

MESSAGGIO DEL PRESIDENTE

Hello all,

The past couple of months have been difficult for the Club. We lost two beloved members who were cherished – not just for their contributions but also for their friendships. Romano Marcucci, our friend and beloved bartender for 25 years, passed away. Romano was a close friend of my father and I remember him from as far back as the 1980s. He always had a smile on his face and a perfectly mixed drink ready for you. We all loved him so much.

We also lost Joe Scafidi, our long-time board member and beloved friend. Joe spent many years on the board and was a close friend to all of us. He ran our annual bocce tournament for many years, which has been appropriately renamed the Joe Scafidi Bocce Tournament.

Both Romano and Joe were shining examples of what an SFIAC member should strive to be. God bless their families. Please raise a toast in their honor when you visit the Club.

Our recent events have been a smash hit. The 103rd Statuto Race broke all known records with 500 participants! This was held on the second day of the Festa Italiana, which was also a massive success. Two full days of everything Italian—from the great music to the wonderful food—it was 100% orgoglio Italiano. A huge thank you to both committees who worked tirelessly for many months to make these events a huge success. Grazie mille!!!

Continuing on the subject of Italian pride, I attended an event hosted by the consul general of Italy in Los Angeles, Raffaella Valentini, for the arrival of the beautiful Italian ship, the Amerigo Vespucci, in the Port of Los Angeles. It is currently on a 20-month world tour, stopping in 31 countries to promote the excellence of Italy's cultural, artistic, historic, and economic heritage. Along with touring the vessel, there was the Villaggio Italia, which hosted the expositions of Italian culture and heritage throughout the week of its stay. For more information about the Amerigo Vespucci world Tour 2023 - 2025 visit www.tourvespucci.it.

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Team Mastrangelo.

Ciao a tutti,

Gli ultimi due mesi sono stati difficili per il Club. Abbiamo perso due amati membri che erano apprezzati non solo per il loro contributo ma anche per le loro amicizie. È venuto a mancare Romano Marcucci, nostro amico e amato barista da 25 anni. Romano era un caro amico di mio padre e lo ricordo già dagli anni '80. Aveva sempre un sorriso sulle labbra e una bevanda perfettamente miscelata pronta per te. Lo amavamo tutti così tanto.

Abbiamo perso anche Joe Scafidi, nostro membro del consiglio di lunga data e caro amico. Joe ha trascorso molti anni nel consiglio ed era un caro amico di tutti noi. Per molti anni ha diretto il nostro torneo annuale di bocce, che è stato opportunamente ribattezzato Torneo di bocce Joe Scafidi.

Sia Romano che Joe erano ottimi esempi di ciò che un membro della SFIAC dovrebbe sforzarsi di essere. Dio benedica le loro famiglie. Per favore, fai un brindisi in loro onore quando visiti il Club.

I nostri eventi recenti sono stati un grande successo. La 103a Corsa Statuto ha battuto tutti i record conosciuti con 500 partecipanti! Si è svolto il secondo giorno della Festa Italiana, anch'essa un enorme successo. Due giorni interi di tutto italiano, dalla grande musica al cibo meraviglioso, è stato orgoglio Italiano al 100%. Un enorme ringraziamento ad entrambi i comitati che hanno lavorato instancabilmente per molti mesi per rendere questi eventi un enorme successo. Grazie mille!!!

Sempre in tema di orgoglio italiano, ho partecipato ad un evento ospitato dal console generale d'Italia a Los Angeles, Raffaella Valentini, per l'arrivo della bellissima nave italiana, l'Amerigo Vespucci, nel porto di Los Angeles. Attualmente è in tournée mondiale di 20 mesi, toccando 31 paesi per promuovere l'eccellenza del patrimonio culturale, artistico, storico ed economico italiano. Oltre a visitare la nave, c'era il Villaggio Italia, che ha ospitato mostre sulla cultura e il patrimonio italiano durante tutta la settimana della sua permanenza. Per maggiori informazioni sull'Amerigo Vespucci world tour 2023 - 2025 visita www.tourvespucci.it.

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SFIAC board members take on the Statuto Race

STAG DINNER

STAG DINNER SCHEDULE

All tickets for the stag must be purchased by the noted deadline. *No refunds.*

Pay with cash, check or credit card through the Club office or online at www.SFIAC.org. Call in your credit card number at 415.781.0166 or email your ticket request and seating preference to administration@SFIAC.org. **Note:** stag dinners are limited to members and their male guests.

