

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

# PENSOGRAM

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Aug. 1-** Board of Directors Mtg. 7PM

**Aug. 3-** Friday Dinner Dance, NY Strip or Roasted Chicken\*  
7PM Dinner 8 to 11:30 PM dancing to the music of the  
George Campi Band. Members \$25.00 Guests \$30.00

**Aug. 14-** Scholarship Committee Mtg. 6 PM

**Aug. 14-** General Dinner Mtg. Roast Pork Loin or Roasted  
Chicken\* 7 PM

**Aug. 15-** Board of Directors Mtg. 7PM

**Aug. 17-** Friday Luncheon, noon Breaded Veal Cutlet or  
Roasted Chicken\* \$18.00

**Aug. 23-** Fellowship Night, Short Ribs or Roasted Chicken\*  
Members \$17.00 Guests \$22.00

**NOTE: Aug. 31-** Friday Dinner Dance ( For September )  
Chicken Scaloppine or Roast Beef 7 PM Dinner 8 to 11:30  
PM dancing to the music of the Gary Pacini Band. Members  
\$25.00 Guests \$30.00

**Sept. 5-** Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM

**Sept. 11-** General Dinner Mtg. 7 PM

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

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I extend a warm welcome to the eight new members  
who joined the PIASC on Tuesday, July 10. By joining  
and being active in the Club, you will be helping to pre-  
serve our rich Italian culture.

We look forward to our Oldies Dinner-Dance on Satur-  
day, August 25. Chairpersons Gary and Joyce Cahalan  
are very enthusiastic about this event, and want to make  
sure everyone has a wonderful time. With the menu  
they have selected and with the same fabulous band  
that we had playing last year ("Brothers and Friends"),  
we know that the event will once again be a huge suc-  
cess.

This will be followed by our annual PIASC picnic at  
Flood Park, on Sunday, August 26. Who can chair this  
event any better than the incomparable Mike Martinelli?  
Mike and his team of family and friends have done a tre-  
mendous job on this event for many years, each year  
better than the prior one, and this year should be no ex-  
ception. The picnic gives us a chance to relax and enjoy  
ourselves in a great outdoor atmosphere, in a beautiful  
park, together with our family and friends. In addition to  
enjoying a juicy BBQ steak with all the trimmings, we will  
also enjoy wonderful live Italian music by Reno Di  
Bono. Hope to see you there.

Respectfully,  
Emil Bagneschi

## 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 meetings. If you are interested in purchas-  
ing a Polo shirt call Gordon at the club 650 343-  
7981 and he will have one for you to pick up.

**PS: We also have Ladies club Polo shirts in  
sizes: M. L. XL.**

## 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 Meetings for the next two  
months.

## SUNSHINE

**Get well wishes to:** Dan Ditri, Lee Galli, Frank  
Venturelli.

**Sympathy to:** Eva Granelli (loss of husband,  
Sergio), Robert Mariani (loss of wife Kate).

**Congratulations to:** Louis & Grace Romanello  
celebrating their 61st Wedding Anniversary.

By Rico Marchesin 650 348-1249

**FRIDAY LUNCHEON  
AUGUST 17TH  
BREADED VEAL CUTLET  
OR ROASTED CHICKEN  
\$18.00  
FOR RESERVATIONS SEND IN  
COUPON WITH PAYMENT**

## NEW MEMBERS

The following candidates have applied for membership into the PIASC, have been approved by the Board of Directors, and are being presented to the general membership on Tuesday September 11, 2007.

They are: Dominic Peter Antonelli, Albert J. Crosat, Gordon Louis Dito, Michael Alfred Fazio, Joseph John Giusto, James L. Gregoire, Cork Roger Marcheschi, Dante Matteucci, Anthony Joseph Raiola, Tom Terullo.

## SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

### SCHOLARSHIP \$20,000.00 DRAWING CANCELLED

" The Scholarship \$20,000.00 drawing has been cancelled. If you purchased a ticket, you may either donate the cost back to the PSC Foundation or contact Barbara J. Kuehn Scholarship Chairperson at 650 401-2320 for a refund. Thank you for your support."

## BOCCE NEWS

At the 2007 United States Bocce Championships held at Campo di Bocce of Livermore from June 19th thru June 23rd the team of: Benedetto Nicosia, Michael Nicosia, Matteo Canu, Paolo Pro were awarded the Bronze Medal in the A Division, Punto, Raffa, Volo. The team of: George Lencioni, Margie Lencioni, Angelo Fanucchi, Tullio Zingone were awarded the Silver Medal in the B Division, Open Play.

Congratulations on your awards!!

### 2007 SPRING/ SUMMER BOCCE LEAGUE RESULTS

**1st Place:** Tullio Zingone, Lavinia Antoniazzi, Agnese Marcheschi, Sebastiao Eiras.

**2nd Place:** Angelo Fanucchi, Mario Patane, Dede Casetta, Miranda Zanette.

**3rd Place:** Angelo Cacciatore, Pat Cacciatore, John Clemente, Enrico Marchesin.

**4th Place:** Mario Conti, Andrew Baldi, Judith Baldi, Andrew Bacigalupi.

**Many thanks to the Bocce Committee:** Angelo Fanucchi, Angie Fanucchi, Mario Patane, Carmen Patane, Larry Giusto, Don Brozzo.

