PENSOGRAM



PENINSULA ITALIAN AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB

October

2025

Vice-President's Message

Cari Fratelli e Sorelle.

This month we celebrate the Italian achievements that have shaped us to what we are today, a proud culture of people that have played a fair part in how our civilization is shaped today. The influence of the Roman Empire on Western Civilization shows by the continuing contributions of law, government and engineering. From the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel to the fabric of a Gucci bag sitting in a Rosso Corsa Ferrari, we show the world our capabilities in art and fashion. A.P. Giannini, Sophia Loren, and Leonardo DiCaprio are a few of the hundreds of prominent Italians that have become household names.

It's a pleasure to have heritage that has had such an overwhelming hand in the modern history of civilization. I personally don't know of one person who doesn't like Italian food. From culinary to sports, to arts and entertainment, to politics and engineering, it's no doubt that the Italian influence is interwoven into the global tapestry.

Hopefully, during this time period, you'll have some time to make up to North Beach, and join the celebration during the Italian Heritage Parade. You can also make it to the one of many events we're holding at the club this month. Hopefully, if schedules don't conflict, we'll even have an Italian author with a book presentation. Regardless, a trip to the club is always a fun time to be shared with our Italian friends and family. On a personal note, thank you all for the positive healing wishes and good vibes. I will see you all soon at the club!

A Presto, Tom Colombo

Monthly Club & Special Events

October 3 - 1st Friday

October 6 - PIASC Golf Tournament

October 11 - Genovese Night

October 14 - Dinner Meeting

October 25 - Italian Heritage Night

October 27 - Cooking Demo

Save the Date - Upcoming Fun Events!

November 2 - PIASC Bingo

November 7 - First Friday

November 9 - Autumn Bocce Tournament

November 11 - Dinner Meeting

November 24 - Cooking Demo

November 27 & 28 -CLUB CLOSED HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Ristorante Italiano hours 11:30 am-2:30 pm Tuesday-Friday For reservations please call 650-343-7981

The Pensogram has to be written and go to print by the 15th of the previous month to get to our Members by the first few days of the following month. This is the information as of September 15th, 2025. Please call the Club, 650.343.7981 for questions, reservations or more information.

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Elected Officers 2025

SUNSHINE REPORT

CLUB NEWS

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Tom Colombo
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Darrel Mero

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Ugo Pignati

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Three Year

Angelo Fanucchi Jack Matthews David Sarracino

Two Year

John Bernat Louise Della Maggiora

Joy Morriss

One Year
Pasquale Dianda
Ryan Morrow
John Najac

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Greg Menna
Jack Salvato
Giulia Solari
Parliamentarian
Terry Anderlini
Historian
Joe Lencioni

Get Well Wishes were sent to:

Carol Porter Le Roy Franzoia Tom Colombo





Please contact with any news or questions pertaining to the Sunshine report:

Mirella Eiras: 650-595-4232, mirellaeiras@icloud.com

or text 650-483-2872

Elena Quilici: 650-274-1186, equilici@gmail.com

The following candidates listed below have applied for membership into the PIASC and are being presented for your approval and acceptance to the General Membership at our upcoming General Dinner Meeting. If you know of any reason that any of the below proposed members should not be admitted for membership of the PIASC, please immediately call Gary Bernat at (650) 483-6737.

Benjamin Lamantia Eugenio Frongia Steven Fonsario

THE CLUB'S FUTURE

Nominees Please

Are you interested in helping to define the future of our Club? If so, please consider running for a position on the Board of Directors or as an Executive Officer. The Search Committee of the Club is seeking members to fill these critical positions. Currently, there are three Board seats available and all Executive positions available. Executive office seats are an annual occurrence while (3) Board seats are a triennial occurrence.

