

**PENINSULA ITALIAN AMERICAN  
SOCIAL CLUB OF SAN MATEO**  
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**May 2006**

# PENSOGRAM

## IMPORTANT DATES

**May 3** - Board of Directors Mtg. 7PM

**May 5** - Friday Dinner Dance, Club Veal Cutlet or Roasted Chicken\* 7:15 Dinner 8:30 dancing to the music of the Bob Gutierrez Band. Members \$25.00 Guests \$30.00

**May 9** - Scholarship Committee Mtg. 6 PM

**May 9** - General Dinner Mtg. Baby Back Ribs or Roasted Chicken\* 7 PM

**May 17** - Board of Directors Mtg 7 PM

**May 19** - Friday Luncheon, Noon, Breaded Short Ribs or Roasted Chicken\*

**May 25** - Fellowship Night, Breaded Veal Cutlet or Roasted Chicken\* 7 PM Members \$15.00 Guests \$20.00

**June 7** - Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM

**June 13** - General Dinner Mtg. 7PM

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Congratulations and much appreciation to chairpersons Angelo and Angie Fanucchi and their wonderful committee for bringing to us a superb "Come Prima Reunion" dinner/dance on March 25. The Club received many accolades from members and friends who attended this elegant affair. Thank you, Angelo and Angie, for such an extravagant and enjoyable event.

Thank you to chairperson Barbara Kuehn and her committee for a very successful Scholarship Foundation Dinner-Dance fundraiser on April 1. The wonderful evening included a delicious dinner, great music by the George Campi Band, a raffle, and a silent auction. The funds raised will benefit several very worthy high school seniors. Also, thank you to everyone who donated to the scholarship fund, directly by check, through the raffle, or through the silent auction.

I enjoyed listening to the wonderful speakers at our last general dinner meeting (Mr. Robert Parsons, who spoke about strokes and Ms. Monica Marangon, who spoke about an Italian class for young children). Thank you, also, to the members present, who were very attentive and polite during the speakers' presentations.

Finally, I am pleased to see that the bylaws change, giving social members the right to vote, passed easily. I think that the voting membership made the right decision.

I hope to see you at our forthcoming Mother's Day Dinner on Sunday, May 7, where co-chairpersons Cliff Goodwine and Frank Benvenuto will again treat you to a wonderful time. There will be plants or flowers for the mothers, a very delicious dinner, and music and entertainment for everyone.

I look forward to our annual Venetian Night Dinner-Dance on Saturday, May 13, hosted by Guido and Letizia Freschet. Enjoy a sumptuous BBQ steak dinner, bottled wine, special dessert, plus dance your heart out to the lively music of the Steve Balich Band.

Respectfully,  
Emil Bagneschi

## SUNSHINE

**Get well wishes to:** Julie Bagneschi, Natale Bortolin.

**Sympathy to:** Norma Marchesin ( loss of Mother ), Frances Benedetto ( loss of Husband ), Adeline Colaizzi ( loss of Husband ).

**Congratulations to:** Mr&Mrs Mario Landucci on the birth of their grandson, Giovanni.

**By Rico Marchesin, 650-348-1249**

**FRIDAY LUNCHEON May 19th**  
**BREADED SHORT RIBS OR ROASTED CHICKEN**  
**\$15.00**  
**FOR RESERVATIONS**  
**CALL 650.343.7981**

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN MEMBERS OF THE PISAC FOR 50 YEARS OR MORE

Peter Masut, Oreste Facchini, Mario M. Marcucci, Manual Casagrande, Delfino Grelli, Louis Rancelli, Enrico Marchesin, Joseph Bacchetto Jr., Leno Freschet, Peter Nave, Ernie Franco, Alfred Ruffino, Dino Mencarini, Jack DaDalto, Ernest Ferrario, Abramo Sabbatini, John Chiappe, Guido Freschet, Andy DeNardi, Mario Montelato, Victor Peccolo, Carlo Bellone, Elio Martin, Mario Buttignol, Victor Buttignol

**NOTE:** We Apologize if we left out anyone, please call the Club 650-343-7981 and let us know and we will acknowledge you.

