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E-MAIL FOR THE  
FEBRUARY 10th  
ZOOM MEETING!**

**Pre-Register for a  
Chance to WIN  
\$25.00**

*Buon San Valentino*

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## Secretary's Report

By Dennis Caldirola

As of January 25, 2022, the Italian Club of Seattle had a roster of 169 members in good standing of which 82 have paid their dues for 2022. At this time a year ago, we had 109 already paid but at least, so far, we have had no resignations.

On February 15th, "past due" notices will be mailed out to those still not paid. Please bear in mind, dues not paid by April 1st means you will not be listed in the 2022 Roster if there is one. In the meantime, have a wonderful Valentine's Day and a fruitful Presidents Day weekend, preferably three cherries in a row or a cherry pie.

*"Ammazza la vecchia...  
col Flit!"*

## Message from the President

*Ciao Amici di Famiglia,*

Thank you for your vote of confidence in me and the rest of the board you elected last month. I am very excited to serve as your *La Presidentessa* once again. I look forward to working together to make our Club a welcoming and vital part of our community.

The board worked very hard on the budget this year and I hope you will take the time to go over the numbers. Our club belongs to the membership and we, the board, are at your service. Please make your opinions known so we can ensure the budget reflects the membership as best as possible, knowing we cannot please everyone. If you have any questions or concerns about the budget, please bring them up at the general meeting or feel free to call or email me.

We are still in need of a Vice President and a Treasurer to complete our Board. Please connect with myself or Dorothy Whitney if you are willing to step into either of those roles.

We will continue to meet on Zoom for the near future. I realize this isn't the preferred method of gathering together, but it is nice to see everyone's face and we do have a bit of fun and laugh a lot. Please join if you are able on the next meeting Thursday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

As you may know, Valentine's Day is my favorite day of the year and this is the month of love, so I will leave you with my favorite quote from Mother Theresa: "Spread LOVE everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier."

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me directly with any general concerns or comments by phone: (206) 779-7325 or e-mail: [amanzanares@live.com](mailto:amanzanares@live.com).

*Con amore e affetto,*

**Audrey Manzanares**

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**Anna Popovich** (206) 453-4002

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**Tom Grossi** (425) 557-0071

**Diana Kaczor** (206) 232-7880

**Martin Nigrelle** (206) 310-7689

**Linda Madrid** (206) 286-8131

**Joe Picciano** (206) 713-9346

Sergeant at Arms: **Cathy Lembo**

### Committee Chairs

Adult's Christmas Party.....**Anna Popovich**

Bylaws..... **TBD**

Crab Dinner.....**Anna Popovich**

Family Christmas Party..... **TBD**

Day at the Races .....**Joe Galluccio**

Festa Sausage Booth ..... **Tom Grossi**

Golf Tournament .....**Brian DiJulio**

Health & Welfare.....**Gemma Thielges**

Luncheons .....**Audrey Manzanares**

Mariner Baseball Night.....**Martin Nigrelle**

New Membership ..... **Dennis Caldirola**

Parliamentarian.....**Dorothy Whitney**

Picnic .....**Ron Roletto**

Scholarship .....**Amadeo Rossi**

### Budget for The Seattle Italian Club 2022

Income	2021	Actual	2022
Advertising / Newsletter	\$825.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
Advertising / Roster	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Casa Subsidy	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Centennial Dinner	\$11,600.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00
Crab Feed	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Donations	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dinner Meetings	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
Festa Italiana Sausage Booth	\$0.00	\$2,040.00	\$3,000.00
Interest	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mutual Funds	\$12,000.00	\$35,447.00	\$19,000.00
Prepaid Rent (Other Asset) \$25000		\$0.00	\$0.00
Member Dues	\$6,800.00	\$6,865.00	\$6,300.00
New Members	\$250.00	\$100.00	\$200.00
	<b>\$34,075.00</b>	<b>\$45,052.00</b>	<b>\$45,600.00</b>

