



President's Message

By Nancy Morreale

My Honor to Serve You



Greetings IAHF members! I have been serving on the IAHF board for almost two years. As some of you may be aware I have been acting president since Cleo Logan's leave of absence in March. Unfortunately, Cleo has moved to the St. Louis area to be closer to her family. The board voted in August for a permanent replacement to complete Cleo's term through December 31, 2014. I was elected and accepted the board's vote of confidence in me and am currently your president through the end of the year.

This has been a year of great change for the IAHF. With the presidency in limbo for several months and our office administrator of many years, Rosa, leaving the IAHF in late July. The IAHF has had to be quick on its feet to adjust. The timing was unfortunate with our Festa coming just a month later but we managed to survive and even thrive through the process. I am always amazed and never disappointed by the ability of people to come together to make things happen. That is just what we have done. Now with the Festa and the lazy days of summer behind us its once again time to look to the upcoming year.

The good news is we have a new office administrator, Roberta Abrussi, she is Italian born and educated and a tremendous asset to our organization. She speaks, reads and write fluently in English, Spanish, French and of

course, Italian. Please take a moment and welcome her to the IAHF. You can email her at iahfsj@iahfsj.org or better yet attend an event and say ciao!

It is also the time of year when we are looking for new board members. The IAHF is

Membership renewal is coming up soon. Please look for something in your mailbox from Mike D'Ambrosio, Board Member and Membership Chair.

Last but not least please save the date and attend our Annual Members' Dinner on

The greater danger for most of us lies not in setting our aim too high and falling short; but in setting our aim too low, and achieving our mark.

~ Michelangelo

only as good as its members. We are looking to build a board that will continue to support our exceptional members. If you are interested or know someone that could bring a positive attributes to our board please contact Mike Console, 408-293-7122 or send him a direct email at mike.console@iahfsj.org.

Along those same lines, it is time for new volunteers, with new ideas and new perspectives, that will offer the best programs for our members and will make the Italian American Heritage Foundation stand out in our community. Think about what you'd like to do and tell us about it, or find some suggestions on the back page to get starting. Get involved!

Thursday, November 6, 6:00 p.m. This event is complimentary for members. We will be discussing 2014 in review and the direction and goals for 2015. It's a great time to have your voice heard. More information will be sent out soon. Mark your calendars and if you want to get a jump start we are taking RSVPs now. Just call the office at 408-293-7122 or email eventrsvp@iahfsj.org.

If I haven't met you yet I look forward to meeting you soon. In the meantime, I am always available to you if you have any concerns, suggestions, questions or comments don't hesitate to contact me at nancy.morreale@iahfsj.org or 408-368-9094.

Arrivederci!

Our Mission Statement:

"The IAHF shall preserve and promote the rich culture of Italy, increase awareness of its history and recognize the achievements and positive contributions made by Americans of Italian descent."

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VOLUNTEER TODAY!!

What's Going on at the IAHF...

Sarahills Vineyard Wine Tasting and Food Pairing

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Cost: \$75.00

We are trying a new fundraiser this year. Help support the IAHF scholarship program and the IAHF ongoing efforts to preserve and promote Italian culture.

Our board member, Linda Binkley, and her husband Bob, have graciously donated their home and private vineyard nestled in the Saratoga hills with breathtaking views of the Santa Clara Valley for this important event.

Laura Pesavento, Pesavento Productions, and IAHF member has reached out to the community and has been able to get the tables, chairs, linens, wine glasses donated.

Linda and others have been hitting the streets to procure fabulous door prizes.

Because of the generosity of the community and their hard work this event is shaping up to be a big success. Please share an afternoon with us and bring a friend.

RSVP by completing the enclosed event form, online at iahfsj.org, calling the IAHF office, 408-293-7122 or email eventrsvp@iahfsj.org.



Cena Fuori

Dining out is the last Thursday of the month (unless otherwise noted).

THE LAST ONE for 2014!

OCTOBER 30 - 7:00 p.m.

Aldo's Ristorante - Los Gatos

14109 Winchester Blvd., Los Gatos

Menu: 3 courses, chef's special selection

Cost: \$30.00 includes tax and tip

Seating is limited, approx. 30 persons.

RSVP by contacting the IAHF office at 408-293-7122 or eventrsvp@iahfsj.org

Cena Fuori will start again after the holidays. If you have any restaurant suggestions or would like to help coordinate please call or email us.

La Divina Book Club

La Divina Book Club discussions are held at the IAHF every fourth Thursday of the month (unless otherwise noted). Refreshments served.

October 23 - 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Reading: Monster of Florence by Douglas Preston and Mario Spezi

During 1968 to 1985 a series of 14 double murders were committed in lover's lanes around Florence. The crimes remain unsolved to this day. Even the author and journalist were drawn into the web of suspects! The plot has been compared to Alfred Hitchcock at his finest. Read it, if you dare!

RSVP welcomed but not required.

IAHF office at 408-293-7122 or eventrsvp@iahfsj.org.

Regional Lunch

Our regional lunch series is one of the best ways to learn about the different provinces, towns and of course, regions of Italy. The lunches are prepared using the local recipes and there is always someone there to share the history and customs.

OCTOBER 16 - Puglia, Italy

hosted by Richard Stewart

Members \$12.00, non-members \$15.00

RSVP by completing the enclosed event form or by contacting the IAHF office at 408-293-7122 or eventrsvp@iahfsj.org.

