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Congratulations Vera Girolami

A Message From The State President



State President
John Costa

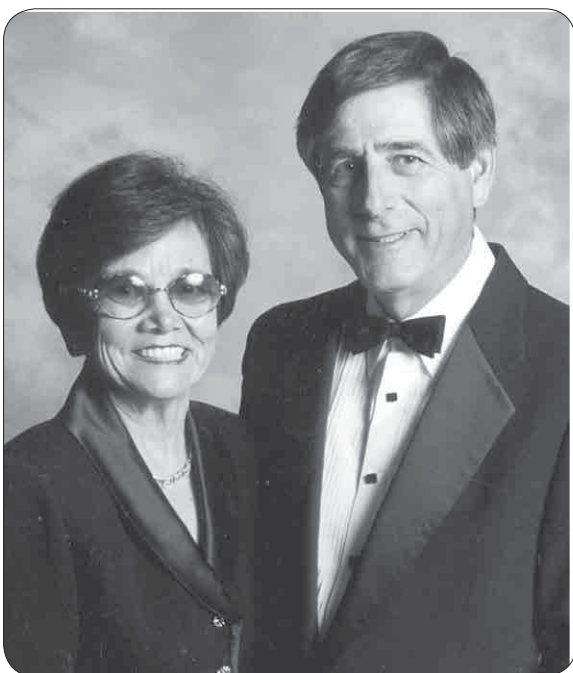
This is my first article as your new president. Let me first say I am honored to represent you for the next two years. I would like to start my article with my acceptance speech from the 2017 convention.

Good afternoon,

Worthy National 1st Vice President Vera, National Sons of Italy Foundation Trustee Phil, State Officers, delegates and guests. Special thanks to our immediate Past President Lynn, for the excellent job as our State President these past 4 years; you have indeed left some big shoes to fill (high heels that is). Fortunately you're not going too far so I can tap into your experiences and the knowledge our Past State Presidents also, which I can say is a lot better looking now with Maria sitting there.

Imagine a 40 year old newly elected Vice President from a local lodge being elected a state delegate in 2003, with no clue what state convention is, he did not own a suit, owned one tie, made a guard, even had to stay at a different hotel for the first night than all the other delegates, that delegate is now your State President; thank all of you for your support and trust in me.

President John Costa's Nomination Speech



Vera Girolami was born in Ohio to Sicilian parents. She moved to California at the age of 9. She attended catholic schools & was the first class of 14 women to attend Santa Clara University. She has been married to Al Girolami for 58 years; they have 2 children & 5 grandchildren.

She joined the Sons of Italy in the earlier 80's soon becoming the president of the Modesto Lodge. In 2005 she became the first women president in the history of the Grand Lodge of California, working her way thru the chairs.

Janet Capello introduced her to national and she soon became the chair of the future good of the Order, alzheimers and served on many other committes. She became 'forever 5th Vice President', moved up to 4th Nat'l Vice president & 2 years ago she was elected as your First Nat'l Vice President.

She is a tireless worker- and is passionate towards the order.

Being a retired surgical nurse she will heal you.

Being a retired banker she will keep the finances in order

Being a retired pianist she will bring you musical joy

And being married to a judge you can be assured we will be in compliance with the law.

The Grand Lodge of California and I, the State President, are very proud to place in nomination the name of "Vera Ferrara Girolami" for the office of National President.

Costa, that's Portuguese right... my co-workers and some friends don't believe me. Well my father was a 2nd generation American, with my grandfather originally was from the northern Italian town of Lonzo and my mother Ruth who is a delegate for the Be-

atrice Portinari Lodge, she is full blooded Norwegian, Two very strong nationalities; I feel I was lucky to obtain the good in both. And yes, I am a member of the Sons of Norway also, I have applications.

A chinese proverb begins: 'A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step'

This was my Father, Salvatore Ferrara, when at the age of 18 he took that single step, left this tiny Sicilian village called Rodi-Milici, in the Province of Messina, above Taormina, and began his arduous journey to America. And look what that one step accomplished!

Dad got a job, he was a shoemaker, went to night school, and became a citizen.

His journey led him to Ohio, where he met my Mother, Paolina Ferrara whose family, by the way came from that same tiny village of Rodi-Milici. After the Bishop declared they were not related they were married on Thanksgiving Day 1938.

My sister and I were born in Ohio and our journey led our family to California, where another daughter was born. Family, Italian customs, traditions and food, were central in our upbringing. Dad drilled in us the importance of faith, family, education, remembering our Italian roots and giving back to our community. He instilled in us traditions and values we will remember and treasure. He made us promise never to forget what he went thru to get to America.

And so recalling our roots I must give thanks to those who assisted me on this journey. Of course, my Grandparents and parents, my husband, Judge Al Girolami who has stood by me for over 59 years. Our children, Catherine, husband Rob and grandsons Foster and Gavin, Carol, husband Tony and granddaughters, Amelia, Nella & Eva.