The Club has survived for decades because members elected to office have the heart of the Club in mind and are not self-serving. They have a Fiduciary responsibility to the Club and are egger to excel in that role. These are the Club Members the Search Committee (see below) is pursuing for nomination in November. Specifically, the Board could benefit by candidates that are knowledgeable in finances, marketing and sales, human resources, and event planning and food service industries. These are just a few of the skills that will support the Club's current and future viability for generations to come.

Serving on the Board or as an Executive Officer requires dedication and a strong commitment of time. While it is the responsibility of the Members to participate in Club activities--it's what keeps the Club functioning—it is the responsibility of the Executive Officers and Board members to maintain current interest of its membership by providing events of interest to all age groups, and to identify new activities and methods for member recruitment and retention.

The Club is in a transitionary stage in that many current members have close ties with Italian immigrants (close relatives or personal). The next and future Italian generations have experiences that are multi-cultural. The Club needs to recognize this variation and respond to guarantee the future of the Club and its Italian Heritage.

Please give serious consideration to and identification of Members (or yourself) that fit the above criteria. Inform the Search Committee that comprises Jerry Podesta, Pat Dianda, Maureen Freschet, and Joy Morriss of your nomination intent. The Committee will then present these nominees to the Board and at the November General Dinner Meeting. Additional nominees can be presented from The Floor at that meeting. Thank you in advance for your active participation and quick response.

CLUB NEWS

Revision - By-Laws

Per ARTICLE IX of the By-laws, you are formally being notified that the following revisions (In Blue) to the By-Laws are to be voted on, at the October 14, 2025 General Dinner meeting

Article V

Section 2. All Officers and Directors for the Corporation shall be a least twenty-one (21) years of age and shall have been a member in good standing in the Corporation for at least three years preceding the date of the election. The President of the Corporation shall be a citizen of the United States.

Section 4. The Officers and Directors of the Corporation shall be elected by the members of the Corporation at the Annual Meeting of the corporation on the second Tuesday of December of each year by secret ballot. Nomination of Officers and Directors of the Corporation shall be held on the second Tuesday of November of each year and newly elected Officers and Directors shall-assume the responsibilities of the office to which they were elected on January 1, each year.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the President, under the direction of the Board of Directors, to preside at all meetings of the Corporation and the Board of Directors to ensure that the By-Laws, policies and adopted motions approved by the Corporation are strictly enforced. The President at the November General meeting or special meeting set by the Board of Directors, shall make a report of all accounts and general activities of the Corporation during the current year. The President shall appoint all standing committees by, and with the advice, consent and approval of the Board of Directors, and shall be ex-officio, a member of the same. The President shall sign jointly with the Secretary and Treasurer all contracts, bonds and other instruments in writing.—The President is authorized to sign jointly with the Treasurer and Secretary all checks and warrants for the disbursements of the funds of the Corporation. The President shall not be entitled to vote upon any measure presented at meeting of the Corporation, except in case of a tie. The President shall, however, have the right to vote upon the election of officers.

In the absence or inability of the President to act, the Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President. If the President and Vice President shall be absent from any meeting, the Secretary shall call the meeting to order and a temporary chairman shall be chosen.

Minimum Requirement for Nomination to the Position of President: Nominee must have served as an Executive Officer (Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer), or a director for at least one year

AUGUST EVENTS

General Meeting Dinner

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Check-in @ 6:00 • Dinner & Meeting @ 6:30

Meal: Braised Beed Short Ribs, 1/2 Roasted Chicken

Includes: Antipasti, Caesar salad, Pesto Pasta

Price: \$45 inclusive

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED AND PAID FOR IN ADVANCE - by noon on 10/10/2025

For reservations please visit https://www.peninsulaitalianclub.org
Call 650-343-7981 or email: PIASCManager@gmail.com
No table will seat more than 10
Parking Available at CALTRAIN - Free After Hours

