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THIS CONTRACT made and entered into this 21st. day of November, A.D., 1916, by and between a Building Committee authorized and appointed by "L"Unione Italiana, a corporation of Tampa Florida, hereinafter designated as the party of the first part, and Bonfoey & Elliott, Architects, of Tampa, Florida, parties of the second part;

WITNESSETH: That the said parties of the second part for and in consideration as hereinafter provided, hereby agree, to furnish all manner and form of plans, specifications and supervision necessary for the construction of a club building, to be located at the south west corner of 7th. Ave. & 18th. St. Tampa, Fla

The said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the said parties of the second part, furnishing the above mentioned drawings, specifications and supervision, hereby agree to pay to the said parties of the second part, the sum of five (5) per cent of the total cost of the completed building. The said building to cost approximately Forty Thousand ($40.000.00) Dollars. to-wit: One per cent to be paid when the preliminary drawings are approved by the said party of the first part, Two per cent when working drawings are complete and satisfactory estimates have been received, and the balance of two per cent to be paid upon the certificates issued to the contractor for work executed.

It is mutually agreed between the parties to this contract, that if after the preliminary drawings have been approved, and the one per cent paid, If the said party of the first part are unable to secure the necessary funds to erect the building, they hereby reserve the right to hold up the completion of the working drawings, until such time as satisfactory arrangments can be made to finance the construction of the building.

Should the lowest estimate be above the amount stipulated for cost of the building, the said parties of the secodfpart, hereby agree to make necessary changes in plans, without extra cost to the said party of the first part, to make the building come within the appropriation, providing such changes are requested by the said party of the first part.

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of L'Unione Italiana is to preserve and honor the culture, traditions and heritage of the Italian Community and to maintain the historical facility as a functioning memorial to the working class immigrants. We will support this mission through the dues and contributions provided by the members, their families, friends, and government. In return we will add value to the membership by providing social activities, fellowship, Italian arts and culture; these activities will provide for growth and stability in the membership, creating a safe and comfortable environment for both members and employees. As the oldest historical leader and the voice of the Italian community, we will operate in an environment characterized by the highest ethical standards and provide open and honest communication with the members and the community.

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September 3rd	CLUB CLOSED (in observance of Labor Day)
September 7th	Bicentennial of VM-Ybor (@ Ybor Museum)
September 14th	Guest Chef Jo Ann Palchak @ CRUSH Happy Hour
September 15th	**100 Year Fundraiser: A Night at the Opera**
September 28th	Fourth Friday @ CRUSH Happy Hour with Gil Machin
September 29th	LAX Event: Bananas, Bolita, & Bourbon Bash
OCTOBER 2018	
October 12th	Guest Chef Michael Palmieri @ CRUSH Happy Hour
October 13th	**100 Year Fundraiser: Uncorked, Fall Wine Tasting**
October 26th	Fourth Friday @ CRUSH Happy Hour with Gil
October 28th	Hell On Wheels Car Show (in Ybor City, Club OPEN)
Looking Ahead...	
November 3rd	Cemetery Clean Up Day (Volunteers Needed)
November 9th	Guest Chef Rick Ceglio @ CRUSH Happy Hour
November 4th	Picnic with the Past
November 16th	**Sal Valentinetti Concert: Celebrating 100 Years**
November 17th	**100 Year Celebration Dinner Reception & Program**
November 23rd	CRUSH Happy Hour - Black Friday Special
December 9th	**100 Year Event: Santa Lucia & 100 Year Mass/Blessing**
December 13th	Italian Club Members Chrsitmas Party
December 31st	LAX Event: New Years Eve

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Sal Guagliardo
Board President

Ciao A Tutti Italian Club Members,

Anyone who ever suggested that the summer is the "slow season," certainly hasn't stopped by the Italian Club of Tampa. We've been incredibly busy with this summer, hosting a variety of client based events, but also several of our own membership based events. We kicked off the summer with an great day out at the Rays Baseball Game. What a turnout for that event! The Club membership really enjoyed the trip, and had a blast at the game. The Rays organization was really impressed with the Club and we look forward to hopefully participating next year. Following that, we hosted our 3rd Annual Seafood Boil - again, we packed the Cantina for this event resulting in a sold out crowd. Over 160 guests attended this years Seafood Boil - which I can say from personal experience was very delicious. And lastly, CRUSH Happy Hour has been well attended and having been welcoming, sold out evenings with their new schedule. Thank you to everyone who showed their support and I hope we continue to count on your support as we move into our 100 Year Celebrations.

