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President's Message

by Ken Borelli



Our Vibrant Italian-American Community

No man, and I may add, no organization, is an island. As we celebrate our 30th Festa and the 35th year anniversary of the founding of the IAHF, it is timely to reflect upon our 3 C's: cooperation, coordination and collaboration, and acknowledge our partners with whom the IAHF is engaging on so many levels. First and foremost, this month brings the tremendous achievement of putting on a great Festa. It could not happen without the efforts of so many people, groups and special sponsors. This is an on-going process that provides all of us with the ability to celebrate and appreciate the vibrancy of our Italian American Heritage! In addition to the Festa, the IAHF is engaging in several more ventures to follow up on the Festa experience. There will be flyers out about the events, but I want to highlight some of the exciting parts of these current activities.

FROM CALABRIA TO CALIFORNIA.

In collaboration with American Italian Historical Association, its Western Regional Chapter, we are excited to present a special program on Sunday, September 26 about the Slow Food movement and its counterpart, the Sustainable Agriculture movement. Both aspects of this movement have their roots in Italy's slow food movement, founded by Carlo Petrini. His motivation included counteracting fast foods and the need to call attention to the connectedness of food on the local environment. The program will start with a video that highlights some of these issues. The video is called "Calabria to

California." It is a video project conceived by Jennifer Kendzior, of San Francisco and Vincenzo Candido of Calabria. It is a work in progress, and two parts of the video will be shown at the IAHF. One clip will be of a farmer in Candido's village of Castelislano, Calabria, and a second clip and sequel is a contrast to similar issues in California with local farmers, including Tommaso La Manna. The video will be followed by a local panel composed of Phil Cosentino and representatives of the local chapter of the Master Gardner Association of Santa Clara County. There will be a delicious light dinner, composed,



of course, of fresh produce. After the film and dinner there will be a follow up discussion regarding the local scene, the video project and some of the issues related to sustainable local agriculture, including growing local produce. Given this valley was once known as the Valley of Heart's Delight, the wonders of fresh sustainable agriculture is not far off our radar, especially if you're still working in your home gardens and or visiting the local farmers markets. "Lets Grow"!

TWO ANNIVERSARIES! THE MISSION CHAMBER ORCHESTRA: 15th & THE BIRTH OF MODERN ITALY: 150th

On October 9th, an equally special event is being planned in cooperation and collaboration with the famed Mission Chamber Orchestra, and its conductor and IAHF honoree, Emily Ray. It is an arts benefit for the Orchestra in addition to a kickoff for a very important 150th anniversary, the unification and founding of the Italian

nation. This will be an all Italian Symphonic Concert and a chance to hear some of the masters of the Italian repertoire. The program will include selections from Vivaldi, Verdi, and a special piece by IAHF friend and composer, Lousie Canepa. A dinner catered by Michael Barone of Mangiamo will follow the musical feast! This is also a cooperative venture as part of the a San Francisco Bay Area Initiative under the auspices of the Italian Consul General and the Italian Cultural Institute, as we regionally begin many activities to highlight 150 years of Italian Nationhood. "Una bella festa per autunno!"

These are just a few of the activities I want to point out to underscore the vibrancy of our Italian-American community. More information about these events and others for 2010-11 will follow, both online at our website and in the paper. Some of these events are Bay Area wide, so if you want to be in the loop please share with us your email address by emailing us at iahfsj@sbcglobal.net so we can begin to alert you as soon the events unfold. Suffice it to say, each one of our heritage activities has its own logistics, dynamics



and tasks, but the common denominator is pride in our Italian Heritage and a willingness to roll up one's sleeves and "lavoro". I can't begin to thank all of those that are stepping up to the plate and doing just that. We have over 200 volunteers again in place for our Festa, event chairs lined up for the noted activities, and we invite you to join us as we prepare for so many exciting

Italian heritage experiences. "Ciao e c'è vediamo il 28 e 29 di Agosto, alla Festa Italo Americana qui in San Jose!"

30th Annual IAHF Family Festa Opening Ceremony & Ribbon Cutting



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This year's 30th Annual IAHF Family Festa will officially inaugurate its two-day celebration with a gala Opening Ceremony on the Roma Stage at 12:30 p.m., Saturday, August 28, followed with a momentous Ribbon Cutting.

