Dear UNICANS,

A Message from National President Dr. Frank DeFrank

All of us at UNICO National wish everyone a happy and safe Labor Day weekend.

Remember the words of Booker T Washington...

"Nothing ever comes to one that is worth having except as a result of hard work."

Have a wonderful Labor Day Weekend!

Please refer to Executive Vice President Steve Pelonero’s message below regarding the upcoming ComUNICO issue. Our communications in that issue outline a myriad of current and upcoming events and projects. Most notably, we are planning a driveable one-day Eastern Regional Meeting and a virtual “Give-A-Thon” for Districts, Chapters, and members to pledge and/or donate to our National & Foundation charities. More information forthcoming as details emerge.

Thank you for all you do for UNICO and its charities and to preserve our precious Italian heritage.

Frank N. De Frank, M.D.
President, UNICO National

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR UNICO NATIONAL EXECUTIVE VP AND CALENDAR CHAIR: STEVEN PELONERO

Ciao a tutti ... Hello UNICO members.

I am proud to report that the 11th and next issue of the UNICO National Heritage & Photo Calendar just went to print this Labor Day week. It will be bringing you even more photos that were taken by our members while they were traveling in Italy. It also includes a few historical dates pertaining to our Italian Heritage, as well as some UNICO dates that were worth noting. As always there is a lot of room for you to include your own notes if needed.

Even more good news is that “every member will now receive” a copy of the calendar with your next mail delivered issue of ComUNICO.

A thank you to the Chapters, Districts Members and Businesses who have supported it as a sponsor with lots of room in the 2022 issue if you or your chapter would also like to be a part of it.

If additional copies are desired, please call the National Office for more information at 973-806-6035. Ciao and Grazie Molti – Steve

CHAPTER ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The Chapter Achievement Committee announces the results for
the 2019-2020 Chapter Achievement Awards

First Place: Nutley Chapter
Second Place: Keystone Chapter
Third Place: Garfield Chapter

The Exceptional Local Project Award goes to Keystone Chapter.

The following Chapters qualified to receive a Banner Patch and Certificate:
Greater Binghamton, Carbondale, Garfield, Highland Beach, Kearny, Keystone and Nutley

UNICO National appreciates the hard work, dedication and "Service Above Self" from all of our chapters!

Results from the District Governor Award for 2019-2020 are pending. We will notify members when they are available.

NATIONAL COLUMBUS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

As you may or may not be aware, UNICO National has joined together with several other prominent Italian-American organizations to form the National Columbus Educational Foundation. Click here for an introductory letter from the Executive Director, Mr. John M. Vito, for your personnel.

We would respectfully request that, if possible, you log on to the designated website: https://knowcolumbus.org/ and complete the short survey as indicated. Your responses will be immensely helpful as we move forward in efforts to defend our Italian Heritage.

MESSAGE FROM ITALY

Good morning, ciao from Rome. I hope you are well, and that August has brought you serenity and rest, at least as much as possible.

I am writing you this message because We the Italians, the podcast in English about the situation in Italy of the coronavirus and not only, is back!

The first video of the new season is here.

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday there will be a new episode online, in our YouTube channel.

Ciao from Rome, please stay safe

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REMINDER: CHAPTERS TO FILE 990 BY NOVEMBER 15th

As a reminder, please do not forget to file the 990 by November 15th for chapters with a fiscal year ending June 30th. If you need assistance or would like the National Office to do the filing, please contact Sal Benvenuti at 973-868-0035 or email sbenvenuti@unico.org.