

**DUE TO ONGOING  
VIRUS CONCERNS,  
THERE IS NO  
GENERAL OR  
BOARD MEETING  
IN SEPTEMBER**

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## 33rd Annual Italian Festival This year, we're going virtual!

Music: All of the music and entertainment of the 33rd Annual Italian Festival has been videotaped this summer at Seattle Center and will start streaming at 12 Noon, Saturday, September 26th on several platforms worldwide including Facebook. To access the various links, please visit [www.FestaSeattle.com](http://www.FestaSeattle.com) or [www.SeattleCenter.com/Festal](http://www.SeattleCenter.com/Festal).



Performers: Fortissimo! starring Gino Luchetti, Chai Ahrenius, and "Ballard Opera Man" Stephen Wall, backed up by Tony's band "The Goombas." Danny Quintero, Rob Porcaro, Mary Marchese and Tony La Stella backed up by Tony's group "The Goombas." The Primo Basso Band, The Rigatones, Julie Cascioppo, and special archived footage of The Tarantellas with Bonnie Birch.

More Festa: Cooking Demos, a Virtual Car Show, an Italian Dog Show, Le Arti della Festa and Historical Photos all just a click away on your computer, TV or Smart Phone. Bookmark us today!

## Message from the President

Hello Everyone. I hope you all are in the best of health. Due to this virus there are some changes that will be made.

St. Patrick's Church hall is not allowing any meetings to be held for the rest of the 2020 year. God willing, we hope to resume our meetings in 2021. We will always keep you updated on what is happening.

It is with great pleasure that the Italian Club awarded Daniel Volpone the 2020 Scholarship. He will be attending O'Dea High School this fall.

A big Shout Out to Michael Troiani, Sergeant at Arms for his years of dedication for our club. He will be resigning as of September. Thank You, Michael, from all of us.

Anyone who would like to step up and take on this responsibility, please let us know.

Take care everyone and stay safe. I can't wait to go to a meeting, have dinner and a raffle!

Sincerely,

**Anna Popovich**

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Bylaws.....**TBD**

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

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

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

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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**

## Secretary's Report

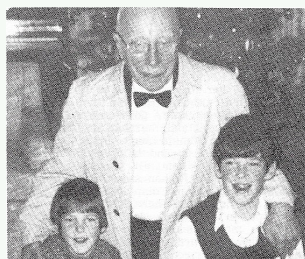
*By Dennis Caldirola*

At present, the Italian Club of Seattle has a total of 184 members. As of April 22nd, 168 have paid their dues leaving 16 who have not yet responded. If you are one of those 16, your membership is still in jeopardy, but, as per President Anna's directive, since the publication of the 2020 Members Roster has been put on hold until later in the year, we are going to freeze the membership until that time.

At the same time, and for the same reason, President Anna has accepted applicant Linda Juliano into the Club as a new member with all rights and privileges, without a vote of the membership. Linda is a Managing Broker at Windermere Real Estate/Greenwood and was sponsored by Audrey Manzanares. Linda's grandfather's name was Alfonso Guigliano who changed their last name when they came to America.

## Peter Orville Della Vedova, ICoS 9th President

**1974 Interview by Dennis Caldirola**



Like Andy DiGeria, president of the Italian Club before him, our ninth president, Peter Orville Della Vedova, was born in the province of Udine and spent most of his boyhood years there. Specifically, Pete entered the world September 29, 1896 in the town of Navarons near the Swiss-Italian border, and at the age of eleven, immigrated to the United States with his family. Pete's father had been a miner and to continue to pursue his trade he settled the Della Vedova family in Red Lodge, Montana. In this rather humble environment, Pete embarked upon the course of scholastic activity which was to result in his graduation from Harvard Law School in 1924. That year was an important one for him, for Pete decided to make Seattle his home and, in December he married Anne Baxter, a Red Lodge girl of Scottish descent, in Portland, Oregon. At approximately the same time, Pete let his name be shortened to the distinctive P.O.D. Vedova, went to work for Equitable Securities in the Henry Building, and joined the Italian Commercial Club.

It was not long before Pete had established himself enough to open a practice of his own. In 1926 he took an office in the Central Building where he remained nearly all of his professional career. As president in 1932, Pete saw the amalgamation of the Italian Commercial Club and the Atlantic St. Athletic Club. Some two decades later he was to spearhead an action which had benefits still realized today: the lawsuit against the operators of the Italian (Gambling) Club which was settled out of court for approximately 1/4 million dollars.

