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PIZZA, BIRRA E VINO FUNDRAISER

Tuesday, July 18, 2017 6pm–9pm

NBICF Center, 64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa

JOIN FRIENDS AND FAMILY for our Fifth Annual Pizza, Birra e Vino party. All you-can-eat pizza night, dining al fresco with pizza provided by the downtown Santa Rosa Mary's Pizza restaurant. Dinner includes antipasti, salad, dessert, complementary wine or beer.

The NBICF Pizza, Birra e Vino annual event raises money for our scholarship programs and for the continuation of cultural events for the North Bay Italian community. We are grateful to Mary's Pizza for providing a generous discount for this event, and for their donations to our monthly dinner raffles.

Reserve early! This event is limited to 60 participants. \$25/members, \$28/non-members. Payment must be received by Wednesday July 12, 2017. Send checks to NBICF, 64 Brookwood, Santa Rosa, 95404. Please see enclosed flyer for reservations and further details.

RUMMAGE SALE

Saturday, September 16, 2017

We are looking for new and gently used items for our annual rummage sale. We will be selling your donations at the NBICF Center's parking lot.

Proceeds from this event will go to our scholarship fund. Closer to the event date, donations can be brought to the NBICF Center, dates and time to be announced. Please contact Marie Maggi-Wilson at 707-570-1182 for information including items to be picked up or early drop offs.

Mark Your Calendars—

- *National Spumoni Day*
Monday, August 21, 2017
- *Members' Monthly Dinner*
Monday, September 18, 2017, 6pm

Reservation form and details will be available in the September/October issue of the Mosaico.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS for Event Reservations

OUR ONLINE CREDIT CARD PAYMENT system is operational and will be available for payment to future events. The website www.nbicf.org has a new Reservation page. The September monthly dinner will be the first event available on the Reservation page and will be made available in August.

You will be able to use your Visa, MasterCard, Explorer, American Express or PayPal account for dinner reservations and events. A small processing fee will be added to credit card payment, e.g. for dinners costing \$18, an additional charge of 75¢ will be added, for a total of \$18.75.

The online system uses secure encrypted internet communications and no personal or credit card information is recorded or retained on the NBICF website. Instructions for the use of the payment system will be forthcoming in an email to all members. For more information, interested members may email DonRaimondi@aol.com.

BECOME A DOCENT!

California State Parks invites friendly people to share history with the public. Become a volunteer docent at the famous Toscano Hotel & Kitchen! Interpret the influx of Italian immigrants at the turn of the 19th century, the changes they had to undergo in America, and their contributions to the Sonoma region and California. *Please see enclosed flyer for further information.*

ATTENZIONE

Dear Members,

Your assistance is needed when making your dinner reservations. Due to the new monthly dinner format, dinner reservations must be received at the NBICF office by the due date listed in the Mosaico.

In addition, no longer can any outside alcoholic beverages, including wine, be brought to the monthly dinners or other NBICF events.

*Thank you in advance,
—NBICF Board of Directors*

Membership News

Welcome to our newest members of NBICF!

Individuals: Sheila Bell, Evelyn Cheatham, Chelsea Lovascio, Joleen Ossello, Dee Pickus (*student*), Kristi Taylor

Family Memberships: Ed & Marilyn Micheli, Tom & Donna La Penna, Matthew & Anne Bonacorso, Jeanne & Troy Bevilacqua

Patron New Members: Ron & Kathy Perotti

Business Members:

Rebecca Abruzzese, Realtor,
Maurizio Castagna, Realtor,
Harry Licursi—Tax & Retirement Planning,
FaiSano Wines of Italy, Faloni Ranch,
Forchini Vineyards & Winery, Pedersen's Furniture,

In Memoriam: Elizabeth Basille

We have received donations from Denise Scaglione and Anna Young in memory of Jeanette Mancini Mitchell.

We have received a donation from Sharie Sbrazza in memory of Alessio Maggi and Norma Gleason.

