

La Voce

The Newsletter of the Italian American Club of Boise www.iacboise.org

The Italian American Club of Boise

SEPTEMBER 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS *****

(BY RMS)

SEP

16–Cooking Class 19–Board Meeting 23–Wine Tasting

OCT

8-Columbus Day Dinner 17-Board Meeting 21-Cooking Class

NOV

12–Annual Meeting & Pot luck 14–Board Meeting

DEC

9-Club Xmas Party 16-Cooking Class ? 19-Board Meeting?

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT!

The Founder of the Italian American Club of Boise is Toni Smith. She met & married American serviceman David Smith in Italy. As an immigrant & young bride she arrived in Boise in August 1963. She & David have lived & raised their daughters Sandra and Tina here. To get acquainted with others of Italian descent, she started a gathering of other Italian immigrants & those of Italian descent in 1969. In 1973 the group got even bigger. In 1975, the IAC Boise became an officially recognized organization with incorporation in Idaho. It is with great pleasure I am announcing that starting this year the VIP Award -- given out at the Christmas Party annually -- will be renamed the "Antonietta Falcone Smith Award" in her honor with the gratitude we all feel for her accomplishments & bringing us together to experience & preserve our Italian culture. This award will continue to recognize other members of the club for their contributions to the Club & our culture.

Thank you to The Sturiale Café for such a wonderful and delicious Impromptu Dinner on Sunday, August 20. Rita & her staff served up a great meal, complete with excellent weather to enjoy the patio. All 32 of us enjoyed our meals & friendships!

The IAC Wine Tour will occur on Saturday, September 23. We will travel by bus to the Williamson Orchards & Vineyards in Caldwell. The cost is \$25 for members & \$30 for non-members. This cost includes transportation from the parking lot at Black Bear Diner (near the movie theater complex at Overland & Cole Rd). The expense for the bus is being covered by the Club from the profits of the Crab Feed at the wishes of its Chair Paul Zelus. Also included in the cost is the winery fee where will taste up to 5 samples of their wines. Two or three of the samples will be prior to lunch & one or two will be dessert wines. All the wines will be paired to our lunch menu prepared by our own Chefs Sharon & Steve Botti. There will be time to purchase any wines you particularly enjoy before we leave. The bus should arrive back in Boise around 2:30 or 3:00. Space is limited to 30 people because of the size of the bus & the winery. To participate you must pay in advance to hold your spot. Thanks to Club Vice President Maria Trebby for organizing this annual event.

Columbus Day will be celebrated by the IAC at Brunch at Louie's on Sunday, October 8, from 11 to 2:30. The cost for members is \$16 and non-members is \$21. You pay in advance or at the door. The cost is inclusive of brunch, soft drinks, tax, & tip. If you order an adult beverage or something other than the brunch, your waiter/waitress will bill you separately. Thanks to Ways & Means Chair Paul Zelus for arranging the event & providing slides at the event.

The Club is still looking for people interested in serving on the Board of Directors for the 2018 year. We have three members interested in being on the Board: Cindy Melillo, Donna Naggi, & Dina Pisani. We will need at least three more people to fill out the Board. Please contact Cori Niehoff at 208-949-5796 for more information about running.

Ciao, Catherine 208-761-2872



COOKING CLASS

Cooking Classes start again this month in September. And the first one will be on **Saturday, September 16, 9:30, at the Odd Fellows**. (600 N Curits Rd #225, Boise) Our own Chef Sharon Botti is a little under the weather at this time, so Cooking Apprentices Donna Naggi & Catherine Carter-Goldston will try to be good teachers for you. Their plan is to prepare fall-type desserts common in Italy! A real DESSERT EXTRAVAGANZA! We will be making such favorites as Panna Cotta with fresh fruit topping, Pizzelle, Limoncello Granita, Napoleon Cannoli & Plum Tart, a la Lidia Bastianich. Instead of lunch, we will sample & take home treats to share with the family. If you want to be part of the demonstrations, call Donna at 1-503-819-9951 or Catherine at 208-761-2872 to let them know you are coming. And another member Connie Capobianco suggested that if you have extra fruits & vegetables from your garden, bring them to share at this class!

The cost will be \$20 for members or \$25 for guests.

Impromptu Dinner October 8!



