

### Ciao Tutti

### Welcome to the February 2024 meeting



**President – Mike Palmieri** 

Vice President – Sal Saladini

**Treasurer – Steve Selvaggio** 

**Recording Secretary – Ann Allevi** 

**Membership Chair – Debbie Stone** 

Scholarship Chair – Ann Allevi

**Trips Coordinator – Colleen Kolibas** 

**Ballroom Hospitality Coordinator – Debbie Stone** 

Sergeant at Arms – Cataldo (Charlie) Minutillo





### AGENDA



- Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance Mike/Cataldo
- · God Bless America All
- Opening Remarks Mike
- Invocation Monsignor Saladini
- January Minutes Ann
- Treasurers Report Steve
- Membership Update Debbie
- Superbowl Update Mike
- "I am an Italian" Presentation Mike
- Frank Marchese's Italian Lesson
- Recent Trip Photos Mike
- Upcoming Jitney Trips Mike/Colleen
- Upcoming Clubhouse Events Mike
- A Peek into Italy Sal
- · Dessert & Coffee









Kate Smith God Bless America

### God Bless America

God bless America
Land that I love
Stand beside her
And guide her
Through the night
with a light from above

From the mountains
To the prairies
To the oceans white with foam
God bless America
My home sweet home

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**God Bless America - Kate Smith** 

### **Monsignor Saladini**



Invocation

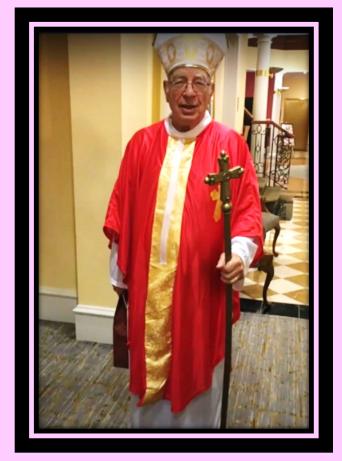


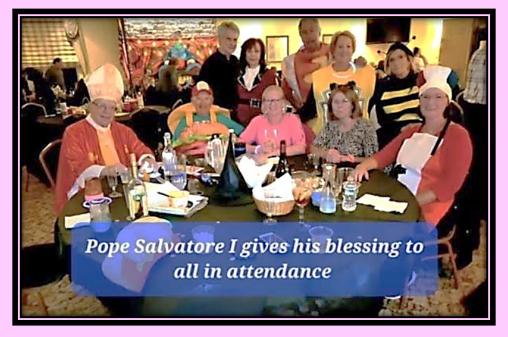


















#### **IACC Meeting Minutes - January 2024**



Mike Palmieri called the meeting to order at 7 pm. He opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and then everyone sang God Bless America.

Sal Saladini did an invocation. Mike requested a moment of silence for Chet Trechok who was a longtime member of the Club. Mike and Rich Allevi addressed the holiday table issue.

Mike thanked Fred and Laura Campo for donating the basket at our Christmas Dinner Dance. Ann Allevi read the minutes of the December meeting.

Mike mentioned that Steve Selvaggio was sending out a survey to members looking for trip/event suggestions. Ann gave a scholarship update. All schools are in receipt of our application for students.

Rich, in Steve's absence, announced the balance in our treasury in December was \$29,799 and January's balance is \$32,299. Large expenses were Doolan's of \$3,350 and the Christmas party of \$5,100. Large deposits were Christmas party of \$8,100, Doolan's of \$4,102, and dues of \$2,650.

Ann, in Debbie Stone's absence, gave the membership update. We currently have 497 paid members and 49 honorary members for a total of 546 members.

Mike announced that he still has some boxes left for his personal Super Bowl pool.

Colleen Kolibas mentioned our upcoming trip to Destination Dogs on January 18<sup>th</sup> for 24 members at \$7 each. Jitney will leave at 1:10 pm. She is also looking at New Brunswick PAC to see the NY Troubadours in April, and a trip to the Siemenski Theatre in Basking Ridge to see So Good on June 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.

