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Passaic Valley UNICO

Our November 2018 Monthly Newsletter



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A Message from our Chapter President

Dear Members,

As we enter the holiday season and enjoy good times with our families and friends, may we keep the less fortunate in our thoughts.

John has sent a flier asking for volunteers to help at a party for handicapped children.

Roni needs us to bring in food at our meeting to help the food pantries.

Please try to support our NJ District IV Christmas Party. It helps and supports those who are disabled

For our December meeting it was voted on not to do a grab bag for ourselves, but to bring an "un-wrapped" toy, to the December meeting, for a child. At our meeting in November more information will be given out on this.

I also would like to thank all the members who supported the dining at Thatcher McGhee's.

*Ciao,
Carmen*





November Birthdays

11/01 Gerry Gaeta
 11/15 John Barbieri
 11/21 Gianna Barone
 11/22 Sal Benvenuti
 11/23 Jennifer Sabbak

Photo Albums

All of our chapter events pictures can be seen on our website.

Additional pictures from our "NJ IV District" and also a lot from our "UNICO National" events can also be seen on their websites.

www.PassaicValleyUNICO.org

www.UNICO.org

www.UNICO-NJdistrictIV.4mg.com

Food Pantry

Please don't forget about our UNICO Phil Arena Food Pantry ... Your non-perishable donation will restock it

You can bring it directly to the pantry in the basement of Holy Angels Church ... or to any chapter meeting

Upcoming Events – Local and National

November 9, 10 ... Friday, Saturday ... The Eastern Region National Meeting ... Philadelphia PA ... Must pre-register

November 14 ... 2nd Wednesday ... Our monthly chapter meeting ... Amore Ristorante ... 7:00 pm Dinner – 8:00 pm Meeting

November 17 ... Saturday ... \$17.00 Pasta Dinner ... The flier is in this newsletter and also on our website ... RSVP

November 28 ... Wednesday ... Convention 2019 Fundraiser ... The Brick House in Wyckoff ... The flier is on the National Website and in this newsletter

November 30 ... Friday ... The day our final chapter dues check is due to UNICO National ... Please get yours in to our chapter well before that

November 30 ... Friday ... UNICO National Office Christmas Holiday Open House ... Noon till 8:pm

December 2 ... Sunday ... NJ District IV Christmas Dinner for Special Needs ... The flier is

“UNICO”

Below are our UNICO's CORE VALUES

*If you know of someone who has them or
 If you know of someone who would like to help us make a difference
 Please invite them to a meeting and possibly have them
 join our chapter as a new member*

U – Unity

N – Neighborliness

I – Integrity

C – Charity

O – Opportunity

“Service Above Self”



Did You Know ?

November brings us the following dates to remember

- 11/01 All Saints Day
- 11/04 The end of Daylight Savings time
- 11/06 Election Day
- 11/09 & 11/10 The UNICO National Eastern Region Meeting in Philadelphia
- 11/11 Veterans Day
- 11/22 Thanksgiving Day
- 11/25 Major League Baseball player, Joe DiMaggio, was born this day in 1914

ComUNICO

You can now read the ComUNICO magazine online, just by clicking on the cover below



Who's Who

Our 2018-2019 Executive Board

- President Carmen Gaita Jr.
- 1st Vice President Eileen Wood
- 2nd Vice President Pat Ligouri
- Treasurer Bruce Ponchak
- Recording Secretary Steve Pelonero
- Sgt. At-Arms Dominick Bucci
- Corresponding Secretary John Morano

Our 2018-2019 Board of Directors

- | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Bruce Ponchak | Chapter President | 2016 & 2017 |
| John Barbieri | Chapter President | 2014 & 2015 |
| Robert Appaluccio | Chapter President | 2012 & 2013 |
| Steve Pelonero | Chapter President | 2010 & 2011 |
| Carmen Criscione | Chapter President | 2008 & 2009 |
| Salvatore Benvenuti | Chapter President | 2006 & 2007 |

Our 2018-2019 Chapter Delegates

- President Carmen Gaita Jr ... 50 Members (President +2)
- Delegate Eileen Wood
- Delegate Joyce O'Hara
- Alternate Delegate Jean Chomko

Fundraising Committee Heads

- Dine with UNICO Joe Benvenuti, Jean Chomko, Mark BiFalco
- Dinner for a Year Raffle Carmen Criscione
- Golf Outing Joe Barone
- Holiday Donations Robert Appaluccio
- Modell's Roni Corrado
- Overseas Armed Service Care Packages Pat Corrado
- Pig Roast Joe Agresti PNP / James Minella
- Refrigerator of Wine 2020 Raffle Steve Pelonero

Non-Fundraising Committee Heads

- Christmas Tree Lighting w/ Candy Cane Giveaway Joe Agresti PNP
- Community Service Day (April) Chuck Russo
- Easter Egg Hunt Joe Agresti PNP / Patrick Ligouri
- Food Pantry Roni Corrado
- Good and Welfare Sal Nocella
- Membership John Barbieri
- Newsletter Steve Pelonero
- Scholarship / Brian Piccolo Joe Agresti PNP / Chuck Russo
- Study Abroad Collegiate Scholarship Joseph Agresti PNP
- Website Steven Pelonero / John Barbieri
- Wine Tasting and Chapter Christmas Dinner Joe Agresti PNP