Book Group

The Book Group meets monthly on the third Thursday from 7–8pm upstairs at the NBICF Center. The Book Club will be on vacation in July and August. We will resume on September 21, 2017, to review an Amazon Charts most-read bestseller *Beneath a Scarlet Sky*. You will have the entire summer to read this wonderful book. Based on the true story of a forgotten hero, *Beneath a Scarlet Sky* is the triumphant, epic tale of one young man's incredible courage and resilience during one of history's darkest hours. Pino Lella, who wants nothing to do with the war or the Nazis, is a normal Italian teenager, however his days of innocence are numbered. When his family home in Milan is destroyed by Allied bombs, Pino joins an underground railroad helping Jews escape over the Alps where he meets Anna.

For more information, email Diane McCurdy at dmcurdy@sonic.net or call NBICF: 707-591-9696.

Paint Italy Workshop

Saturday, July 8, 2017, 1–5pm, at the NBICF Center. *Let's Try Something New: Paint Italy goes mixed media!* Collage and paint this time. To enroll send a check for \$40 to Susan Adler, 307 Buckeye Circle, Cloverdale 95425. Deadline to enroll is July 3rd.

Upon enrollment you will receive a suggested materials list. Susan will provide canvas board, paints and brushes, glue sticks, collage page, markers, instruction, as well as snacks and drinks. For information contact Susan at adler@sonic.net.

Incontro

Ongoing Incontro group meets at 10:30am every other Saturday at the NBICF Center for informal Italian conversation. For more information contact George Golfieri at 707-843-3176.

Sundays at the Center with Diane McCurdy

***Doors open 2:00pm.** For information: 707-591-9696
Free. No reservations required.

***Please Note: There will be no film showings in the months of July and August.**

Showing September 24, 2017

Only You (1994) Romance/Comedy, 1hr. 55mins.

Back by popular demand, *Only You*, tells the story of schoolteacher, Faith Corvatch who, as a consequence of a "ouija board" experience in her youth, is convinced she is destined to spend her life with a man named "Damon Bradley." Just days before she is to marry a podiatrist she may not love, she receives a phone call from a friend of her fiancé named, you guessed it, Damon Bradley. He is on his way to Venice, and Faith decides to spend her weekend pursuing her dream man. With Marisa Tomei and Robert Downey, Jr. *In English.*



Teatro Carniglia

A Film and Panel Discussion

Thursday, July 13, at 7pm

Museo Italo Americano, Fort Mason, San Francisco

The Museo Italo Americano and the Western Chapter of the Italian American Studies Association will host a film and a panel discussion on Jerry Carniglia's life and work. Panelists will include Oakland artist and curator Anthony Pinata and Carniglia trustee, Margaret Fisher, of MAFISHCO Theatre Company.

Bay Area artist Jerry Carniglia was born in San Francisco in 1946. Carniglia was a naval sailor, a founding member of two Bay Area theater companies, and a furniture maker before becoming a fine artist. He passed away in June 2015 in Emeryville, where he was active in the arts community for 35 years. His work is included in the permanent collections of the Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco, deYoung Museum, and Berkeley Art Museum.

The program will begin with a short documentary film, *Painting Rules*, in which Carniglia discusses his artistic credo as he paints.

Space is limited. Please RSVP to the Museo by calling 415-673-2200 by July 10th.

TRAVEL NEWS: Andiamo / Let's Go! —————

REGIONAL TRAVEL PROGRAMS:

Experience La Bella Italia with NBICF friends and escorts!
Sunday, July 23rd at 2pm at NBICF Center

Join Andiamo chair Sharie to learn about Campania, one of Italy's 20 diverse regions. Naples, the regional capital, is lively with traditions of pizza, Vesuvio and Santa Lucia Bay. Handouts will be given and refreshments served. Please RSVP by July 17th to andiamotravel@hotmail.com.

