

# Ligure Club Bollettino

March 2025



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Ciao Members and Friends of the Ligure Club,

The Club kicked off February with our Crab Feed fundraiser for the Ligure Scholars. A big salute to the cooks, Stefano Musetti, Raymond Parenti, and Andy Rubini, for their delicious food. Thanks also to the wait staff, led by Vito Muscardin, and the setup crew, headed by Andy Moglia. And a special thanks to everyone who donated and helped with the raffle, especially Mary Pryor, who gave us a generous donation of Ghirardelli Chocolates. Everyone had a great time, and the Ligure Scholarship fund had a fantastic night.

We had around a turnout of 250 for Alameda Night at the February birthday dinner. The Tortellini al Pesto, and Sausage and Peppers were excellent. We extend our gratitude to the cooks, Jimmy Chegia, Gabby Schoefer, Ray Parenti, and Brad Correia, as well as the dedicated setup crew, waiters, and all volunteers who contributed to the raffle. The generous donations of so many raffle prizes were greatly appreciated. I want to acknowledge the efforts of Joe and Mike Perillo, who chaired the dinner and managed the raffle.

Mark your calendars for our March birthday dinner, our annual Floral Industry Night! Bob Lovi, who has chaired the event for many years, will again chair it. Get ready for a hearty beef and sausage stew served with polenta. We expect a good turnout, so I hope to see you all there!

Individuals seeking to purchase Ligure Club merchandise, including shirts, hats, and other paraphernalia, can conveniently do so online. Simply navigate to [LigureClub.com](http://LigureClub.com) and select the 'STORE' option from the sidebar. This will redirect you to a comprehensive website featuring approximately one hundred items associated with the Ligure Club. We encourage you to explore and make your desired purchases.

The Ligure Club is hosting another event in its Italian Heritage Series. Member Tony Saraceno will be showing us how to make salumi and we'll get to taste some handcrafted salumi, as well as pasta, wine and other beverages. The event will take place on Sunday, April 6th. If you want to know more, check out the flyer or visit our website at [Ligureclub.com](http://Ligureclub.com).

I would like to remind you that the 2025 LSI College Sponsorship Forms are available for Ligure Club members who are interested in sponsoring qualified college-bound high school seniors. Please refer to the back side of this Bollettino for more information.

If you haven't already paid your 2025 dues, time is short. As I've stated in the past, being a member of the Ligure club is an exceptional value at \$100. You can conveniently pay online at our website, [LigureClub.com](http://LigureClub.com) or mail a check to our post office box.

I wish you all a very happy St. Patrick's Day. Then on March 19th, a day dedicated to San Giuseppe (Saint Joseph), is the day celebrated as Father's Day in Italy. Enjoy!

Il tuo presidente,

David Franco



## UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

If your contact information has changed, then please send a note to Ligure Club, 4900 Shattuck Avenue, Box 22868, Oakland, CA 94609-2031 (the mailing address noted below), or send an email to [ligureclub@yahoo.com](mailto:ligureclub@yahoo.com).

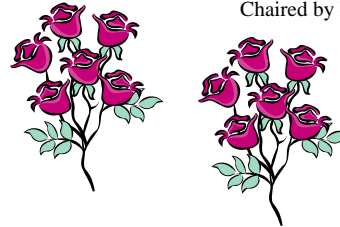
## March Birthday Dinner

Tuesday, 25 March 2025

At the Fratellanza Club, 1140 66<sup>th</sup> Street, Oakland

### FLORAL NIGHT

Chaired by Bob Lovi



Cocktails @ 6:00PM

Dinner @ 7:00PM

Members: **\$25**

Guests: **\$30**

#### Menu:

Cold Cuts, Green Salad

Polenta w/ Beef & Sausage Stew

Wine, Coffee Royal & Dessert

To attend, either call the reservation line, or send an email to [LigureClubReservations@yahoo.com](mailto:LigureClubReservations@yahoo.com). Raffle gifts greatly appreciated.

### Buon Compleanno & Tanti Auguri!

#### Happy Birthday to our March Boys!

Mark Amaro, Tom Betti, Dennis Bianchi, Russel Carrel, Jonathan Chase, David Conti, Joseph Crandell, Michael Crosetti, Robert Del Vigna, Albert DelaRosa, Antonio Di Candia, Kevin Donohoe, Al Engal, Benton Englehart, Stephen Flowers, Mark Giovanetti, Gil Granucci, Mark Jackson, Tom Leathers, Bob Lovi, Edward Matraia, Jim Minder, Andrew Moglia, William Neill, David Olivero, David Petri, Joe Ricucci Jr, Ken Rossoni & Jared Yuasa.

**DINNER IS FREE FOR PAID UP BIRTHDAY BOYS, AND 50 YEAR MEMBERS**

**LADIES 21 YEARS AND OLDER WILL BE WELCOME AT THIS EVENT**

Remember to make your reservations as early as possible, and no later than 6:00 pm the Sunday before the dinner, and clearly state both your name and club membership number. If you call in a reservation and then have a cancellation, please call the reservation line, or send us an email regarding your cancellation ASAP. It does help, as it allows the club to adjust the amount of food procured for these dinners.

## LIGURE BOARD & MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, 11 March 2025 at the Fratellanza Club  
Board Meeting at 6pm, Membership Meeting at 7pm  
**SPUNTINO TO FOLLOW**



## NEW MEMBERS



New members joining the club this past month include Mike Raffo (992). Welcome to the club Mike!