Mike announced that the Jersey Surecats will be here on February 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm with a cost of \$25/pp. Flyers for Destination Dogs and the Surecats will be handed out after the meeting. He is looking for ideas for overnight trips.

Sal gave a presentation on the town of Castellana Grotte, Italy.

Mike asked for suggestions for activities and events. He mentioned that Paula Schwartz gave him a nice writeup of famous Italians in the US which he will share at the next meeting. He asked people to sign up to bring desserts to the next meeting.

Rich played Steve's video of recent trips and activities. Mike thanked Charlie Inghilterra for all the pictures he shares with us of our activities.

We then sang That's Amore with Vince Martell and Chris Zavoda, and Mike adjourned the meeting at 8:04 pm. Next meeting will be on February 5<sup>th</sup>.



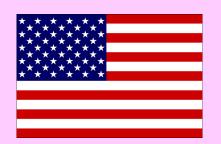
### **IACC 2024 Scholarship Update**



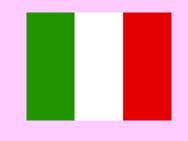
There are 8 IACC Committee members:

Mike Palmieri, Sal Saladini, Ann Allevi, Maryann Brewer, Jean Ciampa, Barbara Kane, Marie Lyttle and Elizabeth Victor

- We sponsor 5 area high schools (Franklin, Hillsborough, Immaculata, Manville & Somerville) and a merit based scholarship is awarded to a senior at each school.
- This year's application was submitted to each of the schools in December. We continue to contact the schools to promote our scholarship. The next meeting of the Committee will be on February 6<sup>th</sup>.
- The Scholarship Committee thanks you for your continued support of our scholarship fundraising efforts, especially for your help in paying dues as this is a critical component of funding our scholarships.

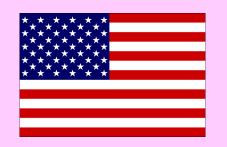


### IACC Treasurers Report Feb 2024



January Balance was \$ 32,299

February Balance is \$33,519



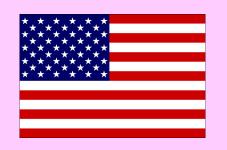
# IACC Treasurers Report



# Expenditures

- 1) Jersey Surecats Band \$600
- 2) Expenses for attending Worldwide Italian American Treasurers conference in Rome \$14,200 (which includes gratuities)



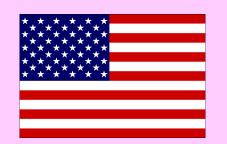


# IACC Treasurers Report Large Deposits In



- 1) Dues \$1,670
- 2) \$5,000 released from Escrow as it appears they are not pressing charges stemming from Mike's Super Bowl Pool





## IACC Treasurers Report

### Dues

Hmmm...Nice, Nice, Naughty, Nice...

1) Please send in your dues as soon as you can.

### 2) Gratuity

- 15% \$ 3.00
- 18% \$ 3.60
- 20% \$ 4.00



### <u>Membership To Date</u>

MEMBERS 510
HONORARY MEMBERS\* 46
TOTAL MEMBERS 556
\*85 yrs+

PAID MEMBERS TO DATE 306

### Only paid members can attend trips and events

### New Members

BOB & SHANA COLLIDGE
SHARON DEMATO
CAROL GOLDWASSER
DICK & MARIAN LLOYD
ELEANOR OGIN
JOSH & SUZAN PALGI
MARION RILEY
NANCY RIZZO
GAUTAM & KIRAN SHASTRI

### 2024 Dues (Jan-Dec)

New members \$25/PP Renewals \$20/PP

### IACC Membership Update



Benvenuto.!!