TOUR PUGLIA & CALABRIA: NOVEMBER 1- 14, 2017

Italy's scenic and historic Heel & Toe regions beckon! Join Andiamo escort Sharie's 21st annual autumn tour; this time to Puglia and Calabria. Fly Lufthansa roundtrip SFO to Naples. Via dedicated coach, linger four nights near Ostuni, with visits to Alberobello, Matera, Martina Franca, and Gallipoli. Stay four nights near Vibo, with visits to Sybaris, Crotona, Locri, Gerace, Tropea, and Reggio Calabria. Relax three nights near Maratea, with visits to Cosenza, Palinuro, Cilento and Paestum. Return to Napoli via Salerno and Vietri. An optional, independent six night extension is available.

Grazie da Sharie Sbrazza, Andiamo, P. O. Box 406,
Santa Rosa 95402 or andiamotravel@hotmail.com

NBICF MEMBER SINCE 1985

Santa Rosa High School's Cultural Exchange —————

Many NBICF members were able to meet the students of Liceo Veronese, Italy, when they came to visit Santa Rosa in October, 2016. Many NBICF members also purchased raffle tickets which helped offset some of the students' travel expenses.

The nineteen Cultural Exchange students from Santa Rosa High School (SRHS), recently travelled to Italy. During their two week stay, students lived in the town of Montebelluna (in the province of Treviso), staying with host families. The hosting school, Liceo Veronese, is a linguistic high school which organizes yearly cultural exchanges with high schools in France, Germany, the United Kingdom, and California. This was the first time that SRHS participated in the exchange. The students attended Italian high school, and visited Verona, Venice, Asolo, Vicenza and Florence.

The exchange was extremely well received by both schools, and SRHS students studying Italian are tentatively planning to host the students from Italy again in 2018. If you would like more information on SRHS Italian Language Program or would like to donate or contribute to next year's Cultural Exchange, please call SRHS Italian teacher Carla Forchini at (707) 433-1192, or email her at cforchini@comcast.net.

The President's Corner

On May 21, 2017, the North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation participated in the "Finding History in Sonoma County" at the DeTurk Round Barn in Santa Rosa. The purpose of this event was to discover, celebrate, and promote the history of Sonoma County.

NBICF's exhibit included story boards on the history of Santa Rosa's Little Italy and maps showing the locations of businesses and homes of Italian immigrant families that settled in the West End district of Santa Rosa, and made many significant contributions to the development and growth of the city.

Visitors to the NBICF exhibit were very interested in our presentation and learning about the Italian history and culture of Santa Rosa. NBICF received compliments on the exhibits and informative presentations. I would like to thank Kathy Dowdall who coordinated the event for NBICF and for the creation of the NBICF exhibits and displays. I would also like to thank Denise Traverso for her help, especially on the day of the event.

This July 4th the United States celebrates the 241 anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, ratified on July 4, 1776 in Philadelphia. But, did you know the great principle, "All Men are Created Equal," which was incorporated into the Declaration of Independence by Thomas Jefferson, was paraphrased from the writing of Italian physician Filippo Mazzei. Mazzei (1730-1816) was born in Poggio a Calano, Italy. He was a good friend of Thomas Jefferson and a frequent visitor to Jefferson's home at Monticello, Virginia. A commemorative airmail stamp was issued by the United States Postal Service in 1980 on the 250th anniversary of Mazzei's birth.

And, don't miss the fifth annual NBICF's Pizza, Birra e Vino Fundraiser at the Center on July 18, 2017. See the enclosed flyer for details and reservation form.

DONATE TO NBICF

Your donations to NBICF will help us maintain our goals of study, preservation and enjoyment of Italian Culture.

Your donations can apply to the following areas:

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Mosaico Culturale is published six times a year. It is the newsletter of the North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation, a California nonprofit membership corporation.

North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation Statement of Purpose: A nonprofit, open membership organization dedicated to the study, preservation and enjoyment of Italian Culture. Founded in 1984, NBICF brings people of all ancestries together to share all things Italian. NBICF activities foster cultural awareness, celebrate traditions and support education via scholarships, classes and programs.

