



Founded in 1984, NBICF brings people of all ancestries together to share all things Italian.

Messaggio del Presidente - George Golfieri

Cari Amici,

I would like to begin my message by recognizing the **Mangiamo committee, Susan Cole (Chair), Christl Unglaub, Virginia Smith, Virginia Wilburn, and Les Villanyi**. These members go above and beyond in their support for the Foundation. There is a lot of planning and hard work that goes on behind the scenes to plan the NBICF dinners. At the next member dinner, stop by the kitchen and say hello.

Here is an update on repairs to the Italian Cultural Center's roof and ceiling. The roof, ceiling, and A/C have been repaired, but at a substantial financial cost to the Foundation. The Foundation's available net cash reserves were reduced by \$9,238 or 21%. The Board of Directors works tirelessly to accomplish our mission of serving our cultural community, and the Foundation needs your support to continue our good work of providing a much-needed sense of community. The Board is asking for your support. Please take a moment to make a difference by making a donation to the Foundation's building fund. Every amount helps. **Grazie, thank you.**

Recently the majority of the Board Of Directors approved joining the **Santa Rosa Metro Chamber of Commerce**. The chamber is a community where businesses, individuals, and resources come together. The chamber gives the Foundation the exposure and opportunity to network with other businesses and non-profits throughout the Santa Rosa community. For more information about the Santa Rosa Metro Chamber of Commerce please check out their website at www.santarosametrochamber.com.

There are many reasons to study Italian, often called "il dolce parlare" (the sweet talk) and "la bella lingua" (the beautiful language). Italian is considered one of the most beautiful languages in the world. Therefore, I am happy to announce that the Foundation will once again offer **"Italian Summer Camp for Youth"** this July. This 1-week camp is a language immersion experience for youths 6 to 12 years old. Dr. Joli Love will return as the instructor. Please let me know if you are interested in volunteering as a counselor. For more information about the camp, please refer to the enclosed flyer.

On **July 4th** Americans will celebrate the 247th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, ratified on July 4, 1776 at Philadelphia. The Declaration's great principle, "All Men are Created Equal", was paraphrased from an Italian physician Filippo Mazzei, a good friend of Thomas Jefferson. The original phrase written in an essay by Mazzei was "Tutti gli uomini sono per natura egualmente liberi e indipendenti" (all men are by nature equally free and independent).

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Pizza, Birra, e Vino

9th annual fundraiser at the Center

Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 5:30pm

See enclosed flyer.

Reserve early / limited to 60 guests

\$25.00



Happy Birthday America

Fireworks have been part of Independence Day in the United States since its first celebration in 1777. Back in 2009, New York City had the largest fireworks display in the country, with more than 22 tons of pyrotechnics. A few of the popular songs during the fireworks include: "The Star-Spangled Banner", "God Bless America", "America the Beautiful", "My Country, 'Tis of Thee", and "This Land Is Your Land."

Sundays at the Center with Diane McCurdy

Doors open **1:30pm**, screening at **2:00pm**.

For information: 707-546-9654

Free - Snacks - No reservations required.

Showing Sunday, July 30, 2023

***Married to the Mob* (1988) 1h 44m. Comedy (R)**



Michelle Pfeiffer, Dean Stockwell, and Alec Baldwin redefine family values in this *bona fide* Mafia hit that is so hilarious ... "it's an offer you can't refuse." Angela de Marco (Michelle Pfeiffer) is fed up with her gangster husband's (Alec Baldwin) line of work and wants no part of the crime world. Angela must choose between helping the FBI or spending her life behind bars.

Showing Sunday, August 27, 2023

***Mediterraneo* (1991) 1h 36m Comedy/Drama (R)**

The film is set during World War II. A group of misfit Italian soldiers are sent to a Greek island in the Aegean Sea. Due to unseen circumstances, they are left stranded on the island. An Academy Award winner for Best Foreign Language Film. In the director's words "I'd like to dedicate this film to people who want to run away". In Greek and Italian with subtitles and in English.



Donations are kindly accepted.

Movies may vary due to availability

Ongoing Incontro group for informal Italian conversation. Please contact George Golfieri at 707-843-3176.

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Please visit NBICF.org About Us / Directors, for a short biography of each Board member.

Welcome

Membership News

Benvenuto

Welcome to our newest members of NBICF!