*(9th ICoS President continues on page 4)*

## Health & Welfare

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

For those who may not have yet heard, we are sorry to share the news that **JoAnne Lazzaretti** passed away on June 4th, 2020. From Dennis, "She & her husband Tino were long-time active members of the Club. She was a past President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Italian Club in 1984-85, an enthusiastic volunteer for both the Italian Club & Festa Italiana over the years, and a good friend to many. JoAnne & Tino's son Michael has also been a Club member for many years. Her obituary was in the Seattle Times on Sunday, June 15th. Rest in Peace. She will be missed." Here is the link to her obituary and also to the one for **Armandino Batali's** wife, JoAnne Marie Lazzaretti (<https://tinyurl.com/yytvf3t4>), Marilyn Joy LaFramboise Batali (<https://tinyurl.com/yyyjzxnz>).



*Tino & JoAnne Lazzaretti*

We heard briefly from **Fr. Paul Magnano** who said that he was having a busy summer. Just nice to hear that he is well.

We heard from **Deanna Dent** who said, "Just wanted to let you know a little mundane and exciting news. Our son Benjamin is visiting us from 8/23 for 2 weeks and our nipote will be born in September! Our first – a granddaughter. We will be going to Utah to see her in September. My garden is growing beautifully & we got the most Carciofi (17) we have ever had!"

**Angela & Bill Wright** have recently become great-grandparents – again – on July 20th. In addition to our 14 grandchildren we now have two great-granddaughters. The virus has kept us close to home, but hopefully sometime soon we will again feel free, not only to visit the newest addition to our family, in Spokane, but other family too.

A request from **Todd & Brenda Elliott**: Prayers for Todd, please. His cancer has recurred and he is suffering from many complications. He is asking the Club to storm heaven with their prayers and asking God for healing.

We're wishing you all a Happy Labor Day. Continue to pray that school will get back in session (in school) and that we will be meeting again someday, but not likely to be in the next few months. Stay safe and stay well.

## Casa Italiana 2020-2021 Scholarship

Casa Italiana, also known as CASA, will award one (1) \$1,000 scholarship to a qualifying student toward an undergraduate degree.

**At present, there were no applications received for this scholarship. As a result, the deadline has been extended until August 31, 2020.**

Full details including eligibility, the award, application process, and the Scholarship Application are available online at: <https://tinyurl.com/skjb8qu>.

## (9th ICoS President continued)

Pete remained active in the organization until his retirement from practice in 1962. Today he and Anne commute between their two homes: winter in Palm Springs, summer at their 20 acre estate out near Bothell. Their daughter, Jemma Jean, is now Mrs. John Cogan and has three lovely children (two of whom are pictured above). Pete remembers the Italian Club fondly and will continue to follow our activities via the *il Ficcanaso*.

## August Joseph Ghiglione, ICoS 10th President

### 1974 Interview by Dennis Caldirola



The tenth president of the Italian Club in the organization's 13th term of office, was the esteemed doctor, A.J. Ghiglione. He was born August Joseph in New York City, August 16, 1884, and culminated his scholastic activities by obtaining a degree in Medicine from Columbia University. In 1904, during his residency at Columbia-Lying Hospital, he married the former Estell Skinner and in 1905 they migrated west to Seattle where the Doctor's father, Angelo, and his two brothers, Frank and Charley, were already living. Dr. Ghiglione went immediately into general practice but shortly thereafter was appointed Acting Italian Consul for the Pacific, a position he held until 1914.

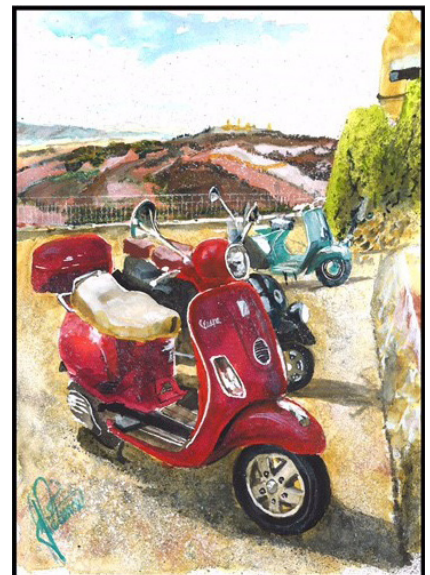
During this time he and his wife added three children to their family, Maybelle, Angelo and August, and as an active member of the Italian community, the Doctor became a charter member of the Italian Commercial Club when it was founded in 1919. Then in 1921, tragedy struck the Ghiglione household when Estell passed away. The Doctor carried on with his work, now located mostly in the Stimpson Building at 4th Avenue and Pike Street, and in 1924 was appointed Chief of Staff at Providence Hospital, a position he was to hold several times. In 1924 he married Birdie, nee Chamberlain, and she became a member of the Ladies Auxiliary. Upon being elected in 1933, the Doctor oversaw the continuing unification of the various Italian organizations in their relatively new home, The Casa. In 1939 he served as Chief of Staff at Columbus Hospital and after taking ill in 1943, finally retired from practice in 1946.

