

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I'll start this President's Corner by mentioning the wonderful gift the Benedetto family has bequeathed to our club. It is an oil painting on Masonite by Roberto Lupetti, titled Venezia Tranquilla and measuring 4'6" by 11'6". It has an appraised value of \$125,000.00. This painting will more than likely be hung in our main hall. We thank you, Benedetto family. You will be long-remembered for your generosity.

I am starting to write this just prior going to our general meeting, at which time I will present to the membership several items that have to be voted on (appropriately, this is election day!): First, the acquisition of a high temperature dishwasher. We've been pondering one that is energy efficient, low water usage and does not need additives to kill bacteria. As you may or may not know, we have been leasing our present dishwasher for the last twenty five years. This would be an outright purchase. Second, I'll ask the membership to vote on purchasing several chandeliers for our main hall as it lacks the finishing touches.

I'm off to the meeting. I'll advise you of the outcome!

I have returned with some developments. The membership has seen the beauty of finishing our hall with several smaller chandeliers. A committee will be formed to oversee the process. We are looking for members for this committee as well as a chairperson. Please call me to volunteer. As of now, we have Lubiana Cernobori and Pierina Lucchesi doing research on design and price for committee contemplation. At this point I would like to make a correction to my last President's Corner. As it turns out, Mario Viarengo was the primary person responsible for the research and purchase of our large chandelier. Sorry for the error Mario.

The membership has also voted to purchase the new dishwasher, which will better accommodate our needs. This will ensure Angelo Fanucchi has the tools to continue improving kitchen operations and with the help of Andy Baldi heading up the food purchasing aspect, your dining experience will continue to be enhanced. SEMPRE AVANTI!

Festa dei Cacciatori was great. We had friends come down from Napa to spend the weekend and join us for the dinner. They had a blast being outbid on most of the items they were interested in. I would like to thank David Fanucchi and Gianpietro Benedetti for preparing an excellent meal. There was plenty of food. No one left hungry I'm sure. Gary Cahalan, chairman of the event, also mentioned that the raffle was one of the most productive. Thank you all for your participation. The efforts of the hunters and all others involved are greatly appreciated.

Lois and I went to Calabria Night, chaired by Joe Ruggiero, and had a wonderful time. Joe rounded up some volunteers to show us some dance moves from Italy, which was a kick! We sat with Pat and Mavis Dianda, their lovely friends John and Audrey Cenzius, Al and Pierina Lucchesi and John and Roberta Bernat. We shared a lot of laughs and enjoyed the excellent music provided by George Campi and his band. So, as Audrey would say, "Pull up your socks and get on with summer!"

CIAO for now.

Emil R Giannoni
President
Sempre Avanti

Food for thought: For fixing things around the house, nothing beats a check book.

IMPORTANT DATES

- July 7** Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM
- July 9** Friday Dinner Dance, Baby Back Ribs 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
- July 13** Scholarship Committee Mtg. 6 PM
- July 13** General Dinner Mtg., NY Strip or Roasted Chicken* 7 PM
- July 16** Friday Luncheon, noon, Club Veal Cutlet or Roasted Chicken* \$18.00
- July 21** Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM
- July 22** Fellowship Night, Roast Beef or Roasted Chicken 7 PM, Members \$17.00, Guests \$22.00
- Aug 4** Board of Directors Mtg. 7 PM
- Aug 10** General Dinner Mtg. 7 PM

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

SUNSHINE

Get well wishes to:

Ron Paiva,
Gary Martinelli,
Gloria Galli, wife of Bruno Galli,
Adolfo Del Carlo,
Joe Lencioni

Congratulations to:

Ron Guaraldi on the birth of his grandson, Matteo

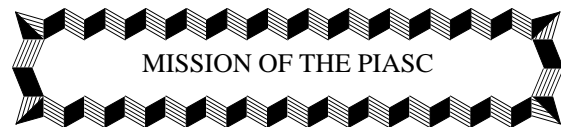
Sympathy to:

Rossana Citrigno (loss of husband, Gabriel),
Tom Fanucchi (loss of mother, Helen),
Lino Valbusa (loss of wife, Irene),
Family of Ed Battistini, loss of grandson Paul Edward Thomas, he was 21 years old

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ATTENTION MEMBERS

The PIASC would like members to please inform the club if you know of any relative who was a member that has passed away so the club can acknowledge them.



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

- Aug. 28 Oldies Night
- Aug. 29 Club Picnic
- Sept. 11 Toscana Night
- Sept. 13 Golf Tournament
- Oct. 9 Genovese Night/
Columbus Day Celebration
- Oct. 16 Rabbit & Polenta Dinner
- Nov. 13 Sicilian Night
- Dec. 5 Appreciation Party
- Dec. 12 Children's Xmas Party
- Dec. 31 NYE Dinner Dance

FESTA DEI CACCIATORI

Gary Cahalan and Angelo Fanucchi would like to thank everyone who helped out to make Festa dei Cacciatori a huge success.

Cooks: Gianpietro Benedetti, David Fanucchi, Scott Poms, Norman and Wendy.

Kitchen Butcher Crew: Bill Miller, Rich Rolle, Al Verona, Dan Franco and Andy Bacigalupi.

