

PENINSULA ITALIAN AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB OF SAN MATEO

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SEPTEMBER 2005

PENSOGRAM

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept 2 – Friday Dinner Dance, Pork Scaloppini w/sundried tomatoes or Roasted Chicken*, 7:15 Dinner, 8:30 Dancing to the music of the Bob Gutierrez Band. Members \$20, Guests \$25.

Sept 7 – Board of Directors Mtg., 7:00 PM

Sept 13 – General Dinner Mtg., Braised Lamb Shank or Roasted Chicken*, 7:00 PM

Sept. 13 – Scholarship Committee Mtg. 6 PM

Sept 16 – Friday Luncheon, Noon, Baby Back Ribs or Roasted Chicken*.

Sept 21 – Board of Directors Mtg., 7:00 PM

Sept 22 – Fellowship Night, Breaded Pork Chops or Roasted Chicken*, 7 PM, Members \$15, Guests \$20

Oct 5 – Board of Directors Mtg., 7:00 PM

Oct 11 – General Dinner Mtg., 7 PM

* Where indicated, Chicken is available if ordered in advance.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

There are still some tickets available for our annual Western Night Dinner-Dance on Friday, August 26 and for the Club Picnic on Sunday, August 28. Please contact Gordon at the Club as soon as possible, so he can reserve your tickets. Also, remember to get your tickets for the Toscana Night Dinner-Dance on Saturday, September 10. This is our first regional dinner-dance of the year, and it is very popular. Always a beautiful event, expect fabulous decorations, a menu that features prime rib (or roasted chicken), bottled wine, special dessert, and great dancing music by the popular George Campi Band.

Monday, September 12 marks the date for our annual Golf Tournament at the Poplar Creek Golf Course, followed by a delicious dinner at the PIASC. Chairman, Dave Parenti, has everything under control and promises a great time for all.

In the spirit of "something for everyone" look for a Rock and Roll Dinner-Dance at the PIASC on Saturday, October 1. Put on your

dancing shoes and favorite outfit and come to the PIASC for a delicious dinner and a lot of dancing, the way you used to do thirty or forty years ago. Chairpersons for the event are Gary Cahalan and David Fanucchi, and the band will be the talented "Brothers and Friends".

Chairperson Barbara (Miele) Kuehn invites you to an exciting and fun-filled Columbus Day Italian-American Heritage Celebration on Saturday, October 8. The event will be held in the Old Courthouse in Redwood City (the home of the San Mateo County Historical Museum), from 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM. This is a celebration of our heritage, featuring Italian music, bocce, an array of delicious Italian food, wine, soft drinks, and a raffle of baskets full of Italian goodies. During the celebration, the winners of the bocce tournament, held the previous week, will be recognized, and prizes will be distributed to them. Also, there will be great singing of traditional Italian songs in the beautiful Courthouse rotunda by the popular and charismatic Italian singer, Pasquale Esposito. The museum on that day will also feature a presentation and exhibit called, "Stories in Stone", which many of you will enjoy.

In the evening on that same day (Saturday, October 8) continue celebrating your Italian heritage by attending our Genovese Night Dinner-Dance at the PIASC. Chairpersons Dave and Alice Siboldi and co-chairperson Elmo De Nevi have planned a fantastic dinner for you, coupled with dancing to the wonderful music of the Ron Zucca Band. If you enjoy delicious home made ravioli and look forward to a juicy BBQ New York steak, you have to attend this event.

Sinceri Auguri a Tutti,
Emi Bagneschi

SUNSHINE

Get well wishes to: June DaDalto, Florence Garcia, Guido Nannini, Joseph Vaccaro.

Sympathy to: Mario Duri (loss of wife).

Congratulations to: Mr. And Mrs. Salvatore Russo (first granddaughter), Eda Rosetto (second great grandson), Anna Lisa Loar who gave birth to a baby girl, Siena, on July 28; this is the first granddaughter of Natale Bortolin.

By Rico Marchesin, 650.348.1249

BELATED THANKS

To Amadeo Bel Bello for his fine music playing and singing at the Father's Day event.

ATTENTION MEMBERS

The Board of Directors has recommended a membership dues increase from \$75 to \$100 effective January 1, 2006. There will be a vote taken on this issue at the General Dinner Meeting, October 11, 2005.

BARTENDERS NEEDED

The PIASC would like to know if any member could volunteer 4 hours on Saturday or Sunday to work at the front bar. If interested call Gordon at 650.343.7981.

POLICY UPDATE FOR GUEST TICKETS

The Board of Directors has changed the Club policy regarding the sale of guest tickets for major Club events: Effective September 1, 2005 guest ticket requests will be honored only during the *three weeks* prior to the event, if there are still unsold tickets. These tickets will be available during this period on a first come, first serve basis.

OPEN LETTER

Things are looking up at our bocce courts. New faces, lots of action, members having a good time! Take time to meet the players, have a game or two with B. Fatica, E. Caccia, S. Eiras, A. Biancalana, A. Gnecco, F. Sicco, J. Alioto, T. Zingone.

There's also a Pedro card game, so drop in and start a game.

There are two pool tables upstairs for your enjoyment.

When was the last time that you made use of our Club? Besides, it's all here at no cost!

John Chiappe, Welfare Committee Chair.

ATTENTION MEMBERS

The L'Italo-Americano, founded in 1908, is the only Italian-American newspaper serving the western section of the United States. This weekly publication is written both in Italian and English. The Italian community needs this paper in order to keep our lines of communication open. If we do not support this fine publication, our current and future generations may lose all of their ties with Italy and the local Italian-American community.

