



San Francisco Italian Athletic Club

MAY 2005

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

Another month has pasted us by and I want to say our club was jumping with lots of positive energy. Our Members, Guests, Support Staff, Board of Directors, Officers were very busy in keeping the unity of our club accelerating.

I am personally extending an invitation for all of you that have not frequented the club in the past month to come down and notice how pleasant the atmosphere is here at the SFIAC. From our fresh paint job, to our new bartenders, to our excellent meals and the presence of our newly installed members.

Gino & Gina's Wedding was a great success! What a good time! The cast contained a few of our members and they performed in academy award fashion. Thank you for the experience!

Visit our up to date website, www.sfiac.org, it is very impressive! I want to personally thank Phil Francesconi, member of our club and longtime North Beach Resident, for applying his high-tech knowledge in assisting us in this state-of-the-art communications; what a job! Thank you Phil!

To all our support staff, Lisa, Pam, Frank, Al, Bob, Guliano and Gerry, without you our club would miss a beat! Thank you for providing the energy that keeps our club afloat! Our members our fortunate to have such wonderful personalities and I am sure they look forward in interacting with all of you at the San Francisco Italian Athletic Club!

Remember to fill your calendars with SFIAC events, come to our General Meeting, partake in our upcoming in-house events and most of all, frequent your club for no particular reason, it is open 7 days a week for your exclusive use.

Cairi membri, I nostri padri anno fondato questa associazione perche volevano che si rimanesse tutti assieme. Si che bisogna lavorare tutti assieme, cosi il San Francisco Italian Athletic Club potra andare avanti gonfie vile.

Sempre Avanti

Sergio Salvetti
President, SFIAC

CLUB PICNIC

***** SAVE THE DATE *****

Another fun day in the sun at Blackberry Farm!

Mark your calendars now for the **SFIAC's annual picnic on Sunday, August 21, 2005**

Stay tuned for more info in the next few newsletters!

SOCIAL EVENTS

ATTENTION: All tickets for the Stag Night dinner must be paid for by the Saturday before Stag Night. Similarly, all tickets for the Luncheon must be paid for by the Wednesday before the Luncheon. **NO EXCEPTIONS PLEASE!** And remember, parking is always available at APM Parking at 721 Filbert Street (Sunday-Thursday costs \$7.50 flat rate, Friday & Saturday costs \$15.00 flat rate). Finally, tickets can be paid for by credit card. Members of the Board of Directors will collect tickets after all participants are seated. In order to be served, a member or guest must produce a ticket, **NO EXCEPTIONS**. A list of the names of ticket purchasers will be on hand to resolve questions such as lost tickets, etc. If the member's name (or guest ticket number under that member's name) is not in the book, the dinner price will be collected or no meal will be served. Members shall be responsible for their guests, who must also provide a ticket for their meal. The Board of Directors gratefully acknowledges that the vast majority of the members attending a Stag dinner always have their tickets. The Board apologizes for any inconvenience this procedure may cause.

- **MAY STAG**

Cocktails ~ 6:00 PM Dinner ~ 7:00 PM

Tuesday, May 3, 2005. The menu will include salad, rabbit with polenta and ice cream. Cost is \$15.00 for members and \$20.00 for guests. **Remember, you must have a ticket to be served.** Tickets on sale, Tuesday, April 18, 2005

- **MAY LUNCHEON**

Cocktails ~ 11:00 AM Lunch ~ 12:00 PM

Friday, May 20, 2005. The menu will include salad, pasta with marinara sauce, veal saute and ice cream for dessert. Tickets on sale April 26, 2005. Cost is \$18.00 per person for both members and guests. **A MINIMUM OF 50 TICKETS MUST BE SOLD BY WEDNESDAY, MAY 18 OR THE LUNCHEON WILL BE CANCELLED.**

- **JUNE STAG**

Cocktails ~ 6:00 PM Dinner ~ 7:00 PM

Tuesday, June 7, 2005. The menu will include salad, pasta with meat sauce, roast beef and dessert. Cost is \$15.00 for members and \$20.00 for guests. **Remember, you must have a ticket to be served.** Tickets on sale, Tuesday, May 17, 2005.