With that being said - as you will see in this newsletter edition, we have begun to promote the first three out of five 100 Year Celebration Events. The first three events are fundraisers, which we hope our membership will certainly support. **We are excited to have both the Night at the Opera and Uncorked: Fall Wine Tasting on sale with discounted pricing for members. We are happy to have the opportunity to be hosting Sal Valentinetti at the Italian Club Building as part of a benefit performance in November 16th. We are still finalizing the formatting for the November 17th 100 Year Celebration, so please know that you will receive a mailing on that event specifically.** All the proceeds towards these events will go towards the ongoing restoration efforts on the building, and maintaining the Club's mission.

As many of you know, the ballroom carpet and dance floor have fallen into disrepair through the years, and are in dire need of replacement. The Board and I are excited to share that we have selected a new ballroom carpet design and it will be installed in the ballroom in early October. Our exisiting carpet served us very well - but as we embark on the next 100 Years we need to make sure our ballroom maintains the beauty and elegance it was always intended to have. We have also selected a new dance floor for the ballroom, which will be of the same caliber as our existing dance floor, and will compliment the room and the new carpet beautifully. Major projects such as these are largely possible as a result of the attendance of members, fundraising events, donations from corporate sponsors, contributions from local families, and local grant funding. We have some major restoration work that needs to be done to the building in the coming years in order to preserve it for the next 100 Years, so we need all the support we can get from our members, friends, families, and contributors.

Find us on Facebook

Please make sure to go and "LIKE" our page so you can stay up to date on upcoming events and happenings!

Italian Club of Tampa

In closing, I do want to mention that as a result of the 100 Year Events, many of the annual events we traditionally hold are being postponed until 2019. The Krewe of Italia bocce tournament and the Cemetery Casino Night for example are being put off until 2019 so that energies can be focused on the 100 Year Celebrations. We will also be postponing our Annual Picnic with the Past event for this year. I look forward to seeing all of you at our upcoming 100 Year Event Celebrations!

Sal Guagliardo, Italian Club President

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As we have been saying for many months now, we are celebrating 100 Years in our current building, and with that - we are excited to finally share with you our first two 100 Year Events Fundraisers! The event committee has been working behind the scenes to really put on events that celebrate the rich history of our building, but also events that target the Tampa Bay Community and bring new energy to our building. Check out pages 5, 6, & 7 for more information on events on sale

A Night At The Opera Saturday, September 15th 6:00pm-9:00pm	**TICKETS ON SALE NOW**

Tickets: https://www.eventliveus.com/purchase/event/863079

Uncorked: Fall Wine Tasting Saturday, October 13th 6:00pm-9:00pm	**TICKETS ON SALE NOW**

Tickets: https://www.eventliveus.com/purchase/event/866012

Sal Valentinetti In Concert Friday, November 16th Doors Open @ 7pm, Showtime: 8pm	**TICKETS ON SALE SOON**

More information on this event will be released soon!

Please remember that these events are fundraisers for the many ongoing restoration projects in our venue. The maintenance and daily operations of a 100 Year Old venue are not cheap - and as a Club, we must ensure that our venue maintains its position for the next 100 Years. We encourage our membership to share this information with friends, famililes, coworkers and colleagues - as the best marketing is word of mouth! More information can be found online, on the Italian Club website at:

www.italian-club.org/events

Celebrating 100 Years of Arts & Music

A Night at the Opera

TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Saturday, September 15th

Cocktails & Italian Aperitivo
6:00pm- 7:30pm, 1st Floor Cantina

Opening Remarks & Showtime
7:30pm-9:00pm, 2nd Floor Theater

Join us as we once again fill our halls with the beauty and drama of Opera, courtesy of the Straz Center for Performing Arts & Opera Tampa. Performances will include a variety of overtures, arias and choruses, recognizing the rich significance of Opera in Italian Culture. Guests will be treated to an array of Italian Aperitivo during a cocktail reception in our 1st floor Cantina, courtesy of the Culinary Arts Department at Sickles High School. There will also be a full cash/credit bar available.

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- **$45, starting 9/2**

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FALL WINE TASTING

Saturday, October 13th

6:00pm-9:00pm

Ages 21 & Over Only

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Member Tickets: $40

Non-Member Tickets:

- **$50, before 10/1**
- **$60, starting 10/2**

Savor the deliciously harmonious blend of food & wine, as we host our Fall Wine Tasting. Sample an array of wines, proseccos, and Italian liqueurs and cordials, all while sampling Italian recipes from some of Tampa's best restaurants and caterers. All wines will be available for purchase by the bottle or by the case.

