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Fall Harvest WINE TASTING



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SOCIAL CALENDAR



November

- 11/1/18 Fall Chair Yoga 6:30 pm
- 11/3/18 **Pavilion Clean Up Day 10 am**
- 11/5/18 Beginner Italian Classes 7:00 to 9:00 pm
- 11/7/18 Member Exclusive: Weekly Co-Ed Poker Game Noon
- 11/7/18 Member Exclusive: Weekly Men's Poker Game 5:00 pm
- 11/8/18 Fall Chair Yoga Ends 6:30 pm
- 11/12/18 **Veterans Day Observed -I.A.C.C. Membership Office Closed**
- 11/12/18 Beginner Italian Classes End 7:00 to 9:00 pm
- 11/14/18 Member Exclusive: Weekly Co-Ed Poker Game Noon
- 11/14/18 Member Exclusive: Weekly Men's Poker Game 5:00 pm
- 11/14/18 Women's League Meeting 6:30 pm
- 11/18/18 **General Membership Meeting - Year In Review Noon to 2:00 pm**
- 11/21/18 Member Exclusive: Weekly Co-Ed Poker Game Noon
- 11/21/18 Member Exclusive: Weekly Men's Poker Game 5:00 pm
- 11/22/18 **Happy Thanksgiving - I.A.C.C. Membership Office Closed**
- 11/23/18 **Black Friday - I.A.C.C. Membership Office Closed**
- 11/28/18 Member Exclusive: Weekly Co-Ed Poker Game Noon
- 11/28/18 Member Exclusive: Weekly Men's Poker Game 5:00 pm



Upcoming Events

- 12/1/18 **Experience Little Italy Christmas: Arthur Ave Bus Trip**
- 12/2/18 **Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony**
- 12/9/18 **Family Christmas Party**
- 12/31/18 **Special New Year's Eve Buffet**

Unless otherwise noted, Treviso's Sunday Brunch & Monday Night Grand Buffet Occur On A Weekly Basis.





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I would like to thank everyone who attended our 45th annual Columbus Day Gala on October 13th. It was one of the best attended events we have ever had here at the IACC. I would also like to thank all of our event sponsors, our honorees, the event committee and Michael Amante for making this a night to remember. I would especially like to thank the Mallozzi family for all they do to make this annual event a success. We couldn't do it without them. For those who could not make it, you missed a great party but don't worry we will do it again next October.

At the Columbus Gala, I was honored to introduce a newly created promotional video. The theme is "**What does the IACC mean to me**". If you haven't seen it, please visit our website at www.italianamerican.com to view it.

Our Halloween Costume Party was held on October 27th. I would like to thank the volunteers and organizers who work tirelessly each year to make the Halloween Costume Party a great success.

November starts the holidays at the IACC. On Friday, **November 16th**, we will be hosting a *Fall Harvest Wine Tasting*. It is an evening of food, wine and great conversation. The price, in honor of our 45th anniversary, is \$19.73. 1973, of course, being the year the IACC opened its doors. To make your reservation, please call the membership office at 518-456-IACC (4222).

November 18th is our *Annual Membership/Year in Review meeting*. It will be held in the second floor Caruso room at 12 Noon. All members are invited to attend. On **December 1st**, we will sponsor the second of our two annual bus trips to *Arthur Avenue in the Bronx*, **December 2nd** we will hold our second annual *Tree Lighting event*, **December 9th** is our *Family Christmas Party* and, finally, on **January 6th**, the Foundation will hold a *Lunch with La Befana*. It is going to be a great holiday season here at the IACC and you won't want to miss out on any of it.

Ciao,

FRANK ZEOLI
ITALIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY CENTER
PRESIDENT



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CHRISTMAS
AT THE
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Join us as we kick off the Christmas season, light the tree, sing Italian Christmas carols and enjoy authentic Italian dancing!

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2
IACC PARKING LOT
AT 5:00PM**

**Refreshments will
be served after the
★ tree lighting.**

The I.A.C.C. In The Community

VA LUNCHEON

We are pleased to announce a new partnership with the Knights of Columbus, Monsignor Arthur J. Reilly Assembly 1915. On October 4th, the *Italian American Community Center* and *Knights of Columbus, Monsignor Arthur J. Reilly Assembly 1915* jointly sponsored our second VA luncheon of the year. We are so happy to have the local K of C chapter join us in sponsoring an additional luncheon in the fall to honor all the brave men and women who have given so much for our freedom in defense of our beautiful country. *God Bless and remember all of our veterans on Veterans Day, November 12th.*





EXPERIENCE NEW YORK CITY'S "REAL LITTLE ITALY"
Join Us On Our Annual Bus Trip To Arthur Avenue!

