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IHC General Meeting

Thursday, January 18, 2024

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.

JANUARY 2024



Messaggio del Presidente - Vincenza Marzilli Dunn

Felice Anno Nuovo—Happy New Year!

I hope you and your family and friends had a very nice holiday. Here we are in 2024!

At our December General meeting, regular members submitted By-law updates that they are proposing. These have been delivered to the By Law Committee (Paul Connolly & MaryJane Robichaud). If the By Law Committee determines it should be submitted for consideration of the membership, the regular member proposing the change will present the draft orally to the assembly and in writing to the Recording Sec/President at the next regular meeting. Before a vote can be taken all members must be notified in writing at least seven (7) days prior to the regular meeting at which action is to be taken. At said meeting, a two-thirds (2/3) majority of all votes cast shall be necessary for final adoption of each proposed By Law changes. Please see your February newsletter for proposed By Law changes to be voted on.

Ron Taliento, who graciously took on the role of Treasurer, Nov 2022, when we had over a year of looking for someone to take on this position, has given the Board his resignation. He has done a tremendous amount of work as Treasurer and Bookkeeping. He has put in many hours for us. Thank you Ron for all the work you have done for me and the IHC!

We will have Treasurer nominations from the floor at the January General Meeting. If you are or know someone interested in this position and have questions please contact me prior to the January meeting.

If you haven't met our new Business Manager, Richard Reynolds, please stop in and say Hello! We also have a new Bookkeeper—Doreen Parlin.

I hope you all have a wonderful January and I look forward to seeing you at Your IHC soon. Take advantage of all that is offered. Stay safe and check on each other even it's just to say Hi!

Vincenza

President@italianheritagecenter.com

Regular Members to Vote in

Regular Member	Italian Name	Sponsor
Michael and Maryann DiBiase	DiBiase/Misto	Nicola Cox
Anthony Breen	Giuffre	Nicola Cox

Associates Members to vote in

Associates	Sponsor

I want to thank my committee for helping with the kids Christmas party, Cetta, Katie, Sue Sullivan, and our artist Marie Parti for doing the face painting.

Thank you, Bruce, for being our Elf!! I hope next year we will have more kids, we are also opening the breakfast to members and members family's next year, It will be a joyous event I'm sure.

Please call or email me if you do not have your key card, sometimes if you're not able to come to the meeting I mail them or leave them in the cantina.

It is important that you have your card, in a few months we will be voting in new by-lays and elected positions.

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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

Message from our Business Manager...

Hello everyone, I would love to take a moment to thank you all for welcoming me into the Italian Heritage Center. I have had a very bustling first three weeks and I am pleased to now welcome in our new bookkeeper Doreen Parlin.

I have many great plans for 2024 and am excited to be working with Vicki to make some amazing forward moments for the venue.

As always please feel free to send me an email anytime as it is the easiest way to get ahold of me:
manager@italianheritagecenter.com

Thank you

Richard Reynolds



ATTIVITÀ / ACTIVITIES

Chair: Bill Lucatuorto 303-887-9164
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I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year holiday! December was fun with a Christmas Party, live music, and good fellowship. We haven't got all of January's Cantina events all figured out yet, so watch for the weekly e-mail blasts and Facebook announcements. I do know that Friday the 5th will be a board game night, the 12th will be live entertainment provided by singer Barry Arvin Young, and the 19th will be Tombola in the Cantina. Of course, Show Me The Money will continue Wednesday nights.

Looking back on 2023, the Activities Committee and Melissa and I, want to thank everyone who came to some of the events and supported us and the club. We work hard to have different things for everybody and it's sad when people don't show up. But 2023 was a great year for attendance and we hope to do even better in 2024! Please remember that this is YOUR club and we all need to support it.

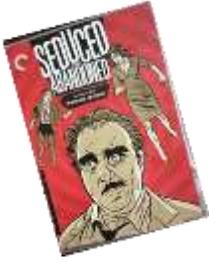
The Activities Committee is an outstanding group and fun to be with. The committee meets on the first Monday night of the month at 5:30. We'd love to have you come to a meeting! We can really use some help, so if you see an event that you'd have some time for, the help would be greatly appreciated. Call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

Bill Lucatuorto



Barry Arvin Young





JANUARY ITALIAN MOVIE NIGHT

January 13th, 7:00 pm in the Cantina

Seduced and Abandoned

Shotgun weddings, kidnapping, attempted murder, emergency dental work-the things Don Vincenzo will do to restore his family's honor. Pietro Germi's *Seduced and Abandoned* was his follow up to the international sensation *Divorce Italian Style*, and in many ways it's even more audacious-a rollicking yet raw series of escalating comic calamities that ensue in a small Sicilian village when sixteen-year-old Agnese loses her virginity at the hands of her sister's lascivious fiancé. Merciless and mirthful *Seduced and Abandoned* skewers Sicilian social customs and pompous patriarchies with a sly, devilish grin.