AUGUST STAG – TUESDAY, AUG. 6 No-Host Cocktails~6 PM /Dinner~7 PM

Menu: salad, antipasto, pasta with pork ribs and tomato sauce topped with fresh ricotta, wine, coffee and dessert. Cost is \$45 for members and \$55 for guests.

Tickets MUST be purchased by Friday, Aug 2.

SEPTEMBER STAG –THURSDAY,SEPT. 5 No-Host Cocktails~6 PM /Dinner~7 PM

Menu: : salad, antipasto, pasta with pesto, chicken cacciatore, wine, coffee and dessert. Cost is \$45 for members and \$55 for guests.

Tickets MUST be purchased by Friday, August 30.

OCTOBER STAG – TUESDAY, OCT. 1 No-Host Cocktails ~ 6 PM / Dinner ~ 7 PM

Menu: : salad, antipasto, sausage and peppers with polenta, wine, coffee and dessert. Cost is \$40 for members and \$50 for guests.

Tickets MUST be purchased by Friday, September 27.

TWO NOVEMBER STAGS – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5 AND THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

No-Host Cocktails~6 PM /Dinner~7 PM

Menu: salad, antipasto, pasta with pesto, tripe or chicken marsala, wine, coffee and dessert. Cost is \$50 for members and \$60 for guests.

Tickets MUST be purchased by Friday, , November 1.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday, 7/4 – 4th of July – Club Closed

Friday, 7/5– 4th of July Holiday – Club Closed

Tuesday, 7/9 Giants Italian Night

Tuesday, 7/16 – General Meeting

Saturday, 7/20 - Club Bocce Tournament

Wednesday, 7/24 – Trivia in the Members' Bar

Saturday, 8/3 - Pedro Tournament

Tuesday, 8/6 - August Stag

Saturday, 8/17 - Pizza, Bagel and Beer Festival

Tuesday, 8/20 - General Meeting

Saturday, 8/24 - Poker in the Members' Bar

Monday, 9/2 – Labor Day – Club Closed

Thursday, 9/5 – September Stag

Monday, 9/9 – Club Golf Tournament

Thursday, 9/12 - Cigar and Steak

Tuesday, 9/17 - General Meeting

Tuesday, 10/1 - October Stag

Wednesday, 10/2 - Trivia in Members' Bar

Saturday, 10/5 - Italian Heritage kickoff hosted by the Heritage Parade

Sunday, 10/13 - Italian Parade-Day Events

Tuesday, 10/15 - General Meeting

Friday, 10/25 - Cornhole Tournament with the Olympic Club

Tuesday, 11/5 - November Stag #1

Thursday, 11/7 - November Stag #2

Events updated in newsblasts, SFIAC.org and

SFIACFOUNDATION.com

**CIGARS AND PRIME RIB
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
ON SALE JULY 22**



**Pedro
Tournament**
August 3 at 4pm

OPEN TO ALL

**\$20
TICKETS**

*Bring additional
\$20 cash for buy-in

SFIAC
1630 Stockton St.
Questions? Email
mario.flaherty@sfiac.org

**TRIVIA
NIGHT**

Calling all know-it-alls!

Assemble a team of smarty-pants.
Bring your friends and family.

Wednesday, July 24
Wednesday, October 2
Members' Bar @ 7pm
21 yrs. and over

Thanks to everyone who came out for our 3rd annual Alfa Romeo Car Show and Rally. It was a picture-perfect May day in North Beach as we showcased beautiful Italian and other amazing classic automobiles from members of the Alfa Romeo Owners Association and the SFIAC. Stockton Street was closed between Union and Filbert Sts. and roughly thirty-eight cars were parked in front of the Club where 75 people enjoyed a buffet lunch in the ballroom. We had a lot of great comments from the participants and also generated a lot of interest and foot traffic from the neighborhood. Keep an eye out for other classic car events to come this year from the Scuderia SFIAC committee.





