, Bruce*

Upcoming Events!

The Italian American Club of Venice...invites you to

NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA
 Celebrate our "Dry Land" Cruise!

THURSDAY, DEC. 31ST

SOCIAL 7:30/APPETIZERS 7:45/SALAD 8:45
 DINNER 9:15/DESSERT 11:00/CHAMPAGNE MIDNIGHT

DONATION: MEMBERS \$70 GUESTS \$75

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The Italian American Club of Venice

1375 Ringling Drive, Venice, FL 34264

Join us as...*The Venice Symphony String Quartet* Presents

A SYMPHONY SAMPLER A Return Performance

Wednesday, Jan 20th, 2016 at 7pm

Donation: Members \$10 Guests \$15

Ticket #

The Italian American Club of Venice...Presents

A Return Performance

Duo Romantica
 Songs from Broadway &
 The Great American Songbook

Wed. February 3rd, 2016 at 7pm

Donation: Members \$15 Guests \$20

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The Italian American Club of Venice ...Presents

A VALENTINE CELEBRATION



Saturday, Feb. 13th, 2016

Social 5:00 Dinner 6:00

Music & Dancing 7 to 10pm

Donation: Members \$25 Guests \$30

Ticket #

Results of Elections held on Dec 3rd, 2015

IACV EXECUTIVE BOARD 2016

President: Bruce Bastian
1st VP: Ronald DeBacco
2nd VP: Ben Petrone
Treasurer: Ralph Maccarone
Recording Sec: Joe Carbone
Corresponding Sec: Dick Cattelona
Past President: Tom Martorana

Congratulations to all & best wishes for a successful 2016!

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY 12/ 12/15

Ben Petrone did a great job coordinating the Children's Christmas Party attended by 105 in spite of the fact another such party was taking place in the city at the same time. Ben Says:

We had 43 children, 40 Adults, and 23 workers. 105 total. Everyone was so very helpful to get this done, Bruce for the permits, the workers who had as much fun as the kids (including me), the kitchen help, Bingo, face painting, pony rides, activity table, balloon girl, servers...as always the club members and non members who pitched in to make it terrific. When it was over I think we all felt the same, a sense of accomplishment. Seeing the kids with smiles on their faces made it a great day. To make it even better the kids were well behaved, it really was fun for all. Thanks to: Theo Angelini, Marion Capecci, JoAnn Marcario, Joe Carbone, Marino Roncari, Frank Uttaro, Al (Santa)/ Phyllis Angelastri, Mike/Betty Roselle, Joe/Connie (Mrs Claus) DiMarco, Tom/Shirley Santuri, Bob Pellegrini, Sandy Vecchione, Mary Indovino, VI Giancola, Annie Pflug, Juneth Lettner, Tom/Camille Marchesello and Diane Lerigo. **Buon Natale a tutti!**

TICKET SALES for events can be purchased at the Club during Friday Night Dinners, at meetings or by calling Johanna at 941-468-5013 or Kathy at 941-928-0902 Check the Event Flyers at Club or on Website for specifics.

****NOTE****

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Membership Dues of \$40 are due & payable to the IACV in January.

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Welcome New Member:

Father Sean Morris, Club Chaplain

Luce del Sole Get well soon!



Betty Lou Cattelona, Jack Tarhalla,
Gaetano Giarmoleo

Take a moment to remember those members
who passed away in 2015:

Tom Opipari, Jim Douras, Joseph Elinsky,

Nick Cocomello, Lou Basso, Peter DiVecchio, Evelyn Tarricone,
Faye Weiss, Marge Hanson, Phyllis Guith

Condolences to: Tony DiPietro on the passing of his brother.

Note: Please call **Vi Giancola 497-6942** or **missvig007@comcast.net**
if you know of someone needing the support of the members.

Buon Compleanno!

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



Erica Altolaguirre **24th**, Donna Amato **8th**, Jim Bari **22nd**, Bruce
Bastian **14th**, Barbara Beaudry **19th**, Eva Berrish **16th**, Peter
Boniface **18th**, Michael Camardo **26th**, Georgia Cavigliano **14th**,
Anthony Conny **30th**, Edmond DeMattia **24th**, Josephine Dittman
7th, Bob Dowling **17th**, John Fornadel **9th**, Nick Giangrasso
27th, Dee Gray **9th**, Diane Houston **24th**, Sarah Lazara **17th**,
Peter Massoglia **29th**, Lorraine Monteleone **1st**, Theresa Peluse
10th, Carl Perhac **14th**, Philip Pietrafetta **17th**, Tony Romano
17th, Ed Segowski **8th**, Jack Tarhalla **2nd**, Barbara Terzi **30th**.

