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President's Message

Hello UNICAN's,

September just flew by, where has the time gone? We made it through our first meeting of the year and I want to thank all the members that attended.

Looks like we have some good ideas for new events / fund raisers and I am thankful for those members that agreed to chair the events. While it is great to have the individuals who have chaired events in the past, we really need members who have not chaired events to get involved and learn the in's and out's of running events. This will make our chapter that much more valuable and allow us to be more productive in the future. The key here is to; "get involved".

Our first District meeting is on October 7th and as we are the sponsoring chapter, I hope to see a high number of members attend this meeting. It will also give you an idea as to what the other 9 chapters are doing to raise money and assist others. If you are intending to attend, please contact me ASAP. It looks like we will be eligible for the 501C-3 short form at \$450.00. This will again help us to save money and receive donations where the person donating will be able to write the donation off on his or her taxes. It will save us money on paying sales tax to the institution where we hold our events. This is ultimately hundreds of dollars each year we can now use to help others.

We mentioned in our last meeting, "***new members***". PLEASE invite prospective members to our meetings. We need to get people who want to participate and take the initiative of chairing events. Hopefully younger members who have some fresh ideas, and can help us continue our success. The reason we are members of this great organization is to help others, and our story is truly rewarding and compelling. So please invite a prospective member. If you have invited a prospective member in the past, please follow up with that person and let's get them signed up. The key here is to; "follow up".

As we are all volunteers, I welcome any recommendations or suggestions, so please let me know what I or we can do better to make a difference for those who need our assistance.

John Barbieri



Birthdays

Happy October

Birthday to:

Robert Appaluccio - 10/1
 Christina Castillo - 10/2
 Emilia D'Albero - 10/4
 Lisa Post - 10/5
 Carmen Gaita Jr - 10/9
 Carmen Criscione - 10/18
 Jean Giancola - 10/22
 Frank Capalbo - 10/23

Upcoming Events – Local and National

October 07 ... Wednesday ... NJ IV District Meeting

*1st of four ... Hosted by our Passaic Valley UNICO Chapter
 Eat and Meet starting at 7:00 pm sharp
 Mario's in Clifton*

October 12 ... Monday ... NYC Columbus Day Parade

Contact the National Office if you wish to march in it

October 14 ... 2nd Wednesday ... Monthly Meeting

Holy Cross Church, Woodland Park

October 23-24 ... Friday-Saturday ... National Eastern Region

*Place: Inn at Pocono Manor, Pocono, PA
 Register via UNICO National 973-808-0035*

October 28 ... Wednesday ... Meet the National President

*Place: Venetian, Garfield... \$45.00 per ticket (\$35.00 for members)
 Pre-paid ticket sales only - via your /Chapter Pres. / District Gov.*

Don't forget ~ Please visit our Chapter website and NJ IV District Website for "More Important District, National, and other Chapter Events" ~ < [Click Here To Go](#) >

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.4mq.com

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.

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

"Service Above Self"



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

Food Pantry

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

Your non-perishable food donation will restock it

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

Our 2015-2016 Board of Directors

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

Did You Know

There are three active volcano's in Italy. Etna (Sicily), ~ Stromboli (an island north of Sicily), ~ Vesuvius (Gulf of Naples)

The first king and founder of Rome was Romulus

There are two patron saints of Italy: St. Catherine of Sienna, and St. Francis of Assisi

Our 2015-2016 Chapter Delegates

- Salvatore Benvenuti ~ Convention
- Jean Chomko ~ Convention (alternate)

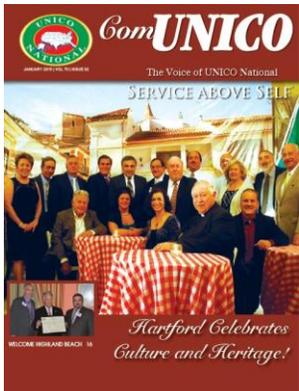
Fundraising Committee Heads

- Applebee's Flapjack & Pancake Breakfast Dominick Bucci
- Barrel of Wine Raffles..... Carmen Criscione
- Bus Rides Elaine Barone, Mary Benvenuti, Joyce O'Hara
- Wine Tasting.. Joe McGill
- Golf Outing Joe Barone
- Holiday Donations Robert Appaluccio
- Modell's Roni Corrado
- Overseas Armed Service Care Packages Pat Corrado
- Wine Tasting Joe Benvenuti, Angelo Verrone

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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 Jay Sisti
- Newsletter Steve Pelonero
- Scholarship / Brian Piccolo Robert Appaluccio / Chuck Russo
- Study Abroad Scholarship (Montclair & Seton Hall) Joseph Agresti PNP
- Website Steven Pelonero / John Barbieri



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



A Picture from our Past

From the 2007 ~ Oct 30th Meet the President

Taken from when our own chapter member Joseph Agresti was National President

Joe is pictured here with all of the PNP's that were in attendance that night

~ How many do you know – And will you recognize them at this years Meet the President on Oct. 28th ~



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

In memory of

Thomas Triolo

Long Time Member of Passaic Valley UNICO
April 9, 1942 ~ February 21, 2015
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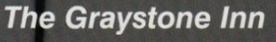
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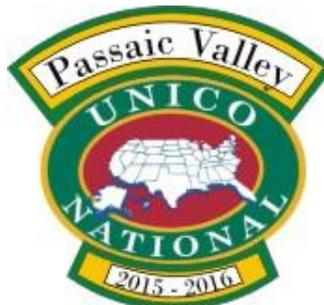
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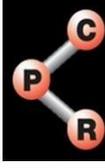


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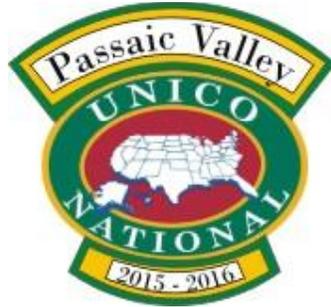
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