156TH ITALIAN HERITAGE PARADE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

ITALIAN HERITAGE DAY AT THE SFIAC

The Italian Heritage Parade is our most sought-after event. To accommodate more Club members, we have made some changes and additions to the day's events. We are offering the traditional outside tables for approximately 32 tables of 10. In addition, we are opening the ballroom for a buffet lunch that will include an assigned ballroom table for the afternoon and access to a parade viewing area at Filbert and Stockton Sts. This will be the perfect space for a family with more space, flexibility and a discount for children. In addition, the Foundation will be hosting a VIP viewing suite for an elevated parade experience in the Park View room. The event will feature a special menu prepared by Chef John Churillo and an all-inclusive, premium-cocktail bar.

Lunch menu for outdoor and ballroom seating:

Marinated zucchini with mint, cold tortellini salad, two types of De Cecco pasta served with complementing Carbone pasta sauce, grilled flank steak, sautéed shrimp, grilled vegetables, roasted potatoes, two (2) bottles of red and two (2) bottles of white wine per table and Klondike ice cream bars.

Option One: Enjoy lunch with your friends and family and watch the parade al fresco on Stockton Street. We are offering tables, each with 10 seats, that are available for full purchase. There will be tables available where you can purchase either 2, 4, 6 or 8 seats. We suggest members join together to complete a table. The table will be available to you at approximately 11am and lunch will be served at 12:30pm.

Price per person \$115.

Option Two: Enjoy a buffet lunch with your friends and family in the ballroom. You will be assigned a round table for 10-12 that will be yours for the day. Leisurely enjoy a buffet lunch at your pace and view the parade from a specially reserved parade viewing area on Filbert at Stockton Sts. The seating arrangement is perfect for a family. There will be space for a highchair or carrier, more space to move around and a child-meal option will be offered. You may purchase between 2 and 12 tickets per table. If you have a smaller group, we will match you with other patrons. The table will be available to you at approximately 11am and the buffet will open at 12:30pm.

Price per adult \$115 and youth 4-13 \$45.

Tickets for both options will go on sale to Club members August 13. If there are still seats available, tickets will go on sale to the general public on September 11. Purchase tickets exclusively through the Club office at 415.781.0166. Email gina@SFIAC.org with questions.

JOIN US FOR A TRULY ELEVATED EXPERIENCE

CELEBRATE THE ITALIAN HERITAGE PARADE IN THE SFIAC FOUNDATION'S VIEWING SUITE

FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF ITALIAN PRIDE AND LUXURY IN THE PARK VIEW SUITE OVERLOOKING WASHINGTON SQUARE

GUESTS IN THE SFIAC FOUNDATION VIEWING SUITE WILL ENJOY:

- EXCLUSIVE, ELEVATED VIEWING DECK WITH UNPARALLELED VIEWS OF THE ITALIAN HERITAGE PARADE, WASHINGTON SQUARE AND BLUE ANGELS IN SECURED PRIVATE SUITE FOR A MAXIMUM OF 60 GUESTS.
- SPACIOUS, SHADED AREA WITH COMFORTABLE LOUNGE SEATING AND DINING TABLES FOR YOUR PARTY.
- ALL-INCLUSIVE PREMIUM SPECIALTY COCKTAILS, WINE, BEER AND MOCKTAILS PROVIDED AT PRIVATE IN-SUITE BAR.
- SPECIALTY CURATED BITES AND SIGNATURE DISHES FROM ESTEEMED CHEF JOHN CHURILLO OF PAULA LEDUC.

Sample Menu

Appetizers

- Mixed charcuterie
- Seafood tower; including, fresh sweet water oysters with pepperoncini mignonette.
- Fresh Dungeness crab cocktail shooter with horseradish cioppino sauce
- Grilled king prawn with saffron salsa rossa
- Seared beef carpaccio crostini with cornichon mostarda
- Whipped ricotta with garlicky tomato compote crostini

Primi Salad

- North Beach chopped salad, "deli style"
- Faro salad, grilled, asparagus, radicchio, with preserved lemon, chive and grapes rouge

Pasta

- Penne alla vodka
- Penne with wild boar Bolognese

Entrée

- Cherry wood smoked fillet of beef
- Crème fraiche horseradish, BCDP "J" sauce (smoked black cherry, Dr. Pepper, spiced bomba) arugula

Sides

- Grilled broccolini
- Roasted cauliflower

Dessert

- Assorted desserts, gelato, sorbetto and cookies

YOUR TICKET INCLUDES: EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE PARK VIEW SUITE FROM 11AM TO 4PM IN-AND-OUT PRIVILEGES, WELCOME COFFEE SERVICE, WI-FI AND CELL CHARGING STATION.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024

11AM TO 4PM

PRICE PER PERSON \$750

CONTACT GINA TRAVAGLIO TO PURCHASE GINA@SFIACFOUNDATION.ORG / 415.781.0167
THE PARK VIEW VIP EXPERIENCE IS IN SUPPORT OF THE
SFIAC FOUNDATION A NON-PROFIT 501C3.