Master of Ceremonies and Host Ken Borelli, President of the IAHF, will greet all with a hearty "Benvenuti a Tutti" to the event's new home venue at Guadalupe River Park. Father Paolo Gobbo will bless our Festa, and we will stand proud as Italian Americans to hear our American National Anthem sung by Nicholas Adams and the Italian National Anthem sung by Alba Salciccia as the respected flags billow in the breeze.

Joining Ken on stage this year will be several legislators, including The Honorable Zoe Lofgren, United States Congresswoman, District 16; The Honorable Jim Beall and The Honorable Paul Fong, California State Assemblymen representing Districts 15 and 22 respectively, who will present State Resolutions commemorating this auspicious event. A Greetings Letter and State Resolution will be shared from The Honorable Mike Honda, US Representative, District 15, and The Honorable Elaine Alquist, California Senator, District 13.

This year's Ceremony is punctuated with the 35th Anniversary of the Italian American Heritage Foundation. In honor of this milestone coupled with the inaugural home venue for future Festa celebrations at Guadalupe River Park, the IAHF will also receive Presentations and

Resolutions from Mayor of San Jose, Chuck Reed; Santa Clara County Supervisor Dave Cortese; and City of San Jose Councilmembers Sam Liccardo and Pierluigi Oliverio.

Our own Honorary Vice Consul of Italy, Silvia Raviola Jercinovich, will share her thoughts along with other notable participants including City of San Jose Police Chief Rob Davis; Leslee Hamilton and Jodi Starbird, Executive Director and Board President respectively of the Guadalupe River Park Conservancy; Scott Knies, Director of the San Jose Downtown Business Association; Larry Stone as President of the Downtown Rotary Club of San Jose; Josh Melander, Director of Little Italy San Jose Foundation; and Pat Dando and Patricia Saucedo, President and Vice President respectively of the San Jose Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce.

The Festa Director, Joe Rizzi, and his Executive Coordinators, Joe Ponte, Marguerite Padovani, Tony Sprugasci, Kristi Stanyard and Marge Valente, will be acknowledged and applauded along with Past IAHF Presidents, Founder, Board and Advisory Committee members.

The Opening Ceremony will culminate with a ribbon cutting hosted by the San Jose Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce.

All are invited to attend and celebrate – join us and be a part of this momentous salute to "enjoy a Little Bit of Italy in San Jose." 🍷



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30th Annual Italian American Family Festa

Saturday, August 28 & Sunday, August 29, 2010
Guadalupe River Park • Downtown San Jose • Between Julian and Santa Clara Streets

Entertainment Schedule

Saturday, August 28th

1:30 pm - 2:15 pm	Bella Sorrella
2:30 pm - 3:15 pm	ALFIO
3:30 pm - 3:50 pm	Justin Wadstein Pizza Acrobat
4:00 pm - 4:20 pm	Justin Wadstein Pizza Acrobat
4:45 pm - 5:15 pm	The Ricco Dancers
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Pasquale Esposito
7:00 pm - 7:30 pm	The Tarantella w/ The Ricco Dancers

Sunday, August 29th

11:00am - 11:45 am	ALFIO
12:15 pm - 1:00 pm	Bella Sorrella
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Bella Ciao
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	The Don Giovannis

And walking the River Park & Gardens is
"SILLY RICKY" on stilts

Guadalupe River Park & Garden Park is located two blocks from San Jose Diridon Station.

How to Get There: Caltrain

Caltrain provides train service from Diridon Station going north to the Peninsula and San Francisco and south to Gilroy. Please note that the last northbound train departs Diridon Station at 10:30pm on Monday-Saturday and at 9:00pm on Sundays.

How to Get There: Light Rails

The VTA Vasona Light Rail also serves the HP Pavilion at San Jose area with a light rail station near Diridon Station and on San Fernando Street at Delmas Avenue.

The Vasona Light Rail service connects Campbell to HP Pavilion at San Jose and beyond to downtown, north to Mountain View and south to Santa Teresa. Please check <http://www.vta.org/> for full VTA light rail schedules.

