



## *In Onore della Madre e del Padre*

### MOTHER'S DAY DINNER

Monday, May 15, 2017

THE MAY DINNER will be held Monday, May 15, 2017 at St. Rose Parish Hall. Our very own Coro will be providing the evening's entertainment.

This Mother's Day dinner will be held in honor of Jeanette Mancini Mitchell. *Please see the President's Corner (page 3) for a note about Jeanette.* If possible, bring a picture of your mother to share with others. The dinner is being catered by *Trattoria Cattaneo*, located at 2700 Yulupa Avenue in Santa Rosa. The menu will include antipasti, caesar salad, bread sticks, eggplant parmesan, pasta and dessert. There will be a no-host bar until 6:30 and a raffle. Reservations and payment must be received by Monday, May 8, 2017. Please see enclosed flyer for further details and to make reservations.

*Doors open at 5:00pm, dinner served at 6:00pm.*

### FATHER'S DAY DINNER

Monday, June 19, 2017

THE JUNE DINNER will be held Monday, June 19, 2017 at St. Rose Parish Hall.

This Father's Day dinner will be prepared by Harry Licursi. The menu will include antipasti, salad and a cup of soup, pasta with a large meat ball, vegetables and dessert. There will be a no-host bar until 6:30 and a raffle. Reservations and payment must be received by Monday, June 12, 2017. Please see enclosed flyer for further details and to make reservations. If possible bring a picture of your father to share with others.

*Doors open at 5:00pm, dinner served at 6:00pm.*

#### ATTENZIONE

*Dear Members,*

*Your assistance is needed when making your dinner reservations. Due to the new monthly dinner format, we are requesting that you mail your dinner reservation so that it is received in the NBICF office by the due date listed in the Mosaico.*

*In addition, no longer can any outside alcoholic beverages, including wine, be brought to the monthly dinners or other NBICF events.*

*Thank you in advance,  
—NBICF Board of Directors*

#### *Save the Date—*

- *Finding History in Sonoma County—  
A Day of Discovery*

Sunday, May 21, 2017 (10am–2pm)

DeTurk Round Barn, 819 Donahue Street,  
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

NBICF will be participating with other cultural organizations and historical societies. Post-event walking tour of the historic West End neighborhood will be led in part by Kathy Bertolini Dowdall.

- *Pizza, Birra & Vino at the Center*  
Tuesday, July 18, 2017, 6–8 pm

Join friends and family for the Fifth Annual Pizza, Birra & Vino party. All you-can-eat pizza, dining al fresco with salad, dessert, wine and beer, all included. This event limited to 50 guests. Details coming soon in June/July issue of the Mosaico.

#### CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS FOR RESERVATIONS COMING SOON.

The Board has approved the development of a credit card payment processing system for the NBICF website. At this time, the Board is testing the new system. You will be able to use your Visa, MasterCard, Explorer, American Express and PayPal for dinner reservations, other events and payments. A small processing fee will be added to credit card processing. For more information, interested members can email [DonRaimondi@aol.com](mailto:DonRaimondi@aol.com).

## Membership News

*Welcome to our newest members of NBICF!*

**Individuals:** Linda Vesco Anderson, Kathy Daulton, Robert Giannini

**Family Memberships:** Frank and Peggy Giannini, Al and Terri McCall

**Patron New Members:** Robert and Kim Agrella

**Business Members:**

Rebecca Abruzzese, Realtor

Maurizio Castagna, Realtor,

Harry Licursi—Tax & Retirement Planning,

FaiSano Wines of Italy, Faloni Ranch,

Pedersen's Furniture,

**In Memoriam:** Jeanette Mancini Mitchell, John Wilson

We have received donations in memory of Jeanette Mitchell from George and Sandra Traverso and Sharie Sbranza.

We have received a donation in memory of Elizabeth Basile from Jeri Cameron-Silva.

## Book Group

The Book Group meets the third Thursday of each month at 7pm upstairs at the Center at 64 Brookwood Avenue. No reservation is needed to attend. For more information, please send an email to Diane McCurdy at [dmcurdy@sonic.net](mailto:dmcurdy@sonic.net) or call NBICF: 707-591-9696.

The featured book for June will be *The Crocodile* (Giuseppe Lojaco and *i Bastardi di Pizzofalcone*) by Maurizio de Giovanni. Available on Kindle. A few paperback copies are still available on Amazon. One circulating copy will be passed around. Also check your local libraries.

