



## *In Onore della Madre e del Padre*

### MAY MEMBER MEETING & DINNER

May, March 21, 2018

MAY'S MEETING AND DINNER will be held at St. Rose Parish Hall on May 21, 2018 to honor our Parents—wherever in the universe they may be. Internationally parents are honored between March and June. In the United States we celebrate Mother's Day in May and Father's Day in June. We will honor both at the May dinner as we are not having a June dinner. Dinner will include antipasti, salad, Randy's chicken cacciatore, garlic mashed potatoes, vegetable and dessert. Wine, coffee and tea are included.

Please note, there will not be a regular member meeting dinner in June, July and August.

For September—*Scampagnata* (outing, picnic).

In October, November and December, dinners to look forward to: Pasta with Pesto, Polenta and Stew family style and our annual Christmas celebration.

For the May Member Meeting & Dinner, reservations and payment must be received by May 17, 2018. Please see enclosed flyer to make reservations.

Doors open at 5:00pm, with a no-host bar.

Meeting and antipasti at 6:00pm, with antipasti, followed by dinner, raffle and dessert.

### SAVE THE DATE!

Tuesday, July 10, 2018, 6:00 pm

**PIZZA, BIRRA & VINO at the NBICF Center.**

Join friends and family for our Sixth Annual Pizza, Birra & Vino party. All you-can-eat pizza night dining al fresco. Join friends and family for our Sixth Annual Pizza, Birra & Vino party. Dinner includes antipasto, salad, pizza, dessert and complementary wine or beer. This event is limited to 60 guests. Price: \$25 members, \$30 non-members. Reservations will be available online and by mail after the May Member Meeting & Dinner.

September 23, 2018 **SCAMPAGNATA**

*Gita fuori porta* (trip out of town) is also commonly known as Scampagnata (outing, picnic).

### NOTES FROM THE BOARD

PLEASE LET THE FOUNDATION know if there is a change in your address, e-mail, or phone number.

The Foundation has several items that are not needed. Donations will be accepted for these items, and it will have to be moved at the new owner's expense.

- E.G. Harrington piano which is 123 years old and in good condition. The piano does need tuning. (value \$600)
- Musical equipment (values \$25-300).

The Foundation is looking for a rolling cart for the folding chairs. If anyone has one, would like to donate funds for one or knows of one being sold, please contact Sharie Sbrazza at [andiamotravel@hotmail.com](mailto:andiamotravel@hotmail.com)

**A friendly reminder:** No outside alcoholic beverages, including wine, can be brought to the monthly dinners or other NBICF events.

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

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Anyone interested in running the Rummage sale? The Mercatino? Both of these are fun and GREAT fundraisers for NBICF scholarship program. Help is also needed in the upstairs library.

Would you like to rent the NBICF building? Classes and events such as Paint Italy, Travel Sundays, Movie Sundays, Italian instruction are a few of the events or classes that take place at the Center. To rent the space from NBICF, or if you have ideas for future topics at the Center, please contact the office at 707 591-9696 for further information.

*Have you thought of Bequests and Legacy Gifts? — Remember NBICF.*

### 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.

## Membership News

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Welcome to our newest members of NBICF!

**Individuals:** Barbara DiIorio, Susanna Janssen, Amy Martin, Lidia Simonetti-Montano, Lisa Ray, Elizabeth Valdez

**Patrons:**

Ed & Marilyn Micheli and Alfred J. Pucci family

**New & Continuing Business Members:**

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

**In Memoriam:**

Condolences to the family of Ray Lazzini who passed recently.

Donation has been received from Marie Aggio in memory of John Fomasi.

Donations have been received from Sharie Sbrazza in memory of Jeanette Doyel, Patti Tonelli Hurley, Ray Lazzini and Ed Von der Porten.

## Book Group

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May 18 we will detour a little from our Italian roots and check out a book on the best seller list. *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng. The author is a master of family and societal dynamics, shifting perspectives, and the secrets that we try to protect.

June 21 will be a book report meeting. Bring something you have read that you would like to share so that we have an assortment of choices for our summer “beach” reading.

Book Group meets every third Thursday from 7–8pm upstairs at the NBICF Center. For more information, send an email to Diane McCurdy at dmccurdy@sonic.net or call NBICF: 707-591-9696.

## Fra Noi— Among Us

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**Art Ibleto**, NBICF Director Emeritus and Sonoma County's Pasta King, was honored on April 12th in Sacramento by the California Senate for the countless free meals he served in October to fire-evacuated residents & first responders. Art, at 91, has donated pasta feeds for decades here and around the world to those less fortunate.

**Jim Alfieri**, former NBICF Board Director and LLS Team Captain, was selected to help coordinate Leukemia Lymphoma Society's 30th Anniversary Celebration on April 22nd at Spinnakers in Sausalito, and also the LLS Giants Race on September 9, 2018

## Did You Know?

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Italy is slightly larger than Arizona.

The thermometer is an Italian invention.

