

LA TRINACRIA

SONS OF SICILY

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Jon Taormina

SOS Family-

What a great meeting we had last month. Can you believe the size of those pieces of breaded pork? We may have to buy bigger plates. How delicious!!!! The pasta, salad and chicken wings also hit the spot. And let's not forget about dessert. Thank you to the cooks for the great meal. Thank you to Ralph and the Nastrini for pouring such well-balanced drinks. Front desk and raffle crew represented as usual.



Very important!!! Based on low ticket sales for the June 11th family picnic we are deferring the picnic to our regular meeting date of July 10th. Hence, July 10th meeting will be a Family / Scholarship award night. We will have similar food as the normal picnic and award the scholarships after dinner. Cost for a family member is \$25. Looking forward to seeing you there. Treat it as if it were the picnic. The probable reason for the low ticket sales is all the graduations that are happening this time of year.

The club is beginning to look for volunteers for the Italian Festa coming up at Kelley Park:

August 5th and 6st - Italian Festa at Kelley Park

We will be hosting two booths again this year. Ravioli and Sausage sandwiches. See one of the Palermo Brothers to step up. Thank you to Ron and Craig for being the chairs of this great event.

I would like to congratulate Mike Maltese, Phil Cannizzaro, Big Joe Zambataro, and Dave Geraci for coming in 3rd out of 16 for a charity bocce tournament this week. This was the result of a donation to the Little Italy Foundation and it sounded like our representatives crushed it and had a great time.

Thank you,

Jonathan

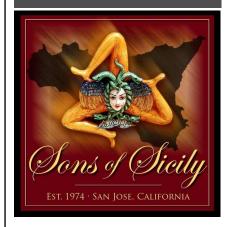
Sicilian Word Of The Month:

mari n.m. Sea

Loda lu mari e teniti a la terra.

Eng. Admire the sea and stay on the land.

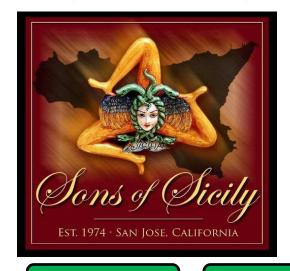
CALENDAR OF EVENTS



- June 5th Male Guest Night
- July 10th
 Family Night/Scholarships
- July 24th
 Annual Golf Tournament
- August 5th & 6th Festa with IAHF
- August 7th
 Regular Meeting

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Calendar of Events



January

February

March

April

- **9** Regular Meeting
- **6** Guest Night Meeting
- 11 Annual Crab Feed #1
- **6** Regular Meeting
- 11 Annual Crab Feed #2
- 3 Ladies Night/ Guest Night

May

June

July

August

- **1** Regular Meeting
- **19** Auito Wine Event
- **5** Guest Night Meeting
- **10** Family Night/ Scholarship Awards
- **24** Annual Golf Tournament
- 5 & 6
 - Festa With IAHF
- **7** Regular Meeting

September

October

November

December

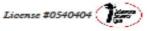
- **11** Male Guest Night Meeting
- **1** Little Italy Festa
- **2** Regu; ar Meeting
- **6** Male Guest Night Meeting
- **15** Adult Christmas Party (Members Only)
- **17** Children's Santa Party



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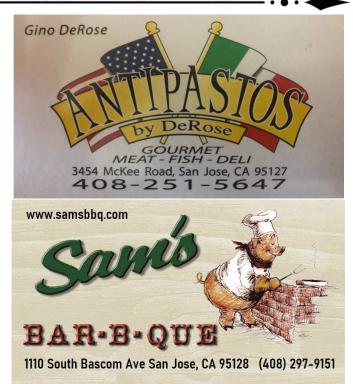
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If you have any news to report and want it placed in next month's newsletter, please contact me before the 15th of the month at **650-670-0777** or email me at: fredquidici64@yahoo.com.

Buona Salute a tutti e Dio Vi Benedica.

Fred

Joe Geraci a longtime brother and father of Board Member Dave Geraci passed away peacefully at home at the age of 98. Please keep the Geraci family in your prayers.

Please keep Anthony Gates in your prayers during his fight with cancer.

Sicilian Language - I thought I would bring this subject up again as I am getting ready to travel to my hometown of Trabia next month. So excited to see my family and lifelong friends, I always enjoy conversing with them in our native Sicilian language.

Yes, language because contrary to popular belief, Sicilian is <u>not</u> a dialect, it's its own language with various dialects spoken throughout the island. Read on...

Thousands of years ago the island of Sicily was occupied by the original Sicilians, the most well-known being the Siculi. These people spoke a language that has not been spoken for millennia, but some words (mainly local names for plants) still survive in modern Sicilian.



Once the Phoenicians and later the Ancient Greeks arrived, the indigenous peoples and their language were eventually supplanted. Dialects of Greek were mainly spoken in Sicily until the arrival of the Romans after the First Punic War. It was then that Sicilian received a substantial Latin influence but Greek continued to be the main language for centuries.

With the fall of Rome and the conquests of the Byzan-tine Emperor Justinian, Greek was further solidified as the Lingua Franca for most of Sicily. However, a new layer would be added to the Sicilian language with the arrival of the Saracens from North Africa. The invasions did not stop there of course as the Normans, Hohenstaufens, Angevins and Aragonese all took turns ruling Sicily. While not every conqueror influenced the local language, most of the major occupiers have at least bequeathed a few words and phrases which have helped to make Sicilian so colorful.



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Our next meeting will be on June 5th and is a Male guest meeting night. The cost will be \$25/ male guest and you must call Mike by May 31st

Our annual Family picnic has been cancelled for Sunday June 11th due to very low-ticket sales (less than 100). Because of the amount of money and time it takes to put this together the board has decided to reschedule the Scholarship and Family night as a Monday event on July 10th

Guest will be \$25 and kids 6-13 are \$15, under 6 will be free. Please call Mike with guests/family by July 5th.

Our annual Golf Tournament will be at Spring Valley on July 24th the cost will be \$175/golfer and will also include lunch & dinner Please see Mike M, Al Mistretta, or Mike B for tickets.

Coming in early August, the IAHF Italian Festa (August 5 & 6). Call Craig (408) 690-5339 or Ron Palermo (408) 425-8172 to volunteer to work on site at the San Jose History Park.

Call Mike-(408) 972-4986



See the schedule below for a quick reference in chronological order

June 5th – Male Guest Night (Must call Mike by May 31st)

July 10th – Family Night/Scholarships Awards (*Call Mike by July 5th*)

July 24th – Annual Golf Tournament (Call Al Mistretta For Tickets: (916) 799-3716

August 5th & 6th – IAHF Festa at San Jose History Park

August 7th – Regular Meeting Night

As changes occur, we'll keep you posted with updates.

Bob Scaletta — Social Events





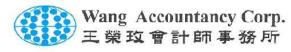


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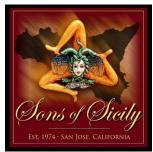
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