

April 2012



OUR NEXT MEETING—Thursday, April 26th

Johnny C's Deli

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Cocktails 6:00pm - Dinner 7pm

Words to live by:

"Unican's who eat together, stay together" - Frank Cherrito

"To be a good Unican, you have to be a giver, not a taker" - Phil Balano

Upcoming Meetings/Events - Save The Date(s)

May

- **Wednesday**, the 23rd - Dinner with the Spouses @ Cinzetti's (7201 W. 91st Street Overland Park, KS)

June

- **Festa Italiana** - 1st, 2nd & 3rd @ Zona Rosa
- **Wednesday**, the 27th - Monthly Meeting (location TBD)

July

- **Wednesday**, the 25th - Monthly Meeting (location TBD)

Dear UNICAN -

I hope this finds you and your families well!

This year I had the pleasure of sitting on the scholarship committee for the first time and must admit it was an extremely rewarding experience. In all, we awarded \$54,500 in scholarships to high school seniors entering college. I was touched by some of the stories I read - applications with one or two parents unemployed; some have had their hours cut at work, many with medical issues, some experiencing foreclosure and so on. I've come to realize, more than ever, everything our chapter does is very important to others. We may be a small group, but the lives we touch will leave an impact that will last a lifetime. These are the things that keep me motivated to take our chapter to the next level. But remember, our strength comes as a group - we joined UNICO for a reason - together we can continue to make a difference!

FESTA! FESTA! FESTA! June 1st, 2nd & 3rd @ Zona Rosa...We are a little over a month away and things are looking fabulous . . .

Our Festa committee continues to work diligently to bring everything together. They have all done an excellent job and I would like to personally thank each one of you for your hard work, dedication and time. No one person can do this. All I ask from the rest of our chapter is that you come out to support the Festa and volunteer for a two hour shift if you can. It means a lot seeing our fellow members at the Festa and hopefully you will also feel proud knowing that we are the only chapter of UNICO that puts on the Italian Festa in its entirety.

I have not forgotten about the first annual membership directory - the Festa has put this project on the back burner but I plan on having it mailed to you shortly thereafter.

Lastly, I wanted to share that I have added a section - to be found on the following page - containing members birthdays for the current and following months.

Look forward to seeing you next Thursday!

Molte grazie!

Michael Mange

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UNICO - KC CHAPTER
From the President's Desk

Happy Birthday fellow UNICANS!!!

April Birthdays

2nd - Dave Sullivan
6th - John Amatelli
9th - Vito Como
11th - Mike Balano
13th - Charlie Passantino
20th - Joe Vigliaturo
21st - Joe Nastasio
21st - Andrew Romano
22nd - Frank Corte

May Birthdays

3rd - Joe Mike Bonadonna
4th - Spencer Davis
9th - Damon Comerio
11th - Tom Spitaleri
12th - Phil Balano Jr.
13th - Marco Serra
21st - Ernie Toigo
27th - Nick Arello
29th - Mike Cucchiara Jr.