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**We're planning  
some exciting  
events to  
celebrate our  
70th  
Anniversary**



**IHC General Meeting**

Thursday, May 18, 2023

Dinner will be at 5:30pm - \$12 per person

Meeting will begin at 6:30pm

***MUST CALL FOR DINNER RESERVATIONS 207-772-2500***

**Mission**



*The Center is committed and dedicated to:*

*Preservation and promotion of our Italian Heritage, culture and history.*

*Maintaining a vital repository of and being an important resource for information about Italy and the Italian experience in America.*

*Social, charitable, benevolent, and educational endeavors.*

*Teaching the Italian language and the history of Italy and Italian Immigration to Maine and offering instruction.*

*Fostering the sharing and handing down of customs, traditions and cuisine from generation to generation.*

MAY 2023



## Messaggio del Presidente - Vincenza Dunn

I hope this newsletter finds our members and their families are doing well. I know I'm waiting for May flowers to show themselves in my yard. I'm also looking forward to the Scholarship Benefit event on May 21st. If you haven't purchased your tickets please do so TODAY! You don't want to miss it. See in this Newsletter for info on this event.

We currently have 2 Board open (Membership Secretary & Recording Secretary). If remain not filled these positions will be included in our May elections to be filled for our May elections for the 2023-24 fiscal year.

**PLEASE consider volunteering your time to be a Board member. We need to fill our vacant Board positions. Contact me with any questions on these positions.**

A Nominating Committee has been formed to fill positions for the upcoming elections in May.

**4 Board seats** are open for elections for the 2023-2024 year.

- Activities Director (3-year term),      • Membership Secretary (2-year term)
- Recording Secretary (2-year term),      • 1 Regular Member Director (3-year term)

All positions require that they be a regular member in good standing for at least one year immediately prior to nomination, and aims to carry out the duties and responsibilities required by the position. The duties of each position are described in the Italian Heritage Center By-Laws and Rules and Regulations.

The Nominating Committee will present their selection at the May Meeting. At that time, IHC President Vincenza Dunn will open the meeting to nominations from the floor. Voting will take place at the May meeting and Installation will take place in June. The Nominating Committee will schedule interviews for each position prior to the May meeting. The deadline for submitting a name in nomination is May 15.

**Please contact one of the members of this year's Nomination Committee by May 15th:**

**Peter Doria 207-775-0888      Katie Guzman 207-400-4794      Bruce Koharian 207-879-9873**

I look forward to seeing you at the IHC to enjoy all that your membership has to offer. Take care and be healthy. Thank you for your continued support.

Presidente,

Vincenza Dunn

### Reminders ...

- *If you are not receiving the IHC email blast, please send an email to Wild.billlucy@gmail.com*
- *If you are not getting your emails from us .... Check your junk/spam folder.*
- *Please remember to put your membership number on all your correspondence!*
- *Due to The State of Maine Rules and Regulations for private clubs:*

*The Cantina Door MUST always be locked. All guests MUST be signed in by a member and leave when the member leaves*



**Come play Skat in La Cantina  
on Wednesday mornings at 9:00am  
Call Helene Brogan 207-653-8544**

# *Patrick Tobin Sings Sinatra*

**At the Italian Heritage Center!**

**May 21, 2023**

**6:00 PM**

**(Doors open at 4:45)**

**Members \$35**

**Guests \$40**

**Scan this code to  
buy tickets online**



**No service fee  
for members!**

**For info Text/Call  
Judy Ann Ferrante  
207-671-9412**





Nikki will be doing a presentation at the May General Meeting on membership. Please email Nikki [Nicolacox@maine.rr.com](mailto:Nicolacox@maine.rr.com) with photos of members to add to a slide show

**We have open positions on the Board that we need to have filled. Please consider being a Board Member –The open positions for the May elections are - Membership Secretary, Recording Secretary, Regular Member Director and Activities Director**

**Please contact one of the Nomination Committee members below by May 15th -**

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**The Membership Secretary** shall collect and account for all, dues and special assessments of the membership as established by the Board of Directors. The Membership Secretary shall maintain a roster of current members and keep accurate records of the membership with respect to payment of dues, issue notices of dues payable, and perform such other duties as may be required by the Board of Directors. The Membership Secretary shall receive a stipend to be established annually by the Board of Directors in its sole discretions.

