

## NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

**June 8, 2023**  
**August 10, 2023**  
**6:00 PM**  
**CASA Italiana**  
**Burien, WA**



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## Message from the President

Ciao Tutti!!

Summer has begun! How do I know this for sure? The Seattle Storm (our Women's Basketball Team) season has started, Mariners are playing more often than not with the roof open and I've pulled my window fans out of storage!!!

Please note the new schedule for monthly meetings. We will be meeting this month, taking July off and then meeting again in AUGUST.

Discussions are under way for a Christmas party so if you have an opinion one way or the other please let me know.

Italian Heritage Night at the Mariners is June 27. Please read Marty's article for more detail.

Mark your calendar for our upcoming community wide BIG events:

**Italian Community Picnic August 20**  
**San Gennaro Festival Sept 8-10**  
**Festa Italiana Sept. 23-24**

Happy Fathers Day to our Dads, Grandpas,

Uncles and Special Guys.

I appreciate you and look forward to seeing you each month at our General meetings.

Con Amore ed affetto,

Audrey

## Secretary's Report

by Dennis Caldirola

As of May 25, 2023, the Italian Club of Seattle now has a roster of 138 members in good standing, and I would like to encourage each and every one of you to attend the final meeting of the winter/spring quarters on June 8th at the CASA headquarters. The days are getting warmer and it will still be broad daylight at 8 PM when we adjourn. Come enjoy a good meal and a glass of wine with friends you haven't seen in quite awhile. *Siete invitati tutti!*

At the same time I must remind you that for over 100 years, our traditional summer break has been for two months, July and August.

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Health & Welfare.....Gemma Thielges

Festa Italiana Luncheon

.....Audrey Manzanares

Mariner Baseball Night....Martin Nigrelle

New Membership ..... Dennis Caldirola

Parliamentarian.....Dorothy Whitney

Scholarship .....Diana Kaczor

### *(Secretary's Message continued)*

This year, in an attempt to limit our meetings over the dark winter months, the membership has voted in a new schedule of meetings starting back up again on August 10th so we will see you after a break of only 60 days. The rest of the dates can be found in the calendar on page 7. Please note: there will not be an il Ficcanso before the August meeting but you will be notified by email.

*Tanti auguri di un buon estate,*

-- Dennis Caldirola

## Health & Welfare

by Gemma Di Julio Thielges & assistant Angela Di  
Julio Wright

Dennis sent out this notice "It is with great sadness that I announce the passing of a longtime member and great friend to everyone, **Ronnie Beyersdorf**. Ronnie joined the Club in 1995 and would have been 80 this coming July."

*Our sympathies to his wife Rosetta and their family.*

**Fr. Paul Magnano** reported "We've celebrated more than 300 confirmations (mostly Hispanics) during the Easter season in the five Skagit Valley parishes."

*That's wonderful news!*

**Mimi (Razore) and Gary Schulze's** "Granddaughter Brooke Helms received her First Communion at St Monica's on the weekend of Mothers Day! She has been preparing for this for many months and was so excited for this day! Her whole family was there including her other grandparents.

*(Health & Welfare continued)*

She now eagerly receives communion on Fridays at Mass with her school and on Sundays with her family!"

*So special for Brooke and her whole family. Congratulations, Brooke.*

Heard this from **Brian and Barb DiJulio**, "Greetings to all Italian Club Members, family and friends: My second DBS surgery was very successful and we are now waiting two weeks for my incisions to heal. We go in on June 5th to activate the DBS device and receive the first "adjustment" to fine-tune it to my particular needs. It will be a long two weeks but we are very excited about getting to this point, and that surgeries are behind us. We couldn't have done it without your love and support. If all goes as it should, we hope to be celebrating with a big 4th of July party here in Sun Valley. Thank you again and God Bless."

*I'm sure our continued prayers for Brian will be appreciated.*

This from **Audrey Manzaneras**: "**Stella Velvet**, my beautiful puppy, and I are spending Memorial Day weekend on the family homestead on Hood Canal. This will be Stella Velvet's first weekend staying at the tiny house on the beach. I'm really looking forward to seeing my family there. Then I'm going to San Diego for a weekend with 2 childhood friends, one of whose twin daughters are graduating from HS. It's been a busy few months in real estate so I'm looking forward to some down time with family and friends."

*Sounds like fun times and hopefully very relaxing. Happy Father's Day to all our Dads, Stepdads, & Granddads.*



Happy  
Father's  
Day!

## 2023-2024 Scholarship -Application Form

The Italian Club of Seattle is awarding one, One-Thousand-dollar (\$1,000.00) scholarship. The scholarship for the 2023-2024 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:**

- June 01, 2023 - Application Submittal Window Opens
- July 30, 2023 - Application submission window closes, application verification
- August 2023 - Award Recipient determined by board.
- September 2023 - Recipient published in the *il Ficcanso* and presented at the General Meeting
- October 2023 - 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 2022-2023 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 describing themselves and their extra-curricular activities.
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 June 15, 2023 and no later than July 30, 2023
8. Applications that are incomplete or missing a transcript will not be considered.

