

MESSAGGIO DEL PRESIDENTE

Hello Everyone,

It is incredible to believe that we are closing in on the end of 2021! Despite the pandemic, we are finding a way to move forward with our lives. There has been a lot going on and at the time of this writing many things are happening.

To begin with, I would like to acknowledge Chris DiGiacomo for his great work in bringing in a record amount of money to sponsor our annual Frank Clima Golf Tournament. He also met his goal of 80 players and dealt with the back and forth of whether or not the tournament could be held due to COVID. Great work Chris!

Our Sports Committee has been hard at work on many fronts as we have the Bocce Tournament and Statuto both happening in October. Steve Caporelli has worked hard to make our Bocce Tournament a success and due to the pandemic year has dealt with adversity in participation. Let's hope people will fill comfortable in the outdoor environment and make this a success! Steve also manages our Soccer team which is having great success in the Premier League this year. Our Statuto Committee with Jim Anderson the Sports Committee head have the largest participation signed up that we have seen in the last three decades or more! Great job to the many members who are working with Jim and Steve!

Also in October we have the annual Heritage Day Parade and dinner. This is the one time a year we have the opportunity to celebrate our heritage openly in San Francisco. A lot of work goes on behind the scene with Nick Figone, Gina Travaglio and Nico in making this event a success. We are fortunate to have you all running these events and you deserve a huge thanks!

Jad Defanti has been hard at work with the Strategic Planning Committee and currently analyzing the results of the survey that was taken. This is harder than it might seem as the many comments that were made are being carefully considered and they want to arrive on the "consensus" results.

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Grazie mille to the eighty golfers for the 2021 tournament.

Ciao Tutti!

È incredibile credere che ci stiamo avvicinando alla fine del 2021! Nonostante la pandemia, stiamo trovando un modo per andare avanti con le nostre vite. Sono successe molte cose e nel momento in cui scrivo molte cose stanno accadendo.

Per cominciare, vorrei ringraziare Chris DiGiacomo per il suo grande lavoro nel portare una quantità record di denaro per sponsorizzare il nostro torneo annuale di golf Frank Clima. Ha anche raggiunto il suo obiettivo di 80 giocatori e ha affrontato il problema se il torneo potesse svolgersi o meno a causa del COVID. Bravo, ottimo lavoro Cris!

Il nostro Comitato Sportivo ha lavorato duramente su più fronti visto che ad ottobre si svolgeranno sia il Torneo di Bocce che lo Statuto. Steve Caporelli ha lavorato duramente per rendere il nostro Torneo di Bocce un successo e a causa dell'anno della pandemia ha affrontato le avversità nella partecipazione. Speriamo che le persone si sentano a proprio agio nell'ambiente esterno e ne rendano un successo! Steve gestisce anche la nostra squadra di calcio che quest'anno sta avendo un grande successo in Premier League. Il nostro Comitato Statuto con Jim Anderson, il capo del Comitato Sportivo, ha la più grande partecipazione registrata che abbiamo visto negli ultimi tre decenni o più! Ottimo lavoro per i molti membri che stanno lavorando con Jim e Steve!

Anche in ottobre abbiamo l'annuale parata e cena della Giornata del Patrimonio. Questa è l'unica volta all'anno che abbiamo l'opportunità di celebrare apertamente la nostra eredità a San Francisco. Dietro le quinte, con Nick Figone, Gina Travaglia e Nico, si lavora molto per rendere questo evento un successo. Siamo fortunati ad avere tutti voi a gestire questi eventi e vi meritate un enorme grazie!

Jad Defanti ha lavorato duramente con il Comitato per la pianificazione strategica e attualmente analizza i risultati dell'indagine che è stata effettuata. Questo è più difficile di quanto possa sembrare poiché i molti commenti che sono stati fatti vengono considerati con attenzione e vogliono arrivare ai risultati del "consenso".

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Great night celebrating our Man of the Year Steve Caporelli.

STAG DINNER

STAG DINNER SCHEDULE

All tickets for the Stag dinner must be purchased 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.

• Note: Dinner will be served at 7 PM.



NOVEMBER STAG – Tuesday, Nov. 2.