In addition to Caltrain, VTA (Valley Transit Authority) buses also services Diridon Station.

Parking

There are over 6,000 parking spaces located within a ½ mile radius of the HP Pavilion at San Jose. Approximately 1500 spaces are located on-site in the large parking lot next to the building with entry from either Santa Clara or Julian Streets. There are another 500 spaces in the lots less than one block from the building off Santa Clara Street at Autumn, Montgomery and Cahill Streets. There are many other parking lots located throughout the area, usually opening 2.5 hours prior to the scheduled start time of the event. The charge for parking ranges from \$3.50 - \$15 for most events. 🚗



You Are Cordially Invited to the Celebration of Catholic Mass

- 🕯 Sunday, August 29, 2010 • 10:30 am 🕯
- 🕯 Piazza Piccola Italia, Little Italy San Jose 🕯
- 🕯 Monsignor Joseph Milani, Celebrant 🕯
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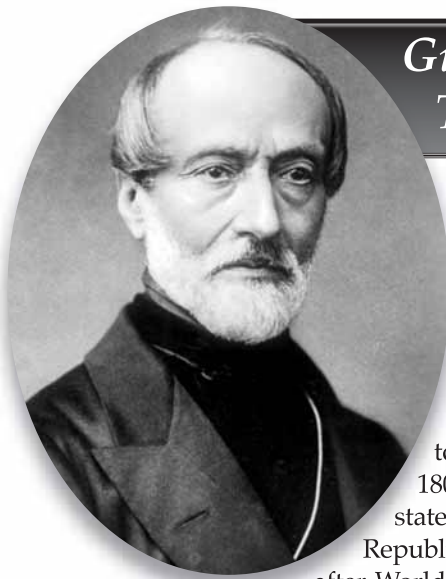
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Giuseppe Mazzini: *The Soul of Italy* by Ken Borelli

As we begin to highlight some of the major figures in the founding of modern Italy as part of our acknowledgement regarding the 150th year anniversary of the establishment of the Italian nation, it is appropriate to start with Giuseppe Mazzini, also known as the "Soul of Italy". His life spanned a critical epoch in the emergence of the Italy of today. He lived, worked and struggled from 1805-1872. While he lived to see an emerging state, he did not live to see his dream of an Italian Republic come into being. That was to be much later after World War II. Mazzini was not only a patriot and philosopher, but a dedicated visionary who influenced independence movements throughout Europe, the world and began a dialogue for a united Europe. In many ways he was, and is still, a "world figure".

What is also interesting about Italy's drive towards unity, was the fascination and interest in the republican model of government as represented by the United States of America amongst other countries, in contrast with the prevailing monarchies of the time. In an era where communication was slow and limited, you found Mazzini working and agitating through out the land, from the north to the south, for a unified nation state. There were local rebellions throughout the peninsula and deep in the fray so many times you would find Giuseppe Mazzini. He was a member of "*The Carbonari*", a secret society founded for the purpose of the independence and unification of Italy, and also founded the Young Italy Movement (*La Giovine Italia*). His goal was nothing more than "One, Independent, Free Republic".

Saying all this really only provides the framework or a glimpse into what was to be a life's calling and struggle. His life reads like an unbelievable novel. Under sentence of death in absentia many times throughout his life, and living in exile in Switzerland, France and England he became a magnet for the rights and aspirations for a unified Italy. In doing research on Mazzini's activities, one can only be amazed not just on what he helped accomplish, but the dangers and tragedies surrounding so many of these early Italian patriots, many of whom were killed by local rulers in the dangerous patch work of political governments and interest that composed the geographical boundaries of today's Italy. For example, in 1849 an Italian Republic was declared in Rome, and Mazzini was part of the governing body along with Garibaldi. The Pope in power, and head of the Papal States located in now most of Central Italy, called on the assistance of the French to crush the resistance, and it was exile again for Mazzini. Interesting to note too, for many emerging or newly self-identified Italians, it was during this time of turmoil that the seeds of immigration as a way to flee political oppression started to become a reality and option. California was one of those fabled land of dreams for many an Italian exile, along with South American, especially Argentina.