# ATTENTION MEMBERS

**AT THE GENERAL DINNER MEETING ON APRIL 11, 2006  
THE MEMBERSHIP PRESENT PASSED THE PRO-  
POSAL ALLOWING THE SOCIAL MEMBERS TO VOTE.  
THE VOTE WAS 4 to 1 IN FAVOR**

## THANK YOU

Come Prima Committee for a great event! Celia Cavallini, Vito Cavallini, Renato Cernobori, Lubiana Cernobori, Diana Consani, Alberta Delnevo, Donald Delnevo, Angelina Fanucchi, Angelo Fanucchi, Mary Giuntoli, Giuliano Giuntoli, Alfredo Lucchesi, Pierina Lucchesi, Jeanette L. Rudden, Filomena Taurian, Felice Taurian

## GETTING TO KNOW YOUR OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Some of you have asked about the background of the officers and directors of our Club..

In an effort to provide you with some background information about the officers and directors of the PIASC, in the coming months the Pensogram will contain an article on the background of two of its officers and directors. This will continue until all the officers and directors are presented. This month we will have the background of Board Members John Bagneschi and Rudy Bertolozzi

### John Bagneschi:

John was born in a small town called Castelvecchio Di Compito near Lucca, Italy. He came to America in 1952 at the age of 14 with his mother Gina, brother Emil and sister Lubiana to join their father Nello that had immigrated here nine months before.

He attended Washington school in Burlingame for only three months before going to San Mateo High in the fall of 1952. As a young immigrant, John struggled with the language at first but eventually graduated in 1956 with better than a 'B' average.

After graduating John began working in a sheet metal shop while going to College of San Mateo in the evening to obtain a State journeyman license in the heating, sheet metal and air conditioning trade.

John also served in the United States Army reserve receiving an honorable discharge in 1962 with the rank of Sergeant.

In 1971, after working in the trade for 17 years, John made a career change and went to work for the County of San Mateo as a stationary engineer retiring 20 years later after spending the last four years as a project administrator in the office of general services. John also held a California real estate license in the seventies for about ten years.

The family has been John most cherished asset all his life which includes wife Julie, whom he married in 1960, giving him two adoring children, Robert and Lisa, and grandchildren Megan and Sean. Sadly, Robert, deceased in 1986 at the age of 24.

John is an active member of SCORPA, San Mateo County retired Personnel Association and also a member of the Italian American Citizen Club of South San Francisco. John is proud to have been a member of the P.I.A.S.C. since 1974, having served as Director for seven years, also as Trustee, and involved with our Club sports such as the soccer team, bocce clinics, pedro organizer, committee chairperson for the Yates bocce facility of San Mateo and an all around Club supporter.

John is so very proud of his Italian heritage that along with his wife Julie, currently have volunteered to resurrect the Italian conversational classes at the P.I.A.S.C. in order to preserve the beautiful Italian language. John lifelong love for all sports has been his biggest hobby: from attending all his children and now grandchildren sports events to having been A.Y.S.O. area 'N' Director and soccer coach in region 36 for several years, to also having been a lifelong advocate of youth sports all his life.

### Rudy Bertolozzi:

RUDY, WHO IS SERVING HIS SECOND YEAR ON THE PIASC BOARD WAS BORN AND RAISED IN THE EXCELSIOR DISTRICT OF SAN FRANCISCO. HE ATTENDED BALBOA HIGH SCHOOL, CITY COLLEGE OF SAN FRANCISCO AND RECEIVED HIS DOCTOR OF PHARMACY DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

RUDY'S MOTHER WAS BORN IN SONOMA AND HIS DAD WAS BORN IN NILES MAKING HIM A SECOND GENERATION CALIFORNIAN. HIS GRANDPARENTS ON HIS FATHERS SIDE CAME FROM VILLA BASILICA JUST A FEW MILES FROM LUCCA. HIS MOTHERS PARENTS WERE FROM THE LOCARNO REGION OF SWITZERLAND.

