



Italian Cultural Center of Western Massachusetts, Inc.



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La 2019 Membership Reminder



By now you should have received your 2019 Membership Renewal Form for the Italian Cultural Center. If you have not done so, please complete and submit your membership renewal today. Please invite your friends and family to join also and, as always, children are very welcome. We have many new programs and events planned. There's something for everyone. Membership forms are available on our

website at www.iccwm.org, by calling the ICC at 413-784-1492 or emailing us at ICCWM@comcast.net.

The success of the ICC and its programs depends on your support.

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WELCOME ~ BENVENUTI

A warm welcome to our returning members and our Benefactors, Patrons, and New Members listed below. We appreciate their support and hope to see them at some of our many activities. New members are encouraged to attend our quarterly membership meetings held the second Wednesday of September, December, March, and June, and take classes and volunteer their many talents.

Benefactors: Frank Colaccino, Dr. Anthony and Dawn Sarage

Friends: Christine Casagrande, Alessandro and Lisa Meccia, Mayor Domenic and Carla Sarno, Sandra Vella and Paul LaValley

Patrons: Lucille Brindisi and Elizabeth Knowles, Pauline Casey, Marcia Capuano, Lena DeCarlo, William and Jane Devlin, Gerard DiSanti, Italo Gavazzi, John Petrone, Robert and Maria Wilson

New Members: Rosetta Adornato, Michael Ardolino, Carlo and Marlene Buendo, Mary Cross, Carmelina DiMaria, Samuel DiSanti, Tom Lucia

The ICC is a Tax-Exempt 501(c) (3) non-profit organization. Contributions to the ICC are tax deductible.



Attenzione! Attenzione!

2019 Friday Night at the Italian Cinema

LA DOLCE VITA (The Sweet Life)

By Federico Fellini (1960)

Drama, 174 Minutes

In Italian with English Subtitles



Plot: In Rome, 1960, Marcello Rubini (played by Marcello Mastroianni) is a writer and journalist, the worst kind of journalist - a tabloid journalist, or paparazzo. His job involves him trying to catch celebrities in compromising or embarrassing situations. He tends to get quite close to his subject, especially when they're beautiful women. Two such subjects are a local heiress, Maddalena, and a Swedish superstar-actress, Sylvia, both of whom he has affairs with. This is despite being engaged to Emma, a rather clingy, insecure, nagging, melodramatic woman. Despite his extravagant, pleasure-filled lifestyle, Rubini is wondering if maybe a simpler life wouldn't be better.

Trama: A Roma, 1960, Marcello Rubini (interpretato da Marcello Mastroianni) è uno scrittore e giornalista, il peggior tipo di giornalista - un giornalista scandalistico, o paparazzo. Il suo lavoro lo coinvolge nel tentativo di catturare le celebrità in situazioni compromettenti o imbarazzanti. Tende ad avvicinarsi molto al suo soggetto, specialmente quando sono belle donne. Due di questi soggetti sono un'ereditiera locale, Maddalena, e un'attrice svedese di superstar, Sylvia, con cui ha entrambe le relazioni. Questo nonostante sia fidanzato con Emma, una donna piuttosto appiccicosa, insicura, irritante e melodrammatica. Nonostante il suo stile di vita stravagante e pieno di piacere, Rubini si chiede se forse una vita più semplice non sarebbe migliore.

WHEN: Friday, March 1 2019

WHERE: Italian Cultural Center

56 Margaret St, Springfield, MA

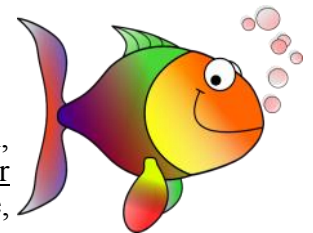
Doors Open at 6:00 pm—Film Begins at 6:30 pm

Suggested Donation: \$6 Non-Members, \$3 Members

Moviegoers Will Be Given a Choice of a Beverage and a Snack

For more information, please visit our website: <http://www.iccwm.org> or call at 413 784-1492

Fish Dinner March 8



The ICC is planning a Lenten fish dinner to be held on Friday, March 8, at 6:00 pm, at the ICC, 56 Margaret St, Springfield MA 01105. Seating is limited, so make your reservations early. Reservations are available now, and will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. The dinner price is \$18.00 for ICC members, \$21.00 for non-members and must be paid for in advance. Entertainment will be provided. Call Jill today at 413-244-0526 to make your reservations. **Seating is limited, so please make your reservations early!** Please see dinner reservation policy on page 7.

Come dine with us, enjoy a delicious dinner and beautiful music provided by Luke Baillargeon. Deadline for reservations is March 2, 2019. Come join us!

The Italian Cultural Center of Western Massachusetts, Inc. Lecture Series



THE OPERA ON KING STREET by **Martin G. Balboni**

Come listen to Marty Balboni talk about growing up in the 50's & 60's in the Italian-American community of North Agawam, MA. The operatic metaphor serves to highlight the tragedy and comedy of the Italian experience in the Agawam/West Springfield area.