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

Menu: salad, antipasto, cheese tortellini with tomato cream, lamb shank, wine, coffee and dessert. Cost is **\$45** for members and **\$55** for guests.

Tickets MUST be purchased by Friday, October 29.



DECEMBER STAG – Tuesday, Dec. 7

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

Menu: salad, antipasto, beef ravioli with meat sauce, veal Milanese, wine, coffee and dessert. Cost is **\$45** for members and **\$55** for guests.

Tickets MUST be purchased by Friday, December 3.



JANUARY STAG – Thursday, January 6.

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

Menu: salad, antipasto, penne with pesto, short ribs, wine, coffee and dessert. Cost is **\$45** for members and **\$55** for guests.

Tickets MUST be purchased by Thursday, December 30.

COMING SOON

Tuesday 10/5 – October Stag Dinner

Sunday 10/10 – Italian Heritage Day:

Parade, Lunch and Dinner

Monday 10/11 – Club Office Closed - Italian Heritage Day

Saturday 10/16 – Bocce Tournament and BBQ

Sunday 10/24 – Statuto Race and Brunch

Tuesday 11/2 – November Stag

Saturday 11/13 – Sicilian Regional Wine Dinner

Tuesday 11/16 – Bylaws Meeting

Thursday 11/25 – Thanksgiving - Closed

Friday 11/26 – Post-Thanksgiving – Closed

Thursday 12/2 – Christmas Cigar and Steak Dinner.

Tuesday 12/7 – December Stag

Saturday 12/11 – Kids' and Club Christmas Parties

Tuesday 12/21 – General Meeting

Wednesday 12/22 – Club Christmas Lunch

Friday 12/24 – Christmas Eve – Closed

Saturday 12/25 – Christmas Day - Closed

Friday 12/31 – New Year's Eve - Closed

Saturday 1/1 – New Year's Day – Closed

Tuesday 1/4 – Nominations of Officers and Directors

Tuesday 1/6 – January Stag

Tuesday 1/11 – Nominations Continue

Thursday 1/20 – Crab Dinner (open to everyone)

Tuesday 1/25 – Election Polls Open and Postmark Deadline

Tuesday 2/1 – February Stag and Election Results Posted

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Lamb Shank
Stag Dinner
Tuesday, November 2**

Menu: salad, pasta with tomato cream,
lamb shank, wine, coffee and dessert.
Cocktails – 6 PM / Dinner – 7 PM
\$45 for members and \$55 for guests.
Purchase tickets by Monday, November 2.
www.SFIAC.org





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.



**Italian Heritage Day
Open at 10 a.m.**

**Members' Bar open to members and six guests.
The Ballroom will be open for all of your
Bloody Mary and Mimosa needs.**

Volunteers Needed

Italian Heritage Day will be held on October 10 and our 100th Statuto Race on October 24. We are seeking members to assist the day of the events. All new members must volunteer for at least one event per year. Please email columbusday@sfiac.org to volunteer for the Heritage Parade and merc.martinelli@sfiac.org to volunteer for the Statuto.



Pick Up Basketball

**Come play hoops with
other club members.**

6:30-8:30 PM

**Monday, October 25
Monday, November 22**

macchine e caffè: Cars and Coffee SFIAC style!

Gearheads and car aficionados: The SFIAC Events committee wants to gauge member interest in doing a monthly SFIAC members' cars and coffee-type event, which would meet one Saturday or Sunday morning each month. Please reach out to Tom Banducci (tom.banducci@sfiac.org) if you are interested and please provide some location suggestions as well.



International Premiere of "Harvest 2020" Documentary Film

"The most exhaustive representation of the Friuli Venezia-Giulia viticulture ever made"

Q&A with Director Maurizio Gigola ("The Great Italian" available on Amazon Video)

Friuli Venezia-Giulia wine and regional appetizers included with your \$50 ticket.

Prosciutto di San Daniele, Montasio cheese, Risotto con Montasio

Thursday October 21
Reception 6 p.m.
Film starts 6:45 p.m.