### Expenses

Accounting	\$650.00	\$674.00	\$675.00
Administration	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00
Centennial Dinner	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$23,000.00
Board Meetings	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Charitable Donations TBA @ president's discretion	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
Club Marketing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dinner Meetings	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
Festa Italiana	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$2,500.00
Insurance	\$408.00	\$408.00	\$408.00
Legal Fees	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Newsletters	\$5,150.00	\$5,047.00	\$5,100.00
Office, Postage, Printing	\$350.00	\$454.00	\$500.00
Past Presidents & Dec board meeting dinner	\$0.00	\$943.00	\$1,000.00
Picnic	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Prepaid Rent for Meetings	-\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pres. Discretionary Fund	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Progressive Draw	\$500.00	\$200.00	\$250.00
Past President's Gift	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Raffle holidays	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$120.00
Rent - Ballard Office	\$1,080.00	\$1,080.00	\$1,080.00
Rent - Storage	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
Roster	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$900.00
Scholarship	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Christmas Party - Adult	\$0.00	\$996.00	\$1,000.00
Website Development	\$0.00	\$56.00	\$0.00
	<b>\$39,548.00</b>	<b>\$21,418.00</b>	<b>\$45,693.00</b>

## Health & Welfare

*By Gemma Di Julio Thielges and Assistant Angela Di Julio Wright*

I am going to start out by requesting your prayers for me, **Gemma**. I have had arthritis (like my Mom, Masina Di Julio) for most of my adult years. However, since early December 2021 my back issues have been so severe, I can hardly tolerate the pain. It seems most of my time is being spent with various doctors in Bellevue. They are all very nice but are still trying to find an acceptable long-term solution for me. So please help me storm heaven with prayers asking that I will be led to the right doctor who will be led to the best remedy for me.

This news from **Audrey Manzanares** who said: "Ok. Here is my update that has been stewing around in my head. A lot has happened. Marissa and I spent a week in New York for Thanksgiving. We walked 64 miles in 8 days. Came home for 10 days and then I flew back out for my Mom's brother's funeral in Raleigh, NC. I had a beautiful time catching up with my cousin and met another cousin for the first time EVER!! Celebrated Christmas Day dinner with Aunt **Velva Saltarelli**, Maureen & Les, & Marissa's dad at the restaurant Marissa manages in SLU (South Lake Union), then NYE on my couch (possibly with my eyes closed). Marissa & I found a new place to call home about 15 blocks NW of where we are now. (About 12 blocks from Piccolinos Restaurant and 5 blocks to "Downtown Ballard"). It's a top floor with skylights and faces south so a lot of sun and light. Perfect for my flowers and plants. Also Gigi (my cat) and Luna (Marissa's dog) will be very happy to live together on a regular basis again. It's been a busy few months. I am thankful every day for all the blessings that I have been given. Most especially my life with Marissa. (Also Gigi & Luna)."

**Mimi Razole Schulze and Gary Schulze** went to see their granddaughter Megan, perform in a musical. The musical was *Little Mermaid* put on by Broadway Bound! This production was mostly 14 and 15 year olds! It was over two hours long and was amazing! Megan was one of the mermaids, Aquata! Aquata is sister to Ariel! Megan was so animated in her role! She definitely has a passion for acting, dancing and singing! Megan was excellent in her part! Bravo, Megan! We are so proud of her!

**Chip Di Julio** sent this little contribution: "We went to our Blue Lake house last week. Sigi wanted to make sure it was still there !?!?! Roads were bare but about a foot of snow on the ground. Gonzaga is #2 in the country for basketball." Chip is a G.U. grad so he is especially proud of them. He & I were there at the same time when we were both 1st & 2nd year students. Then I (Gemma) transferred to S.U.

From **Tony La Stella**: Frank Sinatra Comes to St Thomas More for Valentine's Show. Since the Superbowl is on February 13th, on the following Sunday, February 20th, Tony La Stella will be performing a Frank Sinatra Valentine's Dinner Show as a Knights of Columbus fundraiser to benefit St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Lynnwood, WA. Bring your Sweetheart for a Romantic Evening of Great Music and a Fabulous Italian Dinner as Tony La Stella takes you on a Musical Journey through the life of the Greatest Italian-American Singer who ever lived – Frank Sinatra. Prices are Reasonable for Seating and Tables, but seats are Limited so Get Your Tickets TODAY at [SintraShows.com](http://SintraShows.com).

**HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!** It's a great day for each of us to show how much we care about the special loved ones in our lives.

## Casa Italiana – \$1000 Scholarship

By Martin Nigrelle

The Italian Club of Seattle members as students, parents, or grand parents have a scholarship opportunity through Casa Italiana – Italian Community Hall (the “old Casa”).

The scholarship is for \$1000.00 dollars & is to be awarded for the current school year. Applications are due no later May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

The scholarship form & related documentation is too large for the club newsletter. Anyone interested in the full details & applications should send an email to: [martin.nigrelle@hotmail.com](mailto:martin.nigrelle@hotmail.com). Please put CASA SCHOLARSHIP (all caps to make it stand out) in the subject line.

## New Treasurer Position Open for the Italian Club!!

After serving 15 years as Treasurer, Joe Galluccio will resign from the position April 30<sup>th</sup>. The candidate should have basic accounting or bookkeeping experience. Knowledge of QuickBooks and/or general ledger would be a plus.

Any individual running a business could also use the \$600 a quarter or \$200 month compensation the position pays to pay an in-house accountant or bookkeeper.

This experience would look great on a resume! If interested or have questions, please call Joe at 206-773-9776.

## From Joel Patience:

For a cool €6m prospective buyers can purchase an opulent Sicilian villa featured in the third ...see more



Sicilian castle from The Godfather movie is up for sale...

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## Mariners' Italian Heritage Night 2022

By Martin Nigrelle

This year the Mariners have chosen to do a new scarf. The scarf design (pictured) this year is based on the scarves often seen being worn by Italian and European soccer fans. For those of you who may have one or both of the previous scarves, this one will indeed be a different look and a great new addition to the collection.

Update your calendars, the 2022 Mariner's Italian Heritage night will be: 7:05 pm Thursday, June 16th at T-Mobile Park. The Mariners host the Los Angeles Angels.

The ticket pricing & purchase opportunities will be shared in the March 2022 newsletter.

## 2022-2023 Scholarship – Application Form

The Italian Club of Seattle is awarding one, One-Thousand-dollar (\$1,000.00) scholarship. The scholarship for the 2022-2023 school year will be awarded to the student who is selected based on meeting or exceeding the scholarship criteria (noted below). As in years' past, the better the GPA, the better chance of scholarship award.

### Next steps in the scholarship process:

- April 01, 2022 – Application Submittal Window Opens
- May 31, 2022 – Application submission window closes, application verification
- June 2022 – Award Recipient determined in the June board meeting
- September 2022 – Recipient published in the *il Ficcanso* and presented at the General Meeting
- October 2022 – Scholarship payment made to the school on behalf of the recipient

### The qualifications each recipient needs to meet or exceed are:

1. A parent or grandparent of the applicant (student) must be in good standing in the Italian Club of Seattle for at least three years.
2. The applicant (student) is enrolled in high school grade 12, or subsequent year at a state accredited, Trade School, College, and/or University, for the 2021-2022 school year.
3. The applicant (student) must have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher (with official transcript).
4. Each applicant must write a letter talking about themselves and extra-curricular activities in which he/she is participating.
5. The scholarship is applicable to state accredited Trade School, College, and/or University.
6. The student must be enrolled in and in pursuit of a certificate, license, and/or degree.
7. The application and transcript must be post marked no earlier than April 15<sup>th</sup> 2022 and no later than May 31<sup>st</sup> 2022.
8. Applications that are incomplete or missing a transcript will not be considered.

### **2022/2023 Italian Club of Seattle Scholarship Application form**

**Applicant's name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant's Parent(s) and/or Grandparent(s) (Italian Club Member(s) in good standing):**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Trade School, College, or four-year University Applicant will be attending in the 2022/2023 School year:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant's Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

### The Application form must be accompanied by:

1. Official Transcript, from the High School the applicant is currently attending (2021-2022 school year).
2. Letter detailing the applicant's participation in extra-curricular activities & community service.