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Sal the Voice VALENTINETTI

Celebrating 100 Years

Friday, November 16th

1st Floor Check In at 7:00, 3rd Floor Showtime at 8:00pm

A jazz singer and crooner with the sound of a 1950s classic performer, Sal Valentinetti quickly rose to fame after appearing on season 11 of NBC's America's Got Talent. Valentinetti's initial audition instantly garnered attention and comparisons to music legends such as Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin. This event aims to provide audience members with an intimate and timeless experience. Proceeds to benefit the **Italian Club Building & Cultural Trust Fund** a registered 501C3 (ID: #59-2708291)

Tickets Available Online:

italian-club.org/events

This event will occur in the Club's Ballroom and will be set up theater style. Ticket Prices will vary from $40 to $75, based on seat location. All members will receive $10% off their ticket purchase at check out using a special promo code.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

In addition to the two fundraising events, the event committee is finalizing plans for three other events that will be associated with our 100 Year Celebrations. Because these events require significant planning, we have a few more items to tie up before we release them and put them on sale . Once these event details have been finalized, all members will receive a letter & flier in the mail.

- **November 16th - Sal Valentinetti in Concert!** - SURPRISE! We are excited to share with you that we were able to get Sal Valentinetti back to the Italian Club for a private concert at the Italian Club of Tampa! Sal was a hit at this year's Festa Italiana - and we are happy to report that he will be coming back to the Italian Club as part of a benefit performance for the Italian Club of Tampa's 100 Year Celebrations! We are working on the final details - so check your email for updates and more information!

- **November 17th, 2018 - 100 Year Celebration Reception**: the culminating event to honor our 100 Years will be honored with a more formal, Black-Tie Reception. This event will include a cocktail reception and with hand passed hors d'oeuvres in the Club's 1st Floor Cantina, followed by an elegant formal reception in the Club's 3rd Floor Grand Ballroom. Guests of this event will enjoy a wonderful sit down meal in a festive atmosphere filled with stories and camaraderie. The committee is also planning to recognize the contributions and dedication of our past Italian Club presidents, with a very special presentation. It is also the intention of the committee to once again revive the Paolo Long Award Reception during this event. As many of you know, this award is presented to a member or non-member of the Club, who has dedicated their life perpetuating Italian traditions, culture, and heritage throughout the community. This event will also include music & dancing to round out the celebratory evening.

- **December 9th, 2018 - Mass & Blessing**: the final event being offered as part of our 100 Year Events will be offered in conjunction with the Santa Lucia Program hosted by the Italian Club Ladies Auxiliary. This event will include a traditional mass, along with a ceremonial blessing. The intention of the committee is to honor the contributions and commitments of the many members who are no longer with us, and to blessing the building for the next 100 Years to come. Offering this in conjunction with the Santa Lucia Program, will be a wonderful way to marry young and old. Following the mass and blessing, the Ladies will host a social gathering with cookies and pastries with coffee, tea, and punch. This event will be free to attend.

- **October/November/December Lecture Series** - a club such as ours is rich in history, much of which is passed down through generations. The committee is currently looking into 3 dates, one in each of the months of October, November, December to host lectures. These lectures will be hosted by Dr. Gary Mormino, Honorable Judge E.J. Salcines, and Mayor Dick Greco. We are still busily working to finalize these dates, as well scheduling opening speakers. These lectures will be free to attend as well.

Share Your **100** *Year Story!*

Some of the best stories are the ones that are shared and passed down through generations. It goes without saying, but our building is rich with history - which would only mean there must be some really great stories out there! In our January/February edition of the newsletter, we heard some stories from the Caltagirone Brothers, and we'd love to hear more. As we celebrate 100 Years in our building, we want to know if you have a story to share. We'd love to share these stories with our members, friends, and families as we mark this milestone.

