

## La Voce

The Newsletter of the Italian American Club of Boise

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**JULY 2013** 

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

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#### **JULY**

14 Sunday Shakespeare Sweeney Todd

**20 Saturday**Night at the Races
Les Bois Park

**26 Friday** *Hawk's game* 

#### **AUGUST**

**24 Saturday** *Golf Tournament* 

#### **SEPTEMBER**

**21 Saturday** *Wine Tour33* 

#### **DECEMBER**

**7 Saturday** Christmas Party

Look for added events in the next issue of La Voce.

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## HOT TOWN, SUMMER IN THE CITY IAC BOISE ANNUAL PICNIC

For those who attended, you understand everything about our infamous Boise heat! As always, we had lots of food and good things to drink. Victor and crew got it organized early, set it up, handled geese droppings (above and beyond) and thanks to Ed Romano for the water and Guido for the Delsa's "last of the batch" Spumoni. We appreciate ALL who made this event such a success. We enjoyed great hospitality; getting to know new members, a lot of good conversation and laughter; to name a few highlights—George made a Piñata for the kids and Marie made sure there were tons of raffle items, Mario took to the mike to make announcements, Jessica handed out cups ... (oh yes, and we missed you Gus!)

La Voce wants to thank <u>everybody</u> responsible for their contribution— donating raffle items, making good food, and sharing Summertime in the City. If I missed











# Boise HAWKS 2013 Game and Ballpark Picnic Friday—JULY 26th at Hawks Stadium Cost: \$25 includes both Game and Ballpark Picnic

Joe DeChristefero has arranged for another IAC Group Night at the HAWKS baseball game and ballpark picnic. This is always a great way to get together and to support our local HAWKS Baseball team!

Your ticket to the ballgame includes a reserved seat in the <u>shade</u> (a real plus in our Boise "Sun") - a free baseball for autograph session, all-you-care-to-eat BBQ and drinks in the Hawks Nest one hour before the first pitch.

BBQ includes: Hamburgers / Chicken Breasts / Hot Dogs / Baked Beans / Potato Salad / Dessert / Fresh Fruit / Mini Corn on the Cob / Pepsi Products / Beer.

Deadline to reserve your spot for this event: Monday, July 22nd. Joe DeChistefero contact information: 208-860-9874



This is a fun night and surely becoming an annual Club event. Also, non-club members are also invited. The price includes: Admission to the Horse Races, Reserved Seat at a Patio Table; Official Racing Program; TOTE Board Recognition; Winners Circle Photos (a group IAC photo) and a Barbeque Dinner. There is also a full bar available for alcohol and non-alcohol beverages.

Saturday—July 20th - Cost is \$25 per person

Seating begins at 4:30; Races 5:30—9pm

Check out our IAC website for links to the dinner menu and parking information. You can use PAY PAL to reserve your ticket to this event.

Contacts for this event: Jessica Rodriguez 208-343-6489 Www.webmaster@iacboise.org or Sally Gutierrez 208-229-0095

#### DID YOU KNOW? New members STEVE and MARIE MATERA-CLARK run a LAVENDER FARM

When I tasted the delicious lemon lavender cake at the picnic, I asked "who made this?" ... sitting with us was new member MARIE CLARK. She smiled and said "I did. Did you know we run a LAVENDER FARM?"

Well, I sent home and checked out their website and want to share this with the Club. The Clarks run LAKESIDE LAVENDER FARM and they hold a YOU-CUT FESTIVAL (July 13 and 14th.) There will be live music, artisans, lavender products, lunch, classes, lavender ice cream and 1,500 plant to harvest. **The farm is located at 1003 West Locust Lane in Nampa.** Too many good things going to mention it all here, so ... this humble editor strongly encourages you to pull up their website—or send them email for more information.

Check out their website http://lakesidelavender.com You can contact Marie Clark at www.mclark@heritagewifi.com La Voce and Members of the Italian American Club of Boise want to take a moment to honor and acknowledge the passing of two members:

JOSEPH JOHN DeNARDI, JR. (May 28) ANNA COFFIN (June 6)

#### ANNA COFFIN 1919—2013

Anna was born October 4, 1919 in Croveo, Italy She came to America in 1928 with her mother, Julia Parani and sister Matilda. They went through Ellis Island, then boarded a train in New York City, arriving in Boise where they were greeted by her father, Ernesto Parani. Anna attended Green Meadow grade school and worked the 80 acre family farm with her parents. In 1938 she married Willard Coffin at Saint Mary's Catholic Church. They started their family while living on Hill Rd.; then moved to a farm on Highway 30, Fairview Avenue.

