



## The Year 2020 is Finally Over!

We've made it through this miserable year of masks, hand-washing, putting alcohol on our hands instead of in our mouths, and staying home for months and months. We're hoping that the new year brings new hope and that our lives can finally return to the "new normal" (whatever that might be).

Since it's the end of the year, we thought we'd do a recap for you. We started with a Tour of Italy message that led us to the Reaching Out and Keeping in Touch messages that came out twice a week. As of today, we did 52 of them. Whew!

Those led to the "Nutshell" messages (8 of those) which led to the "Where Are We" virtual tour of Italy that ended on December 21 in Rome. In total, we went to 13 different places and gave away \$270 in \$5 certificates!

We stuck in a bit of humor in here and there with songs about food, the Pasta Grannies with their (sometimes deadly) pasta-making, and cookie recipes just in time to make for Christmas.

Rosa and Carmela, the two famous Italian Chefs, one refined and one rustic, made their debut in June. The sequel will be coming out in the not-too-distant future.

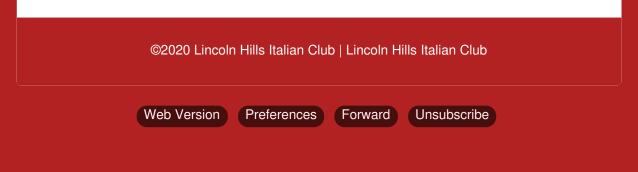
As we got closer to Christmas, the Christmas series began with messages about all the traditions and festivities that adorn Italy during the holidays. There were 6 of those messages.

And don't forget the giveaways! Since we had no activities to give away a door prize or two, we did messages to give some away instead. So far, we've had 4 of those. We're not really telling, but there may be more.

Now we are looking forward to the new year, scratching our heads, and thinking about what new and interesting things we might do in the coming months until we can actually have an event. What might we be planning? Ahhh...you'll have to wait and find out!

Have a very happy (safe, healthy, and all the words we've heard over and over all year long) New Year!

And thank you for your continued support of the Lincoln Hills Italian Club. We look forward to the day when we can all be together again.



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