# SAN FRANCISCO **ITALIAN** ATHLETIC CLUB

# GRIE Centennio 2017

# La Voce del Nostro Circolo ~ July/August 2019

#### MESSAGGIO DEL PRESIDENTE

Hi Everyone,

If you didn't participate in our 99th Statuto, you missed out! We had over 200 runners which hasn't been seen in decades. Credit goes to Steve Caporelli for thinking "out of the box" in the management of the event and Bill Kerr who managed the details of making it happen. Nick Figone added the champagne brunch last year and we had approximately 90 people enjoy a tasty brunch. The "buzz" in the room told the story as it was the most successful Statuto as Ed Baumgarten put it "in modern times." Next year will be our 100th running and Steve is predicting a 25% or better increase in participants. Mark your calendar now for the first Sunday in June as you will want to be there for this one.

On the sports front, our soccer squad is competing well in the Premier Division that features a number of Club members including Filippo Gambaccini, Alessandro Giannini and Jack Silva. La Dolce Vita Cycling that we sponsor has brought a long time Italian tradition to our Club and has expanded our sports purview. Upcoming are our bocce tournament and golf tournament so look for the dates in this newsletter.

Our Festa is coming soon and Manuele LaTorre, Nick Figone and Gina Travaglio have teamed up to make it happen. I know they will be looking for help so please check in with Gina in the office if you are interested.

I know I may sound like a "broken record" but under the direction of Nick Figone and Gina Travaglio at his side, the Club has never run better. Our organization is functioning hassle free and members are getting customer service that is top notch. The staff handling our stag dinners and other functions are doing an exceptional job and such good performance is representative of management. We are fortunate to have such a great staff and I am sure they would appreciate hearing a "thanks" from you from time to time.

I enjoy a glass of wine each night for its health benefits. The other glasses are for my witty comebacks and flawless dance moves.

Your President, Guido Perego



Ciao Tutti!

Se non ha partecipato al nostro 99 ° Statuto, si è perso! Abbiamo avuto oltre 200 corridori che non sono stati visti da decenni. Il merito va a Steve Caporelli per aver pensato "fuori dagli schemi" nella gestione dell'evento e Bill Kerr che ha gestito i dettagli per realizzarlo. Nick Figone ha aggiunto lo champagne brunch l'anno scorso e abbiamo avuto circa 90 persone che si sono godute un gustoso brunch. Il "brusio" nella stanza ha raccontato la storia come se fosse stato lo statuto di maggior successo, come lo ha definito Ed Baumgarten "nei tempi moderni". Il prossimo anno sarà la nostra 100 corsa e Steve prevede un aumento del 25% o migliore dei partecipanti. Segna il tuo calendario ora per la prima domenica di giugno come vorresti essere li per questo.

Sul fronte dello sport, la nostra squadra di calcio è in competizione per la Premier Division che vede la presenza di numerosi membri del Club, Filippo Gambaccini, Alessandro Giannini e Jack Silva. La Dolce Vita Cycling che sponsorizziamo ha portato una lunga tradizione italiana al nostro Club e ha ampliato la nostra sfera sportiva. Prossimi sono il nostro torneo di bocce e il torneo di golf, quindi cerca le date in questa newsletter.

La nostra Festa sta arrivando presto e Manuele LaTorre, Nick Figone e Gina Travaglio si sono uniti per farlo accadere. So che cercheranno aiuto, quindi per favore controlla con Gina in ufficio se sei interessato.

So che potrei sembrare un "disco rotto", ma sotto la direzione di Nick Figone e Gina Travaglio al suo fianco, il Club non ha mai funzionato meglio. La nostra organizzazione sta funzionando senza problemi e i membri stanno ottenendo un servizio clienti che è di prim'ordine. Lo staff che gestisce le nostre cene di addio al celibato e altre funzioni sta facendo un lavoro eccezionale e tali buone prestazioni sono rappresentative della direzione. Siamo fortunati ad avere un personale così eccezionale e sono sicuro che apprezzerebbero di tanto in tanto ricevere un "grazie" da parte sua.

Mi piace un bicchiere di vino ogni sera per benefici di salute. Gli altri bicchieri sono per le mie spiritose e impeccabile mosse di ballo.