**The Recording Secretary** shall be present and keep records of all regular and special meetings of the Center and the Board of Directors. The Recording Secretary shall prepare and mail all notices of said meetings and perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President. The Recording Secretary shall receive a stipend to be established annually by the Board of Directors in its sole discretions.

**The Activities Director** shall be responsible for managing and recommending to the Board of Directors, an annual comprehensive program of activities, including social events, charitable contributions, and the health and welfare of the membership. In addition, the Activities Director shall submit an annual proposed budget for all said activities and recommended sources of funding for same to the Finance Committee.

**The Regular Member Director** shall work with the Board of Directors & the President in the management & supervision of the Center & uphold the Mission and Purpose statement of the IHC.



### ***SECTION 3:***

No regular member shall be allowed to place his name in nomination for any Primary Office or the position of Elected Director unless that member has been in good standing for at least one (1) year immediately prior to nomination night and intends to carry out the duties and responsibilities required by the office or position.

### ***ARTICLE X VACANCIES SECTION 1:***

In the event of a vacancy declared by the President resulting from the death, resignation or removal of a Primary Officer, Elected Director, the position shall be filled by a special election to be called by the President or, in the absence of the President, by the Vice President. This election shall be held at the next regular meeting following the notice of vacancy. All members shall be notified of the vacancy in writing at least seven (7) days before said meeting. A plurality vote shall be sufficient to fill the vacancy. Any Primary Officer, Elected Director, or Activities Director who has been removed or has deems to have resigned pursuant to these By-Laws is not eligible to be nominated or elected in the special election.

## Regular Members to Vote in

Regular Member	Italian Name	Sponsor
Maria Roseann Griffin	Mignacca/Palomba	Nicola Cox
Robert & Mary Lind	Della Rocco	Vicki Dunn
Melissa DiMauro	Dominicus	Ann Marie Wong
Michael & Nancy Miller	Bellramini	Nicola Cox

## Associates Members to vote in

Associates	Sponsor

***ONLY EMPLOYEES ALLOWED IN THE KITCHEN AND MEMBERS ASSIGNED BY ACTIVITIES***

**Which of the following was not an Italian invention?**

- The Pistol
- Gunpowder
- The Telephone
- The Typewriter



If you don't know the answer, ask Jim DiBiase.....or Google

it.

**Tagliatelle ala Ragu 03/05/23**





## ATTIVITÀ / ACTIVITIES

Chair: Bill Lucatuorto 303-887-9164  
wild.billlucy@gmail.com

April brought us a tease at spring and summer. It's coming!!

We had a great time in April and will have a blast in the Cantina in May. The first Friday, the 5<sup>th</sup>, is also Cinco De Mayo. So, we'll celebrate with some Mexican music and food. Tacos, burritos, and lively music! On Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> it will be happy hour from 5 to 7. Then on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup>, is our extra Show Me The Money! The 19<sup>th</sup> will be Karaoke night. On the 26<sup>th</sup>, we'll kick off the Memorial Day weekend with Seth Holbrook. The night will be full of music, dancing and fun, fun, fun!

The committee (we have some new committee members...yay!!) is working on many ideas for the summer. We have musician Mark Macisso, Debbie Bassett, and a super good musician visiting here from Italy. Then there's Sea Dog Night, Cookouts, and much more (weather permitting) out under the tent and much more to come. Stay tuned for details for entertainment and fun you don't want to miss!