"Mike's" Superbowl Pool

Not affiliated with the IACC

\$20/Box





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1Q \$200 / Rev \$ 50 Half \$350 / Rev \$100

3Q \$200 / Rev \$ 50

Final \$600 / Rev \$150

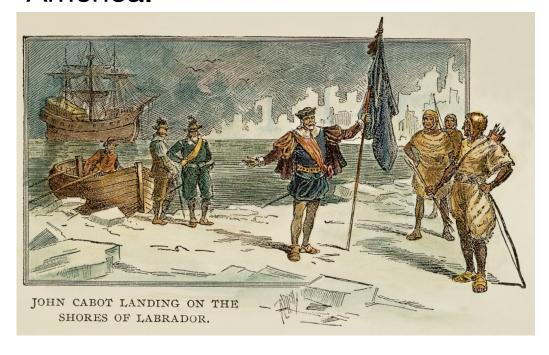
**Scholarship Donation \$300** 

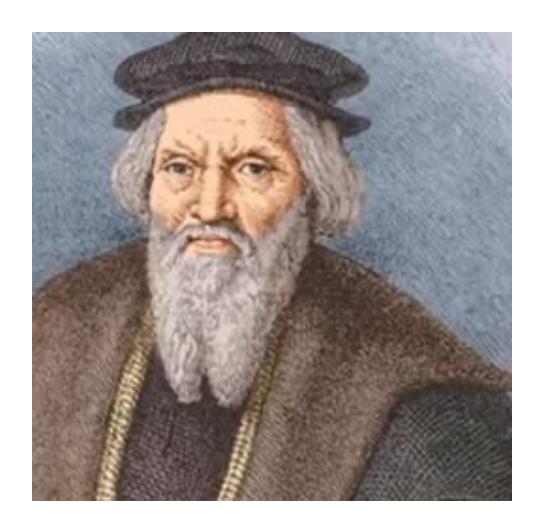
and from my ancient world, I first spanned the seas to the New World. I am <u>Cristoforo Colombo</u>.



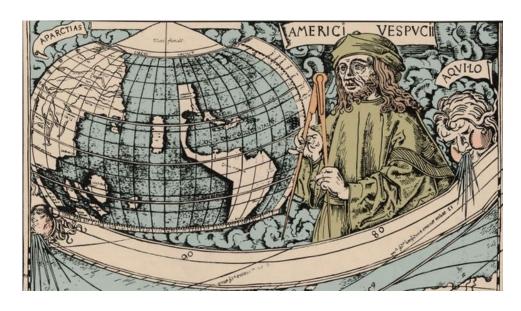


I am Giovanni Caboto, known in American History as **John Cabot**, discoverer of the mainland of North America.





I am **Amerigo Vespucci**, who gave my name to the New World, "America.





First to sail on the Great Lakes in 1679, founder of the territory that became the state of Illinois, colonizer of Louisiana and Arkansas-I am **Enrico Tonti.** 



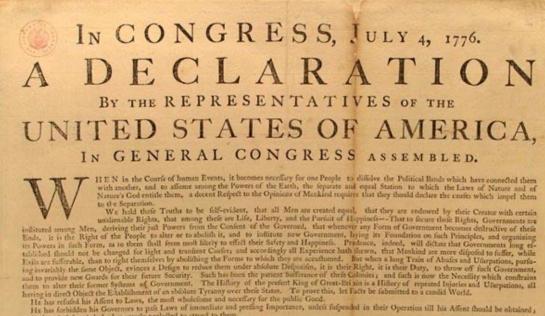


I am <u>Filippo Mazzei</u>, friend of Thomas Jefferson, and my thesis on the equality of man was written into the Bill of Rights.





I am William Paca, signer of The Declaration of Independence.



His has forbidden his Governors to pain Laws to make the same thought to attend to them.

It has refused to pain other Laws for the Accommodation of large Districts of People, unless thought would relinquist the Right of Representation in the Legislators, a Right inefficiable to them, and formidable to Tyrants only.

