

Italian American



Club of Boise

May 2024

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Ciao a tutti, The Club has an exciting Spring line up of events!

*Let's support our friends, the Odd Fellows, at their May 3rd Bingo Night.

*Scopa returns May 5th at 1 pm. Come learn and play this fun card game.

*The Spaghetti Feed is SOLD OUT! If you already RSVPed we'll see you there. Reminder: Cash or Check payment at the door. We're gathering raffle and silent auction items for this event. Contact Kim Conti Clutts 925 858 2363 if you have a business, service or other item to donate. Grazie!

*The fun atmosphere of Boise Bocce League play begins May 7th at 6 pm. Come cheer for the teams Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at Kristin Armstrong Municipal Park.

*Learn to make a variety of Meatballs at the May 18th cooking class.

*Let's gather under the trees at the bocce courts for the May 19th General Meeting and Potluck.

*Batter up! It's time to reserve your spot at the annual IAC at the Hawks game and buffet on June 7th.

Ci vediamo, *Diana*

<u>Italian American Club Officers & Board Members</u>

Diana Malatesta Parker, President
Steve Botti, Vice President
Kathleen Vinci, Recording Secretary
Catherine Carter Goldston, Acting Treasurer
Catherine Carter Goldston, Corresponding Sec
Jim Lance, Board Member

Next Board Meeting: May 13th, 6 pm

Unless otherwise noted, IAC events take place at 600 N Curtis, Boise.

Club mailing address: PO Box 7014 Boise 83707

Remember to visit the IAC Facebook page at www.facebook.com/groups/IACBoise and website at www.iacboise.org for all this information and more!



Bingo

May 3rd, 6 pm, Odd Fellows Hall Snacks, beverages, prizes!

Bocce Court Clean-up/League Games

To prepare for the games, there will be a Court Clean up on Saturday May 4th, at 10:00 am at Kristin Armstrong Municipal Park in Boise. Bocce lessons will be at 12 pm. League play begins Tuesday May 7th and Wednesday May 8th. Come cheer for the teams. It's a fun atmosphere!

Scopa!

May 5th, 1 pm @ Sturiale Place 1501 W Jefferson St., Boise.
Come to learn, teach or play this famous Italian card game with other Club
members. Free to members, \$10/non-members. If anyone would like to bring a
light dessert or snack, it would be greatly appreciated. If interested, please
RSVP Kim Conti Clutts at 925-858-2363

SOLD OUT ---- Spaghetti Feed---- SOLD OUT

Our Club will be cooking Spaghetti and Meatballs, Salad with Mama Guido's Italian dressing (that's to die for), Garlic Bread and drinks. Come support your club, visit your friends, invite your friends. You'll for sure enjoy a fabulous meal.

When: May 11th, 2024. 6:00 - 9:00 PM

Where: ODD Fellows Hall 600 N. Curtis Rd, Boise Cost: \$15 per person. Pay Cash or Check at Door

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We're still looking for a few pictures of your immigrant relatives. If you wouldn't mind sharing one with us we would appreciate it. We've got a small project we're trying to prepare for this event. Here's what we need.

- 1. A picture of your earliest immigrant to the United States. Great Grandparent, Grandparent, Parent, or even you!
- 2. Give us their names and approximate year of their immigration.
- 3. Give us the region they immigrated from.

Questions? Contact Jim Lance (lancejim1212@gmail.com)

Meatballs!

Several Cooks will demonstrate MEATBALLS from various Italian regions. And one of the recipes may not be a meat "ball"!

The class will be held at the Odd Fellows Hall on May 18, 9AM. Make and take home a variety of meatballs and their recipes. Instructors: Sharon and Steve Botti and Catherine Carter.

Lunch of meatballs, accompaniments, and beverages.

Bring an apron and a small chopping knife. Limited to 12 participants.

Price \$25 for members; \$35 for non-members

Call or text Catherine to sign up 208-761-2872

General Meeting & Picnic Potluck

May 19th @ 3 pm @ Bocce Courts Kristin Armstrong Municipal Park, Boise*

Let's enjoy spring weather and gather under the trees at the bocce courts to catch up over potluck dishes and play some bocce.

The Club will supply plates, cups, napkins, cutlery, wine and water.

Each attendee is asked to please bring a potluck dish to serve 6-8 AND a camping chair or blanket to sit on. Reminder, per Park rules, no glass containers.