Please contact Mark Stanish & Barbara Denti Pool at:
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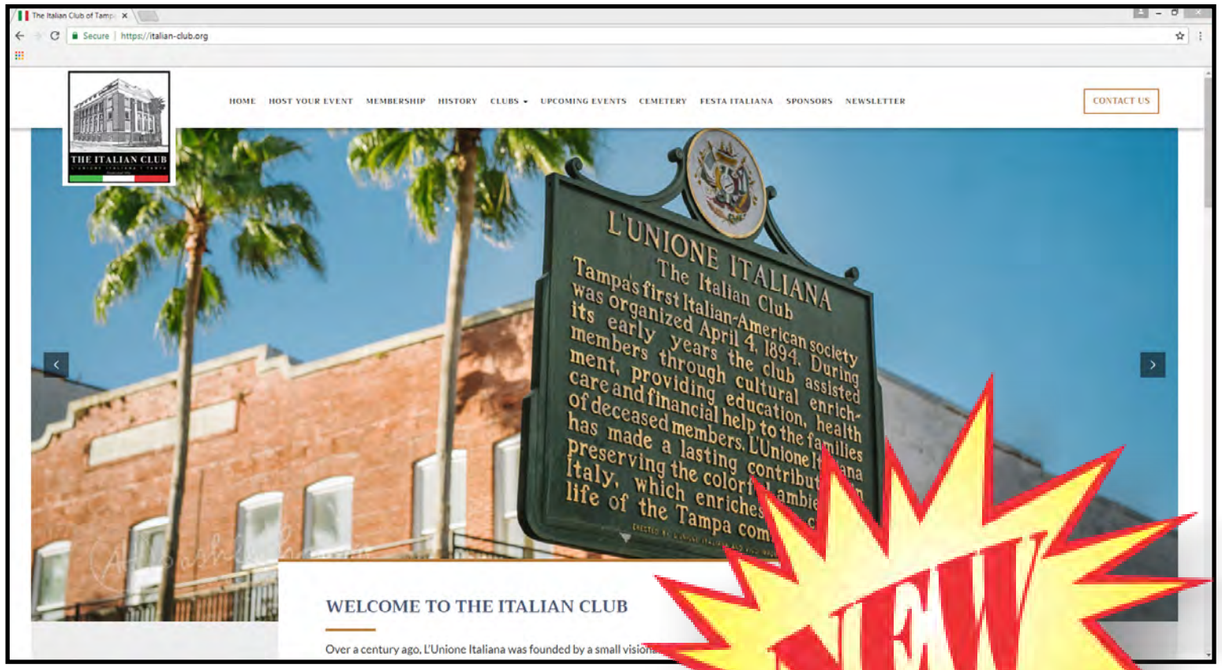

NEW

CHECK OUR OUR BRAND NEW ITALIAN CLUB WEBSITE

We are pleased to share with you that the Italian Club of Tampa has launched an incredible new website! This project has been months in the making, and the new design shows off the many facets of our Club. We launched this site with a brand new look, with lots of high-quality photos and graphics - to really promote our Club.

As you look through the new site, you'll see that we have made sure to include pages for our history, our clubs & groups, Festa Italiana, our Cemetery, and much more! The goal with this new website is to not only showcase the Club as both a Membership Club, with lots of activities and events taking place - but also as a private event venue, unlike any other in Tampa Bay.

Also on the site are many forms that users can complete to obtain new information, such as booking events, becoming a member, joining one of our clubs or groups, submit a question about our cemetery, or become a sponsor of the Club. Please take a moment, and check out:

Special Thanks to S3 Media for all their help with the design and layout of our new website. This team really helped us out with a wonderful design and format that is already producing results!

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Alexandria Sinadinos
Ralph & Leslie Allen
Tim & Jodi Ryan
Anthony & Lori Ann Bimonte, Dr.

The Italian Club of Tampa is always looking to grow and expand our extensive family of members. We encourage our members to invite family and friends to join our ranks! The Italian Club of Tampa has become an integral part of the community, and we strive to fulfill our mission each and every day. Our most important method of honoring this mission is through the dues and contributions provided by the members, their families, friends, and local businesses. As we move forward, we are looking to increase our membership and add new members to our already extensive family. As you may be aware membership dues are essential to the club's continued viability and revitalization efforts.

Welcome to the family!

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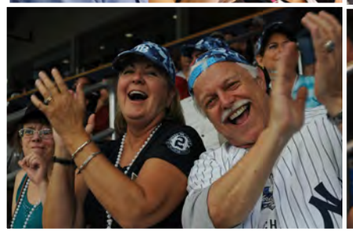
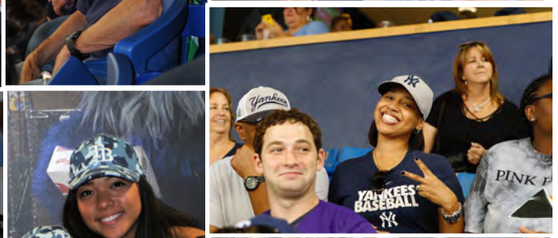
ITALIAN CLUB OF TAMPA GOES TO THE TROP FOR A GAME!

