## **Regular Membership**

- Eligibility. Any person of Italian descent or married to a person of Italian descent who is engaged in a business or a profession having interests consistent with the aims and purposes of the Chamber is eligible to apply as an Active Member in the Chamber. For purposes of this Article, "Italian descent" means being born in Italy or having a parent, grandparent or great grandparent who was born in Italy.
- Application. Any person who desires to become an Active Member in the Chamber must submit a written application in the form prescribed by the Board, along with annual dues payment of \$400.
- Board Approval. At each meeting of the Board, the Board shall review the then-current applications of all persons applying to become an Active Member. Each applicant will have his name announced at a "reading" during the Board meeting which precedes the Board meeting at which the application is actually voted on. The affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board present at any meeting of the Board is required to approve an applicant for Active Membership. The Board will notify each applicant of its decision.
- Acceptance and Oath. Once an applicant is approved for Active Membership by the Board and notified of the same, such Applicant shall appear at the next meeting of the Chamber and take the requisite Oath.
- Active Member. He shall be entitled to the full and complete benefits, rights and/or privileges (i.e. voice, vote, office, etc.) and also be subject to all of the obligations, as well as the other rules and/or regulations of the Chamber.

## **Corporate Membership**

- \$500 per year (12 month)
- Not eligible to vote
- Not eligible for elected positions
- May have 1 member in attendance at all 10 meetings per membership year
- Eligible and encouraged to volunteer for events, fund raisers, and committees.
- Corporate membership plaque and name badge provided.

## Associate Member Young adults

(Male or female between 21 & 30 years old)

- Must be a professional, or have a degree, or be in a supervisorial position, or self employed and/or owner of a company.
- Must be of Italian descent, or spouse of Italian descent.
- Annual Dues will be \$ 175.00 per year with the option of becoming a full member any time prior to 30 years of age. Name badge, membership plaque and window cling provided.
- Year ending and/or going into year of which they turn 30, will automatically become full member with all privileges.
- Can only attend 5 monthly meetings per membership year, any attended meeting after 5 will be charged a discounted guess fee of \$30.00. Records will be kept by Chamber office for verification.
- Member can participate in any committee (but cannot chair a committee).
- Required to volunteer time for Chamber fundraisers and events such as; Texas Hold-Em, Festa Della Lira, Golf, etc.
- They will have voting rights for all board positions and amendments, but cannot run for a board seat (unless they become full member).
- Any current member under the age of 30 may request an associate membership for the upcoming years with full knowledge of the reduction in benefits.