Potluck
A thru C Dessert
D thru M Main Dish
N thru Z Salad or Side Dish

****Fort Boise VA Food Bank. The Club will collect your donation of nonperishable food items at the General Meeting/Potluck. Suggested items: Canned chicken, tuna, roast beef, chili, chunky soup, stew, spaghetti sauce, spam, fruit, and protein drinks; packaged oatmeal, hamburger helper, spaghetti noodles, instant rice, instant mashed potatoes, macaroni and cheese, snack items (crackers, granola bars, chips, cookies), and protein bars. Thank you!****

*Note: In the event of bad weather, the event will be held at the Odd Fellows. We'll communicate a change in venue via a MailChimp email and a FB post.

IAC at the Hawks Baseball Game

June 7th @ 6:45 pm @ Hawks Stadium

Join us for our annual outing at the ballpark! You and your guests will enjoy a buffet (7-8 pm), half price domestic beer and house wine (7-8 pm), general admission to the game, access to KIDZONE, and fireworks. Bring your mitt!

All You Can Eat Buffet includes: hot dogs, hamburgers, BBQ chicken, potato salad, watermelon, BBQ beans, chips, Pepsi beverages, water and dessert.

\$30/member, \$40/nonmember, \$15 kids

To reserve your seat, <u>pre-payment</u> must be received <u>before June 1st</u>. Checks to IAC Boise PO Box 7014 Boise ID 83707

Questions? Contact Diana Malatesta Parker @ 916 995 1947

IAC Blood Drive

September 4th 12-6 pm @ Odd Fellows

The need is always great! Reserve an appointment @

https://www.redcrossblood.org/give
Once you're at the page, type in "IACBoise" and schedule your appointment.

Questions: Contact Peter Petroni @ 208-807-7686

Volunteer Opportunities

*Christmas Party. Final call for a chair/co-chairs. This involves managing the venue, banquet and dj contracts. If no one steps forward, the Board will likely cancel this event for 2024. To learn more about what is involved, please contact Diana Malatesta Parker at 916-995-1947.

*Spaventapasseri. Amici, please start thinking about ideas for this year's entry to the Idaho Botanical Garden's annual Scarecrow Stroll. Our first brainstorming meeting will be held the first week in June, pending volunteer availability. No experience necessary! Any amount of help is appreciated. Let's get those creative juices going. Contact Kim Conti Clutts 925-858-2363 with any questions or to volunteer.

Save the Date

5/3 Odd Fellows Bingo 6 pm

5/4 Bocce Court Cleanup 10 am

5/5 Scopa 1 pm

5/11 Spaghetti Feed 6 pm

5/18 Cooking Class 9 am

5/19 General Meeting/ Potluck 3 pm

6/2 Scopa 1 pm

6/7 IAC at the Hawks 7 pm

9/4 IAC Red Cross Blood Drive

9/8 Annual Picnic & General Meeting

10/6 New Member Mixer

11/3 Annual Meeting & Potluck

Helping Hands

The Fort Boise VA Food Bank provides over 100 bags of non- perishable food items to veterans and their families throughout the Treasure Valley and beyond each month. The Club will be collecting these items at our May General Meeting and Potluck. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

<u>Pizza 4 the Hungry</u>. We've presented a proposal to the Salvation Army to have our club partner with them and use their kitchen to cook pizzas for the community in need. The partnership process is lengthy. An MOU has been drawn up for both parties to review. The project has the blessing of the local SA and has been forwarded to their legal department for review. Stay tuned and we'll keep you updated. This is going to be a great service project for our club!

Red Cross Blood Drive. The need for blood donors is ALWAYS great. Please schedule your appointment for the Club's September 4th Blood Drive today.

New Members

Benvenuti!

Lori Larson
Terri & Denis Prosperi

Club Communications

Please be aware that the LaVoce and other Club emails to the general membership are emailed to only one email address per household. If you prefer a different email address than the address that we currently use, please call or text Catherine Carter at 208-761-2872.

GRAZIE MILLE

Jim Lance, Linda Lambert and the Bottis for organizing the Spaghetti Feed and Kim Conti-Clutts for rounding up prizes for the event.

The Bottis for the delicious Chicken Vesuvius cooking class.

Peter Petroni for organizing the IAC Blood Drive.

To all of YOU, our Club Members. Thank you for your support. Looking forward to seeing you at an upcoming IAC event!

Dinner at Il Sugo

Twenty one members of the Club met for dinner on April 22nd at Il Sugo for a multicourse dinner including a pre-fixed menu of antipasti, salad, bread, choice of entrée, dessert and wine. Delizioso!