It has called together Legislative Bodies at Places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the Depository of their public Records, for the fole Purpose of

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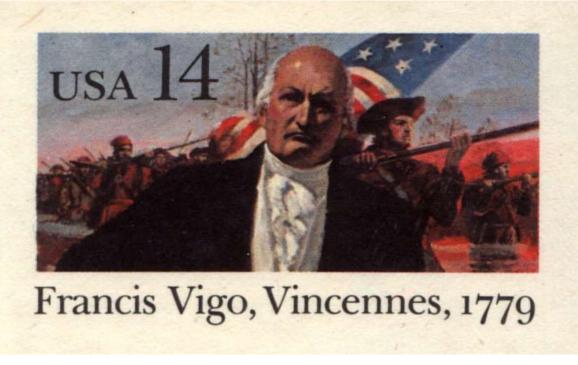
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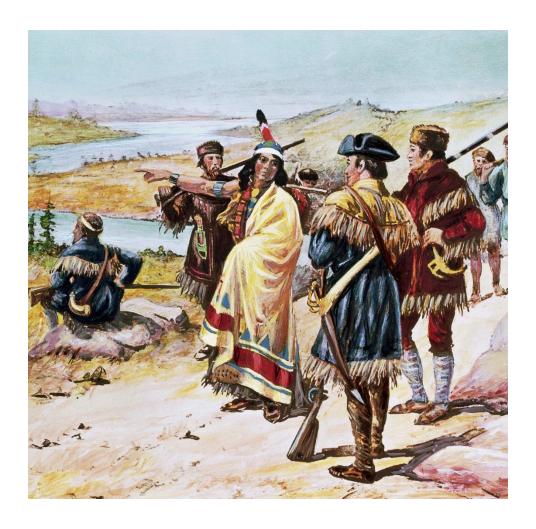
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I financed the Northwest Expedition of George Rogers Clark and accompanied him through the lands that would become Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin and Michigan. I am **Colonel Francesco Vigo.** 





### I'm an Italian - Who am I?

I just won the Australian Open Tennis Grand Slam last week at age 22

I'm the first Italian player EVER, male or female, to win the Australian Open.

I'm the third Italian man ever to win a Tennis Grand Slam title.

I defeated reigning #1 in the world, Novak Djokovic, and in doing so snapped Djokovic's 33-match winning streak at the Australian Open.

I became the first player EVER to beat Djokovic in an Australian Open semifinal.

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope Francis congratulated Italy on Monday after Italian tennis player <u>Jannik Sinner</u> became the country's first man to win a Grand Slam singles title in nearly a half century.



Australian Open Tennis Champion – Jannik Sinner with his trophy at the Colosseum

Jannik Sinner was born in 2001 to Johann and Siglinde Sinner in <u>Innichen</u> in the region of <u>South Tyrol</u> in <u>northern Italy</u>. He grew up in the town of <u>Sexten</u>, Italy the family hometown, where his father and mother work as a chef and a waitress at a <u>ski lodge</u>.

Sinner began both skiing and playing tennis at age three. He won the national championship in giant slalom at age eight.

While training in skiing Sinner gave up tennis for a year at the age of seven before his father pushed him to return to the sport of tennis. Nonetheless, tennis was still only his third priority behind skiing and soccer.

At the age of 13 Sinner decided to give up skiing and soccer in favor of tennis.

### Jannik Sinner's Family









### Frank Marchese's Italian Lesson



### THE DAYS OF THE WEEK - I GIORNI DELLA SETTIMANA

Today is Monday - Oggi e Lunedi Tomorrow will be Tuesday - Domani sara Martedi Then comes Wednesday - Poi viene Mercoledi Then Thursday - Poi Giovedi Then Friday - Poi Venerdi Then Saturday - Poi Sabato And finally Sunday - e finalmente Domenica





# ITALIAN AMERICAN CLUB DESTINATION DOGS JITNEY TRIP



**MEMBERS ONLY \$7 - LIMITED TO 24 MEMBERS** 

THURSDAY, JAN. 18TH

JITNEY LEAVES CLUBHOUSE @ 1:10 PM

**QUESTIONS: CONTACT COLLEEN KOLIBAS 732-259-8042** 



### **Destination Dogs**











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### **UPCOMING TRIPS, EVENTS & ACTIVITIES**