Il vostro presidente, Guido Perego

Members of the SFIAC and Ligure Club of Oakland participate in the Ligure Bocce Tournament.

## STAG DINNER

#### STAG DINNER SCHEDULE

All tickets for the Stag dinner must be purchased by 5PM on the Friday before Stag night. *No refunds*.

- Pay with cash, check or credit card through the Club Office or online at www.sfiac.org. Call in your credit card order: 415.781.0166 or e-mail your ticket request *and* seating preference to: Gina@sfiac.org.
- All sales are final and tickets will be collected at each meal. Tickets must be paid for at the time of purchase.
- **Discount Parking Available** nearby at APM Parking, 721 Filbert Street (Sunday-Thursday). Parking tickets **MUST** be stamped at the Club bar to receive the discounted \$10 flat rate.

JULY STAG – Tuesday, July 11.

(note: The date has been changed from Tuesday to Thursday)

No-Host Cocktails ~ 6 PM / Dinner ~ 7 PM

Menu: salad, antipasto, penne with pesto, tripe
or chicken piccata, wine, coffee and dessert. Cost
is \$35 for members and \$45 for guests.

Tickets MUST be purchased by Friday, July 5.



**Menu:** salad, antipasto, fusilli with tomato cream, boillito, wine, coffee and dessert. Cost is **\$35** for members and **\$45** for guests

Tickets <u>MUST</u> be purchased by Friday, August 2.

SEPT. STAG – Thursday, Sept. 5.
No-Host Cocktails~6 PM/Dinner~7 PM

**Menu:** salad, antipasto, pasta with pesto; chicken cacciatore, wine, coffee and dessert. Cost is **\$35** for members and **\$45** for guests. *Tickets MUST be purchased by Friday, August 30*..

#### **COMING SOON**

Thursday 7/4 – Closed for 4th of July Thursday 7/11 – July Stag Dinner Saturday 7/13 – Bocce Tournament and BBQ Tuesday 7/16 – Board and General Meeting Thursday 7/25 – Prime Rib Dinner Buffet Sunday 7/28 – 4th Annual Lasagna Night Tuesday 8/6 – August Stag Dinner Tuesday 8/20 – Board and General Meeting Thursday 8/22 – Prime Rib Dinner Buffet Friday 8/30 – SF Giants Italian Heritage Night Monday 9/2 – Club closed - Labor Day Thursday 9/5 – September Stag Dinner Saturday 9/7 – SFIAC Festa Coloniale Tuesday 9/17 – Board and General Meeting Thursday 9/19 - Cigar and Steak Thursday 9/26 – Prime Rib Dinner Buffet Saturday, 9/28 – Inaugural SFIAC Beer Festival Tuesday 10/1 – October Stag Dinner Sunday 10/13 – Italian Heritage Day: Parade, Lunch and Dinner

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



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National Lasagna Day Sunday, July 28

Family Sunday Supper

This year guests will rate three lasagnas.
Salad, antipasto, dessert, coffee & wine.
Cocktails 4 PM / Dinner 5 PM
\$50 per person / \$25 per child 5-12
www.SFIAC.com or 415.781.0166

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# **FESTA** Saturday, September 7, 10 AM – 6 PM

Come for a festival of food, drink, music, culture and family fun in beautiful North Beach. 13-time World Pizza Cup Champion Tony Gemignani will bring his pizza tour to the SFIAC to wow the home crowd.



There will be wine tasting, Aperol spritz, food, Italian-themed vendors and Italian scooters, motorcycles and cars parked along the Square. Introducing angolo dei bambini "kids' corner" with face painting, a marionette show and music for the bambini. Stockton Street will be closed from Union Street to Filbert

Street for all the music, demonstrations and exhibits. Entertainment: We have a full day of live music and dancing including a Frank Sinatra tribute (featuring John DeMers), Sonamo Music, the Ricco Dancers, Il Sole (featuring Steve Albini), Carruso, and Moreno Fruzzetti.

Full details: www.SFIACfesta.com















# 151st Italian Heritage Day Parade, SFIAC Lunch and Dinner, Sunday, October 13

#### Lunch Menu

Marinated zucchini with mint; cold tortellini salad, cheese cannelloni, grilled flank steak, sautéed shrimp, grilled vegetables, roasted potatoes, two (2) bottles of red and two (2) bottles of white wine per table and Klondike ice cream bars.

