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A Message From President Carmela Reali

I hope everyone is safe and healthy. We are at challenging times but always keep the positive! The Governor has dropped the status of indoor seating back down to fifty people including staff for events, etc.

As you know the Christmas Craft Fair has been cancelled, but we will still have a Pastry/Food Sale on Saturday, December 5th from 10:00 – 2:00 p.m. We will have but not limited to: Pizzelles, Anise Rounds, Filled Italian Cookies, Cannoli, Stuffed Bread, Pastries from Modern Bakery Boston, Ziti, with Meatballs, Sausage, or Chicken and sandwiches. We are looking for donations for making Italian Cookies and you can either give us product to make cookies or you can send a monetary donation.

We are still having “Show Me the Money” on Wednesday evenings. And we have Friday Night dinners happening now instead of Saturdays. Please look on our calendar in the newsletter.

I want to thank Darlene Napolitano and her Activity Committee for a great Halloween Party. And a Special thanks to Al DiMillo for all the animation at the party. It was a lot different than years past, but we had a nice time with Trivia (from Pat and Dave Putnam and Michael Fortunato) and music with Stormin’ Norman. Perhaps in the near future we can go back to dancing and singing.

The kids Halloween Party was amazing. Thank you to everyone who showed up to help!

The children, parents and grandparents loved the animation and the Candy, Donuts and juice. A HUGE thank you to Al DiMillo for supplying us with all the Fun Halloween Witches, Headless Man, Dragons and much more.

Keep safe and do something for people. Help out when you can. Be positive, we are all in this together.

Sincerely, Cammy Reali, President

Mission & Purpose

The Center is committed and dedicated to: (1) Preservation and promotion of our Italian Heritage, culture and history (2) Maintaining a vital repository of and being an important resource for information about Italy and the Italian experience in America (3) Social, charitable, benevolent, and educational endeavors (4) Teaching the Italian language and the history of Italy and Italian Immigration to Maine and offering instruction on the significant contributions Italians have made to the Arts, Sciences, and Humanities (5) Fostering the sharing and handing down of customs, traditions and cuisine from generation to generation

General Meeting will have coffee & pastries

GENERAL MEETING:

THURSDAY, NOV. 19TH @ 6:30PM

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MEMBERSHIP

If you are not receiving our IHC emails please send an email to Nikki at membership@italianheritagecenter.com so that you don't miss out on any important messages. We receive a lot of bounce back emails that are incorrect. We want to make sure our members are kept informed. I hope all our members are doing well. If you have any questions or need something please don't hesitate to call or email me.

Thank you, Vicki Dunn, Membership Chair

Membership is an important part in the success of the organization, this is our club and hopefully we can enjoy the full activates we offer soon. If you have any changes such as your address, phone or email please let me know via email at membership@italianheritagecenter.com

Please remember to put your membership number on all your correspondence

Pot of Gold ... as soon as the IHC business opens entirely we will resume the daily drawing, this allows members to freely enter the business during business hours. Please follow the newsletter and website for the exciting day we open!! Until we an all gather again have a great summer and be safe!

Thank you, *Nicola Cox*, Membership Secretary

To be voted in as a Regular Member:

RACHAEL FOSTER

Italian Name: BALZANO

Sponsor: Nicola Cox



BENEFICENZA

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CHARITY

Happy November,
we would like to thank everyone who donated to the Women's Center, you all collected over 98 pounds of food and personal care items. The charity committee thanks you so much, job well done. 🙌🙌🙌🙌🙌

We are still looking for a family in need of help this Christmas, if you know of someone please give me a call. Happy Thanksgiving to all 🙌 stay safe.

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IHC Art Show, 02/07/15



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Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic,
your Cultural Committee hasn't scheduled any indoor events

The IHC Book Club met again via Zoom on October 28th to discuss the rest of our latest book "Stolen Figs" (and other adventures) by Mark Rotella. If you're Calabrese, you'll love this book. We have started our new book, Mark Rotella's "Amore, The Story of Italian American Song". "Amore" is a celebration of the "Italian decade"—the years after the war and before the Beatles when Frank Sinatra, Perry Como, Dean Martin, and Tony Bennett, among others, won the hearts of the American public with a smooth, stylish, classy brand of pop. In Rotella's vivid telling, the stories behind forty Italian American classics (from "O Sole Mio," "Night and Day," and "Mack the Knife" to "Volare" and "I Wonder Why") show how a glorious musical tradition became the sound track of postwar America and the expression of a sense of style that we still cherish. Anyone interested in joining our book club can join in. Just contact Jim Dibiase at 767-2292; Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. Our next virtual meeting will be Wednesday, December 9th.