FRIDAY
FEB 16<sup>TH</sup>
7PM



#### **OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY**

**ITALIAN AMERICAN CLUB Presents** 

## DANCE TO THE JERSEY SURECATS BAND

FRIDAY, FEB 16th at 7pm - Admission \$25

**BYOB & Snacks** 

**COFFEE AND DESSERT** will be served

Questions: CONTACT DEBBIE STONE (908) 380-0884



BYOB AND SNACKS



#### ITALIAN AMERICAN CLUB

ST. JOSEPH PASTRY NIGHT

**DELICIOUS ITALIAN PASTRIES AND** 

**VOCAL ENTERTAINER JOHN TERRANO** 

TUESDAY, MARCH 19 – CANAL WALK BALLROOM

7PM \$15 PER PERSON MEMBERS ONLY

**CONTACT DEBBIE STONE 908-380-0884** 



#### ST. PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL



#### **ITALIAN AMERICAN CLUB - MEMBERS ONLY**

TUESDAY, March 5, 2024

#### DOOLAN'S/SHORE CLUB - SPRING LAKE

JITNEYS LEAVE CANAL WALK @ 10AM - RETURNS APPROX. 5PM

#### \$76 PER PERSON INCLUDES 1 HOUR OPEN BAR

PLUS CHOICE OF FOLLOWING:

SELECT 1 PER PERSON: CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE, ½ ROASTED CHICKEN, OR HERBAL SALMON. PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR <u>CHOICE BELOW</u>

INCLUDES: FRESH GARDEN SALAD, CATERER'S CHOICE OF SOUP, POTATO & VEGETABLE, DESSERT & COFFEE, WINE & SODA DURING LUNCH

SHOW STARRING "THE" MIKE BYRNE - IRISH TENOR, AN IRISH BAND, A COMEDIAN AND BAGPIPES ROUND OUT THE SHOW. LET'S MAKE IT A GREAT DAY FOR THE IRISH AND WEARIN' OF THE GREEN \*\*

QUESTIONS: CONTACT COLLEEN KOLIBAS @732-259-8042

#### IACC – SAVE THE DATES 2024

Tues, 3/5 - Doolan's/Shore Club-"St. Pat's Event"

Tues, 3/19 - St. Joseph's pastry night with a singer

Sat, 4/13 - NBPAC - Taylor/Simon/King

"American Troubadours"

Sat, 5/11 - "Wild Rose" (Guy & Grace) Dance

Thurs, 5/30 – Doolan's/Shore Club – Billion Dollar Trio Patsy Cline/Olivia Newton John/Neil Diamond

Thurs, 6/13 – Country Western band & Line Dance Lessons

Sat, 6/29 – Sieminski Theatre – "So Good"

Neil Diamond Tribute w/Robert Neary

Tues, 7/9 – Possible winery – Brook Hollow?

Fri, 8/2 - Jersey Surecats Dance

Tues, 8/13 – Possible trip to temple in Robbinsville & Pizza Restaurant

Thurs, 8/22 – Bronx Wanderers – Cooper River Park

Wed, 8/28 – BBQ & Games Day

Tues, 10/22 – Possible Doolan's/Shore Club
"Four Seasons & Frankie Valli Tribute"

Fri, 10/25 - Retro Rockers Halloween Dance

Tues, 10/29 – Possible corn maze trip (if they do mid-week groups)

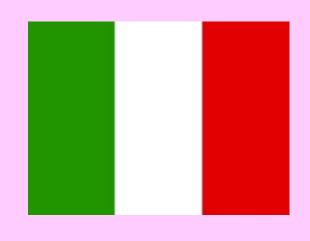
Thurs, 12/5 - Doolan's/Shore Club - Holiday Show