Individual

Cora Partmann

Raejean Smith

New Family Member

David Del Bonta

Patron

Thank you to all of the members that renewed as *Patron*

New Business

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Condolences to the family and friends of

Gloria Leandro

Ada Nourse

May they rest in peace

CARE HOPE GOOD SPIRITS HEAL RECOVER

to members and their families who are not feeling well

PAINT ITALY

NBICF Center
64 Brookwood Ave. Santa Rosa
Saturday, July 22, 2023
1:00 pm to 5:00 pm



Mixed Media Dreaming of Italy

Come paint, collage, and stamp your creation of
Dreaming of Italy

No previous painting experience required.

Cost includes: supplies, canvas, instruction and refreshments. You just bring your creativity.

To enroll send a check for \$45 to:

Susan Adler
307 Buckeye Circle
Cloverdale, CA 95425
or Venmo Susan Terracina Adler@paintitaly.

Reservations must be **received by July 8**.
Enrollment limited to 12. For more information
email Susan at adler@sonic.net.

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Thirty-one years after the ratification of the Declaration of Independence, Giuseppe Garibaldi was born on July 4, 1807 in Nice. Garibaldi was an Italian general, patriot, revolutionary, and republican. He contributed to the Italian unification and the creation of the Kingdom of Italy in 1860. The Kingdom of Italy claimed all of the territory which is modern-day Italy. Garibaldi is considered one of the greatest generals of modern times and one of Italy's "fathers of the fatherland." He died in 1882 in Caprera, Kingdom of Italy.

A side note on Nice: at that time, Nice was part of the House of Savoy which became the kingdom of Piedmont-Sardinia. Nice did not become a part of France until 1860 when it was handed over as part of the treaty of Turin.

"Finche' c'è vita, c'è speranza".

"As long as there is life there is hope."

Dear NBICF Members:

We sadly share the news that **Ada Nourse**, our beloved North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation member and loyal volunteer of the NBICF Scholarship Committee member, passed away on May 19, surrounded by her loving family. As many of you know, Ada, a native of Piemonte, Italy, was an extraordinary woman, who had a distinguished career as a Spanish and Italian instructor at El Molino High School and in Santa Rosa Junior College's World Languages Department.

To honor **Ada**, her **two daughters, Stefanie and Jennifer**, welcome donations to the NBICF Scholarship Program, which Ada spent so many years supporting and developing.

Your donations will go to supporting scholarships for deserving SRJC students embarking on a semester abroad in Florence, Italy each spring. The three annual \$1,000 scholarships, recently renamed the Sharie Sbrazza NBICF Florence Study Abroad Scholarships, are solely funded by donations and fundraising efforts.

If you would like to honor Ada's memory in supporting the international education of students, **you can make a donation by:**

Sending a check - payable to: NBICF and indicate the scholarship you are donating to. Mail to: NBICF, 64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404.

Donating on our **NBICF website**, <https://www.nbicf.org>. The donation link is on the right side of the home page. Proceed by clicking on the yellow donate button. Use the drop-down menu to select **Scholarship Fund** and select your donation amount and payment method.

Grazie, Gino Muzzatti

NBICF Scholarship Committee Chair (707-981-8252)

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How many members recall watching cartoons on Saturday mornings on TV?

Do you remember one of the most famous cartoon characters "**Woody Woodpecker**"? Woody Woodpecker and his trade mark laugh were created by Walter Lantz.

Walter Lantz was born on April 27, 1899 to immigrant parents from Castiglione, Cosentino, Italy. Their Italian surname was Lanza, but was anglicized by immigration officials at Ellis Island to Lantz. Lantz went on to create many other cartoon characters and made more than 800 short films, about 200 of them featuring the redheaded Woody Woodpecker with his trade mark laugh "**ha-ha-ha-HA-ha**". Lantz died in 1994.

Thank you George for the article. Information via online sources



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PLEASE
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Upcoming Events

July 10-14, 2023 - Monday - Friday, 9am - 12pm: **Italian Summer Camp for Youth "Vacanze Romane"** ("Roman Holidays") at the NBICF Center.

July 22, 2023 - Saturday, 1-5pm: **Paint Italy** at the NBICF Center.

July 25, 2023 - Tuesday, 5:30pm: **Pizza, Birra, e Vino**, dining *al fresco* at the NBICF Center.

July 30, 2023 - Sunday, 1:30pm: **Sundays at the Center** with Diane McCurdy, film: **Married to the Mob**.

