

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

PENSOGRAM

IMPORTANT DATES

Dec. 2- Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM
Dec. 4- Friday Dinner Dance, Roast Tri Tip or Roasted Chicken* 7 PM Dinner 8 to 11:30 dancing to the music of the Judy Ferrari Band. Members \$27.00 Guests \$32.00
Dec. 8- Scholarship Committee Mtg. 6 PM
Dec. 8- General Dinner Mtg. Baby Back Ribs or Roasted Chicken* 7 PM
Dec. 16- Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM
Dec. 18- Friday Luncheon, noon Baby Back Ribs or Roasted Chicken* \$18.00
Jan. 6- Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM
Jan. 12- General Dinner Mtg. 7 PM
*Where indicated, Roasted Chicken is available if ordered in advance.
NOTE: There will be no Fellowship Night in November and December.

SUNSHINE

Get well wishes to:

Mary Bacchetto, Cheragina Da San Biago.

Sympathy to:

To the family of Ray DeAntoni,
Giampiero Pucci (Loss of Mother Lina in Lucca Italy), Guiseppa Martire (Loss of wife, Tina)
Nicolas Crisafi (Loss of wife, Stella).

Congratulations to:

Albert Verona, birth of Grandson,
Vittorio Aleksandr to his son Erik.

By Charlotte Conway 650 341-4926

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FRIDAY LUNCHEON
DECEMBER 18,
2009
BABY BACK RIBS
OR
ROASTED CHICKEN
\$18.00
FOR RESERVATIONS SEND IN
COUPON WITH PAYMENT

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Whoosh... that was the sound of this year flying by! It has been my pleasure to serve as your President this past year. I take great pride and pleasure in continuing to serve the membership of this fine club in the year ahead. I thank you for your vote of confidence.

I don't want to rub it in (too much) to George Lencioni and his team... BUT our team, team #1, made first place in the Winter League Bocce tournament. Our captain, Alberto Pinochi, encouraged us to victory. Our team also included Charlotte Conway and Roberta Bernat. So George, all I have to say is... NYAH NYAH NYAH NYAH NYAH NYAH!

Have you ever been in a situation where you are speaking and then your mind goes blank? Well, it happened to me on Sicilian Night. I was just introduced by club manager, Gordon, and took my turn at the podium. I had finished introducing our guests, Rich and Cindy Puppione, President of Colombo Lodge in Oakland and his wife, as well as their First Vice President, Gary Santoro and his lovely date Libby. All was going well. I started to introduce the Chairman of the night's event and then it happened! My mind went blank and there I was speechless (which doesn't happen too often with me). I'm looking at Romolo Cappello and he is looking at me, waiting for the introduction so he can approach the podium and speak. The awkward silence was so long that our Vice President, Angelo Fanucchi, comes forward to tell me Romolo's name. Just as Angelo gets there, Bam! It all comes back to me! I remember Romolo's name. I wasn't sure if I had a senior moment or a vodka moment but it got laughter and applause, as most of the people could relate. The rest of the night continued on a high note. Mr. Cappello put together a great evening. Molto Grazie.

I know we can never please everybody, but your officers and Board members keep trying. We encourage your input for improvements and hope you appreciate the changes that come along.

Please attend our December 8th general meeting and vote. The terms of 3 board members are expiring. Nominees are; Al Lucchesi, who has been extremely active and whose name you have seen many times in our Pensogram, Dr. Angelo Cacciatore, incumbent, who has contributed much to the club over the years, Achille Rodeghiero, incumbent, who also has done a lot for our club and has been doing more and more the past two years and Emil Bagneschi, who needs no introduction, as he was President for the ten years before me.

Emil R Giannoni, President
Sempre Avanti

Food for thought: Management is doing things right; leadership is doing the right things.

ATTENTION MEMBERS

Per the flyer sent out in the November Pensogram, there has been a change in the date of the Bocce al Sacco/ Pedro, instead of the 2nd Friday of the month it has been changed to the **3rd Friday of the Month**. The \$2.00 per person is for general expenses.

For the Friday Night Dinner Dance, effective January 1, 2010 the price for guests will be \$35.00, member price will remain the same.

We are holding a joint IAWG/PIASC Christmas Toy Drive. The toy collection will be on Tuesday, December 8th General Dinner Meeting. This drive will benefit St. Anthony of Padua in Redwood City. Please bring an unwrapped toy, minimum value of \$10.00, and one that does not require batteries. Please be generous and bring a smile on a needy child's face with a new toy. Thank you for your support.