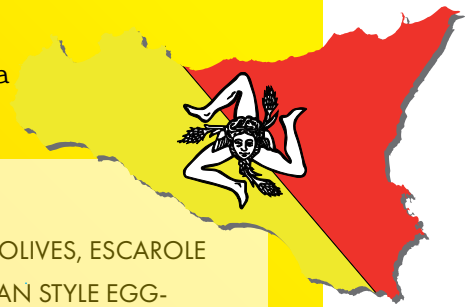
Q&A at conclusion of 1 hour 15 minute film
\$50/person



SICILIAN DINNER WITH WINE PAIRING

Saturday, November 13

Featuring Chef Maurizio Bruschia of Ideale and Serafina
with wines curated by Giovanni Lossi



ANTIPASTO

CRUDO DI SCAMPI CON INSALATA D'ARANCINI
LARGE LANGOUSTINE SCAMPI FROM NEW
ZEALAND (SASHIMI GRADE) SERVED WITH RAW
THINLY SLICED FENNEL WITH ORANGE IN A
CHAMPAGNE VINAIGRETTE
PROSECCO BRUT, Cuvee' 1821, Zonin DOC
GRILLO Principi di Butera 2016 DOC (Sicilia)

PRIMO

SPAGHETTI CON COZZE E SCOLATURA D'ALICI
HOMEMADE SPAGHETTI WITH MUSSELS, OLIVE
OIL, GARLIC AND SCOLATURA d'alici
NERO D'AVOLA, Principi di Butera 2016 DOC
(Sicilia)

SECONDO

BRACIOLA DI PESCE SPADA, CALAMARO RIPIE-
NO AND CAPONATA SICLIANA
SWORDFISH ROLL WITH BREAD CRUMBS, PINE
NUTS AND PECORINO CHEESE, MONTEREY

CALAMARO STUFFED WITH OLIVES, ESCAROLE
AND BREADCRUMBS, SICILIAN STYLE EGG-
PLANT, CELERY, ONIONS, TOMATOES, WHITE
WINE AND VINEGAR

SYMPOSIO ROSSO, PRINCIPI di Butera 2013 IGT
(Sicilia)

NERO D'AVOLA (Single Vineyard) "Deliella,"
Principi di Butera 2014 DOC (Sicilia)

DOLCE

CANNOLO SICLIANO
TUBE-SHAPED FRIED PASTRY DOUGH FILLED
WITH RICOTTA
MOSCATO, Castello del Poggio IGT

6 p.m. Pre-made Cocktails and Wine Tutorial

7 p.m. Dinner Served

\$95 per person with tickets available at
www.SFIAC.org or 415.781.0166
Limited Capacity

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There's never enough space to thank everyone but I have one more that is a must. The Membership Committee has done a fantastic job! Headed by Chris DiGiacomo with Michael Storer and Bill Mastrangelo, they have a committee of I believe eight people. In the last two months they have brought in a record number of new members! Congratulations to all of you, your good work is appreciated.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our Christmas Party in December and this year we need a good party!

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

Non c'è mai abbastanza spazio per ringraziare tutti ma ne ho uno in più che è d'obbligo. Il Comitato Soci ha fatto un lavoro fantastico! Diretto da Chris DiGiacomo con Michael Storer e Bill Mastrangelo, hanno un comitato di credo otto persone. Negli ultimi due mesi hanno portato un numero record di nuovi membri! Congratulazioni a tutti voi, il vostro buon lavoro è apprezzato.

Non vedo l'ora di vedere tutti alla nostra festa di Natale a dicembre e quest'anno abbiamo bisogno di una bella festa!

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

Beef Ravioli with Meat Sauce and Veal Milanese Stag Dinner
Tuesday, December 7



Menu: salad with bay shrimp, antipasto, beef ravioli with meat sauce, veal Milanese, wine, coffee and dessert.
 \$45 for members and \$55 guests
 6PM cocktails / 7PM dinner
 Purchase tickets by Friday, December 3
www.SFIAC.org

Ring in the Holidays with Cigars and Steaks
Thursday, December 2

Join us for a night of cigars, pasta, steak, sides and dessert

Antonio will be at the Club rolling cigars.

