

# IL PESCE PICCOLO

January, 2007  
**NEXT MEETING**  
Tuesday  
January 7 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**St. Theresa's Church**  
**South Kihei Road**

## POTLUCK

**Members are asked to bring an entrée. Drinks, salad, and dessert will be provided**

**Future meetings:** Date and place of future meetings for the 2007 calendar year will be announced at the Jan 7 general membership meeting and will be included in the future newsletter editions.

**Officers for 2007:** Congratulations to the following elected officers for the 2007 calendar year: Natalie Stanfield, Presidente; Joe Faiella, Vice Presidente; Penny Novello, Segretaria; Sebastiano Taft, Tesoriere; Laura Cowell, Relazione Publica; and Reuban Cowell, Sargento at Arms. Immediate past presidente, Paul Corarito, will continue as a board member.

**Mahalo:** Thank you to Paul Corarito and Kathy Holland for chairing the lively and fun-filled Christmas party.

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**La Festa di San Silvestro and Il Capodanno:** *Italians love festivals; and the ending of the old year and beginning of the new year, il capodanno, is a great time to celebrate.*

*La Festa di San Silvestro is celebrated December 31<sup>st</sup> and, naturally, food plays a very important role in the festivities. A dish of lentils, symbolizing money and good fortune for the coming year, is a "must have" for many Italian dinners along with cotechino, a large spiced sausage. Pork signifies the richness of life in the future.*

*As on Maui, huge midnight firework displays are an important part of bringing in the new year. Smaller towns may build a bonfire in the central square where villagers can congregate into the early morning in order to watch the first sunrise of the new year. Wearing red underwear during the festivities is said to bring good luck in the coming year.*