Although I am the second woman to be elected to the position of National President, Past National President Joanne Strollo served as the first woman in 1993. Judge Al Girolami will be the First, First Gentleman of the National Sons & Daughters of Italy!

Special thanks to the Grand Lodge of CA officers members and friends for their support, and those National Officers and Past National Presidents who were constantly encouraging me.

Now I stand before you, a daughter of immigrants, as your National President. It is such an honor and so humbling. I promise to never forget my family's beginnings, nor my fathers words to always give back to this amazing country we are so fortunate to live in.

Together with this incredible team, this administration will emphasize COMMUNICATION, TRANSPARENCY & FRATERNALISM. This is not a one-person job, we are a team working toward common goals.

Our goals will include: growth of OSIA thru marketing and branding, promotion of our heritage and culture, including, and I emphasize, keeping and celebrating Columbus Day! Continuing use of Social Media to promote OSIA, emphasizing our philanthropic deeds, continuing NELA with amazing honorees and continuing to honor our scholars and wounded warriors. We will be inclusive, not exclusive!

My personal goal, aside from keeping everything in order and everyone happy, is to try to visit as many Grand Lodges as I can. Every invitation received, either in the National Office or at my home will be acted on. So, if you would please put me on your newsletter list and advise me of your important functions and events, I will try to attend, or send someone in my stead.

And so here I stand, ninety-two years after my dad took that single step, and look where it has led! I am sure he would be proud of what I have accomplished.

God Bless the Sons & Daughters Of Italy & God Bless & Protect America

Thank you for this incredible honor.

Fraternally and with love
Vera

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From the Editor's Desk

by Andy Pampuro
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Congratulations to our Past State President Vera Girolami who was elected our new National President at the National Convention which was held in Florida. It couldn't have happened to a nicer person. It is well deserved.

Since our July/August issue I received many donations for our sponsors program. Our members did not see their names on the new list but they will in this issue.

Our Queen Contest Chair Eva Lavezzari made a decision that if your lodge cannot get a girl to run for lodge queen then try getting a young fellow. It will be very



interesting especially if he makes one of the top five. 47 years ago my wife was the queen of the Centinela Valley Lodge. At the convention there were about 40 young ladies and it was like that for many years. All of a sudden it dropped to about 10 girls.

Why, we cannot figure it

out. So if you have a boy that would be interested submit his name. Maybe we'll have a king instead of a queen.

Hope to see most of you at the testimonial for Maria Pignati on September 23 at the Double Tree Hotel in Santa Clara. This is a wonderful tribute to a great lady.



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News from the Central

by Arlene Nunziati
State 1st Vice President



Hi everyone. Editor Andy gave us all a rest last month and we didn't have to write an article! Thanks Andy.

My sincere appreciation to all of you for your support and confidence in re-electing me to the position of State First Vice President. It will give me another two years to gather more experience before proceeding to another office.

We just returned from a very exciting National Convention where our very own first woman State President VERA GIROLAMI was elected the 2nd woman National President and Al is now the First Gent of the National Lodge. Congratulations Vera and Al! May you have an exciting two years. You have made the Grand Lodge of California very proud!

Get well wishes to Trustee Pauline Richmond who had an accident at National and fractured her thumb. She sure is a trooper – never missed a meeting.

I believe that some of you may be aware that the Grand Lodge of Nebraska had a fire and lost their building. Their insurance didn't cover the amount of the loss so anyone wishing to assist, please contact the Grand Lodge office.

It's that time of year for picnics and I have enjoyed several. Columbia Lodge had a lovely picnic combined with a very successful bocce ball tournament. It was a beautiful day!

Cornelia Vita Nuova had their very first picnic ever at San Bruno Park and it was a wonderful event and very well attended. I was so happy to see so many of my brother and sister State Officers attend.

I have compiled the list for official visits in the Central area and the State Officers and Lodge Presidents have been notified. State Deputy Assignments is in the works.

Many special lodge anniversaries being celebrated this year. Enrico Caruso had a lovely celebration for their

News from the South

by Sadie Tamburine
State 2nd Vice President



Congratulations to our new President John Costa and to the newly elected officers. I am looking forward to serving as your 2nd Vice President. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

OSIA Commission of Social Justice with the help of our members has been successful recently in stopping the removal of the Christopher Columbus Holiday in Reno and Denver but we cannot let our guard down. We are still battling with

the Los Angeles City Council. It is imperative we keep up the pressure with our emails. If you need the emails here they are:

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Contact them all. Let them know Italian Americans vote too.

If you have had the pleasure of hearing Frank DiSalvo's show (our entertainment Friday night of Convention) at the Indian Wells Resort you may have already heard the following story. For those who have not it is well worth telling.

There was a pregnant woman in Italy who became critically ill. The doctors were able to save her but they feared her baby would have birth defects, so they suggested she abort the baby.

She absolutely refused. Had she taken their advice the world would never have been able to hear the beautiful voice of her son Andrea Boccelli.

More Italian trivia next month. Let me know if you enjoyed. Stay tuned.