Anna led a full life and she passed on her love for nature and out door adventures to her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. As you can imagine, she was an exceptional cook, passing on her love of food and Italian recipes to her family; she was especially noted for her wonderful desserts, her grandchildren called her "The Dessert Queen. She never lost contact with relatives in Italy and was able to return there twice.

Anna and her sister Matilda were two of the original members of the Italian American Club of Boise. La Voce contacted Anna's daughter, Nancy Krueger, an IAC member, and asked her if she would share a little more history about her wonderful mother. This is what she told me.

In 1914 Anna's father Ernesto Parani married Giulia Locatelli; they had one daughter Matilda in 1915 and our mother Anna in 1919. They lived at the base of the Swiss Alps in the little town of Croveo, Italy. Ernesto served in the Italian military during WWI. He was a prisoner of war in Germany for 2 years. He was discharged as a Major on Jan. 27, 1919. When Anna was 9 months old, he boarded the ship Lapland to make a new home in America for his family; he arrived on August 14, 1920. His brothers Eugenio, Camillo, Guiseppe and Vincenzo were already in America and were doing well. Uncle Vince (Vincenzo) owned and ran The Silver Creek Grill on 9<sup>th</sup> Street in Boise. Uncle Charlie (Camillo) had an 80 acre farm on State Street and Ernesto helped him run the farm until he was able to buy his own 80 acres on State Street for the arrival of his family from Italy. 8 years later in 1928 on April 24th Guilia, Matilda and Anna, now age 9 arrived at Ellis Island from the ship Conte Biancamano. Ernesto & Giulia had another daughter, Ernestine in 1929.

Ernesto & Giulia returned to Italy to visit their family for 3 months in 1950. Anna's father died in 1952, her mother in 1966. Anna returned to Italy 3 times. Once travelling with Maura Holly Sansotta in 1978; once with her daughter Judy, granddaughter and niece in 1985 and once with her three daughters and Ernestine in 1999 for her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. Until her death she kept in contact with her family in Italy.

Anna and Matilda were two of the original members of the Italian American Club, along with some of her children and grandchildren off & on throughout the years. Although she did not attend many functions in the last few years, she looked forward to receiving the newsletter every month.

La Voce wants to thank NANCY KREUGER for sharing this beautiful story with us.

#### **JOSEPH DeNARDI, JR.— 1934—2013**

Joseph DeNardi passed away May 28, surrounded by his loving family. We want to share a little history about Joe. He joined the Navy when he was 18; he served as Machinist Mate First Class and traveled the world, even though he was seasick. After the Navy he worked and attended college in Lexington, KY; he moved to Idaho 49 years ago to escape the overpopulated east and enjoy the beauty, hunting and fishing that Idaho had to offer.

Joe was a proud member of the Boise Fire Department and retired after 25 years service as Captain. He was active in the community, serving over 30 years on the board of the Boise Fire Dept. Credit Union, the Opaline Water District Board of Directors, the Boise 4 Wheelers, the Capital 4x4's and the Marsing American Legion.

After retirement he spent the last 22 years as a snowbird in Yuma, AZ along with his beloved and extended retired firemen family. He liked to fish for catfish from his deck on the river and his dogs trained themselves to go down the bank and bring the fish back to lie at his feet.

La Voce and IAC Members extend sincere condolences to Joe's family on his passing.

#### THE ITALIAN AMERICAN CLUB OF BOISE WILL CELEBRATE 40 YEARS SUMMER 2015

You may think it is a long way off, but time has a way of catching us by surprise. We want to make this important celebration as special as we can; we need your help!

The 40th Anniversary Chairs have been working hard to get the word out. I'm sure all of you have received a recent email about all the organization and planning that is needed to make this a truly special time for all of us. The success of this celebration is in your hands—please consider offering your help in planning and serving on the various sub-committees

We have set up a special email address for the Committee and Club Members to interact. Here is the Address: www.iacat40@iacboise.org. Send your email to Jan and Al —tell them you want to be involved, you won't regret it. We need both seasoned members and new members!

Jan Cefalu and Al Ceriale (Jan 989-3297 and Al 939-8502)
40th Anniversary co-Chair
(When you call to offer your help with this event, these are the folks to contact)



### CITY OF BOISE SESQUICENTNNIAL And The ITALIAN AMERICAN CLUB of BOISE

No doubt, all of you are enjoying the coverage of all things BOISE as we gear up to celebrate 150 years. TV stations and *The Statesman* have been doing a good job telling the history of our beautiful City of Trees. As part of our celebration, one reporter in particular, Anna Webb of The Statesman, has contributed several articles covering the 150 BOISE ICONS. Very interesting stuff!

