



Gary Cursio

Gary Cursio was born in Chicago Illinois, and is the older of two children. He had the good fortune of having his maternal grandparents, both born and raised in Sicily living with his family from a very early age. Both grandparents spoke excellent English, but spoke fluent Italian to Gary and his younger sister Pam. They also insisted that the children answer in Italian with a Sicilian dialect.

Gary was a product of the Catholic school system graduating from Immaculate Conception High School before attending Elmhurst College.

While serving in the United States navy, Gary met his wife Doreen Renegar, a native of southern California. They were married in Chicago in 1970. They have one son, Brad, a California native who is 30 year old.

Gary has been working in the golf industry since 1975 when he was hired by Nick Lombardo to manage the Pajaro Valley Gold Club in Watsonville.

In 1986 he became the Vice President of Golf Operations for the Lombardo Group overseeing all golf activity at Rancho Cañada Golf Club in Carmel Valley, Laguna Seca Golf Ranch in Monterey and Old Brockway Golf Club in North Lake Tahoe. He remained as general manager of Pajaro Valley through 1997.

Gary is currently the President of the Laguna Seca Golf Ranch, and most recently formed the Monterey Golf Management Group to take over operations at Eagle Ridge Golf Club in Gilroy and Delta View Golf Club in Pittsburg, California.

Gary is past president of the Monterey County Golf Association, Monterey County Hospitality Association, Monterey County Convention and Visitors Bureau. He continues to serve on the board of the MCHA as well as on its executive committee. He is a voting member of the Monterey county Business PAC and a member of Plan for the People.

Gary is involved in many causes and non-profits. He has over the last four years been active in supporting the Italian American Cultural Center Foundation in their quest for raising money to build a Cultural Center here on the peninsula. After Nick Lombardo, who has helped the cultural Center for many years, died, Gary took over where Nick left off. Because of him they are closer to achieving their goal of building a cultural center.

Gary and his wife are very active in supporting CASA of Monterey County, a non-profit that works with the courts and provides mentors for children who are taken out of their homes by the judicial system. He also supports and sponsors Rancho Cielo, an organization that helps young men who have had trouble adjusting to society, Omega NU out of Watsonville, Forgotten International Foundation, and The Stroke Foundation plus many others.

He and his wife Doreen live in Monterey and enjoy travel, golf and family.