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President's Message

Hello UNICAN's,

Thank you to everyone who came to our September meeting. I hope everyone enjoyed their dinner at The Kitch. Our October meeting is on October 11th. I will try to get the Kitch again but will send out an e-mail with the information once it's finalized.

This month there are many Columbus Day celebrations throughout our local towns as well as New York City and Seaside Heights. Considering the uproar about eliminating Columbus Day and replacing it with Indigenous People Day, I hope everyone can make time to support one of their local celebrations.

Also don't forget Meet the President Night at the Venetian on October 24th. The chapter will be subsidizing any member \$10 towards the cost of the dinner.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our meeting.

Bruce Ponchak



October Birthdays

Robert Appaluccio 10/1
Christina Castillo 10/2
Carmen Gaita Jr 10/9
Carmen Criscione 10/18
Jean Giancola 10/22
Frank Capalbo 10/23

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 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

Upcoming Events – Local and National

October 9 ... Monday ... NYC Columbus Day Parade ... Come and March with UNICO National

October 24 ... Tuesday ... The Annual Meet the National President Dinner ... The Venetian in Garfield ... 6:30 pm ... A "must" RSVP event

October 27/28 ... Friday/Saturday ... Eastern Region Meeting ... Providence, RI ... A must RSVP and register event



If you can think of a Fundraising idea, please let our chapter executive board know of it ... "The more we raise, the more we give"

If you are "not" a member and would like to attend any of our meetings for the first time as our guest, please contact any of our Chapter Officers, or members, for more information ... Please visit our website (The Who's Who Section) to see who our Chapter President is and click on the name to start an email ... Or just send us an email us at PassaicValleyUNICO@gmail.com

Please note that our website name has changed
We are now
www.PassaicValleyUNICO.org

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

"Service Above Self"



**Just for a change
Here is some
Computer Humor**

Backup – what you do when you see a skunk

Crash – when you go to a party uninvited

Digital -the art of counting on your fingers

Mac – fast food hamburger

Mouse Pad – where Mickey and Minnie live

Network – scooping a big fish before the line breaks

ROM – where the Pope lives

Serial Port – a red wine you drink with breakfast

Superconductor – Amtrak’s employee of the year

ComUNICO

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



Who’s Who

Our 2017-2018 Executive Board

President	Bruce Ponchak
1st Vice President	Carmen Gaita Jr.
2nd Vice President	Eileen Wood
Treasurer	Joseph McGill
Recording Secretary	Patrick Ligouri
Sgt. At-Arms	Dominick Bucci

Our 2017-2018 Board of Directors

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
Angelo Verrone	Chapter President	2004 & 2005

Our 2017-2018 Chapter Delegates

President Bruce Ponchak ...	47 Chapter Members
.... Delegate Dominick Bucci	
.... Delegate Eileen Wood	
..... Alternate Delegate John Barbieri	
..... Alternate Delegate Sal Benvenuti	
..... Alternate Delegate Jean Chomko	
..... Alternate Delegate Joe McGill	
..... Alternate Delegate Joyce O’Hara	

Fundraising Committee Heads

Applebee’s Flapjack & Pancake Breakfast	Dominick Bucci
Bus Rides	Elaine Barone, Mary Benvenuti, Joyce O’Hara
Golf Outing	Joe Barone
Holiday Donations	Robert Appaluccio
Modell’s	Roni Corrado
Overseas Armed Service Care Packages	Pat Corrado
Refrigerator with Wine for 2020 Vision for UNICO	Steve Pelonero

Non-Fundraising Committee Heads

Community Service Day (April)	Chuck Russo
Food Pantry	Roni Corrado
Good and Welfare	Sal Nocella
Italian Heritage with Our Youth at P.V.H.S.	Angelo Verrone
Heritage Day Event	Steve Pelonero
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

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

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A Vision from the Past ~ "October 2004"

At the UNICO National "Meet the National President Michael Marinello"

Sitting from the left: John Morano, Tony Orlando, Deacon Joe Sisco

Standing from the left: Steve Pelonero, Jane Morano, Angelo Verrone, Chuck Russo, PNP Joe Agresti, Frank Capalbo



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.

September ~ Settembre

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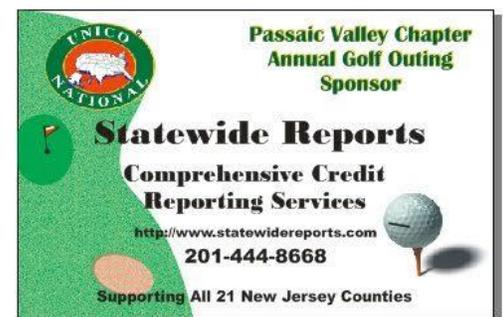
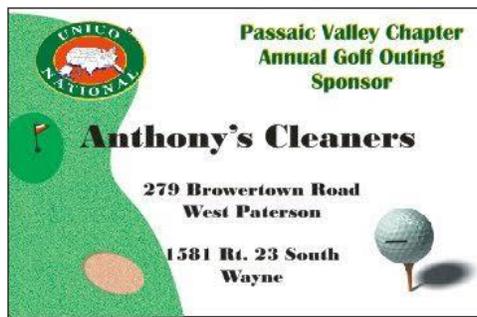
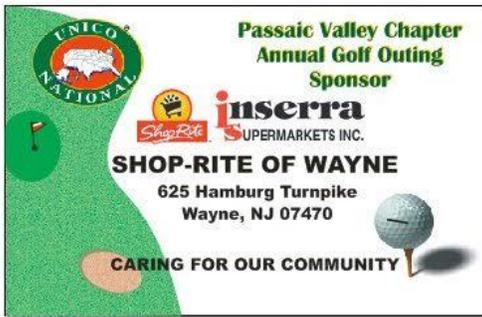

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Our chapter accomplishes a lot because of “You”

Thank you again everyone ~ “Grazie”



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Please inquire about being a sponsor for our chapter
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*For just \$100.00 you can be seen in this newsletter
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