Another huge success that has been in the works for several years is the San Francisco Little Italy Honor Walk. The first plaque will be unveiled in the coming months across the street from the Club (in front of Washington Square). The first honoree is Mayor George Moscone. Keep an eye out for the announcement of the unveiling ceremony.

To make this day even more special, there will be a flyby displaying the colors of the Italian flag by the Freccie Tricolore. Thank you to the Consul General Sergio Strozzi, the city of San Francisco, and everyone that has worked on this project throughout the years!

Grab your tickets early as most of the events are selling out. We have the 2nd annual Pizza, Bagel, and Beer Festival coming up on August 17. We also have the Frank Clima Memorial Golf Tournament on September 9. So, grab your foursome and secure your spot—this event will sell out. In closing, always remember these two things...“The water rusts the pipes” and “Ciao, Bello.” Rest in peace Romano Marcucci.

Sempre Avanti,
Manuele La Torre

Un altro enorme successo in cantiere da diversi anni è la San Francisco Little Italy Honor Walk. La prima targa sarà svelata nei prossimi mesi di fronte al Club (di fronte a Washington Square). Il primo premiato è il sindaco George Moscone. Tenete gli occhi aperti per l'annuncio della cerimonia di inaugurazione.

Per rendere questa giornata ancora più speciale, è previsto il sorvolo dei colori della bandiera italiana da parte delle Freccie Tricolore. Grazie al Console Generale Sergio Strozzi, alla città di San Francisco e a tutti coloro che hanno lavorato a questo progetto nel corso degli anni!

Acquista i biglietti in anticipo poiché la maggior parte degli eventi è esaurita. Abbiamo il secondo festival annuale di pizza, bagel e birra in arrivo il 17 agosto. Abbiamo anche il Frank Clima Memorial Golf Tournament il 9 settembre. Quindi, prendi il tuo quartetto e assicurati il tuo posto: questo evento farà il tutto esaurito. In chiusura ricordatevi sempre queste due cose...“L'acqua arrugginisce le tubature” e “Ciao, Bello.” Riposa in pace Romano Marcucci.

Sempre Avanti,
Manuele La Torre

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Volunteers are essential for the planning and execution of our major events. Festa Italiana and the Statuto Race were incredibly well organized thanks to the powerful combination of volunteers and dedicated staff. Thank you to both of these groups (too many people to mention here) for making the weekend the best it has ever been. The television coverage garnered 344,836 viewers worth \$100,884 of airtime which benefited sponsors and membership alike. The brand of the SFIAC has never been stronger thanks to this exposure coupled with quality events and programming. The proof: 25 new membership applications submitted during the weekend. At the May general meeting, a member rejoined the SFIAC after many years citing his approval of the Club and its foundation—now engaging in more community efforts, events, and projects in promotion of the Italian culture, history, and neighborhood. He went so far as to say it was long overdue. To his point, your Club and its foundation are pleased to announce that in the coming months the Little Italy Honor Walk will unveil the first of many bronze plaques honoring Italians and Italian Americans in North Beach. The first plaque, honoring George Moscone, will be embedded in the sidewalk with the Italian Consulate, Mayor's Office, and Little Italy Honor Walk leadership present. On July 12, we are honored to welcome to San Francisco the Italian Air Force. That afternoon San Francisco will be treated to an Air Force flyover spraying il Tricolore from their jets. This event is not to be missed.

Nick Figone, Executive Director

SFIAC Stag Raffle News

Over the past few months raffle funds have been used for the following member-facing expenses:

1. Equipment purchase for the members' weight room
2. Provided funds for new member meet and greet after general meeting and swearing in of new members.

3. Purchased new bar tables and matching bar stools for billiard room in the members' bar.

Thanks to everyone who supports the Club by purchasing a chance at the monthly cash prize raffle.

