

The Grandsons of Italy Newsletter

The Next Meeting of the Grandsons of Italy will take place on November 14, 2009 at the BLUE OX TAVERN, 5825 W. Sahara Avenue, southeast corner of Sahara & Jones in the shopping mall adjacent to the Burlington Coat Factory; Arrive at 11:30 AM; Lunch and Meeting from 12:00 to 2:00 PM.

Agenda for the November 14, 2009 Meeting:

- 1) **Acceptance of the Minutes of October 10, 2009**
- 2) **Treasury & Committee Reports and Announcements**
- 3) **Christmas Party**
- 4) **Adjournment**

Minutes of the GOI Meeting Held on October 10, 2009

Present: J. Amato, L. Amoia, R. Candeloro, F. Cassarino, M. Castronova, A. Circillo, G. Colella, L. De Palma, R. Failla, J. Faulis, D. Gaglione, T. Giampa, F. La Duca, N. LaMonte, V. Lentini, D. Mencarelli, C. Piermarini, F. Pormigiano, A. Prescia, A. Pupa, E. Sagui, F. Scarlata, J. Zingale. Guest and new member: V. Tomasino

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 12:23 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- 2) R. Failla, called the roll; 23 members and 1 guest were in attendance.
- 3) E. Sagui, introduced the September Meeting Minutes. There being no comments or changes they were accepted and approved.
- 4) E. Sagui opened the meeting to committee reports.

PICNIC: Ed thanks all for auction donations. Auction of leftover sausage was a highly productive, good idea. Thanks to Sal Sciolino who provides the sausage at cost without labor charge. After all expenses were paid \$132.00 was added to the treasury - 62 people were in attendance. Thanks to Dan Scuderi for conducting an interesting, effective auction. F. Cassarino volunteered additional Disney lithos for future auction. N. LaMonte asks if two picnics are necessary; consolidation was suggested. The question will be further considered along with the need for more tables, more activities and interaction and location sites.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: M. Castronova confirms date as 12/11/09. Event begins at 6:30 pm with provided appetizers - drinks are available for purchase. Entertainment to be provided by members. Cost is \$38.00 per person - max 4 tickets per person. Up to 50 people can be accommodated. Ticket purchases need to be made by the November meeting. Carluccios Restaurant, 1775 E. Tropicana.

EVENTS: E. Sagui notes 16 members and guests will attend UNLV/Colorado State football game on Saturday 11/7/09. Pre-game assembly details to follow by e-mail. The poker game will be held Friday, October 23rd at 6:30 pm at the IAC.

SPEAKERS: E. Sagui reports efforts to be increased. Currently seeking speakers on health and crime issues. Also requests members submit 2-3 paragraphs on topics for the newsletter.

MEMBERSHIP: J. Faulis remarks that efforts to contact past and inactive members were made with limited results. John remains in contact with LaVoce about a feature article. The question of opening GOI membership to those of non-Italian heritage was raised by G. Colella. Left as an open question.

- 5) C. Piermarini suggests that members identify themselves when speaking during a meeting.
- 6) E. Sagui, announced that member photos would be taken at the conclusion of the meeting for anyone not photographed or anyone interested in a different picture.
- 7) M. Castronova, reported that there is \$1,437.47 in the treasury.
- 8) D. Gaglione, notes that club logo shirts will be available before Christmas. Dick also notes that Carlo Zoppi is visiting in Mondolfo, Italy and will return in November.

9) J. Zingale, asks if anyone can provide wording in Italian for the phrase, "...in goes the wine out goes the truth...", Web site BABEL suggested.

10) M. Castronova, comments that the Italian Festival will be held on October 17 & 18 at the M Resort, 12300 Las Vegas Blvd. No admission fee and reasonable pricing for food purchases were reported.

11) E. Sagui, introduced guest/new member Vito Tomasino. Vito was born in Brooklyn, NY and raised in N. Belmore (L.I.). Vito has a military background as a Marine in Korea and as an Air Force pilot. Following military service he and family lived in Sacramento moving in 2002 to Las Vegas. Vito volunteers to speak on his experience with slides, etc. to the membership. Grandparents are from Palermo, Sicily.

12) F. Pormigiano, notes the 50/50 drawing was won by L. DePalma holder of ticket #591367 - \$40.00 went to the treasury.

13) An Executive meeting is planned for November 3rd; specifics to follow.

14) E. Sagui, called for a motion to adjourn, the motion was seconded. The meeting ended at 1:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Failla

GO! October News Items:

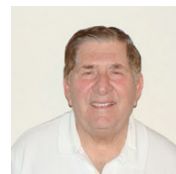
The President's Message

Well here we are in November with Thanksgiving right around the corner, anticipating turkey dinners and football games. Then before you know it, December will be here leading the way to the Christmas season with its festive eating, drinking, parties, presents, decorated Christmas trees and children on their way to see Santa with their lists. Wow, I can't wait. They will be waiting for Santa Claus on Christmas Eve and so will !! But for those who don't believe in Santa ----- no presents for you! I bet all of the gals believe in Santa. Don't forget our Christmas Party on Friday, December 11, 2009. It will be a great way to usher in the "peace on earth and good will to all" Season.

I wish everyone happy holidays and a blessed and healthy New Year.

Buon Natale e Buon Anno,

Edward Sagui, President



GOI Web Site

Please visit our Web Site, <http://www.goilv.com/> for the latest Newsletter and Meeting Notice, a calendar of upcoming events and a photo gallery of members, officers and past events. If you have not had your photo installed in the members section of the web site, see Ed Sagui. If you wish to have the photo of you that is currently there, changed, you should also speak to Ed Sagui.

GOI Christmas Party

The GOI Christmas Party will be held on Friday, December 11th at 6:30 P.M. at Carluccio's Tivoli Gardens, 1775 East Tropicana. The cost will be \$38.00 per person and includes dinner and entertainment. Due to the limitations in the room's capacity, members will be allowed to purchase up to 4 tickets. The menu for the Party will include appetizers such as tomato, mozzarella and basil, stuffed mushrooms, fried zucchini, soup, complimentary non-alcoholic beverages and a choice of one of the following entrees: chicken marsala, veal scallopini, shrimp scampi, eggplant parmigiana, baked lasagna. A Cannoli Cake will be served for desert. A Cash Bar will be available for alcoholic beverages. Please make checks or money orders payable to GOI. Purchase your tickets by the November Meeting while supplies last.

Bobby Liguori

GOI member, Bobby Liguori, will be singing his songs on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Monday from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM at the Chianti Café, 1916 Village Center Circle located in the Von's Shopping Center in Summerlin. For more information and details call 228-3330.