## GRAZIE - GRAZIE - GRAZIE



We wish to thank all those who donated prizes for this last month's Birthday Dinner raffle including, Jason Shuler, Chuck Canepa, The Lima Brothers, Joe Perillo, The Hutchings Family, Frank Tamburrino, Wes Gouveia, The Lapenna Family, Craig Jaber (Royal Auto Repair), Gerry Niesar (Niesar & Vestal), Nick Miloslavick, Mike Hughey, and Mike Perillo.



## Upcoming Ligure Club Events

- Member's Meeting - Tuesday, March 11th. Spuntino.
- Birthday Dinner - Tuesday, March 25th. Floral Night.
- Italian Heritage Cooking Series – Making Salumi – Demonstration & Tasting – With Tony Saraceno – Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 11 am to 4 pm, \$40 per person.
- Member's Meeting - Tuesday, April 8th. Steak & Beans. Must make reservation if attending.
- Birthday Dinner - Tuesday, April 22nd. First Responders Night.



## 2025 LSI SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The 2025 LSI College Scholarship Sponsorship Forms are now available for Ligure Club members wishing to sponsor qualifying college-bound high school seniors. The first step a sponsor needs to take is to contact either Gerry Niesar at [GNiesar@nvlawllp.com](mailto:GNiesar@nvlawllp.com) (or 415-882-5300 x 232), John Pryor at [ligureclub@yahoo.com](mailto:ligureclub@yahoo.com), or Peter Revelli at [revellipeter@gmail.com](mailto:revellipeter@gmail.com) (or 510-206-4759) and request a Sponsorship Form. Note that the application package - which is to be completed by the student-applicant - must be returned via email no later than Friday, March 28, 2025.

By way of a reminder, LSI is a volunteer organization that strives to provide scholarship funding to deserving high school seniors who are applying to a two-year or four-year college. The goal of the scholarship program is multifold – first to recognize and reward high school students for outstanding achievement, second to provide some financial support to these deserving candidates, and third to honor the traditions of our Italian-American heritage in its commitment to higher education.

Over the past 17 years, LSI has awarded scholarships totaling more than \$200,000 to approximately 100 young scholars in our community. Those wishing to donate to this very worthy cause are encouraged to do so. Please make your donations payable to Ligure Scholars, Inc., and mail them with attention to: Marcello Barbero, 1136 Amador Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94707.

## MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership dues for 2025 will be \$100 for general members and \$0 (no cost) for members that have been with the club for 50 years or more, and are now due and payable by March 31<sup>st</sup>. After this date, dues for general members will be \$120 until the May 31<sup>st</sup> deadline. After this deadline, members with unpaid dues will be dropped from the membership. Please send your checks to the Ligure Club at 4900 Shattuck Avenue, Box 22868, Oakland, CA 94609-2031.



## In Memoriam

Sante Cerri

November 1, 1919 – January 9, 2025

A member of the Ligure Club since April 1986  
Chairman of the November Martinez Night  
Rabbit & Polenta Birthday Dinner

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY DINNER PHOTOS

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November 2024

Dear Ligure Club members and friends,

As you know Ligure Scholar, Inc. (LSI) is a volunteer organization that strives to provide scholarship funding to deserving high school seniors as they pursue their college educations. Over the past 16 years, LSI has granted more than \$200,000 to nearly 85 young scholars.

The LSI Board strongly believes that fulfilling our mission to help support students in pursuit of a college education is always a worthy cause that pays long lasting dividends.

And so, on behalf of the LSI Board of Directors, I am reaching out to each of you asking for a donation to our LSI Scholarship Fund. The Ligure Club membership and friends have always been generous supporters of the LSI scholarship program, and this year more than ever, I am appealing to you for your continued support. (ONE ADDITIONAL BENEFIT OF YOUR CONTRIBUTION IS THAT SINCE LSI IS A CHARITABLE EDUCATION ORGANIZATION - IRC 501(c)(3) TAXPAYER ID NUMBER 61-1543892 - ALL DONATED FUNDS ARE TAX DEDUCTABLE TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY LAW). Please make your donations payable to Ligure Scholars, Inc. and mail them with attention to:

Marcello Barbero  
1136 Amador Ave.  
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Thanks to each of you for your continued support, and please keep safe.

Buon Natale e Felice Anno Nuovo.  
Sincerely,  
Marcello Barbero  
Chair of the LSI Board of Directors

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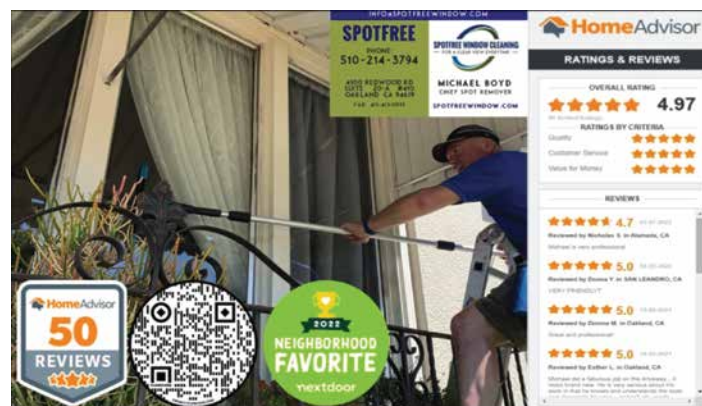


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