

**PENINSULA ITALIAN AMERICAN
SOCIAL CLUB OF SAN MATEO**
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January 2010

PENSOGRAM

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Ho Ho Hope you're having a Merry Christmas and are looking forward to a healthy, happy New Year.

I was pleased to hear that the Children's Holiday Party was an enjoyable event. We thank Holly Borghello and her committee for its success.

We completed a lot of maintenance-type projects this year that may have gone unnoticed. I thought I would re-cap to the best of my memory:

- Manager's office was cleaned, carpeted and painted
- Carpeting replaced throughout the club
- Back wall of dining hall re-papered
- Upstairs windows replaced
- Bocce court painted and murals added
- Kitchen stoves replaced
- Regional dinners added to the calendar
- Updated membership roster
- Changed wines several times (Lord help us!)

We attempted to streamline our processes by offering members the option of receiving the Pensogram by e-mail. To date only about 40 people expressed interest and provided e-mail addresses. In order for this to be a worthwhile endeavor to move forward with, we would need at least another 40 to participate. Please contact club manager, Gordon Fraser, if you are interested.

Of course the contributions of many people are the reasons for the club's success. In appreciation we held a dinner party in honor of all the volunteers. Each person received a small token of our gratitude. It would be wonderful to have an even larger event next year with lots of new faces. Each event requires volunteers for planning, preparation and execution. Our club is only as good as the efforts we put into it. Fortunately, that is saying a lot, as the people who help are fine folks, indeed! Anyone interested in getting involved can simply contact a club officer, board member or a particular event's chairperson. We post a list of chair people near the club entrance.

Congratulations to Emil Bagneschi, Dr. Angelo Cacciatore and Alfredo Lucchesi on being recently elected to the board of directors. I look forward to working with you in the year to come. I would like to sincerely thank outgoing board members Achille Rodighiero and Bob Costa for their efforts and contributions while they served.

After welcoming in the next decade, we will have our installation dinner on January 16th. Terry Anderlini will officiate the swearing in of the officers and board members. At that time we will welcome a new band into our fold, The Ron Borelli Band. I hope many of you will join us at this event.

Emil R. Giannoni, President Sempre Avanti

Food for thought: It's not what you've done, it's what you'll do next.

IMPORTANT DATES

Jan. 6- Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM

Jan. 8- Friday Dinner Dance, Club Veal Cutlet or Roasted Chicken* 7 PM Dinner 8 to 11:30 dancing to the music of the Bob Gutierrez Band. Members \$ 27.00 Guests \$ 35.00

Jan. 12- Scholarship Committee Mtg. 6 PM

Jan. 12- General Dinner Mtg. Breaded Pork Chops or Roasted Chicken* 7 PM

Jan. 15-Friday Luncheon, noon Short Ribs or Roasted Chicken* \$18.00

Jan. 20- Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM

Jan. 28- Fellowship Night, Baby Back Ribs or Roasted Chicken* Members \$17.00 Guests \$22.00

Feb. 3- Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM

Feb. 9- General Dinner Mtg. 7PM

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

SUNSHINE

Get well wishes to:

Nick Ingravallo, Anthony Campana

Sympathy to:

Gino Nomellini (Loss of Father)
Gordon Fraser (Loss of Mother)
Lois Gaspari (Loss of Husband)

NOTE: Correction on the spelling for:
Cherubina Da San Biago

By: Charlotte Conway 650 341-4926
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FRIDAY LUNCHEON
JANUARY 15,
2010
SHORT RIBS
OR
ROASTED CHICKEN
\$18.00

FOR RESERVATIONS SEND IN
COUPON WITH PAYMENT

ATTENTION MEMBERS

The new PIASC Rosters are now available. If you would like one, you can come down to the club and Gordon has them in his office, or come to the general dinner meeting. You can also send a letter requesting one and we will mail it to you. Attn. to George Lencioni

NOTE: The PIASC apologizes for omitting George Lunardi from the new roster. A computer error caused the problem

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

Columbus Day Parade In San Francisco

For the Amateur Float:

The PIASC received the third place award.

For the Classic Car:

The PIASC Red Cadillac of Lou Firpo received the first place award.

For the Classic Car:

The PIASC Chevy Impala of David Fanucchi received the third place award.

Congratulations to all the winners!!

Fall Bocce Ball League Awards Lunch

The Bocce Ball Committee is extremely grateful for all of the help given by the hard working people who assisted in making the Fall Bocce Ball League lunch an enjoyable event for all who attended.

The barbecue cooks are:

Paul DiQuattro, Larry Giusto, Wes Perasso and Andy Bacigalupi.

The pasta cooks are:

Pietro & Stefano Quilici.

The food servers are:

Carmen Patane, Dean Balestieri
Angie Fanucchi and Roberta & John Bernat.

Thank You!! Thank You!!

NEWS FROM THE FOUNDATION

THE PENINSULA SOCIAL CLUB FOUNDATION WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE MEMBERS THAT HAVE MADE CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR SCHOLARSHIP FUND. YOUR GENEROSITY IS ADMIRABLE AND SHOWS THAT YOU BELIEVE IN HELPING OUR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS REACH THEIR GOAL.