- **JUNE LUNCHEON**

Cocktails ~ 11:00 AM Lunch ~ 12:00 PM

Friday, June 17, 2005. The menu will include salad, risotto with mushrooms, chicken cordon bleu and ice cream for dessert. Tickets on sale May 31, 2005. Cost is \$18.00 per person for both members and guests. **A MINIMUM OF 50 TICKETS MUST BE SOLD BY WEDNESDAY, MAY 18 OR THE LUNCHEON WILL BE CANCELLED.**

- **Calamari Day**

Saturday, June 18, 2005

Before, during and after the North Beach Fair, stop by the club and dine on delicious fried calamari. Tables will be set up outside al fresco. *\$10.00 for calamari and a peroni. 11:00 AM ~ 3:00 PM*

- **Pancake Breakfast**

Sunday, June 19, 2005

Want to dine on delicious pancakes, scrambled eggs and sausages? Stop by the club on Sunday, June 19th. *\$10.00 for adults (includes a champagne mimosa) and \$5.00 for children.*

IN HOUSE SOCIAL EVENTS

The club has many different events coming up this year! This is a great way to meet other members and have a good time.

May 15th ~ PEDRO TOURNAMENT ~ Sign up sheet will be posted at the bar or you can call 415-781-0166 and the bartender will sign you up. \$20.00 per person. *Prizes will be awarded.* Hurry and sign up! Seats are limited.

May 20th ~ GIANTS GAME ~ "Battle of the Bay" series. Giants vs. A's. 7:15 PM @ SBC Park. \$38.00 per person for reserved lower box seats.

Any questions about the above in-house events, please call Nick D'Angelo at 415-781-0166

SOCIAL EVENTS

STATUTO RACE

At the stag dinner in March, we had a raffle with the proceeds going towards the Statuto Race and the cash prizes for the runners. On behalf of the club, we would personally like to thank all of those who purchased tickets. This race is a tradition with the club and with the city of San Francisco. With your help we are able to keep this tradition alive!

Grazie Tanto!

Ray Piva and Richard Bravin
Statuto Race Chairmen

It's time to lace up your sneakers and break out the shorty-shorts for the 85th running of the SFIAC's Statuto Race. As you know, every year the club presents this 8k run or 1 mile walk on the first Sunday in June to commemorate the **Statuto Albertino* of 1848, Italy's first constitution*. Our club's Statuto Race is the 4th oldest footrace in the United States. The course begins at the club, heads north on Stockton Street to Bay, east on Bay to the Embarcadero, then south on the Embarcadero to the turn around at Red's Java House and then back the same way to finish in front of the club at beautiful Washington Square Park.

Race day is Sunday, June 5th at 9:00 AM. Early sign-ups are \$25.00 and race day sign ups are \$30.00. Every participant receives a tee-shirt and the top runners receive **CASH PRIZES**. Yes your eyes are fine, the top finishers will receive cash prizes.

The Statuto Race is a great way to participate in a fun club event while carrying on the history and tradition of the SFIAC and San Francisco! Call the club office at 415-781-0165 for more details or an entry form.

RENO TRIP

Pack your bags, jump on the bus and head on up to Reno with your fellow club members, family and friends on **Sunday, June 12, 2005**. There will be two buses with two different pick-ups. Bus #1 departs from Vicente & 19th Avenue at 7:30 AM. The 2nd bus departs from the club (1630 Stockton Street) at 8:30 AM.

Return to San Francisco on Monday, June 13, 2005 at approximately 7:30 PM

Cost is \$80.00 per person (twin/double occupancy) and \$95.00 per person (single occupancy).

Please contact event chairman, Joe Alioto at 415-706-1144 or co-chairman, Nick D'Angelo at 415-781-0166 for more information. You can pick up a flyer at the club bar or office.



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CLUB NEWS

MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

PARKING

A **BIG** thank you to Father Conterno of St. Peter and Paul's Church for a readjustment on the Club's parking fees.

CLUB MERCHANDISE

New Short Sleeve Polo Shirts (Navy Blue)	\$30.00
Tee Shirts Navy or White	\$15.00
Caps Navy or Stone	\$15.00

If you are unable to come in, we'll be happy to mail your order. Contact Frank at 415-781-0166.

AUCTION

At the May Stag, Tuesday, May 3rd a Willie Mays autographed encased baseball along with a letter of authenticity from the San Francisco Giants will be auctioned. Opening bid is \$150.00.

Thank you Mario Alioto, Club Member and Vice President of the San Francisco Giants for providing the baseball.

Thank you!
Frank Villani

Thank you to our sponsors for their continued support.

If you would like your business card placed in the newsletter, please call Pam Piccinini at 415-781-0165

OBITUARY

Our condolences go to the families and friends of the following club members who passed away in March & April.