The event will be held in the ballroom

Cocktails 6pm / Dinner 7pm

\$85 dinner and 1 cigar. \$75 without cigar

PLEASE PURCHASE ONLINE BY SUNDAY 11/28

RING A DINING

Christmas Dinner Dance
 December 11
 6 p.m. Cocktails / 7 p.m. Dinner

Menu: winter salad, ravioli with meat sauce, beef tenderloin with a jus or seafood risotto, vegetables, wine, coffee and dessert.

\$65 members / \$75 guests
 Music TBD

Purchase tickets
www.SFIAC.org or
 415.781.0166

Buon Natale
Kids' Christmas Party
Saturday, December 11 at 11 a.m.

SFIAC members celebrate Christmas with their family at the Club.

Enjoy food, entertainment and Christmas cheer. Each child under eight years old will receive a gift. Event is complimentary; but, please bring an unwrapped toy, books, batteries or athletic gear for the SFD Toy Program.

RSVP at Event Tickets www.SFIAC.org or 415.781.0166

Club Christmas Lunch
Wednesday, December 22
 11:30 a.m. No-host Cocktails / 12:20 p.m. Lunch

Menu: Winter salad, beef ravioli, stuffed chicken breast with porcini pan sauce, vegetables, dessert, wine, coffee and tea.

\$40 per person

Purchase tickets at www.SFIAC.org / 415.781.0166

Carlo Tarrone update

Many people ask how our long time member, former sports director and soccer coach and Members' Bar fixture Carlo Tarrone is doing. In September, ICS Executive Director and SFIAC member Pietro Bonnano accompanied Carlo to Italy. Carlo was re

united with his family whom he hadn't seen in 10 years in Piemonte, Italy. Pietro reports,

"tears were rolling down everyone's face". It is hard to put in words the joy they all shared when he arrived. Many members have looked after Carlo all these years. Thank you to ICS and Pietro for all the great work you do.



ITALIAN COMMUNITY SERVICES

Preserving Our Culture. Serving Our Community.

A Call to Action - ICS is seeking volunteers

What is ICS? ICS is the oldest Italian nonprofit in the country. They serve the Italian and Italian-American community in the broader San Francisco Bay Area. Services help Bay Area Italian individuals and families access and manage the resources they need to live healthy, productive and independent lives. Through educational and cultural programs, ICS works to preserve the Bay Area's strong Italian traditions, language, and culture to ensure they remain a source of strength and identity for this and future generations. Thanks to the support of our generous donors, Italian Community Services continues to build on this legacy of community, culture, education and service. Many members of the SFIAC community volunteer for and benefit from ICS.

Seeking volunteers :

- 1) Volunteers that can deliver food boxes given to isolated senior citizens.
- 2) Volunteers willing to run errands for senior citizens.
- 3) Callers to check-in (both Italian and English) with our community members.
- 4) Volunteers to assist during fieldtrips, or activities at our center.

Calls can be made any day, anytime. Food bags are delivered on Fridays. The next deliveries are Sept. 24 and Oct. 8.

Contact ICS Executive Director and SFIAC member
Pietro Bonanno pietrojbonnano@italiancs.com

Grazie mille to our Volunteer in Chief Steve Giovannini. He saved the day before a big wedding the next day. He is so generous with his time and assists with so many of our projects. You are very appreciated.



After three attempts, in July we finally held the 2020 Man of the Year dinner honoring Man of the Year Steve Caporelli and Old Timer of the Year Joe Marotto. We honored our Club design and construction team including members Giovanni and Nic Altamura, Tiziano Straccia, Vince Rinaldi and Maurice Lombardo. In addition, we were honored to welcome our new Console Generale Sergio Strozzi and his family.





ITALY WINS EURO 2020!

Euro 2020 brought a lot of excitement to the Club this summer. We welcomed members and their guests to the Club throughout the tournament. Without a single loss, Italy rolled on to win against England with penalty kicks on a packed Sunday afternoon in North Beach. Looking forward to World Cup 2022.



In August, we toured the documentarians of *Big City, Little Italy* around North Beach, the Club and Sonoma. Brothers Jeffery Santoro and Nick Santoro are the recipients of a Russo Brothers Italian American Film Forum Grant. Their

film *Big City, Little Italy* will document the history, culture, food and traditions of six important Little Italy's throughout our country. They enjoyed stops at Club member Bill Isetta's Capo Isetta winery in Sebastopol and Paul Giusto's Highway 12 winery in Sonoma. Perfect way to spend a Saturday. We'll update you when the project is complete.