For Mazzini, the eventual development of an Italian Monarchy under the House of Savoy, and Victor Emmanuel II, was a bittersweet experience. He lived on and off in exile in London, even during the consolidation of a united Italy under a monarchy. In an attempt at reconciliation in 1867 he was provided a seat in the governing Italian Chamber of Deputies, but true to his republican ideals, he refused to serve the monarchy. He died in Pisa in 1872 and his funeral took place in Genoa. His legacy was one of a unified, free, and eventually, Republic of Italy. 🍷



Venice Poised for First Official Woman Gondolier

Giorgia Boscolo First Woman to Pass Practical Exam to Become a Gondolier; Written Test Awaits

(AP) Venice is on its way to having its first official female gondolier. City Hall said Friday that Giorgia Boscolo had passed the practical exam to become a gondolier.

She is the first woman to pass this test, considered the most difficult of those required to pilot a boat on Venice's canals. According to the ANSA news agency, Boscolo is a 24-year-old mother of two.

Boscolo must pass one further test, a written, multiple-choice exam, in order to join the guild of official gondoliers.

Deputy Mayor Sandro Simionato says her success breaks "900 years of male dominance" in the profession, and that it will likely inspire more women to try.

For more information, please visit <http://www.cbsnews.com/stories/2010/08/13/world/main6769939.shtml?tag=mncol;lst;1> - comments 🍷

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NOTICE: Nomination for the IAHF Board of Directors



Nominations for the Board of Directors are now being taken for the forthcoming 2011 Board. Anyone interested in serving in the capacity of a Director must submit the appropriate application by 5:00 p.m. Friday October 8th, 2010. The applications are available by calling the office at (408) 293-7122. Those interested

in submitting an application for the board must also include a letter of interest to the attention of Tony Russo, Chair, Application Committee.

Some qualifications include having an interest in Italian heritage, history and culture; reflect a knowledge about the purpose, goals and achievements of the IAHF and be a member in good standing for eleven (11) months prior to the date of the application. In addition you must be available to attend monthly board meetings and other meetings as necessary, such as retreats and special board meetings, have some experience as a volunteer, possess excellent interpersonal skills, and reflect a willingness to work and support the committees and activities of the IAHF.

We have a very active board and invite you to consider making this leadership commitment to promote the advancement and preservation of Italian Heritage, History and Culture as reflected in our many communities activities and philanthropic causes. This is a very exciting time to join a dynamic leadership team and join in promoting our common vision for the IAHF. A special welcome is extended to all members, especially our newer members, as a way to engage in the cultural life of promoting the heritage of the Italian American Community in Santa Clara County and beyond! 🍷



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Letters to the Editor

Editor,

A note to say I loved the article in the (IAHF) Newsletter you gave me regarding the Balcony's. Thanks to Valentine Cirasola.

- Al Cross 🍷

Dear Ken, Delia and the Italian American Heritage Foundation,

Thank you so much for awarding me the Diana Hurst Scholarship Award. I am honored to be held in such high regard and to have been selected amongst such a prestigious group of students. This award will really help me to afford my academic opportunities.

Thank you, John Cabri

(Note: A separate thank you letter was sent to the Diana Hurst Executor). 🍷



IAHF Regional Luncheon

Thursday, October 21, 2010

Special pre-holiday guest entertainer
David Evison, pianist & song stylist!

More information to follow..... 🍷

The Italian American Kitchen

An IAHF Member Supported Recipe Exchange

~ This recipe is submitted by IAHF Board of Directors Member Chuck Frascone ~



Stuffed Boneless Pork Chops with Red Wine Sauce

This is an Italian inspired recipe that I developed and it has gotten great reviews each time that I've served it; usually with roasted root vegetables and a crispy Caesar Salad with shaved Parmesan cheese.

