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SCAMPAGNATA

AN ITALIAN EXCURSION ALL'APERTO

WILD OAK POLO FIELD PICNIC GROUNDS
OAKMONT, SANTA ROSA, CA

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2009, 1:00PM TO 6:00PM
LUNCH SERVED PROMPTLY AT 2:00PM

SEATING LIMITED TO 150

Lunch includes antipasti, barbequed tri-tip, ceasar salad, pasta salad, garlic bread, dessert with beverages

THIS YEAR'S SPECIAL EVENT WILL BE THE APPEARANCE OF THE PREMIATO CORPO BANDISTICO CITTA DI MONTE URANO. This prize winning band of 50 members directed by Lanfranco Navisse comes to us from Monte Urano near the city of Ancona on the Adriatic Sea. The band is in Sonoma County as part of a cultural exchange program sponsored by Sonoma State University. The band, well known and respected throughout Italy, specializes in playing a variety of music ranging from Verdi and other Italian masters to American pop-music.



To reach the picnic grounds take Hwy. 12 to Oakmont Drive, turn right on White Oak Drive and continue past Star of the Valley Catholic Church and the Wild Oak Club House. The picnic grounds will be on the left with designated parking nearby.

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Scampagnata by Prepaid Reservations Only

_____	Places for Members & Guests @ \$22.50 each	_____
_____	Places for Teens ages 13 to 18 @ \$10.00 each	_____
_____	Places for Children 5 to 12 years old @ \$5.00 each	_____
_____	Under 5 years of age - free	Total \$ _____

Name: _____

Mail check by August 18th to NBICF at 64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, Ca 95404.

If any questions please call Geni Maggi at 544-5236

NBICF MEMBERSHIP

BENVENUTI~WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Individuals: David P. Rege

Families: Frank & Joan Bruno, Kevin & Rita Costello, Andre & Gloria Frere, Marteen & June Miller.

The NBICF Board of Directors invites you to our next dinner meeting and future events. Please call the Center if you have any questions.

The following renewed as Patrons: Jennifer & Mitchell Sessi.
Members who renewed as Donors: David & Denna Faloni.

Grazie mille to all the above. Your continued support is vital to NBICF and is very much appreciated.

IN MEMORIAM

We offer condolences to the family of Lois Biagi Del Guerra who recently passed away.

Heartfelt sympathy for the family of Sam Asti, father of Board member Gerri Asti. We will always remember Sam cooking polenta for the first NBICF golf tournament.

A donation has been made to our Memorial Fund in the memory of Steve Piazza by Donald & Kathryn Raimondi.

A donation has been received from Joseph and Virginia Solimine in memory of Steve Piazza.

Our entry in the Rose Parade won first place in our division and we also won "Best Use of Roses". Many thanks to all participants and Stan Laughlin, Chairman.

Would you like to learn to play Pedro? Come to the Bennett Valley Senior Center room 17 on Tuesdays at 1:00pm. For more information contact Rosemary Rizzo at 539-3346.

Italian Conductor, Nicola Luisotti, music director designate of San Francisco Opera will assume his duties in September. He is the first Italian to hold this post since Gaetano Merola founded the company in 1923.

North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation

Policies

No refunds/exchanges; reservations transferable; no reservations accepted on event date. Space limited: first come, first served. Any offering in the *Mosaico Culturale* should not be read as an endorsement or warranty by NBICF

Italian Cultural Center ~ Library ~ Office
Tuesdays 1-4 pm or by appointment, 591-9696

Board Meetings held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm are open to all members.

QUEL CHE BOLLE IN PENTOLA

*****WHAT'S COOKING*****

Carlo Petrini, the Slow Food founder, who has a refined palate and dedication to food that is "good, clean and fair" began his career as a journalist and food critic. The slow food founder reminds us that quality food is a right, not a privilege. The golden arches hold no appeal for this champion of locally grown, home-cooked meals. With Carlo Petrini in mind, watch for **NBICF's Cook Book** with many great "slow food" recipes. The first sale of the book will be at **Festa Italiana** on October 11, 2009.

A new book recently published, **Siskiyou County Italians** by Mary Salanti Silva, chronicles the life and times of Italian immigrants who settled in Siskiyou County in the company owned lumber towns.

The Italian City of Verona, in an attempt to boost it's tourism, has invited couples from all over the world to be married on the balcony that is thought to be the same one in William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet. The famed balcony on Via Cappello #23 has been recently restored and city officials hope that this will add to the economy and history of the city.

American researchers together with a team from the **Mario Negri Institute in Milan** discovered a beta-protein blocker that may help prevent the advancement of Alzheimer's disease. It is estimated that it will take at least five years before any drug can be produced. This is promising news for a disease that up to now has no cure.

There is a new office in So. San Francisco offering Italian Americans the following services: Applications for Italian Pen-sions, Social Security, Immigration, Notary, Court Appointed Legal Translations and Dual Citizenship. Please contact Rino Bertini at 650-588-5133. Office located at 139 Mitchell Avenue, Suite 119/120, So. San Francisco.

