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President's Message

Hello UNICAN's,

All in all, we had a GREAT year thanks to all those who contributed, helped, volunteered, chaired the committees and those that attended the several events we held. We are very fortunate to have so many great members and you all should feel proud of our accomplishments.

As we complete the year and slide into the summer months, I would like to wish each of you a great summer. Whether you are going on vacation, traveling the globe or just enjoying yourself around the house, be safe and have lots of fun. You all deserve the best life can bring and I believe all good things will come to those who give back.

I hope our executive team met your expectations this past year and I am very excited about our new executive team for the 2015 – 2016. I am sure we will all step up to exceed the accomplishments of this past year and make our chapter even stronger.

I would like to recognize Steve Pelonero for a great job as our District Governor but more importantly for all the help and assistance he has provided to me this past year. He has a tough job in trying to keep our chapters afloat and his guidance is greatly appreciated.

I would also like to thank all those who helped some of the newer chairpersons succeed as they have the knowledge from their past experiences. Old and new knowledge is the Ingredients for success in the future and we have proved it.

I will be sending out the information for our September meeting so remember to look for that in the coming months.

See you all in September and God Bless!

John Barbieri





Upcoming Events – Local and National

July 29, 30,31, August 1, 2015 ~ Wednesday through Saturday

Our UNICO National Convention in Newport Beach, CA

July Birthdays

Happy Birthday to:

Evelyn Tosi - 7/20
Jane Morano - 7/23
Mary Benvenuti - 7/25
Pat Corrado - 7/27
Joseph Benvenuti - 7/31

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.

Two pictures in particular are on page 4 of this newsletter.

- www.PVUNICO.com
- www.UNICO.org
- www.UNICO-NJdistrictIV.4mg.com

More Important Dates

More important dates for our chapter, our district, and also UNICO National, can always be seen on the 3 websites that are shown on page 1 of this newsletter. Stay in touch and stay informed.

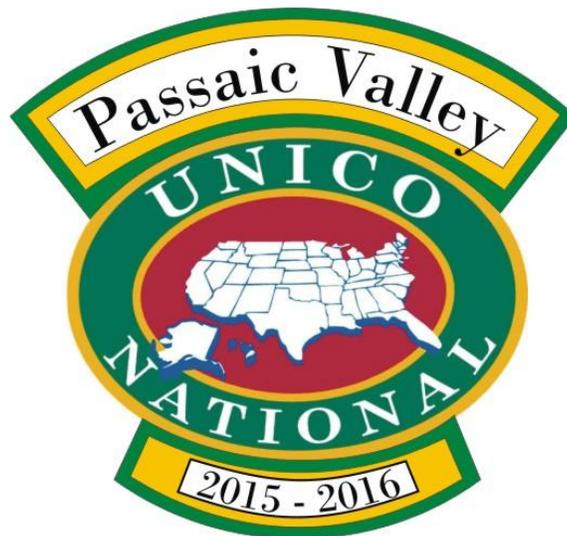
Recommend an event

Have you been to any fundraisers lately that you feel would be something we should do? Do you have an idea where we can raise money to support the initiatives we engage in? Send any recommendations to the executive board and we will seriously consider it. ~ PassaicValleyUNICO@gmail.com

Members ~ Members ~ Members

Do you know someone who would like to join our chapter? Invite them to a monthly meeting to hear about what we do and also receive a free meal.

Welcome to our New UNICO Year



U – Unity
N – Neighborliness
I – Integrity
C – Charity
O – Opportunity

“Service Above Self”



Food Pantry

Please don't forget about our UNICO Phil Arena Food Pantry

Your non-perishable food donation can help restock it

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

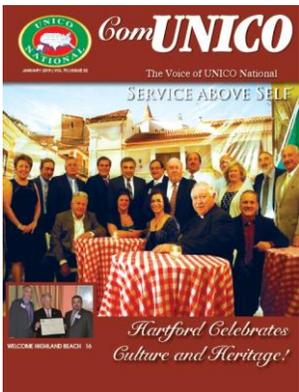
Did You Know ...