Fowl and Meat Donors: Larry Toboni, Lou Firpo, Safari Club, Luigi Zanette, Steve Martinelli, Bill Miller, Rich Rolle, Al Verona, Andy Bacigalupi, Gary Cahalan and Joe Zanobini.

Raffle Donors: Phil Martinelli (Rocky Mt. Elk Foundation), Frank Magincalda (CA Deer Association), Darren Solaro (CA Waterfowl Association), Mule Deer Association, National Rifle Association, John Nicolini (Delano Nursery), Wayne Podesta, The Allen Co., Cabela's, Midway Shooter's Supply, Boone and Crockett Club and Mike Birkeland (F. Connolly Electrical Co.).

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@astound.net

Officers for 2010

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

Board Members

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| Emil Bagneschi | Andrew Baldi |
| Angelo Cacciatore | Gary Cahalan |
| Renato Cernobori | David Fanucchi |
| Remo Giuntoli | Alfredo Lucchesi |
| Bert Salvato | |

NEWS FROM THE FOUNDATION

The PIASC AND THE Foundation introduced seven 2010 scholarship recipients to the club membership at the June General Meeting. Each scholarship winner was introduced by Foundation President Rudy Bertolozzi. The certificates were then presented by PIASC President Emil Giannoni, acknowledging their excellent high school achievements and their selection as a scholarship winner.

Those present were Ryan Brown from Carlmont High School, Richard Bobbins from Cardinal Newman High School in Santa Rosa, Joseph Giannini, from Carlmont High School, Andrew Godin from St. Ignatius College Prep, Kelly Hagarty from Presentation High School in San Jose, Sabrina Rodighiero from Carlmont High School and Kate Zanobini from Redwood High School in Larkspur.

The following students were unable to attend: Timothy Conway Jr. from Oakridge High School in El Dorado Hills, Megan Sammons from Amador High School in Sutter Creek, Elizabeth Sprenkel from Soquel High School and Alexandra Freschet from St. Francis High School in Mountain View. Alexandra received the Peter and Paula Uccelli Foundation Award for her academic and athletic achievements and her outstanding community service.

With the help of Dimension in Travel Inc. the Foundation will be sponsoring a cruise through the Panama Canal from May 4th to the 19th in 2011. The cruise will start in Ft. Lauderdale and end in San Francisco. A donation to the Scholarship Fund will be made when you sign up for this cruise. Everyone is welcome and Pedro will be available on days at sea.

If you would like more information regarding the cruise please contact Andi or Gale at Dimensions in Travel at (800) 500-2784 or Rudy Bertolozzi at (650) 583-9936.

The sole purpose of the Foundation is to raise funds to support our scholarship program. We need your support to reach our goals.

TRIVIA

THE ENEMY'S LANGUAGE

With the outbreak of World War II, the use of Italian in schools and homes fell dramatically, for it was viewed as "a marker of potential disloyalty," writes Carnevale. "By the time the United States entered the war, Italian language instruction had been eliminated from two-thirds of the high schools and colleges nationwide where it had previously been taught." Even as Italian speakers were recruited to join U.S. intelligence efforts behind enemy lines in Italy, government posters on this side of the Atlantic warned readers not to speak "the enemy's language." "No Italian spoken for the duration of the war" signs popped up in storefronts in Italian neighborhoods throughout the country to prove the owners' patriotism. Fearing the prospect of internment and being labeled as "enemy aliens," Italian Americans who had been accustomed to speaking Italian during their club meetings switched to English, as did several Italian American publications. Indeed, the number of Italian language periodicals in the United States reportedly dropped by 40 percent between 1942 and 1948, according to Carnevale.

AFTER THE WAR

The post war exodus to the suburbs broke up many longstanding Italian American communities, further diluting their language traditions, while a drop in immigration from Italy in the second half of the 20th century meant fewer new immigrants to keep alive the Italian tongue on American shores. Thus, concludes Carnevale, "Italian Americans had little motivation to speak Italian or pass it on to future generations, and good reason to abandon it." The reverberations of this complex history still echo today.

Source: Italian American Magazine.

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**FRIDAY LUNCHEON
JULY 16, 2010
CLUB VEAL CUTLET
OR
ROASTED CHICKEN
\$18.00
FOR RESERVATIONS
SEND IN COUPON
WITH PAYMENT**

FESTA ITALIANA STREET FAIR JULY 25, 2010

For the last 24 years the Peninsula Italian American Social Club and the Festa Italiana Foundation have co-sponsored the city's largest street fair. This event is staged to raise funds to benefit children and adults with developmental disabilities. So come to the fair and enjoy fine Italian food, shop for arts and crafts and listen to live performances on three different stages. The festivities will start at 10 AM with a parade, so come and join us on July 25th to help raise funds for this worthy cause and have a wonderful family day.

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 your check payable to the PIASC and mail to:

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

BOCCE & PEDRO

**THE BOCCE & PEDRO GAMES AT
THE PIASC ON THE THIRD FRIDAY
HAVE BEEN TEMPORARILY
SUSPENDED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE.**

3RD FRIDAY LUNCHEON

I PLAN ON ATTENDING THE FRIDAY LUNCHEON ON FRIDAY, JULY 16, 2010 AND REQUEST:

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

HOW MANY: CLUB VEAL CUTLET _____ OR ROASTED CHICKEN _____

NOTE: RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY WEDNESDAY, NOON!!!

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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