Cooking Demonstration Night

Monday, October 27, 2025

Check-in @ 5:00 • Cooking Demo @ 6:00 • Dinner @ 6:30

Menu: Lamb Shanks 1/2 chicken

Includes: Antipasto, English Garden Salad, Pasta Alla Norma

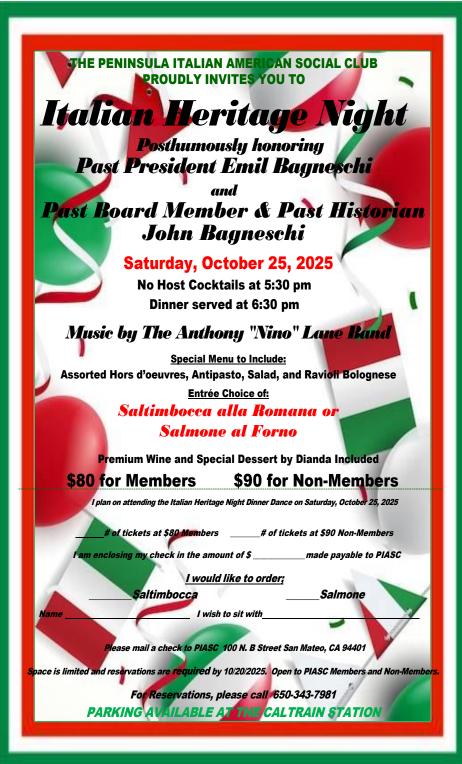
Dessert Demo by Pat Dianda: Napolean

Price: \$55 Inclusive

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED AND PAID FOR IN ADVANCE - by noon on 10/23/2025

For reservations please visit https://www.peninsulaitalianclub.org
Call 650-343-7981 or email: PIASCManager@gmail.com
No table will seat more than 10
Parking Available at CALTRAIN - Free After Hours





CLUB NEWS

The PIASC Board of Directors is proud to announce that on October 25th we will be posthumously honoring two very distinguished members whom we lost this year – Past President Emil Bagneschi and his brother, Past Historian and Board member John Bagneschi.

These two brothers exemplified the true spirit of service to the Club and the Italian community. To commemorate this evening, the Board has approved the raising of funds for a \$5,000 scholarship in the names of Emil and John, that will be awarded by the Scholarship Foundation in 2026.

We are selling copies of our book, "Pasqualino Dianda – The King of Dessert", which features many pictures and some recipes of the wonderful desserts that Pat and his crew make for our events. The books are on sale for \$20 and 100% of the proceeds will go towards the funding of this scholarship. In addition, some of the proceeds from the October 11 "Genovese Night" and our October 25 "Italian Heritage Night" will also go to the scholarship.

For those who might want to donate directly to this scholarship, please make your tax-deductible check out to the PIASC Scholarship Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) entity, and mail it directly to the Club.

We extend an invitation to everyone who has known the Bagneschi Brothers to please honor their contributions and years-long dedication to our Club by attending Italian Heritage Night, purchasing a book, or donating. Thank you for your generosity!







Peninsula Italian American Social Club 100 North B Street, San Mateo, 94401











10:00 am - Doors Open - No-Host Cocktails 12:00 pm - Bingo Begins

\$50 for all 10 games

Includes: 1 packet of 6 Bingo Cards Dauber

Box Lunch (Baguette roll with cold cuts, potato chips and cookies)

** PRIZES - \$150.00 per game and \$400.00 for the final blackout game **

Bingo cards may be purchased at the door on a first come, first served basis.

DEADLINE: All reservations MUST be received by October 29, 2025.

(No refunds for cancellations after October 30, 2025.)

FREE PARKING AVAILABLE AT CALTRAIN STATION.

