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UPCOMING EVENTS

SPAGHETTATA



October 13, 2019, Sunday
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Our Lady of Sorrows Church
301 S Camino Del Pueblo
Bernalillo, NM

Come enjoy our annual Spaghetatta. Socialize with your friends from the Club. There's spaghetti, meatballs and sausage including salad, bread, ice tea, coffee and dessert.

Norio will be playing.

The cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 12 years old and younger.

If you plan to attend, please let Rosalba know by October 9, 2019 at (505) 891-8456.

ATTENTION MEMBERS GENERAL MEETING

October 3, 2019

NORTH DOMINGO BACA
MULTIGENERATIONAL CENTER
7521 Carmel NE, Albuquerque, NM

Beverages & dessert will be provided.



BOCCE

BOCCE PRACTICE

October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2019,
Thursdays, **6:00 pm**

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

Bring your own Bocce balls.

BOCCE TOURNAMENT

October 19, 2019
Saturday, **9:45 am**

N. Domingo Baca Park

Call Joe Marchese 294-6988

2019 CALENDAR

December 8 – Christmas Potluck

ITALIAN WILDLIFE & PLANTS

Sometimes when traveling in Italy people get engrossed in the cities and the sites. They forget about the other Italy – its nature. Italy's wildlife and plants should not be missed.



Wildlife

Thanks to the abundance and great variety of ecosystems, Italy is home to one third of Europe's animal species and half the world's plant species. The Italian peninsula is in fact home to 500 bird species, 100 species of land mammals and 6,711 plant species.

Italy boasts a high presence of animals and plants that are unique to a defined geographic location. This is due to various factors. Italy's varied geological structure, including the Alps and the Apennines, Central Italian woodlands, and Southern Italian Garigue and Maquis shrubland, contribute to high climate and habitat diversity. The Italian peninsula is in the center of the Mediterranean Sea, forming a corridor between central Europe and North Africa, and has 8,000 km of coastline. Italy also receives species from the Balkans, Eurasia, the Middle East.

Italy is an important route for trans-Saharan bird migrants because it is a natural bridge connecting continental Europe to Africa across the Mediterranean Sea. Migratory birds with a low wing loading such as storks depend on thermals and updrafts for soaring to cross the Mediterranean in spring. Large numbers leave Tunisia and enter Europe via the Straits of Messina to Calabria. Most of these birds breed in central and northern Europe. The birds return to Africa in autumn by the same route.



Italy is home to 37,303 species of insects. The richness of recorded species is the highest in Europe.



Plants

Some 8,195 species and subspecies have been identified to date, of which 1,708 are restricted to Italy. Italy ranks first in Europe in terms of number of native entities. In the Mediterranean basin, Italy is considered to be one of the most important areas of biodiversity, only Turkey has a higher number of species.



In Italy nothing is more popular perhaps than a wild mushroom. A mushroom is a fungus, and is usually placed in a Kingdom of its own apart from plants and animals. There are at least 1200 types of mushrooms in Italy. Mushrooms need specific conditions of temperature, humidity and forest habitat to bloom, and mushrooms grown in all seasons in Italy.

Picking wild mushrooms in Italy may be the most popular way to experience nature. It is so trendy that all of Italy has created laws and requires licenses to preserve mushrooms and their habit. There are even limits on how many kilos can be harvested at one visit. Some regions have outlawed foreigners from harvesting there.

In Italy even wild fruits, tubers, flowers, mosses and lichens are subject to harvesting limitations. There are nature reserves that have special protection for the orchids; Italy has 80 varieties of orchids. It seems a little Eden needs to be protected from mankind.

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BIRTHDAYS

Franco Epifani – October 10th
Maria Albright – October 17th
Bob Berry – October 19th
Rose Montoya – October 19th
Lynne Peckinpugh – October 22nd
Bill Rumschik – October 23rd
John Zito – October 25th

ANNIVERSARIES

John & Ann Wright – October 1st
Rosa & Eric Montoya – October 3rd
Anna & Bill Rumschik – October 21st
Daniel Pucetti & Regina Chaqvez – October 22nd

GET WELL

Our wishes and prayers for a swift recovery go to those who are ill.

OUR MONTH'S THOUGHT

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13

DUES

Please don't forget to pay your dues on January 1, 2020. We depend on the dues. Please mail your dues to our PO Box or bring them to our January 2020 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
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- As the Club's Goodwill Ambassador,
- Jennifer will extend a greeting on our
- behalf.

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