

SLIAC 2009-2010

Sun Lakes Italian-American Club

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BULLETIN: September 2009

Just in case you needed a reminder:

We had a good turnout for the September meeting in spite of it not being held on our normal Monday meeting date. We reviewed the surveys from the June meeting and held open discussion regarding the results and proposals from the Board. The membership decided at the meeting by a huge majority that they wanted to pay for dinner and have someone else prepare it. Anna Baker agreed to chair a Food Committee made of volunteer members who will prepare the meeting menu and be reimbursed for the cost and will also be exempt from the \$5.00 charge for their meal. The committee will plan meals to keep the cost under \$5.00/person. We agreed to give it a try for a meeting or two to see how it works out before deciding on going back to a mini pot-luck format. We can always use additional volunteer cooks on the food committee or to be a backup if an individual cook's schedule prevents them from cooking that month. Please contact Anna Baker at 732-1836 or Carmela Powers at 895-7657 if you would like to be included on the Food Committee.

The June surveys also wanted more games and socials so our October meeting will provide members the opportunity to participate in the game of their choice either Bunco (a simple dice game) or Scopla (an Italian card game; also relatively simple to learn). Members who have Italian Playing cards are encouraged to bring them. I think it will be more interesting to play traditional Scopla rather than modified to fit American Playing cards.

Don't forget to update your calendars with the date for our 2009 Christmas Party. It is scheduled for Monday, December 7th at 6:00pm in the *Arizona Room*, of the Sun Lakes Country Club (Phase #1) with music provided by The Colorado Connection. The meal will be provided by Cactus Corner buffet style. It will include Chicken Tarragon, Roast Pork Loin, Long Grain Wild Rice, mixed vegetables, tossed green salad, dinner rolls, regular/decaf coffee, iced tea and water. Tickets will be \$20/person.

-- Carol Capano, President

Next Meeting:

Our next business meeting will be held on Monday, October 5th at 6:30pm in the *Arizona Room*, of the Sun Lakes Country Club (Phase #1). The Food Committee will prepare Sausage & peppers, polenta, salad, dessert and coffee.

Upcoming 2009-2010 Meetings & Events:

05 Oct: Game Night; Bunco and Scopla will be played
02 Nov: Guest speaker; TBD
07 Dec: Christmas Party

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Club Members Corner: I have set aside this space for you the members, if you have any news, Italian heritage tidbits, recipes, history, travel info, anything you would like to share with the rest of the club, I will be happy to pass it on here in the newsletter. You can drop me an email at cacapano@msn.com or by phone at 802-4658 – Carol Capano

Our friend and long-time club member Frank Altamore passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, September 24th. Our prayers and condolences go out to Dottie and her family. We will miss his smiling face at our meetings.

I hope everyone is enjoying the cooler Fall weather.

Spero che tutto stia godendo del tempo più freddo di caduta.

Minutes from the September 10th meeting:

President Carol Capano called the meeting to order at 6:45pm , Pledge of Allegiance
God Bless American was led by Joe Del Paggio
Prayer led by Lou Pardini

Laurie DeRespiris, Recording Secretary read the list of guests:

Anna Baker
Maggie Farney
Louis & Dolly Giallonardo
Ray Mulay

Members were called to dinner by President Carol Capano

Menu-Chicken & Tortellini in a Creamy Pesto sauce with Broccoli, salad, bread and dessert was made by President Carol Capano and Emil Amato

President Carol Capano announced the minutes were distributed. Since there were no corrections the minutes will be filed for audit.

Treasurer report was read by Eleanor Guerriero

New Business:

President Carol Capano went over the Survey's that were handed out at the June meeting for the upcoming year. Here are the following information collected from the survey

1. Proposal to pay for dinner \$5 per person
2. Food committee for those who are willing to cook for the meetings
3. All agreed to pay for dinners
4. Game Night (Scopa, Bunco, other card games)
(4 people raised their hands that had Italian cards)
5. Cooking Classes- From other members not from restaurants

Christmas Party information was presented to the club that we will have the holiday party
On Monday, Dec 7th which is a regular meeting so everyone should be able to attend.
Cost will be \$20/person.

Italian Programs of Interest:

Late Night Catechism and 'Til Deal do us part (September- October at Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts)
Zoppe Italian Family Circus (December in Chandler)

50/50 Raffle \$25 each -Lyn Rodman & JoAnne King

Events for 2009-2010

October business meeting: Monday, October 5th, at 6:30pm, The Arizona Room, of the Sun Lakes Country Club (Phase #1)
We will hold an evening of games. Bunco (dice) and Scopa (cards) will be played.

November business meeting: Monday, November 7th, at 6:30pm, The Arizona Room, of the Sun Lakes Country Club (Phase #1)
We are still waiting on a confirmation of our guest speaker.

December Christmas Party/business meeting: Monday, December 7th, at 6:00pm, The Arizona Room, of the Sun Lakes Country Club (Phase #1). Music will be provided by the Colorado Connection. See article on the front page for additional details.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie DeRespiris, Secretary