## Paint Italy Workshop

**Subject: Courtyards in Italy.** Join Susan Terracina Adler for her 15th Paint Italy Workshop on Saturday, May 6th from 1–5pm at the NBICF Center. This group is open to all levels of painters. The workshop provides participants with canvas, use of brushes and paints, and guidance through the experience by Susan. Snacks and drinks are included. Limited to 12 painters. To enroll, send a check for \$40 to Susan Adler, 307 Buckeye Circle, Cloverdale, CA 95425. Or email Susan at [adler@sonic.net](mailto:adler@sonic.net).

## Entertainment Available by Coro Allegro



The NBICF *Coro Allegro Italian Chorus* is available to entertain you and your guests for any occasion—birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, celebrations of life, winery receptions, etc. We will regale you with a variety of classical Italian songs from opera to movie hits, as well as American standards. For more information please call Coro Director, Les Villanyi: 707-484-4992 or email: [coro.allegro@nbicf.org](mailto:coro.allegro@nbicf.org).

## Incontro

Ongoing Incontro group meets at 10:30am every other Saturday at the NBICF Center for informal Italian conversation. For more information contact George Golfieri at 707-843-3176.

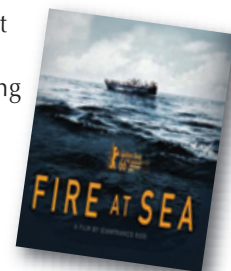
**Sundays at the Center with Diane McCurdy**—**Doors open 2:00pm.** For information: 707-591-9696 *Free. No reservations required.*

**Showing May 28, 2017**

***Fire at Sea (Fuocomare) (2016)*** 1hr. 54mins.

Winner of the Golden Bear for Best Film at the Berlin Film Festival 2016, Gianfranco Rosi's incisive, poignant and deeply moving portrait of the Mediterranean island of Lampedusa. Lampedusa has hit headlines as the first port of call for hundreds of thousands of African and Middle Eastern refugees hoping to make a new life in Europe. Rosi's array of footage, portrays the history, culture and daily lives of the islanders. Focusing on 12 year-old Samuele, as he explores the land and attempts to gain mastery of the sea. The result is a powerful documentary that casts neither judgment nor aspersions, but simply shows the world to the viewer to utterly devastating effect. Nominated for 24 Awards including best foreign film. This is last film directed by Luchino Visconti.

*In Italian, with English subtitles.*



**Showing June 25, 2017**

***Captain Corelli's Mandolin (2001)*** R  
2hrs. 9mins.

Dr. Iannis (John Hurt) and his beautiful daughter, Pelagia (Penélope Cruz), live an idyllic life on the Greek island of Cephalonia—that is, until Italian forces occupy it during World War II and Captain Corelli (Nicolas Cage nee Coppola) is placed in the Iannis home as a boarder. Corelli and Pelagia are quickly smitten with each other. But when the Nazis arrive, he must fight to liberate the island from the real enemy. *In English.*



## Pronti, Partenza, Via! (Ready, Set, Go!)

Join us for beginning level Italian classes with a focus on vocabulary and phrases useful for travelers. You will gain confidence and feel more comfortable while traveling in Italy. The classes will be held on Wednesday evenings 7–8:30pm at the NBICF Center. Minimum class enrollment is 10.

**Four classes at the NBICF Center: May 10–May 31**  
Fee: \$120 for members (\$130 for non-members), includes materials.

If you are interested, please email **Stefanie Nourse**: [stefanienourse@gmail.com](mailto:stefanienourse@gmail.com) or call her at 707-799-8520.

## TRAVEL NEWS: ANDIAMO / LET'S GO! ———

### REGIONAL TRAVEL PROGRAMS:

*Experience La Bella Italia with NBICF friends and escorts!*

*Sunday, May 7 at 2pm at NBICF Center*

Join escorts Sharie & Gino to learn about Le Marche, one of the twenty diverse and beautiful regions of Italy. Refreshments served. RSVP by 5/2/17 to [andiamotravel@hotmail.com](mailto:andiamotravel@hotmail.com).

*Sunday, June 11 at 2 pm at NBICF Center*

Join escort Sharie to learn about Basilicata, one of the twenty unique and hidden regions of Italy. Refreshments served. RSVP by 6/9/17 to [andiamotravel@hotmail.com](mailto:andiamotravel@hotmail.com).

### URBANIA'S LIVE LIKE AN ITALIAN TOUR: JUNE 16 TO JULY 2

Join SRJC professors/escorts Gino and Julie Muzzatti staying in an Urbania apartment, or live with a fun local family! Improve your language, ceramics and cooking skills. Visit Rome, Florence, Venice & Le Marche gems. Hurry—Deadline is now! For more information, call 707-527-4372 or email SRJC Professor Gino Muzzatti: [gmuzzatti@santarosa.edu](mailto:gmuzzatti@santarosa.edu).