Ingredients:

- ~ Four large boneless pork chops (1 1/2" thick)
- ~ 1 tsp ground sea salt (or to taste)
- ~ 1 tsp ground black pepper (or to taste)
- ~ 1 tsp garlic powder (or to taste)
- ~ 1/2 cup chopped golden raisins
- ~ 1/4 cup chopped fresh rosemary
- ~ 1/2 cup coarsely grated Parmesan cheese
- ~ 4 chopped garlic cloves
- ~ 4 chopped shallot sections
- ~ 1/2 cup olive oil
- ~ Dark red Wine
- ~ 1/4 cup balsamic vinegar

1. In a bowl, mix salt, pepper, garlic powder, chopper raisins, chopped rosemary and grated Parmesan cheese. Slowly drizzle in and blend enough olive oil to cause the dry ingredients to stick together well but not become runny (the mix). Set aside until needed.
2. Opposite the fatty side of each pork chop, cut an opening about 3 to 3 1/2" long and create a square pocket down toward the fatty side.
3. Spoon equal amounts of the mix into the pocket of each pork chop, seal the opening with tooth picks and set aside.
4. Put 1/4 cup olive oil in a large deep skillet over *medium high heat*. When the oil is heated, place pork chops in skillet and brown both sides until golden brown. When browned, remove chops from skillet, cover and set aside.
5. In the same skillet over *medium heat* (add a touch more oil if needed) add the shallots and garlic and sauté until shallots are translucent.
6. Return the chops to the skillet with the shallots and garlic, add enough dark red wine to cover the lower half of the chops. *Increase heat and bring to a boil then reduce heat to low*, cover the skillet and let cook for five minutes. After five minutes, flip the pork chops, return the cover and cook for five additional minutes.
7. Remove the chops, cover and set aside.
8. Add the balsamic vinegar to the skillet and mix with the remaining liquid. Turn heat to *high*, stirring constantly, reduce the liquid by half.
9. Into a container, pour the remaining liquid through a fine mesh sieve to remove the solids, remove the tooth picks from the pork chops, plate individually and spoon some of the wine sauce over each. ~

Please email your favorite Italian recipe to the IAHF Newsletter editor at judyveronajoseph@aol.com.

~ We will put in one recipe per month in the newspaper. Grazie! ~

Come Mia Nonna: A Return To Simplicity

~ An Italian Regional Cultural Cookbook ~



This book features the cuisine of Puglia, a region in the South of Italy. The recipes are healthy, easy and not expensive to make. If you are looking to adopt the Mediterranean diet, this is the right book for you - forget about being on a diet all together!

I will be at the Italian American Family Festa in the courtyard area of Little Italy with my book and I hope to see you there.

Buon appetito! - Valentina

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Frank Sinatra Jr. in San Jose!

Performing with Symphony Silicon Valley on Saturday, October 23rd

Frank Sinatra Jr., the son of famed singer and actor Frank Sinatra, will perform at the historic California Theatre in downtown San Jose on Saturday October 23rd, accompanied by a 50-piece orchestra from Symphony Silicon Valley. The Orchestra of Symphony Silicon Valley, under the musical direction of Terry Woodson, adds an impressive accompaniment to Mr. Sinatra. A champagne reception precedes the 8:30 pm performance in the newly restored California Theatre.

"Sinatra Sings Sinatra" is a benefit for the Stroke Awareness Foundation of Santa Clara County. Proceeds from the show will help support the efforts of SAF which promotes community awareness

about the signs of stroke, and the establishment of Primary Stroke Centers for the emergency treatment of stroke victims. Stroke Awareness Foundation, www.strokeinfo.org, has improved community awareness and better prepared families and loved ones for what can be the devastating effects of Stroke. SAF has been instrumental in helping Santa Clara County have the greatest concentration of certified Primary Stroke Centers in the U.S. We worked to pass groundbreaking legislation that assures all stroke victims in our community will be taken to a Santa Clara County Certified Stroke Center.

Frank Sinatra Jr. is the son of famed musician and actor Frank Sinatra and Nancy Barbato. He is the younger brother of singer and actress Nancy Sinatra, and the older brother of television producer Tina Sinatra.

Frank Jr., who served as his father's band leader for many years, recalls wanting to become a piano player and songwriter from his earliest days. By his early teens he was performing at local clubs and venues. At age 19 he became the vocalist for Sam Donahue's band. He also spent considerable time learning the music business with Duke Ellington.

Sinatra spent most of his early career on the road. By 1968 he had performed in 47 states and 30 countries; appeared on several television shows; hosted a summer replacement for The Dean Martin Show; sung with his own band in Las Vegas; and had been the opening act at major casinos.

