

NAVIGATOR

MAY, 2023



The House of Italy



The House of Italy (HOI) Mission:

Our mission is to offer to its members and the public through its cultural and social programs, an understanding and appreciation of the history and culture of Italy.

Our vision is that our HOI members celebrate their Italian heritage and culture with the people of San Diego.

Carissimi soci,

Finally we have a bit of spring in the air. There is nothing better than the sun shining and a temperature of about 75 degrees. We have two more months before we take a break for the summer and April's meeting was interesting with Barbara Baxter taking us down Rome's memory lane to celebrate its 2,776 birthday. Wow what a history!! And of course Mark's dinner choices to celebrate Rome's birthday were delicious. Thank you Mark!

Our next member meeting will be held on Sunday May 21st. We had originally planned a presentation by the Temecula Olive Company but things didn't work out and we will show a great movie, entitled Mid August Lunch. Check out the event flyer for more details. I cannot wait to see what Mark is planning for dinner.

We have some exciting news about the June meeting which will occur on Father's Day, June 18th. We want to celebrate with all of you fathers and have asked Alice Dal Moro to come back with another wine tasting venue. So be sure to include spending dinner with the House of Italy in your Father's Day plans. Why not invite the family??

This month we included pictures of our April meeting with Barbara Baxter and also a couple with James Bianchi and Leonore and John Spafford who opened the House for the elementary children's visit to the Balboa Park International Cottages. Also, check out the page for dates available for hosting the House of Italy. WE NEED YOU!



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Don't forget the 2023 Scholarship fund! The information has been sent to all members. The deadline for the applications is May 26th.

The House of Italy is your organization and your input is valuable. Do not hesitate to contact us by email with any ideas or suggestions. Let's make this year one to remember! I continue to wish all of you a year of health, happiness and peace.

See you Sunday, May 21st

Carol



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOSTING HOUSE OF ITALY

A big thank you to all of you who have hosted in the past months or have signed up to host the House of Italy this May and June! If you haven't yet signed up to host the house on either Saturday or Sunday, don't forget to do so. We need volunteers for the time slots indicated Need Volunteers. Please check your calendars and let me know if you would like to host on one of these days. Send an email of your availability to jcpatter-son@sbcglobal.net . Just as a side note, if every member served one time during the year we would have every Saturday and Sunday covered for hosting. Remember that as a member of the House of Italy one of your responsibilities is to host the house at least once per year. Please take that responsibility seriously and help us fill up the 2023 calendar. If you are a new member and have never hosted the house we will pair you up with a seasoned member volunteer. It is fun! Also, the board voted that anyone who hosts more than once during a month will receive a free dinner at that month's member meeting.

MAY 2023

28	SUNDAY	Camela Simoncini – first time hosting - need seasoned volunteer to help
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JUNE 2023

03	SATURDAY	NEED volunteers
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July 2023

01	SATURDAY	NEED volunteers
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02	SUNDAY	NEED volunteers
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08	SATURDAY	NEED volunteers
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09	SUNDAY	NEED volunteers
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15	SATURDAY	NEED volunteers
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16	SUNDAY	NEED volunteers
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22	SATURDAY	NEED volunteers
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23	SUNDAY	NEED volunteers
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29	SATURDAY	NEED volunteers
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30	SUNDAY	NEED volunteers
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August 2023

05	SATURDAY	NEED volunteers
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06	SUNDAY	NEED volunteers
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12	SATURDAY	NEED volunteers
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13	SUNDAY	NEED volunteers
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19	SATURDAY	NEED volunteers
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20	SUNDAY	NEED volunteers
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26	SATURDAY	NEED volunteers
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27	SUNDAY	NEED volunteers
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Sunday, May 21, 2023 5:00pm

Mid-August Lunch



Please [RSPV](#)

<mailto:houseofitaly@houseofitalysandiego.org>

by **May 18**,
to calculate how
much food Mark
should prepare for us.
Members \$15
Guests \$20



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"ILUMINOUS!"

The movie's scenes of food preparation are mouthwatering."

—Stephen Holden, The New York Times

The charismatic Gianni Di Gregorio (co-writer of the smash hit Gomorrah), stars in his directorial debut—an utterly charming tale of great food, feisty ladies and unlikely friendships during a very Roman holiday. Broke, and armed with only a glass of wine and a wry sense of humor, middle-aged Gianni resides with his 93-year-old mother in their ancient apartment. The condo debts are mounting, but if Gianni looks after the building manager's mother during the Pranzo di Ferragosto (Italy's biggest summer holiday, and the Feast of the Assumption), all will be forgiven. Then the manager also shows up with an auntie, and then a doctor friend appears with his mother in tow.... Can Gianni keep four such lively mamas well fed and happy in these cramped quarters?









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House of Italy Future Events

Sunday, May 21st 2023. The House of Italy Membership meeting at 5:00 pm.



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