



***Italian Cultural Center
of
Western Massachusetts, Inc.***



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Calendar of Events

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Serviam Breakfast, Sunday, October 9th

Next Membership Meeting, Wednesday, October 12th, 6:30 pm

Taste of Italy, Saturday, October 15th

Serviam Banquet Dinner-Dance, Friday, October 28th

Membership Meeting, Wednesday, November 9th, 6:30 pm

Porchetta Dinner, Friday, November 18th

Christmas Dinner, Friday, December 9th

Membership Meeting, Wednesday, December 14th, 6:30 pm

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Circolo meets the second Saturday of each month at 8:45am

Le Stelle d'Italia meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 10:30am

Springfield UNICO meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm

Snow Removal



It's that time of year again when we begin to make preparations for the coming of winter. We need help with snow removal. If you are able to provide snow removal service or know someone that would be willing to do this for a nominal fee, please call us at 413.784.1492. All offers welcome.

Notizie ed Avvenimenti



The ICC is now hosting “Circolo”, an opportunity for a group of people to gather and speak Italian. The second Saturday of every month we will get together from 8:45 am-9:30 am at the ICC, 56 Margaret St, Springfield, MA to “parliamo italiano” and have some fun. Future dates are September 10 and October 8.

Come join us and improve your Italian speaking skills. We are looking for recommended topics for discussion and any other ideas to make this Circolo interesting and helpful. All levels welcome!

ICC Cookbook Planned



*Send us your
favorite Italian
recipes!*

The ICC is continuing its efforts to produce a cookbook comprised of Italian recipes submitted by its members. However, the recipes are coming in ever so slowly. We were hoping to have an ICC cookbook published in time for Christmas 2011 but, at the rate recipes are being submitted, that's not going to happen. We need recipes! If you have any favorite Italian family dishes that may have been handed down through the years that you would like to see published, please send them in. We would love to have them as part of this first cookbook.

We will continue to collect recipes until we have a sufficient amount to produce a quality product. We were hoping to collect at least 200 recipes before we go to print. You may submit more than one recipe and they may be appetizers, main dishes, desserts, or any other dish you would like to share.

So, go through your recipes, pick your favorite and mail it to the Italian Cultural Center of Western Mass., Inc., 56 Margaret St, Springfield, MA 01105 or email us at ICCWM@comcast.net.

A committee has been formed to create the cookbook and they will select the recipes to be included.

**RESERVE
Now**

Having a Party? Reserve your event now

The ICC is now offering its facility for rent to “members” looking for a place to have a party. If you are planning a reunion, bridal shower, baby shower, baptismal party, a birthday, 1st Communion party, or anniversary, etc., contact us at 413-784-1492 or at ICCWM@comcast.net for more information.

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MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

The "Taste of Italy" will return on Saturday, October 15, 2011. The event will take place at Mt. Carmel auditorium at 36 Margaret St from 5:00 to 8:00pm.

We have a few new menu items to offer this year, along with many of the favorite Italian foods that you have come to enjoy. This year we will have "live" entertainment to add to the ambiance that reflects our Italian heritage.

What makes the "Taste of Italy" unique is that most of the booths will be staffed by individuals who have slaved over hot stoves to produce their own traditional homemade Italian family recipes.

Forty booths will be serving Italian favorites such as home made ravioli, chicken cacciatore, frittata di maccheroni, pasta alla carbonara, eggplant parmigiana, linguini with clams, mussels marinara, chicken marsala, sausage and pepper grinders and many more.

Among the restaurants and specialty food shops participating in the event will be Frigo's, Storowton Tavern, Salvatore's Restaurant, Partner's Restaurant, Sorrento Pizza, Milano Imports, Buon Appetito Ristorante, Typical Sicilian, Mom & Rico's, and Monte Carlo Restaurant to name a few.

So put October 15 on your calendars for the "Taste of Italy". The event will take place at Mt. Carmel School hall at 36 Margaret St, Springfield MA.

Admission to the event is free. Food and beverage tickets are sold at the door for \$1.00 each.

We are looking for volunteers to help set-up and clean-up, and to serve food items, etc. Call Rose Costa at 413-786-3205 to volunteer.

Special Notice

Our dinners and other events have been very successful, thanks to the support of all ICC Members. It has been a great learning process for us. As we gained experience we adjusted the menus, learned what events worked and did not work, and created a price structure for events that benefits our Members with reduced prices. In order to continue to offer member discounts we ask that when you buy tickets for events, please remember to tell us whether the ticket is for a Member or non-Member, so that we charge the appropriate price for each ticket.

Also, all events will continue to include a refreshment bar with soda, water and wine, all available for a donation that benefits the ICC. For that reason, we ask that those who attend events do not bring liquid refreshments with them. Thank you once more for your support.

We look forward to seeing you at all the great events we have planned for the future!

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Buon Natale

Join us at the ICC for our Christmas Dinner on Friday, December 9th. Cocktail hour at 6:00pm, dinner at 7:00pm. Only 100 tickets will be sold, so get them early. Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis and must be purchased in advance. Tickets are \$30 for ICC members, \$35 for non-members and are available by calling Rose Costa at 413-786-3205. Tickets will be available for sale on October 12, 2011.