Details: Enjoy lunch with your friends and family and watch the parade al fresco on Stockton Street. Tickets go on sale to Club members August 1.

We are offering 24 tables, each with 10 seats, that are available for full purchase. There are 8 tables available where you can purchase either 2, 4, 6 or 8 seats. We suggest members join together to complete a table.

On September 3, remaining seats will go on sale to the general public.

Price: \$80 per person. Purchase tickets exclusively through the Club office at 415.781.0166.

Time: Lunch will be served at 12:30 PM.



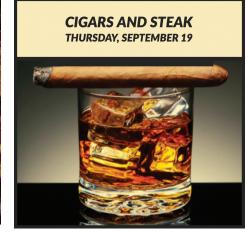
## Italian Heritage Day Dinner

Menu: Mixed greens with apples, dates, toasted walnuts and pecorino cheese; trofie pasta with pesto, rigatoni with meat sauce, brick-pressed chicken with lemon and herbs, roasted potatoes, seasonal vegetables and wine, coffee and tea with dessert.

5:00 PM No-Host Cocktails / 6:00 PM Dinner

Price: \$60 per person. Purchase tickets online at www. SFIAC.org or through the Club office at 415.781.0166.





#### Volunteers Needed

Festa will be held on September 7 and Italian Heritage Day on October 13. We are seeking members to assist the day of the event. All new members must volunteer for at least one event per year. Please email gina@sfiac.org with your availability.

# HOW TO JOIN THE SFIAC

If you want to join one of the best fraternal organizations in the nation, here's all that your friends and relatives need to do: Get a membership application at the Club bar or online at **www.SFIAC.org**. Then, e-mail the membership chairman, **Joe Ostarello**, at **joe.ostarello@SFIAC.org** for an interview time. After successfully completing the informal meeting, candidates will be admitted conditionally, pending approval by the board of directors. Initiation and dues' payments may be made by check or credit card at the successful conclusion of the pre-membership interview.

#### General Meeting Prize Drawing

A continuing feature for the General Meeting is the drawing for a monetary prize. Each meeting, an active Club member's name will be drawn and if that member is present, he will win the prize pool. The prize pool will increase \$25 for each month that the pool is not claimed.

### Monthly General Meeting

Come have some pasta, salad and wine at our monthly General Meeting which is held monthly, on the third Tuesday of every month, beginning at 6:30 PM. This meeting gives the members an opportunity to share their opinion and hear the latest Club developments. It is also an opportunity to meet other members and talk to committee heads for those activities that you may be interested in joining.

#### Committees

The SFIAC runs on committees and we are looking for your involvement. Without committees, Club functions simply would not exist. The following are the committees you may consider joining:

Financial, Communications, Technology, Sports, Golf, Bocce, Statuto Race, Membership, Social, Italian Heritage Day, Merchandise, Festa, Raffle, By-Laws, Children's Christmas, Wine, Bar and Language.

Do yourself and the Club a favor at the same time – get involved. Please e-mail joe.ostarello@SFIAC.org and let us know the committee you have interest in and the committee chairperson will be calling you back. It is a way to be involved in your Club as well as expand your circle of friends.

# Friday Night Buffet

The ever-enticing Friday night buffet in the members' bar will continue in 2019. Enjoy a cocktail, dinner and the game with fellow members and friends. Food comes out at 6:30 PM. The buffet is complementary to members and their guests.

# **NEW MEMBERS**

Ciao a tutti.

Meet our seven new members inducted in May and June. We anticipate that our membership will continue to grow throughout the rest of the year and we welcome all applications. It should also be noted that if any member sponsors at least two people inducted into the Club this year, he is eligible for a free stag dinner.



Nicholas Altamura



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Daniel Del orenzi



Dominic Ferrario



Guido Lanza



Aaron Maxson

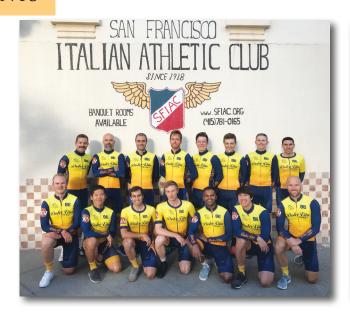


Giordano Salvet

# SFIAC RECENT EVENTS

# Stag night. Always a great time!

In May, the rabbit stag sold out at 320! We were thrilled to welcome the SFIAC sponsored Dolce Vita Cycling Team.





