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# Il Piccolo Giornale

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*Il Piccolo Giornale* is the official newsletter of Club ItaloAmericano of Green Bay, Wi.

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## Carnevale 2017

Feathered, sequined masks, King cakes, great music, delicious Italian foods! **Our 2017 Carnevale** had it all! **Luigi's Restaurant** set the stage for our special party once again. Forty six members and friends enjoyed the festive spirit with music from the **Mariucci family and Giovanni Contratto**.

We filled the space to capacity for the first time, and welcomed some new members as well: **Pat and Ron Baldini, Forrest Baulieu, Angela and Augustin Landt, and Shirley Maloney**. Several Preble High students shared the evening, as we met **Troy Streckenbach, our Brown County Executive**. In accepting an Honorary membership he celebrated the importance of "community" in all our lives, and promised to be an active member!

It takes a community effort to offer unique events, and this year's team was up to the challenge: **Chair, Victoria Soback, Co-chairs, Lisa Iapalucci and Michele Kohler**. Many others assisted them, including **Morey and Mary Tabatabai, Mark Mariucci, June McCotter**. We thank them for helping with Sunday decorating. **Judy Beerentsen** was our superb King cake maker. This year, **Bill Cook** received the tiny Baby in the cake, so next year he and his wife **Nina** will help provide our next King cake.

Two door prizes were distributed: **Andrew Rehberg**, a high school student, won an Italian cook book donated by **Janice Galt, and Darrell Soback won a Captains Walk Winery Tasting & Lounge Party certificate given by Jim and Michele Koehler**.

As always, the food at **Luigi's** was delicious, with pasta, pizza, chicken,

meatballs, sausage with pepper, and a surprise dish - arancini - savory rice balls filled with ground meat and peas. Desserts included the cake, cannoli, and tiramisu.

Our evening concluded with **Tom-bola games** and the delicious desserts.

**We hope to see you at Carnevale next year, (Feb. 13, 2018) and at many other great CIA events this year.**

**As we say at the end of great moments: Bravo! Encore!**

## Dinner and a Home Movie

Our first Dinner and a Home Movie was held Wednesday, March 22nd Thirteen members gathered at **Sammy's Pizza** for some wonderful food and enjoyable conversation.

**After Sammy's, Chuck & Lenora**

(Fiorenza) Rhyner opened their home to view the movie **The Orange Thief**, a comedy, which 9 members attended. **Chuck** gave an introduction to the movie and there was a brief discussion afterwards. The **Rhyners** were gracious hosts and served wine, coffee and dessert.

**Grazie mille Chuck and Lenora!**

## NEW MEMBERS

We welcome three more new members this month. **Shirley Maloney and Debbie Lynn are friends of Vicky (Piccione) Sobeck. Paula Grigg** has quite an Italian background. **Her Nonno was Salvatore Rossi, her Nonna was Caroline Fiorucci** and she is related to the **Crispigna's from Sammy's Pizza.**

**Benvenuti a tutti! We look forward to meeting you at one of our many activities!**

## CONDOGLIANZE

**Mary Teofilo's sister Ann** passed away last week. We extend our deepest sympathy to **Mary and "T".**

## PASSEGGIATE PLANS

The first steps for our three **summer passeggiate** are in place. **Paolo Marino and Collette Arkens** will set up one in **July, Patrick and JoAnna Kloster** have volunteered to take care of **August** and **Lee and Beverly (Cavasin) Maigatter** will organize the third one in **September.**

Watch for dates and details in future newsletters. Grazie mille to these 3 couples!

## We Need Your Input

What do you like best about being a member of **Club ItaloAmericano Green Bay?**

What could the club do to increase membership? These are two of the questions on a survey being developed by **Membership Chairman Mark Mariucci and the club Board of Directors.**

Later this spring each club member will receive a copy of the survey by mail. The **Martec Group**, a full-service marketing research firm and member **Mary Prisco's** employer, will be collecting and processing the survey data at no cost to the club. You will have the option of completing the survey online or mailing your completed paper survey to **Martec.**

**We are counting on your input to help make our club the best it can be. Watch the mail for your copy of the survey!**

## CLUB ACTIVITIES 2017

April Date TBD.....Bocce Ball - session 1 begins

May ..... Starting Every Sunday  
Club Bocce Activity 4:00 pm, Colburn Park

June 11, Sunday.....Bocce Pot Luck, Colburn Park

July Date....., Bocce Ball - session 2 begins

July Date TBD..... La Prima Passeggiata  
Chair: **Paul Marino & Collette Arkens**

August Date TBD..La Seconda Passeggiata  
Chair: **Patrick & JoAnna Kloster**

September Date TBD- La Terza Passeggiata  
Chair: **Lee & Bev (Cavasin) Maigatter**

October 14, Saturday...Eleventh Spaghetti Dinner/Columbus Day Celebration (Italian Heritage Month) Green Isle Park Pavilion, Allouez

October 23, Tuesday.....Musicale X

November Date TBD..... Sammy's Dinner (4:45 pm) Neville Italian Movie (7:00 pm)

December 16, Saturday...Cena di Natale

**Chair: Marlene Feira**

## OPEN FORUM Calling all Members

We extend an invitation for all club members to attend our monthly Board of Directors meetings. Our plan is to create an open forum at the beginning of each meeting where members can share their ideas, suggestions and/or concerns.

**If you have an item or topic that you feel needs extra time, please contact President Teofilo (LVTeofilo@aol.com or 432-6513) by the Monday before the board meeting so it can be added to the agenda.**

The meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month. They begin at 5:30 and are held at Luigi's Italian Bistro on Manitowoc Road.

**The next Board meeting will be on Thursday 20 April.**

## CLUB LIBRARY

**John Contratto** has started a club library, which he will bring to each event he participates in.

Books may be borrowed for a month.

Names of borrowers, phone numbers and email addresses are recorded.

Books are welcome from lenders. All books will remain under the ownership of the lender. The club will not assume liability for any lost books.

## ARTICLES FOR OUR NEWSLETTER

Please feel free to submit articles or pictures for our newsletter. Information for each upcoming month needs to be submitted to me by the 25th. (think Cmas) of the month. You should email articles as an attachment in Microsoft Word and pictures in a jpeg format.

My email address is:

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Questions— call me at 612-360-8246

## CLUB MEMBERS IN BUSINESS

We have several club members that are in the restaurant business:

Bilotti's in De Pere, Luigi's Italian Bistro in Green Bay, Sammy's Pizza in Green Bay, Titledown Brewery in Green Bay, Captains Walk Winery in Green Bay, Polito's Pizza in Green Bay, the Oilerie in Fish Creek and on Lineville Road in Green Bay.

Whenever you visit these businesses, please mention that you are a member of Club ItaloAmericano as a support of their business and membership.

## Photos Carnevale 2017