SPORTS

Pick-Up Basketball

Come play hoops with other Club members now
EVERY MONDAY
 6:30-8:30 PM

July 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29
 Aug 5, 12, 19, and 26
 Sept 9, 16, 23 and 30

SFIAC Joe Scafidi Bocce Ball Tournament
July 20, 2024



SFIAC Joe Scafidi Bocce Tournament
 San Rafael, CA
 Bocce with Lunch
 Court Sponsorships Available
 Tickets and Details: SFIAC.org

Marin Bocce Federation 



Monday night basketball at the SFIAC. Open to all members every Monday night at approximately 6:30.



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 | CRYSTAL SPRINGS GOLF COURSE

SFIAC FRANK CLIMA MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Italian Athletic Club's 2024 Golf Tournament will be held at the Crystal Springs Golf Course in Burlingame on Monday, September 9. Registration and lunch is at 11:30 a.m. with a 1 p.m. Shotgun Start. Scramble Format. Cost is \$195 for SFIAC members and guests and includes greens fees, golf cart, range balls, tee prizes, boxed lunch, two drink tickets, chicken or prime rib buffet dinner. Get a foursome or play solo. Male and female players welcome, non Club members welcome. Tee Sponsorships also available. Contact Chris DiGiacomo at chris.digiacomo@i-mac.org

SFIAC Soccer

Ciao tifosi di SFIAC calcio! We have passed the halfway point of the 2024 SFSFL season, with the SFIAC calcio team off to a historic start. Through 14 games, the team is undefeated with a record of 12-0-2 (38 points) and sits alone in first place in the Premier Division. Although the team has dealt with many unfortunate injuries, our depth has continued to carry us through the season. Despite the great start, there are still 8 regular season games with Olympic Club and SF Glens not far behind. The team is excited to carry this momentum into the second half of the season and is looking to clinch a spot in the playoffs in August (top 4 teams make it)!

The full schedule is posted online at sfsfl.com, and we encourage everyone to follow our Instagram account (@sfiac_calcio) to see weekly highlights and game updates. As always, we want to thank the Club, the Foundation, and our sponsors for giving us the opportunity to represent SFIAC on the field, and we love seeing club members out on Sundays supporting us! Forza SFIAC!

SFSFL Premier Playoff Semifinals: Wed, Aug 21, 7pm, Crocker Amazon Soccer Fields

SFSFL Premier Playoff Championship: Sun, Aug 25, 4pm, Crocker Amazon Soccer Fields

Team Schedule

DAY	DATE	TIME	VENUE	OPPONENT	RES	SCO
Sun	Mar. 3	10:45	Minnie & Lovie Ward 1	Club Marin	W	2-1
Sun	Mar. 10	10:45	Beach Chalet 3	SF Celtic SC	W	4-3
Sun	Mar. 17	9:00	Crocker Amazon 2	Mezcala SC	W	2-1
Sun	Mar. 24	9:00	Crocker Amazon 3	Olympic Club	W	2-1
Sun	Apr. 7	2:45	Crocker Amazon 3	SF Hibernian FC	W	4-3
Sun	Apr. 14	9:00	Beach Chalet 4	SF Elite Metro	W	1-0
Sun	Apr. 21	2:45	Crocker Amazon 3	Mexicali FC	W	4-1
Sun	Apr. 28	9:00	Beach Chalet 4	SF Glens SC	D	1-1
Sun	May 5	8:00	Crocker Amazon 2	Inter SF	W	5-1
Sun	May 19	12:45	Crocker Amazon 2	SF Viking SC	D	2-2
Sun	Jun. 2	9:00	Beach Chalet 4	SF City FC	W	4-1
Sun	Jun. 9	9:00	Crocker Amazon 2	Club Marin	W	4-1
Sun	Jun. 16	10:00	Beach Chalet 2	SF Celtic SC	W	4-1
Sun	Jun. 23	2:45	Beach Chalet 3	Mezcala SC	W	3-2
Sun	Jun. 30	12:45	Beach Chalet 3	Olympic Club		
Sun	Jul. 14	10:00	Beach Chalet 2	SF Hibernian FC		
Sun	Jul. 21	9:00	Beach Chalet 3	SF Elite Metro		
Sun	Jul. 28	10:45	Crocker Amazon 2	Mexicali FC		
Sun	Aug. 4	9:00	Beach Chalet 3	SF Glens SC		
Sun	Aug. 11	9:00	Crocker Amazon 2	Inter SF		
Wed	Aug. 14	7:00 pm	Crocker Amazon 4	SF City FC		



THE 103RD STATUTO RACE: A RESOUNDING SUCCESS WITH NEARLY 500 PARTICIPANTS.