Back in June, the Italian Club of Tampa was invited to participate in Italian Heritage Night as the Tampa Bay Rays took on the New York Yankees. We had an incredible turn out - with over 150 members, friends, and families joining us for the game. We were the largest ever group to participate in Italian Heritage Night in the organizations history With over 150 of us in our sections, we rooted on the home team - as they went into extra, extra, extra innings - but came out victorious!.

From the looks of it - everyone had a blast - from the bus trip there, to comaraderie at the game, everyone agreed that this is something we must do again next year!





3RD ANNUAL SUMMER SEAFOOD BOIL WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

What a year it was! This years' Summer Seafood Boil, our 3rd Annual event - was one of the biggest we've had yet. With 160 guests in attendance, we were at capacity for the Cantina space - and boy did they come to eat! We also saw one of the biggest turn outs of Italian Club Members for this event, which in previous years was mostly attended by non-members.

Attendees to the event feasted on snow crab, shrimp, clams, mussels, crawfish, smoked sausage, sweet corn on the cob, red russet potatoes, and this year we added our own special recipe for cheddar bay biscuits! Everything was seasoned just right - with just right amount of salt and spice to keep you going back for more! Kudo's to our CRUSH Catering Team - we spent days prepping the meal and spent all day in the kitchen getting everything ready for our guests. Special thanks are in order to Chef Enzo, Charlie and Zeno - and the rest of the day of staff who helped serve our guests.

And no seafood boil is completely without a little something spicy from the bar - and this year, our guests were treated to special bloody mary beverages, complete with green chili vodka, bacon, a pickle, and an array of olives. To say they were a hit would be an understatement, as we went through 8 bottles of vodka!

If you missed this years event - not to worry, this event is a hit, and we will bring it back again next year!

MILESTONES & ANNOUNCEMENTS...

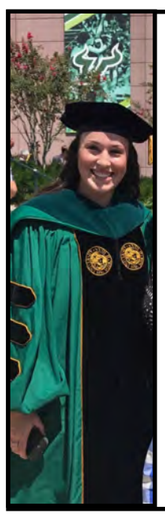
If you would like to announce a Milestone in our next newsletter, please send an email to mark@italian-club.org notifying us of what type of announcement it is, who it's for, etc. The more information you can provide the better (we may edit the content to fit).

Italian Club Member, Philip R. Lazzara is proud to announce that his grandson, Evan Tyler Lazzara, will celebrate his 11th birthday on October 12, 2018, and my granddaughter, Avery Paige Lazzara will turn 14 on November 23, 2018

In addition to that news - Philip will be celebrating his 76th birthday on October 28th, 2018!

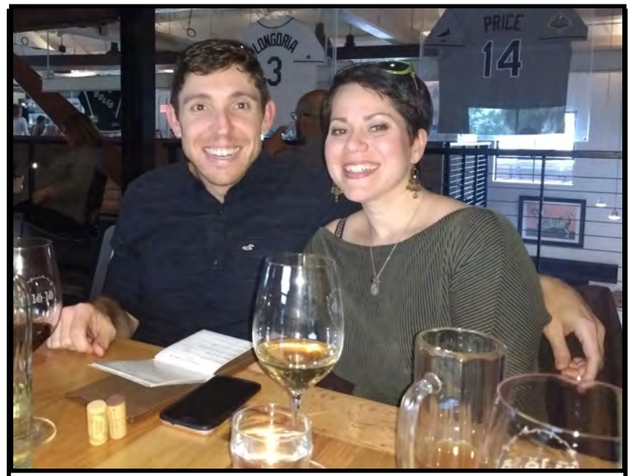
Marc and Jill (Carson) Ugo of Tampa will celebrate their 20th wedding anniversary on October 24th. They were united in marriage on October 24, 1998 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Tampa. Jill grew up in Heyworth, IL and Marc in Clinton, IN before they relocated to Tampa, where they met 22 years ago. They have two children, Jacob (18) who is a freshmen at Auburn University and Kate (15) who is a sophomore at Newsome High school. They have lived in the FishHawk community for the last 14 years where Jill taught pre-school and has volunteered at the kids' schools. Marc is a Senior Financial Advisor with Wells Fargo Advisors in downtown Tampa.