Rudy Militich and Vincent De Martini

We also extended our condolences to Guido Alasia and his family on the loss of his dear sister Lena Devencenzi and Nick Marota and his family on the loss of his wife, Dodie.

From Lisa's Corner

April was a fun month. In addition to several great parties, Gino & Gina's Wedding was a HUGE hit. Each night was full of plenty of laughter and dancing, not mention the delicious food prepared by our own chef Jose Moreno and served by our wonderful waitstaff. Thanks to the terrific cast, who were superb and all the club members who attended and brought guests. You made this an incredible night and the talk of the neighborhood. To the following club members, Rich Azzolino, Nick Barsetti, John Ferrando, Gigi Fiorucci, Phil Francesconi, Mike Granelli and Steve Landi, you guys were great. To the following cast members, related to club members, Laura Azzolino, Pat Barsetti, Tina Canepa, Nina Clima, Marie De Benedetti, Terri Ferrari, Heidi Rossi, Gina, Marlene & Sylvia Pesenti and Elizabeth Petrozzella, not only were you great you were brave. A special thanks to Frank Clima, Kay Michelis, Pam Piccinini and Valerie Salvetti for their assistance.

Our Parkview room on the 3rd floor has become a hot spot. We are averaging 6 parties a month. It is a great room to host a wedding or baby shower, graduation party, birthday party, rehearsal dinner or just a get together party. Give me a call and book your party now! We are all ready booking dates in 2006.

CLUB NEWS

MEMBERSHIP



Congratulations to the following new members who were initiated at the April stag:

Joseph Belluomini, Michael Cardella, Christopher Costa-Moreno, James Lazzarini-Toland, Craig Stablie-Meyer, Russell San Filippo & Roy Santarella.

The club looks forward to welcoming new members. Applications for membership are available at the club bar or on our website at www.sfiac.org. If any one of your family, friends, associates are considering membership bring them down to the club, show them around, hand them an application and start the process of having them become a member of the

SFIAC. Our staff is readily available at the club every day to answer any membership inquiries.

If any Club member has a question about the dues/assessments, their membership status, or want to refer a new applicant for membership, please contact membership co-chairmen Ron Barone or Pete San Filippo at 415-290-2242 or email Adminstration@sfiac.org. We will make a concerted effort to respond to your inquiry as soon as possible. Thank you for your help and support with the Club's membership program.

GENERAL MEETING

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

***PLAN TO ATTEND THE
GENERAL MEETING - MAY 17, 2005
7:00 PM***

COME ONE – COME ALL

***MEET YOUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND LEARN WHAT IS IN STORE FOR THE COMING YEAR.
COME EARLY AND MEET WITH US AND SOCIALIZE WITH YOUR FRIENDS OVER
A HOSTED LIGHT DINNER AND A GLASS OF WINE.***

REMEMBER, ALL NEW MEMBERS MUST ATTEND FOUR (4) GENERAL MEETINGS THE FIRST YEAR AND THEREAFTER IF YOU WISH TO BECOME A BOARD MEMBER.

YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CLUB NEWS

Summer Series

Come and enjoy another casual afternoon at the SFIAC while North Beach enjoys it's biggest festival of the year, the North Beach Festival. Mark your calendar for the weekend event: Saturday, June 18 and Sunday, June 19, 10 am - 6 pm. Stop by the club and watch the festivities from the balcony. On Saturday, dine on calamari and on Sunday, fest on pancakes!

The country's original outdoor arts & crafts festival celebrates its 51st anniversary with Juried Arts & Crafts Exhibitions and Sales, Celebrity Pizza Toss, Live Entertainment Stages headlining the hot group Luce, Alternative, Rhythm & Blues, Latin Rock, Pop Rock, Reggae, Salsa and Swing, Cooking Stage, Celebrity Chefs, Assisi Animal Blessings (2:00 pm, both days, Vallejo / Columbus), Arte di Gesso (Italian street chalk art competition, 1500 block Stockton), indoor Classical Concerts, 4 pm, at National Shrine of St. Francis. Poetry Stage

Upcoming Summer Events:

NORTH BEACH JAZZ FESTIVAL~ August 6-10

Scholarship Fund Information

Scholarship Applications

Applications for Scholarships will not be included with the club's newsletter.

Those members who wish to receive applications should send their request to:

**SFIAC FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP
371 VALENCIA DRIVE
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080-5619**

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Thanks to the members who have contributed to the scholarship fund.

Dick Battaglia

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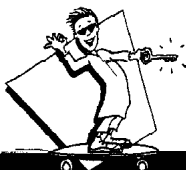
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