SEATTLE TRENTINO CLUB February 2012

Dates to Save

February 19, 2012 Carnevale Festa at Tutta Bella 4411 Stone Way N/Wallingford District July 20-24, 2012 ITTONA Convention Minnesota

Let's celebrate carnevale

We have the party room reserved at Tutta Bella, 4411 Stone Way North, in the Wallingford District of Seattle, for a no-host Carnevale Party on February 19. This is the weekend before the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday, February 22. Carnevale is widely celebrated in Italy and is the equivalent of Mardi Gras or Fat Tuesday. We will be digressing a little from the Trentino menu as we enjoy the wonderful Neapolitan pizzas and salads that Tutta Bella does so well.

I have recipes for three specifically Carnevale dishes in my file -- *smacafam*, *crostoli* (or *grostli*), and a traditional pre-Lenten cookie. I would be happy to make one of them. Does anybody have any experience with these dishes? Or would you like to give one of my recipes a try? I am hoping that we can have some of each of these for everyone who wishes to have a taste of Carnevale as it is observed in the land of our roots.

Since that is Presidents Day weekend, I know some of you may already be booked up, so please let me know as soon as possible if you are planning to attend. They would like us to have a minimum of 30 persons to use the room but, if we have less, there is plenty of space for us in the regular dining room. If you are unable to e-mail, please call Joan at 206-878-4502.



A bonus for paid members

Our dues of \$25 per household come due in January of each year. This year, we are able to offer a free subscription to the magazine *Trentini nel Mondo* to any paid member who would like to receive it.



The magazine is printed entirely in Italian. You can flip through the January issue on the Trentini nel Mondo website http://www.trentininelmondo.it/. A subscription normally costs 20 euros by itself. Of course there are many other benefits to be had from membership in Seattle Trentino Club, so we ask you to submit your dues as soon as possible whether you are interested in receiving the magazine or not. If you have previously submitted one, an application is not necessary unless you have a change of information. Please indicate when you pay your dues whether you wish to receive the magazine. If you have already paid your 2012 dues, of course you are also eligible to receive *Trentini nel Mondo* magazine. Just send me an e-mail.

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STC Club Notes

Trentino Christmas Party

Our Trentino Christmas Party, January 8, was a great success. We had a turnout of about 60 persons ranging in age from 1-1/2 to 75 years.

We joined together to sing carols in both English and Italian accompanied by the accordion and the violin. We enjoyed a great meal, topped off by a wide assortment of delicious desserts. Babbo Natale presented stockings to the children and conducted a gift exchange based upon the story of La Befana, who made her entrance as the story ended and distributed *dolci, carbone* and *soldi* to the children.



Babbo Natale and LaBefana with gifts for the children.

Annual Meeting

The Christmas party was immediately followed by a well-attended annual meeting which produced a number of great ideas for future projects and activities.

Thanks to all who attended for their contributions and their interest in the club.

Election Results

Anne Zadra, who has served the club as treasurer since its exception, is presently not only working a full-time job, but also attending evening classes and asked that she be relieved of her duties during this busy time. We thank Anne for playing an important part in the founding of our organization and hope we will still see her often.

Colleen Barker-Henry was elected to assume the duties of treasurer. All other officers were confirmed by the members to continue in their duties.

Festa Italiana

At our annual meeting, we discussed our experiences last year at Seattle's Festa Italian and considered what our participation might consist of in 2012.

Many of you had good suggestions at the meeting and I'm hoping you will be willing and able to help transform those ideas into reality.

If you are interested in chairing or being a part of a committee to develop a plan for our booth, please e-mail me or give me a call (see contact info on front page). Festa is held at the Seattle Center and is scheduled for September 28-30, 2012.

A successful booth could result in new members, facilitate rapport with other local Italian groups, and provide income which would enable us to finance additional activities and projects.