Sat, 12/14 - Christmas Dinner dance

A peek into Sciacca, Sicily

Brought to you by Sal





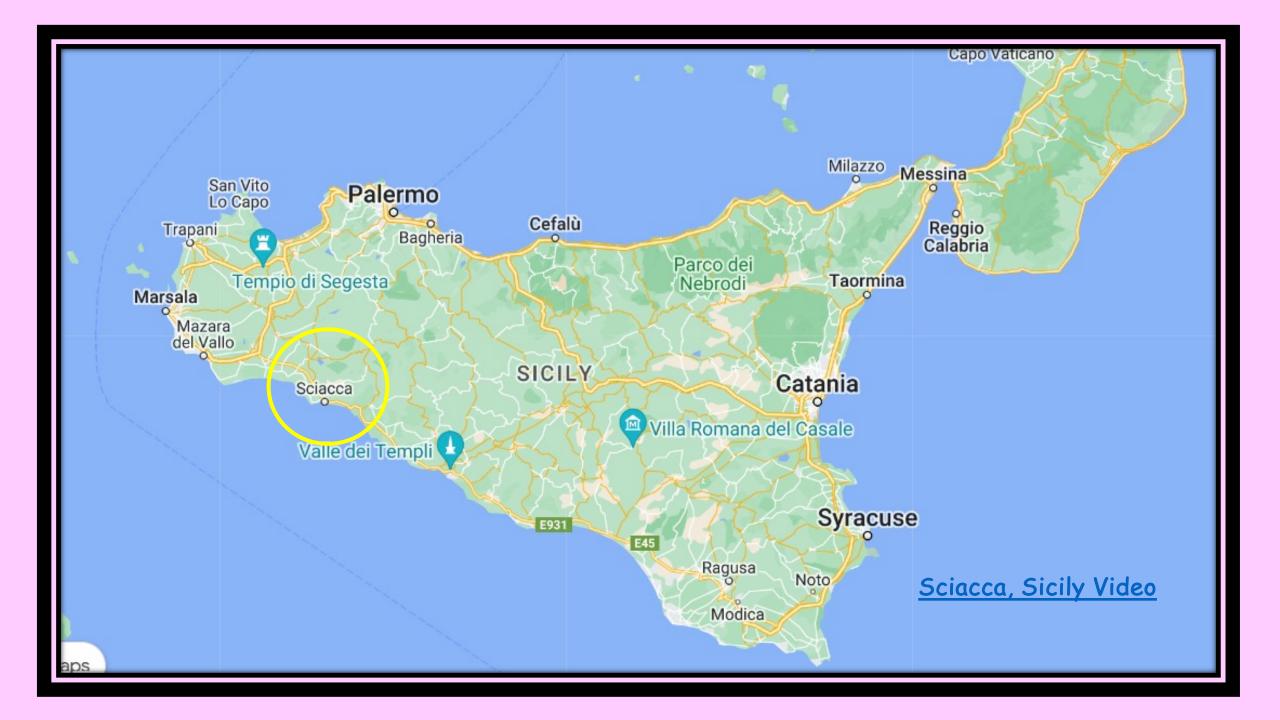
Sciacca is a town and commune in the province of Agrigento on the southwestern coast of Sicily. It has wonderful views of the Mediterranean Sea





## Sciacca, Sicily







# We are looking for dessert volunteers

Sign up sheet at front table

#### That's Amore

In Napoli where love is king, when boy meets girl here's what they say...

When the moon hits your eye like a big pizza pie, that's amore
When the world seems to shine like you've had too much wine That's amore

Bells will ring
ting-a-ling-a-ling, ting-a-ling-a-ling
And you'll sing "Vita Bella"
Hearts will play
tippy-tippy-tay, tippy-tippy-tay
Like a gay tarantella

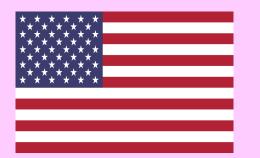
When the stars make you drool just like a pasta fazool
That's amore
When you dance down the street with a cloud at your feet
You're in love

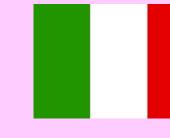
When you walk in a dream but you know you're not dreaming signore Scuzza me, but you see back in old Napoli That's amore