In 2006, Sinatra released an album entitled *That Face!* which includes the songs *You'll Never Know* and the self-penned song *Spice*. A veteran of many television appearances, he recently played a guest spot on *The Sopranos*, and has appeared on two episodes of *The Family Guy*.

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The Tiny Republic of San Marino

Repubblica di San Marino - what!?

There is another country inside Italy? *Si!* It is the Republic of San Marino, located between Emilia-Romagna and Le Marche, sitting high (750m) upon Mount Tiano.

San Marino was founded in 301 A.D. by Saint Marinus, a stonecutter from Dalmatia, who was fleeing from religious persecution under Emperor Diocletian. San Marino still has a reputation for welcoming people seeking protection.

Even Garibaldi stopped there for 24 hours in 1849 when fleeing the Austrians with his troops. During WWII, over 100,000 were given safe haven. Today, the Republic has diplomatic relationships with over 100 countries, is a member of the UN, and even held the Presidency of the Council of Europe for six months in 2006-07.



San Marino claims to be the oldest republic with the longest continuous democracy in the world. Its first legislative statutes, enacted in 1253, are still in effect! (The 31,632 San Marinesi are very

proud of that fact.) In 1797, Napoleon legitimized San Marino by recognizing it as a sovereign power. Two Captains Regent govern for six months, appointed by the democratically elected Great and General Council.

Three towers now sit high upon the mountain in the old town. The first, Guaita, built in the 11th century, was critical in the battle against Rimini's 15th century Malatesta rulers. The second tower, Cesta, was built in the 13th century, while the third, Montale, was erected in the 14th century. All still standing tall, for the MANY visiting travelers to see.



Contributed by Gretchen Bloom, *ItalianNotebook.com* reader and Central Italy expert. Also a recent Senior Advisor at the UN's World Food Program, as well as head of WFP's Programme Unit in Kabul, Afghanistan for 15 months. Gretchen is an expert in gender issues and community health.

Mike Console: Newest IAHF Board Member

As part of our new board member series, we have asked "Traveling" Mike Console to tell us a little about himself and his aspirations for the IAHF.

Mike writes: I am a 100% first generation Italian-American, born in Springfield, Ill. My papa came from Sicilia, Castal Vetrano, and my mother came from a small village on the Adriatic Coast in the Abruzzo Region. They met in the USA, after my Nonno took a liking to my dad while working together in the coal mines, and announced "he had a nice girl for him"...his daughter. Well, it worked out OK as I was the second child born out of eleven "ragazzi" (seven boys and four girls)! In my youth I delivered newspapers to Abe Lincoln's home town of Springfield, Ill. For the longest time as a young child, due to all the publicity about Abe Lincoln, I actually thought he was still alive. In 1945 the family moved to San Diego, California. There I graduated from high school and San Diego State University. Soon after high school my Uncle Sam got me and I was drafted into the US Army for 21 months. I spent time in Japan (medical operating room technician) and Korea as a medic, about a mile from the front lines, a little further before the famed "MASH Units". Upon returning to San Diego, I continued my education at San Diego State University, and all through my high school and college days I worked at the well known El Cortez Hotel as a pantry man (preparing their cold buffets). After college I worked for the San Diego Recreation Department for ten years and opened up two new community centers and was the principal center director.

I had the opportunity to advance myself by moving to San Jose in May of 1965 and worked for twenty six and a half

years for the San Jose Recreation Department as a principal district supervisor. I made one significant trip back to San Diego to marry my wife to be, Vera. I retired in 1991 to take care of my wife who was seriously ill and who eventually passed away in Sept. 1993. We were married in 1970 and had two children, Kristina and Gary. Since my wife passed away I have been busy raising my children; volunteering at Senior Centers; escorting senior trips; serving on the Board of Directors for retired city employees; senior games committee; SIR Trip Chairman for Branch 10; State Travel Committee for SIR's; travel director for California Pioneers of Santa Clara County; and now a Board Member of the IAHF.