90th anniversary and many of their members were honored for their years in the Order. The BBQ chicken was delicious. Congratulations Enrico Caruso! I hope I can make it to your 100th.

Colombo Stella will be celebrating their 95th Anni-

versary in September and I hope to make it there and also to their 100th in five years!

Don't forget to come to the September Grand Council and Dinner honoring Past State President Maria Pignati.
Ciao for now.

News from the North

by Barbara Wisniewski
State 2nd Vice President



I would like to thank you for electing me as your Vice-President of the North. I will do all that I can to represent your best interests at Grand Council meetings.

The Convention in Fresno was a lot of work but also a lot of fun. I would like to thank the members of our Mother Lodge, Colombo-Stella and her President, Olivia DeLiddo Gallegos, for all the work that went into this convention. I have been President of a hosting Lodge and know how much goes into this endeavor. I know that there were other lodges that assisted in making this convention the success that it was and I would like to also thank the officers and members of the Rodolfo Valentino Lodge, the Hanford Lodge, and the Enrico Caruso Lodge.

This is my first of many monthly newsletters. I hope to keep them informative and maybe even fun to read!

I made a quick trip over the mountain to visit the Sacramento Lodge and would like to thank President Dan Marinelli for being such a gracious host and the officers and

members also. I would also like to thank Brother Louie Lodi for being my chauffeur while I was there. Thank you Brother David Carboni, who was kind enough to put me up during my stay. You know how much I appreciate your kindness.

I also attended the Giuseppe Verdi Lodge meeting in Sparks. I would like to thank President Roy Stralla for his hospitality along with all the officers, sisters and brothers.

Since my election I have spent my time reviewing the information from each of the lodges in the North. I am working to assign State Deputies and State Officers to each of my lodges in the North and am waiting for the responses from Lodge Presidents to complete this, my first task. I believe this is also one of the most important tasks of your Vice Presidents as it opens communication between your Lodge and your Grand Council. Your State Deputies bring guidance to you, and your questions to the Grand Council. Your State Officers bring you information from the Grand Council and Grand Lodge. Please use us as the resource we are meant to be. If we don't have the answer we will get it for you! Remember we are all volunteers with the love of our Order in our hearts and that is why we are here.

Till next month...
Fraternally
Barbara

Attention all Filial Lodges



It is that time again; time to get someone to represent your lodge for the pageant at the 2018 Grand Convention in Ontario. We encourage all of our filial lodges to participate in this event. It is the ultimate way that our young members can participate and be recognized within the organization. This year we are encouraging both young women and young men between the ages of 15 and 26 to get involved. If you don't have a female candidate this

year, we are opening it up to young men to participate.

The contest officially starts on October 1, 2017. Please have names of participants and a wallet size picture to me by September 30 if possible. Once your lodge confirms their participation, you will receive a letter with further information about the upcoming contest. Tickets will be available to order from the Grand Lodge on October 1. Please contact the Grand Lodge directly to order your tickets.

We look forward to having a successful event in June 2018. More information to follow soon.

Thank you,
Eva Lavezzari
Queen Committee Chairman

Presidents Message
from page 1

My son Jacob was able to take time out of his work schedule to drive down to Fresno to be here, and yes he is a member. My daughter, Erin and son in law ,Chris (who is a JAG officer in the Army) with my granddaughter Julianne would have loved to be here also but besides living where he is stationed in Williamsburg, Virginia, my daughter just had a baby boy Harrison, 7 weeks ago. And yes I signed him up as a member of my lodge the day after he was born

Watching a group of Italians get together and discuss, agree to disagree and finally compromise, shows that our nationality, Italian, are very passionate about their beliefs and our grand lodge, we are a true democracy similar to what we have in this country. Thank you again all the veterans for this right.

We may fail on some matters, but fail means “First attempt in learning.

When I hear the word “NO” to me this means “next opportunity”.

The sign of a good leader is one that has inspired others to be a leader.

But let’s not aspire to be the best on a team, but aspire to be the best team”.

A lot of issues came up at this convention, some confusing, some very controversial,

some with heated discussions, but in the end we are still friends and family. Let’s look back at what National Trustee Phil stated the 1st day, “Love, Respect and Tolerance”

Your grand council will start putting a strategic plan, to gather facts and information together for the building, so we can present information to the delegation to allow you to make an educated decision on the impact on our order and we will also explore the Idea of transferring the building to the Western Foundation.

Membership is a key item, we as a Grand Lodge need to work on, but this has to come from the local lodges, we need to change the downward trend and right the ship. We have given you some tools to use as resources thanks to our membership committee. But the best resource is us the members. We, all of us, have to work together to grow together.

We will also work closely with our new hall rental manager, 5051 Mission St, to help them maximize the utilization of our Grand Lodge building and adjacent lot. Increased revenue is a priority.

But, remember the Grand Lodge is you, the members, not the building.

