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Join Us for the Critically Acclaimed Production Blood Type: Ragu!

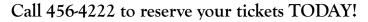
On Saturday, September 12, the IACC Foundation will present two showings of the critically acclaimed one-man play *Blood Type: Ragu*. The matinee show starts at 2:00 P.M. and the dinner theater show starts at 6:30 P.M. Please join us for some great entertainment and laughs at this amazing event. Below are more details about this event and what critics are saying.

Matinee Show at 2:00 P.M.

\$35/Adult (I.A.C.C.Members) \$45/Adult (Non-Members)

Dinner Theater Show at 6:30 P.M.

\$55/Adult (I.A.C.C. Members) \$65/Adult (Non-Members and Pool Only Members)



About The Show:

Blood Type Ragu, stars award-winning writer and performer Frank Ingrasciotta, giving a tour-de-force portrayal of over 20 characters who live, love and laugh, in this wonderfully moving and genuinely funny solo play that explores an immigrant child's delicate dance between culture and identity. It's a fast-paced journey that is not just a comedy, not just a drama. It's a family – and we all have one!

What The Critics Are Saying:

The New York Times "A garrulous and enlightening production with a lasting, rewarding flavor"

Show Business Weekly "Transcending stereotypes, Ingrasciotta is a master of comedic and

dramatic balance"

The Atlanta Champion "A wild ride that at moments are hysterically funny, and at others poignant

and gripping"



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It is very difficult to believe that it is September already! We so patiently waited for summer to arrive after a tough winter, and now it is almost gone. In pursuit of the endless summer, we will be extending the pool season beyond Labor Day weekend until September 20. Autumn will surely bring some cooler temperatures, but our events calendar will continue to be "red hot". Many

of our regular activities will return in September, such as Chair Yoga, Bowling, Mixed Bocce, and Italian Language Class. Additionally, during the coming weeks, we will also have such great events like *Blood Type Ragu*, a one-man comedy play about the adventures and humor of growing up as an Italian American. There will be two performances: an afternoon matinee and an evening show that will also feature dinner. The bus trip to the King Arthur Flour Company should be fun and informative for bakers and non-bakers alike. Please mark your calendar for October 17 for our Columbus Day Gala. This annual event is a special day when we come together to celebrate the accomplishments of our ancestors, as well as Italian American contributions to the country, the state, and local communities.

This Labor Day, please take time to relax and also to reflect on the value and dignity of all hard-working people who work to make our lives better.

President Jim Sano

Italian Grand Buffet

September Calendar

View our complete online Calendar at italianamerican.com

Every Monday Every Tuesday Wednesday, September 2

Wednesday, September 9 Saturday, September 12 Monday, September 14 Wednesday, September 16 Thursday, September 17 Sunday, September 20 Monday, September 21 Mixed Bocce 6:30 P.M.
Foundation Board Meeting
6:30 P.M.
Women's League Meeting 6:15 P.M.
Blood Type Ragu, 2:00 and 6:30 P.M.
King Arthur Bus Trip 8:15 A.M.
IACC Board Meeting 6:30 P.M.
Chair Yoga Sessions begin 6:30 P.M.
Last Day at Pool
Italian Language Classes begin

7:00 P.M.

Bowling Begins 6:30 P.M.

Save the Date

Saturday, October 17

Columbus Day Gala

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IACC Women's League A one-day bus trip to KING ARTHUR FLOUR SITE

Those of you familiar with King Arthur flour should really enjoy a trip to their home campus in Norwich, Vermont. It looks like a beautiful site with a fabulous store and a charming café for lunch. The Baking Education Center offers a variety of products to learn about in their separate facility.

On Monday, September 14, 2015, we will board our Green Mountain Bus in the IACC parking lot at 8:15 A.M. After a three-hour ride, we will arrive in Norwich, Vermont at approx. 11:30 AM. The first activity will be an escorted tour of the campus, After that, we will have lunch in the café, which, if reports are true, has a wonderful menu. At approximately 2:00 P.M. we will attend a baking demonstration. The subject will be "Sweet Yeast Doughs – their preparation and recipes for completion". This will be a seated class, not hands-on.

Costs have been tabulated for a 25 person group. If we have less than 20 participants, we will have to pay a penalty. For the bus and cooking class, the cost will be \$50. Lunch and any purchase in their product store are each individual's responsibility. We will need to pay the site fee two weeks before the trip. This means we need to have all reservations in by August 30th. Therefore, don't hesitate. Make your reservations as soon as possible. Looks like fun... to enjoy together.



