

NOVEMBER 2011

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Three score and 10 years ago...our predecessors brought forth this club. What foresight, to imagine how important it would be to have a gathering place where we could keep our heritage alive. I think they would have been proud of how our anniversary celebration turned out. The hard work, devotion and enthusiasm of the people who chaired and worked on these events resulted in nothing more than complete success.

The first night's honors go to Mario Conti in his first time at the starting line. He took the baton mid-stride from Andy Baldi, who had to sit this one out for health reasons. After Mario set the pace with a night of dinner and dancing that included one of the best meals this club has ever tasted, he rounded the first turn and handed off to Barbara Cavalieri. She saw to it that we were entertained by an opera ensemble that had the hairs standing on the backs of our necks (high notes, y'know) then everyone on their feet for a standing ovation. The performance was top notch and had us laughing at some points and with a tear in our eyes at others, in appreciation of the talent before us.

Remo Guintoli picked up the relay on day two and ran with the children! They were tickled pink with many things to do including a balloon sculptor to amaze and amuse them. Remo almost ran off with the prize but there were others making tracks right behind him.

Terry Anderlini broke out in front by hosting an award winning evening to benefit "Casa," celebrate Italian American Heritage Day and honor Christopher Columbus. In fact, Christopher was there with Queen Isabella/Lubiana Cernabori. Lubiana was being recognized for her many contributions to the community and people in need. Lubiana has quite a record of involvement and generosity. The Columbus Day Committee continued the generosity with a surprise raffle. Several delightful prizes were bestowed on surprised and lucky ticket holders. Everyone seemed to appreciate the commemorative wine glasses that were given to attendees. In fact, for those of you who'd like to start or finish a set, we have some for sale.

Diane Bacigalupi sprinted down the home stretch with her eye on the finish line. She organized the homemade wine and sugo contests in the most professional manner. I made it there at the tail end of this event after a day parading behind our float through Fisherman's Wharf and North Beach. There were plenty of participants and plenty of tasters/observers eating plenty of snacks, laughing and socializing. The only downside was that, to my dismay, my own sugo entry did not win! Heck, it didn't even place!! Kudos go to Nella Conti, Joycelynn Pine and Barbara Butera who placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd for their sugo and took home cash prizes. The wine winners were Adriano Bagneschi, Bill Ferguson and Justin Purdell. I think everyone is in agreement that this event is a keeper!

As for the parade, the float entered on behalf of the PIASC was built by master carpenters and craftsmen: Achille Rodighiero, Angelo Fanucchi, Alfredo Lucchesi, Paul Porter and me. (I was relegated to do grunt work since I can't seem to hammer a nail in straight!) It represented a simple theme, with pillars and an arbor covered in flowers and adorned with six adorable costumed princesses. The float was pulled by one of the club's most unselfish men: Greg Always There When U Need Him Menna. We didn't spend a ton of money on the float, but people put in their hard earned time (and Phyllis Rodighiero put in her award winning sandwiches to keep us fueled) to make sure our club was involved and represented in San Francisco's oldest civic event and the nation's oldest Italian-American parade. That is the most important thing, to say the least!

After all was said and done, I don't think our club has ever received as many cards of praise and notes of gratitude. Thanks to each and every one of you for being a part of this wonderful club and making it what it is.

Thanks too, for the smoothness of the last general meeting.

Ciao for now.

Emil R Giannoni
President
Sempre Avanti

Food for thought: He started to sing as he tackled the thing that couldn't be done and he did it!

PENSOGRAM

IMPORTANT DATES

- Nov 2** Board of Directors Meeting 7 PM
- Nov 4** First Friday Dinner Dance, Roast Beef or Chicken Scaloppini, 7 PM Dinner, 8 to 11:30 dancing to Ron Borelli Band
- Nov 8** Scholarship Committee Meeting 6 PM
- Nov 8** General Dinner Meeting. 7 PM Braised Meat or Roasted Chicken*
- Nov 12** Sicilian Night
- Nov 16** Board of Directors Meeting 7 PM
- Nov 18** Friday Luncheon, Leg of Lamb or Roasted Chicken*
- Dec 2** Friday Dinner Dance
- Dec 4** Appreciation Night
- Dec 7** Board of Directors Meeting 7 PM
- Dec 11** Children's Xmas Party
- Dec 13** General Dinner Meeting
- Dec 16** Friday Luncheon
- Dec 17** Adult Christmas Party
- Dec 21** Board of Directors Meeting 7 PM
- Dec. 31** NYE Dinner Dance

*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:

- Joseph Lysek
- Gloria Galli
- Jack Boland
- Gene Semenza
- John Clemente

Sympathy to:

To the families of Edward Palesro, Eto Landucci, Mafalda Mencarini, Cherubina Da San Biagio, Evio Marcucci.