RUDY MARRIED HIS WIFE SUZANNE IN 1958. THEY HAVE THREE CHILDREN, TERI, STEVE AND SUSIE AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN WITH ONE MORE ARRIVING IN JUNE.

OVER THE YEARS RUDY WAS TREASURER FOR THE COSMAS DAMIAN CATHOLIC PHARMACISTS GUILD, ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNION STREET MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION, VICE PRESIDENT FOR THE LOCAL BRANCH OF UNICO NATIONAL, PRESIDENT OF THE SAN FRANCISCO ITALIAN ATHLETIC CLUB AND PLAYED BASEBALL FOR THE OLDTIMERS BASEBALL ASSOCIATION OF SAN FRANCISCO.

RUDY SOLD HIS UNION PLAZA PHARMACY IN 1996 BUT STILL PRACTICES PHARMACY A FEW HOURS A WEEK, JUST AS LONG AS IT DOESN'T INTERFERE WITH HIS BOCCE BALL. HE STILL ATTENDS THE SAN MATEO COUNTY PHARMACISTS ASSOCIATION MEETINGS AND IS A LIFETIME MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN AND CALIFORNIA PHARMACISTS ASSOCIATION.

IN ADDITIONS TO HIS BOARD DUTIES RUDY IS ON THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE PENINSULA SOCIAL CLUB FOUNDATION, BOCCE CHAIRMAN AND BOARD MEMBER FOR THE ITALIAN AMERICAN CITIZENS CLUB OF SO. SAN FRANCISCO WHERE HE WAS CHOSEN AS THEIR PERSON OF THE YEAR IN 2005 AND IS CHAIRMAN OF THE PERSONEL BOARD FOR THE CITY OF SO. SAN FRANCISCO.

RUDY IS PROUD TO BE A MEMBER OF THE PENINSULA ITALIAN AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB AND IS EXPECIALLY HONORED TO HAVE BEEN ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF THIS OUTSTANDING ORGANIZATION.

## Wild Game Feed ("Festa dei Cacciatori")

Dear Member and Friends:

Time is rapidly approaching for the Club's fifth annual Festa Dei Cacciatori

(Wild Game Feed) on Saturday, June 3, 2006. This event was a sell out last year and a major success. This success was a direct result of our members and friends who donated food items and merchandise that helped make our dinner event so wonderful.

We again are asking for your support in donating wild game that we can use for our dinner menu or donation of merchandise that we can use as part of our door prizes and raffle. All proceeds raised from the raffle will be donated to Wildlife Conservation Programs and our PSC Scholarship Fund. Once again the success is directly related to the help from all of you. I hope we can raise food and prizes to make this event another smash hit.

Please contact committee member Remo Giuntoli, Angelo Fanucchi, or Gary Cahalan at (650)343-7981 if you are able to help. Thank you for your support and Happy Hunting.

Gary Cahalan, Raffle Event Chairman

## P.I.A.S.C. SOCCER TEAM TAKES CHAMPIONSHIP

The PENINSULA ITALIAN-AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB adult soccer team has clinched the championship of the "First Division North" of the Peninsula Soccer League. The local team, comprised mostly of local soccer players has had its best soccer season since the team was promoted to division one in 2002.

The current team won eleven games and only lost once with three ties with a total of 36 points finishing several points ahead of the second place team.

All the young men that contributed to the team success complimented each other the entire season with exceptional soccer skills, aggressive play and total individual unselfishness toward the team winning success.

The team named azzurri " appropriately named after the Italian National soccer team was superbly coached by Paul Porter with player- manager Gian Paolo Martire handling the team organization and Rick Nieva as the official team Captain had all the ingredients of a winning team marked for success.

The rest of this outstanding group of soccer players included: Roberto Alvarado, Marco Liberati, Domenico Rancatore, Tony Giusti, Ryan Montano, Christian Montano, Marco Alvarado, Tony Belforte, Mario Pacini, Kevin Flood, Lino Martire, Joaquin Zaldana, Andrew Toscano, Alex Cook, Ray Bronzini and Mark Helper

## PIASC WINTER BOCCE TOURNAMENT

Sunday March 26 concluded the finals of the Peninsula Italian-American Social Club winter league bocce tournament.