FOXWOOD CASINO BUS TRIP AND EXCITING MUSICAL SHOW!!

For lovers of contemporary Italian music don't miss the electrifying performance on October 4th of the premier Italian performer of today,

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His dancing and singing artistry will give all attending a musical evening and concert experience not to be forgotten!

Tickets \$155.00

(\$125.00 for the 6:00 P.M. performance plus \$30.00 for the bus fare)

At 7:30 A.M. on October 4th the bus will depart from the lower level of the Walmart parking lot on Washington Avenue Ext. Immediately after the performance, at about 8:30 P.M., the bus will depart and return to the Walmart parking lot.

For reservations and tickets call Fortunato Corraro at 518-669-3101. After September 15th call Rosanna Aiuppa at 518-253-4270.

ITALIAN LANGUAGE LESSONS

Elementary Italian — An eight-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. Study of Italian culture and the language of food will also be included.

Monday Nights, 7 P.M.

September 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2, 9

Cost: \$75 Members • \$85 Non-Members

An additional \$15 will be collected on the first night for textbook and other necessary materials.

Call the IACC Office at 456-4222 to register.

Calandra Institute's Scholarship Handbook by Dick Ognibene

The Italian American Community Center Foundation is pleased to inform members of the publication of the Calandra Institute's *2016 College Scholarship Handbook*. This directory provides information on well over one hundred scholarships available to Italian American students and students of Italian studies.

Please be advised that the Calandra Institute does not provide additional scholarship information. Contact the sponsoring organization directly for more information.

Go to this link below to view or download the pdf document: http://qcpages.qc.cuny.edu/calandra/resources/scholarships/scholarships

COMMUNITY NEWS Sant

Santa Pasquini

The American Italian Heritage Museum still has Works of Art on display by some of our local artists, including our own Art Director, Victor Consiglio. The exhibit will be there until the end of September.



Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12 and 13 from 12 noon-on: Jay Street Italian Festival

Wednesday, Sept. 16 from 12:00 noon to 8:00 P.M. the Museum will have a booth at the 59th Anniversary of the Empire State Plaza.

For details on the above call the Museum at 518-434-1979

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Chair Yoga is Returning to IACC

Chair Yoga sessions will resume this month after our summer break. Yoga instructor, Tracy Swanson, will teach this class called *Chair Yoga*.

Chair Yoga is a gentle form of yoga that is practiced sitting in a chair or standing using the chair for support. Everyone can do this. This 10-week Thursday evening program will begin on Thursday, September 17th. The one-hour class will begin at 6:30 PM and will be held upstairs in the IACC Boardroom. Classes are open to men and women.

Please call the Membership Office at 456-IACC (4222) to sign up.

Prices: \$60 for 10-week session, \$8 per class to drop in

Remember to wear loose, comfortable clothing!

Bowling

IACC Bowling starts on Monday, September 21st at 6:30 P.M. at Westlawn Lanes. Price is \$3.50 per game and \$2.00 for shoes. We play two games.

For information contact Maria Marchio at 438-9067.







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55+ Club by Maria Marchio

On Monday, September 21st, the 55+ Club will be meeting for lunch. Please contact me at 438-9067 for details.

If anyone has not yet signed up for the trip to Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA, please do so as soon as possible. The trip will be November 16 and 17. You may call Wade Tours at 355-4500 to make reservations. Be sure to tell them you are with the IACC group.

Election of Board Members

According to our By-Laws, election to the Board of Directors will be held in November. Five seats will be available for a 3-year term. If you are interested in applying for one of these vacancies and can satisfy all of the following requisites, please submit your brief resume to Anna Acconi or the IACC Office. IACC By-Laws state that "each candidate for director shall satisfy the following requisites: • Be at least 21 years of age • Be a United States Citizen • Be a voting member of the corporation in good standing • Have at least one year as a member immediately preceding the election • Never have been convicted of a felony • Not be a full-time employee of the IACC • No director, including the past president, may be elected to serve two consecutive terms. • Directors shall not be eligible for re-election or appointment to the board for one year after they complete their term on the board. • Husbands and wives may not serve on the Board of Directors simultaneously." If you have questions about the duties of being a Board member, feel free to contact Anna Acconi at aacconi111@aol.com. The election will be held at the General Membership Meeting on Sunday, November 15 at 12:00 Noon.