To Don and Alberta Delnevo on the loss of her mother Anna Masetti, who was also the mother of Joseph and Ned Masetti.

To James Barbera on the loss of his brother Richard.

To Pat and Angelo Cacciatore on the loss of his sister.

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SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Have you considered making a tax deductible contribution to the Peninsula Social Club Foundation?

Has a loved one passed away, a notable birthday or anniversary coming up?

These are ideal times that you could request a donation be made to the Scholarship Foundation in that person's name, instead of sending flowers or a gift for the occasion.

Many employers will MATCH your charitable contributions, check with your company's human resources or payroll department to see whether it offers a matching gift program.

Please visit our web page.

<http://www.piasc-scholarship-foundation.org>

48 HOUR NOTICE

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AT LEAST 48 HOURS PRIOR TO ANY EVENT.

Sunday 7 PM is the cutoff for the Tuesday General Dinner meeting

NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.

WANTED - BOCCE PLAYERS

Friday Nights

6:00 PM to 10:00 PM



Commemorative Wine Glass

Last chance to get your original commemorative wine glass for \$4.00. Please contact Tony at the club office.

NO SHOWS GENERAL DINNER MEETING

If you are on the permanent list indicating that you will be at every general dinner meeting or you call in or send an email to the club indicating that you will be attending the next general dinner meeting and you do not cancel 48 hours prior to the dinner if you cannot attend, you will be billed for that dinner. You will be sent a bill/invoice for \$20.00 which you must pay when you attend your next general dinner meeting in addition to \$20.00 for the current dinner.

UPCOMING MAJOR EVENTS FOR 2012

Jan 4	Special Dinner-Trippa
Jan 6	Friday Dinner Dance
Jan 10	General Dinner Meeting
Jan 14	Installation Dinner
Jan 20	Friday Luncheon
Jan 26	Fellowship Night
Jan 29	Scholarship-Pedro Tournament
Feb 5	Super Bowl
Feb 11	Valentine Dinner Dance
Feb 25	Crab Feed
Mar 17	Calabria Night
Mar 31	Mission Hospice
May 13	Mother's Day
June 2	Festa dei Cacciatori
June 17	Father's Day
June 23	Venetian Night
Aug 26	PIASC/IAWG Picnic
Sept 8	Toscana Night
Sept 10	Golf Tournament
Aug 25	Oldies Night
Oct 6	Genovese Night
Nov 10	Sicilian Night
Dec 2	Appreciation Night
Dec 9	Children's Xmas Party
Dec 22	PIASC Christmas Dance
Dec 31	NYE Dinner Dance

OLDIES NIGHT

Gary and Joyce Cahalan would like to thank the following helpers that made Oldies Rock & Roll Night a huge success:

Angelo and Angie Fanucchi, Walt Bertollo, Bill Ferguson, John Tassio, Ray Allara, Emil Giannoni and Larry Giusto.

A big thank you to the following members and guests that brought their beautiful show cars:

Mark Duri, Frank Verducci, Ray Allara, Scott Poms, Roy Gatti and Walt Bertollo.



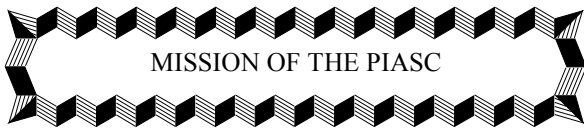
**3RD FRIDAY LUNCHEON
NOVEMBER 18, 2011
LEG OF LAMB**

**or
ROASTED CHICKEN**

\$20.00

**FOR RESERVATIONS SEND
IN COUPON WITH PAYMENT**





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.

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. If so, call Larry Ratti at (650) 343-7995 with the information.

SUGO AND WNE TASTING

A big thank you to all who attended the sugo and wine tasting event on Sunday October 9, 2011. We had a wonderful time eating and drinking our way through the afternoon. What a way to end our Anniversary weekend. A very special thank you to Nancy Ratti (my right hand woman) without her I would have been lost. Helping with the sugo were: Nancy Ratti, Charlotte Conway, Carolin Lencioni, Mary Fanti, Nella Conti (our 1st. Place winner), and Judy Baldi. Helping with the wine was: Joe Lencioni, Bert Salvato, Remo Giuntoli, and Daisy Burton's son.

