

NUTLEY UNICO

October 2019

NEWSLETTER

Dinner Meeting
Thursday, Oct. 10, 2019, 7:00 pm
at
Mama Vittoria (BYOB)

(Please remember to address your 2019-20 dues asap.)

September Meeting

- Phyllis Coldebella reported on national business
- Marie Solimo reported on District VII activities
- The Christmas Eve in July event was a great success and made a profit that will be used for chapter donations. Thanks to Dan & Cathy Marucci.
- Tom Sposato reported that the Annual Golf Outing had 93 golfers and was projected to earn a profit of over \$9,000.
- Pasquale Pisani has updated the website and invites all to take a look. Nutleyunico.com, .net and .org all work.
- As of the Sept. meeting 45 members were still not paid. Please attend to this asap.
- Local donations of \$250 were made to Nutley Thriving Survivors, MS Society, Scarpelli Civic Assoc., Nutley Family Service Bureau, Nutley Special young Adults, Cancer Institute of NJ, Nutley Public Library and 1st Cerebral Palsy Center.
- New members sworn in were Marianna Carnovale, Carmela Criscito, Dan Fraginals, Alan M. Genitempo, Dante Intindola, Sal Scarpelli and Ed Zazzali.
- Our guest speaker was author Mike De Lucia. Mike was an actor, entrepreneur and now an author. He parlayed his love for sports into writing a book about Giuseppe "Hank" Luisetti, an Italian-American basketball player whose style changed the way the game was played in the 1930s. He developed the one-handed running shot (later the jump shot) which was brand new to the basketball world that featured only the two-handed set shot. He was the first player inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame in 1959 due to his impact on the game. He played for Stanford Univ. but did not play in the NBA due to a disabling medical issue from his time in the military. Lorraine Kucinski did a great job presiding over her first meeting as president!

Upcoming Events

October 2 - Nutley-Belleville Columbus Day & Italian Heritage Month Honoree Dinner 6:30p@ Nanina's Honoring Marie Solimo, Italian Woman of the Year Renaissance Men, Salvatore Scarpelli and Matthew Genitempo. Tickets: \$90.00 Mail Check to: Susan LaMorte 675 Jouralemon St. A-10 Belleville, NJ 07109

October 8 - Italian Movie Night @ The Nutley Public Library
7pm Movie TBA

October 10 - Nutley UNICO Monthly Meeting and 60th Anniversary Celebration
7:00 p.m. Mamma Vittoria, Franklin Ave., Nutley

October 12 - Bilingual mass @ Holy Family @ 5pm for the Parade Honorees, Holy Family Knights of Columbus & the Italian Carabinieri followed;
Holy Family Knights of Columbus Dinner, Honoring Father Carmine Rizzi – Good Shepard Academy, Call Steven Picciano 973-868-3473 for tickets.

October 13 - Nutley UNICO Wreath Laying Ceremony
Nutley Township Hall Front Lawn - 11:00am
12:30 Line up for Parade @ Belleville High School
1:00 p.m. Nutley-Belleville Columbus Day Parade

October 14 - NYC Parade
UNICO National will send details for time and location

October 17 - Italian Organization's Mass @ St. Lucy's Church, Newark 7pm. (7-Confetti, 3-Ray Liotta, 9-Gene Tenace, 12-John Montefusco, 1-Enrico Caruso, 6-Stenografea, 10-Tony Conigliaro, 2-Lucrezia Borgia, 5-© Donatelli, 8-Alessandro Volto, 11-Tom LaSorda, 4-*per il cioccolato*

October 29 - Meet the President @ the Venetian in Garfield For Tickets call Lorraine Kucinski 201-618-3201

Nov. 7 - - November dinner meeting honoring veterans of the U.S. Military.

Dec. 3 – Chapter Christmas Party at Nanina's

Dec.7 – Christmas with Santa event. Site and cost per person to be determined.

Good & Welfare

Our condolences to Al Petracco and family on the loss of his mother, Victoria.

From *Heritage Italian-American Style*

FOOD, MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT

1. What Italian opera tenor was the first to ever sell a million records?
2. A typical Bolognese dish is tagliatelle, invented in 1487 by a cook named Zafirano for the occasion of the marriage of the Duke of Ferrara to what historically infamous daughter of the Spanish Pope, Alexander VI?
3. Handsome, athletic, blue-eyed leading man of Hollywood films, he is recognized by his portrayal of Mafia mobster Henry Hill in Goodfellas.

4. The golden city of Umbria is Perugia. For what is this city famous? (*Per che cosa è famosa questa città?*)

ART, SCIENCE & LITERATURE

5. This sculptor was born in Florence in 1386 and is considered one of the founders of Renaissance art. He favored a more vigorous style than the serenity of idealized beauty in vogue during the 15th century, and stressed dramatic action and power of expression. His masterpieces include *David*, which was the first life-size bronze freestanding nude since classical times, and the bronze life-size equestrian statue of *Gattamelata*, the first of its kind since antiquity. Also, his bronze plaque of *St. George Slaying the Dragon* was the first time a carved relief made use of perspective. Who was the sculptor? (Chi era questo artista?) (a. Ghiberti, b. Brunelleschi, c. Donatello, d. Da Vinci)
6. Cicero's secretary, Tiro, invented what system of rapid handwriting employing symbols to represent words, phrases and letters?
7. What is the Italian word, now a part of the English language, that means small bits of brightly colored paper, usually thrown on special occasions in English? (In the Italian language the word is used to describe hard candies).
8. This Italian is credited with the discovery that chemical energy could be converted into electrical energy. For this great discovery he is considered the founder of electrochemistry. Who was this early 19th century Italian who also is credited with the invention of the battery?

SPORTS

9. This Italian-American baseball player (catcher) hit two home runs his first two times at bat in World Series play. During the 1972 series he hit a total of 4 home runs to tie Babe Ruth's record. Name him and his team. (*Nominate lui e la sua squadra.*) (a. Yogi/Yankees, b. Ray Fosse/Indians, c. Gene Tenace/A's, d. Roy Campanella/Dodgers)
10. The 1965 home run king in the American League, this promising baseball superstar's career was cut short by a devastating injury. Who was he? (*Di chi si tratta?*)
11. What Italian-American baseball manager won five division titles and one World Series in the 1980s?
12. Known as much for his braggadocio as his crackling fast ball, he once promised to strike out Johnny Bench 4 times in a game. Known as The Count, he was National League Rookie of the Year in 1975, hit a home run in his first official major league at bat, and pitched a no-hitter in 1976? Who was this pitcher? (*Chi era questo lanciatore?*)

(See Oct. 17 for answers)

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