Forty Club members with their friends and family attended Italian Heritage Night at the ballpark. A great night highlighted by another Giants win.



You never forget your first time at the Members' Bar with Romano. New member Eric Gigliotti introduces daughter Gianna to everyone's favorite bartender.



Mason Bevegni is patiently waiting to join his dad Rob and uncle Andrew as members.



Member Randy DeMartini fulfilled his bucket list item of putting on a two hour Elvis show for a full house in Reno to celebrate his birthday.



Seeking volunteers to help decorate the Club Christmas tree on November 30 at 5:30 p.m. Contact Chuck Canepa at 510.418-3286.

GOLF TOURNAMENT



The 2021 Frank Clima Memorial Golf Tournament was a huge success selling out with eighty golfers. The weather was perfect and it was a good time had by all. Congratulations to the winners Tommy Wolfman, Matt Hult and Jesse Odell. Thank you to Nina Clima for all her support over the years. Additionally, I would like to thank the following donors and sponsors for making it happen.

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Nina Clima
Dian Scott
Linda Grimes
Joe Lauretta
Paul Barbagelata
Noah Moretti
The Golf Mart
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Nina Clima
Marcus Miller- HELM Real Estate
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Tom Banducci- Guarantee Mortgage
Steve Caporelli- SFIAC Bocce
Lou Pinotti- Pinotti & Associates



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Pietro Bonanno-
Italian Community Services
John Ring of The Olympic Club Foundation
Rick Kaluza- Compass Real Estate
Nick Figone - North Beach Events Center
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Bill Isetta- Orbis Payment Systems
Capo Isetta Wines
SFIAC Foundation- Bill Isetta, Randy
Bessolo, Tom Piro, Roberto Lombardi
and Nick Figone

I look forward to hosting this wonderful event next year. Thank you again to all who participated. Stay tuned for date and location in early 2022.

Sincerely,
Chris DiGiacomo

JOIN THE SFIAC

It is the Club's goal to promote Italian culture and to bring in new members so that the SFIAC can continue to be the premier Italian men's club in the Bay Area for another 100 years and beyond.

The Membership committee wants to make the process of bringing new members into the Club as easy as possible. Here is all you need to do: Visit www.sfiac.org > Membership or scan the code, below, to get started.



The Membership committee has been hard at work on the application process and ideas to make the Club better for you. And if you see new faces at the Club, don't be afraid to introduce yourself, learn about the new member, and continue to spread Italian heritage to your fellow paisanos.

Do you need to be 100% Italian to join?

No, we just need to see that you have Italian heritage on at least one side of your family.

Do you need to have an Italian last name?

No, we have plenty of members whose Italian heritage comes from their mother's side.

Do you need to live in North Beach to join?

No, you can join regardless of where you live. Members who live more than 50 miles from the Club can opt to be Associate members.

How can I show my Italian heritage to join?

If you don't have an Italian last name, usually you can show it on a birth certificate or baptismal certificate. The membership team can help advise on what you should do if that will not work for you.

Do you need to personally know a member of the Club to join?

The application requires you to have a sponsor who is a Regular or Lifetime member. You will also need to have the names of **two other Club members** to put on your application. The membership team can help you get this done.

I let my membership expire. May I re-join?

Yes, we always welcome back previous members who left in good standing. Please contact the Membership team committee to get your application back on track to re-join.

How do I get an application to join?

You can start at our website www.sfiac.org > Membership

Am I eligible to join?

You don't know until you ask. You can start at our website www.sfiac.org > Membership

Do I need to be an athlete to join?

You do not need to be an athlete to join.

New Members

Ciao a tutti,

From July through September, we welcomed forty new members. We welcome sons, fathers, Italian born and those brand new to San Francisco. Our new members represent an age range of twenty-one to eighty-two! This shows everyone is excited about our refreshed and revitalized 104 year old Club. Welcome to all!