Movie is in Italian with English subtitles Join us for complimentary snacks and an entertaining evening viewing an a period Italian film..

In which Italian city is "Romeo and Juliet" (Shakespeare) set?

- Rome
- Verona
- Bologna
- Florence

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



Charity Committee - Katie Guzman (Chair)

kguzman1655@gmail.com

Hope all had wonderful holidays and looking forward to a peaceful new year . The charity committee would like to thank everyone who donated to the Lewiston Strong giving tree.

We will have a final total by the January meeting. We are always looking for new members to join the charity group and also new ideas. Any questions you can contact any member or Katie Guzman at K Guzman1655@gmail.com

JANUARY 2024



**Please consider being a member of
the IHC Board of Directors. We
have 2 vacant positions**

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 Treasurer is the Chief Financial Officer of the Center. The Treasurer is responsible for the proper safeguarding of and accounting for all funds of and monies received by the Center. The Treasurer has the authority to sign checks. The Treasurer is also responsible for supervising the Bookkeeper. The Treasurer must possess appropriate educational and professional credentials. The Treasurer shall be bonded, the cost of which shall be borne by the Center.

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.

**BORSA DI STUDIO
SCHOLARSHIP**

Chair: Judy Ann Ferrante
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January Scholarship News

Italian Heritage Center Scholarship Applications will be online January 15, 2024. All information relating to who can apply is located on the website under the Scholarship Logo.

You can access the IHC Application by going to the Italian Heritage Center Website on your browser. Click the Membership Logo, a drop down menu will appear, then click Scholarship. Make copies of the application. Complete all required documentation. **Review your packet for inclusion and completion of all required components.**

In addition to students entering colleges and universities, we are encouraging students entering certified trade schools to apply.



Tombola

When: Friday, January 19th

Where: The Cantina

Time: 6:00 pm

Bring your snacks and some friends and settle in for the traditional Holiday family game of Tombola! We hope to see you there.



CULTURALE / CULTURAL

Chair: Jim DiBiase
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Italian Idiom for January (nonna said it best):

“Non vado alla chiesa perche sono zoppo, ma vado alla cantina pian piano.”

I don't go to church because I'm lame, but I hobble slowly to the corner bar.



Italian Language -

If anyone is interested in a one-on-one informal symbiotic session with a native Italian to teach her some English and learn from her some Italian please call Jim DiBiase at 787-2292 or 831-4191 or write directly to Daniela at daniela.regorda@gmail.com.

Italian Flags

We have a number of Italian Flag Banners available for display. 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 January 17th when we'll discuss "Corelli's Violin" by Louis De Bernieres. Anyone interested in joining our book club can join in whether you've read the current book or not. Just contact Jim DiBiase at 767-2292 or 831-4191.

Bocce will continue in December on Tuesday the 5th, 12th and 19th. We won't be playing on the 26th or Jan. 2, 2024

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Pizzo, Michael

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Trivellin, Maria

*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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Trivellin, Settimo



gennaio 2024



domenica	lunedì	martedì	mercoledì	giovedì	venerdì	sabato
	1	2 9a Muffin Club	3 6p Show Me the \$	4 9a Muffin Club National Spaghetti Day	5 Board Game Night in La Cantina	6 Epiphany
7	8 Activities Committee Meeting 5:30p	9 9a Muffin Club BOCCE	10 6p Show Me the \$	11 9a Muffin Club	12 Singer Barry Arvin Young	13 MOVIE Night 7:00pm
14	15	16 9a Muffin Club BOCCE	17 6p Show Me the \$	18 General Mtg 6:30 Board Mtg 4:00pm	19 6p Tombola Game	20
21	22	23 BOCCE	24 6p Show Me the \$	25	26 TBD	27
28	29	30 BOCCE	31 6p Show Me the \$			