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Once again this month's sponsor is:



We want to thank Gloriosos's Italian Market for one again graciously sponsoring this month's *Italian Times, Jr.* Please support them by stopping in. You'll find anything you'll need and want that is authentic Italian!

Festa 2024

President Sandy Winard and Vice-President, Marie Lieber, attended meetings with the Summerfest Staff regarding various areas necessary to have Festa on the Summerfest Grounds. Discussions will be shared with the FAC (Festa Advisory Committee). We will keep our membership informed as things progress. If you have any questions, you can reach out to either Sandy or Marie.

Festa Area Managers will also be chosen for Festa 2024. If you are interest in serving on a Festa Committee, please contact President Sandy Winard at the Festa Office or by email: president@iccmilwaukee.com

ICC Movie Night

The Friday, November 10, 2023 movie is *Book Club 2* and is being sponsored by Marie & Craig Lieber. Arancini (rice balls) with Marinara Sauce will be available for purchase, along with the usual snacks and beverages.

Book Club 2 sees Fonda, Tomlin, Steenberg and Keaton reprise their roles as four women on an adventure. The bachelorette trip takes them to Italy where each encounter their own "special situation". A light-hearted, funny film you'll really enjoy, so come join us on November 10th. Doors open at 6:00. Movie starts at 7:00.

Cast

- [Diane Keaton](#) as Diane
- [Jane Fonda](#) as Vivian
- [Candice Bergen](#) as Sharon
- [Mary Steenburgen](#) as Carol

Note: There will be no movie night in December. Instead, the annual Christmas Caroling event will take place. It's a potluck, so bring your favorite dish, appetizer, etc. Come join us in La Scala for food, beverages and a "little" singing. More information will be forthcoming in next month's issue and in the "Week Ahead" emails sent to Members.

Holiday Folk Fair

November 17 – 19, 2023 are this year's dates for the Holiday Folk Fair. To support this year's theme, the ICC Culture Committee will create a "Celebrate the Culture of Dress – Old and New – Then and Now", the old being Italian Folk Costumes, the new being Italian Fashion, showing both on mannequins, displaying Italian accessories & shoes, with visual exhibits celebrating well known Italian designers.

New Members

At the General Meeting, the ICC welcomed new Members: Gabriella Piraino, Maria Napoli and Gregg Carini. They are anxious to get involved with the ICC and have signed up for some committees!

Italian Language Classes

New Co-Chairs, Gina Jorgensen and Vivian Balistreri are working diligently to resume Italian Language Classes. They hope to have classes start in January. Details will follow as soon as the dates and times have been set.

In Memoriam:

In memory of Peter Frank Sorce:
Peter T. Sorce Family

In Memory of Margaret Carini:
Christine Conley

In Memory of Peter Russo:
Marie & Craig Lieber
Employees and Friends of Russo Trading Co.
Tony & Dana Carini
Dennis Plesha
Gino Dentice
Bill & Gale Russo
Pompeii Men's Club

Our thoughts and prayers go out to their family and friends.

Italian Times, Jr. Sponsorship

Editor Marie Lieber reports that the Italian Times, Jr. has obtained sponsorship for January, February and March 2024, so April through December are still available. Let's keep this newsletter going – sponsor one, two or six issues!

If you have an announcement that you would like to include in future issues, they must be submitted to Marie no later than the 24th of the month. Any questions, contact Marie Lieber.

Still Looking!

The ICC Publicity Committee is still looking for new members who can assist with website updates, content creation, photography, videography, proofreading and editing. Meetings will be both in person and virtually. Contact Tracy Balistreri at 414-467-6042 for more information or to join!

Bringing a Smile to Your Face

Six-year old Antonia, and her four-year old brother, Giuseppe, were sitting together in Church. Giuseppe giggled, sang and talked out loud. Finally, Antonia had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church." "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Giuseppe asked. Antonia pointed to the back of the church and said: "See those two men standing by the door? They are the hushers."

Go Bucks

Come join us for Italian Heritage Night at the Bucks game on Sunday, December 17th. Cheer on your championship Bucks as they face the Houston Rockets. Get your tickets online. The link is available on our website ICCMKE.com under Event Calendar. The first 100 people to register will receive a one-of-kind Heritage Night apron that you can proudly wear as you prepare your Christmas dinner! Don't delay; tickets are going fast. We hope to once again provide bus transportation to and from the ICC. Tickets make great Christmas and/or birthday gifts for those "hard to buy for" people.

Christmas Decorations

The "decorating committee" is looking for some volunteers to help decorate the Courtyard, Galleria, Festa Ballroom and Grand Ballroom. If you are interested in helping, contact the ICC Office. Courtyard decorating is weather dependent! We'd like to have the ICC fully decorated by the week before Thanksgiving.

Personal Mentions



Jacob Fischer, grandson of Gino Dentice and son of Jodi Fisher, graduated from UW-Oshkosh in May of 2022 and began working for U.S. Congressman Bryan Steil. He transferred to Congressman Steil's Washington D.C. office in January and has recently been promoted to Press Assistant.

The Pompeii Men's Club awarded \$2,500 in scholarships to Eli Cocker and Amelia Olson at the dinner held at Meyer's Restaurant in Greenfield on September 12th.

Eli graduated from Christ King grade school and will be attending Marquette University High School.

Amelia graduated from St. Jude the Apostle grade school and will be attending Divine Savior Holy Angels High School.

The recipients are selected by a panel of judges based on grades, community service and answers to questions regarding continuing his or her Catholic education.



Pictured with Amelia and Eli are President Greg Catalano and Scholarship Chair Joe Palmisano.



From the staff of the *Italian Times, Jr.*, the ICC Executive Officers and the ICC Board of Directors, wishing you a happy and blessed Thanksgiving.

And remember: Only the turkey should get stuffed!!

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