

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Jon Taormina

SOS Family-

Great news, I will most likely be given the go ahead from my Doctor to attend the October Male Guest Night. Based on calls from members and information from our Board, I am returning at a bit of a tumultuous time.

I have thought a lot about the goings on from the last few months. I have managed the club using the philosophy of many of our past presidents, that this

club is built on the 4 F's – Family, Friends, Food and Finances. I have discussed all this with family and friends. I received some advice from my mother the other day. She said, "There are times in life when families don't agree and even have arguments. It does not mean they love each other any less. In the end we are still family."

I consider our club to be family, a family that is celebrating its 50th year anniversary. This is not the first time our club has been in this situation and we have always been able to weather the storm. I believe this is going to be the case in this situation.

As a board we believe we owe the membership an apology for allowing this situation to get so out of hand. This will take place during our November meeting.

Our next meeting is Male Guest Night on October 7^{th} . Please call Mike Maltese (408-972-4986) and leave a message with the number of guests you plan on bringing by September 25^{th} , so we have enough food.

The next event we have coming up is the Little Italy Festival on October 6th. We are looking for volunteers to help out at the Sausage Sandwich booth. Please reach out to Craig Palermo (408-690-5339) if you would like to help.

Jon

Sicilian Word Of The Month:

abbaia *v.i.* 3rd *p.sing.* To bark, to shout inconsiderately, to ask for in vain.

Cani di pagghiaru abbaia e sta luntanu.

Eng. All bark and no bite. lit. A field dog barks but stays far away.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



- October 5th & 6th Little Italy Festa
- October 7th Male Guest Night
- November 2nd Trap/Skeet Shooting Event
- November 4th Regular Meeting
- November 13th Adult Christmas Party

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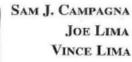


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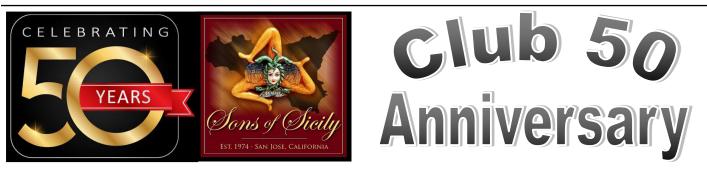
If you have any news to report and want it placed in next month's newsletter, please contact me before the 15th of the month at **650-670-0777** or email me at: <u>fredguidici64@yahoo.com</u>.

Buona Salute a tutti e Dio Vi Benedica.

Fred

Mike Burriesci lost his son Michael Thomas Burriesci. He passed away Friday night September 13th. Please keep the Burriesci family in your prayers.

Correction: Joe DiMaria did NOT have a stroke. He had an ulcer and is doing well.



For the 50th Anniversary commemorative, we are working on developing the Sons of Sicily Membership booklet, similar to what we used to have in decades past. The booklet will be hardcopy with club history, past presidents, bylaws, member directory, and space for advertisement.

Please let me know if you are interested in advertising.



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We only have a few events left for this year. They are the Little Italy festa, Club trap/sheet shoot, adult Christmas party and the kids party left for the year. If you would like to volunteer to help with any of these events, please contact Mike Maltese and he will get you to the correct committee chair.

The little Italy festa will be a one-day event this year, Sunday October 6, Craig Palermo will be chairing this event, so if you are available to volunteer, please call him at (408/690-5339).

The November 2nd "Trap/Sheet Shooting event" at the county range on Metcalf Road is available. The cost will be \$75 per shooter/lunch included (should bring your own firearm and ammo). Several members have indicated that they would be willing to help with "equipment" if someone was in need. Call Big Joe Zambataro (408/813-0551) or Craig Palermo (408/690-5339).

The Kids Christmas party will be held at Giovanni's Pizzeria, 1127 Lawrence Expy., Sunnyvale on Sunday December 15. Please call Mike Maltese with kids gender so "Santa" can get the correct present. More information in our next newsletter. A big "thank you" to Rosario Spatola owner of Giovanni's. He has been donating pizzas for our kids Christmas party for the past 10 years plus!

***** Mike Maltese 408/972-4986******

For up to date information please check out our website — www.sonsofsicilysj.com.



See the schedule below for a quick reference in chronological order

October 5th & 6th - Little Italy Festa (Call Craig Palermo To Volunteer) **October 7th** - Male Guest Night (*Call Mike For Guests*) **November 2nd** - Trap Shooting Event (Call Big Joe Zambataro or Craig Palermo (408) 690-5339) November 4th - Regular Meeting **December 13th -** Adult Christmas Party (*Members Only*) December 13th - Kids Christmas Party (Must Call Mike With Info)

As changes occur, we'll keep you posted with updates.

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