12/01/18

Cost: \$40 I.A.C.C. Members / \$45 Non-Members

Location: The Italian American Community Center ~ Parking Lot
(257 Washington Avenue Ext, Albany, NY 12205)

Time: 8:45 am (Depart From Albany) / 4:00pm (Depart From NYC)

RSVP: Call the Membership Office at (518) 456-4222





Beginner Italian

Fall 2018

Learn the world's most beautiful, romantic, and musical language this fall!

An 8 week course for beginners and those who wish to refresh their skills. Learn the basics from numbers and telling time to simple greetings and conversation.

Class Dates: Mondays Starting 9/24/18 & Ending 11/12/18

Class Time: 7:00-9:00pm

Cost: \$75 I.A.C.C. Members / \$85 Non-Members (Plus \$15 For Materials)

Location: The Italian American Community Center ~ 2nd Floor

(257 Washington Avenue Ext, Albany, NY 12205)

Register: Call (518) 456-4222 -OR- Visit: www.IACCFoundationAlbany.org

CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED REGISTER TODAY!

Family Christmas Party

Sunday, December 9th
Noon to 4:00 pm

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**Children 12 years old
and under are free**

Children's Menu: Chicken Fingers
and Fries. Ice Cream sundae
for dessert.

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Adults: \$25.00

Menu: Salad served family style,
entrée choices of Chicken Parmigiana
w/pasta or Manicotti w/veggies.
Cream Horn for dessert.

*Please bring a wrapped gift with your child's
name on it for Santa to give out.*



**Raffles, Games And Of Course,
A Visit From Santa!**

Please call the office at 456-4222
with your reservations!



We invite all female members of the IACC to attend the monthly meetings of the Women's League. We meet every second Wednesday of the month in the Dante Room. It is a wonderful way to get to know people and feel more connected. We start every meeting with a relaxing dinner served by Mallozzi's. Each month, we either have a guest speaker, some activity, or work on some of our charity projects.

This month, we will assemble the cosmetic bags we are delivering to assist women returning to the work force. We will also package the books and bookworms for children in the hospital. Please bring one new children's book with you to the meeting.

We are still accepting nominations for officers. Any additional candidates should be presented at this meeting. We will then announce the slate of officers and have our election next month.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 14th, with dinner served at 6:30. The dinner selections are Turkey w/ Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes and Vegetables or Eggplant Rollatini. Apple Crisp w/ Vanilla Gelato will be served for dessert. The price of dinner is \$22.00. Please call Sharon Patrei at 518-765-3283 or email your dinner selection to slpatrei@aol.com by Sunday, November 11th. As is standard policy, please let Sharon know by November 13th if you need to cancel.

See you then,

Linda C. Hoffman
Women's League President



WOMEN'S LEAGUE



ANNUAL YEAR-END GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Our annual year-in-review General Membership meeting will be on November 18th at 12:00 P.M. in the Caruso Room on the second floor.

This meeting is open to all members.

We hope to see a wonderful turnout for this year-in-review General Membership meeting at which all committees will present annual reports.



Butternut Squash PASTINA



Babies just starting out with solid foods, toddlers, kids, and full grown adults can all enjoy this meal. It really is for everyone! When my kids were babies, I always made them homemade baby food. Pastina is one of the foods I used to feed them. It's soft and tiny enough for them to mush together with their little gums. The butternut squash gives them the veggies they need and they will love the sweet flavor! But like I said, it's not just for babies! I made this for my family and we all enjoyed it with a salad on the side.

First, roast the squash. Wash the outside of the skin and dry it, then poke holes all over with a fork or knife. Lay the whole squash on an aluminum foil lined cookie sheet and bake at 400 degrees for about 50 minutes. When the middle of the squash is soft, remove it from the oven and let it cool. Once the squash is cooled, cut it in half the long way and remove the seeds and "guts". Peel the skin off and cut the squash into cubes.

In a large pot, heat a little olive oil over med-high heat. Simmer one clove of minced garlic, 1/2 of a chopped onion, 1 cup of chopped carrots, and 1 cup of chopped celery until tender. Add the cubed roasted butternut squash and season with salt, pepper, and nutmeg. Add just enough chicken broth to the pot to cover all of the above ingredients. Once it begins boiling, cover the pot, turn the heat down to low and simmer until all of the vegetables are soft.