There are still a few Italian Flag Banners available. The flags are 12"x18" on a 2-foot wooden stick. Great quality polyester. Ideal for placing near the gravestone of a departed loved one or placing on your property on Columbus Day or any other time. They are \$5.00 each. Call Jim DiBiase at 767-2292 to order.



Italian Trivia-

In which church can you admire **Il Cenacolo di Leonardo Da Vinci** (Da Vinci's Last Supper)? Top of Form

- St Peter's in Rome Il Duomo in Florence Santa Maria delle Grazie in Milan
- The Church of Santa Croce in Florence

If you don't know the answer to this, ask Gina DiPietrantonio Ferrante, Assunta Savage or Jim DiBiase.



Italy Trip, Pompeii, Oct '16



Santo Spirito, Roccamorice, Abruzzo, Italy Trip 08/'17

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HEALTH / WELFARE

If you know of any IHC members who are ill or recently deceased (including family members), and would like the IHC to send them or their family a get well card, sympathy card, or mass card, please have them call me or email me. Please make sure that we have the correct mailing address as all cards will go directly to the recipient's home address.

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SCHOLARSHIP



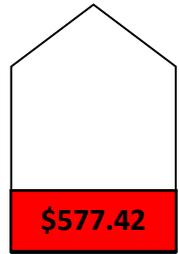
We are requesting a donation of **\$20.21** from **75** members to help fund our **2021-22 Scholarship Campaign Goal.***

For about the price of a lobster roll your generosity would have a positive impact on our IHC recipient's education, the one scholarship given out by the members.

In appreciation all donors will be invited to a Patio Party.

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**GOAL
\$1500.00**



This Scholarship Campaign ends December 31, 2020.



Indeed we are all hopeful that the Covid 19 will become history soon. We volunteers on the IHC scholarship team are all looking forward to the fabulous Barry Manilow/Rod Stewart Show this coming May 2, 2021. We still don't know what the impact of Covid limitations will be. Thank you for partnering with our latest efforts!

Sunday, May 2, 2021 featuring Jay Gates. He will deliver a stellar performance of Barry Manilow and Rod Stewart! This event supports the IHC Scholarship. Also, we may work out another activity, if it is possible virtually. TBD. Let's be hopeful that this Covid Virus is 100% under control for everyone's well-being!



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FACILITIES

I want to thank my volunteers, Bruce Koharian, Tom Watson, Glen Stankiewicz and Bill Lucatuorto for helping me put away the outdoor patio furniture, taking all the extra tables, chairs, high tops, etc. from the library to be put upstairs and rearranging the Cantina.

Your help is greatly appreciated. Many thanks

Frank Reali, Facility Chair



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Election Day Bake Sale

We are getting ready for our Bake Sales

Tuesday, November 3, 2020 and Saturday, December 5, 2020

Members, if you would like to donate ingredients for our cookies, below is what is needed. You can drop it off Wednesday or Saturday evenings at the IHC between 4:00pm – 7:30pm or call 939-8570 to set up a time to deliver.

Thank you very much for always helping. Please drop off before

Anise Oil / Lemon Oil / Canola Oil
All Purpose Flour / Granulated Sugar
Mini Chocolate Chips
Maraschino Cherries
Grape Jam / Eggs



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On Tuesday, November 3, 2020

Italian Heritage Bake Sale

Pizzelles, Anise Rounds, Filled Italian Cookies and Cannoli!

Also, we will be having dinners and sandwiches to go that day.

Starting at 8:00 a.m.



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Take Every Precaution

Take simple steps to reduce the spread of COVID-19, such as:

Wear cloth face coverings in public settings where physical distancing is hard to maintain

Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands

Avoid close contact with people who are sick

Stay home as much as possible

Know the Symptoms

Symptoms of COVID-19 include:

**Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing /
Repeated shaking with chills**

New loss of taste or smell / Congestion or runny nose

Muscle or body aches Nausea or vomiting

Sore throat / Headache / Diarrhea

Cough / Fever / Chills

Seek Medical Care if Needed

If you are concerned you have been exposed to COVID-19, call your healthcare provider, who will determine whether you should be tested. Decisions to test are left to the clinical judgment of your healthcare provider.

If you do not have a primary care provider, you can visit an urgent care or walk-in facility for care and testing. Always call *before* you arrive to let them know you are coming.