It was a perfect day for a race. The Columbus salami arch swayed gently in the wind as 492 runners and walkers lined up to begin the 103rd Statuto Race. A record high seventy-five Club members participated, and the ages spanned from six to eighty-eight years old. An increase of 202 participants from 2023 exhibits the amazing growth of our Statuto and Festa weekend.

We would like to thank our Statuto planning team of Jim Anderson, Steve Caporelli, Bill Kerr, Ed Baumgarten, Merc Martinelli, Leo Pierini, Jack Silva and Leonard Adler for the months of meetings, planning and participation on the day of the race. The event came off without a hitch. Additionally, we must thank the dozens of volunteers for keeping everyone literally on track, assistance with the gift bags, set-up and checking everyone in.

We would like to thank our featured sponsor Columbus Craft Meats for making our dream of a salami arch a reality and making #runningforsalami a huge success. Special thanks to Nick Figone and Steve Giovannini for their vision of the salami arch and all the preparation and planning.

Thank you to F. Lofrano & Son, Inc. Auto Body Repair for being long-time sponsors of the Statuto Race and sponsoring the tee shirt. Thank you to DeCecco, Columbus Craft Meats, Acqua Panna, Frank Castaldini, Sports Basement and Love Corn for contributing to the gift bag. Greg Bianchi's "The City is Our Gym" post-race, pull-up contest was also a huge hit.

Photo Credits: Club photographer Brandon Vaccaro, Gina Travaglio and Tom Banducci. If you would like to view the albums from Festa and the Statuto Race please contact Brandon@brandonvaccarostudio.com



Photo Credit: Brandon Vaccaro



THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS

#RunningForSalami

Isetta Family Wines	





2024 Dolce Vita cycling team



The SFAC purchased a block of tickets in sec 105 that have sold out. You may purchase event tickets directly from the Giants.

5:30 MoMo's
Pre-game Italian meet up at MoMo's



Joe Marotto Sergio Salvetti Al Casciato Lou Pinotti Al Cipellina

IABA

We would like to thank the members of the Italian Athletic Building Association (IABA) for their continued service.

JOIN THE SFIAC

It is the Club's goal to promote Italian culture and to bring in new members so that the SFIAC can continue to be the premier Italian men's club in the Bay Area for another 100 years and beyond.

The Membership committee wants to make the process of bringing new members into the Club as easy as possible. Here is all you need to do: Visit www.sfiac.org > Membership or scan the code, below, to get started.



The Membership committee has been hard at work on the application process and ideas to make the Club better for you. And if you see new faces at the Club, don't be afraid to introduce yourself, learn about the new member, and continue to spread Italian heritage to your fellow paisanos.

Do you need to be 100% Italian to join?

No, we just need to see that you have Italian heritage on at least one side of you family.

Do you need to have an Italian last name?

No, we have plenty of members whose Italian heritage comes from their mother's side.

Do you need to live in North Beach to join?

No, you can join regardless of where you live. Members who live more than 50 miles from the Club can opt to be Associate members.

How can I show my Italian heritage to join?

If you don't have an Italian last name, usually you can show it on a birth certificate or baptismal certificate. The membership team can help advise on what you should do if that will not work for you.

Do you need to personally know a member of the Club to join?

The application requires you to have a sponsor who is a Regular or Lifetime member. You will also need to have the names of **two other Club members** to put on your application. The membership team can help you get this done.

I let my membership expire. May I re-join?

Yes, we always welcome back previous members who left in good standing. Please contact the Membership team committee to get your application back on track to re-join.

How do I get an application to join?

You can start at our website
www.sfiac.org > Membership

Am I eligible to join?

You don't know until you ask. You can start at our website
www.sfiac.org > Membership

Do I need to be an athlete to join?

You do not need to be an athlete to join.

Our Membership team, with their friends and family assisting the recruitment effort, had a banner day at Festa collecting a record twenty-five member applications and giving countless tours. We want to thank Michael Storer, Steve Giovannini and the team for organizing the booth. If you have a friend or family member who would like to join the Club, now is the time. To make it easier for our far away friends and family to support the Club, we are no longer requiring new associate members to attend a swearing in in person.