**Great cooking by the BBQ Committee:** Larry Giusto, Paul DiQuattro, Andy Bacigalupi.

## GETTING TO KNOW YOUR OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

### **Robert (Bob) Costa:**

I was born in Stockton, California. My father was born in Sampierdarena, Genova, Italy. My mother was born in North beach ( San Francisco). Her parents were from Brescia, Milano, Italy. I was raised with my five brothers. My father was a rancher and then a shareholder with the Stockton scavengers. I attended schools in Stockton and graduated from Stockton Junior College. I served in the U.S. Army and was assigned to Brooke Army Medical Hospital at Fort Sam Houston, Texas (San Antonio, Texas). After two years, I made Sgt. and was honorably discharged and went back to college. When the year ended I was offered a job in South San Francisco and then moved to San Mateo. In 1959, I was employed with Brunswig Drug Inc. in South San Francisco. I met Norma Ghiozzi that same year, Norma was from Cardoso, Parma, Italy. We were married in 1961 in South San Francisco. My daughter Annette was born in 1963, she is married to Steve Lewellyn, they have three children, Nicole 19, Melissa 17, and Zachary 15. In 1965, my son David was born who is also a member of the PIASC, he is married to Robin (nee Vierra) from San Mateo. They have one son, Joshua now seven years old. While raising our family, I made a few other changes, I went to work in the wholesale floral business. After a few years I started my own business in San Jose. The floral business was starting to change with most of the flowers being grown in South America and shipped to the United States at a lower cost than I could purchase locally. I left the floral business and went to work at the University of San Francisco. After eight years I retired and a few months later I went to work for the South San Francisco School District for ten years and then retired again. Being retired, I keep busy with my grandchildren, gardening, cooking, dancing, walking, traveling, playing bocce and swimming. I belong to other organizations that keep me busy. During our marriage, my wife Norma worked for Colonial Bakery, ( later Enternmans Inc) in South San Francisco and retiring after thirty years. My uncle Armando Costa was one of the original founders of this club. I have been a member since 1966. Being a member of the board of directors, I am looking forward in helping and working with the members and staff to improve our club and keep our Italian heritage strong in the club as well as in San Mateo.

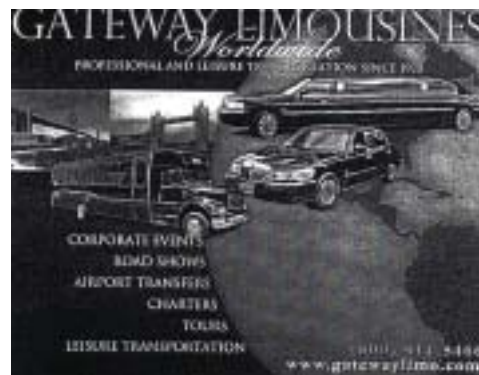
## Tuscan City Readies for Historic Horse Race

The Kentucky Derby may long be over, but Italy's famous Palio horse race takes place every year on July 2 and August 16 in Siena in the region of Tuscany. The Palio celebrates the apparition of the Virgin Mary, in whose honor the Palio was first run on August 16, 1656.

Today, there are 17 "Contradas" (districts) of Siena, by which the town is divided, each having their own government, coat of arms, colors, patron saints, and a horse in the race. In preparation for the horserace, the semi-circular, funnel-shaped Piazza del Campo is covered with soil and stands are set up for spectators. Since the crowds far surpass available seating, onlookers find makeshift perches on balconies, roofs, windows, walls, and even trees.

The Palio is preceded by days of festivities and an historic parade featuring horses, jockeys, and a rich display of medieval costumes. During the bareback race, contestants circle the track three times, and the winning Contrada hosts a grand celebration afterwards

**SOURCE:** THE NATIONAL ITALIAN AMERICAN FOUNDATION



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## Italy's Unifier Giuseppe Garibaldi Celebrated

July 4 is an historic date not only in America, but for Italy as well. This year marks the bicentennial anniversary of the birth of Giuseppe Garibaldi, "The Hero of Two Worlds."

Italy's unifier was born on July 4, 1807 in Nizza, now Nice, France. He fought during the failed insurrection at Piedmont as a member of La Giovine Italia (the "Young Italy" movement) and was sentenced to death. He fled the country, and in 1850 settled in Staten Island, New York.

In 1860, Garibaldi returned to Italy following uprisings in Messina and Palermo against the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies. He and "The Thousand"—a group of volunteers fighting for unification—landed at Marsala on the west side of Sicily, and six weeks later liberated the island.

He moved with his supporters northward through Naples, then Rome and Venice to unify the country.

Garibaldi enjoyed international admiration, most notably when he set up the International Legion, an organization that united the rebel factions of France, Poland, Switzerland, and Germany. He died on the island of Caprera in 1882, and statues in honor of the hero were erected worldwide.

**SOURCE:** THE NATIONAL ITALIAN AMERICAN FOUNDATION

## UPCOMING MAJOR EVENTS

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

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

## 3rd FRIDAY LUNCHEON

I PLAN ON ATTENDING THE FRIDAY LUNCHEON ON FRIDAY, August 17, 2007 AND REQUEST:

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

How many Breaded Veal Cutlet ? \_\_\_\_\_ 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

## PICNIC AUGUST 26TH

I PLAN ON ATTENDING THE PICNIC AT FLOOD PARK (MENLO PARK) ON AUGUST 26th AND REQUEST:

\_\_\_\_\_ ADULT TICKETS AT \$15 \_\_\_\_\_ ADULT GUEST TICKETS \$20 EACH  
\_\_\_\_\_ CHILDREN (6 TO 12 YEARS \$ 6 \_\_\_\_\_ CHILDREN (5 AND YOUNGER) - FREE

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

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**BRING YOUR BOCCE BALLS, SOCCER BALLS, HORSESHOES, AND OTHER MATERIAL. LETS HAVE A GREAT PICNIC THIS YEAR!**

**P.S. — WE WILL HAVE A DESSERT TABLE AND WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE THE LADIES BRING SOME SWEETS FOR EVERYONE TO ENJOY**

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