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Novita' JANUARY 2020



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the
NEW YEAR!



*Liberty * Equality * Fraternity*

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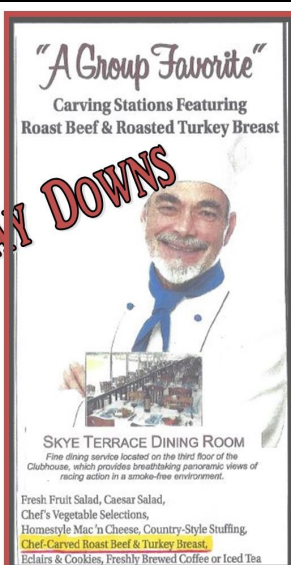
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Gennaio 2020

la Parola del Presidente

On behalf of the OUTGOING IACV Board, we wish you and your family good health, success, and every happiness in the New Year. Best wishes to the 2020 Board & welcome to the new members as well as to the tried & true. The Board will be sworn in at the January General Meeting. I hope all of you will come to the special Club functions in the new year, attend the meetings, enjoy the monthly Member Birthdays, play Bocce or Mahjong and definitely come for a delicious Friday Night Pasta Dinner. There will be several new members joining in the next few months so come & help welcome them to the IACV Family. The Membership should be full once those on the waiting list have been sworn in. *On a personal note, it is with mixed feelings that I leave the President's position but know that the Club will continue to prosper in the hands of the new Board & with the backing of all the membership. We are fortunate to have so many volunteers, ready & willing to give of their time & talents to enrich the IACV. Buona Fortuna, Buon Natale e Buon Anno Nuovo! Ciao, Bruce*



The IACV
Presents
JIMMY MAZZ
Thursday
Jan 23rd, 2020



Join us to be entertained!
Show 7 pm

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Join us... **Sunday, January 12th, 2020**

Tickets On Sale Nov. 22nd, 2019

***Members \$45 Non-Members \$50

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**Day's Program **Bountiful Buffet **\$5 Top Shelf Liquor Raffle

***Info: Dick 941-876-3815

***Tickets: Delores 941-468-9029

TICKETS for events can be purchased at the Club during Friday Night Dinners, at meetings or by calling Delores 468-9029
Check the Event Flyers at Club or on Website for specifics.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

VALENTINE PARTY

SAT. FEB 8TH

DETAILS TO FOLLOW!

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT JANUARY GENERAL MEETING.

SEE FLYER ATTACHED!

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Upcoming Events!

Welcome New Members: *None last month.*



Luce del Sole Get well soon!

Tony Romano, George Nubile

Take a moment to remember those members & loved ones who passed away in 2019:

Rich Serino, Patti Gillless's brother, Joe Fiorella's daughter, Rita Schwamborn, Dick Cattelona's sister, Neale McCarthy's brother, Leona Virzi, Louis Nargi, Rosemary Fornadel, Frank Uttaro's mother-Ida DellaCamera, Betty Rich's mother

Condolences to Lou Sclafani & family on the loss too soon, of his daughter, **Denise Ruiz** who passed away on Dec. 2nd.

Memories of them will stay in our hearts forever.

***Note:** 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** Small Carafe of Wine During Friday Night Pasta Dinner for your Birthday in the Month of **Gennaio!**



Donna Amato 8th, Jim Bari 22nd, Bruce Bastian 14th, Peter Boniface 18th, Alfred Castagna 13th, Georgia Cavigliano 14th, Esther Charves 9th, Vincent Cipriano 2nd, Lucia Diggs 31st, Josephine Dittman 7th, Bob Dowling 17th, John Fornadel 9th, Nick Giangrasso 27th, Clara Giarmoleo 1st, Robert Gillless 21st, Dee Gray 9th, Tony Hendzel 18th, Ron High 13th, Sarah Lazara 17th, Peter Massoglia 29th, Lorraine Monteleone 1st, Frank Osborne 14th, Joseph Palagonia 22nd, Carl Perhac 14th, Tony Romano 17th, Sharon Rugh 6th, Ed Segowski 8th, Jody Strauss 8th, Barbara Terzi 30th, Mary Trezza 19th

**If we missed your Birthday, show ID at the Bar to add your name to the list for Jan. Call Denise Riley to update your info 516-241-1124*

Dec. 8th: Member Birthday/Anniversary Pot Luck

The pot luck was a smashing success attended by **106** members & guests. The table settings, done by Linda Falco & helpers, were appropriate to the season. The Club supplied sliced roast beef & ham with sides by the members! Karen & Bob Errico coordinated this affair and did a great job, assisted by the following: Door, Linda B Bar: Joe B, John B, Bob H; set-up & arranging/warming the food: Linda Falco, Joanne Marcario, Marcy & Jerry N, Jackie & Chuck B, & Bill M. Intros and Miscellaneous arrangements by Bruce Bastian. Anniversaries: Dennis & Mafalda Hord 51st; Chuck & Jackie Briguglio 56th! 6 Birthdays, see the photo. The pot luck is always a popular event and the next one will be in the Spring!