NEW MEMBERS AND THEIR SPONSORS

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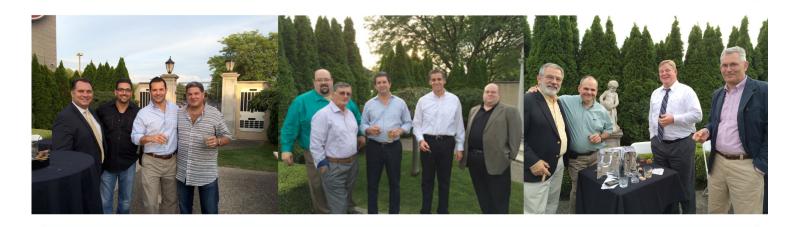
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Cigar Night In The Roman Garden

On Thursday, August 6th, The I.A.C.C. Foundation & Treviso by Mallozzi's hosted the 1st Annual Cigar Night in the Roman Garden. It was a beautiful evening for this event. A plethora of attendees joined us at this amazing event that featured premium cigars, butler-passed hors d'oeuvres and a five-star gourmet dinner (catered by Treviso), top-shelf wine, beer and liquor (including a specialty drink menu), live music, and gaming. All individuals' ticket fees were donations to The I.A.C.C. Foundation's Pavilion Improvement Project!



We would like to extend special thanks to everyone who helped make this event a smashing success. Firstly, we want to thank our volunteers (Frank Zeoli, Donna Zumbo, Dominic Indelicato, Dan Wall, Dave Quadrini, Pete Scavullo, Nick Mancini, Charlie Schmoegner, and Steve Dupra). Without them this event would not have been possible. Words cannot express our sincerest appreciation for all they do. Secondly, we would like to thank all of our event sponsors, particularly The Mallozi Group, for co-promoting and donating their services to help The Foundation to reach their fundraising goal. Last, but definitely not least, we would like to thank all of our attendees and look forward to seeing you all at next year's event!



Wood for our Bonfire

Ferragosto

By Jim Sano

The weather was slightly uncooperative with a couple of intervals of rain, but nothing dampened the spirits of the crowd that gathered to celebrate *Ferragosto* (August rest after the harvest). This special day was made possible by many people who, for more than two weeks, planned, purchased, and then prepared the food. The preparation for this event start weeks

ahead and often goes unnoticed, but I want to make particular notice to the following good people who tirelessly give of themselves so that events like this can

be enjoyed by many.

Let me offer my apologies if I inadvertently miss someone. Thanks to Gail

Tarantino, Mary Lou Marando, Maria LaMorte, Sharon Patrei, Josie Tirino, Rose Barbato, Grace Simeone, Gretchen Van Valkenburg, Karen Seminary, Diane Biernacki, Donna Zumbo, Anna Acconi, Joe Guastamacchia, Christine, Marissa, and Joe Dilonna, Marilyn and Dave Quadrini, Dino and Rose Barbato, and Luigi DeNitto for preparing the food including "The Three Little Pigs." Of course I am saving the best for last, without Maria DeNitto, none of



John DeFillipo and his band get the folks up dancing!

events like this would occur. Maria is here in the early morning, days before an event, and works to exhaustion into the late evening, many days prepping, cooking and overseeing to make sure everything runs as smoothly as possible.

God bless you, Maria for your many years of coordinating our pavilion events.

I want to thank John DeFillipo and his band who donated their time and talent and entertained us through dinner and into the evening. Thanks to Wayne Tearno and VP of the IACC, Cain M. Scalzo, for helping build our large bonfire. One young admirer of the wood pile was overheard saying "That pile is so big I think it might burn the stars". We didn't, but we tried. This evening was most importantly, a thank you, to you, our members, for your support of this organization and our commitment to the goals of contributing to the community and preserving Italian culture.



Grace Simeone with one of our prepared suckling pigs.



Our own Ferragosto baby.

Dino Barbato, celebrates with a cake presented by

his wife, Rose.

The Ritual Ferragosto Bonfire!

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SUNDAY BRUNCH AT TREVISO





Sundays in Albany are a little bit more delicious! The **Italian American Community** Center of Albany and the talented chefs at Treviso offer a Sunday brunch extravaganza. **Executive** Chef Ryan Huneau's menu features a chefs curving station, fresh Belgian Waffles, warm doughnuts, continental breakfast pastries, warm muffins, omelet station, and much, much more. Brunch runs from 10:30 A.M. — 2:30 P.M.



Treviso is located at 257 Washington Avenue Extension. For more information on the brunch call the Treviso office at 456-0292.



