



LA TRINACRIA

SONS OF SICILY

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Jon Taormina

Ciao,

Last month our Installation of Officers meeting was an awesome time. We had a great turnout along with an outstanding meal. Thank you to the cooks, bartenders, rafflers, front desk and servers. Thank you ladies club for providing dessert. Mike Maltese did a great job as the MC and "Little" Joe Zambataro did a memorable job with the oath. So nice to have the ladies there sharing this experience. I know I have some big shoes to fill following Dave Geraci up as the president but assure all of you I will give it my all and I take this position seriously.



Next meeting is planned to be a regular business meeting. We will be getting more information regarding the Sons of Sicily Golf Tournament scheduled for August 8th. This event will be a great time and great fund raiser. We are looking for individuals or companies that would like to sponsor; a hole, towels for the golfers, sleeve a balls for the golfers, or donate items for the raffle. I would also like to get the memberships input on an idea regarding the ability for members to purchase meals to bring home. The idea is a member could call Mike Maltese a couple days before the meeting and order a meal to take home. On the night of the meeting the cooks would package the to-go meals and set them out for pickup. The member pays and picks up the meal. Easy!!!

I wanted to get the word out that we have BIG plans for our June 6th meeting. With COVID mostly behind us it is time to have a MEMBERSHIP DRIVE. It is also time to award scholarships to the deserving students that put in applications. Our June meeting will be a combination meeting with the women's club as well as a family / guest night. If you know anyone that should join the clubs have them save the date.

Reminder that the Family Picnic has changed to September 18th.

Looking forward to seeing everyone next month.

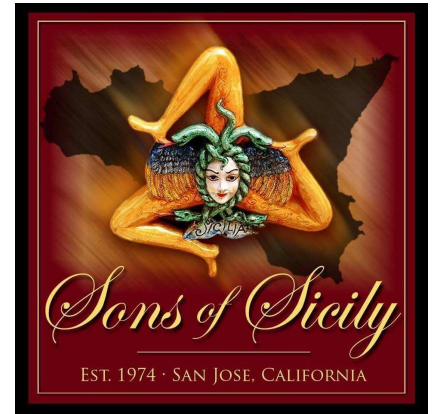
Sicilian Word Of The Month:

abbia *v.i. 3rd p.sing* To bark, to shout inconsiderately, to ask in vain.

Cani di pagghiaru abbaia e sta luntanu

Eng. All bark and no bite. lit. A field dog barks but stays far away.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



- **May 2nd**
Regular Meeting Night
- **June 6th**
All inclusive Guest Night
- **July 11th**
Regular Meeting Night
- **August 8th**
Annual Golf Tournament

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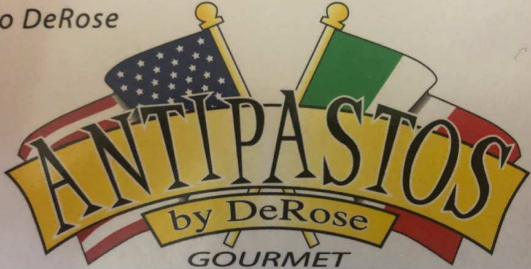
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If you have any news to report and want it placed in next month's newsletter, please contact me before the 15th of the month at **650-670-0777** or email me at: fredguidici64@yahoo.com.

Buona Salute a tutti e Dio Vi Benedica.

Fred

Fрати

Brother Tony Tasca passed away suddenly on March 11th.

He was a native of Sicily and came to America at the age of 18 in 1955. He was a PhD and held degrees from Oxford University, University of Paris and San Jose State. He was a "walking encyclopedia" of facts, history and food.

Please keep the Tasca family in your prayers.

Sicilian Marionettes – Opera dei Pupi

Sicilian Opera dei Pupi developed into its present form in the eighteenth century. Typically, the marionettes and their theatre depict medieval characters and legendary events based loosely on history. There's Orlando, one of Charlemagne's knights, the Norman knights of King Roger of Sicily and Saracens (Moors).

As folk art, the productions are typically expressions of the popular perception of personages and events rather than faithful chronicles of history and literature. It wasn't meant to be informative so much as inspirational. Puppet theatre sometimes provided an innocent alternative to the passion plays of the Church. It could even be mildly revolutionary, though most themes served to idealize the nobility



which controlled Sicily, reinforcing the strictures of a feudal society that existed in the countryside. While it eventually became a popular entertainment for children, it appealed to adults, too.

The marionettes themselves are made of wood with cloth with metal accoutrements. A handful of marionette makers still work in Sicily, particularly in Palermo, Catania and Messina, and sell many of their creations as souvenirs. Quality varies, naturally, but the best Sicilian marionettes are among the world's finest. Traditionally, certain families have specialized in marionette making and puppet theatre -- the Cuticchios and Pasqualinos in Palermo, for example. It is a demanding field requiring numerous, highly-developed skills.



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Our next meeting will be a regular business meeting on May 2nd at Napredak Hall.

The following month (June 6th) we will have an “All inclusive” meeting with our Scholarship winners, the Women’s club, the Italian Men’s Club and Membership Drive night. We have never had this type of meeting but wanted to include as many as possible to get us back on track with our meeting schedule and to get the summer off with a bang! As usual the cost will be \$25/ guest. (Scholarship winners are free for dinner!)

All guest must make reservations for the “All Inclusive” night, Please contact:

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As always, check out our website for the most up to date information with the clubs’ progress during the pandemic. Giuseppe has been very diligent in keeping the website current and fresh, so please visit www.sonsofsicilysj.com.



See the schedule below for a quick reference in chronological order

May 2nd — Regular Meeting Night

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bread and Butter • Antipasto • Salad 	 <i>Menu</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pasta • Salmon
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June 6th — All inclusive Guest Night (\$25/person) *Must Contact Mike Maltese*

July 11th — Regular Meeting Night

August 8th — Annual Golf Tournament

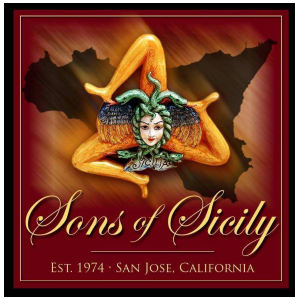
As changes occur, we’ll keep you posted with updates.

Bob Scaletta — Social Events



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