Next Member Birthday will be held on Jan 19th. 4pm
Mary Indovino & Johanna Giordano are in charge of the menu! Should be good! See you there!

Venice Holiday Parade 11/30: Kudos especially to Alexis Michele Angelo for coordinating, decorating, with Ralph M & Bob E helping, and the enhanced sound system blasted out Christmas carols. Thanks once again to Doug McPeck for transporting the Gondola to the parade. Kudos to the volunteers who walked the parade route and to those who were seated on the float representing the club & organizing the beads!. The members enjoyed pizza & Christmas Cheer at the club afterward. Alexis wants more participation next year, so keep your Santa Hats ready! The well lit & decorated Gondola was impressive as it moved past the thousands of onlookers. The Italian American Club is a Favorite of many diners in the Community.

E-mail: president@italianamericanclubofvenice.com

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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26	27	28	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	31	

January Notable Dates:

- **Jan 1st:** Club Closed. Happy New Year! **Buon Anno!**
- **Jan 2nd-**General Meeting & Installation of Board 7 pm
- **Jan 3rd-** Club Closed for Dinner
- **Jan 7th-** Book Club 1pm
- **Jan. 12th-** Tampa Bay Downs Bus Trip Tix Available
- **Jan 15th & 22nd-** Lecture with Carlo Ferroni
- **Jan 19th-** Member Birthday Party 4pm All Welcome.
- **Jan. 23rd-** Jimmy Mazz Entertains.
- **Jan 29th-** Movie Night! *Pane' e tullipani* 7pm
- **Jan 30th-** Executive Board meeting
- **Monday & Tues Bocce & Coffee 9 am**
- **Wed Mahjong 1-4 pm** Maria for info: 497-0655
- **Wednesday's Card Games** continue. Info Sal 496-7676
- **Thursday's Bowling at Venice Lanes 12:30 pm**
Interested? Info call Secondo at 941-480-1857
- Weekly Italian Classes resume.
- Remember: Vince's class starts Jan 9th from 3 to 5pm

*Save the Dates: Mark your Calendar

- Feb. ??:** TBD Feast Volunteer Handouts. Shirt/Hat/apron
- Feb. 6th:** General Membership Meeting 7pm
- Feb. 8th Valentine Celebration-** Tix available.
- Feb 9th:** Member Birthday/Anniversary Party 4 pm
- Feb 27th:** Executive Board meeting
- Feb. 20th-23rd:** The Feast 2020 Questions? See Charles
- March 1st:** Mario & Maria's Wedding at the IACV
- March 5th-** General Meeting at 7pm

2020 ANNUAL FEAST & CARNIVAL UPDATE:

- Festival dates are Feb.20th to Feb 23rd
- Setup days are Feb 17th, 18th & 19th
- Teardown on Mon Feb 24th
- Captains Meeting on Tues Jan 7th at 7pm
- Volunteer Meeting at Club for distribution of info & outfits will be decided at Captain's meeting.
- Volunteers needed, asking new mwmbers to fulfill their commitments by calling Donna Sherman at 941-587-1058

Results of Elections held on Dec 5th, 2019

IACV EXECUTIVE BOARD 2020

President:	Ron DeBacco
1st VP:	Joe Bird
2nd VP:	Ralph Maccarone
Treasurer:	Josephine Mihalopoulos
Recording Sec:	Johanna Giordano
Corresponding Sec:	Ann Brozosky
Past President:	Bruce Bastian

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

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday



Happy Anniversary



Noteworthy News Items

Did You Know.....???

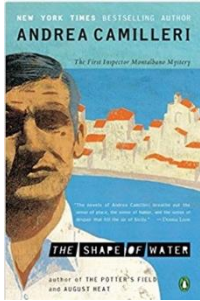
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- *Remember that Nametags may be purchased through Donna Sherman. Either give her a personal check or cash in advance with name as they want it to appear on the name badge. Usually ready in a week , but prefer to have a few orders at a time if possible.*
- *The next Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be in March. Volunteers can earn one credit per week to go towards their dinner. Six must be credited from Nov. 1st to Feb. 14th to qualify for an invitation. Thank you for all you do, Donna Sherman*
- *Try to attend the two lectures Carlo Ferroni will be hosting at the club:*
January 15th: The first talk will cover the Italian POW experience using a few of the inter-views . Should not last more than one hour--with time for questions to follow.
January 22nd: The second talk will cover our experiences with the local people focusing on the hospitality we received.
- *The Book Club has been very well received! Next meeting is January 7th at 1pm.*
- *Estimates for repairs to the Bocce Court carpets are being considered .*
- *Pine trees on property need treatment...\$800 allocated.*
- *Donation approved of \$500 for field rental for the annual Chuck Reiter Holiday Baseball Clinic hosted by member Tom Longhi's son, Nick Longhi, just signed by the Boston Red Socks!*
- *The 2020 Executive Board will be sworn in at the January 2nd Membership meeting at which time their duties will commence. Many thanks to the Nominating committee, Joe Bird, Anthony Rondello, Maria Tims, Patti Gilless & Charles Mossorofo for a job well done. The membership wishes the new board a successful year ahead.*

