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UPCOMING EVENT

GET TOGETHER



February 17, 2019, Sunday, 1:00 pm

Nick & Jimmy's
5021 Pan American West Fwy NE
www.nickandjimmysrestaurant.com
(505) 344-9169

Each person pays for his/her dinner.

For more Information call Angela
Profera (505) 582-3007.

ATTENTION MEMBERS GENERAL MEETING

January 3, 2019, 7:00 pm

NORTH DOMINGO BACA MULTIGENERATIONAL CENTER

7521 Carmel NE, Albuquerque, NM

Beverages & dessert will be provided.

Directions from I25 North

Take exit 232 towards Paseo Del Norte E
Merge onto Pan American NE Frontage
Turn first right onto Paseo Del Norte NE
Turn left on Wyoming Blvd. NE
Take the second left onto Carmel NE

Directions from I25 South

Take exit 232 towards Paseo Del Norte E
Merge onto Pan American West Fwy NE
Take the first left onto Paseo Del Norte E
Turn left on to Wyoming Blvd. NE
Take the second left on to Carmel NE

HELP WANTED

Maria Berry at (505) 281-0743 is looking for someone to schedule and run the Saturday meetings at Scalo Northern Italian Grill. It's great to get together once a month, so please volunteer.



BOCCE

BOCCE PRACTICE

January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2019,
Thursdays, 2:00 pm

N. Domingo Baca Park
7521 Carmel Ave NE, ABQ, NM
(505) 764-6475

Bring your own Bocce balls.

BOCCE TOURNAMENT

January 19, 2019, Saturday
2:00 pm

N. Domingo Baca Park

Information: Call Joe Marchese 294-6988

2019 CALENDAR

Mar 12 - 17 - Italian Film Festival,
Highland Theater, 4804 Central Ave
SE, Abq NM 87108. See Festival
Site: <http://www.italianfilmfest.org>.

Mar 24 - St. Joseph's Feast, First
Unitarian Church, 3701 Carlisle
Blvd NE, Abq, NM, 1:00 pm.

June – Picnic, Hidden Valley RV
Park, 844-NM333, Tijeras, NM,
(505) 281-3363. Date to be
determined.

September – Picnic, North
Domingo Baca Park, 7521 Carmel
Ave NE, Abq, NM 87113, (505)
764-6475. Date to be determined.



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BIRTHDAYS

Jill Pelissero-Towns – January 13th
Ronald Bentz – January 22nd
Camilla Bentz – January 22nd

ANNIVERSARIES

Ronald & Camilla Bentz – January 18th

GET WELL

Our wishes and prayers for a swift recovery go to Dennis Peckinpaugh.

OUR MONTH'S THOUGHT

“God is my strength and power, and he has made my way safe.” 2 Samuel 22

YOU TUBE VIDEO OF THE MONTH

Jimmy Kimmel & Sebastian Maniscalco Reveal Secrets of the Italian “Evil Eye” Superstition

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bNKR0KmiMto>

THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

- 01/01/1948 – Italy adopted a new constitution.
- 01/09/1878 – Umberto I became King of Italy.
- 01/11/1693 – Mt. Etna had erupted killing around 60,000 people.
- 01/24/1941 – Allied troops occupied Nettuno, Italy.
- 01/25/1802 – Napoleon was elected president of the Italian Republic.

DUES

Please don't forget to pay your dues on January 1, 2019. We depend on the dues. Please mail your dues to our PO Box or bring them to our January 2019 meeting, we would love to see you there. Dues are \$50.00 for couples and \$25.00 for singles.

CLUB MEMBERS:

If you would like to submit information (articles, recipes, news or other items) to Il Giornalino, please email it to:

Jennifer Murphy

Email: jenmurphyzq@yahoo.com

Subject line: Information for Il Giornalino

Please be sure that all printed information submitted is legible and ready for print. No faxes will be accepted.

Deadline is the 15th of each month.

The advertisement rate for Il Giornalino for non-members is \$50.00 per year.



- If you know of a member in need of a
- Get Well, Sympathy, any special
- occasion card, or just a phone call;
- please call **Jennifer Murphy** at 822-
- 1806

- As the Club's Goodwill Ambassador,
- Jennifer will extend a greeting on our
- behalf.

ITALIAN NEW YEAR'S EVE TRADITIONS

Almost every country and culture celebrates New Year's Eve, and Italy is no different, with many Italians continuing to hold on to traditional customs, which promise to bring wealth and banish bad luck. Want to bring yourself some luck this new year? Here's how to do it like the Italians!



<https://lets-travel-more.com/top-10-places-italy-go-new-years-eve/>

Red Underwear

Just after Christmas, shop windows are awash with red undergarments. Both men and women wear red underwear on New Year's Eve to bring luck in the coming year. Red is also the colour of fertility and those hoping to conceive in the following year also wear red.

Dinner

Generally the menu of the New Year's Eve dinner includes lentils with zampone or cotechino. Cotechino is a large spiced sausage and zampone is stuffed pig's trotter. It's believed that lentils, which resemble small coins, bring wealth, while the fat content of the pork is said to signify abundance and prosperity in the New Year.

The dinner is finished off with dried fruit and grapes. It takes great willpower to conserve some grapes from the harvest until New Year's Eve. This indicates that everyone at the table will be wise and frugal with their newfound wealth.

Music and Dancing

All over Italy, you will find outdoor celebrations on New Year's Eve, with music, dancing and fireworks. Larger cities, such as Naples, Rome and Bologna hold outdoor concerts and events that are televised across the country. Some smaller towns host bonfires, where everyone gathers to celebrate the coming of the New Year. Large cities add to the noise and excitement with free concerts in piazzas and on waterfronts such as Rimini, with ships and boats sounding their horns. Dancing can go on until sun rise, and some people even brave a dip in the sea. Parties in Italy on New Year's Eve go until the wee hours of the am, so that all can see the first sunrise of the New Year, which is another way to invite good fortune.

Fireworks

The end of one year and beginning of another is celebrated with a riot of bangs and colors. At Midnight almost every town and village has dramatic displays of fireworks. Many families set off rockets from the rooves of their own houses. In the days before New Year's Day children also set them off.

Old Pots and Pans

An older tradition that still is practiced by some is to throw old things like old pots and pans, clothes or any unwanted items out an upstairs window. The act seems to symbolise banishing previous bad luck, letting go of unhappiness and preparing for the future. It is usually done in southern Italy, but the tradition seems to have moved across the country.

Drinks

Everyone raises a glass of Prosecco or Spumante as corks pop across Italy. Many even believe that the loud bangs will scare off demons and bad spirits from the New Year, il Capodanno.

Games

A traditional Italian game that can be played by the whole family after dinner is Tombola, which is very similar to Bingo. It is said to have originated in Naples in around 1734. When the church disapproved of gambling, citizens got around this by playing Tombola at home instead.

Prepared by Jennifer Murphy

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