

**PENINSULA ITALIAN AMERICAN
SOCIAL CLUB OF SAN MATEO**
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June 2007

PENSOGRAM

IMPORTANT DATES

June 1 - Friday Dinner Dance, Roast Pork Loin or Roasted Chicken* 7 PM Dinner, 8 to 11:30 PM dancing to the music of the Gary Pacini Band. Members \$25.00 Guests \$30.00

June 6 - Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM

June 12 - Scholarship Committee Mtg. 6 PM

June 12 - General Dinner Mtg. Breaded Veal Cutlet or Roasted Chicken* 7 PM

June 15 - Friday Luncheon, noon Italian Sausage with Polenta or Roasted Chicken* \$18.00

June 20 - Board of Directors Mtg. 7PM

June 28 - Fellowship Night, Roast Leg of Lamb or Roasted Chicken* Members \$17.00 Guests \$22.00

July 2 - Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM

July 10 - General Dinner Mtg. 7 PM

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

VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Members:

President Emil and Iris Bagneschi are away on a long deserved trip to Italy and will be back June 4. We surely hope they are having a fantastic time.

I would like to start out by thanking Chairperson Barbara Kuehn and her committee for a successful Scholarship Foundation Dinner Dance fundraiser on April 21. Funds raised by the foundation will benefit very worthy high school seniors.

Next, I want to thank Chairpersons Frank and Franka Benevento and Cliff and Terri Goodwine for a wonderful Mother's Day Dinner on May 13. George Campi gave a great performance with his accordion and thank you to Amedeo Del Bello and Gordon Fraser for providing additional entertainment. It was great to see our member's children and grandchildren out in the dance floor having a great time. These are the future generation of our club and are going to keep the Italian Heritage alive far into the coming years.

Finally, I want to congratulate Guido and Letizia Freschet for hosting an outstanding Venetian Night Dinner Dance. The decorations were elegant and the food fantastic as usual. Everyone enjoyed the music of the Steve Balich Band.

Our coming events are the Festa dei Cacciatori on Saturday June 2, co-chaired by Angelo Fanucchi and Remo Giuntoli, with music by the Bob Guterrez Band, and on Sunday June 17, our Father's Day Dinner, hosted by Robert Costa, with music by the Pasquale Esposito Band.

I hope to see you at some if not all of these events.

Sincerely Yours,
Angelo Cacciatore

SUNSHINE

Get well wishes to: Gary Cahalan, Gino Fanucchi, Ed DeMartini, Al Bertoli, Audrey Zanobini.

Sympathy to: Aurora Bini (loss of husband, Louis), Claudio Conti (loss of Mother), Eda Rossetto (Loss of grandson)

Congratulations to: Michael Darata on becoming a Great Grandfather.

By Rico Marchesin
650 348-1249

**FRIDAY LUNCHEON
JUNE 15th
ITALIAN SAUSAGE WITH PO-
LENTA
OR ROASTED CHICKEN
\$18.00
FOR RESERVATIONS SEND IN
COUPON WITH PAYMENT**

ATTENTION MEMBERS

The PIASC has just purchased white Polo shirts with the club logo embroidered on them. The sizes are M. L. XL. XXL. The price is \$25.00 They will be displayed and sold at the general dinner meeting on April 10th. If you are interested in purchasing a Polo shirt call Gordon at the club and he will have one for you to pick up.

TICKET FOR CLUB EVENTS WILL ONLY BE SENT OUT TO MEMBERS WHO SEND A SELF STAMPED ENVELOPE. YOUR CANCELLED CHECK WILL BE YOUR CONFIRMATION.

WHEN A MEMBER PASSES AWAY, THE CLUB WILL MAKE A DONATION TO A CHARITY, IN MEMORY OF THAT MEMBER.

NEW ROSTER

The new 2007 Membership Roster is now available. If you would like to have one, please send a request to:

PIASC, 100 North "B" Street, San Mateo, Ca. 94401,

Attention George Lencioni. They will also be distributed at the General Dinner Meeting on June 12, 2007

IMMIGRANT DAY FESTIVITIES

Saturday, June 16th from 12:00 to 4:00 pm is the day to mark your calendar to attend the various performances by seven groups represented in the immigrant day festivities. The place is the San Mateo County Historical Museum, 2200 Broadway, Redwood City, California.

The Italians are represented by the Italian-American Women Guild singing chorale, named 'Anima e Cuore' which will perform for our enjoyment a selection of popular Italian songs.

Other performances will be exhibited by the Irish, Portuguese, Chinese, Mexican, Japanese and Filipino groups. It is going to be a fun filled afternoon with a chance to taste small plates of food representing the various Countries and the opportunity to visit the Immigrants Gallery in the Museum.

For further information contact the Museum at (650) 299-0104 or John Bagneschi (650) 345-2316.

Italian Trivia

In the Calabrian town of San Giovanni in Fiore, master craftsman **Giovanni Battista Spadafora** creates unique works of art by adopting ancient techniques. He creates jewels worn by celebrities and queens, crosses worn by cardinals and popes, and precious crowns to adorn statues; 85 statues of Our Lady have been crowned by him.

