

Novita' SEPTEMBER 2021

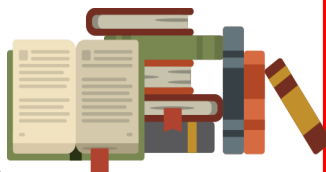


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Settembre 2021

la Parola del Presidente

Hello Everyone,

We are looking forward to September, although no relief from the heat is expected. Our Snowbirds will start to trickle down to Venice from their havens up North and we'll be happy to see them.

We pause this month to celebrate the contributions of American workers on Labor Day and to remember the lives lost on 9/11/2001. Please look for a special memorial this month in the Dining Room.

The Club is planning several events for the upcoming Autumn season. Watch our calendar for details.

Stay safe and healthy.

Ciao, *Johanna*



If you haven't already marked Thursday, September 16, on your calendar, please do. The second monthly Cultural Event will be the movie, "The Music of Silence." You will not want to miss this one.

The movie is the story of Andrea Bocelli, based on his book by the same name. As a blind child with an amazing singing voice, he had so many struggles. Yet his talent, tenacity, wonderful parents and a persistent uncle kept him performing in front of audiences. As a young adult, Bocelli made the decision to study opera. He sought the help of a well-known singing coach, played by Antonio Banderas, who agreed to help him train his voice. This was a difficult path, and he and his wife had many struggles.

We all know how this story ends. He has blessed us all with his beautiful voice. But the story of how he reached this pinnacle is well worth watching. So please come and join other Club members, have a glass of wine and a snack, while enjoying this wonderful film.

-Sandi Chance



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In Loving Memory



Ed Marinak

1932—2021

*A life well lived
with deep devotion*

Funeral Mass Sept 16, 11 am
Epiphany Cathedral

Deepest Sympathy

To Denise and Lou D'Amico upon the passing of their daughter, Barbara. Please keep the family in your prayers at this difficult time.




Luce del Sole
Get well soon!

Joe DiMarco, Julia Griffith, Bunny Nubile, George Nubile, Grace Robbio, Marino Roncari, Celeste Tobey, Frank Tobey, Jean Trapani, and Carl Wilson

Note: Please call **Donna Sherman 587-1058** if you know of someone needing the support of the members through cards, calls & prayers.

Settembre 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6 	7	8	9	10	11 
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

September Notable Dates:

- Sept 2nd—General Meeting 7 pm
- Sept 6th—Labor Day
- Sept 11th — Patriot Day
- Sept 16th— "The Music of Silence" 7 pm
- Sept 19th—Birthday/Anniversary Celebration 4 pm
- Sept 30th—Executive Board Meeting 6 pm

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

BOCCE Mondays and Tuesdays **8:30 am**

MAH JONG Wednesdays **1—4 pm**

POKER Wednesdays **7 pm—???**

CULTURAL EVENTS 3rd Thursday **7 pm**

Benvenuti'

Pot Luck N to Z please bring a dessert to share at the General Meeting, store bought or homemade.



Buon Compleanno!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to September celebrants :

Rose Altreuter **18th**, Alan Amaral **14th**, Kathy Amelia **12th**, Nancy Bivona **15th**, Ginny Borgia **13th**, Phil Borgia **10th**, Al Castagna **6th**, Jim Cavigliano **21st**, Ron DeBacco **6th**, Dee Galante **15th**, Frank Genovese **28th**, Alan Godfried **28th**, Ken Johnston **12th**, Jennifer Kay **3rd**, Thomas LiPuma **16th**, Tom Longhi **27th**, Joanne Marcario **24th**, Dee Martorana **13th**, Vito Mazzilli **24th**, Neale McCarthy **23rd**, Jack McEntee **20th**, Bill Meyers **12th**, Filippo Montalto **21st**, Pam Niemiec **10th**, Jerry Norman **15th**, Fran O'Donnell **21st**, Andy Pascarella **30th**, Michael Pelligrini **23rd**, Lou Piazza **19th**, Anthony Pirotti **4th**, Norm Pokorny **27th**, Tom Prunty **18th**, Elena Ranieri **5th**, Tony Rich **24th**, Dottie Richmond **20th**, Betty Roselle **11th**, Tom Santurri, Jr. **14th**, Carl Sellitti **15th**, Sheila Sullivan **29th**, Toni Summers **15th**, Maria Tims **17th**, Sandy Vecchione **13th**, Jerry Wienckowski **13th**.

Contact **Membership Chair Kathy Carbone** to update your info if you were missed.