#### **Applications are to be sent to:**

Italian Club of Seattle - Scholarship  
c/o Scholarship Chair  
P.O. Box 9549  
**Seattle, WA 98109-0549**



*100 Years*

*1920-2020*

*You're Invited*

*To*

*The Italian Club of Seattle  
Centennial Celebration*

**Please Note  
New Date:**

*Saturday, October 15, 2022*

*5:30pm*

**(Darned  
Covid!)**

*Washington Athletic Club*

*Dinner and Dancing with  
The Danny Quintero Big Band*

*\$100 per person*

*Reservations no later than September 24, 2022*

*Contact*

*Audrey Manzanares*

*206-779-7325*

*amanzanares@live.com*

*Cocktail Attire*

*No Host Bar*

*Limited free parking available*

## ICoS Calendar

### February 2022

No Trustee meeting this month  
10th ICoS General Meeting **Via Zoom!**  
14th Valentine's Day  
25th Input Deadline for March *il Ficcanaso*

### March 2022

3rd Trustee's Meeting  
10th ICoS General Meeting  
25th Input Deadline for March *il Ficcanaso*

### April 2022

No Trustee meeting this month  
14th ICoS General Meeting  
25th Input Deadline for May *il Ficcanaso*

### May 2022

5th Trustee's Meeting  
12th ICoS General Meeting  
25th Input Deadline for June *il Ficcanaso*

### June 2022

9th ICoS General Meeting  
16th Italian Heritage night, M's versus LA Angels

### July 2022

4th Independence Day  
No *il Ficcanaso* this month

### August 2022

TBD Italian Community Picnic, Royal Arch Park, Maple Valley  
No *il Ficcanaso* this month

### September 2022

1st Trustee's Meeting  
4th Italian Day at the Races, Emerald Downs.  
8th ICoS General Meeting  
TBD Italian Club/SU Baseball Golf Tourney, Echo Falls  
24th & 25th Festa Italiana Italian Festival, Seattle Center  
26th Input Deadline for October *il Ficcanaso*

### October 2022

No Trustee Meeting this month  
13th ICoS General Meeting  
15th Italian Club Centennial Celebration, Washington Athletic Club (**Date Change**)  
25th Input Deadline for November *il Ficcanaso*

### November 2022

3rd Trustee's Meeting  
TBD Auburn Annual Veterans Day Parade  
10th ICoS General Meeting  
24th Thanksgiving  
25th Input Deadline for December *il Ficcanaso*

### December 2022

No Trustee Meeting this month  
12th ICoS General Meeting  
25th Christmas Day  
26th Input Deadline for January *il Ficcanaso*

### January 2023

5th Trustee's Meeting  
12th ICoS General Meeting via Zoom  
25th Input Deadline for February *il Ficcanaso*

## On-Line *il Ficcanaso*

If you would like to receive the *il Ficcanaso* via e-mail rather than have it mailed to you, let us know. Send an e-mail to Dennis Caldirola ([Dennis@FestaSeattle.com](mailto:Dennis@FestaSeattle.com)).

The current newsletter, in color, is posted at: <http://italianclubofseattle.org/newsletter.html>. Save a tree and postage – Go Digital!

## In-Person Meetings

With the Omicron variant still at epic proportions, meeting in-person is still off the table until next September at the earliest.

Furthermore, both St. Alphonsus and the Casa Italiana are not hosting any gatherings until at least September.

**The January Zoom Attendance Door Prize of \$25 was won by Gemma Thielges. Congratulations!**

**View the All-Community Calendar at:**

<https://www.casaitalianacc.org/calendar/public/>

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 Italian News, Food, Music & Events  
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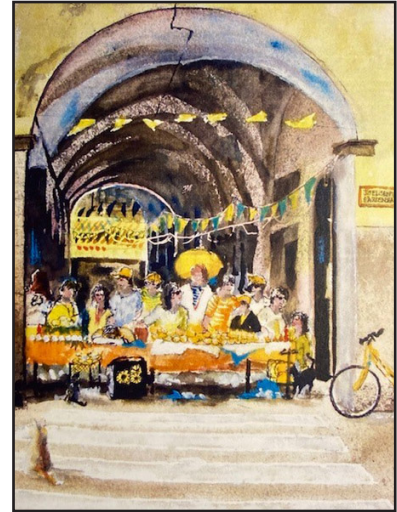


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