If you have any questions, please contact Roberta Bernat at 650-200-9095 or email her at rbernat@att.net. Please return the bottom portion with your check made payable to PIASC and mail to:

> Roberta Bernat 111 Spinnaker Street Foster City, CA 94404

I plan to attend Bingo on Sunday, November 2, 2025.	
Name:	
Please indicate who you would like to sit with:	
If you are paying for multiple people, please list their r	names below (first and last name):

FIRST FRIDAY DINNER DANCE

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 7, 2025

GLITTER & GOLD

Music By: "Jerry Sauceda" **MEAL:**

Roast Turkey or 1/2 Roasted Chicken

Bread, Antipasto, Salad, Vodka Pasta, Wine, Dessert, and Gratuity Included!

NO HOST COCKTAILS at 5:30pm, DINNER at 6:15pm, DANCING at 7:30pm

\$60 for Members

\$65 for Guests

No Walk-Ins. No Table Will Sit More Than 10 People. PLEASE RSVP ONLINE AT:

https://PENINSULAITALIANCLUB.ORG/CLUB-EVENTS

or send a check payable to P.I.A.S.C. along with your choice of entree and seating preference and mail it one week in advance to PIASC, 100 North B Street, San Mateo, CA 94401



On November 2, 2025, we will once again be having a Bingo Fundraiser. The flyer for Bingo is enclosed in this newsletter. The day of this event we will be having a raffle drawing. To make this raffle drawing successful, we are asking for all donations such as baskets, gift cards, a bottle of wine, etc., which can be raffled off. If you are donating a basket or a gift card, etc., you can bring it to the PIASC and give it to Steve, the General Manager. Please bring your item in advance and do not wait for the date of the event to bring it. Please help the cause by donating. Thank you in advance for your help. Hope to see many of you at Bingo. Be creative and donate a basket.

THE PENINSULA ITALIAN AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB PROUDLY INVITES YOU TO

Genovese Night

Celebrating Columbus Day

Recognizing our Distinguished Club Member

Greg Menna

Saturday, October 11, 2025

No Host Cocktails at 5:30 pm Dinner served at 6:30 pm Music by

Lou/Franco Band formally the Lou Roselli Band Price \$85 per person

\$10 from every ticket sold will be donated to The Peninsula Scholarship Foundation

Special Menu to Include:

Assorted Hors d'Oeuvre

Stuffed Zucchini Flower, Caesar Salad and Fusilli with Creamy Pesto

<u>Entrée Choice of:</u>

Prime Rib with Horseradish or Sea Bass with Lemon Caper Butter
Wine and a Special Dessert by Pat Dianda

I plan on attending the Genovese Night Dinner Dance Colchrating Columbus Day on Saturday October 11, 2025

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# of tickets at \$85 per person	OR	Table of 10 Seats (\$850.00 per table)
I am enclosing n	ny check in the	amount of \$
/\subseteq \(\lambda_1 \)	vould like to	order;
Prime Rib	X 4./.	Sea Bass
Name	wish to sit with	
I am unable to attend th	e dinner but wo	uld like to donate \$
To Peninsula Sci	holarship Fund (Tax ID# 94-3353368)
Send your dinner reservations to PIASC 100 North	"B" Street, San Ma	ateo, CA 94401(Checks made payable to PIASC)
Donations can also be sent to the PIAS	GC (<u>Checks mad</u>	le payable to the Peninsula Scholarship Fund)
Space is limited and reservations are Requi	ired by <mark>10</mark> /06/20.	25. Open to PIASC Members and Non-Members.
For Reservati	ions, please d	call 650-343-7981
PARKING AVAILA	BLE AT THE	CALTRAIN STATION



Peninsula Italian American Social Club 100 North B Street San Mateo, CA 94401



PIASC AL SACCO AUTUMN BOCCE TOURNAMENT

Date: Sunday, November 9, 2025

BACK BOARD IS LIVE

(USBF Open Rules)

Time: Check in 8:00 AM – Play starts at 8:30 AM

PIASC MEMBER Entry Fee: \$40.00 NON-MEMBERS OF PIASC Entry Fee: \$45.00

PIASC members are eligible for priority registration until Monday, October 20, 2025.