THE PEDRO TOURNAMENT FUND RAISER IS SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 31ST. IF YOU ARE A PLAYER PLEASE SIGN UP AND IF YOU DON'T PLAY, COME FOR DINNER.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE AN ITEM FOR OUR RAFFLE PLEASE CONTACT ED BATTISTINI AT 650-347-8530.

WE ARE ALSO IN NEED OF DESSERTS. PLEASE CONTACT JUDY BALDI AT 650-685-4362 IF YOU CAN HELP WITH A TASTY TIDBIT.

SEMPRE AVANTI
RUDY BERTOLOZZI

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, January 12, 2010

Otello A. Ascani, Jr.
Thomas Belluci
Sandy A. Clyne (Bustiani)
Alessio De Francesca
Tony John Della Morte, Jr.
Peter Paul Forcari
Vincent Salvatore Lacavoli
Rob John Reynolds (Bendinelli/Frisella)
Salvatore Carmine Timpano

BUSINESS CARD AD FOR PENSOGRAM

The PIASC is accepting business card ads for our newsletter (Pensogram). The Pensogram is mailed out to over 700 members each month. The cost is \$200.00 per year for twelve (12) issues. If interested, please send your business card and make your check payable to the PIASC. and mail to:

100 North "B" Street, San Mateo, Ca. 94401
Attn: George Lencioni, Secretary

Thank You

TO: Franca Chiappe and Rose Viscuso
PIASC acknowledges the hard work and dedication for the outstanding volunteer serves for the past 14 years you have given to the club.

2010 OFFICERS ELECTED

The following officers were elected at the General Dinner Meeting on December 8, 2009
Board of Directors (3 year term)
Emil Bagneschi,
Angelo Cacciatore,
Alfredo Lucchesi

TRIVIA

ALLA SALUTE! ITALY'S NATIONAL HEALTH CARE SERVICE

In 2006, the average Italian man's life expectancy was 78 years while Italian women survived on average to age 84, making Italians among the most long-lived people on earth, according to Italy's census bureau, the Istituto Nazionale di Statistica. This longevity is partly due to lifestyle and genetics, but credit also goes to the Servizio Sanitaria Nazionale (SSN), Italy's National Health Service, which provides free medical care to every Italian citizen from cradle to grave regardless of social status or income bracket.

Public Health Care, How does it all work? Italy's SSN employs some 653,000 workers of whom some 106,000 are physicians. Statistics from the Italian Ministry of Health for 2006, the most recent available, indicate a national average of one physician for every 1,100 patients over the age of 13 while, on average, each pediatrician has about 1,000 children up the age of 13. Each citizen has a family doctor in his or her neighborhood, who can be consulted at no cost. These family doctors prescribe laboratory tests such as blood analysis, X-rays, CAT scans, etc. The patient goes to a local hospital or diagnostic center to have these tests run. They normally pay a flat fee Italian's call a "ticket" for these quite affordable services: basic blood tests may cost \$14 to \$28 while CAT scans run from \$42 to \$56, depending on the region the patient is in since every region runs its own local health service. For prescription medicines, if the drug is on a list the government considers "essential", it cost a few more euros. If not, the patient pays the full price. In 2006, the average cost of a prescription was \$40. Patients who need to see a specialist must get a permission slip from their family doctors. The consultation normally takes place at a local hospital and the "ticket" costs \$28 to \$40. If an operation is needed and the patient is hospitalized, all diagnostic tests, the operation, treatment and medicines are free.

Source: Italian America Magazine

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.

UPCOMING MAJOR EVENTS FOR 2010

Jan. 16-	Installation Dinner
Feb. 6-	Crab Feed
Feb. 13-	Valentine Dinner Dance
Feb. 26-	Special Dinner-Tripa
March 7-	Family Night Dinner
April 2-	Special Baccala Lunch
April 3-	Western Night
April 17-	Rabbit & Polenta Dinner
May 9-	Mother's Day
May 15-	Venetian Night
June 5-	Festa dei Cacciatori
June 11-	Calabria Night
June 20-	Father's Day
Aug. 28-	Oldies Night
Aug. TBD-	Club Picnic
Sept. 11-	Toscana Night
Sept. 13-	Golf Tournament
Oct. 9-	Genovese Night/ Columbus Day Celebration
Nov. 13-	Sicilian Night
Dec. 5-	Appreciation Party
Dec. 12-	Children's Xmas Party
Dec. 31-	NYE Dinner Dance

Officers for 2010

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

Board Members

Emil Bagneschi	Andrew Baldi
Angelo Cacciatore	Gary Cahalan
Renato Cernobori	David Fanucchi
Remo Giuntoli	Alfredo Lucchesi
	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, JANUARY 15, 2010 AND REQUEST:

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

HOW MANY: SHORT 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

SUPER BOWL PARTY @ PIASC

WILL HAVE IT ON A BIG SCREEN 12 X 9 HD

I PLAN ON ATTENDING THE SUPER BOWL PARTY ON SUNDAY FEBRUARY 7, 2010 TIME: 1:00 PM

_____ # of Ticket at \$20.00 Per Person (Payable in advance).

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

NAME: _____

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

For information please contact: Angelo Fanucchi 650-341-1577

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