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Rose Spang is this month's sponsor!

Long-time ICC Member, Rose Spang, is graciously sponsoring this month's issue of *The Italian Times, Jr.* Rose has made many donations to the ICC and has never hesitated to share her time and talents for any event. Rose was recently selected as Nonna of Carnevale 2023. A well deserved honor. Thanks so much Rose for all you have done!!

2023 Dues

Membership dues will increase, effective March 1, 2023. All fees will be on an INDIVIDUAL basis as follows:

Under 21 – Free
Ages 21 thru 74 – \$75.00
Ages 75 thru 89 – \$50.00
Ages 90 and above – Free

The Membership Committee will generate an invoice for renewal to be emailed to Members, which will contain payment information. If you don't know when your dues are payable, please contact the ICC Office at 414-223-2180.

Carnevale 2023 is in the Books!

7:11 pm was the start time for this year's event. The 2023 royalty were introduced, starting with Piccolo Principe and Piccola Principessa, William and Annalise Wolter, followed by Nonna Rose Spang, who was escorted by Sal Purpora. Principessa Carolyn Giannattasio followed. Last, but not least, Re Joseph Emanuele and Regina Christine Catalano walked toward the stage among cheers and applause from everybody! It was indeed a grand event. (*A collage of pictures from the event can be found on the last page of this newsletter.*)

Attendees enjoyed hors d'oeuvres, a pizza buffet, and of course, a sweets table followed by the fireworks. Dynamix provided the music and dancing. Many attendees did come in costume. First place individual prize went to Eric Eichler. First place group was won by Daniel and Emily Baker. The 2023 Royalty acted as official judges. The wine pull proved to be a success – \$20 got you a playing card, at the end of the event, the guest's card was matched with the corresponding bottle. The silent auction which ran from Friday at 8:00 pm to Saturday at 9:00 pm had people frantically bidding and out-bidding for their choice of wonderful items. (Note: If you have not picked up your winning bid item, please do so as soon as possible – no later than March 13th.)

March Movie Night

The March 10th Movie Night is "I Still Believe" and is sponsored by MKE Life Church. Doors will open at 6:30 and the movie will start at 7:00. Because this is the season of Lent, pasta with sauce will be available for purchase along with the usual other treats and beverages. I Still Believe is a true-life story of Christian music star Jeremy Camp and his journey of love and loss, which attempts to prove there is always hope. The theme song "I Still Believe" was written and composed by Antonina Armato and Giuseppe Cantarelli. It was originally recorded by pop singer, Brenda K.

Children's Easter Party

The next event organized by the Avanti Committee is the Children's Easter Party set for April 1st from 11:00 - 2:00. The costs are: Children 12 and under: Member \$10, Non-Member \$15; Adults: Member \$20, Non-Members \$30. A delicious brunch will be served. The event will include playing games and an egg hunt. A special appearance by the Easter Bunny is expected. Reservations can be made through the ICC website. Any questions, contact Sam Alioto at: samalioto04@gmail.com.

Time for Another Happy Hour!

Join us at Dorsia (1307 E. Brady Street) from 4:00 - 7:00 on Tuesday, March 14th. The restaurant will offer a special menu and pricing for ICC Members who attend. It's a great way to socialize with fellow Members. Thinking about joining the ICC? Come to this event and meet us!

Taste of Italy

Mark your calendar for Sunday, April 23, 2023 for Taste of Italy. The event starts at 11:30 and runs until 3:30. The price is \$3.00 per ticket. Cash and credit cards will be accepted. Each item and beverage will be one ticket, except calamari which will be two tickets. Co-Chairs Chris Ziino and Marie Lieber reported that even though the price of food has more than doubled and sometimes even tripled (look at the price of eggs!), they were committed to only raise ticket prices slightly. In addition to great food and beverages, entertainment will be held in the Festa Ballroom. A raffle of wonderful items will be set up in the Galleria. Chris and Marie want to remind attendees that entrance to the Grand Ballroom and Festa Hall will not be allowed until 11:30 to ensure that all food items are properly cooked and hot at the beginning of the event. "Runners" are needed to take entrees from the kitchen to the appropriate booths during the event. If you would like to help out, contact Marie Lieber at 414-708-1607.

Italian Night With the Admirals

Members and non-members are invited to sign up for the Friday, April 7th game starting at 7:00 at the Panther Arena (400 W. Kilbourn Avenue). The Admirals will be playing the Rockford Icehogs. The first 3,000 people will receive a Bender Bobblehead! You can purchase tickets at: www.iccmke.com and click on the Milwaukee Admirals icon. Tickets are \$25, with a portion of each being donated back to the ICC.



Bender

La Scala Reopening

Our restaurant is slowly opening up again! These are the current hours, which may increase as time goes on:

Mondays: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Wednesdays: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

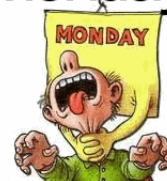
Thursdays: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

(If there is a meeting on Thursday, La Scala will also be open from 5:00 to 8:00 pm.)

Friday hours are being considered as well.

Bringing a Smile to Your Face

If each day is a gift,
I would like to know
where I can return
Mondays.



In Memorial Donations

In memory of: Peter Frank Sorce
The Sorce Family

In Memory of Jim LoDuca:
Christine Conley
Kathleen Mirenda
Joanne & Ron Czubek

In Memory of Sal Bando:
Jimmy & Linda Spataro

In Memory of Vincent & Josephine
Crivello:
Frank Crivello

Our deepest sympathy and continued
prayers go out to his family.

We Lost A Great One!

Sal Bando, a Third Baseman and General Manager of the Brewers, died on January 20, 2023. Not only did he love baseball, but he loved “going to bat” for the Italian Community Center. He was instrumental in raising funds to build our current facility. Sal was involved in the fundraising event and after two years he accepted the position as the chairman of the solicitation campaign with a goal of \$4 million. Sal was the grandson of Sicilian immigrants. He was proud of his heritage and believed the new ICC would make a valuable contribution to the community. He will be remembered not only for his involvement in baseball, but for his contributions to Milwaukee’s Italian Community Center.

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CARNEVALE 2023



Piccolo Principe William Wolter and Piccola Principessa Annalise Wolter



1st Place Group Costumes goes to Emily & Daniel Baker



Principessa Carolyn Giannattasio (far left)



Re & Regina Joseph Emanuele and Christine Catalano, and Nonna Rose Spang



Even the ICC President was in costume with the Alioto Family



First Place Individual Costume – Eric Eichler (far right)