August swearing in ceremony

MESSAGE FROM CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

The fourth quarter of the year is always our busiest and, due to pandemic re-scheduling, the Club has more events than ever packed into this three-month period. Operationally, this challenges the staff that executes these events and the volunteers that plan them. Thank you to the Statuto Race Committee, Bocce Committee, Golf Committee, and volunteers for the Columbus Day parade lunch setup. A big thank you to VP Chuck Canepa and his wife Denise for once again purchasing, wrapping, and organizing the Children's Christmas party and decorating the tree. I would like to thank Steve Giovannini for his handyman support around the Club as it's always the "little things" that end up taking the most time!

I always thank Gina, Nico, Christina, and the 30 part-time staff that execute the events at the end of the year. This year, gratitude is not enough as the pandemic twisted us into knots and continues to do so with wave after wave. We have a creative and resilient team that is willing to do the tasks that are needed, often times the unglamorous and certainly not what anyone signed up for. The members should be proud of their Club that continued to provide services during the pandemic when many of its peers shut down and some remain closed. Gina Travaglio and Nico Zimmerman are to be commended as many of you did during the membership survey.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the end of the presidential term for Guido Perego and thank him for 5 years of our working relationship. The number of meetings, phone calls, and emails are too many to estimate during this period. Your Club has improved tremendously during his presidency, so buy him a glass of wine the next time you see him. And, please vote in the upcoming January election so we can welcome the new president and officers to continue this success.

- Nick Figone, COO

NEW MEMBERS



Paul Adler



Michael Aicardi



Robert Alten, Sr.



Billy Alten



Bobby Alten



Joe Amoroso



Rod Bessolo



Steve Borella



Gimmi Cassiani



John Chiosso.



Nick Colla



John Churillo



Piero DePaoli



George Descalo



Kerry Egan



Andrew Elkind



Giancarlo Esposito



Andrew Faggella



Greg Galli



Alessandro Gallotta



Eric Gigliotti



Max Grande



Sean Guillory



Cole Gummere



Damiano Impastato



Jason Jackson



Jonathan Lenci.



Ken Marciano



Brendan McNeil



Fran Molettieri



Ron Moresco



Noah Moretti



Stephan Muller



John Nuchereno



Marcello Prudente



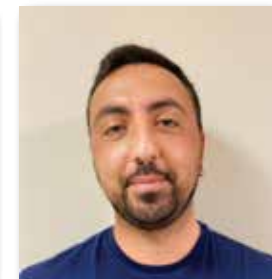
Samuel Ray



Corey Rispoli



Luke Sniatkowski



Davide Tatone



Max Weidell



2022 DUES RENEWAL AND GLUEUP

We have implemented our new membership portal, GlueUp. It is an all-in-one membership tool with Club calendar, member directory (opt-in), ticket purchasing and dues renewal capabilities, member engagement, networking and much more. It is available online and by mobile app. GlueUp identifies members by their email address. Now is the time to provide us with your current email address if you haven't done so already. If you are not receiving the news blast, we likely have an outdated address for you.

2022 Dues: Regular \$444 (monthly payments available), Lifetime \$145 and Associate \$120. If you have moved but would like to continue supporting the Club, you may opt for an Associate membership. (An Associate member lives more than fifty miles from the Club.)

2022 Dues Payments: In late November, you will receive a reminder to pay your 2022 dues via the GlueUp app. At that time, you may also make a voluntary donation to the SFIAC Foundation, General Operating Fund or Sports Fund within the transaction.

If you wish to pay your dues by check, please mail a check to the SF Italian Athletic Club and mail it to P.O. Box 330154.

Recurring Payments: Regular members may sign up to pay their dues monthly. Please email Gina at gina@sfiac.org to arrange payment.

Club dues are payable on November 15 and are past due after December 31, 2021. Please email gina@sfiac.org if you have any questions.

Stag Raffle 

SEEKING DONATIONS FOR RAFFLE PRIZES

Support the Club. Donate gift certificates, memorabilia, tickets, etc. for stag raffle prizes. Contact francesco.benvenuti@sfiac.org tom.banducci@sfiac.org

NAME: Joe
 EMAIL: Joe@sfiac.org
 PHONE: 415-Joe-1630
 NO. 1630

Grazie mille! to members Ben Flajnik (Ion Wines Pinot Noir), Lee Bruno (signed copy of his book Misfits, Merchants and Mayham) and David Esposito (DeCecco pasta and sauce variety pack and pan) for donating raffle prizes. It is greatly appreciated.