Max and Tom Bucchioni

High School Awards Banquet: On May 13, the SFIAC held the 3rd annual High School Awards Banquet Fundraiser for San Francisco high school Sports. Student athletes from more than a dozen public and private San Francisco high schools, including the Lincoln High School state champions, were in attendance. It is a wonderful evening for the athletes, parents, coaches and teachers/administrators. A huge "thank you" to Club member and University High School basketball coach Randy Bessolo for organizing and executing the event year after year.



Randy Bessolo with his son George

**Cigar and Steak Night:** A May rain storm couldn't damper the cigars or fun. The next Cigar and Steak night will be held on September 19.





**99th Statuto Race:** Our Statuto committee organized a fantastic event. There were 222 runners and walkers. Congratulations to winner David Tran and to Club member Michael DeLaurenti who came in just 10 seconds later. Grazie mille to Jim Anderson for organizing the inaugural Statuto Cup which brought together numerous Bay Area Italian Clubs to take part in the race. Save the date for the 100th Statuto Race on June 7, 2020.



Team Lasagna



SFIAC members run for the Statuto Cup



SFIAC winner Mike DeLaurenti and Sports Chairman Steve Caporelli



South City Frank and Dan DeLorenzi



Carl Marotto paid a visit to the Club with his dad John Jr. Carl can't wait to be the fourth generation of Marottos to join the SFIAC.

**Festa Fundraiser:** With a delicious dinner, beautiful music and great friends, you couldn't go wrong. Thanks to the exuberant mic skills of Nick Figone, over \$10,000 was raised for the Festa. A huge thank you to our generous donors Leo Rocco, Matt Morrone, Tony Guglielmi, Rob Della Santina, Dan DeLorenzi, Charles Belle, Nick Giovannetti, Joe Perillo, Aurellio Lioi, Jeff Scatena, Bob Piro, Ross, DeVincenzi-Adkins, Bill Mastrangelo, Steve Giovannini, Gianrico Pierucci, Steve Caporelli and Guido Perego.



Thank you to our members and their guest for their generous support.



Vince Moreci and Gianrico Pierucci



Four-month-old Luke DiGiacomo's first visit to the Club with mom and dad (Jenny and Chris).



Bill Mastrangelo and Rob Della Santina

## MESSAGE FROM CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

The Festa Fundraiser was a roaring success thanks to the efforts of our Festa Committee consisting of Manuele LaTorre, Gianrico Pierucci, Nancy

Federico, Charles Belle, Steve Giovannini, and Gina Travaglio. We were serenaded by Festa performer Carlo Sullivan during a delicious dinner while watching and listening to the 2018 concert in the park video courtesy of the Thoresen Foundation. One of the many highlights of the evening was a fundraising match effort which pitted the room against a \$5,000 pledge by SFIAC member Leo Rocco. The room collectively came together and the SFIAC Foundation raised \$10,000 in just under five minutes for this year's Festa. Thank you to all the donors listed in this newsletter for your matching gifts.

The kitchen plumbing replacement project is complete. The four-inch line and multiple laterals servicing the back half of the facility is functioning well as is the new automatic grease trap. With new sand, concrete, and replacement tile, you won't recognize anything different in the kitchen. However, the weight room and adjoining bathroom will be sparkling new by the time of printing. Look for photos and complete coverage in the next newsletter.

Thank you, Nicolas Figone, COO

#### **SPORTS**



#### Saturday, July 13

#### Annual Bocce Tournament and Family BBQ Picnic

**Details:** A team consists of a minimum of 4 players and a maximum of 6. There will be a maximum of 20 teams. Players Should arrive by 9 a.m. Team cost is \$60 per player including BBQ picnic.

**BBQ Picnic Only:** \$30 per person. \$15 for children 7-12. Children under 6 are free. Water, soda and beer will be provided.

Wine allowed but not provided. Picnic tables will be reserved for team members and paying guests.

Location: Marin Bocce Federation, Albert Park, 550 B Street in San Rafael.