Marty recounts many amusing anecdotes of life in North Agawam: the happenings in the Italian social clubs, bocce tournaments, and the colorful street life of King Street. With Marty as the guide, you'll see the world from a child's eyes in America in the 1950's, which was deeply rooted in immigrant culture, customs and food, lots and lots of food. Marty shares stories of the family's open doors, ready to welcome neighbors to dinner, to the Italian clubs with games of bocce and cards. It's a time when everyone in town worked for a living and celebrated the life they were building in America. Marty talks about all the pranks and jokes put on by the kids, playing along train tracks, shooting slingshots in junkyards, and entertaining the family donkey on the outskirts of town on the family farms. These same kids will also put in long hours keeping the bakery oven hearth warm, so the entire town has fresh bread each day.

Come to the lecture and rediscover a time when people really did know the neighbors and when entertainment and stories shared were the stories created by the people in *The Opera on King Street*.

Sunday, March 24, 2019 Doors Open at 1:30
Lecture Begins at 2:00

Italian Cultural Center
56 Margaret St, Springfield, MA

Complimentary Refreshments will be served
\$5 Members, \$7 Non-Members

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Adult Italian Language Classes

Stay tuned for specific information about the Spring session in a future issue of *La Voce*. All classes are from 6pm -8pm for 10 weeks and held at the Italian Cultural Center of Western Mass., Inc., 56 Margaret St, Springfield, MA.

Registration forms will be available on our web site at www.iccwm.org. Please call or email any questions to our Registrar at (413) 244-0526 or italianaticc@comcast.net.

Planning for 2019 Italian Heritage Month

We have already started planning our 2019 Italian Heritage Month activities and we are now accepting nominations for Serviam Award recipients. The Serviam Award recognizes individuals of Italian ancestry who have significantly contributed to the community of Western Massachusetts. The recipient, who must be of Italian ethnic heritage, is someone who has devoted his or her life to the betterment of society through community service, and by exemplary works, has enhanced the communities in Western Massachusetts.

Nomination forms to be used to submit the name of an individual you feel is worthy of this prestigious award are available at the ICC or on our website at www.iccwm.org. Please submit nominations with documenting materials by May 3, 2019, to the Italian Cultural Center of Western Massachusetts, Inc., c/o Serviam Committee, 56 Margaret St, Springfield, MA 01105.

The Italian Cultural Center Offers College Scholarships

The Italian Cultural Center of Western Mass., Inc. is offering scholarships to High School Seniors that are pursuing higher education. The Italian Cultural Center Scholarships are open to high school seniors who are:

- Children of ICC members with a family membership, or
- Grandchildren of ICC members, or
- Children of non-ICC members who are of Italian descent, attending a high school in Western Massachusetts, and are sponsored by a member of the ICC



One additional scholarship, the Dante Alighieri Scholarship, will be awarded to a student studying the Italian language.

Italian Cultural Center Scholarship applications are available on our website at www.iccwm.org, along with additional information on our scholarship program. **The application deadline is April 1, 2019.** If you are unable to acquire an application, please contact the scholarship committee at iccscholarship@comcast.net or 413-784-1492 with your name, address, and phone number. The ICC is also looking for additional scholarship donors so that more students could benefit from this program. If you would like to be a scholarship donor please contact us at iccscholarship@comcast.net.

COMING SOON IN APRIL

- ◆ FRIDAY, APRIL 5 AT 6:00 PM—FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE ITALIAN CINEMA
- ◆ SATURDAY, APRIL 6 AT 1:00 PM—GNOCCHI MAKE AND TAKE
- ◆ SUNDAY, APRIL 14 AT 2:00 PM—LECTURE SERIES
- ◆ SATURDAY, APRIL 27 AT 6:00 PM—CHEF'S CHOICE DINNER



Membership Meeting Reminder



The next general membership meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 13, at 6:00 pm. It's important for you to come to the meetings to learn about what is going on at the ICC and to help plan for the future. Please attend meetings so you can share your ideas with the Executive Board and other members. It is only by working together that we can continue to promote and enjoy our Italian heritage.

ICC DINNER RESERVATION POLICY REMINDER



We must strictly adhere to our rule that all dinner attendees must make their reservations and send payment to the ICC by the published deadline. Money and/or unplanned reservations will not be accepted at the door. This policy allows us to plan ahead to ensure that we have enough food, sufficient space for everyone, and no leftover unpaid dinners. We are sure that you can understand the need for this policy, and that no exceptions can be granted. Grazie.

Cancellation Information



When Springfield public schools are closed due to bad weather, ICC meetings or dinners scheduled for that night will also be cancelled, and rescheduled for the same time on the following night. Students participating in ICC language classes will be notified by email. Also, be sure to watch WWLP, Channel 22, for weather cancellations.

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Calendar of Events

Movie Night, Friday, March 1, 6:00 pm

Fish Dinner, Friday, March 8, 6:00 pm

Membership Meeting, Wednesday, March 13, 6:00 pm

Lecture Series, Sunday, March 24, 2:00 pm

The Mission of the Italian Cultural Center of Western Massachusetts, Inc. is to promote Italian culture, traditions, heritage and the Italian language, through the sponsoring of social, culinary and educational events, and to foster appreciation and respect in the community for the rich contributions that Italians have made locally and throughout the world.