Non-members may send in their registration and will be accepted after Tuesday, October 21, 2025.

Participation is limited to the first 48 paid players.

Teams of four players. Points will decide winners. No Playoffs.

Cash Prizes will be based on the number of players and paid to first and second place winners of each division. In case of tie in a division, winner will be chosen by fewest points against, then head-to-head.

Continental Breakfast will be provided Bring your own bag lunch

All Reservations must be in by SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025
If you cancel after THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2025, your entry fee will **NOT** be refunded

Make checks payable to PIASC Bocce and mail to:

Nella Conti 732 Haven Ave South San Francisco, CA 94080

Contact information:

Mario Conti 650/455-1527 Mike Tognotti 650/796-1177

I/We will attend the November 9, 202		
Printed name:	Phone number:	
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PIASC MEMBERS: Enclosed is my ch	eck for # at \$40.00 for a total of \$	

NON-MEMBERS: Enclosed is my check for # at \$45.00 for a total of \$

2025 PENSOGRAM SPONSOR PROGRAM

"In Memory of" Donations

THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS

On behalf of the Officers and Board of Directors of the PIASC, we wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to all Members and Friends that have contributed to the success of this program. and are listed in these two pages. For those that have made contributions to this program, we ask that you review the listed names and the "In Memory of" dedications for any spelling issues, or inadvertently not listed, since this list will be published until the December 2025 issue. If there are any corrections, please contact our General Manager.

If you wish to participate in this Pensogram Sponsors Program, we still have spaces left for a few more contributors, and we can add them in our next edition. You can contact our General Manager Steve Bianco at Steve@piascsm.com for more details.

We thank you in advance for your support of this fundraiser to help ensure the publication of our Pensogram.

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The Peninsula Italian American Social Club Presents

Sicilian Night

Saturday, November 15, 2025

No Host Cocktails and Appetizers at 5:30pm to 6:30pm Special Performance 6:30pm to 7:00pm Dinner served at 7:00pm

Music by

The Jerry Sauceda Band

DINNER INCLUDES

Assorted Hand Passed Appetizers, Antipasto
Sicilian Citrus Salad w/ Olives, Pasta alla Norma
Guests will enjoy their choice of Entrees:

Involtini alla Siciliana or Filet of Swordfish

Cannoli for Dessert

Price

Price Includes Appetizers, Dinner, Dancing, Premium Wine, Tax and Gratuity

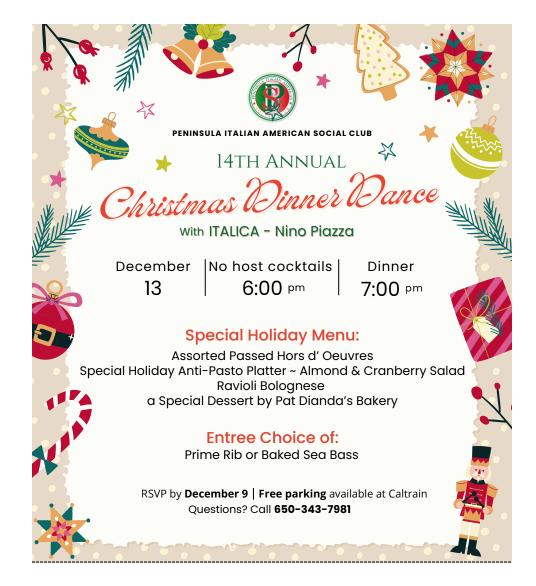
Members \$75

Guests \$85

Event Chairs Giovanni & Maria Colombo

# of tickets at \$75 per member	# of tickets at \$85 per guest
I am enclosing my ch	heck in the amount of \$
<u>I would</u>	l like to order;
Involtini Siciliani	Swordfish
I wish	h to sit with

Space is limited and reservations are Required by 11/11/2025. Open to PIASC Members and Non-



I plan on attending the Christmas Dinner Dance on Saturday December 13, 2025:

Name:	Email:
	# of Guests at \$85.00 each: # of Sea Bass
wish to sit with:	

I am enclosing my check in the amount of \$___ Please mail your completed form along with your check to:

PIASC 100 North B Street San Mateo, CA 94401



Annual CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON



Enjoy a variety of entertainment for the children, and don't miss a special visit from Santa.

