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Notiziario Della Societa

Societa Italiana Di Benevolenza, "Principe Di Piemonte"
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President's Message

Seven months have passed since my presidency began and it has been a busy one. The majority of the renovations have been completed. You should be very proud of your new building.

The ThunderFest was a resounding success thanks to the many volunteers who make it what it is. YOU who spend many days a week working for the society deserve all the credit. It was wonderful seeing many of our past leaders and members at our senior dinner. The future of the centre should be the pride and joy of everyone connected with it. We are all Italians connected by traditions and we should display them for all to see.

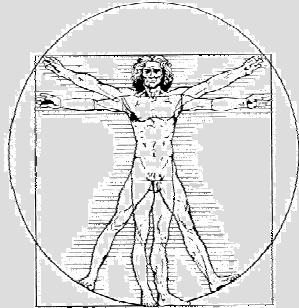
The picnic was a proud way to promote and entertain our members and show others our proud traditions. Remember, it is our past that makes us what we are today. Always keep that memory intact.

The rest of the year promises to be just as busy as we have many activities lined up. We have our annual banquet, the gala dinner, entertainers, volunteer dinner, New Year's party etc. I hope all of you will continue to support the activities put on by the society. We will be stronger united and weaker as separate entities.

In closing the council will continue to work hard for the centre. We wish you all a happy and enjoyable summer with Mother Nature co-operating.



Cosimo Valente
President



Special Notice:

* We would like to encourage our members to come out and participate at the General Assembly meetings which are held the third Wednesday of every month at 8:00 pm.

* We have almost completed the renovations to the Michelangelo and are very excited about the new look. There will be more to come in the months ahead.

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WOW!

Look at those pictures. It is true that a picture can speak a thousand words.

People in the industry; decorators, party planners, musicians and d.j.'s are all talking about how great the Michelangelo room looks and they have been passing the comments around town!

Now you can say that DaVinci Centre is the Premier Wedding Location!
Here's to a wonderful reception for any occasion!

Rick Oldale
Manager

Committee's Reports

Membership:

A reminder to all members that dues (\$45 incl. taxes) for the year 2009 are to be paid no later than March 31, 2009. After this date members' benefits and privileges will be lost along with removal of membership in good standing.

Members can pay their membership dues at the Da Vinci Centre's office during regular business hours or by phone on credit card. For more information, please contact your Membership Chairman Mario Lento at 624-6194 or the office at 623-2415.

CHAIRMAN - MARIO LENTO

Sports Bar:

Effective September.13, 2009 the Sports Bar will be open on Sundays. Hope everyone enjoyed the summer.

CHAIRMAN - CARMINE FOGLIA

Scholarship:

Thank you to all who applied for the various scholarships available through the Society. The successful candidates will be contacted through mail.

CHAIRMAN - JOE VIRDIRAMO

Sick and Welfare:

Please contact the office at 623-2415 or the Sick and Welfare Chairman Guerino Bisignano at 475-4794, in regards to sick members.

CHAIRMAN - GEURINO BISIGNANO

Entertainment:

The seniors' night was a great success and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. It was a night to celebrate with our lifelong members and their spouses with outstanding entertainment and a wonderful meal. Thank you to all who attended.

ThunderFest was amazing this year. The weather cooperated for the most part and all had a great time. Thank you to all the volunteers and staff, we could never do this without you!

Don't forget about the upcoming events: we have the Volunteer dinner, childrens Christmas party as well as the Gala to look forward to!

This year the New Years Eve will be celebrated with Tommy Horricks and the Milestones! Be sure to come and ring in the New Year at the DaVinci Centre! Please call the office at 623-2415 for more information.

CHAIRMAN – BRUNO SAVIOLI

Benefits of Membership:

- Scholarships and awards to sons and daughters
- Members rates on fish and game banquet
- Christmas party and gifts to children of members (up to 10 years of age)
- Free food and drink tickets at annual Picnic
- Ticket at cost for Annual Banquet
- Membership meeting. 10% discount at luncheon buffet
- Visit to hospital for sick members
- \$600 discount on funeral reception at the Da Vinci Centre for deceased members
- Honour guard at funeral of deceased members
- Brunch at cost after Memorial Mass in November
- Many other intangible benefits (see our web site at www.davincicentre.com for more details)

This is our one hundredth year as a society! What a milestone for the Italian community. To celebrate we will be hosting a Gala evening.

Firstly we would like to extend our apologies for the postponement of the Gala evening. The renovations were not quite as far along as we were hoping at that time and as it was a "grand reveal" we thought they should be completed for that evening.

We have rescheduled the Gala for November.7, 2009. Please come and join us in the celebrations of the Society. Ticket price will be fifty dollars per person which will include fine cuisine and extraordinary entertainment.

Please call the office with any questions. There will be reserved seating so call early to book your table! 623-2415

VISION:
 "The goal of this Society is to promote and maintain a fraternal spirit within its membership and the highest level of citizenship within its members and community. The further goal of this Society will be the promotion and enhancement of Italian custom and culture in all of its endeavors."



The Society picnic was great fun and the kids all enjoyed themselves. We look forward to seeing you there next year!



Thousands of people came out to enjoy themselves at Thunder Fest this year. The crowds were great!



Paul James going out into the crowd What an entertainer!



Thunder Bay's very own Ti Amo! Great performances all weekend!

Calendar of Events

GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

PLACE: DA VINCI CENTRE

TIME: 8.00 P.M.

SEPT. 16 - OCT. 21 - NOV. 18 - DEC. 16

SPAGHETTI SUPPERS

SEPT. 13 - OCT. 4 - NOV. 15 - DEC. 6

100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

NOV. 7/09 - GALA EVENING WITH A FRANK SINATRA TRIBUTE & THE DANNY JOHNSON BAND!

INTERNATIONAL BOCCE TOURNAMENT

PLACE: SPORTS BAR/BOCCE COURTS

OCT. 9-11/09

ANNUAL BANQUET

PLACE: DA VINCI CENTRE

OCT. 24/09

MEMORIAL MASS

PLACE: DA VINCI CENTRE

NOV. 1/09

CHESTNUT BANQUET

PLACE: DA VINCI CENTRE

NOV. 14/09

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

PLACE: DA VINCI CENTRE

NOV. 29/09 - FORMS ARE DUE IN THE OFFICE BY OCT. 15/09

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Marie LaChimea

Honorary Vice Consul of Italy