The first one was made in 1612

## Sundays at the Center with Diane McCurdy

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Doors open 2pm, screening at 2:30pm.

For information: 707-591-9696

*Free. No reservations required.*

**Showing May 27, 2018**

*Human Capital (2015)* 1hr. 51mins.

*Drama*

After a tragic roadway accident, the fates of two families become intertwined as a result of the relationship between two of their children. Love, ambition and class all play a part in this piercing look at social climbers and the wealthy— a contemporary Italian film.

Directed by Paolo Virzì.

*All in Italian.*

**Showing June 24, 2018**

*Angels & Demons (2009)* 2hrs. 18mins. PG-13

*Mystery Thriller*

Following the murder of a physicist, Father Silvano Bentivoglio, a symbolist, Robert Langdon, and a scientist, Vittoria Vetra, are on an adventure involving a secret brotherhood, the Illuminati. Clues lead them all around the Vatican, including the four altars of science:

Earth, Air, Fire and Water. An assassin, working for the Illuminati, has captured four cardinals, and murders each one, painfully.

Robert and Vittoria also are searching for a new very destructive weapon that could kill millions. Directed by Ron Howard and based on Dan Brown's novel by the same name, the film stars Tom Hanks. The film is in mainly English and Italian. German, Swiss-German, Polish, Spanish, French and Chinese are also spoken in the movie!

## About our old friend Pinocchio

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The Adventures of Pinocchio is the classic children's story about the marionette, Pinocchio, and the basis of Walt Disney's 1940 cartoon. Originally serialized in an Italian newspaper between 1881–1882. The English version was first published in 1892.



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

### REGIONAL TRAVEL PROGRAMS:

*Experience La Bella Italia with NBICF friends and escorts!*

#### MAY 9–26, 2018— ROMANS IN NORTH OF ITALY

Join me in Prague, Vienna, and Budapest, where Romans left Empire traces north of Italy. Soak like they did in thermal spas of Szechenyi and Gellert Baths, celebrating its 100th anniversary this year.

*Travel Sunday at the Center, June 8, 2018 3-4pm*

*RSVP to Sharie: andiamotravel@hotmail.com*

#### SEPTEMBER 14, 2018—

Join me for a walk and vino for the day in Boston's Italian North End. Option: stay longer.

#### NOVEMBER 1-15, 2018—

##### ST. MARK'S LIONS IN CROATIA, MONTENEGRO, ALBANIA & GREECE

Sea-faring merchants of Venice founded many adorable towns along the Adriatic. Join me to discover these fascinating places.

#### MAY 2019—

##### LEONARDO DA VINCI IN FRANCE

Join me to honor 500th anniversary of da Vinci's death in Amboise; enjoy Loire chateaux, Dordogne caves and Bordeaux wines.

#### NOVEMBER 2019—

##### EMILIA ROMAGNA & LE MARCHE REGIONS

Join me in central Italy. Linger four nights in each of the towns: Ferrara, Riccione, Numana and Ascoli Piceno. In Amatrice, see NBICF donations at work.

*Grazie da Sharie Sbrazza, Andiamo, Post Office Box 406, Santa Rosa 95402 or andiamotravel@hotmail.com*

NBICF MEMBER SINCE 1985

## President's Corner

Cari Amici,

I am sad to inform members that the Foundation lost a long-time member, friend, and dedicated supporter, Ray Lazzini, who passed away on March 19, 2018. Ray was a past board member, served on the Festa Italiana committee, and prepared many delicious meals for the Foundations monthly member meeting dinners.

I would like to offer the Foundation's sincere condolences to Kathy, his wife, and to entire the Lazzini family.

I would like to thank Janet Barocco and Barbara Fabrizio for creating such a beautiful Saint Joseph altar at the Tavola di San Giuseppe dinner on March 19th. I would like to thank Randy Apel for preparing a delicious fish dinner. Also, a big thank you to Whole Foods for donating the bread and Trader Joe's for donating the beautiful flowers. I would like to thank members, too, who brought canned food to the dinner, which was donated to Redwood Gospel Mission. As part of the tradition of San Giuseppe, half the proceeds from the raffle that night will be donated to The Living Room at the May member meeting dinner.

The North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation will once again host the Italian Summer Camp for Youth 2018 in June. This is a two-week camp. Theme of the camp for the first week will be "Feste Italiane" and the second week theme will be "Marco Polo." Joli Love will return as the instructor. For full details about the camp, please refer to the flyer in this issue of the Mosaico.

