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**General Meeting,
Dinner – Thursday,**

May 10th, 2018

6:30 pm

**St. Patrick's
Parish Hall**

**Remember our Veterans
on Memorial Day**



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Day at the Races

By Joe Galluccio

It's that time of year again! For over 15 years the Seattle Italian Club has hosted "Day at the Races" at Emerald Downs in Auburn. This year it will be held on Sunday, July 22nd. The \$55 adult ticket includes admission to the track, official program and tip sheet, reserved seating in the council room which is on the 5th floor located in the club house, a handicapping class, and a delicious buffet meal.

This year the menu is mandarin chicken, sliced marinated flank steak au jus, steamed basmati rice, served with Greek salad of fresh romaine, olives, feta, peppers and balsamic vinegar. There will also be fresh & marinated vegetable tray with ranch dip, fresh fruit medley, bakery rolls & freshly baked cookies.

If you've never attended Day at the Races, it's a wonderful way to spend a Sunday afternoon in July. Please contact Joe Galluccio to purchase tickets at 206-773-9776.

Ages 11-17, tickets are \$42.

Ages 5-10, tickets are \$21.

Message from the President

I just got back from a trip to New York with my family; two of them were visiting New York for the first time.

I've been there several times and I still feel the same as it was the first time – proud to be an Italian American. You see it everywhere: the people, restaurants and bakeries.

Touring the city and seeing the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island reminds us how our parents must have felt coming to America and starting a new life. We are thankful for their sacrifices that they endured for us to have a great life.

Let Marty Nigrelle know if you will be attending the Mariners game on June 12th.

Joe Galluccio needs 43 people to attend the day at the races on Sunday July 22nd, it's a fun day.

I hope to see more members come to our monthly meetings. Doug Chiechi does a great job cooking our delicious meals.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO MAMA'S AND NONA'S!

Sincerely,

Anna Popovich

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

Day at the Races **Joe Galluccio**

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

Luncheons **Audrey Manzanares**

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

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

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

Picnic **Ron Roletto**

Scholarship **Diana Kaczor**

Italy Invades Safeco!

By Martin Nigrelle

Celebrate your Italian Heritage and show off your pride in our community. Join us Tuesday June 12th, 2018, at 7:10pm for the Mariners' 12th annual Italian Heritage Night. The Ms are hosting the Los Angeles Angels.

The giveaway item this year is a new design on a blue t-shirt; "Mariners," in the il tricolore color scheme, printed on the front and "ITALIA" printed on the back (below).

We will have other activities to enhance the event, such as first group pitch, bocce in the outfield and perhaps Miller/Coors will bring back Peroni beer specials!

Two ticket prices to choose from: Main Level seats are \$35; View Level seats are \$26. The Italian Club will be buying Main Level seats. For tickets to sit with the Italian Club friends & family, see Martin Nigrelle at the May General meeting.

Tickets may also be purchased through the Mariners web site: <http://mariners.com/italian>.



WINNERS

Drawings were conducted by Michael Troiani.

The Birthday Winner for April was Scott Fitzpatrick.

Spirits, Coffee Cards and Flower Bulbs were won by Marty Nigrelle, Dot Whitney, Paul Pioli, Deanna Dent (2x), Barbara Galluccio, Terry Sacco, Anna Popovich, Diana Kaczor, Dick Whitney, Jerome Thielges, Sally Leittem-Pierotti, Frances Rossi, Judy Collins Seth and Brian DiJulio.

The Progressive Prize of \$100 would have been won by Daniel Merlino, had he been present. Jackpot now goes up to \$125.

Prices for Ads in the Italian Club Roster 2018

\$100 for full page inside front or back cover.

\$75 for interior full page.

\$50 for half page.

\$25 for business card size including memorials.

Please contact Joe Galluccio for details (206-773-9776).

Deadline is May 14, 2018.

Emergency Coffee Liquor

By Joel Patience

Oh no! You just got a phone call that friends are coming over later. The only drinkable alcohol in your house is a liter of 100 proof vodka – that you won at the *tombola* (lottery) at the Italian Club. No worries. The following is a recipe for coffee liquor that you can have ready by the time they show up.

- 3 cups of water
- 3 cups white sugar
- 10 teaspoons freeze dried coffee
- Put together in a metal pot, cover and simmer for one hour stirring occasionally – do not allow to boil.
- Set aside and allow cooling to room temperature; an hour is usually enough.
- Add the liter of 100 proof vodka.
- Drink without ice or pour over ice cream.