*If we missed your Birthday, show ID at the Bar to add your name to the
list for **Jan**.

Dec. 6th: Member Birthday/Anniversary Pot Luck had **75** in
attendance. It's hard to describe the food everyone brought! It
was "wall to wall" deliciousness! There was plenty & certainly en-
joyed by all. There are a lot of good cooks in the club! Thank you
to Dee M, Marion C & Vi G for coordinating & their helpers includ-
ed Joanne M, Emma T, Dixie C, Sandy V, Frank U, Ralph M & Julia
Griffith who also donated Christmas décor & favors for everyone.
Grazie. Bar: Bob H, Door: Linda B, Raffle: Tom M. There were 9
Birthday celebrants serenaded by everyone, lead by Marino...
Buon Compleanno a Voi. **Don't forget to mark your calendars
for the next one on January 17th.**

Venice Holiday Parade 11/28: Huge success. Kudos especially
to Mike Alexandratos for coordinating, and also enhancing the
power system. Thanks Donna Sherman for handling our entry in
the parade. Thanks to those decorating the float, especially Julia
Griffith and Sheila Sullivan, to Doug McPeek for pulling the
Gondola & to the many volunteers walking the parade route and
those seated on the float representing the club. Thanks to Joe
DiMarco and helpers for making the Stromboli served at the club
afterward. The weather was mild, the decorated Gondola was
impressive as it moved past the thousands of onlookers.

Ken McLean would have been proud!

*Thanksgiving Dinner a smashing success! Report next month!

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

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24	25	26	27	<u>28</u>	29	30
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January Notable Dates:

- **Jan 1st:** Club Closed. Happy New Year!
- **Jan 7th-**General Meeting & Installation of Board **7 pm**
- **Jan. 12th-** "Italian Immigration Part 2 All welcome **7pm**.
- **Jan 17th-** Member Birthday Party **4pm All Welcome**.
- **Jan 20th-** Symphony Sampler 7pm Tix available.
- **Jan. 28th-** Executive Board Meeting **6 pm**
- **Monday Bocce & Coffee 9 am**
- **Tues, Wed & Fri morning coffee**
- **Wed Mahjong 1-4 pm Maria for info: 497-0655**
- Wednesday's Card Games continue.
- Weekly Italian Classes/ Study of Italian Culture resume.
- **Note: New Italian Beginner Class with Vince Amato starts Jan 7th-4-5:30 Call Vince for info 941-234-0465**

*Save the Dates: Mark your Calendar

- **Feb. 3rd: Duo Romantico:** Return performance Tix available
- **Feb. 4th:** General Membership Meeting 7pm
- **Feb. 8th:** Info Meeting for all Feast workers at Club **6pm**
- **Feb. 9th:** Italian Immigration, Their Story 2 at 7pm
- **Feb. 13th Valentine Celebration-** See flyer for info & Tix
- **Feb. 18th-21st: The Feast 2016** Questions? See **Bruce**
- **Feb 25th: Executive Board meeting**
- **Feb 28th:** Member Birthday/Anniversary Party 4 pm
- **March 3rd:** General Membership Meeting 7pm
- **March 5th: Opera "Aida"** See Gene Orientale for Tix
- **March 6th:** Tampa Bay Downs More info later!
- **March 9th:** Entertainer: Ken McBride Himself! Info/tix soon!
- **March 12th:** St Patrick's Day Celebration
- **March 15th:** "Pane Amaro" Video Series 7 pm All Welcome
- **March 20th:** Member Birthday/Anniversary 4pm
- **March 26th: Jimmy Mazz** back by popular demand!

KUDOS CORNER: To Joe Carbone who oversaw the Health Department kitchen inspection: for helping to prepare, thanks go to: Marino R, Tom S, Joe D, Emma T, Dixie C, Frank U, & Randy P. The Club is fortunate to have you as dedicated members! It's appreciated!
Christmas decorations adorn the Club thanks to Diane & Bob H, Marion C, Jackie M, Linda C & Frank U.
Thanks to Nick Giangrasso, the fountain out front is clean & flowing. The eagles will be happy!
The Bocce courts look amazing! Grazie Marino Roncari & Franco Puri. You can be proud of a job well done!
On 11/30/15 a record setting comeback was staged by a team of Joe "Uccello" Bird, Marino Roncari, Diane Houston and Franco Puri, who came back from a 10 to 4 disadvantage to win 12 to 10 over a team consisting of Patsy Santaguida, Joe Di Marco, and Secondo Bortolotto. In talking with many long time members, they all said it was the greatest comeback in IACV bocce history. Signed, an anonymous source of reliable information. (So said a little bird!)