Free small carafe of wine during your birthday month

Welcome New Members:

Angelina Caiati, Chris Fusco, Mark Fusco, Cheryl Ann Keim, John Leggio, & Barbara and Dave Okum

Photo by Angelo Tulimieri





Lake Venice Golf Club

1801 Harbor Drive South, Venice

Thursday, October 28th

Tee time: 8:30 am shotgun

18 holes including cart

Lunch with beverage at IACV
Catered by Darrell's Restaurant

Prizes: Best Drive, Closest to Pin, Lowest Team Score

\$50

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5 Years

Bob Errico

Cassandra Landry

Patti Gilless

Neale McCarthy

Bob Gilless

Gloria Ross

James Guerra

Carol Tira

10 Years

15 Years

20 Years

Reminder!

2022 DUES

Per ByLaws Article XVII, "Annual dues are due and payable on October 1st of each year." "The dues shall be \$50.00 per annum." Mail to: IACV, PO Box 1986, Venice, FL 34284-1986 or drop in Membership mailbox in the Columbus Room.

Member of the Month



Kathy Carbone

The Welcoming
Face of IACV

Since returning to the responsibility of Membership Chair five months ago, Kathy has managed the induction of 53 members, organ-

izing the meetings, paperwork and data that accompanies each applicant. She laughs easily and genuinely enjoys people. Present in the moment, Kathy gives her laser-focused attention to whoever is speaking, making them feel valued. Her warm, gracious, hospitable nature makes her the perfect person to welcome newcomers to our IACV family. Kathy is not afraid of hard work. She volunteered as lead Dishwasher, scrubbing pots and pans during our Takeout Only phase -- a difficult and thankless job. Her devotion, flexibility and leadership make her a superstar! **Grazie, Kathy, for all you do!!**

IACV to Support

Epiphany Cathedral School

Restaurant Night

September 17th



We are proud to be partnering with Epiphany Cathedral Catholic School in their fundraising efforts as a way to give back to the community and promote the Club. IACV will donate 25 percent of its net proceeds from dinners on September 17th to the School HSA. The Bar also offered a generous gift. This event will be featured in both the Epiphany and Our Lady of Lourdes bulletins. Senior students will act as Seaters and Greeters. The School has expressed much appreciation for our participation. One local restaurant is featured each month. Our values of education, community and family will be recognized. What a win-win!



Members feasted at the August Birthday & Anniversary Celebration



on pulled pork sandwiches, homemade baked beans and our go-to Caesar salad. Of course, there was cake! Grazie mille to volunteers: Josephine Mihalopoulos at the Door, Bill Meyers & Steve Fornadel at Bar, Linda Falco &



Ann Brozosky in the Kitchen, Sandi Prunty & Gloria Ross in the Dining Room, with Lou Piazza as MC. The highlight of the day was the raffle of four European wines run by Dee Meyers. Anthony Rondello generously donated the vino which was won by Donna Massanti.



Remember, it doesn't have to be your birthday to come join the fun!

A volunteer is needed to coordinate September's event. Lots of hands will help!!

The next Celebration is September 19th at 4 pm.



Photos by Angela Tulimieri

For more photos of the party [Click HERE](#)

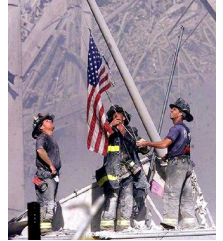


Congratulations on 65 years of marriage!



PATRIOT DAY

20TH ANNIVERSARY OF TERROR FROM THE SKY SEPTEMBER 11, 2001



MATT PALUCCI'S PHOTO OF THE WORLD TRADE CENTER IS A GLORIOUS REMINDER OF THE PRICE OF OUR FREEDOM. THE IACV IS PRIVILEGED TO DISPLAY HIS BEAUTIFUL IMAGE THROUGHOUT THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 11TH, IN 2021. **SANDI PRUNTY** GRACIOUSLY AGREED TO CREATE APPROPRIATE DECORATION TO TURN IT INTO A FITTING MEMORIAL.

WE WILL NEVER FORGET

In 1980, I took my three children to see the 'wonderful new towers' on a vacation. We parked our car many blocks away (even then, parking was a hassle) and walked to the Towers as I took pics from various vantage points along the way. This pic was taken in late afternoon and the 'Sunburst' reflected an approaching dusk in the superstructure. It was awe-inspiring and even more so when we rode the elevators to the top. As nightfall approached, we had tremendous views

of NYC from all four sides of the observation deck. As you might imagine, it's a very strong memory we all share.