Nominations, Elections for Officers and Directors

**Please note the election process may be altered after the upcoming November bylaws meeting*

It's time to select our officers and directors for 2022! Article VI, Section 1, B, of the Club Bylaws states: **“Nominations for all offices, Board of Directors, Board of Trustees and Club Officers, shall be open to the general membership at a special meeting on the first and second Tuesday in January. Nominees must be present to accept or decline their nomination.”**

As many of the board seats will be vacant and some board members cannot run again, this year's election is extremely important.

Article VI, Section 2, B of the Club's Bylaws states: **“Ballots must be cast at the Club premises between the hours of 1:30 PM and 9:00 PM.”** For additional Bylaws election information, visit www.sfiac.org.

Your participation in nominations and elections is crucial for the Club to function. This is the one Club function that **all members should attend**, if only to meet the candidates. Please mail in your ballot or plan to be at the Club to vote. All members will receive a ballot in the mail – please be sure the Club office has your current mailing address! You do not need to physically cast your ballot on-site on election day, but may still do so if you like. All ballots must be filled out and received by the SFIAC on or before January 25, 2022.

Strict Voting Procedures

A. No candidate, for any office, shall solicit votes in writing and any candidate so doing shall be disqualified and his name removed from the ballot. Any and all candidates for all offices may solicit for votes prior to election day. No candidate may solicit votes on the day of the election or within 100 feet of the premises. Any candidate found violating this article would automatically be disqualified from the election

B. Mailings are sent to members and handled in the following manner to insure security and privacy:

- 1) Each member is assigned a number.
- 2) Each mailing will contain the following:
 - a. Ballot
 - b. Return envelope

c. Ballot envelope (a smaller return envelope with stamped number assigned per instruction #1 above.)

3) Each member completes ballot.

4) Each member submits ballot in either of the two following ways:

a. Member drops off in person his sealed ballot envelope with ballot enclosed into election ballot box.

b. Member mails sealed ballot envelope - with marked ballot enclosed - inside of pre-addressed return envelope.

5) At the time ballot envelopes are received, either by mail or in person at the Club, the number assigned to the member is checked off.

6) All sealed ballot envelopes are inserted into the election ballot box.

7) All ballots must be submitted and inserted into the election ballot box by 9:00 PM on election day.

IMPORTANT: Member should not have his name on ballot or on the ballot envelope for anonymous voting.

2022 Election Calendar

Jan. 4 – Nominations of officers and directors: 7 PM

Jan. 11 – Nominations continue, nominees speak: 7 PM

Jan. 18 – General Membership meeting: 7 PM

Jan. 12– Candidate written statements due

Jan. 15 – Written candidate statements mailed

Jan. 25 – Election polls open: 1:30PM - 9 PM

Jan. 25 – Mail-in ballot postmark deadline

SFIAC FOUNDATION

Dear members of the San Francisco Italian Athletic Club:

On behalf of the SFIAC Foundation's board of directors, I would like to take this opportunity to update you on the happenings of the Foundation (a 501c3 non profit) over the last several months. Please keep in mind the Foundation was created by the Club to do "its good works."

After remaining quiet for several years, it was the Club's leadership that encouraged the Foundation's election of a new board of directors. The new board immediately set out to develop and fund a comprehensive strategic plan that would serve as the catalyst to execute its mission to provide a leadership role in promoting and preserving our Italian-American culture for North Beach and the wider San Francisco Bay Area community.

The vision of the SFIAC Foundation is to engage in charitable, educational, and economic opportunities that promote the Italian-American culture and to assume a leadership role to revive historic North Beach as the cultural center of San Francisco's Italian-American culture.

The Foundation works with the Club and the IABA (Italian Athletic Building Association) to create world-class facilities for its members (who are the am-

bassadors of this vision) and a unifying hub for the many entities and organizations that work to preserve and sustain San Francisco's great Italian-American culture. The Foundation also advances the Club and its Foundation's mission by making the San Francisco Italian Athletic Club's facilities a welcoming venue for North Beach and the greater community.

