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The End of An Era



Pictured above with his wife and life-long friends: Sadie Machi, Phil Purpero, Tony Machi and Rosemary Purpero (seated).

Tony Machi, the first President of the Italian Community Center, passed on April 19, 2022 at the young age of 100 years and 5 months. Funeral arrangements can be found on www.jsonline.com. An email blast was also sent to members with the arrangements. More information about Tony's dedication and love for the Italian Community Center will appear in next month's issue.

Update on Festa-Like Celebration

President Rose Anne Ceraso Fritchie reported at the General Membership Meeting that the Board of Directors has approved a budget for the 2022 celebration. The Festa Advisory Committee will now go to work to make it all happen! Further information will follow in the coming months.

General Membership Meetings

The next General Membership Meeting is set for Thursday, May 19th. The Nominating Committee will present its slate of candidates for the Executive Officers and four Directors-at-Large seats.

Movie Night

The May 13th movie will be *The Jersey Boys* and is sponsored by Rose Spang. The story of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons – this movie will get your feet stompin' and your voices bellowing. The doors open at 6:00, with the movie starting at 7:00. Italian Beef sandwiches will be available for purchase along with snacks, popcorn, beer, wine, soda and water. As always, this event is free for everyone. Come join us and bring your friends and relatives. Introduce them to the ICC and show them what we have to offer!

Taste of Italy

Because this issue is going out shortly after the May 1st Taste of Italy (and the editor of this newsletter is also co-chair of that event), the event will be featured in next month's edition.

Membership Dues

Have you renewed your membership dues? If it's been longer than 12 months your dues are probably due! Not sure? Call Mary Anne Ceraso Alioto: 414-801-4757.

Citizen of the Year

A reminder that on May 17th the dual event of the Unico Scholarship Awards Dinner and the 2022 Citizen of the Year – Sal Purpora – will take place. Invitations have been mailed to members but if you have not received one, call the office on Monday, Wednesday or Friday between 10:00 and 2:00, or call Sophia Michalovitz at 414-476-0461 for the further information. The reception will start at 5:30, with dinner at 6:30 consisting of your choice of Chicken Marsala with pureed potatoes and salad or Baked Haddock and salad with vegetables. The cost is \$50.00 per person.

... And the Winner Is:

Team Garibaldi I. It was an exciting fight to the finish between two teams from the Wednesday night league. Team Garibaldi II came in a close second. Eight teams from the various leagues started the evening. Each team played only one game. The winner moved on to the next round, and the loser went to purchase a beer and watch the remaining teams play.



The first place team members pictured above (but not in order!) are Russ Sereno, Joe Lehmann, Jim Lehmann and Gary Lisiecki.



President Rose Anne Ceraso Fritchie presents the winners with a gift certificate from Papa Luigi's.



Second place team members of Garibaldi II (in black shirts) are Danny Massaro, Lance Schram, Jane Leto and Joe Leto, who joined the winners in this photo op.

The Fall Bocce Season will resume in September. Watch for further information in the upcoming issues.

A Tribute to Old Blue Eyes

The Sons and Daughters of Italy Lodge 2763 are sponsoring the May 27th event, featuring Nino Folino who sings the classics by Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and others. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. The cost for the show only is \$10.00 per person. If you would like to enjoy a buffet prepared by The Bartolotta Group, an additional \$20.00 will be charged. And to top off the evening, you can dance with your favorite partner to music provided by The Russo Brothers! Call Gary Lisiecki at 414-232-0934 for further information and to make reservations.

The Following Memorial Donations Were Made:

Josephine Spano in memory of
Nancy Spano

Jimmy Spataro in memory of
Nancy Spano

John Cefalu in memory of
Joe Campagna

Sophia Michalovitz in memory of
Joe Campagna

The Peter T. Sorce Family in memory of
Peter Frank Sorce

What's In a Name

Well, the correct spelling for one. The editor of this newsletter extends her sincere and heartfelt apology to Bill Stocks. His name has been misspelled incorrectly numerous times. As her penance, she has written his name correctly 500 times!