Doors open at 11:00 am Lunch at 12:00 pm

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Questions? Call 650-343-7981

WHAT TO EXPECT

- The menu will include salad, antipasto, pasta with meatballs, & garlic bread.
- Santa will be handing out gifts to members' children and grandchildren (up to age 10).

I (first & last name) _____ will attend the Luncheon I am requesting ___ Adult tickets at \$25.00 each ___ Children's tickets (7-12 years) at \$10.00 each, ___ Children 6 & under (free) I am enclosing my check in the amount of \$___

> RSVP Deadline: Wednesday, December 17, 2025. Please mail your completed form along with your check to: PIASC 100 North B Street San Mateo, CA 94401

Peninsula Italian Amer	$EAR'SEV_{E}$
December 31, 2025 from 6:30 pm - 12:30 am	
MENU: • Hors D'Oeuvres • Pear & Gorgonzola Salad, Wild Mushroom & Truffle Oil Conchiglie • Filet Mignon & Jumbo Shrimp • Special Select Wines, Millefoglie by Pat Dianda's, Coffee, Party Favors • Champagne Toast & Special	• Reservations are due by December 23, 2025 • No cancellations, seating, or food changes after Friday Dec 26, 2025. • Free parking available at Caltrain. • Formal attire required.

i plan on attending the NTL Diffier v	on December 31, 2023
Member Tickets at \$125 each	n,Guest Tickets at \$150 each
Enclosed check in the amount of	\$
Name:	_ Email:
I wish to sit with:	

Please mail your check to PIASC 100 N B St, San Mateo, CA 94401

PIASC Scholarship Foundation

Pat Dianda has just published a book of his famous dessert recipes. The Club is selling them for \$20.00 a copy. All of the proceeds from the sale of Pat's dessert books will be donated to the Scholarship Foundation. The money raised will fund a scholarship to a high school graduate student of Italian descent in the memory of Emil and John Bagneschi. Over \$2,000 from these book sales has already been raised. This is a very thoughtful donation to the Scholarship Foundation by Pay Dianda. We thank Pat for his generosity and his continued support of our Scholarship Program.

On September 14, 2025 we held a very successful Bocce Ball Tournament to raise funds for our 2026 Scholarship Program. We raised over \$7,000 from sponsors and players who attended this event. Over 60 people came to play or watch, and they also enjoyed a very delicious tri-tip lunch. The Salami Toss was also a great Italian Tradition. Hats off to Nella Conti, Mario Conti, Phyllis Tognotti, and Mike Tognotti for all of their hard work and efforts to make our Scholarship Bocce Ball Tournament one of the best we have ever held.

Please attend our <u>Genovese Dinner Dance on October 11, 2025</u>. We have a great band, and it will be a lot of fun. <u>Greg Menna is our honoree for the night</u>. All of the net proceeds are donated to the Scholarship Foundation to fund the scholarships we plan to award in May 2026. All of your donations to this event are tax deductible and greatly appreciated.

Thank you very much for your past support.

Please check out our website: https://www.pscsf.org/

Terry Anderlini, President PIASC Scholarship Foundation







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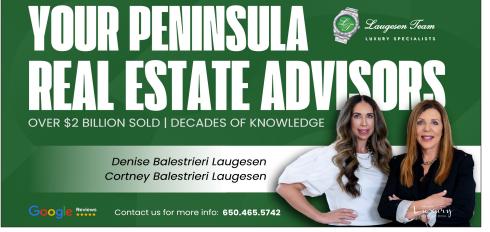
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