We have something for everyone so please enjoy YOUR club. If you have any ideas, please let us know about them. The Activities Committee is an outstanding group and fun to be with. The committee meets on the first Monday night of the month at 5:30. We'd love to have you come to a meeting! We can really use some help, so if you see an event that you'd have some time for, the help would be greatly appreciated. Call me if you're interested or have questions at 303-887-9164 or email me wild.billlucy@gmail.com. See you soon! **Bill Lucatuorto**



### From the desk of our Business Manager

Hello members and friends,

April is behind us now as we start to see some warmer days ahead. Spring is in the air and the flowers are in bloom. With the phone ringing creating a buzz we are on track to see a busy summer with an array of events to gather the happy faces of renewed season at the IHC.

We are hiring kitchen help, bartenders, waitstaff. Most of the positions are part-time on-call basis.

With business in demand to our beautiful facility we would need to fill a variety of shifts. Feel free to let all interested parties know that they can connect with me directly.

With spring upon us I have been booking weddings, baby showers, and many corporate events for the coming months. This will keep us on our toes and quite busy.

It's great to see our members returning from their snowbird locations and our new members joining us for our special member events. Looking forward to getting to know all of our members.

I would like to recognize our gentlemen of the Muffin Club who graciously tie the neckties for my staff to coordinate with the bride's colors on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Thank you, Gentlemen!

Gindy Dal fonso



## CULTURALE / CULTURAL

Chair: Jim DiBiase  
207-767-2292

## Italian Idiom for May (nonna said it best):

“La gallina fa l'uovo e al gallo gli brucia il sedere.”  
The hen lays the eggs and the rooster complains that his bottom is burning!

### MAY ITALIAN MOVIE NIGHT

May 20th, 7:00 pm in the Cantina

“La Grande Bellezza

(The Great Beauty)”

Free Admission



In this Fellini-esque masterpiece, journalist Jep Gambardella has charmed and seduced his way through the lavish nightlife of Rome for decades. Since the legendary success of his one and only novel, he has been a permanent fixture in the city's literary and social circles, but when his sixty-fifth birthday coincides with a shock from the past, Jep finds himself unexpectedly taking stock of his life, turning his cutting wit on himself and his contemporaries, and looking past the extravagant nightclubs, parties, and cafés to find Rome in all its glory: a timeless landscape of absurd, exquisite beauty. Film contains brief nudity and adult content and runs 135 minutes with an intermission.

Winner of Golden Globe Best International Film for 2013 and winner of that year's Best International Film at the Oscar's.

See it here for free. Movie is in Italian with English subtitles. Join us for snacks and an extraordinary first-run prize winning contemporary Italian film.

## Save the Dates

1. (Friday evening July 28<sup>th</sup>) Conservatory trained, clarinet virtuoso, young Lorenzo DiIonna, nephew of Luisa DeLuca, will be visiting New England this summer and we have secured him for a performance under the tent. Our own Carmine Terracciano will accompany him on keyboard and hors d'oeuvres will be served. We'll provide details in Newsletters to follow.
2. (Sunday all day, July 30<sup>th</sup>) The Cultural Committee has reserved the picnic area at Two Lights State Park for our annual outing. Two Lights offers Free Parking and clean, modern, plumbed restrooms. Details to follow.
3. We don't have a date yet but look for a Tombola Night in lieu of a Show Me The Money game on a future Saturday evening. Tombola is an Italian game similar to Bingo

## School Visits

Per their request, the Cultural Committee is sending a contingent (Judy Ann Ferrante, Cammy Reali, Judy Kendrick, Fran DiBiase and a player to be named later) to Memorial Middle School and West Bath Elementary School on May 3<sup>rd</sup> and May 4<sup>th</sup> to give a Presentation on Italian Immigration to Maine and Italian American Culture. We'll show a short slide show on Immigration, deal Flash Cards on Italian vs English words, sample and bake Pizzelli, introduce and play Bocce, demonstrate how to make homemade tambourines- and use them while singing Funiculi Funicula.