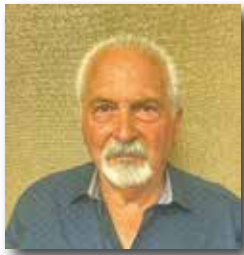


In the first half of 2024, we welcomed fifty-six new members. We are well on track to add 100 new members this year. As you can see, our new members span a wide age range and connection to San Francisco. Some are new to San Francisco while Joe Gardella noted it has taken him decades to join. We would like to welcome Tony Lofrano back to the Club after many years. Tony, his wife Valerie and the Lofrano family have been great supporters of our Statu-to race for years.

We could use additional assistance with the Membership committee. If you would like to join our efforts, please contact Michael Storer, Membership Director

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NEW MEMBERS



Bennie Anselmo



John Asdourian



Angelo Baglieri



Mike Baleria



Paul Bertolli



Benjamin Berube



Paul Caturegli



Jonathan Cirelli



Christian De Conti



Michael Del Grosso



John DeRespini



Chris Ferragamo



Marc Fontana



Alberto Frigerio



Joseph Gardella



Antonio Lettieri



Charles LoCascio



Vincent Macaluso



Tony Oliver



Lorenzo Penna



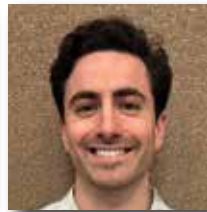
Bob Petrini



Stephen Pieraldi



Mario Puccinelli



Michael Rinaldi



Stephen Rossi



Stefano Roveda



Massimo Sciaroni



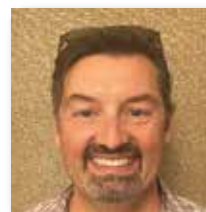
Jack Sesto



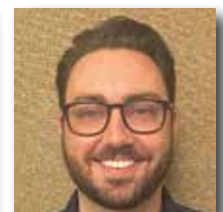
Jack Shea



Michael Stella



Alex Tamburro



Chad Weeks



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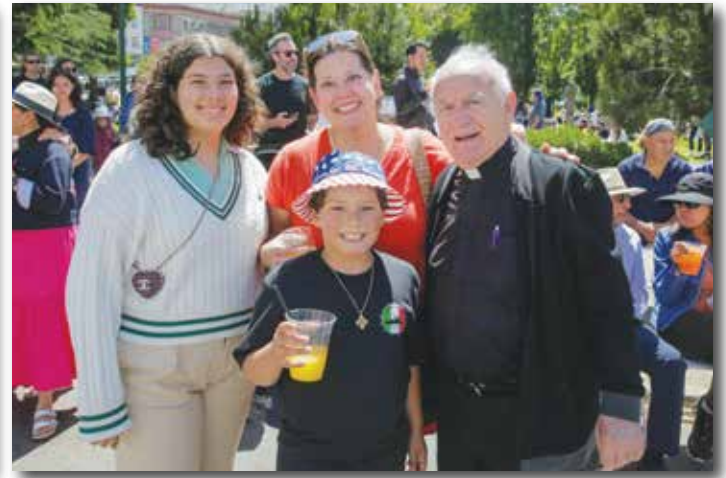
Una celebrazione straordinaria! For two amazingly beautiful days, over eight thousand people came out to celebrate Italian music, food, dance, art, language and drink in the heart of North Beach. The crowd was delighted with performances by singer Vanessa Racci and world renowned accordionist Cory Pesaturo (from the east coast), an expanded kids' corner (in partnership with Laura Vicuna pre-school) and Tony Gemignani (who delighted thousands with his pizza acrobatics and demonstration).

This event could not have been possible without the months of planning by our Festa team. Thank you to Steve Giovannini, Gray and Jeff Del Bono, Chris Self and Mike Olcese. Thank you to Nick Figone for leading the effort with assistance from Gina Travaglio and Keely Batmale. Thank you to our events team of Nico Zimmerman, Steve Brown and Christy Turbeville for ensuring never ending spritzes and meatballs. We would also like to thank Dan Baciуска for updating our site plan countless times and Patti McAdaragh for transforming the ballroom into an Italian piazza.

We would like to thank the many community organizations that took part in the weekend. A special thanks to Le Donne d'Italia and the Italian Heritage Parade's Queens Court for assisting at our kids' corner.