Finally thank you Grand Lodge of California for having that convention in Sacramento in 2003, I met many people there, many who are no longer

with us but in the Grand Lodge above looking down on us, and I met one lady in particular. This same lady attended our convention in 2006 in Sparks Nevada where I would propose to her, and pay a large fine for doing this... thanks Vera, really \$50.00, and then off to the happiest place on earth where we were married by Judge Al Girolami in Disneyland at Snow White’s wishing well in December 2006.

Well Donna Lee, are you ready for an “E” ticket ride?

Again thank you Family for your support, and let’s get ready to work!

I started out as your president running, two days after being installed I was on a conference call with the National CSJ president, our CSJ committee chair, Maria Pignati, and members from the Knights of Columbus regarding the changing Columbus Day to Indigenous People day in Los Angeles. We have rallied around this cause, thank you to all the members that have written letters. I am okay with the LA council making another day Indigenous People day but not at the expense of Columbus Day.

I am writing this upon my return from the National Convention in Florida, where Vera Girolami was elected as our National President. Congratulations, Vera!! I will give you more on National in my next article. As we prepare for Grand Council I hope to see you Saturday night where we will honor our Past President Maria Pignati.

Again I am looking forward to being your president, and I am willing to work for the better of the order. Mille Grazie.



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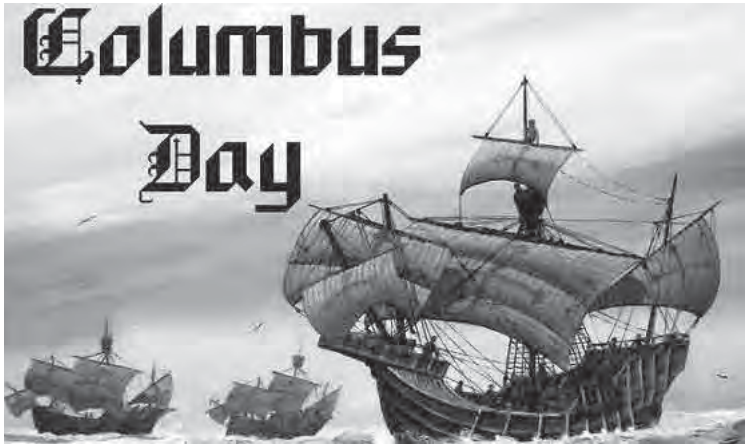
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Gina Del Peloso	Columbia	1940
Virgina Fontana	Columbia	1940
Alexander Luzzi	Hacienda	2168



Royal Court of the Golden Lion

by Chris N. Lotito, Chairperson

I was pleased with the turnout at the luncheon held at our convention in Fresno, California. The only thing missing were more bodies, I do not understand why many members and lodges do not participate in a program in our Western Foundation that is worthy of its generous contributions to various charities in our jurisdiction. Money collected is set aside to be given out during our Galas in the North, Central and South. The selection is made by the committee in the appointed area and is given at that time.

I am grateful for your continued support and your generosity every year that continues to enhance this program. Many thanks to all the contributors that believe in a program that will achieve its goal. Many personal thanks to Gloria Garibaldi who contributes \$1,000.00 every year and has a total of \$16,250.00 total contribution. Coming up fast is Madeline Zunico who gives multiple donations the last three years, starting 2015 and

now has a total of \$3,500.00. To all of you that have given every year words cannot express my sincere gratitude. Welcome back Mark Vaona who has been missed for the last few years but we appreciate your coming back. As the increments increase diamonds are placed on the gold lion. To obtain a gold lion you must have donated \$3,000.00 and every \$1,000.00 increment a diamond is placed on the lion.

I want to thank Phil Privitera, who has contributed \$2,000.00 and will receive his silver lion that is in the mail.

MY GREATEST PLEASURE WOULD BE FOR MORE MEMBERS AND LODGES TO BECOME A PART OF AN OUTSTANDING PROGRAM...AS UNCE SAM WOLD HAVE SAID "WE NEED YOU" WITH HIS FINGER POINTED RIGHT AT YOU. I HOPE I AM MAKING YOU FEEL GUILTY THAT YOU HAVE NOT CONTRIBUTED AS OF YET. IT'S NEVER TO LATE TO BECOE A PART OF A WONDERFL PROGRAM.



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Remembering When

by Olivia De Liddo Gallegos



Here is that picture from my Lodge. I wish I had information on it, but I don't. All I know is that is our original banner on the far left, from 1922. There is another banner mid right, that is our Stella Banner, the Ladies Auxillary, from 1928, which makes this banner late 20's or early 30's by what they are wearing. There is an Italian Flag in the middle, and I can see the OFDI but with every magnification, it gets more blurry. It was taken by Royal Studio's in Fresno, which is no longer in existence. I don't know if I can track down much more info than that. My grandfather should be in the picture, yet I do not see him, not any of my relatives.

Financial Freedom

by Stephen Contrado, B.A., Th.M.
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Money gives us amazing insights about people. Have you had any new insights about money? Money or the lack of it represents success or failure. Money shapes our thoughts and our lives. When we have enough money we can accomplish wonderful things. It's important to know how as children we acquired attitudes about money and developed spending habits.