Considering what I have just written, I am proud to recap what the Foundation has accomplished with your support:

The Foundation's development and funding of strategic plans (business plans) for the Club and the Foundation (Note: this has required the hiring of a professional consultant, hours and hours of meetings, the formation of strategic planning committees, the raising of substantial funds to support these efforts). The Foundation organized fundraising efforts to help the North Beach Events Center support staff who were impacted by the pandemic, and provided a substantial part of the financial resources that resulted in the reorganization of the Club, IABA (Building committee), the Foundation and creation of

the North Beach Events Center.

Along with the Building committee and the many pro-bono donations made by generous contractors, the Foundation provided the leadership and fundraising efforts (\$70,000) for the renovation of the Club's ballroom. In addition, the Foundation sponsored the High School Athletic Awards banquet and the

Statuto Race. It also began initiatives with North Beach Merchants (for example, Tony Gemignani's Dago Bagel), who have graciously partnered with the Foundation. The Foundation is involved in the revitalization of North Beach by providing the leadership and funding for the painting of 107 poles in the area with Italian colors and raising the funds to "Light Up North Beach."

The Foundation took a leadership role in having North Beach prominently featured in the documentary Big City, Little Italy - sponsored by the Russo brothers of Marvel production fame.

Future endeavors include providing academic scholarships, member-dues assistance, and supporting the 2022 Festa Coloniale, the Club's golf tournament, and Italian culture and art.

As we continue the Foundation's work on your behalf, we will continue to ask for your support and help. You have been so instrumental

in the many good things accomplished to date. And before closing, I need to acknowledge the outstanding contributions and leadership of Nick Figone and Gina Travaglio (these two people go ABOVE and BEYOND....we can never begin to thank them enough...they are truly amazing!!) and the individuals listed below who have spent COUNTLESS HOURS on your behalf to do "THE GOOD WORKS" of the Club!

On behalf of the board of directors, Randy Bessolo (vice president), Tom Piro (treasurer), Nick Figone (secretary), Roberto Lombardi (director), Al Casciato (president of the IABA), Guido Perego (president of the SFIAC), Jad DeFanti (chair of the Club's Strategic Planning committee)

I remain sincerely yours,

Bill Isetta, president and chairman of the board



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Wednesday	1 p.m. to 10 p.m.	2 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Thursday	1 p.m. to 10 p.m.	2 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Friday	1 p.m. to 11 p.m.	3 p.m. to 11 p.m.
Saturday	1 p.m. to 11 p.m.	4 p.m. to 11 p.m.
Sunday	Closed	Closed

Member key cards are activated to reflect the above hours. "Club Hours" represent when the Club is open for members to work out, spendtime watching TV, play cards, work, etc. in the Members' Bar. "Bar Hours" represent when a bartender is on site to serve in the Members' Bar. Members may request special access to use the gym earlier than the posted Club hours.

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All events and dates are subject to change

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Oct						1	2
	3	4	5 OCT STAG	6	7	8	9
	10 HERITAGE DAY	11 CLUB CLOSED	12	13	14	15	16 BOCCETOUR.
	17	18	19	20	21 FRIULI MOVIE	22	23
	24 STATUTO RACE	25	26	27 FRIULI WINE CLASS 1	28 FRIULI GALA DINNER	29 FRIULI WINE CLASS 2	30
Nov		1	2 NOV STAG	3	4	5	6
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13 SICILIAN WINE DINNER
	14	15	16 BYLAWS MEET..	17	18	19	20
	21	22	23	24	25 CLUB CLOSED	26 CLUB CLOSED	27
	28	29	30				
Dec				1	2 CIGAR & STEAK	3	4
	5	6	7 DEC. STAG	8	9	10	11 XMAS KIDS AND CLUB PARTIES
	12	13.	14	15	16	17	18
	19	20	21 GEN. MEETING	22 XMAS LUNCH	23	24 CLUB CLOSED	25 CLUB CLOSED
	26	27	28	29	30	31 CLUB CLOSED	