



Tuesday February 22, 2022
“The Economic Miracle”
Presenter: Dr. Paul Baxa
Tiburón Country Club



Doors open at 11:00
Luncheon 11:30
Price: \$49

Chairs: John Petralia
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This presentation discusses Italy’s Economic Miracle (1950-1963). It will show how Italy was able to recover from the disaster of World War II to become one of the world’s leading industrial nations. Emphasis is on the social, political, and cultural changes that came with economic prosperity. It will also highlight some of the tensions and challenges that came with such radical changes. Special attention will be given to some of the iconic brands and cultural achievements of the postwar period such as automobiles, film, and architecture.

For special dietary needs, please contact the event Chair at least one (1) week before the luncheon.



Speaker Bio



Paul Baxa is a cultural historian who specializes in Modern Italy. An Associate Professor and Chair of the History Department at Ave Maria University, Dr. Baxa received his PhD in History from the University of Toronto. A popular lecturer and author, he has written scores of scholarly works on pre and post-WWII Italy including a book, *Roads and Ruins: The Symbolic Landscape of Fascist Rome*.