-Matt Palucci

I am a native New Yorker. Everyone there was impacted by the evil done on 9/11 when 2,977 lives were taken by terrorists on four ill-fated flights. We lost family and friends (and the family of friends) and most certainly our innocence.

As I would wend my way to work each day from Brooklyn to lower Manhattan in the early '80s, I'd strain to view Lady Liberty and the WTC Twin Towers out the subway window. It was a unique time of peace and prosperity in the Big Apple.

I will never forget the horrific sight and acrid smell of the smoldering edifice, the gouge in our beautiful skyline or the senselessness of these deaths. This act wounded our collective hearts but did not kill our spirit. -Editor





PLEASE make use of our extensive LIBRARY located in the Columbus Room. There you will find travel guides, cultural materials, novels, videos, language lesson CDs, music and much more. A sign out log is next to the volunteer sheet.

Grazie to our Bibliotecario Marino Roncari who keeps all this in good order.



Sapphires for September

Sapphires come in all colors except red. Regardless of color, they are made from the same mineral, Corundum, which is the hardest mineral behind the Diamond.

The Sapphire is said to protect travelers from illness, poisons and bad omens. In the Middle Ages, it was considered especially good for healing of the eyes.

Having long been associated with the British Royal Family, Princess Diana's engagement ring was a 12-carat oval Sapphire surrounded by diamonds. After her death, Prince William proposed to Kate Middleton in 2010 with the blue sparkler.

Some believe the Star of India, a 563-carat Star Sapphire, is cursed. It is an unusual gem as it has stars on both sides of the stone. Tiny fibers of mineral reflect incoming light forming the star pattern. JP Morgan bought and donated the Star to the American Museum of Natural History. In 1964, the golf ball sized gem was stolen. Although the Star was uninsured, the thieves were captured two days later and the Star was returned to its home.

-Patti Gilles



Look for monthly BINGO to start up in the Fall
Four volunteers needed to get this BIN-GOING

Join the BINGO team by contacting

Linda Falco

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Joe Santoro's Shrimp Fra Diavolo Style

- 2 28-oz cans of crushed tomatoes (I use Tuttorosso)
- 1 1/2 pounds raw shrimp (16-20's would be ideal)
- 8-oz bag of fresh baby spinach
- 1 small/medium onion, chopped
- 3+ cloves fresh garlic, minced (you can never have too much garlic)
- 1 lb Spaghetti
- 1 tsp red pepper flakes, adjust to taste for heat
- Salt, Italian seasoning, basil, to taste
- Grated Italian cheese blend (optional)
- 1 Tbsp Extra virgin olive oil

In a large skillet, heat EVOO. Add chopped onion. Once you see the onion 'sweat', add the garlic. Stir and then add the 2 cans of crushed tomatoes. Reduce heat to low.

Stir and then add salt, Italian seasoning, basil and red pepper flakes (as desired). Add more garlic if you choose.

Allow sauce to cook on low heat for a minimum of 30 to 40 minutes, stirring occasionally.

As the sauce is cooking, clean the shrimp and cook pasta.

Add the shrimp to the sauce. Once you see the shrimp starting to turn pink, add the spinach slowly, stirring constantly.

Stir al dente spaghetti into prepared sauce. Garnish with grated Italian cheese, if desired.

Mangia! Serves about 4 normal portions....2 Italian portions...ha ha

The Armchair Traveler goes to:

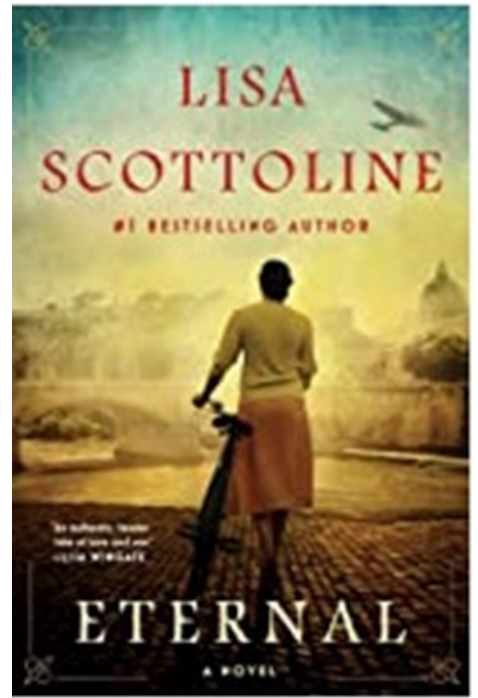
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By Lisa Scottoline