Congratulations



University of South Florida announced the graduation of Sarah Elizabeth Norris, from the College of Medicine and the school of Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation Sciences, with the degree of Doctor of Physical Therapy. Commencement was August fourth Two thousand and eighteen. Sarah is the granddaughter of Nick A. Muley and the late Betty Muley. At USF's Honors Program on August 3, 2018 Sarah was presented the "Dean's Leadership Award In recognition for academic and clinical excellence exceptional professional behavior and classroom and community leadership." The award is presented annually upon the recommendation of the Faculty. Sarah completed her undergraduate program at Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, and holds a Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training. Sarah Elizabeth Norris, PT, DPT, ATC, LAT. After commencement Sarah was given a reception with friends and family attending. The party was hosted by her proud parents Debbie and Chris Norris. Congratulations DR. Sarah.

Italian Club Member, Pizzaiolo Nick Cacciatore nominated for Best Chef in the Creative Loafing Best of the Bay competition.

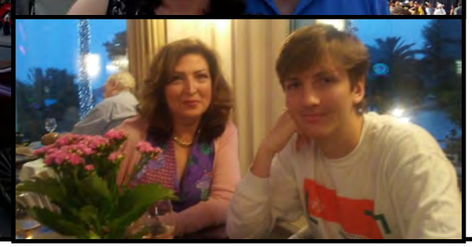


Mr. Roy Smay and Mrs. Dorothy Smay are proud to announce the upcoming wedding of their only child Mr. Daniel Smay to Miss Nangellie San Inocencio Luciano on September 29. The wedding will take place at Nativity Catholic Church and the reception will take place at the Tampa Club.

Italian Club Member, Ron Quartararo shared the above image. His dad, Salvatore Quartararo, will be honored at Yankee Stadium on September 15, as a World War II US Navy veteran. Sal served from 1944-1946, along with his 3 brothers who all served their country in the military at the same time. Sal was a Radio Man Second Class and served aboard the USS Sioux, an Ocean Tug in the South Pacific during the War. He was awarded the American Theater Medal, Asiatic Pacific Medal – 3 Stars and Victory Medal. Sal will be honored by the Yankees as their "Veteran of the Game" during the 7th inning. Ron and daughter in law Georgia reside in Tampa.

Share Your 100 Year Story!

Do you have an old photograph of the Club or an event that happened in the Club when it first opened? Share it with us! More info on page 8!



Sharon Mangione, Italian Club Ladies Auxiliary President, shared these photos from a vacation the family took this summer.

Wooo-whooooo

what a wild & fun summer it has been!

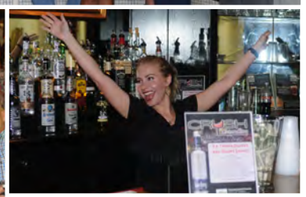
As we mentioned in our last article, CRUSH has changed its schedule a bit so that it only occurs on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month. The change seems to have been a success - as we've had over 200 guests each Friday night through the summer!

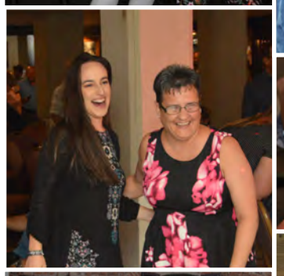
The 2nd Friday has been our Guest Chef Night, which allows us to bring in some special members and friends to offer up the culinary skills. We'd like to thank Linda Susca Stanalard and Stevie Gonzalez Jr. who stepped up in July & August and provided food to sold out crowds! These nights have become incredibly popular for us - and are drawing a whole new audience to the Club.

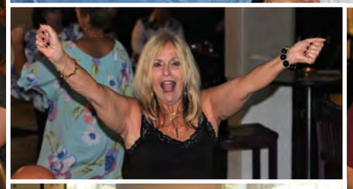
The 4th Friday of each month has been hosted by Gil Machin - a well-known local performer who has stated playing once a month at the the Italian Club's CRUSH Happy Hour. Gil has played in venues throughout Tampa Bay, and as a large following. We are happy to report he's found a home with us every 4th Friday!

Please make sure to check out page 20 of this newsletter - as it has our schedule of events for next several weeks on it. We have a great line of guest chefs and special entertainment. We expect a packed house for all of these events, so make sure to reserve a table to dine, or just come as you are and enjoy a drink and dance the night away!

As always, if you have any questions or want to make a reservation, please **contact Maria at CrushHappyHour@gmail.com**







CRUSH Happy Hour

September & October

Friday, September 14th
5:00pm-10:00pm

Guest Chef Night with Jo Ann Palchak

CRUSH Happy Hour is proud to be hosting the Italian Club's own, Esquire on Fire - Jo Ann Palchak for a delicious and very special meal to include: Hot Seasoned Rolls, Seasonal Salad (arugula with toasted pumpkin seeds, feta, and cranberry vinaigrette), Herb Roasted Fingerling Potatoes, Chef Carved Roasted Prime Rib, and Sicilian Cannolis! There will also be very special entertainment!