*"Una mela al giorno toglie il medico di torno"—  
"an apple a day keeps the doctor away"*

### DONATE TO NBICF

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

Donations can be applied to the following areas:

\_\_\_ SCHOLARSHIPS      \_\_\_ IN MEMORIAM  
\_\_\_ BUILDING FUND      \_\_\_ GENERAL FUND

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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*Make your checks payable to NBICF, 64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404. For more information, call: 707-591-9696*





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*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.*

**U P - C O M I N G E V E N T S**

- May 6, 2018** Sunday, 3pm: Travel Sunday at the NBICF Center
- May 17, 2018** Thursday, 7pm: Book Group at the NBICF Center
- May 21, 2018** Monday, (doors open at 5pm, meeting and dinner at 6pm)  
Member Dinner Meeting, St. Rose Parish Hall, 320 Tenth St. Santa Rosa, CA
- May 27, 2018** Sunday, 2pm  
Sundays at the Center with Diane McCurdy, film: *Human Capital*
- June 11-15, 2018** 9am-Noon  
Italian Language Camp for Kids, Session One at the NBICF Center
- June 18-22, 2018** 9am-Noon  
Italian Language Camp for Kids, Session Two at the NBICF Center
- June 21, 2018** Thursday, 7pm: Book Group at the NBICF Center
- June 24, 2018** Sunday, 2pm  
Sundays at the Center with Diane McCurdy, film: *Angels & Demons*
- July 8, 2018** Sunday, 3pm: Travel Sunday at the NBICF Center
- July 10, 2018** Tuesday, 6pm Pizza, Birra e Vino at NBICF Center

DELIVER TO ADDRESSEE OR OCCUPANT

**NBICF BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

Ann Abbruzzese, Linda Apel, Allen Barbieri, Lynne Burton, Patti Buttitta, George Golfieri (President 707-843-3176), Evelyn Izzarelli, Marie Maggi-Wilson, Arleen Place, Don Raimondi, Sharie Sbrazza, Carole Stewart, Les Villanyi

Directors Emeritus: Angelo Catelani, Arturo Ibleto

*Mosaico Culturale Editorial Staff: Marie Maggi-Wilson (editor), George Golfieri, Patti Buttitta (text editor, graphic design & production)*

*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 George Golfieri  
 Reservations: 707-573-7185 Virginia Wilburn  
 Scholarships: 707-523-0296 Gino Muzzatti  
 Sunshine Cards: 707-586-1167 JoAnn Piantanida  
 Volunteer Coordinator: 707-591-9696 Please leave a message.

**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

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

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NORTH BAY ITALIAN CULTURAL FOUNDATION  
— MEMBER MEETING DINNER —

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**Monday, May 21, 2018**

St. Rose Parish Hall, 320 10th Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95401  
(Doors open at 5:00pm, Meeting & Dinner at 6:00pm)

— MENU —

## **Antipasti**

**Salad & Garlic Mashed Potatoes**

**Randy's Chicken Cacciatore & Vegetable**

## **Dessert**

*(Wine, Coffee and Tea Included)*

**No Host Bar & Raffle**

*Reservations can be made through the NBICF website,  
for more information, visit: [www.nbicf.org](http://www.nbicf.org) or call 707-591-9696*

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(Doors open at 5:00pm, Meeting and Dinner at 6:00pm)

## **Prepaid Reservations Only**

\_\_\_\_\_ places at \$18/each for Members

\_\_\_\_\_ places at \$10/each for Guests

\_\_\_\_\_ places at \$12/each for Teens (13–18 yrs)

\_\_\_\_\_ places at \$ 8/each for Child (5–12 yrs)

\_\_\_\_\_ places at free for Child under 5yrs

**Reserve by May 17, 2018**

Make checks payable to NBICF, Mail to 64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404



# Italian Summer Camp for Youth 2018

*JOIN us for 2 lively weeks of Italian-made fun for youth!*

**June 11-15 Theme “Feste Italiane”    June 18-22 Theme “Marco Polo”**

Monday – Friday

June 11 – 15 (ages 6-12 yrs)

June 18 – 22 (ages 6-12 yrs)

Older/younger siblings may enroll at instructor’s discretion

Time

9am - Noon

Location

**North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation**

64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404

(parking in the rear, enter on Chinn Street)

Fee Schedule

**\$75.00** for one week

**\$135** for two weeks

(Additional discounts are available for multiple siblings)

**This camp is an immersion language experience for youth ages 6-12 years.**

All ages are accepted, however, older/younger siblings will be enrolled at instructor’s discretion.

**The schedule includes:**

- 1) The Vocabulary Hour with Vocabulary Games
- 2) The Italian Snack time
- 3) An indoor or outdoor craft/sport activity
- 4) The Music Hour/Skit practice time
- 5) And, finally the Italian cartoon movie time.

The youth will be supervised at all times by two adults and a camp counselor. Awards and surprise prizes will be conferred during Friday’s Final show presentation and potluck lunch hour. Friends and family welcome!

**REGISTER QUICKLY!** Spaces are limited. Questions? Call the NBICF at 707-591-9696

Name(s) of child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_

Age(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Session One \_\_\_\_ Session Two \_\_\_\_ Both \_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Joli Love, and mail with registration form to 64 Brookwood Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95404.  
To become a member of NBICF, check out our website at [www.nbicf.org](http://www.nbicf.org)