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Information Lecture Series

IACC will be hosting a two-part series of informational presentations. On Tuesday, September 29th at 6:30 P.M., T. Padric Moore, Esq. (Bosman & Associates, PLLC) will be giving a lecture regarding general estate planning. The presentation will focus on Medicaid qualification and planning for skilled nursing care. The lecture will be followed by a question and answer session.

Our second presenter will be Cherie Bramley, an independent insurance representative for multiple companies. She will join us at 6:30 P.M. on Tuesday, October 13th to explain Long Term Care insurance solutions and options. Please join us for these two very timely and informative presentations.



Congratulations to the 2015
Women's Bocce League Champions

Captain-Mary Lou Marando, Maria DeNitto, Joan Wallis and Catherine Mesiti

Mixed Bocce will start on September 1 at 6:30 P.M. and be held every Tuesday in September. It will be open to all members—no previous skill needed. Join us for a couple of games and a fun-filled evening. It's not a league, just come when your schedule allows.



Momen's League

Hello Ladies,

This month as we begin to see cooler and shorter days, we will have a special treat for our meeting. Anna Acconi will be giving us a fabulous seasonal cooking demonstration with an Italian flair! I'm sure this will be an exciting evening and we may even have a tasting. I hope many of you come and enjoy this experience and share some of your Italian "cooking secrets" with us as well.

Our dinner choices this



Last Month's Guest Speaker, Kevin Holohan and his K9 partner, Mike.

month are: Chicken Fontina, Grilled Salmon and Eggplant Rolatini. We will begin with a salad and have Chocolate Mousse with whipped cream for dessert. Please call Gail Tarantino with your reservation at 355-1316 by Sunday, September 6th. The price remains at \$20.00. Cancellations are due by Monday, September 7th. Please remember the cancellation policy remains in effect.

As many of you know, the Women's League is planning a "Giving Tree" this year for Christmas. Many of you probably know what this is as they are a staple in many of our churches around Christmastime. The concept is basically the same. We will be working with Catholic Charities to create our list of gifts. More complete details will be in the next issue of our Siamo Qui. With this in mind, if anyone has any ideas or charities, please drop me an email at dzumbo13@hotmail.com or let us know at a meeting.

Hope to see many of you at our next meeting on Wednesday, September 9th at 6:30 P.M.

Donna Zumbo, Women's League President

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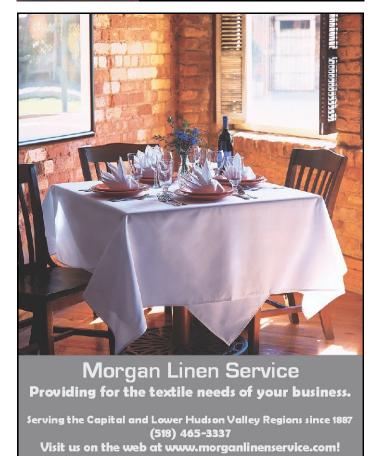




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Please contact Anna Acconi at aacconi 111@aol.com or 966–8664 if you would like to share any special announcements in the Siamo Qui.

Please Note: The pool season has been extended on weekends, Noon – 6 P.M.September 13,14 and September 19, 20

Italian Zucchini Crescent Pie



Submitted by Charter Member Anna Panetta Zumbo

4 cups thinly sliced, unpeeled zucchini

1 cup coarsely chopped onions

½ cup butter

½ cup parsley, chopped or 2 Tbsp. parsley flakes

1/4 tsp. sweet basil leaves

1/4 tsp. oregano leaves

½ tsp. salt and ½ tsp. black pepper

1/4 tsp. garlic powder

2 eggs - well beaten

8 oz. (2cups) shredded mozzarella cheese

1 8 oz. can refrigerated crescent dinner rolls

2 tsp. prepared Dijon mustard

Heat oven to 375°. In a 10" skillet, cook zucchini and onions in butter until tender. Stir in parsley and seasonings. In a large bowl, blend eggs and cheese and stir in vegetable mixture.

Separate dinner roll dough into 8 triangles. Place in ungreased 11" quiche pan. Press dough over bottom and sides to form crust. Spread mustard over bottom of crust. Pour vegetable mixture evenly into crust.

Bake at 375° for 18 to 20 minutes or until knife inserted near center comes out clean. Let stand for 10 minutes before serving. Cut into wedges to serve. Serve hot. Makes 6 servings.



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