The UNICO year runs from July 1st through June 30th

The start of the UNICO year begins at the UNICO National Convention which is usually near the last week of July. This year it will be from July 29th through August 1st in Newport Beach, CA

The 2015-2016 UNICO National President will be Dr. Ann Walko from the Westfield NJ Chapter. She will be sworn in at the Saturday, August 1st, General Session Meeting

Along with the other National Officers, all District Governors will also get sworn in that day



Who's Who

Our 2015-2016 Executive Board

- President John Barbieri
- 1st Vice President Bruce Ponchak
- 2nd Vice President Carmen Gaita Jr.
- Treasurer Joseph McGill
- Recording Secretary Eileen Wood
- Sgt. At-Arms Dominick Bucci
- Corresponding Secretary Christina Castillo

Our 2015-2016 Board of Directors

- Robert Appaluccio
- Steve Pelonero
- Carmen Criscione
- Salvatore Benvenuti
- Angelo Verrone
- Charles Russo

Our 2015-2016 Chapter Delegates

Salvatore Benvenuti ~ Convention

Fundraising Committee Heads

- Applebee's Flapjack & Pancake Breakfast Dominick Bucci
- Barrel of Wine Raffles..... Carmen Criscione
- Bus Rides Joe and Elaine Barone
- Golf Outing Joe Barone
- Holiday Donations Robert Appaluccio
- Modell's Roni Corrado
- Overseas Care Packages Pat Corrado
- Comedy Show Joe McGill

Non-Fundraising Committee Heads

- Community Service Day (April)..... Chuck Russo
- Food Pantry Angelo Verrone
- Good and Welfare Sal Nocella
- Italian Heritage with Our Youth at P.V.H.S. Angelo Verrone
- Membership Eileen Wood
- Newsletter Steve Pelonero
- Scholarship / Brian Piccolo Robert Appaluccio
- Website Steven Pelonero / John Barbieri

Read the latest issue of ComUNICO here

Just click on the cover photo that is shown to the left



***A picture from our 2015-2016
Officer Installation Dinner
Held Thursday Evening ~ June 4th, 2015***

Congratulations and thanks to our new officers

From the left:

*Joseph McGill (Treasurer) ~ Eilenn Wood (Secretary) ~ John Barbieri (President)
Dominic Bucci (Sgt.At-Arms) ~ Bruce Ponchak (1st Vice President)
Carmen Gaita Jr. (non pictured – 2nd Vice President)*



*All of our pictures can be seen on our Website
www.PVUNICO.com*

***Pictures from our 39th Annual
Scholarship & Brian Piccolo Awards Dinner
Held Thursday Evening ~ June 4th, 2015***

*Scholarship Committee Chaired by Robert Appaluccio
Brian Piccolo Chaired by Charles Russo*

*Pictured to the left is our 2015 Student Recipients
With Chapter President John Barbieri and Scholarship Chair Robert Appaluccio*

*Pictured to the right is our 2015 Scholarship Committee
Chuck Russo, Pat Barone, Jay Sisti, Bob Appaluccio, Joyce O'Hara, Carmen Criscione, John Barbieri*



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.

Thank You to our 2015-2016 Sponsors and Supporters

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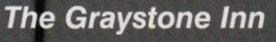
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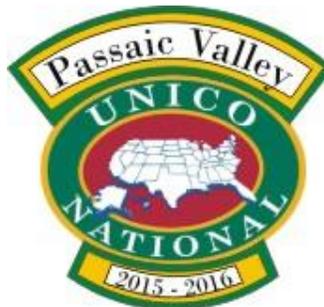
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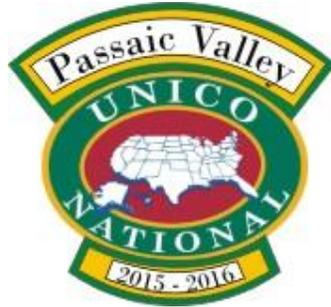
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