FRA NOI ~ AMONG US

Coro Allegro	483-8075	Sal Peritore
Festa Chairman	573-7185	Virginia Wilburn
Language	542-1799	Ada Nourse
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Reservations	544-5236	Geni Maggi
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Translations	938-8729	Dave Henderson
Volunteers	542-5245	Jeanette Mitchell
	538-7352	Gerri Asti

SRJC's Italian Program

i s g r o w i n g !

In addition to *transfer-credit language programs* recognized by the UC and CSU systems, we offer very popular *conversational courses*, designed for broader cultural interests & travel.

And we have just launched a brand-new course,
Italian Conversation & Culture Through Film.

Plus, start preparing now for Spring 2010's ever-popular
Semester Abroad in Florence.

If you're interested in learning *la bella lingua italiana* or studying almost any aspect of *il Bel Paese*, we have ever more choices for you.

Fall 2009 Course Offerings

- *Italian 1-2-3-4. Elementary, Intermediate, & High-Intermediate Italian*

This series provides an in-depth, academically-oriented coverage of the Italian language--and Italian culture! These courses are 4-units (4 hrs/wk, usually on 2 separate days.), are transferable to both the CSU and UC systems, and also fulfill General Education Humanities requirements at SRJC, CSU, & UC. Italian 1 also fulfills the "Language Other Than English" requirements for IGETC at UC and CSU.

This Fall, the SR campus offers 5 sections of **Ital 1** at a variety of days/ times; the Petaluma campus offers 2 sections. There are 2 sections of **Ital 2**, 1 at SR and 1 at Petaluma, and 1 section of **Ital 3**, at Santa Rosa. (**Ital 4** will be in Spring 2010.) **Our Department website gives detailed info for each course.**

- *Italian 50A-50B-50C. Beginning & Intermediate Conversation*

This series is designed for those wanting to begin or expand their listening and speaking skills, and is of special interest to those who may be traveling to Italy. In sequence, these courses will give you a complete panorama of spoken Italian, focusing on self-expression and "getting around in Italian." These courses are 3-unit (3 hrs per week), usually--but not always--scheduled **evenings** to accommodate "working folks," and CSU-transferable and AA-degree applicable.

This Fall, the Santa Rosa campus is offering 1 section of **50A**, and the Petaluma campus 1 section as well. Petaluma offers a **50B-50C** combined class. **Our Department website gives detailed info for each course.**

- *Italian 58. High-Intermediate Conversation*

Taught entirely in Italian, it focuses on important aspects of Italy's history, cultural phenomena, artistic heritage, and modern life, promoting study of authentic Italian cultural materials and mastery of contemporary Italian grammar. Students should have completed either Ital 50C or Ital 3, or be at that equivalent level. A 2-unit course (2 hrs/wk), it can be taken a total of 4 times.

NOT offered in Fall 2009. **Keep watching our Department website!**

- ***Italian 39.1. Introduction to Italian Literature. The Renaissance.***

- ***Italian 39.2. Introduction to Italian Literature. 19th Century to Present***

Focuses on major themes of Italy's history, regional characteristics, and social patterns as reflected in classic works of prose, poetry, and theatre. They are open to all students—no knowledge of Italian is necessary, since teaching and readings are in English. Transferable to CSU and US systems.

NOT offered in Fall 2009. **Keep watching our Department website!**

- ***Italian 70A. Intermed. Italian Conversation & Culture Thru Film I***

A brand-new course that will focus on improving conversational ability and cultural comprehension through the study of Italian film as a reflection of, and a comment upon, Italian history and culture. Films will be studied in Italian, and the course will be conducted with emphasis on expanding and reviewing Italian language skills.

Pre-requisite: Italian 2 or Italian 50B. Taught by Caterina Labriola. Info: clabriola@santarosa.edu

Also watch for upcoming developments, such as

- ***Italian through Cuisine***
- ***Major in Italian***
- ***Italian Completion Certificate.***

Note: Italian courses numbered 1-49 are transferable to the University of California (UC) and the California State University (CSU). Courses numbered 50-99 are transferable to the California State University. All Italian courses provide credit for the Associate degree. Italian 1-4 fulfill General Education requirements at SRJC, CSU, and UC, as does Italian 39.2. Italian 1 fulfills “Language Other Than English” requirements for IGETC at UC and CSU.

- For more specific information about our courses, days, times, and locations, please go to the Department's website at: **<http://www.santarosa.edu/foreignlanguages>** and click on “Italian..” The information there may be more up-to-date than the printed *Schedule of Classes* you received in the mail!

- You may also contact the Italian program coordinator, Dr. Terri Frongia:
tfrongia@santarosa.edu. Web:<http://online.santarosa.edu/homepage/tfrongia>
- Register for courses at www.santarosa.edu.