We need to attain financial freedom to be happy. Our money and ideas about money are closely related to our self-esteem and our prospects for success. Most of our fears stem from money issues. All people fear poverty because we need money to survive and enjoy life. Marriages are destroyed by lack of money. Homes are turned into combat zones by lack of money. Avoid debt. Debt is a type of slavery.

Poverty destroys confidence and leads to indifference and resignation. Poverty is a vicious cycle because it makes us feel we don't deserve money or cannot make it. It sabotages the will. It kills imagination.

Riches, on the other hand, are a magnet for more wealth. A person becomes

wealthy by visualizing oneself as wealthy and doing the things he loves. Money talks. Great ideas require the capital to be implemented. An intelligent person develops confidence by studying the economy, taking calculated risks, and investing. A smart person sets a goal and works intelligently and consistently to achieve wealth. Choose friends and business associates based on their skills and optimism. Be motivated.

We should respect money for the power it has and the freedom it affords. When we respect money we can respect ourselves. Don't be conditioned to see money as an evil. Understand the critical role that positive attitudes about money play in life.

Think positively about the future. Write out a plan. Don't worry, instead do productive things, even if they are only a small start toward something that seems impossible. Don't procrastinate. The subconscious mind attracts wealth or repels it. Use your mind and energy to attain and attract wealth. We ought to empower ourselves financially. Visualize success and have faith, and Fortune will come.

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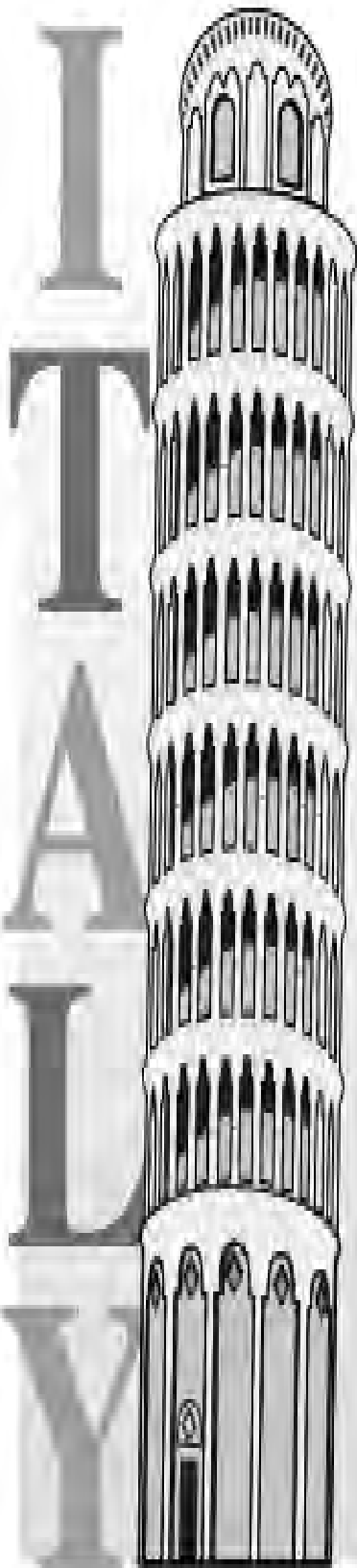
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Pugliese #1375	9/15/25
Giuseppe Verde #1441	9/6/27
Desert Valley #2352	9/21/75

Congratulations!!!

Columbus Day



Camelia-Colombo

Lodge # 1294

Klamath Falls, OR
by Bonnie Sims

Scholarship Awarded

Camelia – Colombo Lodge #1294, are always happy to be able to award a scholarship to a graduating senior from the Klamath Basin. This year the Lodge awarded a \$750 scholarship to Hunter Ellis. Hunter graduated from Klamath Union High School. His plans are to attend George Washington University in Washington DC and major in International Studies.

Each year the Lodge offers scholarships to students of the Klamath Basin who are wholly or partially of Italian heritage.



In the picture is Hunter Ellis with President of the Lodge Oliver Spires.

Grand Council honors

Maria Pignati



Please save the date September 23, 2017. This is when we will be honoring Past State President Maria Pignati at the Double Tree Hilton Hotel in Santa Clara, 4949 Great American Parkway. Reservations for rooms must be made by August 22. Phone number is 408-330-0011. Dinner will be at 6:30 and the choices are charbroiled steak or chilean sea bass with veggies, salad, dessert, coffee or tea.

The Grand Council meets from September 22 -24. Hope you all can attend to honor this great lady. Price is \$65 per person. RSVP with your choice of meals by September 15th.