A list of all testing sites in Maine can also be found at [Get-Tested-COVID19.org](https://www.get-tested-covid19.org).
 This list and the website are being updated frequently in collaboration with Maine DHHS.

Municipality	Testing center	Website	Phone
Brunswick	ConvenientMD Urgent Care 193 Bath Road Brunswick, 04011	convenientmd.com	207-424-2272
Brunswick	Mid Coast-Parkview Health 329 Maine Street Brunswick, 04011	mainehealth.org	207-373-6699
Falmouth	Walgreens 33 Depot Road Falmouth, 04105	Walgreens.com	207-781-4414
Portland	Northern Light Mercy Hospital COVID Testing Ctr 175 Fore River Parkway Portland, 04101	Northernlighthealth.org	207-879-3000
Portland	ConvenientMD Urgent Care 191 Marginal Way Portland, 04101	convenientmd.com	207-517-3838
Portland	CVS Pharmacy 111 Auburn Street Portland, 04103	Cvs.com	207-797-3393
Portland	Walgreens 616 Forest Avenue Portland, 04103	Walgreens.com	207-761-9454
Scarborough	ClearChoiceMD Urgent Care 273 Payne Road Scarborough, 04074	Ccmdcenters.com	207-618-9355
South Portland	Walgreens 279 Main Street South Portland, 04106	Walgreens.com	207-741-2260

FOR MORE LOCATIONS: <https://www.maine.gov/covid19/restartingmaine/keepmainehealthy/testing>

What to do if you are sick

Call ahead to a health care professional if you develop a fever and symptoms of respiratory illness, such as cough or difficulty breathing. Tell your health care professional about any recent contact with people infected with COVID-19. Your healthcare professional will work with Maine CDC to determine if you need to be tested for COVID-19.

If you are sick or would like to be tested for COVID-19 but do not have a primary care provider, you can visit an urgent care or walk-in facility for care and testing. **Always call before you arrive** to let them know you are coming. Please reserve Emergency Rooms for patients whose symptoms require emergency care.

What if I am under-insured?

Mainers who may have lost their job or income due to the COVID-19 pandemic are encouraged to visit www.coverme.gov to find insurance options. This website can also assist Mainers who never had insurance coverage.

Maine residents who are uninsured are entitled to receive coverage for testing and diagnosis of COVID-19 at no cost, administered through the Maine Care program. Coverage includes testing for the COVID-19 diagnosis as well as limited related services, including office visits and evaluations, telehealth triage and screening, but does not include coverage for services for treatment.

What happens when Maine CDC identifies someone with COVID-19?

When a person is identified as having COVID-19, they are asked to self-isolate at home if they are well enough or are isolated in hospital if required. This continues until they meet criteria for release from isolation.

When Maine CDC is notified of a positive result, an epidemiologist reaches out to the patient to conduct an investigation. Close contacts of the positive person who may have been exposed are identified and contacted. These individuals are instructed to quarantine for 14 days and monitor for symptoms.

What is the difference between isolation and quarantine?

Self-quarantine means that you need to separate yourself from others because you may have been exposed to the COVID-19 virus but are not currently symptomatic. Individuals asked to quarantine should do so for 14 days from their last exposure to the individual with COVID-19. *Self-isolation* means that you need to separate yourself from others because you either 1) *you are* infected with the COVID-19 virus and you had a positive COVID-19 test; or, 2) you *are probably* infected because you are a close contact of a confirmed case and have symptoms, although you have not been tested. The length of time an individual self-isolates depends on the course of their illness.

For both self-quarantine and self-isolation:

- * Stay home
- * You cannot go to public places even for essential reasons, including grocery stores
- * Plan to have enough food available or arrange to have it delivered to you to complete your quarantine/isolation
- * Do not have visitors in your home
- * Keep a distance of at least 6 feet from other people
- * During self-quarantine, you can have contact with other members of your household
- * During self-isolation, you should avoid having contact with other members of your household as much as possible

How can a person be released from isolation at home?

People who test positive or people who Maine CDC ask to self isolate should do so until:

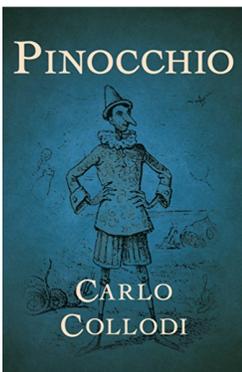
- * At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared, AND
- * At least 1 day (24 hrs.) has passed since recovery (no fever without the use of fever-reducing medications), AND Improvement in symptoms
- * All close contacts of a person who has tested positive for COVID-19 must stay home (self-quarantine) for 14 days from the time of their last exposure

U.S. CDC provides specific release from isolation guidance for healthcare workers with confirmed or suspected COVID-19.

