



# La Voce

The Newsletter of the  
Italian American Club of Boise  
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The Italian American Club of Boise

FEBRUARY 2018

(BY RMS)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### FEB

11—Valentine Dinner  
17—Cooking Class  
20—Board Meeting

### MAR

4—Crab&PastaDinner  
17—Cooking Class  
20—Board Meeting  
23—Darts

### APR

17—Board Meeting  
21—Cooking Class  
29—General Meeting

### MAY

TBA—Bocce starts  
15—Board Meeting  
19—Cooking Class  
TBA—Impromptu Dinner

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## MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT!

Valentine's Dinner for the Ladies has been set for Sunday, February 11, 1 PM, at the Odd Fellows Dining Room. Our hosts are Steve Botti & Jim Naggi, who will be assisted by other men of the club. This is a long-held tradition to thank the ladies of the club who have done much of the cooking for our activities. This is a free event for lady members of the IAC.

We had a successful General Membership Meeting on January 28, with 49 members present. We introduced new members Molly & Dave Cosso and Gino Pilato. Following the fabulous meal, we had a brief business meeting. Then we had a fun "Getting to Know You" activity. Everyone got a penny, found someone to partner with whom they didn't know, and chatted about what they were doing the year stamped on their own penny. We found out who was fighting in a war, who got married, where people worked and where they were living. Our next General Meeting will be held on Sunday, April 29 – and we hope to have another fun activity that day.

A new Chair for the Cooking Classes has been selected – Connie Capobianco. An excellent Italian cook herself, we will need many other members to step forward to be the "host cooks" for each class. We want to hold cooking class on Saturday, February 17. But this is dependent of people coming forward to be in charge of cooking for each class. She recommends about 4 cooks per event. If you & 3 friends want to host a class, call Connie at 208-344-2040. You will be reimbursed for your costs. Watch for an eblast (or a phone call if you don't have email) to announce the February 17 class. The cost is \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members.

The IAC volunteered again on Saturday, January 20, with 24 of us filling boxes of non-perishable food to be given out to the needy families in the area. Most boxes contained items like meals, soups, proteins, & starches. Some boxes filled were specifically for families with babies containing formula & diapers. On Monday, January 22, Tina Thimsen & Monica Fabbi returned to donate money raised at the silent auction during the Christmas Party. Our total of donations over the years has been over \$13,000.00 !

Many are wondering when Bocce will begin. Although we don't start playing until May, signups begin in mid-March. The costs and dates will be announced on the website: [iacboise.org](http://iacboise.org) or you can contact the committee directly at [boisebocceleague@gmail.com](mailto:boisebocceleague@gmail.com). Members will have notice ahead of the general public, so they can sign up first.

Paid your 2018 dues yet??? It's time! Send \$40 dues to the Treasurer -- \$10 for Honored Members who have been in the IAC for 5 years or longer and have reached their 75th birthday before January 1st. Send to IAC Boise PO Box 7014 Boise ID 83707.

**\*Are you a card lover? Call Catherine at 208-761 2872 to let the Board know if you want to play cards with the IAC !**

Have a wonderful February

Catherine  
208-761-2872



## CRAB & Pasta Dinner

Sunday, March 4 2018 3:00—5:00pm

Mark Your Calendars !!! Sunday, March 4th is our annual Crab and Pasta Dinner. This is our Club's major fundraiser for the year. Due to increased interest we will be serving 100 club members and their friends at this year's event, and please note that it will be held at **The First Congregational United Church of Christ, 2201 Woodlawn Ave, Boise, Idaho.** We will be serving from 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm. A Pasta-with-Meatballs ticket (No Crab) will also be available. Both tickets will also include one glass of wine, romaine salad, garlic bread, spumoni ice cream, a biscotti, and beverage. As of February 1, we have not received confirmation regarding the price and availability of the fresh Dungeness Crab we serve at this event. Callers will be contacting you as soon as those details are set. If you wish to help with this event, please call Paul Zelus at (208) 440-4047 or email him at pzelus@yahoo.com. Below are some tasks you can "adopt". If you think of some things that you may want to do, just call. All helpers should have ample time to enjoy the meal! Many hands make for light work.

Saturday March 3, Noon-3pm. (approximate). At Oddfellows Hall

- o Crack and clean fresh crab
- o Gather all food, pots, pans, etc. for transport to dinner site

Sunday March 4, Noon – 3pm. (approximate). At Congregational Church

- o Prepare: Crab Pasta Marinara Meatballs GarlicBread Salad Dessert Coffee
- o Setup: Kitchen Chairs&Tables PlaceSettings Decorations TicketTakers

Sunday March 4, 3pm – 5pm.

- o Help Serve: Crab Pasta Marinara Meatballs GarlicBread Salad Dessert Coffee
- o We will have six volunteer High School students as Table Servers

Sunday March 4, 5pm – 6pm.

- o Cleanup: Dishes Kitchen Hall
- o Transport all leftover food & equipment back to Oddfellows Hall

Words cannot adequately express our gratitude to all the members of the Italian American Club who have helped us during the recent hospitalization and death of Paolo (Paul) Letizia. Many of you came to Saint Alphonsus Hospital to check on Paul and Anna for the three weeks he was there for injuries he sustained on New Year's Eve. You were also a godsend to Anna when Paul passed away on Jan. 18, bringing comfort, kind words and gifts of food during this very difficult time.

Paul greatly enjoyed the social events & good company of the Italian American Club while he was alive. In particular, we learned of the last Christmas party he attended with Anna, where he danced & won generous door prizes. To know that he had close friends and an extended family to turn to will sustain us for a long time to come.

We cannot include the names of everyone we wish to thank for everything they did to support our family this past month. Please know we will always remember your love, caring and friendship. God bless you all.

The Letizia Family (Anna, Michele, Nella, and Valentino)

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## Club Merchandise Sale (50% off)

All items with IAC Logo and all items are new and never worn  
Call Paul Zelus (208) 440-4047 if interested

### MEN:

\$21 XXL Blue Hoodie  
\$12 XL Blue Long Sleeve warmup shirt  
\$10 Large Grey Short Sleeve Polo shirt

### WOMEN:

\$10 XL White T-shirt  
\$10 XL Black T-shirt  
\$10 XXXL Lime Green T-shirt (2)  
\$10 Large White Short Sleeve Polo shirt

### IAC BOARD

**Tuesday - February 20, 2018**

Open Forum  
Recording Secretary's Report  
Corresponding Secretary's Report  
Treasurer's Report  
Vice President's Report  
President's Report  
Standing Committee Reports  
Unfinished Business  
New Business

Next Board Meeting: **March 20, 2018**

Same location:  
St Michael's Cathedral  
Funsten Bldg Library  
518 N 8th St Downtown Boise 83702

All members of the Italian American Club are welcome to attend Board Meetings.

### **1/20/17 FOOD BANK DONATION !**

**WE COLLECTED \$251.00 FROM OUR IAC CHRISTMAS PARTY  
WHICH WAS GIVEN TO THE IDAHO FOOD BANK.**

**THANK YOU TO ALL THE  
MEMBERS WHO MADE  
THIS POSSIBLE !**