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C. Colombo Lodge #1315

Antioch, CA
by Zelda LeFrak-Belleci

C. Colombo Lodge has committed itself to community service. Besides offering two scholarship to local high school graduates, members of the Lodge continue to donate groceries to the local food pantry, support the American Cancer Society's recent 24 hour Relay for Life and fill those Grand Lodge cans with coins to be donated to the Coley's Anemia Foundation. Most recently, C. Colombo Lodge participated in the 4th of July parade held in Antioch. Pictured above below is Grand Lodge Queen May Lucido and the Lodge's parade committee. C. Colombo garnered first prize in the Musical/ Cultural category for the second year in a row!



Valley of the Moon Lodge #1959

Sonoma CA
by Susan Antonini
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Preparing for this article, I was perusing past Il Leone papers. Mama Mia, we have a lot of good memories over the years in the Valley of the Moon Lodge.

REMEMBER:

Age is just a number!
Live each day to the fullest!
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SOUL NURTURING!

Come visit Valley of the Moon Lodge once a month. The third Tuesday. 5 pm happy hour and 6 pm dinner! We have awesome dinners and uplifting fellowship!
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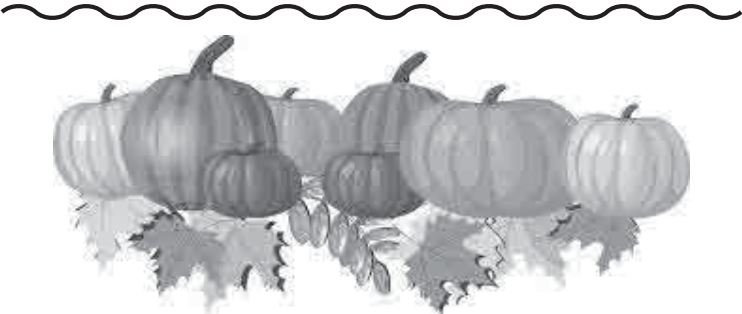
There are several new members!
Deanne Carr, and next month Sandy Martindale, Yvonne Stieper ,JoannZwiener!
Such a delight to see new faces!
Welcome!

THE VINTAGE FESTIVAL PARADE

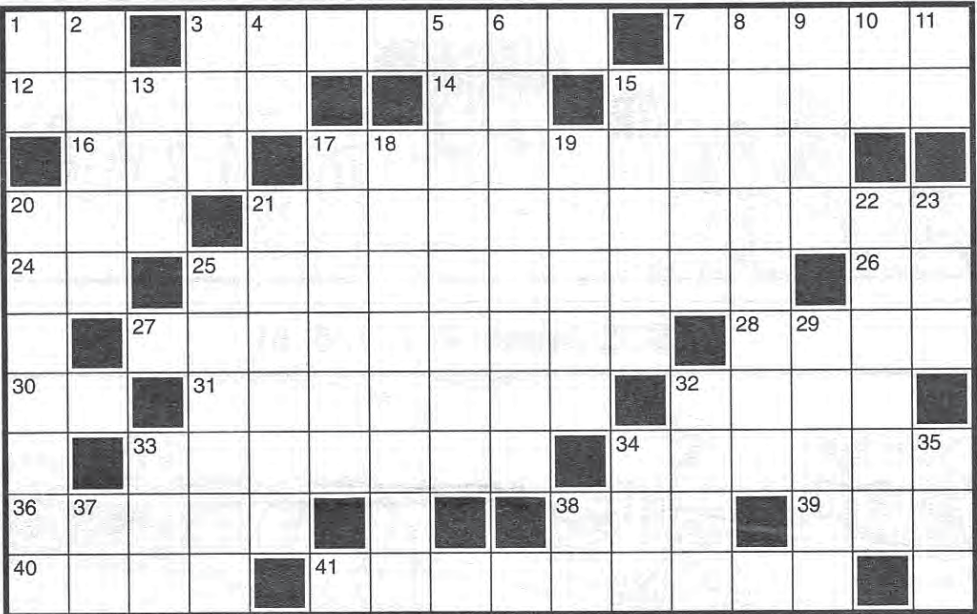
Saturday night **September 23 8:30 pm** in The Vintage Festival, Valley of the Moon Lodge will participate with a Tower of Pisa Float!
SO FUN! We will have flags commemorating Italian and American Heritage, a leaning Tower of Pisa and much more!
The Festival commences with a Blessing of the Grapes, in honor of all the Vitners who crush their crops this time of year. The Native Sons of the Golden West have taken on organizing the event, September 23rd and 24th !

COME FOR DINNER, stay for meeting! Get involved! The meetings are short, to the point and pleasant! Thanks to all who volunteer their time and effort!

Ciao!



CRUCIVERBA



ORIZZONTALI: 1. Fumo in centro - 3. Famoso, conosciuto - 7. Esercizi quotidiani del pianista - 12. Differente, diverso - 14. Preposizione articolata - 15. La rivale di Atene - 16. Rosso... inglese - 17. Il bandito Stefano Pelloni - 20. Richiesta di replica - 21. Provincia toscana - 24. L'attrice Argento (iniz.) - 25. Autotrasportatori - 26. Sono nel covo - 27. Formano gli alberi genealogici - 28. Pilastri ai crocicchi - 30. La città di Abramo - 31. Amato, caro - 32. Monti siciliani - 33. Accomodante, benigna - 34. Coperto in tavola - 36. Manifestazione con gli stand - 38. È Morto in Palestina - 39. Vizio nervoso - 40. La grande di Napoli - 41. Sono tipografici in stamperia.