### 2023/2024 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 2023/2024 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 {2022-2023 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





**"ITALIAN NIGHT" AT THE SEATTLE MARINERS** is coming the evening of Tuesday, June 27th, when the Mariners host the Washington Nationals with starting pitch at 6:40 PM. Come down to the ballpark and join your "paisani" friends and relatives in a special seating section at special prices and get special swag! In fact, the first 1,000 ticket holders will receive ~ for free ~ a great-looking Italian chef's apron. The apron is in Azzurro blue (official color of the Italian national teams), features two front pockets and an adjustable neck strap. It will have ITALIA printed across the upper part of the bib, along with the Mariners' "S" logo in the colors of il tricolore. To purchase tickets, simply visit [Mariners.com/Italian](http://Mariners.com/Italian).



**The Italian Community Picnic** will be held, August 20th at Royal Arch Park in Maple Valley. Join us as we continue to keep this valued tradition alive! Invite your family, meet old friends, and just enjoy! A pasta and meatball lunch will be served. Face painters, clowns and games for kids will take place during the afternoon. Accordion music will serenade your table with Italian favorites. Make plans now to attend.



*Last issue for the summer season*



*il Ficcanso returns in September.*





## ICoS Calendar

### June 2023

8th ICoS General Meeting  
18th Father's Day  
27th Italian Heritage Night at the Mariners

### July 2023

4th Independence Day  
No *il Ficcanso* this month

### August 2023

10th ICoS General Meeting  
20th Italian Community Picnic  
Royal Arch Park, Maple Valley  
No *il Ficcanso* this month

### September 2023

3rd Italian Day at the Races, Emerald  
Downs. First race 2 PM.  
4th Labor Day  
7th Trustee's Meeting  
14th ICoS General Meeting  
15th Festa Luncheon, SYC  
16th Festa Mass in Italian 5 PM  
23rd & 24th Festa Italiana Italian  
Festival, Seattle Center 25th  
25th Input Deadline for October  
*il Ficcanso*

### October 2023

12th ICoS General Meeting  
27th Input Deadline for November  
*il Ficcanso*

### November 2023

2nd Trustee's Meeting  
TBD Auburn Annual Veterans Day  
Parade  
12th ICoS General Meeting  
23rd Thanksgiving

27th Input Deadline for December  
*il Ficcanso*

### December 2023

No ICoS General Meeting  
25th Christmas Day  
26th Input Deadline for *il Ficcanso*

### January 2024

4th Trustee's Meeting  
14th ICoS General Meeting  
25th Input Deadline for February  
*il Ficcanso*

### February 2024

4th ICoS General Meeting  
11th Superbowl  
14th Valentine's Day  
23rd Input Deadline for March  
*il Ficcanso*  
TBD Crab Feed

### March 2024

7th Trustee's Meeting  
14th ICoS General Meeting  
25th Input Deadline for April  
*il Ficcanso*

### April 2024

11th ICoS General Meeting  
25th Input Deadline for May *il Ficcanso*

### May 2024

2nd Trustee's Meeting  
9th ICoS General Meeting  
12th Mother's Day  
26th Input Deadline for June  
*il Ficcanso June 2023*  
29th Memorial Day

## ITALIAN CLUB MEETINGS

**June General Meeting will be held at 6 pm, Thursday, June 8, 2023**

**August General Meeting will be held at 6 pm, Thursday, August 10, 2023**

Dinner starts at on the hour, with the meeting to start 30-45 minutes after, along with prize drawings at  
**Casa Italiana, 13028 1st Ave S, Burien, WA 98168**

### Trustee Meetings:

First Thursday of odd-numbered months, except July

View the  
All-Community  
Calendar at:

[www.casaitalianacc.org/  
calendar/public/](http://www.casaitalianacc.org/calendar/public/)



# The Italian Radio Show

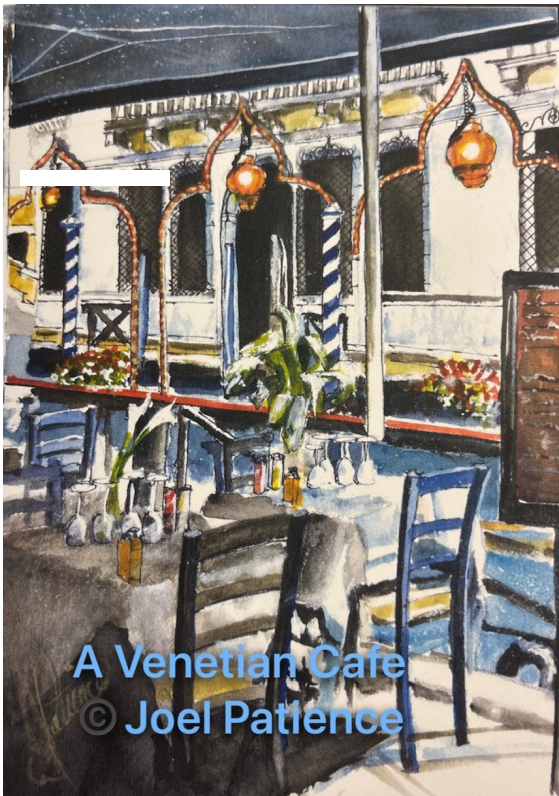
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