October Photos

Meet the President

*Our chapter members that were at the October 16th Meet the UNICO National President Dinner
With president Lee and 1st Lady Debbie Norelli in the center, our chapter members are:
Standing in the front from the left: Sal Benvenuti, Bob Appaluccio, Joe Benvenuti, and John Morano
Standing behind them clockwise from the left are: Joe Barone, Carmen Criscione,
Chuck Russo, Joe Agresti PNP, Frank Capalbo, Carmen Gaita, and Steve Pelonero
More of the Meet the President Photos can be seen on the UNICO National Website in the Photo Gallery
www.UNICO.org*



Did you know that UNICO is always spelt with capital letters, as is the FBI, IRS, CIA, NIAF

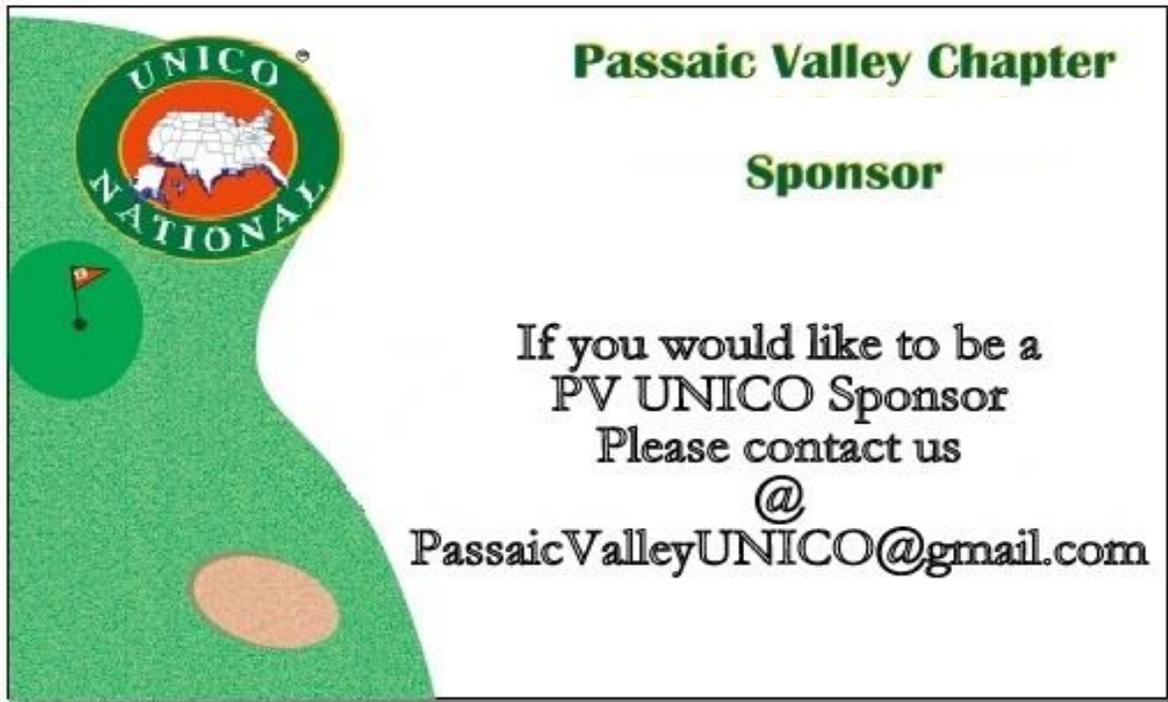
What region is your Heritage from? Let us know at our October Meeting



Did you know that we are also on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter ?

www.Facebook.com/PassaicValleyUNICO - www.Instagram.com/passaicValleyUNICO - www.Twitter.com/PassaicValleyUNICO

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We will advertise your name for an entire UNICO year
(See pages 8, 9 and 10)



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About UNICO ~ UNICO is the largest Italian American Service Organization in the United States
 Unity, Neighborliness, Integrity, Charity, Opportunity

UNICO was founded on October 10, 1922 in Waterbury, Connecticut. A group of 15 men, led by Dr. Anthony P. Vastola, came together to create what has become a very special and very proud organization. It was Dr. Vastola's dream to create an Italian American service organization to engage in charitable works, support higher education, and perform patriotic deeds. Our motto is "*Service Above Self*".

Each year, the UNICO Foundation and the UNICO National Chapters across the country donate approximately \$1 million to various charities. Scholarships continue to be the primary focus of UNICO, as roughly one-third of all monies raised goes to deserving students from all of the chapter locations throughout the chain.

UNICO National has funded major research in Cooley's Anemia and Mental Health. Through its association with the Jimmy Valvano Foundation it has funded over 10, \$50,000 grants to help find a cure for Cancer. These worthy areas continue to receive generous support from the chapters and its members for these worthy causes.