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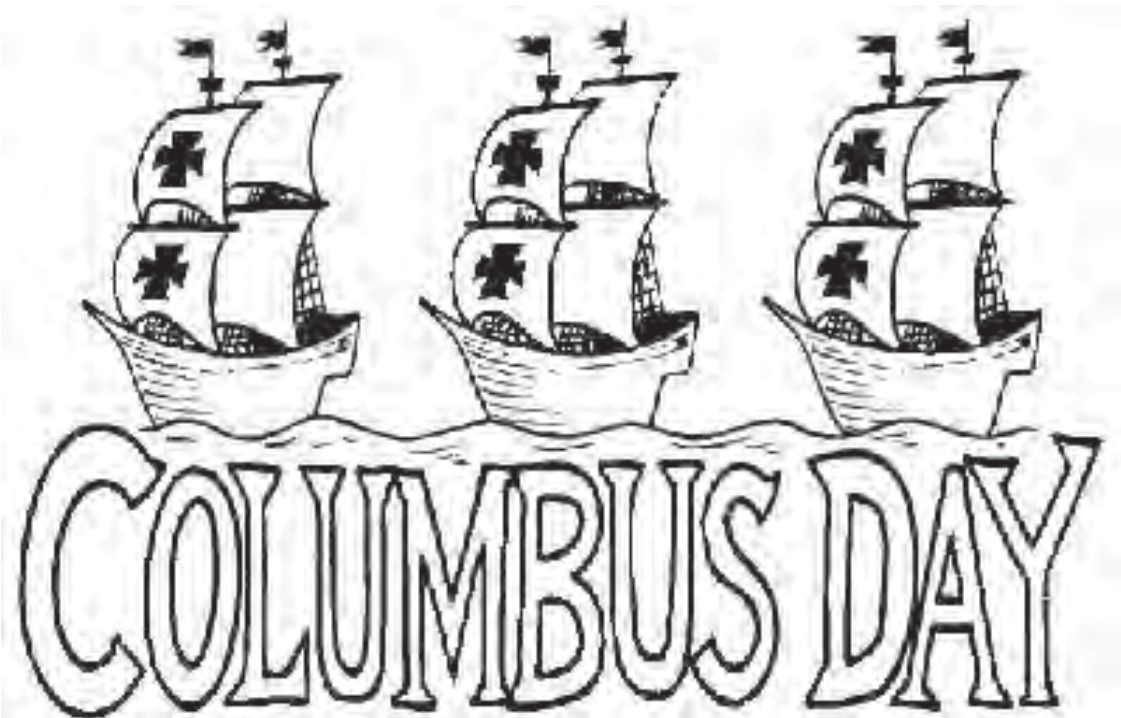
Discorso da ignorante - 19. Corrode il ferro - 20. "Le... chiozzotte" di Goldoni - 21. L'Arma imbarcata - 22. Solitari - 23. Antenate, progenitrici - 25. Il territorio di Belluno - 29. Gli angoli di 90° - 32. L'Irlanda di Dublino - 33. L'attore Gazzara - 34. Patrizia in famiglia - 35. Palmipede starnazzante - 37. Preposizione semplice - 38. Matera.



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Saddleback Valley Lodge # 2566

Mission Viejo, CA
by Andy Pampuro
Immediate Past President

Since our last article we had a wonderful chicken dinner at our July general meeting which was chaired by Andy and Gwen Ginocchio and enjoyed by all.

Then on July 22 we had our annual picnic at Dana Point Harbor. This was chaired by Al Trentini, Joe Collara and Teresa Arieta. There was so much food we could have fed another big bunch of people. We all had a great time and even got to play some bocce.

Then for our August general meeting we enjoyed home made manicotti made by our Immediate Past First Lady Louise Pampuro. They were served with meatballs and salad and enjoyed by all in attendance. We certainly

ly thank the members who brought some extra food and desserts. And we certainly thank those who helped Louise in the kitchen. They were Marilyn Vecchio, Lucy Gallo and Michelle Lowinger. Many thanks also to Marilyn Vecchio who bought some beautiful flowers for the tables.

Before we ate we had the initiation of four new members. They were Ralph Matillo, Andrea Palombo Carpenter, Theresa Vinciguerra and Betty Eacona. Welcome to our lodge folks!

At our general meeting in September we are having a meatball contest. We have about six ladies who think they will be number uno. Good luck to all of them.



Our Mistresses of Ceremonies Carmen Moraga-Ed and Marilyn Vecchio with our new members. From l/r Ralph Matillo, Andrea Palombo Carpenter, Theresa Vinciguerra and Betty Eacona.