Thank You

PATIO CLEANUP

Angelo Fanucchi would like to thank the following persons for donating their time to help trim the trees and clean the patio:

Mario Patane, Stefano Quilici, John Bernat,
Al Bertoli, Bob Mariani, Bob Batkovic,
John Gonella

PIASC would like to thank Gino Fanucchi for donating a sofa to our Recreational Facilities Room. Thank you again, Gino



BOCCE!! MORE BOCCE!! AND WINNERS!!

The annual Columbus Day open bocce tournament was a great success. It was held on Saturday October 3, 2009 at Red Morton Park in Redwood City. With 12 teams competing in a fantastic day of fun and friendship. A special thanks to all the participants.

1st Place: Sempre Avanti:

Capt. Mario Viarengo, Pauline Viarengo,
Armand Cevasco, Dorothy Cevasco.

2nd Place: Rolling Thunder:

Capt. Angelo Fanucchi, Mario Patane,
Sebastian Eiras, Mirella Eiras.

3rd Place: Corte di Bocce #2:

Capt. Ben Giovanetti, Gerry Krize,
Alfeo Fabbri, Lino Carrara.

4th Place: IACC Bocce B's:

Capt. Rudy Bertolozzi, Sue Bertolozzi,
Andy Baldi, Judy Baldi.

Adriano Undorte, Bocce Chairman

FALL BOCCE BALL TOURNAMENT WINNERS

The following teams were the winners for the Fall Bocce Ball Tournament, and were given their awards at the Barbecue Awards Luncheon on November 22nd:

Tuesday Evening

1st Place Team: Team 1

Captain — Alberto Pinochi
Charlotte Conway, Emil Giannoni, Roberta Bernat

2nd Place Team: Team 6

Captain — George Lencioni
Andree Casetta, Pia Moro, Nerina DiBella

3rd Place Team: Team 2

Captain — Miranda Zanette
Diane Bacicalupi, Alfredo Lucchesi, Constance
Davis

Thursday Evening:

1st Place Team: Team 1

Captain — Phil Taurian
Sue Bertolozzi, Dean Balestieri, Angelo Balestieri

2nd Place Team: Team 5

Captain — Jerry Schreier
Agnese Marcheschi, Mary Fanti, Ray Tuccori

3rd Place Team: Team 7

Captain — Andy Baldi
Nella Taurian, Mike Tognotti, Maria Brozzo

TRIVIA

Italy Struggles with Multi-Culturalism

Until two decades ago, most people in Italy shared the same religion, race and culture, but today Italy is also home to foreigners seeking new lives. The influx of immigrants has caused Italy's population to hit 60 million, according to ISTAT, Italy's national statistics agency. Legal immigration has nearly quadrupled since the 1990's, reaching about 4 million in 2007, while the number of illegal immigrants is estimated at about 500,000, according to Caritas, an international Catholic relief organization. Last year some 17,000 Africans, 2,000 of them unaccompanied minors, arrived in rickety boats to the island of Lampedusa and Sicily, looking for a better life or escaping from persecution. Some minors are sent by their families to establish a foothold in Europe so the rest of the family can follow. Families can spend as much as \$2,400 to smuggle a child from Libya. Italian law forbids expelling children so more than 7,000 are currently in the care of Italian authorities, costing more than \$320 million a year to house, clothe and educate. Italy has about 5 million immigrants today--both legal and illegal.

Source: Italian America Magazine

UPCOMING MAJOR EVENTS FOR 2009

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

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.

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, DECEMBER 18, 2009 AND REQUEST:

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

HOW MANY: BABY BACK RIBS _____ **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

PIASC 2010 WINTER BOCCE BALL LEAGUE

Start Date — Tuesday Players — January 26, 2010

Start Date — Thursday Players — January 28, 2010

Cost - \$35.00 — All players (includes sit-down dinner with wine & dessert) \$25.00 — Guests
(sit-down dinner only)

TUESDAY NIGHT _____ THURSDAY NIGHT _____

NAME: _____

PHONE NO.: _____

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

CHECK PAYABLE TO PIASC and please send the payment to: Angelo Fanucchi

3721 Wilshire Avenue

San Mateo, CA 94403

For Additional Information please contact Mario Patane at 650-598-9862

PIASC club members registration is open and Non-PIASC members registration will be open after January 5, 2010.

ALL REGISTRATION DEADLINE — January 19, 2010.

For courtesy to the other players, if you know that you will be missing more than 2 games, **please do not sign-up to play.**

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