

**PENINSULA ITALIAN AMERICAN
SOCIAL CLUB OF SAN MATEO**
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November 2009

PENSOGRAM

IMPORTANT DATES

Nov. 4- Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM
Nov. 6- Friday Dinner Dance, Veal Parmigiana or Roasted Chicken* 7 PM dinner 8 to 11:30 dancing to the music of the Bob Gutierrez Band Members \$27.00 Guests \$32.00
Nov. 10- Scholarship Committee Mtg. 6 PM
Nov. 10- General Dinner Mtg. Short Ribs or Roasted Chicken* 7 PM
Nov. 18- Board of Directors Mtg. 7PM
Nov. 20- Friday Luncheon, Noon Roast NY Strip or Roasted Chicken* \$18.00
Dec. 2- Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM
Dec. 8- General Dinner Mtg. 7 PM
*Where indicated, Roasted Chicken is available if ordered in advance.
NOTE: There will be No Fellowship Night in November & December

SUNSHINE

Get well wishes to:

Joe Dal Pra, Tullio Bertini, Jerry Johnson,
Joe Lencioni, Helen Bergero.

Sympathy to:

Diano Bernardini (loss of wife), Family of George Pozzi, Family of Peter Busalacchi.

Congratulations to:

Remo & Vera Giuntoli on the birth of a daughter, Georgina Viola,
Andy & Judy Baldi on the birth of a grandchild (Boy) to their daughter Lisa

By Charlotte Conway 650 341-4926

**FRIDAY LUNCHEON
NOVEMBER 20,
2009
ROAST NY STRIP
OR
ROASTED CHICKEN
\$18.00
FOR RESERVATIONS SEND IN
COUPON WITH PAYMENT**

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We're really in the downhill stretch now with December right around the corner. What a month this has been.

We had Toscano night, a golf tournament, Genovese night, Italian Heritage Day celebration in Redwood City, and the Italian Heritage Day Parade in San Francisco. Each and every event was a rousing success and accolades are as follows; Angelo and Angie Fannuchi presided over the Toscano Night event. Leave it to a Toscano to know how to party. Bravo and thank you both.

Just after the dust settled, Dave Parenti hosted the golf tournament where he kept the balls rolling. He picked up a stroke or two with that event. Thank you to Dave.

The Italian American Heritage Celebration (formerly known as Columbus Day) chaired by club attorney Terry Anderlini was next in line. I was under my blanket that day as I was "under the weather" but I got the report from my wife, Lois. The Pinocchio themed float was on display in preparation for the next day's parade in San Francisco. The festivities began with a priest blessing the float. (I'll bet a few people jumped in front to get some blessings of their own.) The mandolin playing was outstanding as was the small band playing in front of the Old Courthouse. Maria Pignati shared her beautiful voice. The skit was performed with the actors wearing microphones so all could hear. Nice twist! The highlight of the day was that the event honored Paula Uccelli, a stand up woman who I have had the good fortune to get to know.

I was feeling better and off we went to Genovese Night, hosted by Elmo DeNevi. We had a good time, danced a bit, ate well and enjoyed the camaraderie of our tablemates. Molto grazie to Elmo and team.

Bright and early the next morning Gail and Lou Firpo arrived at our home in a "like new" bright red, 1957 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz convertible. Off we went to parade in San Francisco with our hairs blowing in the wind. Before we even got to the city we were celebrated by dozens of honkers, wavers and thumbs ups. I mean to say that our fellow travelers were awestruck by the beauty we were riding in. Lou's talents were greatly appreciated by all who set eyes on his ride. It was foggy in the city but I was able to see Penny Lucchesi (as fairy godmother) in the float just ahead. She smiled for 3 hours. I later found out that she was frozen solid. It might have been her lovely low cut gown. On the other end of the float was Al Lucchesi (as woodcarver Jepetto) but he wasn't cold... because his shirt was buttoned. We were followed in the parade by David Fanucchi and his entire family stuffed into his classic 69 Chevy convertible. Sprinkled throughout the crowd were many club members calling out, "Sempre Avanti!" The streets were filled with Italians and those who wanted to be Italian. The day came to a close with 24 of us enjoying dinner at Bertolucci's in South San Francisco.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

For those of you who haven't heard, the idea to purchase the adjacent property was voted down by the membership. Thank you to all those who attended the special meeting, gave input and voted. To those of you who couldn't make it, be advised that we cannot take verbal, written or telephone votes on these occasions but thank you for your interest as well.

May you all enjoy a bountiful Thanksgiving.
Emil R. Giannoni, President
Sempre Avanti

Food for thought: People are like steel...when they lose their temper, they lose their worth.

THANK YOU

Chairperson Elmo DeNevi, Genovese Night.

I would like to thank Lavinia Antoniazzi, Agnese Marcheschi, Dorothy & Armand Cevasco, Nancy Stanbridge for all their hard work in decorating for Genovese night. A special thank you to Franca Chiappe who helped me in the kitchen for two days. Also, many thanks to Wayne Podesta who donated the beautiful plants for everyone to enjoy on their tables and take home if they were the lucky winner.

BOCCE!! MORE BOCCE!! AND WINNERS!!

The 23rd Autumn Annual "Open Bocce Tournament" sponsored by the PIASC was a great success. It was held on Sunday September 20, 2009 at Beresford Park Bocce Courts in San Mateo. There were 20 teams competing in a fantastic day of fun and friendship. Players had lunch at the PIASC and wine tasting and snacks at the park in the late afternoon. Special thanks go to our committee for preparing the courts, servers for the lunch and to #1 Chef Norman Wong and all the participants.