### ITALY'S HEEL & TOE: NOVEMBER 1- 14, 2017

Join escort Sharie Sbrazza's 21st annual autumn tour. Stay four nights in Ostuni, with trips to Alberobello, Matera, Martina Franca, and Gallipoli. Linger four nights near Vibo, with trips to Sybaris, Crotone, Locri, Gerace, Tropea, and Reggio Calabria. Stay three nights near Maratea, with trips to Cosenza, Palinuro, Cilento and Paestum. Then arrive in Napoli via Eboli and Vietri. For more information, write Sharie at Andiamo, Box 406, Santa Rosa 95402 or email: [andiamotravel@hotmail.com](mailto:andiamotravel@hotmail.com)

Gino Muzzatti and Sharie Sbrazza,  
NBICF MEMBERS SINCE 1980S

## DONATE TO NBICF

*Your donations to NBICF will help us maintain our goals of study, preservation and enjoyment of Italian Culture. Your donations can apply to the following areas:*

SCHOLARSHIPS       IN MEMORIAM  
 BUILDING FUND       GENERAL FUND

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*Please make your checks payable to NBICF, 64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404. For more information, call: 707-591-9696*

## The President's Corner

Cari Amici,

The Foundation recently lost our dear friend and past president, Jeanette Mancini Mitchell. She passed away on March 19, 2017.

Jeanette was a founding member of the North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation in 1984 and served as its president for 28 years from 1985 to 2013.

Jeanette had a vision to unite the Italian community in the North Bay to preserve and embrace their heritage and culture. The Foundation was Jeanette's passion and she worked tirelessly to expand the Foundation into what it is today. The Foundation is her legacy and in her memory, the Foundation will continue in its mission to promote Italian culture in the North Bay.

I know that all the members who knew Jeanette have a place in their hearts for her. I would like to offer the Foundation's sincere condolences to Bill, her husband, and to all the Mitchell family.

In honor of Jeanette, I have asked the board of directors to designate our Mother's Day dinner on May 15th to the memory of Jeanette. Members will be welcome to come to the podium that evening to say a few words in memoriam of Jeanette.

I would like to thank Janet Barocco and Barbara Fabrizio for creating such a beautiful Saint Joseph altar at the Tavola di San Giuseppe dinner. I would also like to thank Harry Licursi for a delicious salmon dinner. Also, a big thank you to Whole Foods for donating the bread and Trader Joe's for donating all the beautiful flowers. I would like to thank our members who brought food that was donated to Friends in Sonoma Helping (F.I.S.H.) As part of the tradition of San Giuseppe Day, half the proceeds from the raffle that evening were donated to Worth Our Weight at the April dinner.

The North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation will once again offer Italian Summer Camp for Youth in 2017. Joli Love will return as instructor. The theme this year is "The Italian Renaissance." For full details on the camp, please refer to the flyer in this issue of the Mosaico.



**Congratulations** to Martha Aparico, Sarah Minson, and Sharon Walters on receiving \$500 NBICF spring scholarships for Italian I study at the Santa Rosa Junior College. I would also like to congratulate Karla Gouveia, the recipient of the \$500 Sicily study-abroad summer 2017 scholarship.

Since its inception, NBICF has awarded a total of \$110,700 in scholarships to students for Italian studies.



*Mosaico Culturale* is published six times a year. It is the newsletter of the North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation, a California nonprofit membership corporation.

**North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation Statement of Purpose:** A nonprofit, open membership organization dedicated to the study, preservation and enjoyment of Italian Culture. Founded in 1984, NBICF brings people of all ancestries together to share all things Italian. NBICF activities foster cultural awareness, celebrate traditions and support education via scholarships, classes and programs.

**U P - C O M I N G E V E N T S**

- May 6, 2017** Saturday, 1–5pm Paint Italy Workshop at the NBICF Center
- May 15, 2017** Monday, 6pm (doors open at 5pm, dinner at 6pm)  
Mother’s Day Member Dinner, 320 Tenth St., Santa Rosa, CA
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Father’s Day Member Dinner, 320 Tenth St., Santa Rosa, CA
- June 19–23** Italian Summer Camp for Kids, Session Two, 9am–Noon
- June 25, 2017** Sunday, 2pm  
Sundays at the Center with Diane McCurdy, film: *Captain Corelli’s Mandolin*
- July 18, 2017** Tuesday, 6–8pm Pizza, Birra & Vino at the Center