Three young teenagers, who have been best friends since childhood, take the reader on a journey from 1937 through the end of WWII. Marco, whose father owns a bicycle shop on Tiber Island, is the handsome, athletic young man. Sandro is the son of a lawyer and doctor. His family has been in Rome for generations. They are Jewish, live in the Jewish Ghetto which borders the Tiber, but Sandro had never felt the sting of racism. He is kind, not as forward as his friend Marco, and exceptionally bright loving mathematics above the other school subjects. Both these boys are in love with Elisabetta, the third main character. Elisabetta is beautiful and very independent for a young woman at this time. She lives in Trastevere, a working class neighborhood which borders the Tiber on the neighborhood's east side. Now this area is considered to be quite bohemian drawing many types of people.

But Eternal has more than heartbreak. The reader recognizes tremendous loyalty and love among these friends. One learns so much about Rome's Jewish Ghetto. Lesser known parts of Rome come alive.

-Sandi Chance



Gloria Ross' father's Membership to an Italian Club named the DaVinci Lodge in 1943 (below). At today's prices, the dues were \$235!!

-Denny & Muffy



LOGGIA LEONARDO DA VINCI, No. 270	No.	Washington, Pa.	2/16	1943
	RICEVUTO da		Alfredo Di. Carlo.	
	Per Tassa d'ammissione	\$		
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	" Leggi generali	"		
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	" Diploma	"		
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	" Mappa	"		
			
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From Tragedy To Triumph: A.P. Giannini And His Bank Of America



Amadeo Pietro Giannini, also known as A.P. Giannini, was the man who brought banking to the people and helped California become one of the world's largest economies.

Amadeo was the son of Italian immigrants. His parents immigrated to San Jose, California from the small village of Acereto, Italy only months before Amadeo's birth in 1870.

Following his father's sudden death, his mother remarried an owner of a small grocery business, and his family moved to San Francisco in 1882. When Amadeo was 12 years old, he left school and went to work full time for his stepfather. He then started a successful business as a produce broker, commission merchant and produce dealer for farms in the Santa Clara Valley.

In 1892 he married Florinda Agnes Cuneo who was also the daughter of Italian immigrants. Her father was a wealthy citizen of San Francisco and owned a large stake in Columbus Savings & Loan. Amadeo became a director of that enterprise at a time when banks were run for the benefit of the wealthy. He saw a real opportunity to service the increasing immigrant population who could not easily bank.

Not understood by the other directors, Amadeo was forced to quit the board. In 1904 he founded the **Bank of Italy** with the help of other shareholders. The bank was housed in an old saloon directly across the street from the Columbus Savings &



Loan and was created exclusively for the "little fellow". It was a new financial institution for hardworking immigrants (mostly Italian) other banks would not serve. He offered



those ignored customers savings accounts and loans, judging them not by how much money they already had, but by their character.



On April 18, 1906 San Francisco was hit by a devastating earthquake and fire. Before the bank building burned down, Amadeo Giannini was able to move the vault's money and records to his home in San Mateo, some 18 miles away. The wagon used to transport the money was actually a garbage wagon used to disguise the cargo and protect it from theft.

While all other local banks could not access the contents of their vaults for weeks, Amadeo immediately opened a makeshift bank on the Washington Street wharf and lent money to all those interested in rebuilding San Francisco. The loans were granted with no more than a handshake. Every single loan was later repaid.

The bank's post-earthquake success encouraged him to expand to other cities in California. Amadeo Giannini financed numerous industries through his now renamed **Bank of America**; from motion picture projects like helping Walt Disney fund the production of Snow White, to the California wine industry and major construction works such as the Golden Gate Bridge. Among his ventures was also the start-up HP (Hewlett-Packard), which at the time made oscilloscopes. He never forgot his roots and after WWII he arranged for loans to help rebuild the damaged Fiat factories in Italy.

Amadeo Peter Giannini died in 1949 and is buried at Holy Cross Cemetery, in Colma, California. Among the many obituaries there is one worth mentioning:

1949 - 3 June - The Modesto Bee - Death Calls A.P. Giannini, Bank of America Head - San Mateo, June 3 - Amadeo Peter Giannini, boy produce peddler who fought his way up to become the world's biggest banker, died today of a heart ailment. He was 78, and had been ill with a cold for a month.

-Tony Marchesano