THE WINNERS ARE:

1st Place: CENTRAL, Capt. Max Antoniazzi, Lavinia Antoniazzi, Marino Lari, Angelina Lari

2nd Place: Sempre Avanti, Capt. Mario Viarengo, Pauline Viarengo, Armand Cevasco, Dorothy Cevasco.

3rd Place: Smoke Jumpers, Capt. Jeremy Calhoon, Ted Nicolson, Lidia Romo, Manny Romo

4th Place: Rose with 3 Thorns, Capt. Rose Viscuso, Don Cresci, Ray Allara, Bill Downing
Adriano Undorte, John Bagneschi, Mario Viarengo, Chairpersons

NEW MEMBERS

The following candidates have applied for membership into the PIASC, and are being presented for your recommendation to the General Membership for their approval and acceptance on Tuesday, November 10, 2009

Giuseppe Bologna, Ronald B. Guaraldi,
Rosemarie Haskell (Natucci),
Peter M. Iacopi, Joseph Anthony Iuculano,
Michael John Lazzari, David Edward Lea, Frank
Passaglia, Lawrence J. Toboni

Columbus Day Parade

An enjoyable day was spent on October 11, 2009 at the Columbus Day Parade in the North Beach section of San Francisco by several members of the PIASC. The PIASC entered a creative float with a Pinocchio theme in the parade. The big blue whale was built by the creative hands of Alfredo Lucchesi, Angelo Fanucchi, Achille Rodighiero, John Bernat, and Renato Cernobori. On the float was Alfredo Lucchesi representing Gepetto, Talia Casetta representing Pinocchio, and Pierina Lucchesi representing the Blue Fairy. The other persons that contributed to making this endeavor a success were Angie Fanucchi, Phyllis Rodighiero, Lubiana Cernobori and Stefano Quilici. Greg Menna of Greg's Trucking donated his business facilities to build the float, and his tractor to pull the float in the parade. Eddie Andreini of Andreini Brothers donated the trailer that was used to carry the float. Giulio Sbragia of Bay-side Building Materials, Inc. donated the building materials to build the float. We are very thankful and appreciative to these persons for making this a very enjoyable and successful contribution to our Italian heritage.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Thank you so much for this generous award from the Peninsula Social Club Foundation and the PIASC. The funds will help me finance the wonderful education available to me at Santa Clara. As tuition costs are very high, I would not be able to attend as a full-time student without the scholarships that I have been awarded. I greatly appreciate your assistance in my academic pursuits. Thank you also, for publishing and displaying the photos of scholarship recipients in the club's newsletter and in the entrance way. Many of my relatives who are club members, specifically my grandmother Julietta Giannini and my cousin Doris Stafani were very pleased and proud to see my photo. I am truly honored by your award. Sincerely, Elisa L.G. Valinoti

PIASC SOCCER TEAM 2009-2010 SEASON SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	FIELD
Nov.1-	10:00 AM	SM HIGH
Nov.8-	10:00 AM	SM HIGH
Nov.15-	10:00 AM	SM HIGH
Nov.22-	10:00 AM	SM HIGH
Dec.6-	10:00 AM	SM HIGH
Dec.13-	10:00 AM	SM HIGH

Break, 2nd half of season starts January 10, 2010

Jan. 10-	9:30 AM	Willow Glen
Jan.24-	10:00 AM	SM HIGH

ATTENTION MEMBERS

The PIASC/ IAWG is doing a joint food drive for the Second Harvest Food Bank of San Mateo. Please bring your non-perishable food to fill the barrels at the general dinner meeting in November

November 10, 2009 at the general dinner meeting will be the time for nominations of officers for 2010. The PIASC has many opportunities in the coming years to improve and keep the club strong. We need members who are willing to meet that goal. If you are interested in running for office please call Renato Cernobori at 650 341-9522 or Bert Salvato at 650 867-6058.

SAVE A TREE-GO GREEN

The PIASC would like to reduce expenses of your club and save a tree (paper). Would you like to receive your monthly PENSOGRAM attached to an E-Mail to you instead of through the mail? If so please send an E-Mail to:

peninsulaitalian@astound.net

which will have your E-Mail addressed and in the near future we may implement this procedure if we get enough members interested.

UPCOMING MAJOR EVENTS FOR 2009

Nov. 14- Sicilian Night
Dec. 6- Appreciation Party
Dec. 13- Children's Xmas Party
Dec. 31- New Years Eve Party

MISSION OF THE PIASC

To preserve and enhance our rich Italian heritage and culture by promoting and providing social, recreational, educational, and entertainment programs and activities for our members, their families, and friends.

Officers for 2009

President	Emil Giannoni
Vice-President	Angelo Fanucchi
Treasurer	Henry Bergero
Secretary	George Lencioni

Board Members

Andrew Baldi	Angelo Cacciatore
Gary Cahalan	Renato Cernobori
Robert Costa	David Fanucchi
Remo Giuntoli	Achille Rodighiero
Bert Salvato	

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, NOVEMBER 20, 2009 AND REQUEST:

_____ # of Tickets at \$18.00 Per Person (Payable in advance).

HOW MANY: ROAST NY STRIP _____ OR ROASTED CHICKEN _____

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

NAME: _____

I WISH TO SIT WITH: _____

Make check payable to PIASC and mail to: 100 North B Street., San Mateo, Ca. 94401

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