The artistry of "the Maestro," as he is called in Italy, is the product of a long family tradition of working in gold. Spadafora learned the trade from his grandfather when he was 10 years old and he uses the technique of gold melting as his ancestors did centuries ago. His secret ingredient is pure olive oil, produced by area farmers. Under his hands, a gram of gold can be turned into 100 meters of gold thread to hold tiny pearls for embellishment on necklaces and tiaras. Spadafora also uses old gold that comes from ruined pieces of jewelry. He melts it and transforms it into a necklace, bracelet, or a tiara for the Blessed Mary that will be donated to a church. His own painstakingly crafted brooches are the result of making gold entirely by hand, hammering fine sheets of 18-carat gold to make timeless pieces. His example has been followed by his two sons, Peppino and Giancarlo. They create contemporary gold masterpieces, but also supervise jewelry shops they own in Fiore, Loriga, Camigliatello Silano, and Villa San Giovanni.
Source: The National Italian American Foundation

WHAT DO I GET AS A PIASC MEMBER

1. Free dinner on birthday month at the General Dinner Meeting.
2. Free use of bocce facilities
3. Free use of exercise room, free use of equipment, free use of personal trainer.
4. Free Christmas Show and free gift by Santa for sons, daughters, or grandchildren at Children's Christmas Party.
5. Beautiful dinners and dancing music by big name bands for nominal price.
6. Enjoyment of a large and beautiful hall and other facilities where you can celebrate your culture and meet your relatives and friends.
7. A full calendar of events, including lunches, regional dinner dances, Crab dinners, wine and food tasting events, Italian Street Fair, New Years Eve Dinner Dance, Bocce Tournaments, club picnic, Golf Tournament, etc.
8. Member discounts for family events held at the club.
9. A Soccer Team.
10. Free movies, soccer and other events held on large television screen.
11. Free use of cultural and recreational room.
12. A web site with links to important other sites, and a monthly bulletin full of important information.

ALL THE ABOVE FOR \$100.00 A YEAR!
By John Chiappe, Welfare Chairman

Juke Box Amore "PART 2"
By Cookie Curci

Amid this sea of Italian male vocalists was one lone girl singer who managed to make her mark in the world of rock "n" roll. Her real name was Concetta Rosemarie Franconero, better known as Connie Francis. Her million selling album "Italian Favorites" and the song "Mama" became a mainstay in every Italian American home while her rock "n" roll hits "Stupid Cupid", "Where The Boys Are", "My Happiness" and "Among My Souvenirs" took the pop world by storm. These singers spoke to a generation and for a generation. Frank Sinatra's singing style remains an unequaled blend of defiant tough-guy and gentle lyricist, a musical style that continues to appeal to every age and generation. His W.W.II recordings, "I'll Be Seeing You" and "I'll Never Smile Again" topped the charts week after week and spoke to the thousands of young men and women separated by the war. Sinatra's music touched the heart of a generation in a way no other singer ever has.

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Dean Martin's warm, romantic, "Everybody Loves Somebody" style, endeared him to the pop culture that loved a good time and good music. His recording of "That's Amore" remains one of America's most played tunes. Few of us can hear this happy song without feeling just a little better afterward. Perry Como, like most of his Italian American singing peers, was born to immigrant parents. Perry Como had 148 top 40 hits during his career, among them "Prisoner Of Love", "Wanted" and "It's Impossible". While Dean and Frank were busy forming the "rat pack," and Perry Como was starring on a new medium called television, another singer from Philly was making his mark in the music world. Teens were listening to a new Italian American voice on the jukebox. His name was Mario Lanza (Alfredo Arnold Cacoza) and he is one of the few singers who managed to bring an operatic voice to pop music. His songs "Come Prima", and "The Most Wonderful Night Of The Year" topped the charts and opened the doors for future Italian tenors.

Al Martino's musical styling earned him a place as one of America's most popular crooners. His recording of "Spanish eyes" is among the worlds top 50 most requested songs. Many of us can still remember punching those favorite keys on the jukebox to hear this song over and over again.

The Italian American singer has always symbolized romance, tradition and love. And they were as unique from one another as they were numerous. The music we listened to and the crooners who sang the songs we loved had a great impact on the 20th century music world. Through their songs we recall the loves and romances of our lives.

Source: Italian Cultural Society

UPCOMING MAJOR EVENTS

- June 2 Festa dei Cacciatori
- June 17 Father's Day Dinner
- Aug. 25 Oldies Dinner Dance
- Aug. 26 Club Picnic
- Sept 8 Toscana Night
- Sept 10 Golf Tournament
- Oct. 6 Genovese Night / Columbus Day Celebration
- Nov. 10 Sicilian Night
- Dec. 2 Workers Party
- Dec. 9 Children's Xmas Party
- Dec. 31 New Years Eve Dinner Dance

Officers for 2007

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

Board Members

John Bagneschi	Rudy Bertolozzi
Gary Cahalan	John Chiappe
Robert Costa	Elmo De Nevi
Angelo Fanucchi	Emil Giannoni
	Joe Lencioni

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: peninsulaitalian@rcn.com

3rd FRIDAY LUNCHEON

I PLAN ON ATTENDING THE FRIDAY LUNCHEON ON FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 2007
AND REQUEST:

_____ # of Tickets at \$18.00 Per Person (Payable in advance).
Make Check Payable to P.I.A.S.C.

How many Italian Sausage with Polenta ? _____
How Many Roasted Chicken? _____

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

NAME: _____
I WISH TO SIT WITH: _____

Make check payable to P.I.A.S.C. and mail to: 100 North B Street, San Mateo, CA 94401

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