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When chapter fifteen had Pinocchio killed by assassins, the public was horrified. There was such an outcry that Collodi decided to continue his series and saved poor Pinocchio in a subsequent installment. In 1883 the entire story was published as one book that later became an integral part of every Italian's childhood.

The book was translated into many languages, including English. A young man name Walt Disney discovered the story and turned it into the animated classic *Pinocchio* (1940) that most Americans are familiar with today. The film contains many of Pinocchio's adventures, including his being changed into a donkey, swallowed by a whale (a shark in the book), and finally transformed into a real boy, but the Disney version lacks the passion of Collodi's original story.



Pinocchio is truly one of literature's underdogs; a hungry puppet boy who causes mischief wherever he travels, learning the hardships of life and the importance of family and friends. He triumphs when he becomes "real" at the end of his journey. Its popularity in the 1880s, as young Italy was taking its first steps toward becoming a "real" nation, is no accident. Along with *The Divine Comedy* and *The Prince*, it is one of Italy's most prestigious literary artifacts, studied and written about by scholars all over the world. But you don't need to have a degree to enjoy the story as Collodi wrote it. All it takes is a heart.



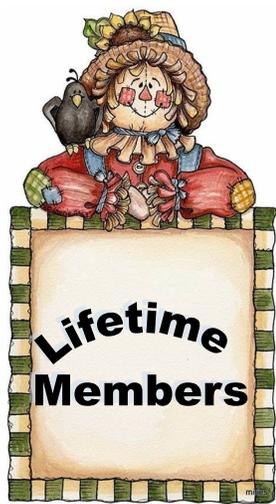
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If you would like your loved one's name in the Memoriam section or if you are a lifetime member and would like to list your name as a Lifetime Member, please contact Francine at 772-2500. The cost is \$10 per name for the July 2019 to June 2020. *Please let us know if we have the spelling incorrect.*

LA CANTINA



If you are bringing guests to the Cantina, please make sure that you sign them in. Your guests may not arrive before you and must depart with you. Thank-you!



During the month we may be adding different things or making changes to our Cantina nights. We will also post the Menu on Thursday, this will be posted on our Facebook page and remember your safety is



always first we are CDC Compliant!!

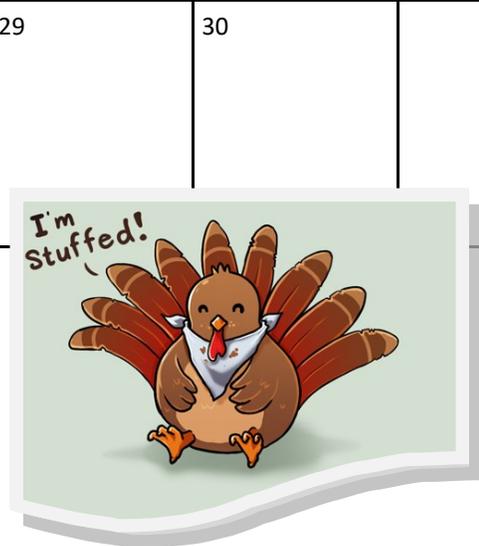
Darlene Napolitano
Activities Chair

Nov. 4th	5pm	Dinner @ 5p \$10pp / Show Me The \$ @ 6p
Nov. 6th	5pm	Dinner @ 5p \$10pp / Music
Nov. 11th	5pm	Dinner @ 5p \$10pp / Show Me The \$ @ 6p
Nov. 13th	5pm	Dinner @ 5p \$10pp / Music
Nov. 18th	5pm	Dinner @ 5p \$10pp / Show Me The \$ @ 6p
Nov. 20th	5pm	Dinner @ 5p \$10pp / Music



NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ VOTE ★ ★ ★ ★ ★	4 5p Dinner Show Me The \$	5	6 4pm Cantina Opens 5:30pm Dinner/Music	7
8	9	10 6:30pm Virtual Cultural Mtg	11 5p Dinner Show Me The \$ 	12	13 4pm Cantina Opens 5:30pm Dinner/Music	14
15	16	17 4p Scholarship Mtg Zoom	18 5p Dinner Show Me The \$	19 4pm Board Mtg 6:30pm General Mtg	20 4pm Cantina Opens 5:30pm Dinner/Music	21
22	23	24	25		27	28



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