Further details and application at www.sfiac.org or call 415.781.0166



#### Fall 2019

Italian Language Classes
Classes begin Sept. 9, 10 week sessions
Weeknights 7 PM-9 PM
Saturdays 11 AM-1 PM

#### Class Pricing

- Non-Members **\$250**, Members **\$150**
- All returning students receive a \$25 discount
- · Sign up by Sept 2 and receive a \$25 discount.
- •Contact gina@sfiac.org or 415.781.0166 to purchase gift certificates.

#### Class Schedule

· Continuing Italian 1B -

Mondays Sept. 9 – Nov. 11

· Beginning Italian 1A -

Tuesdays Sept. 10 – Nov. 12

· Intermediate / Advanced Conversation -

Wednesdays Sept. 11 – Nov. 13

· Advanced Italian 1C -

Thursdays Sept. 12 – Nov. 14

· Italian IA For Travelers -

Saturdays Sept. 14 – Nov. 16

Join us on Monday, September 9 for our annual Frank Clima Memorial Golf Tournament at the Indian Valley Golf Club in Novato, CA. Registration and lunch is at 11:30 AM with a 1 PM shotgun start -scramble format. Cost is \$175 for SFIAC members and guests and includes green fees, golf cart, tee prizes, barbecue, raffle and hosted wine with prime rib dinner. Get a foursome or play solo. Male and female players welcome. Download an application at www.SFIAC.org, email or call Gina gina@SFIAC.org, 415.781.0166. All entries must be received by September 1 to meet the tournament obligations.

**Not a golfer?** You can still attend the dinner and awards ceremony for \$50 after the tournament. The raffle benefits our Club's Children's Christmas Party.

**Questions?** Call Joe Marotto at 415.846.2865 or joemarotto@comcast.net.

**Gifts needed for tournament raffle:** Business or individuals wishing to donate prizes for the raffle, please contact Joe Marotto ASAP. Grazie mille!



# A trip for late September or early October is in the planning stages. Check www.SFIAC.org for details

# SFIAC Members' 2019 Dues

It's never too late to pay your 2019 dues. Dues for all category of members may be paid online (where event tickets are sold), calling the office or mailing payment. Please contact me with any questions. Gina Travaglio, Membership 415.781.0166 or Gina@ SFIAC.org.



# SFIAC Events

Host your next gathering at the Club. Weddings, graduation, birthday or corporate event, we have the space for you. www.SFIAC.org events@SFIAC.org





# Introducing SFIAC Discounted Wine Sales for Members, Friends and Family

Weddings, birthdays and showers purchase select wines from the SFIAC at a deep discount. Sample offerings: Quilt Chardonnay \$312 per case (\$26 per bottle for one case) or \$252 per case (\$21 per bottle for two or more cases), The Prisoner Saldo Zinfandel \$240 per case (\$20 per bottle, The Prisoner Cuttings Cabernet

Rose 1/2 case \$234 (\$39 per bottle) Each wine or champagne has a minimum of between 6 and 24 bottles (check each one for minimums). Email: gina@SFIAC.org for details

\$192 per 1/2 case (\$32 per bottle) and Domaine Carneros

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Nike Golf Dri- Fit ½ zip cover ups in black S-2XL \$85. New women's fleece in black, red and royal blue. Windbreaker \$40, black long-sleeved fleece \$40, 100-year centennial t-shirts in red, royal, navy and black \$20, SFIAC clock \$35. We have two types of logo sweatshirts in three different colors. Antigua zip ups in navy and pine green and pull overs in red and pine green. Available S - 2XL \$40. See our Instagram page for more pictures @sfitalianathletic club. Visit the members' bar or contact Gina at gina@SFIAC.org for purchase.







# Club & Bar Hours

**CLUB BAR** 1 PM until 10 PM 2 PM Mon 3 PM Tue 1 PM until 11 PM Wed 1 PM until 10 PM 2 PM Thu 1 PM until 10 PM 2 PM Fri 3 PM 1 PM until 11 PM Sat 1 PM until 11 PM 3 PM Sun 10 AM until 5 PM 10 AM

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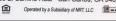




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**TUESDAY** 

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All events and dates are subject to change

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**FRIDAY** 

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26 PRIME RIB DINNER BUFFET

SATURDAY

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WEDNESDAY

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**THURSDAY** 

4 CLUB CLOSED