Our sincere thanks to the P.I.A.S.C. for hosting the tournament, and to the Cresci family of "Home Maid Ravioli" for sponsoring our league and a special THANK YOU to Max Antoniazzi, Adriano Undorte and Rose Viscuso for making this fifteenth annual tournament so special and so well directed. After nine weeks of intense bocce competition, eighteen bocce teams divided in two divisions, red and blue, consisting of nine teams each, came to a successful conclusion. The 90 players and many supporters came together to attend a wonderful dinner in the main hall of the PENINSULA ITALIAN-AMERICAN SOCIAL Club for recognition and awarding of trophies to the first four place teams.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS:

**First place:** REGINA BORTOLUS, MARIO CONTI, DAVE SIBOLDI, OLGA CAVA, BETTY DAVI.

**Second place:** LAVINIA ANTONIAIII, JOHN CLEMENTE, GUIDO FRESCH I', CHIP ALEXANDER, ROSE RILEY.

**Third place:** DEDEE CASETTA, MICKEY DARATA, JOHN BAGNESCHI, DEAN BALESTRERI, PAULINE VIARENGO.

**Fourth place:** CARLOTTE CONWAY, RAY TUCCORI, ALVARO BETTUCCHI, ANGIE FANUCCHI, LAURIE ALEXANDER.

Our next bocce event sponsored by the Peninsula Italian American Social Club will be on May 6, 2006. The men will be playing at the Club courts in a "PUNTO RAFFA VOLO" tournament, and the women will be playing in an "OPEN RULE" tournament at the Yates bocce facility at Beresford Park in San Mateo.

## BOCCE NEWS

The PIASC is in the process of forming a "Summer League". The team for Open Rules play will consist of three (3) players ( make your own team). The games will be played on Tuesday evenings for five (5) weeks beginning on June 6th at 6:30 PM, Two Games, 10 points, 8 Teams.

The team for Punto/Raffa/Volo will consist of two (2) players ( make your own team ). The games will be played on Friday evenings for five (5) weeks beginning June 9th.

There will be cash awards at the end of the league. **NO TROPHIES**  
The price is \$20.00 per player. **NO BOCCE MEMBERSHIP CARDS REQUIRED**

If interested call Angelo Fanucchi 650 341-1577 Mario Patane 650-598-9862 ( for Open Rules games only ). If interested call John Chiappe 650 341-0421 ( for Punto/Raffa/Volo games only) Cutoff date is May 31st 2006.

### PIASC Officers for 2006

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

### Board Members

John Bagneschi  
Rudy Bertolozzi  
Gary Cahalan  
John Chiappe  
Elmo De Nevi  
Angelo Fanucchi  
David Fanucchi  
Remo Giuntoli  
Michael Tognotti

## UPCOMING MAJOR EVENTS

May 7	Mothers Day
May 13	Venetian Night
June 3	Festa dei Cacciatori
June 18	Fathers Day
Aug. 26	Oldies Dinner Dance
Aug. 27	Club Picnic
Sept. 9	Toscana Night
Sept. 11	Golf Tournament
Oct. 7	Genovese Night/Columbus Day Celeb.
Nov. 11	Sicilian Night
Dec. 3	Workers Party
Dec. 10	Children's Xmas Party
Dec. 31	New Year's Eve Dinner Dance

## 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](http://www.peninsulasocialclub.org)

E-mail us at [peninsulaitalian@rcn.com](mailto:peninsulaitalian@rcn.com)

# VENEZIA NIGHT—MAY 13TH

I PLAN ON ATTENDING THE VENEZIA DINNER AT THE PIASC ON SUNDAY MAY 13th AND REQUEST:

\_\_\_\_\_ Members Tickets at \$35.00 each

\_\_\_\_\_ Guest Tickets \$40.00 each

How many BBQ New York Steak? \_\_\_\_\_

How many Roasted Chicken? \_\_\_\_\_

I AM ENCLOSING MY CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

I WISH TO SIT WITH: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send a stamped self-addressed envelope to speed up the return of your tickets and mail to:  
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