With an immersion blender, blend the soup right in the pot itself until it is smooth and all of the chunks are gone. If you don't have an immersion blender, ladle the soup into a blender once it has cooled and blend.

In a separate small pot, bring salted water to a boil and cook pastina according to instructions. Drain the pastina once it's cooked.

Spoon some of the pastina into a bowl and add the butternut squash soup. How much to add depends on the consistency you'd like. You can make it as thick or as soup as you'd like.

Mix together and enjoy!





BY FRANK ZEOLI



On October 13, 2018, we held our 45th Annual Columbus Gala which was attended by over 225 guests. It was a magical evening filled with great food, exceptional music and a whole lot of fun. The Mallozzi Family outdid themselves yet again with a truly jaw dropping collection of hors d'oeuvres, salad, pasta and a special Surf & Turf entree.

In honor of our 45th Anniversary we showed a new promotional video entitled *“What does the IACC mean to me”*. It was great to see the member’s reactions to the video. The video can be found at www.italianamerican.com.

We were proud this year to honor Roddy Valente, CEO of RJ Valente, with our Italian American of the Year Award as well as Congressman Paul Tonko with our Italian Spirit Award. Both men spoke passionately from the heart about their life experiences and what the community meant to them.

In addition, we honored Dave Quadrini with the Pasquale Tirino Service Award; Maria LaMorte with the Cuore d’oro (Heart of Gold) Award; Jim Sano with the IACC President’s Award and Steve Bubonia with the Heritage Award.

The evening proceeded with a special musical concert by Michael Amante; the People’s Tenor. Amante, who has performed for the three P’s; the President, the Pope and for Luciano Pavarotti, was sensational and wowed the audience with Italian love songs. Many people danced along to his voice. We then danced the night away to the great sounds of the Good Times Band.

The event would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of Maria DeNitto, Mary Lou Marando, Gail Tarantino, Maria LaMorte, Sharon Patrei, Dino Barbato, Gretchen Van Valkenburg, Donna Zumbo, Theresa Lajoy and Jim Sano. This group is already planning our 46th annual Columbus Day Grand Gala on October 19, 2019 so mark your calendars. You won’t want to miss it.



COLUMBUS



We would like to extend a special thank you to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's office for asking the Italian American Community Center to represent *The Greater Capital District of New York State and Upstate New York* in the 2018 Columbus Day Parade in NYC!

DAY PARADE



CARING & SHARING

November Birthdays



- Janet Allegretti
- Olga Anton
- Diane Biernacki
- Nancy Burns
- Rachel Cameron
- Karen Campbell
- Paul Clow
- Sandra Cote
- Guy Criscione
- Salvatore Currenti
- Donna Dolan
- Clare Foley
- Francis Foley, Jr.
- Renee Foley
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- Richard Hasenbein
- Nick Hrimatopoulos
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- Greg Maida
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- Mary Lou Marando
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- Nancy Massaroni
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- Doris Olsiewski
- Linda Padula
- Angela Pauley
- Valerie Pezzula
- Virginia Pezzula
- Theresa Portelli
- Mary Rozak
- Jeannine Scavullo
- Maria Schollenberger
- Virginia Sliter
- Teresa Tricomi
- Barbara Trimarchi
- Suzanne Wall
- Donna Welker
- Karen Wilson
- Peter Zeltins

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Pinochle anyone?



If there is anyone interested in playing Pinochle, please contact Sharon Patrei at 518-765-3283.

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new members

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DEC. 2nd from 11am to 3 pm**

Share with us in this truly old Italian Tradition in our American Italian Heritage Museum building, 1227 Central Avenue in Albany, NY. Our exhibit rooms will be transformed into market places filled with so much for you to enjoy, each one having something for almost everyone on your Christmas shopping list ~ including yourself! Be sure to look for unique Italian merchandise that will be available for purchase featuring things that are hard to find: Italian language greeting cards, Made-in-Italy items, hand-made wood Ceppo, Befana figures, themed ornaments, plaques, novelties, jewelry, delicious homemade Italian baked goods & much more along with our talented vendors upstairs, including Nini's Sicilian Salsa. Come, see the always beautiful room-sized annual ***Italian Nativity Special Exhibit*** and celebrate our culture at this most beautiful time of year.

Sit down in our Market Café & enjoy food, beverages & fellowship.

Buon Natale!

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