## Buon Notte'



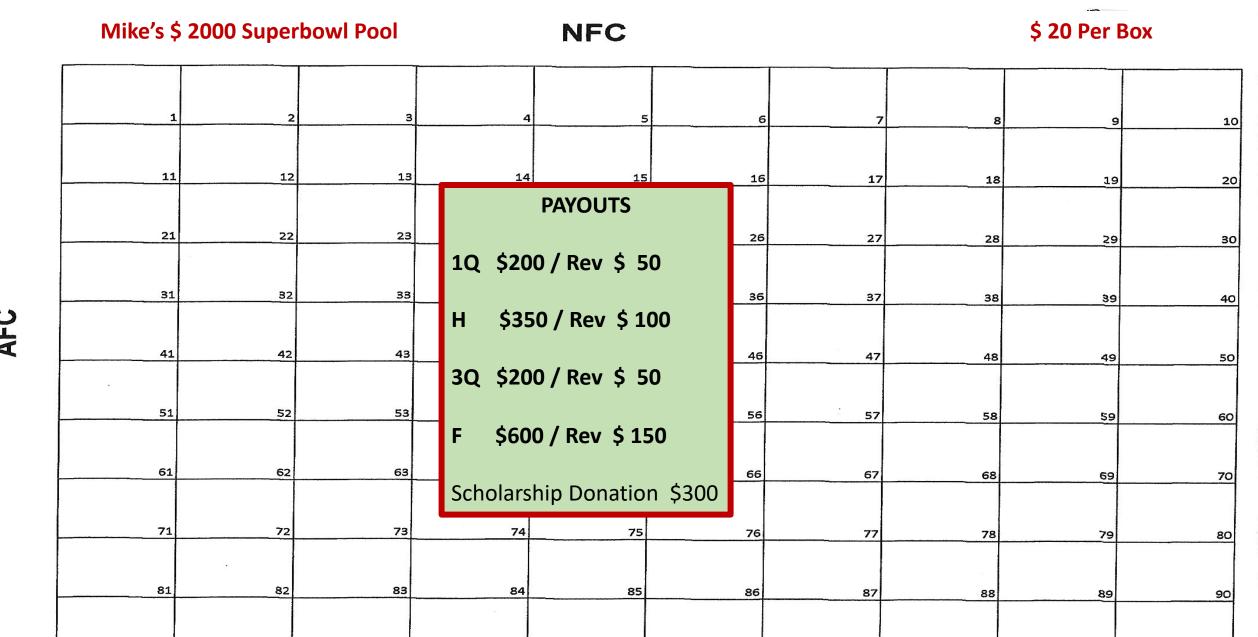
See you at the next meeting on Monday, March 4th





## And now, a video presentation brought to you by Steve...





**PAYOUTS** 

1Q \$200 / Rev \$ 50 H \$350 / Rev \$ 100

3Q \$200 / Rev \$ 50 F \$600 / Rev \$ 150

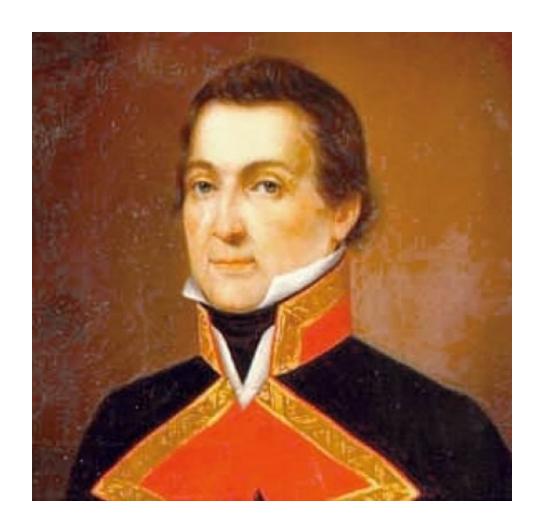


# We are looking for suggestions for upcoming trips, events and activities

If you have any ideas, please contact Mike

I mapped the Pacific from Mexico to Alaska and to the Philippines. I am Alessandro Malaspina.