In the Sunday Statesman, June 30th, Section A4—Local News, Anna Webb covered Municipal Park. It's a nice summary of the history of this grand old park and includes a photograph of the park along with a "Did you know?" which read in part ... "thanks to the Italian American Club of Boise ... in 2008 the Club submitted a partnership proposal to the Boise City Parks Department to build the court. The joint effort resulted in courts at the east end of the park and the inaugural IAC Bocce Tournament in 2008."

Guido made sure your humble editor saw Anna's article; I sent Anna Webb an email thanking her for the recognition of the IAC contribution to our community.

Questa e roba grande! This is a great stuff!







Picnic fun—new members, old members, watermelon and new green IAC cups!!

#### IAC BOAD MEETING AGENDA Tuesday—July 16, 2013 6:30 pm - 8:45 pm

- Secretary's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- President's Report
- Open Forum (6:45)
- Events
  - Council Reports
  - Chamber of Commerce
  - Membership
  - Communications
  - Ways and Means
  - Telephone
- New Business
  - Board vacant position
- Committee Reports
  - 40th Anniversary of the IAC
- Upcoming events
- Past events
  - ....
- New business for next meeting
  - Board meetings moved to TUESDAYS

(Summer Schedule)

All members of the Italian American Club are welcome to

attend the Board Meeting which is held at: First Congregational Church United Church (Cafeteria) 2201 Woodlawn Ave., Boise (off 23rd Street)



#### **Contact Information**

#### **Editor of LA VOCE**

Ciao tutti! You can always reach me, your humble editor, at the following email address.

Grazie, Alberta Manfredi-Woodall

Newsletter @iacboise.org

#### REMEMBER

Rich Goldston is the Club's GO TO Guy for Ordering IAC Shirts, caps and visors!

You can order all sizes (men's and women's) and they come in all colors and with our IAC Logo! The orders take less than a month to come in.

Rich Goldston 208-331-0113



#### SAVE THE DATE WINE TOUR SATURDAY—SEPTEMBER 21

We will have more information and all the details in the August issue.

This is always a good time, so mark your calendars now.



#### SHAKESPEARE IAC Volunteer Event

Sunday, July 14th—Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street

Chilling suspenseful, heart-pounding...music by Sondheim mixes with visceral drama and delicious funny moments of dark humor. (Recommended for ages 14 and up due to violence and mature themes.)

Contact Harriet Almerico <u>harenco@msn.com</u> or call 283-7511

Great job (again) at putting this special summer event together Harriet!



**NEW MEMBERS** 



TONY & KRISTEN CASTRE

MARK BUTTORFF

JIM & NANCY VAN DINTER

**RAY & DEBBIE VALENTI** 

STEVE AND MARIE MATERA-CLARK

**BENVENUTI!!** 

#### **ATTENZIONE!**

#### Italian American Club of Boise 10th Annual Golf Tournament Saturday— August 24, 2013 at Eagle Hills Golf Course

7:30 am Italian breakfast and Registration / 8:30 am Shotgun Start

1:00 pm Post function Meal, Raffle, Auction & Awards

**BENVENUTO!** On Saturday, August 24, come join the IAC for our Annual Golf Tournament. Proceeds support the Idaho Food bank and the IAC Heritage Fund, and other local Charities. This is a very popular event and well received ... so make your reservation to play ASAP.

#### **Entry Fees:**

\$ 85 Single Golfer (including cart/tax)

\$340 One Foursome (including 2 carts/tax)

\$440 One Foursome plus Hole Sponsor (including 2 carts/tax)



#### Here is what your entry fee buys:

Breakfast is catered by the IAC ...Italian sausage sandwich, coffee, juice, bloody Mary Lunch is catered by Papa Joe's ... A complete Italian Meal

Drink coupons on the course and Bucket of Practice balls before the tournament

**Competitions for:** Hole in One

Longest drive—Men's and Women's Closest to the Pin—Men's and Women's

1st, 2nd & 3rd Team Prizes for men's and women's flights

#### Silent Auction & Raffle

Online Registration and payments are available: <a href="http://iacboise.org/golf.html">http://iacboise.org/golf.html</a> We encourage everyone to make their reservation ASAP!!

#### **Contact for this event:**

Joe DeChristefero 208-229-1948 — Agostino Bonaminio 208-389-9851





2013 Picnic: The classics! Spumoni and Piñata!!