L'Italo-Americano's subscription rate is \$40 per year for 52 issues. As a promotion until October of this year, L'Italo-Americano will return \$10 of each subscription to our Club to be used for our scholarship program.

If you would like to support our last weekly Italian paper and at the same time fund our scholarship program, please send your checks payable to L'Italo-Americano to the PIASC, attention George Lencioni, Secretary, and we will forward them to the newspaper.

SOCCER SCHEDULE

9/18 10 AM Peninsula Fury at Fiesta Meadows
9/25 11 AM Portola Concordia at Jordan Field
10/2 11 AM Portola Valley at Rossatti Field
10/9 10 AM Jarusa at Bayside/Joinville
10/16 11 AM Harmonie at El Camino Park
10/23 10 AM S. San Fran at Bayside/Joinville
10/30 10 AM Ushua Peru at Bayside/Joinville
11/6 Bye
11/13 3 PM Internationale at Port Royal
11/20 11 AM Peninsula Fury at Port Royal
12/4 10 AM Portola Concordia at Fiesta Mead.
12/11 10 AM Portola Valley at Fiesta Meadows
2/5 1 PM Jarusa at Fiesta Meadows
2/12 TBA Harmonie at TBA
2/26 10 AM S. San Fran at Orange Park
3/5 3 PM Ushua Peru at Fiesta Meadows
3/12 Bye
3/19 TBA Internationale at TBA

BOCCE NEWS

There will be a Gary Yates Memorial Bocce Tournament this year at Beresford Park in San Mateo on Sunday, September 18th. Flyers for sign up are available at the Club. A USBF or ABA membership card is required.

**FRIDAY LUNCHEON
SEPTEMBER 16TH**

**BABY BACK RIBS
or ROASTED CHICKEN**

**\$15
FOR RESERVATIONS
CALL 650.343.7981**

POMPEII

The ancient city of Pompeii, which was destroyed by an eruption from Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD, has long been a popular tourist destination in Italy. Lying just south of Naples, Pompeii has about 115 excavated acres and more waiting to be uncovered.

Until the 1990's administrators believed that by constantly uncovering new ruins, tourists would keep flowing into the city. Unfortunately they were not making enough money for the upkeep of all these newly uncovered areas, and looters were having a field day taking everything from bricks to entire frescos. A decision was made to close all but 34 acres to tourists, in the hopes of avoiding major losses.

Why then, are archeologists from Italy's Basilicata University digging under the existing ruins? Recent discoveries show there is more to Pompeii than what archeologists first thought. Researchers from the region of Basilicata have discovered the ruins of the original Pompeii – that is, the Pompeii built by the Samnites who the Romans conquered in order to build their port city. While looking for remains of Pompeii's harbor, archeologists found a pre-Roman temple wall, clay offerings to the Samnite goddess of love, and a basin and terracotta pipes indicating the site of a ritual bath.

The Samnites were a tribal people traditionally considered unimportant in history, but noted for their occupation of southern central Italy before the Romans controlled the entire peninsula. The Samnites fought three major wars with the Romans for the territory beginning in 343 BC and eventually lost control of the area; living in relative peace under Roman rule for nearly 200 years after the final war. The peace, founded under a mutually shared power, ended in the 1st century AD, when the Samnites rebelled. The rebellion marked the beginning of Roman military occupation.

Source: The National Italian American Found.

WINE!

Globalization has brought about many changes in our world, one of which has begun to affect the wine industry. With modern technology, a vineyard in California can begin to grow grapes native to Italy in addition to their own. In Italy there are 2,000 different kinds of grapes. The result of this technology is that native flavors are beginning to become generic. That's where Marco Caprai, proprietor of the Amaldo Caprai Winery in the region of Umbria, stepped in. The grape native to his village of Montefalco is called the Sagrantino, and when wine-makers in nearby Tuscany declared that they too would be planting Sagrantino for their own product, Caprai protested.

Source: The National Italian American Foundation

PIASC Officers

For 2005

President	Emil Bagneschi
Vice-President	Angelo Cacciatore
Treasurer	Henry Bergero
Secretary	George Lencioni

Board Members

John Bagneschi
Rudy Bertolozzi
Renato Cernobori
John Chiappe
Angelo Fanucchi
David Fanucchi
Remo Giuntoli
Michael Tognotti
Mario Viarengo

UPCOMING MAJOR EVENTS

Toscana Night	Sept. 10
Golf Tournament	Sept. 12
Rock & Roll Dinner Dance	Oct. 1
Genovese Night/Columbus Day Celeb.	Oct. 8
Sicilian Night	Nov. 12
Children's Xmas Party	Dec. 11
New Year's Eve Dinner Dance	Dec. 31

CLUB HOURS

BAR: Tuesday thru Sunday, 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM, except Friday, 3:00 to 11:00 PM.

OFFICE: Tuesday thru Saturday, Noon - 5 PM

The Club is closed on Mondays.

Find us at: www.peninsulasocialclub.org

E-mail us at: psc@sirius-mail.com

TOSCANA NIGHT DINNER/DANCE SEPTEMBER 10TH

I plan on attending Toscana Night on September 10th and request:

_____ Member Tickets at \$35 each

_____ Guest Tickets at \$40 each

TOTAL : \$_____

Name _____

Address _____

City/ZIP _____

Please enclose a stamped self addressed envelope for the return of your tickets.

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