I am <u>Giacomo Belinimi</u>, discoverer of the source of the Mississippi River in 1823. (Lake Itasca, Minnesota)





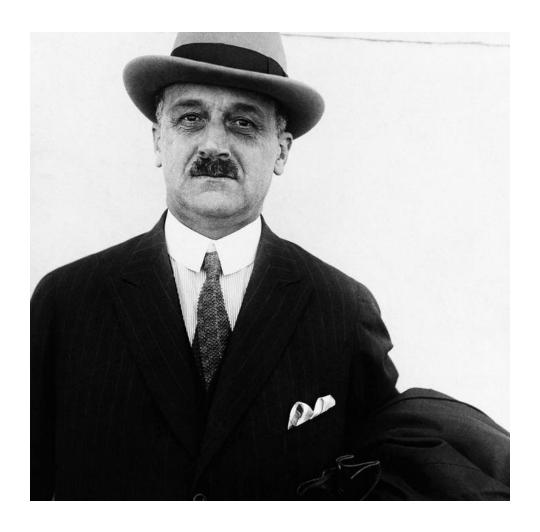
I created the Dome of the United States Capitol. They call me the Michelangelo of America. I am **Constantino Brumidi**.



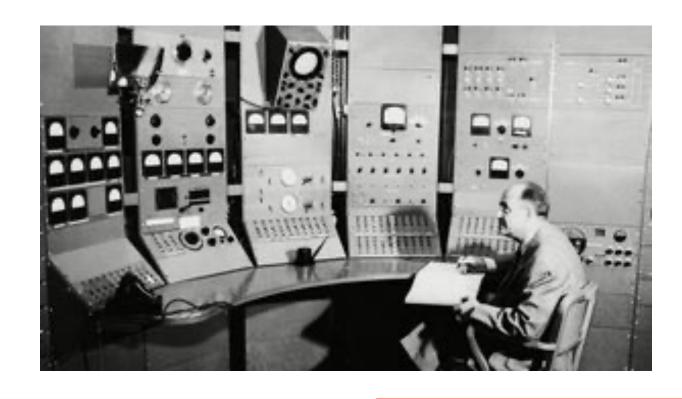


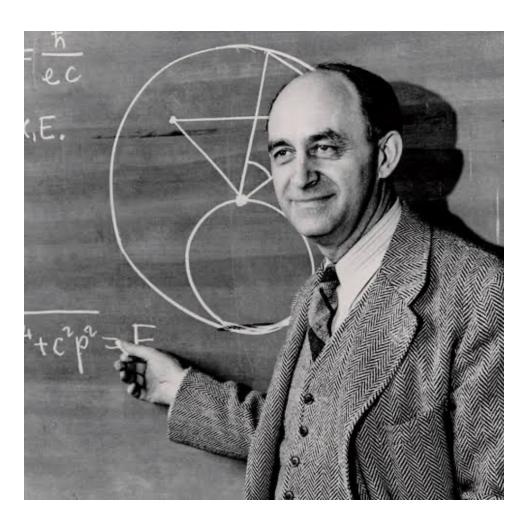
In 1904, I founded in San Francisco the Bank of Italy--now known as the Bank of America--the largest financial institution in the world. I am **A.P. Giannini.** 





I am <u>Enrico Fermi</u>, father of nuclear science in America.





I am <u>Steve Geppi</u>, founder of Diamond Comics, (DC Comics) the largest distributorship of comics on the planet.





I am the first enlisted man to earn the Medal of Honor in World War II. I am **John Basilone** of New

Jersey.





I am a West Point graduate-I led NASA's Apollo Launch Team-launching America's Astronauts with Commander Neil Armstrong to become the first man on the Moon in 1969, as pledged by President John F. Kennedy in 1961. I am **Rocco** 

A.Petrone.





Next time you or your friends are watching a rerun of the Sopranos or The Jersey Shore and think Italian Americans are all about organized crime, remember this:

My roots are deep in an ancient soil, drenched by the Mediterranean sun, and watered by pure streams from snowcapped mountains.

I am enriched by thousands of years of culture. My hands are those of the mason, the artist, the man of the soil.

My thoughts have been recounted in the annals of Rome, the poetry of **Virgil**, the creations of **Dante**, and the philosophy of **Benedetto Croce.** 