Menu

Antipasto
Zuppa di Pesce
Prime Rib
Roasted Potatoes
Ziti
Garden Salad
Dessert & Coffee


Save the Date!
December 9, 2011


La cena di Porchetta



Join us at the ICC for a porchetta dinner on Friday, November 18th, at 6:00 pm. Only 100 tickets will be sold, so get them early. Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis and must be purchased in advance. Tickets are \$15 for ICC members, \$18 for non-members and are available by calling Rose Costa at 413-786-3205. Tickets will be available for sale on October 12, 2011.

We are looking for volunteers to help in the kitchen and with clean-up after ICC dinners. If you are interested in lending a hand, call the ICC at 413-784-1492 and tell us how you would like to help.

**HELP
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Serviam and Amici Award Dinner October 28 Reservations due October 21

The Italian Cultural Center of Western Mass, Inc. announced the 2011 Serviam and Amici Award recipients. Four outstanding individuals with Italian heritage have contributed significantly to the greater community and to the Italian-American community:

Delfo Barabani, Veterans' Advocate

William Caruana, Financial Planner

Dr. Carol A. Leary, President of Bay Path College

Judith A. Matt, President of the Spirit of Springfield.

The Amici Award, given to individuals who have contributed significantly to the Italian-American community, but who are not of Italian heritage, goes to David A. Costa who is well known as an essential volunteer at the Italian Cultural Center, Mt. Carmel Church and the Dante Club.

All of these Award recipients will be honored at this year's Italian Heritage Month activities:

1. We began the month with a flag raising ceremony on the steps of Springfield's City Hall and with a program in Room 220 of City Hall on **Friday, September 30** at 12 p.m. At this event, the Serviam and Amici Award winners were introduced. A lunch followed the ceremony at City Hall.
2. On **Sunday, October 9**, we will have a Mass at Mt. Carmel Church at 8:30 a.m. where the Serviam Award winners will be recognized. A breakfast will follow at 9:45 a.m. at the Storowton Carriage House in West Springfield. At this time all winners will be introduced and given their awards.
3. On **Friday, October 28**, we will have a dinner-dance, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Storowton Carriage House to further recognize and honor our award recipients as well as celebrate our heritage.

This year's Serviam/Amici Award Committee was composed of Chair Terry Regina, John Odierna, Joseph Pasternak, Antonette Pepe, and Mary Ann Yacavone.

Ad Requests for Italian Heritage Month Booklet

Please consider placing an advertisement or congratulatory message to our Serviam Award and Amici Award recipients to be placed in the booklet for the October 28th dinner-dance at Storowton Carriage House. The revenue generated from these ads is used to sustain the programs of the Italian Cultural Center and helps to cover the operating costs. Your donation is 100% tax deductible.

Send your message and/or copy to Antonette Pepe (108 Kerry Dr., Springfield, MA 01118). The cost for each ad depends on the size: a full page ad (5" x 8") is \$100; a half page ad (5" x 4") is \$75. The ads will be in color.

Make checks payable to the Italian Cultural Center and send the copy by October 7. With your copy and check, include your name, business name if applicable, address, telephone number and e-mail. If you have your ad on a computer, send it also to mamapepe@aol.com. If you have any questions, contact Antonette Pepe at 783-8593. Your participation will ensure a successful Italian Heritage Month.

Italian Language Classes

Adult Italian Language Classes

The next two sessions for adult Italian language classes have been scheduled.

Beginner I and Beginner II level classes will be offered on Monday nights and will run from 1/9/12 through 3/5/12 and from 3/26/12 through 5/14/12. An additional Beginner I class and an Intermediate level class will be offered on Tuesday nights and will run from 1/10/12 through 3/6/12 and from 3/27/12 through 5/15/12. There will be no classes on 2/20 & 21 and 4/16 & 17 because of school vacations.

All classes are from 6-8 pm for 8 weeks and held at the Italian Cultural Center of Western Mass., Inc., 56 Margaret Street, Springfield, MA. Tuition cost is \$85 for ICC members and \$95 for non-members. The course book is available for \$20.00.

To register for classes, call the Italian Cultural Center of Western Mass., Inc. at 413-784-1492. Leave your name, phone number, and state the class and level for which you are registering. Someone will contact you to confirm your registration.



"Italiano per Ragazzi"

(Italian for Children)

The ICC will once again offer Italian language classes for children this fall.

The next session will begin on October 29, 2011, and run for 5 weeks through November 26, 2011. All classes will be held on Saturday mornings. Beginner I classes will be from 9:00 - 10:00 am and Beginner II classes will be from 10:05 - 11:05 am. (Children must successfully complete 2 sessions of Beginner I in order to advance to Beginner II.) A course book will be required for Beginner II students at a minimal cost.

Classes are held at the Italian Cultural Center of Western Mass., Inc., 56 Margaret Street, Springfield, MA.

Children ages 6-12 can be registered by calling the ICC at 413-784-1492. Tuition is \$10 for children whose *parent(s)* have a "Family Membership" and \$20 for children of non-member families. Classes will be offered on a first-come first-served basis. When calling the ICC to register, leave your name, phone number and the number of children that will take the class. Someone will return your call to discuss your child's registration.

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