Italian explorer Christopher Columbus is credited with the "discovery" of the New World on October 12, 1492. Here in the USA, we celebrate Columbus Day on the Monday of the week the 12th falls on.

And we in the Italian American Club of Boise will be celebrating it on Sunday, October 8, at brunch at Louie's Restaurant. 2500 E Fairview Ave, Meridian, ID 83642

In addition to a variety of brunch-type foods there will be a selection of Italian favorites. Board Member Paul Zelus has made the arrangements and will share a variety of slides from Italy.

The cost for members is \$16 & for non-members is \$21. You pay at the door. The cost includes brunch, soft drinks, tax & tip. If you order other items such as drinks from the bar, you will pay your waiter/waitress separately for them. Be sure to let you caller know if you plan to attend so the restaurant can set up properly.

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Boise Bocce League 2017 Winners

The Boise Bocce 2017 Season has come to an end. The playoffs were held on Wednesday, September 6, at the Bocce Courts of Kristen Armstrong Municipal Park where the games had been held all summer. Ninety people attended to watch the championship. Pizza, sodas, & cake were served. Winners of 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place from the Tuesday Division and Wednesday Division received plaques. The 2nd & 3rd place winners from each division played each other & that winner played the 1st place winners from their division. Division winners played each other for 1st & 2nd place in the League. Losers of 2nd game played each other for 3rd Place in the League. Winners of 1st, 2nd, 3rd at the Playoffs received medals. See the lists below. Thanks to Rich Goldston & George Gutierrez for chairing Bocce this year & to the Committee including Bruce Fabbi, Rich O'Hara, Cam Johnson, Dianna Parker, & Susan Carmichael. Great job!

Tuesday Division Winners

1st Place Team #4

3 Tenors & 1 Soprano Dan Bonaminio-Capo George Gutierrez Sam Palumbo Sally Gutierrez

2nd Place Team #6

It's a Park Thing Mike Woodward-Capo Peggy Bosely Kelly Burrows Jenny Burrows

3rd Place Team #8

I Favalose Quatro Anna Almerico-Capo Jason Almerico Mike Stambulis Carolyn Fabis

Wednesday Division Winners

1st Place Team #6

Kiss My Pallino Harriet Almerico-Capo Jessica Rodriguez Susan Ziebarth

2nd Place Team #9

Sunflowers Tyler Wymond-Capo Kristy Wymond James Smith Irene Smith

3rd Place Team #8

Boccelism Marge Butterfield-Capo Sarah Long Jill Carroll Kirby Widdecombe

Bocce League 2017 Winners

1st Place: *Three Tenors & A Soprano* 2nd Place: *Boccelism* 3rd Place: *Kiss My Pallino*

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IAC WINE TOUR SEPTEMBER 23 2017

The IAC Wine Tasting & Lunch still has 15 seats left available! A bus will be provided for all participants, which has a limit of 30 persons. We will depart at 11am on Saturday from the parking lot behind Black Bear Diner, near Edwards 21 Theaters. We will travel to Williamson's Winery where we will taste three wines to accompany our lunch. Lunch is included in the ticket cost and will be prepared by our "chefs" Sharon and Steve Botti. If you attended last year's event, you know it will be delicious !

After our lunch, we will have dessert accompanied by a tasting of 2 of Williamson's sweet/dessert wines. There will also be an explanation of their wines and their new facility. This is a family-owned winery (formerly a fruit farm and winery) and their 3 children, who grew up on the farm, now run the winery and make the wine. Their new facility is beautiful and I feel certain you will enjoy it as well as the views of Sunny Slope. We will return around 2:30 p.m. and should arrive back in Boise before 4 p.m.

Thanks to our fundraising efforts, led by Paul Zelus, the IAC will cover the cost of the bus and driver. Grazie, Paul and the IAC Board of Directors!!

If you wish to attend this wine tasting event, please send a check ASAP to IAC, PO Box 7014, Boise ID 83707 or you may pay via PAYPAL on the IAC website: www.iacboise.org

MEMBER COST: \$25 per person NON-MEMBER COST: \$30 per person

FIRST 30 PEOPLE TO REGISTER & PAY WILL ATTEND

IAC BOARD

Tuesday - September 19, 2017

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: October 17, 2017

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.

In August we lost two of our fellow members.

Phillip Sansotta and Kathy Zelus.

Please keep their families in your thoughts and prayers.

They will be greatly missed.