- ***Semester Abroad in Florence, Spring 2010***

Dr. Terri Frongia, SRJC Italian faculty, will be teaching four exciting courses in the Study Abroad program Spring 2010:

- “Italian Literature in Translation, 19th century to the Present” will explore the culture, lives, and loves of representative Italian authors as we range throughout the ‘20 Italies’ (Italy’s 20 distinctive regions) and a variety of poems, plays, short stories, novels, and films.
- “Italian Life and Culture” provides students with an overview of ‘il Bel Paese’ and a variety of field trips in the city of Florence, cradle of the Renaissance, and its surroundings.
- “Introduction to the Humanities” will focus on the revival of interest in the myths and arts of ancient Greece and Rome that provoked the flowering of the Renaissance. Our exploration will include tensions and shifts between the quest for freedom (the ‘Dionysian’) and the quest for order (the ‘Apollonian’).
- “History and Appreciation of Late Gothic to Impressionist Art” explores the development and ‘pendulum swings’ of the visual arts from the late 1300s to the mid 1800s, with focus on the Italian cultural, philosophical, symbolic, and artistic influences on the works created. Most classes will be taught at artistic sites in the city of Florence.
- Other courses, including a fun immersion program in Italian, are also available through our Florence Study Abroad partners.

All courses are taught in English, fulfill General Education requirements, are applicable to the AA degree, and are transferable to Cal State University and University of California campuses. For more information, including Financial Aid and Scholarships, and an application, go to www.santarosa.edu/foreignlanguages and click on “Study Abroad.”

North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation Scholarship Application

To encourage the study of the Italian 1, 2, and 3 at Santa Rosa Junior College during the FALL 2009 semester, the North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation is pleased to announce a total of up to six SCHOLARSHIPS at \$400 per award for Italian 1, 2 or 3 students. For detailed information on Italian 1, 2, 3 or other Italian course offerings, please consult the Fall 2009 SRJC Schedule of Classes on the web at www.santarosa.edu. Click on Schedules/Catalogs.

We encourage all interested students of Italian 1, 2 and 3 to apply. Consideration will be given to current NBICF members and to members of their immediate family. Scholarship recipients will be asked to volunteer in some capacity at an NBICF event. For further information, call NBICF President and Scholarship Committee members Gino Muzzatti (707) 527-4886 or Jeanette Mancini-Mitchell (707) 542-5245.

Fill out the application below and mail to: NBICF 64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404

•••Applicants must attach their most current official high school or college transcript.•••

All applications must be postmarked no later than Friday August 28, 2009

!!!!Note: Incomplete applications will not be considered by the committee!!!!!!
Finalists will receive written confirmation by September 18, 2009. A check for one half the scholarship amount will be mailed to recipients the week of September 21, 2009. The final half will be mailed after completion of the course with a passing grade. Students who drop out of the Italian course are required to reimburse the NBICF for the first payment.

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NORTH BAY ITALIAN CULTURAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant's Name _____
Last First Middle Initial
Address _____
Street City Zip
Phone _____ SRJC Student ID # _____

E-mail address _____
College Information (check or fill in all that apply)

I am a college graduate: Yes _____ No _____

College Major _____ Total College Units Completed _____

College GPA _____ High School GPA _____

Previous Experience in Italian (check or fill in all that apply)
_____ Italian 50 A _____ Italian 50 B _____ Italian 58 _____ Italian 1 _____ Italian 2 _____ Italian 3
_____ (other course _____) Background in spoken Italian _____

Financial Information
I understand that the scholarship award may only be applied toward tuition, texts or tutoring for Italian 1, 2 or 3 of the FALL 2009 semester and that I must complete the course with a passing grade to receive the full award. If I drop out of the course, I am required to reimburse NBICF for the initial scholarship payment.

This scholarship application is for Ital. 1 ___ Ital. 2. ___ Ital. 3 _____ (check one)

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

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**CELEBRATE NBICF'S 25TH
ANNIVERSARY EVENTS
WATCH FOR DETAILS FORTHCOMING**

Happy 4th of July

August 23, 2009
Scampagnata

September 21, 2009
Pasta & Meatballs

FESTA ITALIANA

October 11, 2009



APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIPS, GIFTS, MEMORIALS & INTERESTS

Annual Dues: ___\$25 Individual ___\$35 Family ___\$50 Patron ___\$100 Donor ___\$500 Life ___\$1,000

My Ancestry Italian interests: _____ I am interested in (circle):

Art Bocce Festa Fund-raisers History Language Library Mailings Music Office Scholarships Travel

Memorial for _____ From _____ (Acknowledge to person below)

Gift membership for person below from _____

Name _____ day/evening phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____ Date _____

Please mail with check payable to NBICF, 64 Brookwood Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95404 - phone 707-591-9696

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 things Italian. NBICF activities foster cultural awareness, celebrate traditions and support education via scholarships, classes and programs.

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