## SEATTLE TRENTINO CLUB April 2010

### **Dates to Save**

April 23, 7 p.m. Meet & Greet at Café Revò July 23 - 25 ITTONA Convention in Toronto August 15 Ferragosto Polenta Picnic September 24 - 26 Festa Italiana Seattle

#### **First Meeting Held**

Seattle Trentino Club held their first meeting March 20 at Café Revò. A quorum was present. On the agenda were adoption of by-laws and election of officers.

After reviewing the by-laws, they were adopted as proposed. If you would like to have a copy of them, please contact Joan Barker, 206-878-4502.

The elected officers are: Joan Barker, president; Mary Beth Mosèr, vice president; Anne Zadra, treasurer; Colleen Henry, secretary; and Bruce Johnson, parliamentarian. Celeste Henry was selected to be the youth representative.

See page 2 for introductions and photos.

#### Are You a Member Yet?

Your dues will help support our mission to provide enjoyable activities that will help us keep alive the culture of our emigrant ancestors and their land. A Membership Application form is enclosed. If you are already a member, pass it on to a friend or relative who may be interested.

# Meet and Greet Our Visitors

We will be honored by a visit from Ben Maganzini, the president of International Tyrolean Trentini Organization of North America (ITTONA) from Winchester, Massachussetts, and immediate past-president Gene Pellegrini of Chicago, Illinois. Please join us in meeting and greeting them at Café Revò, 2940 SW Avalon Way in West Seattle, on Friday, April 23, at 7 p.m.

#### **ITTONA Convention**

The International Tyrolean Trentino Organization of North America (ITTONA) will hold its 2010 biennial convention in Toronto, July 23 - 25. Toronto has a large and active community of Trentini. Information can be found on the Internet at <a href="http://2010ittonaconvention.blogspot.com/">http://2010ittonaconvention.blogspot.com/</a> with links to registration forms, hotel information, frequently asked questions, and more. Joan Barker will be attending and our club will be inducted as a member of ITTONA. If you are thinking about taking part call Joan, 206-878-4502.

#### **Elected Officers**



President Joan Barker, a founding member, is a lifelong Seattle-area resident. She is retired and lives in Des Moines, WA. She is studying the italian language and plays the accordion.



Vice-President Mary Beth Mosèr is originally from Colorado, but now lives on Vashon Island. She is writing her Philosophy and Religion Ph.D. thesis on Trentino Culture.



Treasurer Anne Zadra is a founding member, a relatively new grandmother, and a lifelong Seattle resident who now lives in South Seattle and works as a registrar at South Seattle Community College.



Secretary Colleen Henry is a life-long resident of Des Moines and works in the freight-forwarding industry as a customs agent. She is the mother of two schoolage children.



Parliamentarian Bruce Johnson is retired from the phone company and is a semiretired Orthodox priest. He keeps busy working on his novel and organizing museums for the Boy Scouts of America.

#### **Vital Members**



Founding Member Sofia Goff is the owner of Café Revò. She got us started by organizing our 2005 reunion and has kept us going by providing us with a venue for many of our activities.



**Founding Member Dan Zadra** has been a spark
plug for our organizational
efforts. He is the founder of
the motivational, inspirational and gift items publishing firm, Compendium.



Youth Representative Celeste Henry is an eighthgrader at Pacific Middle School and will attend Mount Rainier High School next year. She is an accomplished competitive dancer.

#### Ferragosto Polenta Picnic

Ferragosto, August 15, is a major Italian summer holiday originally named after the Emperor Augustus. It is also a holy day, the Feast of the Assumption. The major cities of Italy are very hot and humid at that time of year and most of their residents find a way to take a holiday weekend, or even the entire month, to get out of the city to the sea or the mountains (that's us!).

We will observe this tradition with a gala polenta picnic so be sure to save the date. There will be more information soon.

#### **SEATTLE TRENTINO CLUB**

#### Application for Membership

Name of Trentino/a
Name of partner
Names and ages of children in household:
Street address
Telephone(s)
E-mail address(es)
Relationship to emigrant(s), their names and the town(s) from which they emigrated, if known:

We are collecting stories of the emigration and subsequent histories of our members' families. We hope you will share this information with the group. Please use the back of this page.

Please send completed Application for Membership with \$25/household 2010 membership fee to:

> Seattle Trentino Club c/o Joan Barker 700 S 282nd Street, #742 Des Moines, WA 98198 For info call: 206-878-4502