No luncheon in November.

Mark your calendars for our Buon Natale Holiday Lunch, December 18.



Let's Talk Opera - The Italian Girl in Algiers

The Italian Girl in Algiers is being performed by Opera San Jose, November 15-30. Bradford Wade will be at the IAHF to discuss and explain comic opera by Rossini. This opera is one of Rossini's favorite among opera fans with its wit, humorous, twist and turns. Join us as we spend an evening discussing The Italian Girl in Algiers by Rossini.

Wednesday, November 5, 7:00 p.m. ~ Light refreshments will be served.

Suggested \$5.00 donation appreciated. RSVP suggested, 408-293-7122, eventrsvp@iahfsj.org

Opera San Jose is providing all **IAHF MEMBERS A 20% DISCOUNT** to their entire 2014-2015 Opera Season, any seat, any location. This offer is available for online tickets sales only. Please go to www.operasj.org for a list of performances, select the performance, date and time, enter the **PROMO CODE IAHF** and the discount will be automatically deducted. This is a great opportunity to enjoy the opera and it also makes a great Christmas present for friends and family!

Upcoming Events

- ♦ **OCTOBER 16, 12:00 p.m.**
Regional Lunch, Puglia, Italy
- ♦ **OCTOBER 23, 1:00 p.m.**
La Divina Book Club
- ♦ **OCTOBER 30, 7:00 p.m.**
Cena Fuori, Aldo's Ristorante

SAVE THE DATE

- ♦ **NOVEMBER 5, 6:00 p.m.**
The Italian Girl in Algiers, an Opera Discussion
- ♦ **NOVEMBER 6, 6:00 p.m.**
Annual Members Dinner
- ♦ **DECEMBER 5, 6:00 p.m.**
World of Italian Opera
- ♦ **DECEMBER 18, 12:00 p.m.**
Buon Natale Holiday Lunch

A complete Calendar of Events can be found on the IAHF website at www.iahfsj.org.

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OCTOBER 16 LUNCH


At the Puglia lunch, we will have a very special WWII War Bride Exhibit. There are many records, stories and news articles about WWII war brides. Learn more about these strong and wonderful war brides.

This is the largest immigration of women to ever come to the U.S. They left their families and everything they knew behind for the love of a U.S. military man. Stories, clothing and other artifacts will be displayed. You may even get to talk to a WWII war bride as well.

October 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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November 2015

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BENEVENUTI NEW MEMBERS!

Please join us in welcoming our new members by saying "mille grazie"!

Nina Breda

Erin G. Burns

Sue Cancilla-Conde

Sandra L. Carvalho

Fred Casucci

Joe Coscarelli

Raymond and Esther Desrosiers

Kimberly and Belva Faraday

Donna Ferreira

Kathleen and Fred Hanes

Janet J. Hill

Luigi Ieraci

Max Jedda

Linda A. Kealey

Marianne Kirsch

Mark Lazzarini

John & Madalaine Michaels

Judy Maggerise

Patricia Marino

Shannon McIntosh

Susan Monahan (Torriglia)

Kevin and Aurelia Pezzaniti

Lisa A. Riggio-Tellez

Joseph Simonaro

Anna Tudino

Antoinette Vazquez

Matthew Wepler & Family

Angela and Pamela Williams



TABLES FOR SALE

Last spring we purchased new tables for the IAHF hall. We are selling all the original tables for \$25 each or best offer. Great for outdoor entertaining, the legs fold up for easy storage.

Contact Joe Ponte at 408.293.7122 or joe.ponte@iahfsj.org.

Give a little...GET A LOT



WE NEED YOU to make keep our organization going. Without the support of our IAHF community we will not be able to continue to provide the programs and services that we all enjoy. Please consider what you are able to do to help. We will provide the training and assistance you need to be a success.

Don't want to volunteer alone? Bring a friend along and share the fun! There's always plenty to do.

**** We want to bring more family-oriented events/programs to the IAHF. If you have an idea, or just the passion to make our existing ideas come to life we need you. Some of the current ideas being discussed are a summer family picnic, children's summer day camp program or do you have an idea? ****

If you have a special talent let us know and we'll work with you to find the best way to be it to good use.

We know that not everyone is able to volunteer. If you'd like to donate or sponsor a program please let us know.

The following is just a few volunteer opportunities, remember we will help you get started. Call 408-293-7122 or email us at iahfsj@iahfsj.org.

Volunteer chair - Help us recruit and organize our volunteers

Fundraiser chair - Come up with ideas and help implement creative ways to raise funds to support IAHF programs. GET CREATIVE!!

Newsletter editor and production - This can be a great team project. The current news editor has recently been elected IAHF President and can no longer produce.

Office help - answer phones and assist around the office.

Database management - keep our member database update, find ways to help us become more effective and efficient (can be done at home, on your own time)

Event chair - pick an event, Crab Feed, Polenta Dinner, your own idea??

Handyman - if you have time and a knack for fixing things we can use your help.

JOIN THE IAHF BOARD

We are looking for 2015 board members. It's going to be an exciting year and you can help us build on our great heritage and history in the community. We are looking for new ideas, new perspectives, new voices. So what's stopping you? Call or email us today to get more information.

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