



The Galilean
RICHMOND GALILEO CLUB
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IMPORTANT DATES in JUNE

- June 3rd Member Appreciation Dinner 7 pm
- June 18th Men's Birthday Dinner 7 pm
- June 26th Golf Tournament E-Z Friday Dinner 6:30 pm

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Ciao Tutti,

I recently had the pleasure of attending my first Joe Meneghelli Bagna Cauda last month. What a great event! I would like to recognize Beth and the Women's Auxiliary for all the hard work that went into producing this event. From the food to the atmosphere, the entire dinner experience was fun and delicious. If you have not attended this event, put it on your bucket list.

As the dinner got underway and we donned our bibs, our chef célèbre Aaron Meneghelli was asked to say a few words. He discussed the many generations of family members of the club growing up and the many family events that took place at the club and the need to keep the club going for future generations to come.

"Many of us can remember visiting the club in our formative years. I personally recall entering the ballroom for the first time circa 1986. My father, brother and I were guests of a club member for a men's dinner. The cigar smoke went from about 3ft off the floor to the ceiling. I also remember that my black Levi's jeans were caked in oyster flour after we children were chased out of the bocce room. Nowadays, when I see men teaching their sons how to play bocce before our Men's dinner, I smile as the cycle is repeating. We can all agree that there is a special place in our hearts for the building but also for the memories that were created here." Aaron

As the building ages, so do our members. We have a rich cultural history here. But what is to come of our club? What is the spirit of our club? Is it the building or the members? This isn't exactly a chicken vs egg debate; however, I would argue that we need to continue to build both the membership and the physical structure of our club. How do we do this? We need to continue to invite friends and family to our events. Give them a memorable experience, then invite them to join. If they have a vowel at the end of their name, that's always a bonus. We need to increase our efforts to showcase the many facets of Galileo Club life. We are more than just a once-a-month super club. We should be hosting multigenerational events that will encourage younger people to join and younger families to fill our halls like they once did. We have a valuable space that remains underutilized throughout the week. Let's change that. I welcome ideas for new events and especially events that will help promote Italian American culture. Remember, it is not just my club or your club. It is OUR club!

Until next time, Ciao! Vincent Cortese

**MEMBER APPRECIATION DINNER and
 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
 WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3rd**

Cocktails 6pm / Dinner following the 7pm meeting.

This dinner is *free for all members* as a token of our thanks for your support to the Galileo Club. You may also bring your spouse or significant other to this dinner for a fee of \$20.00. **But you must make reservations by Sunday, May 31st** so we know how much food to make. The menu that night will be our **Wednesday Buffet Blue Plate Special**. Call or email!

MEN'S BIRTHDAY DINNER



On Thursday, June 18th our newest 50-year club member Mike Agostini, will be arriving from his home in Boise, Idaho, to be presented with his 50-year medallion at our men's birthday dinner. And you can witness this remarkable event and enjoy a terrific meal of **Half a Roast**

Chicken and Pasta plus salad, rolls, wine, coffee, ice cream and a shot of brandy. Get your friends together and join in as we celebrate Mr. Agostini becoming the Richmond Galileo Club's 44th 50-year member.

\$40 for mem - \$20 for boys under 12, and free for our June birthday boys & Gold Card members.

Cocktails at 6:00 pm and dinner at 7:00 pm
 Call 510-620-9797 or Email in your reservations.

The reservation deadline is
 Monday NOON, June 15th.

June Birthday Boys

Wayne Guidici	1 st	Antonio Muscardin	20 th
Jay Foreman	1 st	Roy Manzanares	22 nd
Danny Ursini	1 st	Thomas Chiozza	23 rd
Don Brocca	10 th	Michael DeLuca	24 th
Mike Cesmat	14 th	Anthony Piscatelli	27 th
Dennis Wright	15 th	Giuseppe Contardi	28 th
Julian Sandoval	16 th	Derek Del Simone	30 th
Remo Loyd	19 th	Steve Coates	30 th

Galileo Golf Tournament & Easy Friday Dinner

June 26th is our "Back to Franklin" golf tournament.

GOLF APPLICATONS are DUE by JUNE 10TH

The 26th is also the date for our "Easy Friday" dinner of **Ravioli and Roast Beef**. This fundraising event goes toward our toy drive, scholarship program and building fund. It is open to all and there will be a special raffle with special prizes. **5:30pm cocktails / 6:30pm dinner** \$40 per person/ \$20 for those under 12 Under 5 are free.

Reservations are due by Monday Noon, June 22nd

We would like to thank Glenda and Tim Rau for



donating and assembling 4 new high chairs to the Club, which were used in time for the Easter Brunch. In this photo, Eiichi Del Simone, grandson of V.P. Alan Del Simone, gives the new chair a thumbs up!