To improve the flavor of this recipe, add a half cup of cognac, salignac or armonac to the vodka before mixing it with the simple sugar. For a seasonal approach add a pinch of nutmeg or cinnamon or even a cinnamon stick to the bottle. To make the finished product stronger, just dissolve a little more of the coffee with vodka.

Joel Patience is an independent writer and watercolor artist drawing inspirations from travels with his wife Dale Bonn.

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Health & Welfare

by Gemma Di Julio Thielges and Assistant Angela Di Julio Wright

Linda Madrid & Don Gulden spent a week in Honolulu absorbing some “solar power.” Then they will look forward to Linda’s son’s wedding in June. He turned 40 in April and will be entering marriage for the first time as will his wife-to-be. We wish them the very best. Also, we hope Linda & Don enjoyed a very happy 6th wedding anniversary and celebration on April 14th at the Capital Grille in Seattle.

Modern society, two career household challenges and absence makes the heart grow fonder: **Martin Nigrelle** & his wife are selling their house in Magnolia as Kacy, his wife, has accepted a job offer in Dallas and will be moving there. Martin will remain in Seattle in order to support his career and commitment to current employer. They are committed to making the marriage work over the long distance and anticipate sharing a house again. We are very happy that Martin will remain in the area and wish Kacy well in her new job.

Joanne Lazzaretti still resides at the Mirabella in Seattle (at Fairview & Denny) and Dennis announced that her son Mike said Joanne would enjoy visitors.

Amadeo & Frances Rossi and their son Brian, went to Hong Kong for five days. They then flew to Taipei for another seven days, stating, “Our oldest son Anthony married a girl from Taiwan.” There was a reception in Taipei, at the 101 building, to celebrate their marriage. They were on the 86th floor of the building. All of the Rossi family, including all three boys, were there to help celebrate! Fun was had by all. Congratulations to Anthony, his bride Annie, and all the Rossi family.



Joel Patience reported, “Members of the Italian Club attending the Il Punto auction on April 22nd were **Audrey Manzanares, Dale Bonn, Joel Patience** and **Franco Tesorieri**. **Dennis Caldirola** was the auctioneer. Money was raised in support of an

Italian cultural center” (Dale & Joel, 3rd & 2nd on right at table).

Happy Mother’s Day – much gratitude for our wonderful Mom’s. Also, Happy Memorial Day – much gratitude for the men & women who have sacrificed for our country.

We heard from **Todd & Brenda Elliott** and they have asked for our prayers as Brenda will be having a knee replacement on May 16th. We will pray that the surgery and recovery goes

Health & Welfare (continued)

well and that she will be pleased with the outcome.

Audrey Manzanares shared that daughter Marissa came home to celebrate Audrey's 50th birthday. Also, Trent was going to be taking her on a surprise get-away in May. Happy Birthday! Sounds like you'll have some very special people to help you celebrate. We'll have to get a report on the get-away later.

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@Festa-Seattle.com).

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

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Join our two hosts – **Tony La Stella**, a New York Italian-American Singer and Entertainer and **Marzia Caputo**, a native Italian Girl from Vicenza – as they share the "Real Italian and Italian American Experience" with you. Nostalgic, edgy and humorous (**after our Cooking Segment, people call in telling us they're hungry**). Special Monthly Hosts like **Tony Ventrella, Rita Cipalla & Matt Biondi** will bring us Italian News Stories or Italian Sports...and we have GREAT Celebrity Guests. Plus...crazy antics when our founder **David Madrid** drops-in for an occasional "Baptize You to Be Italian" or gives comedic advice as the "Questionable Carmini."

The *Italian Radio Show* also highlights what is going on in our Italian community, such as local festivals, banquets, and events that promote our Italian heritage and culture. There are Italian American clubs that hold meetings, dinners, wine-festivals, big banquets, FESTA's, and so much more.

We broadcast live throughout the greater Seattle/Tacoma area as well as stream live on the internet throughout the world.

In the words of David Madrid, our founder, "**We eat great food, drink great wine and dress well – we're damn good-looking people. Who wouldn't want to be Italian?**"

We celebrate "All things Italian" and encourage our listeners to participate. **Tune in Mondays from 4 pm to 5 pm.**

2018-19 Scholarship Application

By Diana Kaczor, Scholarship Chair

The Italian Club of Seattle is awarding up to two individual \$500.00 scholarships. The scholarships for the 2018-2019 school year will be awarded to students who are selected based on meeting or exceeding the scholarship criteria (noted below). As in years' past; the better the GPA, the better chance of a scholarship award.