August 27, 2023 - Sunday, 1:30pm: **Sundays at the Center** with Diane McCurdy, film: **Mediterraneo**

DELIVER TO ADDRESSEE OR OCCUPANT



July and August are packed with festivals in Italy. Ferragosto is a public holiday celebrated on August 15th in all of Italy and many businesses and shops are closed. Siena's famous bareback horse race around the central square, *Piazza del Campo*, takes place on July 2 and August 16. In the tiny Tuscan hill town of *Montisi*, a festival of medieval games is held on the Sunday afternoon closest to August 5. *La Fuga del Bove* (Escape of the Ox), is a colorful three-week festival in the Umbrian town of Montefalco near Perugia. From online resources.

Mosaico Culturale is published six times a year. It is the newsletter of the North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation, a California nonprofit membership corporation. NBICF Statement of Purpose: A nonprofit, open membership organization dedicated to the study, preservation, and enjoyment of Italian Culture. Founded in 1984, NBICF brings people of all ancestries together to share all things Italian. NBICF activities foster cultural awareness, celebrate traditions, and support education via scholarships, classes, and programs.

Mosaico Culturale Editorial Staff: Les Villanyi (editing and proofreading), George Golfieri, Marie Maggi-Wilson (editor) . Website: Don Raimondi

Members are encouraged to submit articles or items for publication. **Submit your articles two weeks prior to the bi-monthly Mosaico publication date.** Please submit articles as Word documents. Editors reserve the right to select and edit as space allows.

APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP

___ INDIVIDUAL: \$35 ___ HOUSEHOLD: \$50 ___ PATRON: \$100 ___ BUSINESS: \$150

___ STUDENT: \$10 (Please provide a copy of your valid student I.D.)

Please indicate your areas of interest below; mark all that apply.

___ Fundraisers ___ History ___ Italian Classes ___ Music ___ Scholarships ___ Volunteer ___ Other

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Please make your checks payable to NBICF. Mail to 64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404.

Applications can also be done via our website, **www.NBICF.org**.

For more Information, call: 707-591-9696.

THANK YOU

to those who have made donations to NBICF!

Your donations will help us maintain our goals of study, preservation and enjoyment of Italian Culture.

You can specify where your donation goes, such as the building fund, scholarships, in memoriam, or for any other reason, by indicating it on your check.

Mail your checks payable to **NBICF**, 64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404.

Donations can also be made via our website, **www.NBICF.org**.



Pizza, Birra, e Vino

9th Annual Fundraiser

Dining *al fresco* at the Center

Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 5:30pm



Dinner includes:

antipasti, all-you-can-eat pizza,
salad, dessert, and complimentary wine or beer.

(No outside alcoholic beverages allowed.)

\$25.00 per dinner

This event is **limited to 60 guests**



Reservations must be made by July 21

Pizza, Birra, e Vino - Tuesday, July 25, 2023 - 5:30pm

NBICF Cultural Center, Chinn Street parking lot

Name _____

Number of guest(s) at \$25.00 _____ Phone _____

Email address _____

Make checks payable to NBICF. Mail to 64 Brookwood Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95404.
Reservations can be made through the NBICF website at www.nbicf.org.

All net proceeds support SRJC Scholarship Fund and NBICF Cultural Activities.

Italian Summer Camp for Youth 2023

Join us for a lively week of Italian-made fun for youth!



"*Vacanze Romane*" ("Roman Holidays")

Monday – Friday, July 10 – 14 9am – 12pm

North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation Center

64 Brookwood Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404

(parking in the rear, enter on Chinn Street)

Fee Schedule \$95.00 (Additional discounts are available for multiple siblings)

This camp is a language immersion experience for youth ages 6–12 years.

Older/younger siblings may enroll at instructor's discretion.

Required COVID-19 mandates will apply, including washing of hands.
Sanitizer available.

The schedule includes:



The **Vocabulary Hour** with **Vocabulary Games**. The **Italian Snack** time. An indoor or outdoor **craft/sport activity**. The **Music Hour/Skit** practice time and, finally the **Italian cartoon movie** time. The youth will be supervised at all times by two adults and a camp counselor. Awards and surprise prizes will be conferred during **Friday's Final Show presentation and potluck lunch**. Friends and family all welcome!



Register quickly! Spaces are limited.

Name(s) of child(ren) _____

Age(s) _____ Phone number _____

email _____

Please use additional paper if needed.

Questions? Call the NBICF at 707-591-9696

Make checks payable to **Joli Love**, and mail with registration form to:

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