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Dante Alighieri Society of Pueblo

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The mission of the Dante Alighieri Society of Pueblo, Colorado is to promote and preserve the Italian language, culture and customs in Pueblo and Southern Colorado regions.

To achieve this mission, the following goals are set forth:

To award scholarships to Pueblo area senior high school students to continue the study of the Italian language at the university level and to sponsor cultural and social activities to enhance the Italian American community.

BENVENUTI!

WELCOME NEW DANTE MEMBERS!

PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING OUR NEW DANTE MEMBERS:

DONNA GUTIERREZ
JOANN SOLDANO

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ITALIAN FESTA
LATRONICA'S
AUGUST 29, 5:30 PM

REGIONAL DINNER (LAZIO)
PUEBLO COUNTRY CLUB
NOVEMBER 9, 2018, 5:30 PM

CHRISTMAS PARTY
ROCCO AND DOROTHY DENIRO'S HOME
DECEMBER 2, 2018, 5:30 PM

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Fellow Dante Members,

Hopefully you are all enjoying a wonderful summer. Blazing heat has given way to some badly needed rain and cooler nights and mornings. But I'm not here for a weather report! Summer also brings our annual Festa at LaTronica's restaurant. The date is Aug. 29, 5:30pm. It's a great family event and a great event to bring prospective members. Last year we signed at least two families! So come and enjoy the traditional chicken and pasta buffet (with sausage and meatball, of course) and enjoy the Festa. Of course, music is a part of all our events!

On November 9 at the Pueblo Country Club we will enjoy our annual Regional dinner. This year we will feature the cuisine of Lazio which is the home region of Rome. The chefs at the Country Club have never let us down so you can be assured of a wonderful meal. We will present a brief program on Rome. And, of course, there will be music!

We would like to welcome to Pueblo Sara Santambrogio from Bergamo. She will be studying at CSU Pueblo for the next semester and we certainly hope she can join us at the Festa and the Regional dinner. We are extremely proud of our relationship with Bergamo which has been sustained largely by our student exchange. Dante members Dr. Chris Piccici and Dr. Alegria Ribadeneira get much credit for making this exchange work. Alegria, our recent citizen of the year, recently returned from Bergamo where she attended the wedding of two former Bergamo exchange students Stefano Longaretti and Chiara Soldo. Besides the student exchange, we recently began economic development talks with officials in Bergamo.

On a sad note, since we last gathered, our chaplain and great friend Fr. Ben Bacino was taken from us unexpectedly. He, his goodness and his sense of humor will be missed!

We can't wait to see all of you Aug. 29!

Ciao!

Michael G. Salardino, President

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The Dante Alighieri Society of Pueblo
Proudly Announces

Festa

Wednesday, August 29, 2018 at 5:30 pm

LaTronica's
1143 E Abriendo Avenue
Pueblo, Colorado

Don't miss the annual Dante Alighieri Festa!
Food, fun, friends and live music by Alan Polivka and his accordion!

Menu

*Relish Dish, Salad,
Mostaccioli, Meatballs, Sausage, Chicken,
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