If you would like to attend one of our meetings to see if you might be interested in joining UNICO, please contact us through any member, or through our email. We would be honored to have you as a member of our Passaic Valley UNICO Chapter.

Committee Comments

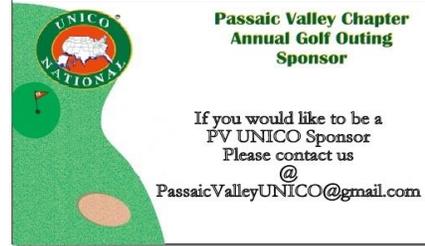
Would you like to be on a committee ?

Do you have a Fundraising idea ?

Please step up and
Serve our Chapter, our Community
and UNICO National

Keep us strong

Let more people know what we do



Do you know of some who would like to sponsor our UNICO Chapter ?

For just \$100.00 for the year, it gets them in this newsletter and on our chapter website for our entire UNICO year.

Please contact us via our chapter email: PassaicValleyUNICO@gmail.com
Or use our website to fill out the online form www.PassaicValleyUNICO.org

Our Pasta Dinner ~ November 17 ~ Still looking for volunteers to make or bring Desserts, table covers, disposable dishes, dinner utensils

Call Dominick Bucci if you can help: 973-703-6473



Please support our sponsors
See pages 12, 13 and 14 in this newsletter

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Passaic Valley Chapter & Holy Cross Church

Presents



A Lot of Pasta & A Little bit Country

ONLY
\$17.00
per person

*Saturday, November 17, 2018
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm*

GREAT:
- PASTA -
- MUSIC -
- FUN -



COWBOY HATS
OPTIONAL!

Limited Tickets

*Come and join us for an AMAZING evening
dinner and lots of fun*

*Holy Cross Church
220 Browertown Rd, Woodland Park, NJ*

Tickets and information contact:

Dominick Bucci 973-703-6473 / dbucci3@optimum.net
Fr. Joseph Cyman 973-256-4888 / holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

All proceeds go to our local scholarship and charitable endeavors



2019 UNICO Convention Kickoff Fundraiser

“Come celebrate for Dr. Frank DeFrank”

Cigar Night

At The

Brickhouse, 179 Godwin Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ

**Date—Wednesday November 28, 2018
6-9 PM.**

Buffet Dinner, Wine, Beer, Soda, Raffles

Ticket Price—\$85.00 per person.

**Come enjoy a night of camaraderie with friends & help raise funds to
make the 2019 UNICO CONVENTION a big success.**

**All checks to be payable to UNICO National Convention 2019
Can be mailed to the UNICO National Office**



Double Magnum Bottle of Red





UNICO NEW JERSEY DISTRICT IV
Cordially Invites You To Our
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY
“A SPECIAL PARTY FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE”

Sunday, December 2, 2018 ~ 11:00 AM – 2:30 PM

The Chandelier
340 Franklin Avenue
Belleville, NJ

\$40.00 person
(free to special needs friends and chaperones)

RSVP PLEASE BY NOVEMBER 24, 2018 to:
NJ IV District Governor Steve Calantone – 862-668-8682
PNP Joe Agresti – 201-874-0546
PNP Paul Alongi – 973-714-8253

This year's invited guests are:
The Circle Of Friends – Clifton Young Adults
Out and Back from the Epilepsy Foundation
Horizon from Bloomfield and others

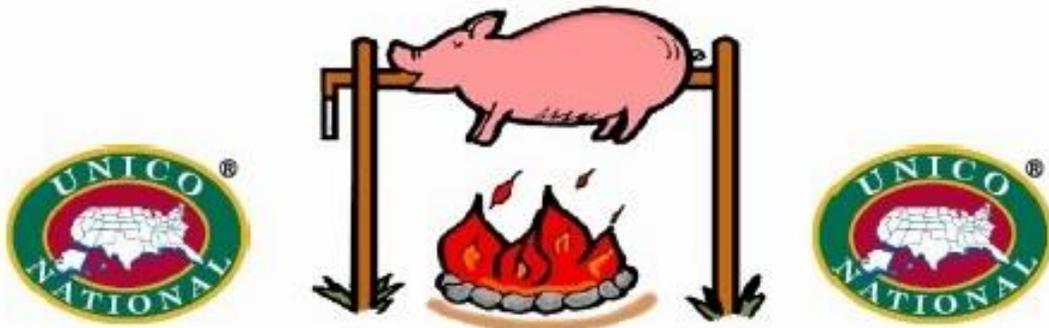
MENU
Escarole Soup – Salad – Pasta w/Vodka Sauce
Pepper Steak – Roasted Chicken – Eggplant Rollatini – Vegetables
Ice Cream – Coffee – Tea – Beer – Wine – Soda

LIVE MUSIC
and
A VISIT FROM “SANTA CLAUS” OF COURSE!



PIG ROAST DINNER

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 2019

7:00 PM TO 11:00 PM

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BYOB



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 JOE BENVENUTI – 973-610-9365 - JIM MINNELLA – 973-652-5035
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Past National President



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