Dr. Ghiglione passed away in August of 1949 and was survived by Birdie (now Mrs. Birdie Hamilton) and their son John. Those that knew him remember his passing not only as a great personal loss but also as a loss to the whole community.

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**Where:** Echo Falls Golf Course (Snohomish)

**When:** 9:00am and 11:00am Tee Time Start

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Please join your friends from the Italian Community as Festa Italiana presents two fun-filled evenings of "Bingo Italiano," coming up on Friday, September 25th and Saturday, September 26th, both nights starting at 7 PM.

Each night we'll play three Bingo games "live" on ZOOM with entertainment from some of your favorite Festa performers will be entertaining you between rounds.

The cost is minimal, \$20 for two cards for three games, and we can promise you some great prizes but the best part is that you get to provide your own refreshments for yourself and your family while you interact with your friends on the screen. Salute!

If the Italian Club has your email address, you'll be receiving an invitation by email in a couple weeks and you simply click on it to purchase your tickets online. If we don't have your email address or if you want us to invite others, please contact [Dennis@FestaSeattle.com](mailto:Dennis@FestaSeattle.com) to get in on the fun. Limited to 100 players per night.

## ICoS Calendar

### September 2020

- 3rd Trustee's Meeting **VIA ZOOM!**
- 6th ~~Italian Day at the Races, 1pm-6pm, Auburn Emerald Downs Racetrack, **CANCELLED**~~
- 10th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner **CANCELLED**
- 10th ICoS Golf Tournament, Echo Falls Golf Course
- 18th ~~Festa Luncheon, Seattle Yacht Club **CANCELLED**~~
- 19th Mass in Italian, 6:30pm, Mt. Virgin Church, Reception (**if permitted**)
- 25th & 26th BINGO ITALIANO **VIA ZOOM! ON-LINE (see page 6)**
- 27th 33rd Annual Italian Festival Watch Party on Big Screen, 3pm, Tutta Bella Pizzeria, Westlake (**if permitted**)
- 25th Input Deadline for September *il Ficcanaso*

### October 2020

- No Trustee meeting this month
- 8th ~~ICoS General Meeting/Dinner **CANCELLED**~~
- 25th Input Deadline for November *il Ficcanaso*

### November 2020

- 7th Auburn Annual Veterans Day Parade
- 5th Trustee Meeting
- 12th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner 6:30PM
- 16th CASA meeting **VIRTUAL ON-LINE MEETING**
- 25th Input Deadline for December *il Ficcanaso*
- 26th Thanksgiving

### December 2020

- No Trustee meeting this month
- 10th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner

### December 2020 (Cont'd)

- 13th Adult Christmas Party, Rainier Golf & Country Club in conjunction with the Westside Italian Civic Club
- 25th Christmas Day
- 26th Input Deadline for January *il Ficcanaso*

### January 2021

- 7th Trustee's Meeting
- 14th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner
- 25th Input Deadline for February *il Ficcanaso*

### February 2021

- No Trustee meeting this month
- 10th CASA meeting
- 11th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner
- 15th Valentine's Day
- 25th Input Deadline for February *il Ficcanaso*
- TBD Crab Dinner, St. Alphonsus

### March 2021

- 4th Trustee's Meeting
- 11th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner
- 25th Input Deadline for March *il Ficcanaso*

### April 2021

- No Trustee meeting this month
- 8th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner
- 24th Italian Club Centennial Celebration, Washington Athletic Club
- 25th Input Deadline for May *il Ficcanaso*

### May 2021

- 6th Trustee's Meeting
- 13th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner
- 25th Input Deadline for June *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)).

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