BUON ANNO NUOVO 2020



Book Club



The book for January is **The Shape of Water**, by Andrea Camilleri. The Sarasota County Library has three book copies. They also have an audio book and an Ebook. So everyone should be able to get the book in some media form before the Book Club date of **Tuesday, January 7, at 1:00 P.M.**

We'll look at the places in Sicily which make up the fictional town of Vigata. Did you know that Ispettore Montalbano is so popular in Sicily that regular tours are available for places where the television shows have been filmed!

Some Sicilian food will also be available for tasting, so put the date on your calendar.

Movie Night

It's coming! The date is **Wednesday, January 29, 7:00 P.M.** The movie is "Bread and Tulips", or "**Pane e tulipani**" is a comedy directed by Silvio Soldini. An Italian family is taking a vacation on a bus tour. The star, Licia Maglietta, is left behind at a rest stop. She gets tired of waiting for her family to get back to her, so she continues on her own vacation which lands her in Venice. It's in Italian with English subtitles. So please come for a fun, quirky story which I hope everyone enjoys.

It's free, cash bar will be open, we will have coffee available, and popcorn too.

Sarasota Opera

The next opera is ***La Boheme***. This is scheduled for **Saturday, February 29**. There were only two matinees on the Opera House Calendar. The first one was booked very early. The price has increased to \$82.00 per ticket for Orchestra level, Section D, where we normally sit. I was only able to get thirty tickets, so I also reserved five mezzanine tickets for \$140.00 each.



This is important. If you want to go with the Club to see La Boheme, I absolutely have to know by Tuesday, February 4.

Submitted by: **Sandi Chance**, Cultural Chairperson **schance614@gmail.com**



ITALIAN THANKSGIVING DINNER NOV. 24TH, 2019



Thanks to all the volunteers who worked diligently to make this celebration happen again this year! There were 130 people enjoying turkey dinners with an Italian flavor! They say a picture is worth a thousand words, so here we go....



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

HUGE
THANK YOU
TO
BEN PETRONE
AND ALL HIS
HELPER ELVES!
YOU MADE
SOME
CHILDREN
HAPPY!
MERRY
CHRISTMAS
TO ALL!





THE BISCOTTI BOYS **BOB, PASQUALE & JOE**

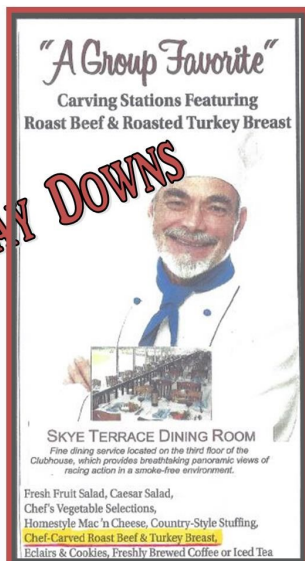


THE GONDOLIER BARBERSHOP CHORUS

On Monday Dec. 16th about 80 members & friends were entertained by this chorus of enthusiastic singers. The combination of golden oldies, sung in richly harmonized voices and the audience participation, featuring treasured Christmas Carols, made for a delightful evening!

Thanks to Kate, Carol & the Social Committee for organizing this special event.

* UPCOMING EVENTS *



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The Italian American Club of Venice invites you to join us for.....

A VALENTINE CELEBRATION

AMORE

Saturday, Feb. 8th, 2020

*Social: 5 to 6 pm

*Dinner: 6 to 7 pm

*Caterer: "Burgundy Square"

*Dancing: 7 to 10 pm

*Music By:

"The Cruzar"

BUFFET:

Prime Rib & Chicken Francaise

Mashed Potatoes

Vegetable Medley

Fresh Green Salad

Fabulous Dessert / Coffee

Signature Drink: "Love Potion #9"

Great Food, Good Friends, a Night to Remember!

Donation: Members \$30 Guests \$40

For Tickets Call: Dolores 941-468-9029

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

Mario 'n Maria's Italian Wedding

Enjoy a REAL Italian Wedding, Dinner, Dancing and ALL the Family Drama.



Sunday, March 1st, 2020

Nuptials at 4:00 pm



At The Chapel Of Immaculate IACV

Reception to follow in the IACV Hall

Donation: Members \$30 Guests \$35

For Tickets Call: Dolores 941-468-9029

Or Pick Up Your Invitation with Ticket at the Club During Friday Nite Dinner.