DELIVER TO ADDRESSEE OR OCCUPANT

**NBICF BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

Ann Abbruzzese, Linda Apel, Allen Barbieri, Patti Buttitta, Mark DeVincenzi, George Golfieri (President 707-843-3176), Evelyn Izzarelli, Marie Maggi-Wilson, Arleen Place, Don Raimondi, Stephan Ruffino, Sharie Sbrazza, Carole Stewart, Les Villanyi

Directors Emeritus: Angelo Catelani, Arturo Ibleto

*Mosaico Culturale* Editorial Staff: Marie Maggi-Wilson, George Golfieri, Patti Buttitta (graphic designer)

**NOTE:** Members are encouraged to submit articles or items for publication. **Submit your articles four weeks prior to the bi-monthly Mosaico publication date.** Please submit articles as Word documents or PDFs. Editors reserve the right to select and edit as space allows.

**North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation Policies:**

No refunds/exchanges; tickets are transferable; No reservations accepted on event dates. Space is limited: first come, first served.

Any offering in the *Mosaico Culturale* should not be read as an endorsement or warranty by NBICF

**Italian Cultural Library & Office**

Tuesdays 2-4 PM or by appointment, 707-591-9696  
 Board Meetings are held the first Wednesday evening of each month.

**For Information:**

Coro Allegro: 707-484-4992 Les Villanyi  
 Library/Office: 707-573-7185 Virginia Wilburn  
 Italian Classes: 707-874-2512, Emily Evans  
 Membership: 707-591-9696 Nancy DeVincenzi  
 Reservations: 707-573-7185 Virginia Wilburn  
 Scholarships: 707-523-0296 Gino Muzzatti  
 Sunshine Cards: 707-586-1167 JoAnn Piantanida  
 Volunteer Coordinator: 707-591-9696 Nancy DeVincenzi

**APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP**

- \_\_\_ INDIVIDUAL: \$35                      \_\_\_ HOUSEHOLD: \$50
- \_\_\_ PATRON: \$100                        \_\_\_ BUSINESS: \$150
- \_\_\_ STUDENT: \$10 (Please provide a copy of your valid student I.D.)

*Please indicate your areas of interest below; mark all that apply.*

Fundraisers    History    Italian Classes    Music    Scholarships

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# Italian Summer Camp for Youth 2017

## *“The Italian Renaissance”*

**JOIN us for 2 lively weeks of Italian-made fun for youth!**

<b>Monday – Friday</b>	<b>June 12 –16</b> (recommended for ages 7-12 yrs) <b>June 19 –23</b> (recommended for ages 13-17 yrs)
<b>Time</b>	<b>9am - Noon</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation</b> 64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404 <i>(parking in the rear, enter on Chinn Street)</i>
<b>Fee Schedule</b>	<b>\$75.00</b> for one week <b>\$135</b> for two weeks <i>(Additional discounts are available for multiple siblings)</i>

**This camp is an immersion language experience for youth ages 7-17 years.**  
 All ages are accepted, however, the second week of Camp is recommended for ages 13-17 yrs.  
 Exceptions will be made for Campers younger than 13 years **ONLY** if they have participated during the first week of camp and **ONLY** under teacher’s advisement.

**The schedule includes:**

- 1) The Vocabulary Hour with Vocabulary Games
- 2) The Italian Snack time
- 3) An indoor or outdoor craft/sport activity
- 4) The Music Hour/Skit practice time
- 5) And, finally the Italian cartoon movie time.

The youth will be supervised at all times by two adults and a camp counselor.  
 Awards and surprise prizes will be conferred during Friday’s Final show presentation and potluck lunch hour. Friends and family welcome!

**REGISTER QUICKLY!** Spaces are limited. Questions? Call the NBICF at 707-591-9696

Name(s) of child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_

Age(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Session One \_\_\_\_ Session Two \_\_\_\_ Both \_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Joli Love, and mail with registration form to 64 Brookwood Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95404.  
 To become a member of NBICF, check out our website at [www.nbicf.org](http://www.nbicf.org)



North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation

— MEMBER DINNER —

# Mother's Day Dinner

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St. Rose Parish Hall, 320 10th Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95401

*(Doors open at 5:00pm, Dinner at 6:00pm)*

**Dinner Menu:**

Antipasti, Caesar Salad, Bread Sticks,  
Eggplant Parmesan, Pasta,  
and Dessert. Wine included.

**No-host Bar & Raffle**

*(No outside alcoholic beverages allowed.)*

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- \_\_\_\_\_ places at \$12/each for Teens, 13–18 yrs
- \_\_\_\_\_ places at \$ 8/each for Child, 5–12 yrs
- \_\_\_\_\_ places at free/each for Child under 5 yrs

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Reserve by May 8, 2017. Make checks payable to NBICF.

Mail to 64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404



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