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NOVEMBER, 2016



The House of Italy



From the President:

Saluti Sorelle e Fratelli,

Che bella la nostra principessa!! On 20 November 2016 there will be the Coronation of the HPR Queen. We will go with all the famiglia Zarro to support our Italian jewel. But whatever is the result, Elisabeth Roberts will be the one most beautiful princess.

We are preparing for the busiest period of the year for the HOI: Christmas on the Prado event which is the most important means of collecting money for the following year. All capable and able hands are welcome to help.

The House of Italy (HOI) Mission:

Our mission is to offer to its members and the public through its cultural and social programs, an understanding and appreciation of the history and culture of Italy.

Our vision is that our HOI members celebrate their Italian heritage and culture with the people of San Diego.

But, before this, we have an election time. Like for the new president of the USA, we need vote for a president in 2017. I am sure that you will appoint our beautiful Carol, of whom I endorse completely the candidacy.

This election will allow our front runner to defend our rights as a House within the HPR.

Please come in plentiful quantity to give prestige to this election and reach a quorum to make the vote valid.

Grazie a tutti ci vediamo domenica .





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House of Italy
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Executive Board

President:

Roberto Ruocco

1st Vice President :

Richard Tomasello

2nd Vice President:

Rich La Rocca

Secretary:

Shirley Christian

VP Communications:

Don Santamaria

V P Hospitality:

Barbara La Rocca &

Nina Crochet

Vice President Weekly

Activities:

Robert D'Amico

Treasurer:

Carol Patterson

VP, Membership

Rich La Rocca

Web Master:

Don Santamaria

Sergeant-at-Arms:

Arya Zieghamna



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House of Italy Future Events

Cari Soci,

The slate of new officers for 2017 will be presented to the membership at our November 20th meeting. Following will be the election of new officers for 2017 season. The proposed slate is on page 3.

Any member who desires to nominate another member for a particular position on the Board may do so at the meeting. Our 1st Vice Present, Richard Tomasello will preside over the election process. The new Board will commence serving beginning January 1, 2017.

December Nights (December 2 & 3) planning has begun and HOI members have begun to volunteer for the various positions needed to operate the various stations we are setting up. E-mails have been sent to the membership discussing the details of our operation and volunteer requirements to make it a great success. We will discuss the planning status at the meeting. Volunteer forms will also be available.

We will have a buffet dinner with wine at the meeting. \$10 for both members and guests.



Proposed Board for 2017

Roberto Ruocco has done a fantastic job as HOI president and we all thank him for his tireless energy in leading us these past several years. The board slate below is recommended to carry on the commission of leading the House of Italy in the year 2017.
Proposed Candidates

President – Carol Gratzke

1st Vice President – Rich Tomasello

2nd Vice President – Rich LaRocca

3rd Vice President – Roberto Ruocco

Secretary – Shirley Christian

Treasurer – Barbara LaRocca

VP Communications – Don Santamaria

VP Hospitality – Co-Chairs – Nina Crochet & Barbara LaRocca

VP Weekly Hosting Activities – Bob D’Amico

VP Membership – André DaMetz

Web Master – Claudia Verano-DaMetz

VP – Legal Matters (By-Laws) – Ken Rose

VP – Calendar – Mike Ricciardi

James Cardinale Hill – Board member at large

Arya Zeighamna – Board member at large

The election of proposed candidates will be held at our Sunday, November 20th membership meeting. 1st Vice Present Richard Tomasello will preside over the election process.

Katie's Energy Saving Tips



Holiday Home Tips from SDG&E

With Daylight Savings Time ending, lighting your home earlier in the evening can increase your energy use and cost. This November, plan ahead to make the holiday season brighter, safer & more affordable.

Make the Season Bright

Did you know? One of the easiest ways to lower your electricity use is to switch to energy-efficient lighting like LEDs.

Here are four (4) reasons to make the switch to light-emitting diodes (LEDs):

- Are less likely to break because they have no moving parts, filaments or glass

- Reduce fire risk because they remain cool to the touch

- Can last up to 10 times longer so you save on replacement costs

- Use up to 90% less electricity to produce the same amount of light as incandescent light bulbs and strands.

Before you decorate your home for the holidays, be sure to browse the wide selection of LED holiday lights available in a variety of colors, shapes and sizes at major retailers, home improvement stores and online stores.

Learn more: <http://www.sdge.com/save-money/bright-ideas-savings>

Make the Season Safer

Before you count your blessings this holiday season, keep your natural gas appliances in safe working condition by signing up for a gas appliance check-up online. Select your date, set up your appointment and provide some additional information. It's that easy. Best of all, this service is free of charge to SDG&E customers! <http://www.sdge.com/residential/serviceorders>

Make the Holiday Season More Affordable

Last summer, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) approved a new electric rate structure that's being phased in through 2020. California's energy utilities are changing the way they charge for energy based on when you use it. Find out more about how energy rates are changing in San Diego: <http://www.sdge.com/whenergy>

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October HOI Meeting



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For information about the San Diego Italian Film Festival events,

**Sunday & "4th Tuesday" HOI
 Hosting**

The House of Italy is now open from Noon to 4:00 pm on Sundays and every 4th Tuesday 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Please call Bob D'Amico to volunteer for hosting duties @ 619-201-9278 .

NOV 20: Nina & Bob Crochet

NOV 27: Need volunteer

DEC 4: Closed

DEC 11: Need volunteer

DEC 18: Need volunteer

DEC 25: Buon Natale!

Sunday, November 20th @ 5:00 pm will be our next membership meeting.

December 2 & 3: December Nights Festival