Good things from the Province of Trentino

Applicants sought for Trentino Youth Exchange

The Province of Trentino is accepting applications from young persons of Trentin origin, aged between 18 and 35, who are interested in participating in the 2012 Trentini Youth Exchange Program. *Applications must be received by February 28, 2012.* Information and application forms are available online at:

http://www.mondotrentino.net/giovani/interscamb i_giovanili/-informazioni_interscambi_giovanili/ pagina12.html

Scholarships Available

Scholarships for ICON online language courses for beginners, middle and advanced levels will be increased. The scholarships for Masters degrees which previously applied only to the University of Trento have been extended to include studies at other universities in Italy. The scholarships for research doctorates at the University of Trento are still being offered and there are also grants for research thesis on the topic regarding Trentino emigration. For details see: http://www.mondotrentino.net/borse_studio/

What's your line?

The Trentini nel Mondo organization has requested us to send them information regarding the occupations of our members. They plan to use them to "create a mapping of professionalism and entrepreneurial activities of Trentini" with particular regard to active members of the clubs. If you have no objection to sharing this information, please send me an e-mail listing your occupation(s) and whether or not you are retired.

Grants available for older emigrants from Trentino

The Province of Trentino is accepting applications from native Trentini over 60 years of age who have not returned to Trentino within the past 15 years for grants to enable them to revisit their land of origin. The grant will provide reimbursement for their travel. For emigrants who have no one in Trentino to host them, reimbursement is available for meals and accomodations for up to 15 days at a rate of no more than 80 euros per day. Application forms and more information are available at:

http://www.mondotrentino.net/ritorno_temporaneo/

Trentino Emigrazione publications

Sadly, production of the magazine *Trentino Emigrazione* has evidently been suspended. However, the calendar is still being sent free to all Trentin descendants. This year's calendar was very special, featuring four of Trentino's castles and those wonderful tall stoves that provide heat in the traditional Trentino home. The text in this publication is provided in English, among other languages, so it is understandable by all. The photography is always outstanding.

Sign up to receive this by clicking on the words "<u>clicca qui</u>" right under the addresses and phone numbers on this page:

http://www.ufficiostampa.provincia.tn.it/trentino_ emigrazione

NEXT: Check out the page for the NExT network of Trentini nel Mondo. NExT stands for *Nuove Energie X il Trentino* (New Energy X the Trentino): <u>http://next.trentininelmondo.it/en</u>



By Tom Agosti

Installment 2

First, birth records for anyone born in Trentino between 1815-1923 have been computerized. They can be found online at: http://www.natitrentino.mondotrentino.net/

Next, the Ellis Island website lists the arrival of many immigrants from Trentino. http://www.ellisisland.org

Be creative in spelling of the hometown, and be sure to click through to large PDFs of the actual ships' manifests, which give interesting details.

Finally, the genealogy project for the Bertganolli family from Val di Non/Val di Sole area is an invaluable resource IF your ancestors come from 6 villages they list: Fondo, Tret, Preghena, Livo, Cusiano or Pellizzano. These pages contain the following names common to the Seattle Trentino Club: Agosti, Baldessari, Fellin, Flor, Paoli, Rauzi, Zadra, Zuech

Fondo and Tret http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/ ~bertagnolli/progen2/bertagnolli/wgasurs.html

Preghena and Livo http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/ ~bertagnolli/progen2/livo/wgasurs.html

Cusiano and Pellizzano (Val di Sole); http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/ ~bertagnolli/progen2/Cusiano/wgasurs.html If you do find someone known to you, you can trace back paternal and maternal lines. These are basically all of the records that can be found in the Mormon Family Heritage microfilm records for these areas. If you contact the administrator, she can send the data in electronic format (GED) Jalyn Bertagnolli genmom62@yahoo.com

Happy hunting!

Italian Interest Group

From Joan: a copy of the latest meeting notice from the Italian (genealogy) Interest Group:

Italian Interest Group Meeting

Meeting is on Saturday, February 18, 1:30 to 3:30pm at Bellevue LDS Stake, 10675 NE 20th Street, Bellevue.

Topic: Bring one or more rare or unusual documents.

If it is already scanned, you could bring it on a flash drive as there will be a projector available to display it to the group.

These should be documents that we don't usually see.

Then tell how the document came into your possession, what information you gleaned from it and how it has helped you to know your family history better.

Hope to see you at the meeting, Thanks, Mary



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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 2012 membership fee to:

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