CRUSH Happy Hour is happy to have Gil Machin back at the Italian Club of Tampa for a night of incredible music and dancing. Gil has proved to be a powerhouse entertainer for us - bringing in over 150 guests regularly every time he plays! In addition to the incredible entertainment, you can expect a delicious meal courtesy of our CRUSH Catering Team - Enzo, Charlie, & Zena!

Friday, September 28th
5:00pm-10:00pm

Fourth Friday with Gil Machin

Friday, October 12th
5:00pm-10:00pm

Guest Chef Night with Michael Palmeiri

Michael Palmeiri, Italian Club Member & culinary extraordinaire will be our Guest Chef for a mouthwatering CRUSH Happy Hour! We are also excited to share with you, that back by popular demand, Otis & The Old School Band will be at CRUSH Happy Hour! Throw your hands up & shout! Special thanks to D&S Consulting for hooking us up with Otis & The Old School Band! Thanks Gio & Julio!

Come celebrate Fourth Friday at CRUSH Happy Hour! Gil Machin is back for a night of great entertainment and dancing. Our CRUSH Catering Team will be preparing an amazing meal as they always do. We will also be proudly working with a local company, TOUCH Vodka, to offer up a special promotion for those in attendance. Don't miss out on this incredible night out at CRUSH Happy Hour!

Friday, October 26th
5:00pm-10:00pm

Fourth Friday with Gil Machin

CRUSH HAPPY HOUR RESERVATIONS

Our new CRUSH Happy Hour schedule has resulted in very large turn-outs, and higher than ever attendance! As a result, we encourage our members, friends, and families to make reservations if you plan to dine. Walk-ins are always welcome, however advanced notice ensures we have enough food and are staff to accomodate.

Reservations: Maria @ CrushHappyHour@gmail.com

KREWE OF ITALIA NEWS...

Krewe of Italia had two successful summer socials. In June, we teamed up with the Italian Club for a field trip to Tropicana to celebrate Italian Heritage night We had over 100 Club and Krewe attendees!!!! In July, the Krewe of Italia invaded downtown Tampa Italian style. The fun began at Ricks on the River and ended up at American Social. It was good food and good company for a nice, summer, balmy evening on the river.

The Krewe of Italia has decided to postpone their October 5th Indoor Bocce Tournament - as they want all members, families, and friends to support the 100 Year Event Programming. This is an important year for the Italian Club - and the Krewe wants to be a part of that success. Not to worry though - the next Indoor Bocce Tournament will be on January 4th 2019!

"SAVE THE DATE" – The Krewe is hosting a pre-parade meet and greet social for all Krewe members, both old and new, along with parade guests at the Italian Club on Friday, October 19th starting at 6pm. There will be great music and dancing all night, along with drink specials for the Krewe. In addition to a delicious $13 buffet, there will be complimentary appetizers available. Please RSVP to Gianna Tagliarini Caravella at koi.italianclub@gmail.com for this social, as we need a headcount for the buffet. This event is open to all Krewe Members and families – so lets all get together before parade season!!

JOIN THE KREWE OF ITALIA TODAY!

Have you ever wanted to be in a parade? It's more fun to be in a parade than on the sidelines of a parade. Avoid all traffic congestion, parking problems, large crowds, and join the Krewe of Italia We are accepting applications for the 2019 parade season. Visit our website at www.Kreweofitalia.com for information and to fill out an application. If you have any questions regarding membership, please email Koi.italianclub@gmail.com.

FROM THE LADIES AUXILIARY...

Ciao amici,

The Ladies Auxiliary is back from summer break and are working together to serve the Italian Club and its membership. Through our events we demonstrate our love and appreciation for our Italian heritage, traditions, and culture and the Italian Club.

On Saturday, September 29th at 8:00 p.m. in the Italian Club Ballroom, we are hosting "Bananas, Bolita, and Bourbon Bash." Join us as we celebrate the Roaring '20s Ybor with a "bolita" raffle, Hors d'oeuvres, and giggle water, while dancing the night away. It will be the bee's knees, so be hip to the jive and contact me for your tickets now, the early bird gets the worm!

