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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 Hall

March Birthdays



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Important Dates

March 8th ... Tuesday

Our monthly Meeting
Holy Cross Church - Woodland Park
7:00 Dinner - 8:00 Meeting

March 24, 25, 26

Thursday, Friday & Saturday
Mid Year Board, Mid Western Regional
& Western Regional Meetings
Kansas City, Missouri

April 9, 2011 ... Saturday

Community Service Day
More information is on our website in the
"Events for 2010-2011 Section"

April 10, 2011 ... Sunday

"Lombardi" Broadway Play Tickets
Order your reduced rate tickets
through UNICO National
Call 973-808-0035 for more information

May 1, 2011 ... Sunday

2nd Annual Bocce Tournament
See the flier on our website
Let your friends know about it
We are also looking for volunteers

May 23, 2011 ... Monday

Our 27th Annual Golf Outing
The Meadows Golf Course in Lincoln Park
See the flier on our website
Start getting your foursome together now

June, 2011

Scholarship Awards Dinner
More Information to follow

August 3, 4, 5, 6, 2011

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday
UNICO National Convention - Arlington, VA
For more information, please visit
www.2011UNICOconvention.org

Our Monthly Newsletter

The Passaic Valley Chapter Of UNICO National

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Chapter President's Message



Hello everyone

March is a quiet month for us, but it does give us the time we need to start getting ready for our April Community Service Day, our 2nd Annual Bocce Tournament, and also our 27th Annual Golf Outing.

Don't forget that March also brings us Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Our March meeting is set for Tuesday, March 8th as to avoid any conflicts of attending church and also the fasting that is required for that day ... 7:00 dinner and an 8:00 meeting.

March also brings the UNICO National Mid Year Board, the Mid Western "and" also the Western Regional Meetings. This year it is in Kansas City, Missouri on the 24th, 25th, and 26th (Thursday, Friday and Saturday). Some of our members will be attending. It not only is a chance to get away for the end of the week and to see another city in the USA, but it's also a time when UNICO National takes care of their business and for members of UNICO to see it all come together.

April: As noted above, it does bring us UNICO National's Community Service Day. Please try to attend our March 8th meeting for more information. There is also a flier on our website with some added information on what the day means for UNICO.

Looking at the "Important Dates" section of this newsletter, there is an excellent Broadway Play advertised and UNICO National can get you reduced rate tickets. I personally have went already and I highly recommend it, especially if you would like to learn more about Vince Lombardi.

Getting back to our meeting for March, please try to attend and let your committee chairs know if you can help them in whatever way they need ... That's true Service Above Self in helping those who serve.

Also for our meeting ... once again if anyone can please make a desert item ? ... The last time it was requested many of you came through and I heard that they were all so good. But you do have to bring them back home if they are not finished.

As always, hoping to see you soon

CIAO

Steve Pelonero

March 2011

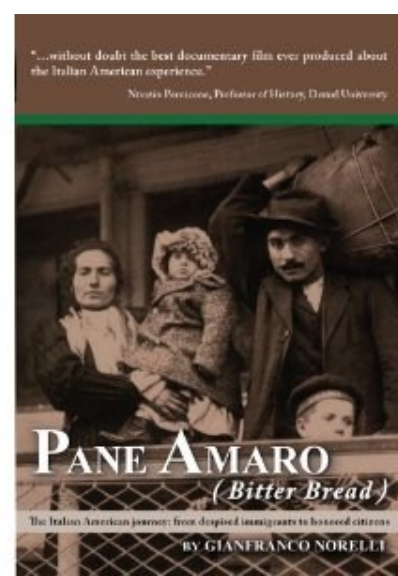


Phrase of the Month

*Nulla nuova
Buona nuova*

*No news
Is good news*

Our Heritage



Quite a few of our chapter members attended a viewing of the above movie at Montclair University - "Pane Amaro".

Hosted by the Coccia Institute for Italian Studies at the University, our chapter was invited to attend, and I do believe that we were all glad that we did.

The movie is about our ancestors and their immigration to the United States from Italy. The evenings itinerary was so good that a copy of the movie was purchased with the hopes of our chapter also having a similar venue where we can also have an open house to celebrate and remember our ancestors.

More discussion will follow at our meeting and also to see if there is enough interest with volunteers to help and come up with our own itinerary.

The Coccia institute has invited us again to spend 2 separate evenings with them. One on March 3rd and the other on March 9th. All that is needed is that you RSVP. Both nights are free with appetizers served. Both events are also shown on our website with more information.