UP - COMING EVENTS

- July 8, 2017** Saturday, 1–5pm
Paint Italy Workshop at the NBICF Center
64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404
- July 18, 2017** Tuesday, 6–9pm
Pizza, Birra e Vino, NBICF Center
64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404
- September 18, 2017** Monday, 6pm
(doors open at 5pm, dinner at 6pm)
Member Dinner, 320 Tenth St., Santa Rosa, CA
- September 21, 2017** Thursday, 7pm
Book Group at the NBICF Center
- September 24, 2017** Sunday, 2pm
Sundays at the Center with Diane McCurdy, film: *Only You*

DELIVER TO ADDRESSEE OR OCCUPANT

NBICF BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

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NOTE: Members are encouraged to submit articles or items for publication. **Submit your articles four weeks prior to the bi-monthly Mosaico publication date.** Please submit articles as Word documents or PDFs. Editors reserve the right to select and edit as space allows.

North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation Policies:

No refunds/exchanges; tickets are transferable; No reservations accepted on event dates. Space is limited: first come, first served.

Any offering in the *Mosaico Culturale* should not be read as an endorsement or warranty by NBICF

Italian Cultural Library & Office

Tuesdays 2-4 PM or by appointment, 707-591-9696
 Board Meetings are held the first Wednesday evening of every other month.

For Information:

Coro Allegro: 707-484-4992 Les Villanyi
 Library/Office: 707-573-7185 Virginia Wilburn
 Italian Classes: 707-874-2512, Emily Evans
 Membership: 707-591-9696 Nancy DeVincenzi
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APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP

- ___ INDIVIDUAL: \$35 ___ HOUSEHOLD: \$50
- ___ PATRON: \$100 ___ BUSINESS: \$150
- ___ STUDENT: \$10 (Please provide a copy of your valid student I.D.)

Please indicate your areas of interest below; mark all that apply.

- Fundraisers History Italian Classes Music Scholarships

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Pizza, Birra e Vino

FUNDRAISER AT THE CENTER

TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2017

6:00PM – 9:00PM

Join us for a night of dining al fresco!

We are grateful to the downtown Santa Rosa Mary's Pizza for providing a generous discount for this event, and for donations to our monthly dinner raffles.

Dinner includes antipasti, all-you-can-eat pizza, salad, dessert and complimentary wine or beer.
(No outside alcoholic beverages allowed.)

Reserve early! — only 60 tickets available

For more information visit: www.nbicf.org

or call: 707-591-9696

R E S E R V A T I O N S

Pizza, Birra e Vino Fundraiser at the Center

Tuesday, July 18, 2017

64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404

Prepaid Reservations Only

_____ places at \$25/each for Members _____ places at \$28/each for Guests

Name _____

Reserve by July 12, 2017

Make checks payable to NBICF. Mail reservation and check to:
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Please indicate your areas of interest; mark all that apply.

Fundraisers History Italian Classes

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Make History Come Alive!

Docent Training and Historical Lectures Sonoma State Historic Park



**California State Parks invites friendly people
to share history with the public.**

**Toscano Hotel & Kitchen
20 E. Spain Street, Sonoma**

**Saturday ~ July 22
Sunday ~ July 23**

Become a volunteer docent at the famous Toscano Hotel & Kitchen! Interpret the influx of immigrants at the turn of the 19th century the changes they had to undergo in America and their contributions to the Sonoma region and California.

Volunteering offers many benefits!

Docents are specially trained to lead monthly tours, interpret exhibits, assist with special events and foster a sense of stewardship with the public

Study your region's rich history with new and interesting people, enhance your public speaking skills, and gain recognition for contributing to your community.

Please RSVP by July 17th in order to attend this free lecture and /or training, contact the volunteer coordinator at (707) 938-9547 or email: Joleen.Ossello@parks.ca.gov

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Museo Members: \$10
Non-Members: \$20
Students with ID: \$5

A reception will follow each performance.

Each performance will be preceded by a short talk on the tradition of Neapolitan songs and minstrels by Kathy Sherak, local musician. Space is Limited. Please call or email early to reserve your seats.

info@sfmuseo.org (415) 673-2200

www.museoitaloamericano.org