Next steps in the scholarship process:

- April 2018 – Application submission window opens
- May 2018 – Application submission window closes, application verification
- June 2018 – Award Recipients determined, all applicants notified of their status
- September 2018 – Award Recipients published in the *il Ficcanaso* and presented at the General Meeting
- October 2018 – Scholarship payments made to the schools on behalf of the recipients

The qualifications each recipient needs to meet or exceed are:

1. A parent of the applicant (student) must be in good standing in the Italian Club for at least three years. (Grandparents are not included).
2. The parent(s) of the applicant must attend at least three club meetings during the year.
3. The applicant (student) is or will be enrolled in high school (grades 9 through 12) for the 2018-2019 school year, in the greater Seattle area.
4. The applicant (student) must have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher (with official transcript) and take part in extra-curricular activities, community service, etc.
5. Each applicant must write a letter telling about themselves and activities in which he/she is participating.
6. The application and transcript must be post marked no earlier than April 15th, 2018 and no later than May 10th, 2018.
7. Applications that are incomplete or missing a transcript will not be considered.

2018/2019 Italian Club of Seattle Scholarship Application Form

Applicant's name: _____

Applicant's Parent(s) (Italian Club Member(s) in good standing): _____

High School Applicant will be attending in the 2018/2019 School year: _____

Applicant's Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

e-mail: _____

The Application form must be accompanied by:

1. Official Transcript, from the Middle or High School the applicant is currently attending (2017-2018 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 Diana Kaczor
P.O. Box 9549
Seattle, WA 98109-0549

ICoS Calendar

May 2018

- 3rd Trustee's Meeting
10th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner
6:30PM
25th Input Deadline for June
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June 2018

- No Trustee Meeting this month
12th Italian Heritage Night, Seattle
Mariners vs. LA Angels
14th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner
6:30PM

July 2018

- No Trustee Meeting this month
4th Independence Day
8th Italian Night at Seattle Storm
22nd ICoS Luncheon at Emerald Downs
No *il Ficcanaso* this month

August 2018

- No Trustee Meeting this month
19th All Italian Community Picnic
Royal Arch Park, Maple Valley
No *il Ficcanaso* this month
22nd Italian Club/SU Baseball Golf
Tourney, Echo Falls
23-25 Portland Festa Italiana
20th Input Deadline for September
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September 2018

- 2nd Italian Day at Emerald Downs
6th Trustee's Meeting
7-9 Seattle San Gennaro Festival
13th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner
6:30PM
15th Mass in Italian, Mt. Virgin Church

September (Cont'd)

- 21st Festa Italiana Luncheon
25th Input Deadline for October
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28th Taste of Italy, Seattle Center
29-30 31st Annual Italian Festival,
Seattle Center; Sausage Booth

October 2018

- No Trustee meeting this month
6-7 Italian Festival, Reno, NV
8th Columbus Day Dinner
11th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner
6:30PM
25th Input Deadline for October
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TBD Seattle Fedele "John Croce"
Homemade Wine Festival

November 2018

- 1st Trustee Meeting
8th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner
6:30PM
12th Festa Italiana Volunteers
Appreciation Dinner
22nd Thanksgiving
26th Input Deadline for December
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December 2018

- No Trustee meeting this month
TBD Past Presidents Luncheon &
Board Appreciation dinner
13th ICoS General Meeting/Dinner
6:30PM
TBD Children's Christmas Party
combined with Seattle Fedele SOI
at St. John's Parish Hall
25th Christmas Day
26th Input Deadline for January
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General Meeting & Dinner

Thursday,

May 10th, 2018

6:30 pm

St. Patrick's Parish Hall

ITALIAN CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS

General Meetings:

- Drinks & Dinner (\$10.00 charge) followed by meeting & prize drawings, 6:30pm on the SECOND Thursday of the month, St. Patrick's Parish Hall

Trustee Meetings:

- First Thursday of every other month

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Advertising,
see Joe or Barbara
Galluccio**

**Please send ICoS Calendar
additions or updates by the
25th of each month to Joe
Jacobin (joejacobin@gmail.
com or to 4822 S. Juneau
Street, Seattle, WA 98118-
2848). Thank you.**



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