Bringing a Smile to Your Face



Food for Thought a/k/a Brain Teasers

My voice is tender; my waist is slender. I am often invited to play. Wherever I go I must take my bow or else I have nothing to say. I am?

A doctor and a bus driver are both in love with Sara. The bus driver went on a week-long trip. Before he left, he gave Sara 7 apples. Why?

(The answers to these riveting questions will appear in next month's issue!)

A Real Live Phone Attendant!

Volunteers have stepped up to answer the ICC phones on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:00 to 2:00 p.m. If you are interested in helping out, please contact President Rose Anne Ceraso Fritchie.

Calling All Members

Do you have a special skill? Even if you don't, the ICC is looking for volunteers to help with various events, etc. Go to the following website and fill out a volunteer form. Once the form is submitted, your name will be given to the person or persons requiring volunteers, who will then contact you.



It's more important than ever that we tap our membership to help out where needed. Currently, all the events and activities which are held at either at the ICC or in conjunction with the ICC are being organized and conducted by about 15 of the same individuals. We have a membership of over 800. Step up to the plate and take a swing at volunteering.

The Origin of Mother's Day

The official Mother's Day holiday arose in the 1900s as a result of the efforts of Anna Jarvis, daughter of Ann Reeves Jarvis. Following her mother's death in 1905, Anna Jarvis conceived of Mother's Day as a way of honoring the sacrifices mothers made for their children. In May 1908, she organized the first official Mother's Day celebration. In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed a measure officially establishing the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day.

Did you know? More phone calls are made on Mother's Day than any other day of the year. These holiday chats with Mom often cause phone traffic to spike by as much as 37 percent.

If you are fortunate enough to still have your mother, give her a big kiss and hug. She'll appreciate this more than a gift! For those of us who no longer have our mothers, look up to the heavens and just say "Thank you mom. I love you".

Have a Happy and Blessed Mother's Day!!!

Marie Andaloro-Lieber (Editor)
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ICC Membership Dues



- ◆◆◆ **Benefits of Italian Community Center Membership** ◆◆◆
- ◆ **Four (4) Festa Italiana Tickets – Maximum of Eight (8) Per Family**
 - ◆ **Voting Privelegs (21 & Older) ◆ Postal Service Delivery of The Italian Times**
 - ◆ **Member Discounts on Social Events, Classes & Bocce Leagues**
 - ◆ **Members Rooms ◆ Cultural, Educational & Social Activities**
 - ◆ **Forever Friendships ◆ Stronger Bonds Between Your Family & Your Culture**

Age 20 and under	Annual Dues
Individual	Gratis – \$0.00
<i>Members, age 20 and under, receive two (2) free Festa Italiana tickets. No voting rights. At age 18, a member may vote, but must purchase a membership to do so.</i>	

Ages 21 – 65	Annual Dues
Individual	\$50 per year
Couple/Family	\$100 per year

Ages 66 – 84	Annual Dues
Individual	\$50 per year
Couple/Family	\$75 per year

Ages 85 & Older	Annual Dues
Individual	\$30 per year
Couple/Family	\$50 per year

Effective: January 1, 2018. All Memberships Valid Through December 31, 2018.

MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

Names & Birthdates of Each Adult: _____

Names & Birthdates of Each Child (under age 21): _____

Address, City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone No.: _____ Email Address: _____

No. of Members under 21: _____ No. of Members 21-65: _____ No. of Members 66-84: _____ No. of Members 85 & Older: _____

Payment Amount: _____ Method: Cash Check Credit Card – Card Type MC Visa Discover Other

Card No. : _____ Expiration Date: _____

Signature – Adult Member

Signature – Adult Member

Mail this form to: Italian Community Center, 631 E. Chicago St., Milwaukee, WI 53202-5916. The ICC respects your privacy and does not sell or distribute personal information such as birthdates, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses. This membership registration form can also be emailed to cpalmer@iccmilwaukee.com. For further information, call (414) 223-2180.