Dianne Bacigalupi

Wanted USBF Representative

There is currently an opening at the PIASC for a chairman/representative to sell USBF cards and run USBF Bocce events. If you are interested in the position, call Tony at the club.

Officers for 2011

President	Emil Giannoni
Vice-President	Angelo Fanucchi
Treasurer	Joe Lysek Jr.
Secretary	Larry Ratti

Board Members

Emil Bagneschi	John Bagneschi
Andrew Baldi	Angelo Cacciatore
Gary Cahalan	John Chiappe
Mario Conti	Remo Giuntoli
Bert Salvato	

CLUB HOURS

BAR: Tuesday thru Sunday, 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM

OFFICE: Tuesday thru Saturday, Noon - 5 PM.

The Club is closed on Mondays.

Find us at: www.peninsulasocialclub.org

E-mail us at: piasc100nb@gmail.com

Are you a softball/baseball player?

Have kids or grandchildren who are? If so, we would like to know if they would be interested in potentially playing for a PIASC softball team in the Spring of 2012. In order to have a team there has to be interest and enough players to form a squad. The team would compete in the City of San Mateo's Softball League and all games would be in San Mateo. Depending on the division and/or type of team (men's or coed) games could be any day of the week except for Saturday and Sunday. If you are interested or know someone who might be please give Gian Paolo Martire a call at (408) 460-0325 or email at piascsoftball@yahoo.com or <mailto:piascsoftball@yahoo.com>. Hope to hear from you soon. Ciao."



COLUMBUS DAY PARADE

An enjoyable day was spent on October 9, 2011, at the Columbus Day Parade in the North Beach area of San Francisco by several members of the PIASC. This year the PIASC entered a creative float with the "PIASC 70th Anniversary" theme. This float was designed and built by the creative hands of Angelo Fanucchi, Emil Giannoni, Alfredo Lucchesi, Paul Porter and Achille Rodighiero.

The PIASC is immensely grateful to Greg Menna, Greg's Trucking Service, Inc., for letting us use his business facilities to build the float and his truck to transport the float and Eddie Andreini, Andreini Brothers, for the use of his trailer to carry the float. Without the assistance of these persons the float would not exist. Joe Simoni entertained all with his delightful accordion music on the float. This year we had five beautiful girls that definitely enhanced their beauty and charm to the float in their elegant Renaissance outfits. They were: Maria Porter, Francesca Fanucchi, Scarlet Harris, Gabriella Raouf and Jordyn Reis. Emil and Lois Giannoni and Angelo and Angelo Fanucchi also represented the PIASC in the parade.

The other persons assisting to make this a successful endeavor were: Phyllis Rodighero bringing her delicious sandwiches at lunch to the work crew. Greg Menna made a superb barbecue lunch during the construction process of the float.

The PIASC is very thankful and appreciative to all of the persons who made this a memorable event and contribution to our Italian heritage. We are also appreciative to the PIASC and the Board of Directors for the funding of this float. It is a wonderful asset for the PIASC that they represent a presence in this annual historical Italian Heritage Parade of the Bay Area.

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3RD FRIDAY LUNCHEON

I PLAN ON ATTENDING THE FRIDAY LUNCHEON ON
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2011, AND REQUEST:

_____ # OF TICKETS AT \$20.00 PER PERSON (PAYABLE IN ADVANCE)

HOW MANY: LEG OF LAMB _____

OR

ROASTED CHICKEN _____

RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY WEDNESDAY, NOON!!!

I AM ENCLOSING MY CHECK FOR \$ _____

NAME: _____

I WISH TO SIT WITH: _____



*Peninsula Italian American Social Club
is inviting you to a Christmas Party on
December 17, 2011*

Hors'D'Oeuvres served by hostess at 6pm

Dinner at 7pm

Pasta Tortellini with white porcini sauce

Or

Rigatoni with meat sauce

*Antipasto: breadsticks with prosciutto, long leaf of radicchio stuffed with
cheese, asparagus Bocconcini di Mozzarella with olive*

New York Strip

Or

Salmon

Baby carrots, French beans, and red roasted potatoes with parsley

Dessert: poached pears

Special Red and White Wines included

No hostess cocktails

Music: Italica by Nino Piazza

Price

Members: \$55, Guests: \$65