



LIADO, The Italian-American  
Women of Today  
"Le Italo-Americane Di Oggi"  
January 2019 Newsletter



## It's time to renew your Membership

As we ring in the new year and our calendars begin to fill up, don't forget it's time to renew your LIADO membership.

To avoid incorrect or missing information, we are asking **ALL** members to complete a new membership form (attached) to include your name, address, phone number and email address to ensure the directory has updated information and you receive LIADO communications.

Annual dues are \$40 made payable to LIADO. Please send your form and check to:

LIADO  
P.O. Box 7487  
Clearwater, FL 33758

**To be included in the directory, all forms and checks must be received no later than March 1, 2018.**  
**There will be no exceptions.**



LIADO Sisters (Sorelle) –  
Happy New Year! (Felice  
Anno Nuovo!) Wishing each  
of you a year filled with  
peace and good health.

### **January Dates to Remember!**

- Jan 8<sup>th</sup>: Board Meeting
- Jan 9<sup>th</sup>: SH & NPR Annual Planning Meeting
- Jan 15<sup>th</sup>: Safety Harbor Meeting
- Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>: New Port Richey Meeting

### **Jan 9<sup>th</sup>: Annual Planning Meeting**

Have a great idea that is both fun and cultural at the same time? Join us at Jo D'Amato's clubhouse to help map out the year of meetings for both locations! Please RVSP to Virginia Sessa and bring a dish to share.

### **January Birthdays Happy Birthday Ladies!**

Julie Calabrese, Marie Casanova, Gabriella D'Elia, Luisa Grabianowski, Maria Ippolito, Theresa Leopold, Jean Mattalina, Toni Paolo, Virginia Sauter, Rachel Scalzo, Virginia Sessa, Linda Stuart, Marie Tartaglia, Frances Vecchia & Mayme Vogt



**The Christmas Luncheon**, held at the beautiful Heritage Springs Country Club, was a wonderful time spent with all of our Sisters who were able to attend. Once again, the Board of Directors out did themselves by baking dozens and dozens of fabulous cookies to be enjoyed by all. We hope your Christmas Holidays were joyous and spent with your families!

# Fundraising

Have a great fundraising idea? The committee would love to hear from you!



## San Gennaro On The Seas!



Fun. It's a little word, but it means so much. It's what makes the days fly by. Lifts your spirits. Puts a big smile on your face. And on a Carnival cruise, you'll find fun everywhere!

Join us for a fun-filled Caribbean cruise and help our fundraising efforts!



### **LIADO, The Italian-American Women of Today** **4-DAY CARIBBEAN FUNDRAISING CRUISE FROM TAMPA, FL** **Carnival Paradise – November 14, 2019**

DAY	PORT OF CALL	ARRIVAL TIME	DEPARTURE TIME
THU	TAMPA, FL		4:00 PM
FRI	FUN DAY AT SEA		
SAT	COZUMEL	8:00 AM	8:00 PM
SUN	FUN DAY AT SEA		
MON	TAMPA, FL	8:00 AM	

**Book NOW** – Space is limited, must book early for best rate.

*Prices subject to increase after Jan. 13, 2019*

**Ocean View Cabins starting at \$478.52/pp**

*(prices are based on double occupancy and includes taxes, port charges and Travel Protection)*

\$25.00 per person deposit will secure the rate until Jan. 10, 2019

Additional payment \$125.00 due before July 15, 2019

FINAL payment due Sept. 10, 2019

Required ID & Travel Documents: Passports are not required, but HIGHLY recommended. Guests without passports will be required to show proof of citizenship, such as an original or certified copy of a birth certificate, a government issued photo ID, or Enhanced Driver's License (EDL).

For cruise related questions, all cabin and to make your reservation, please contact Terie Hynish – 727-235-3224 or email: [tdtravelpartners@gmail.com](mailto:tdtravelpartners@gmail.com)

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CABIN CATEGORY	CABIN FARE PER PERSON	OPTIONAL GRATUITIES **
INTERIOR 4B	\$436.52	\$51.80/pp
INTERIOR 4C	\$438.52	\$51.80/pp
INTERIOR 4D	\$448.52	\$51.80/pp
OCEAN VIEW 6B	\$478.52	\$51.80/pp
OCEAN VIEW 6C	\$483.52	\$51.80/pp
OCEAN VIEW 6D	\$503.52	\$51.80/pp
OCEAN VIEW 6E	\$513.52	\$51.80/pp

*\*\* If not pre-paid (prior to sailing) Gratuities are added to the passenger's Sail & Sign card automatically. Passengers do have the option of cancelling this charge at Guest Services once onboard. (Not recommended!)*

Balcony Cabins are available at prevailing rate ... contact Terie for rates.

## Scholarships

The LIADO Scholarship application process opens **January 15<sup>th</sup>** to students of Italian descent seeking higher education and closes March 31<sup>st</sup>. In the past several years, there have been questions on the selection process and I thought this is a perfect time to provide information to the membership as the rules have been revised.

Some have inquired as to why the application process is open to those from all over the U.S. and not just for those who live locally. The answer is truly simple.... our families are located all over the U.S.

The Scholarship Committee Chairperson first reviews each application to ensure all criteria has been met. If the application is not complete, it is disqualified. As you can see from last year's numbers below, 29 applications were disqualified.

The Chairperson then provides each Committee member with all qualified applications to review and arrive at their individual Top 10 selections. Once this is completed, the entire Committee gathers as a group to make the final decision on recipients. (This is truly a daunting task and I appreciate all of those on the Committee!)

The Board advises the Committee as to how many scholarships will be awarded for the given year. Of that total number, 50% of qualified recipients will be related to a LIADO member.

The following are last year's stats that were compiled to reach the final recipients.

Number of overall applicants: 71 (Wow... a lot of applications to review!)

Number of applicants that met all qualifications: 42

Number of applicants related to LIADO Members: 3 (1 received the Scholarship)

Number of applicants in the Tampa Bay Area: 4

On behalf of the Board, we encourage you to share the LIADO Scholarship Fund with family members as it is truly a pleasure to be able to provide much needed assistance. Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Gina

## **Cream Puff Dessert**

### **Recipe Courtesy of MaryAnn Beckley**

#### Crust:

1 c. water  
1 stick butter  
1 c. flour  
4 eggs

#### Filling:

3 cups milk  
11 oz. cream cheese  
2 – 3 1/2 oz. instant vanilla pudding

#### Topping:

1 pint Heavy cream whipped with 1 teas. Vanilla & 3 tbsp. powdered sugar

#### Crust:

Bring water and butter to a boil. Remove from heat. Add flour and stir until it forms a ball. Add eggs one at a time mixing thoroughly. Spread dough into a greased 9x13" pan. Bake at 375 deg. For 30-40 minutes. Cool.

#### Filling:

Blend milk and cream cheese. Mix in dry pudding and stir until thick. I use a mixer. Spread over crust.

#### Topping:

Spread whipped cream over pudding mixture. Drizzle with Chocolate syrup. Refrigerate until served. May be varied by using different pudding mixes or drizzling with jam or fruit.

Serves 15 approx.