As a new Board Member of the IAHF, I would like to see more activities that require the members to interact with each other more, in a fun and informal way while at the same time learning about and preserving our rich heritage. I am pleased that the IAHF has started this theme with the cooking classes, mask making, recipe swapping, etc. I also want to see more classes such as Italian Card Games, arts and crafts, tournaments, bocci ball, Italian folk dance lessons and ball room dances. And travel: one day trips and extended trips. Trips are where I can particularly help out, and I am always open to suggestions as to where our members and their friends would like to travel as a group. Let me know of your interest by contacting me at the IAHF. I am looking forward to sharing these fun travels with you. 🍷

Meet Chris Clock: Livin' The Hoop Dream



Chris Clock is the grandson of Marilyn (Pierotti) Kinney, Volunteer Chair for the Festa and an IAHF member. Chris graduated from Los Gatos High School (3 years on the varsity basketball team) and continued his education path, graduating from Notre Dame de Namur in Belmont where he was a 4-year starter on the team. Upon graduation from Notre Dame, Chris attended a basketball exposure camp in San Benedetto delTranto, Italy. He was recruited by the German coach who founded the TV John Sieger regional league located in Sieger, Germany. While playing in Germany, Chris averaged 25 points per game. His second year (and now starting his third year in Europe) Chris is playing in the USAT Basketball League in Toulouges, France and lives in the beautiful resort town of Canet, in southern France on the beach. He brings to this team his skill of shooting guard and an exceptional ability to be a team player, always looking for a teammate that has the best "shot". Chris averaged 17 points per game and this team finished first in their league, which is NMII.

Chris is enjoying every minute of this wonderful opportunity to continue to play the game he loves, learn the different cultures of European countries and he hopes that he may get the opportunity to join a team in Italy and along the way learn more of the history of his ancestry. Chris' long time girlfriend Bridgett Morales just graduated from Notre Dame de Namur this past May so she will be joining Chris for the upcoming season. 🍷

Please Volunteer for the Success of the Festa.

We Need Your Help in All Booths. It is Not Too Late to Sign Up. Grazie!!

- Marilyn Kinney, Festa Volunteer Coordinator

Festa Italiana in Sacramento & The Sacramento Italian Cultural Society

by Judy Verona Joseph



Rick Ellis as Sinatra with
Balliamo dancer Phyllis Cupparo

I have always wanted to attend the Festa Italiana in Sacramento and this year I made it a point to drive to Sacramento and enjoy this weekend long event. This year marked the 25th anniversary of Festa Italiana. It was a beautiful event with wonderful Italian food, drink and fabulous entertainers.

The entertainment line up consisted of Italice, Rick Ellis as Sinatra, Moreno Fruzzetti, Balliamo Dancers and the wonderful Bambini Dancers. The Children's Folkdance group (Bambini Dancers) allows kids to learn

Italian culture through dance. Children receive lessons and attend practices and perform throughout the year. This is a fun way to introduce your child to Italian culture and dance.

One of the highlights of the Festa was the chance to win a trip to Italy. Sales were brisk both days and a ticket donation of only \$5.00 was well worth the cost for the chance to travel to *bella Italia!*

Bill Cerruti and his wife Patrizia have been at the helm of the Italian Cultural Society of Sacramento for years and I must commend them for doing such an outstanding job of keeping the

Italian heritage and culture thriving in Sacramento.

The Italian Cultural Society is definitely operating on the cutting edge. They offer hand picked tours to Italy's most famous cities such as Rome, Florence and Venice. Their

tours gives a tourist the opportunity to discover Italy at a leisurely pace with an Italian tour guide. Their next tour is "Thanksgiving in Tuscany." The dates are November 19 to November 27. In addition to the travel program, they have Italian language classes for beginners, intermediate, and advanced students. The exciting part of the program is the fact that they have language classes for children. CIAO PICCOLI - (ages 2-5) and CIAO ITALIA - Children (6-12). To quote their web site, "There is no greater gift for a child, than that of their culture, language and heritage."

A big thank you (*bravo!*) to the Cerrutis and the many volunteers at the Sacramento Italian Cultural Society. For more information go to their web site at: www.italiancenter.net



Volunteering at the IAHF

Opportunities

Kitchen help needed, banquet servers needed, hall management assistance, bookkeeper with QuickBooks experience.

Tables Needed

Please see Joe Ponte if you any contacts regarding purchasing long tables for the IAHF.

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