Wednesday, October 10th is The Italian Club Ladies Auxiliary Night at Hamburger Mary's Bingo. Gather your group of besties, rev up your daubers, and enjoy an amusing night with the "Girls" and the Ladies. Proceeds that night support our historic building and cultural trust.

We are actively seeking participants in our Call for Santa Lucia Candidates. A girl aged 12- to 13-years old will be selected based on her 100-word essay, "Why I would like to represent Santa Lucia." Essay deadline is November 15. Boys and girls are encouraged to participate and the event will be co-celebrated December 9, 2018 with a Mass blessing our 100-Year-Old Building.

Lastly, the Ladies Auxiliary is honored to produce this year's New Year's Eve Italian Club Party. Our committee is working diligently to offer our membership an evening of fun, heavy Hors d'oeuvres, music and DJ, and merriment culminating with a Midnight Champagne Toast and Breakfast Buffet. Don't miss your opportunity to receive complimentary parking by making your reservations early!

The Ladies are especially proud of one of our own, Gilda Capitano, who has worked so diligently as the Italian Club's Cultural Chair to offer a number of programs celebrating our building's 100th Year. Please be sure to support those unique and interesting events as well!

Grazie - Sharon Mangione, Italian Club Ladies Auxiliary President

Find us on Facebook

Please make sure to go and "LIKE" our page so you can stay up to date on upcoming events and happenings!

Italian Club Ladies Auxiliary

Santa Lucia Festival of Lights

December 9th, 2018 11:00am Mass

Seeking Santa Lucia Candidates & Attendants

This is an opportunity to celebrate our Sicilian Traditions!

Santa Lucia candidates must be 12-13 years old and submit a 100-word essay "Why I would like represent Santa Lucia" which will be the basis for selection. ESSAYS ARE DUE NOVEMBER 15th to smangione89@gmail.com. Santa Lucia will receive $100 and will participate in the Gasparilla Childrens Parade (her parents included). Attendants: girls and boys ages 4-16 are encouraged to participate.

If you have questions regarding the program, please contact:
Program Chair, Lynette Ciccarello Stine at 813-310-0203
or lmstine578@gmail.com

JOIN US FOR BINGO

Sponsored by The Italian Club Ladies Auxiliary Inc.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10TH
6:30PM–9:30PM

Please join us for a Fun "Bingo Night Fund Raiser" sponsored by The Italian Club Ladies Auxiliary, Inc. The event will be held at Hamburger Mary's, located at 1600 7th Ave., 2nd floor of Centro Ybor. We will be offering 10 Cards For $10! Please RSVP at 241-6279 as soon as possible. For further information, call Sharon Mangione @ 813-244-8299.

EAT, DRINK, AND BE MARY!

ITALIAN CLUB LADIES AUXILIARY

PRESENT

$75 per person
8:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

Heavy hors d'oeuvres,
Champagne Toast
Midnight Breakfast
DJ/Dancing

The Italian Club New Year's Eve Ball

Couples receive Free Parking if booked by 12/1. Email: smangione89@gmail.com

On MONDAY
DECEMBER 31st 2018

The Italian Club Cemetery received the following "In Memory Of..." donations:

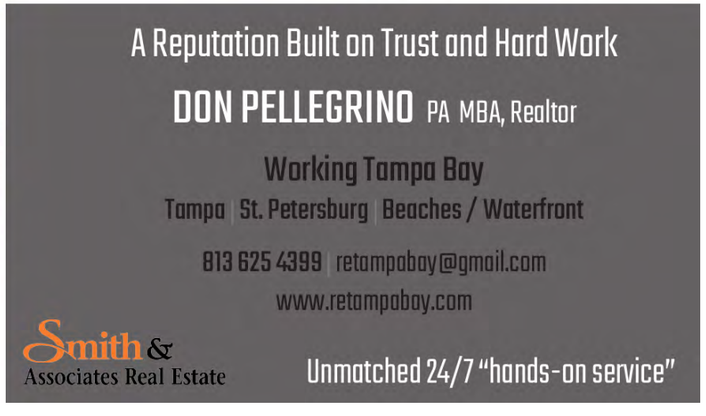
Grace Manna

Sam & Mary Pullara
Opti-Mrs Club of Ybor City
Ybor City Seniors

Harry Fonte

Joe & Gilda Capitano

The Italian Club Cemetery is open from 8:00am-3:00pm pm daily. The membership is welcome to walk the grounds and tour our historic cemetery and honor the many members and families of our Club. The Cemetery is located at 26th St. & 24th Avenue just outside the heart of Ybor City.



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