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Members of the SFIAC Foundation Board and team took part in the St. Anthony's Penny Pitch at the SFIAC

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Membership includes:

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- The SFIAC Foundation will manage the CIAO Bay Area site and provide a means to share information and events with our Bay Area community.
- CIAO will maintain a common calendar and provide a means to post your events.
- Attend yearly meeting of member organizations.
- Take part in our common voice to promote Italian culture in the Bay and protect our interests with city and state governments.
- SFIAC Foundation will continue to manage the CIAO Bay Area Facebook page and new Instagram page and post upcoming events

If you are interested in joining CIAO as a member or partner and would like more information please contact Gina Travaglio gina@sfiacfoundation.org

Award-winning pizzaiolo and legendary restaurateur Tony Gemignani, in collaboration with the San Francisco Italian Athletic Club Foundation, held San Francisco's first-ever Pizza, Bagel & Beer Festival in 2023. Our inaugural event was a resounding success with a sold-out crowd and no shortage of food and beer. We are excited to build on that success in 2024 with thirty-eight pizzerias, eight bakeries, a women-in-pizza feature, appearances by renowned pizza makers and a fully dedicated beer garden. Sfiacfoundation.org for more information, a full list of participants and tickets.

We are pleased to report that the 2023 event raised \$90,000 with proceeds benefiting several great local causes; including, Slice Out Hunger, the Salesian Boys & Girls Club, San Francisco Italian Athletic Club Foundation, Saints Peter & Paul School, and the North Beach Business Association.

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In May, we lost Romano Marcucci, the heart and soul of our Club. Generations of Club members and locals grew up with him behind the bar of his La Felce and then our members' bar. 9 out of 10 times when you ask someone their favorite thing about the Club their answer is "Romano." He was always available to lend an ear, provide a "Romano pour" after a long week, give dating advice, make a Shirley Temple for the kids, practice Italian and tell you how good you looked just when you needed it. The halls of the Club just aren't the same without the scent of his cologne.

Beloved husband to Flora of 64 years; loving father to Antonella (Carmine); adored grandfather to Matteo (Mariana) and Sabrina.

Romano was born on May 24, 1939 to Giuseppe and Bianca Marcucci in Ponte a Moriano, Lucca. Romano grew up in Italy and met the love of his life in 1958. They married in 1960 in Lucca and then moved to San Francisco. Together they owned and worked at M & L Building Maintenance and La Felce Restaurant in North Beach. For 30 years, La Felce was where he met many people who became long term friends. He loved talking to people and serving them their favorite drinks. He continued bartending at the San Francisco Italian Athletic Club until his recent retirement.

Romano enjoyed playing soccer, singing, hunting, his many dogs, watching sports, and telling jokes. He especially cherished his time in the country at Italian Village in Loch Lomond.

Romano worked hard to provide a good life for his family. He had a generous heart, a kind soul, a charming smile, an infectious laugh, and a blue sparkle in his eyes. To his family, Romano was Marcucci, Pappa, Nonno, Boss, and to the world he was the best bartender. His family and friends were his greatest pleasures in life. He is deeply missed.



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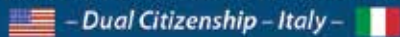


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Friday	1 p.m. to 11 p.m.	3 p.m. to 11 p.m.
Saturday	1 p.m. to 11 p.m.	3 p.m. to 11 p.m.
Sunday	Closed	Closed

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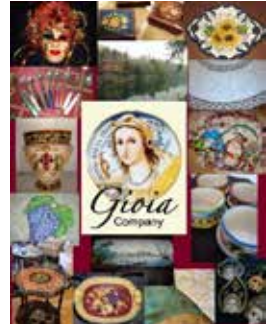
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	7	8	9 GIANTS NIGHT	10	11	12	13
	14	15	16 GEN. MEETING	17	18	19	20 BOCCE
	21	22	23	24 TRIVIA	25	26	27
	28	29	30	31			

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August					1	2	3 PEDRO TOURN.
	4	5	6 AUG. STAG	7	8	9	10
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17 PIZZA, BAGEL
	18	19	20 GEN. MEETING	21	22	23	24 POKER
	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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September	1	2 LABOR DAY CLOSED	3	4	5 SEPT. STAG	6	7
	8	9 GOLF TOURN.	10	11	12 CIGARS, STEAK	13	14
	15	16	17 GEN. MEETING	18	19	20	21
	22	23	28	25	26	27	28
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