Membership Roster

If any member
would like a membership roster
Complete with addresses
phone #'s and e-mail addresses
Just e-mail our membership committee at
PassaicValleyUNICO@gmail.com

www.PVUNICO.com
Also on Facebook as
PassaicValleyUNICO

Our Passaic Valley Chapter Executive Board (2010 2011)

President	Steven Pelonero
1st Vice President	Robert Appaluccio
2nd Vice President	Richard Raad
Treasurer	Bruce Ponchak
Secretary	Paul DeAppolonio
Sgt. At Arms	Dominick Buccì

Fundraising Committee Heads (2010 2011)

Beefsteak Dinner	Joseph Benvenuti
Bocce Tournament	Joe Agresti
Bus Rides	Tom Triolo, Tony Orlando
Dinner For A Year Raffle	Carmen Criscione / Gerry Gaeta
Golf Outing	John Morano
Holiday Boutique Shop Day	Kathy Masone /Joyce O'Hara
Holiday Cheer Baskets	Robert Appaluccio
Overseas Soldier Program	Roni Corrado

If you are interested in being on a committees or even serve a year or two as a committee head
"Please let us know"

Non Fundraising Committee Heads (2010 2011)

Christmas Dinner	Steven Pelonero
Columbus Day Essay for the Youth	Joseph Agresti
Community Service Day (April)	Kathy Masone
Food Pantry	Angelo Verrone
Good and Welfare	Carmen Gaita
Italian Heritage and Culture	Angelo Verrone
Membership	Angela Jones
Newsletter	Steven Pelonero
Scholarship	Joe Agresti
Website	Steven Pelonero

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Our Photo Album

The picture on the right:

Taken on January 24th at the Montclair University Coccia Institute for Italian Studies preview of the movie Pane Amaro.

With appetizers, a movie, and more appetizers, Joe, Sal, Chuck, Jane, Debbie, Pat, and Steve, all learned about our ancestors and their travels and experiences when they came to



Two more nights planned:


There are 2 more nights planned and offered to our chapter - compliments of the Coccia Institute at Montclair University.

Please visit our website in the "Events for 2010 & 2011 Section" ... and get the information needed so you can RSVP and save a seat for yourself

Coming Up Soon Important Reminders

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Passaic Valley Chapter of UNICO National is to help support local and National charities and programs by our fund-raising efforts. Our Chapter has donated tens of thousands of dollars to areas such as Cancer research, Mental Health, The National Organization of Rare Diseases, St. Jude's Children's Hospital and Cooley's Anemia to name a few. We donate to the National Scholarship program as well as helping fund five Italian Studies Professorships in Universities across the Country. Send funds to aid in disaster relief for Katrina, several Italian earthquakes and many other natural disasters here and abroad. This is just a sampling of some of our National projects. Locally we award scholarships to local high school and college students, donate to local police and fire departments, Special Olympics and much more. We support needy families through local churches as well as local food pantries. We support Italian Culture and Heritage programs at local schools and contribute to anti-bias and anti-discrimination programs. This is just a small sample of what we've been able to do with your financial help. Please allow us to continue this important work we do with your donations. Thank You!



"Service Above Self"

The Passaic Valley Chapter of UNICO National has served the Little Falls, Totowa and Woodland Park communities since the Chapter was chartered in April of 1972. UNICO National was founded in 1922 in Waterbury, CT and now has over one hundred and thirty Chapters in seventeen States across the USA


The Passaic Valley Chapter

2nd annual Charity Bocce Tournament

SUNDAY MAY 1, 2011

For membership or for further information regarding our Chapter please contact us at:

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 P.O. BOX 341
 LITTLE FALLS, NJ 07424-0341
 Attn: CHAPTER PRESIDENT STEVEN PELONERO



ATTENTION ALL CHAPTERS!

UNICO National would like your chapter to participate in the **Sixth Annual UNICO National "Community Service Day" Saturday, April 9, 2011**

****START PLANNING TODAY****

Our goal is to have thousands of UNICO members throughout the country mobilized to provide countless hours of community service within each chapter's community.


This goal can be reached if every chapter nationwide hosts or sponsors a "Community Service Day" in their community on April 9, 2011.

Project suggestions:
 Sponsor a Red Cross Blood Drive
 Clean up a local park or roadway
 Organize a day for handicapped children
 Visit an area Nursing Home to play games with residents
 Read a book to children in your library or hospital
 Deliver a meal to area shut-ins
 Collect items for our service people or those in need
 Organize a food drive & collection for your local food pantry
 Sponsor a walk or bike-a-thon

Let's continue to share the entire country how UNICO is committed to the communities we live in and to our motto


"Service Above Self"

If you have any questions or comments or already have your project planned, please let us know by contacting Robert Roggenbom, 3112 Woodland Ave., So. Plainfield, NJ 07080, 908-733-0247



Sign Up Now!

Perforated Form is on the other side



27 Years Of UNICO Golf

Come Celebrate And Play With Us


At the Meadows Golf Course Lincoln Park NJ

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UNICO
 The Passaic Valley Chapter

Our 27th Annual Golf Classic



To be held at the Meadows Golf Course Lincoln Park NJ



Monday May 23rd, 2011