## Italian Flags

We have a new shipment of 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.

## The IHC Book Club

will meet again via Zoom on May 24<sup>th</sup> when we'll discuss our latest selection (TBD). Anyone interested in joining our book club can join in whether or not that you've read the current book. Just contact Jim DiBiase at 767-2292.



## BORSA DI STUDIO SCHOLARSHIP

Chair: Judy Ann Ferrante  
207-671-9412  
jferrante2@me.com



### April Scholarship News

**Attention all students entering accredited colleges, universities and accredited trade schools, it's time to complete an Italian Heritage Center Scholarship Application.**

**Applications are due June 1, 2023. This will give you ample time to exchange the necessary emails to connect with your school personnel assisting you with your documents!**

In order to apply, your parent must be a member for one full year. Or, your grandparent must be a member for five full years.

All Students entering accredited Colleges, Universities and Trade Schools are welcome to apply. Our Application, like other organizations, address multiple aspects of each applicant. The **Applications are on the IHC Website**. Click the Membership Icon. Then, scroll down to Scholarship 2023. Download and Print!

While working on the application, **please remind your applicant to be sure all requirement details are complete and presented well for processing.**

An authentic and fair tool is used to score applications..

Each recipient will receive \$1500.

\$750 each semester with receipt of school bill.

This year's donor is the Germani Family, honoring their Dad, Louis Germani. and The Italian Heritage Center.Scholarship(2).

### Scholarship Fundraiser Patrick Tobin Sings Sinatra May 21st

This Scholarship Fundraiser promises to be a wonderfully memorable event! We're incorporating a spotlight to enhance your viewing pleasure. High Output, located in Portland Maine is supplying the light source. Dry Martinis, Sinatra's fav, and the 'New York, New York' are among the regular Bar Offerings our new and wonderful IHC Manager, Cindy is setting the event with. A 50/50 and Italian Gift Basket will be available. Tickets are on sale at General Meetings, Cantina events and through the QR CODE on the Poster. Come and enjoy our show.

This is a Fundraiser and Scholarships assist students with improving their opportunities for education.



### CARITÀ / CHARITY

Co-Chairs: Glenn & Anna Stankiewicz  
207-892-9516 • annaofledgewood@yahoo.com

The Charity Committee continues to collect diapers for the children of Crossroads for Women, and MMC Pediatrics! Cranky, wet babies and their parents thank you from the bottom of their hearts! Their bottoms thank you, also! What does the experienced parent tell the new parent? This poo shall pass!

Thank you, Anna and Glenn



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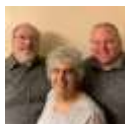


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*Pensa a me con un sorriso nel tuo cuore perché volo con gli angeli e ballo tra le stelle*

*Think of me with a smile in your heart for I fly with angels & dance amongst the stars*

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- Pizzo, Michael**
- Trivellin, Maria**
- Reali, Frank**
- Robichaud, Mary-Jane**
- Small, Eleanor Caprio**

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# May 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 	2 9a Muffin Club	3 9a Skat in Cantina 5:30p Cultural Mtg 6p Show Me the \$	4 9a Muffin Club	5 Cinco de Mayo food & fun in the Cantina 	6
7	8	9 9a Muffin Club	10 9a Skat in Cantina 6p Show Me the \$	11 9a Muffin Club	12 Happy Hour 5-7pm	13 6p Show Me the \$
14	15 	16 9a Muffin Club	17 9a Skat in Cantina 6p Show Me the \$	18 9a Muffin Club 4p Board Mtg 5p Dinner 6:30p General	19 Karaoke w/St acie 6:30-9:30pm	20
21	22 Trevi Fountain inaugurated in Rome (1762)	23 9a Muffin Club	24 9a Skat in Cantina 6p Show Me the \$	25 9a Muffin Club	26 Music w/ Seth Holbrook 6:30-9:30pm	27
28	29 	30	31			