Roma Lodge junior members present at the Junior Member Night as the August Meeting.



Newest member to join the Roma Lodge is Charli Jo Curti with her dad Aaron Curti.



Gwen and Andy Ginocchio, chairs of our July dinner meeting.

Roma Lodge # 1573

Tulare, CA
by Larry Dutto

Roma Lodge celebrates their junior members at a special meeting in August where junior members are recognized, given a special raffle and meal for the evening. Nearly 20 junior members were on hand to conduct the meeting, enjoy a great summer BBQ and given numerous school supplies as they prepare to start a new school year.

Aaron Dutto, who celebrates his birthday in August, heads up the refreshment committee along with Maryann Luis and Lorraine Cleek. Hamburgers, hotdogs, chicken tenders and French fries along with homemade potato and macaroni salad, cream puffs for dessert and popsicles make for a great dinner for the junior members.

President David DePaoli encourages all the juniors to become active in serving as officers and trustees for the meeting and a special raffle, coordinated by Megan Dutto was held featuring back-to-school items just for the junior members.

Roma Lodge President David DePaoli assists junior member Audriana Solari serve as president for the junior member night at the August meeting.

Joanne Coccia Lodge # 2553

2017 Scholarships Awards

by Anthony N. Finazzo



LEFT TO RIGHT: Joanne Coccia Lodge President Paul Finazzo, Melina Almazan Gomez, Vicente Almazan, Mohammad Alambly, Grand Lodge Queen-Mary Lucido, Leslie Carnahan, Gabriel Valenzulea, Johnathon Schaver, Manny Finazzo, Chairman Joanne Coccia Lodge Foundation

Chairman of the Joanne Coccia Lodge #2553 Foundation, Manny Finazzo was proud to announce the 2017 scholarship awards to seven deserving students at our membership meeting on July 16, 2017.

The **Veta M. Finazzo Memorial Scholarship** for \$2,000 awarded to Johnathon Schaver. He is a graduate of Arrowhead Christian Academy High School. He will be attending Grand Canyon University in the fall majoring in biology. In high school he earned the 4.0 achievement award, the highest honor award and the scholar-athlete award. Johnathon is a junior member of our lodge. His grandmother Giulia Terzoli is an active member of our lodge. Grandfather Frank Bruni is a charter member of our lodge.

The **Dorothy and Chuck Rathfelder Memorial Scholarship** for \$2,000 awarded to Gabriel Valenzulea. Gabriel will be attending Chaffey Community College. He plans to continue his education to pursue his interest in the film industry. He has worked in the construction business with his father. Gabriel is the stepson of April Rathfelder-Valenzulea, a member of the Joanne Coccia Lodge.

The **Ronald Bitonti & Martha Nagy Memorial Scholarship** for \$2,000 awarded to Leslie Carnahan. Leslie graduated from Redlands East Valley High School. While in high school, her activities included water polo, swim team and cheer leader. Leslie is attending Cal Poly Pomona with a 3.28 GPA. Her major is mathematics with hopes of becoming an algebra or mathematics teacher at the middle or high school level. Anthony and Marie Finazzo recommended her for this scholarship.

The **Albert & Joanne Coccia Memorial Scholarship** for \$2,000 awarded to Melina Almazan Gomez, a graduate of Colton High School. Melina, a licensed phlebotomist and medical assistant,

was employed at Loma Linda University Health Care/OBGYN where she had completed clinical hours. Having decided to pursue a nursing degree and completing prerequisites at San Bernardino Valley College, she is currently attending West Coast University's BSN program in Ontario. Melina will be the first person in her family to work towards a four-year degree. Anthony and Marie Finazzo helped her apply for this scholarship.

The **Angelo Juliano Memorial Scholarship** for \$2,000 awarded to Vicente Almazan, a graduate of Grand Terrace High School. Having played the alto saxophone since fifth grade, Vicente joined the marching band becoming section leader his senior year, participated in choir performing at shows and appearing in two musicals. Vicente also excelled academically taking AP classes and passing the AP testing. He participated in his class senior trip to Europe including travel through Dublin, Wales, England and Paris. Vicente is enrolled at San Bernardino Valley College. His future dream job is to work with the FBI. Anthony and Marie Finazzo suggested he apply for this scholarship.

The **Ronald Rovere Memorial Scholarship** for \$2,000 awarded to Mohammad Alambly. He graduated from Rancho Cucamonga High School with a 3.6 grade point average. Mohammad will be studying his general education to move on to a major in teaching or engineering. Mohammad was sponsored by Esther Calamore.

Our **Order Sons and Daughters of Italy** State Queen Mary Lucido, received the **Joanne Coccia Lodge Foundation** award for \$1,000 to continue her education. She will be a junior this fall at Sacramento State College continuing her education in social studies. Mary graciously came to our lodge meeting and spoke about our Italian heritage and the need to continue to promote

our heritage in the future. While in high school, she saw a need to start an Italian Club. She was the president of the club and upon graduation her sister took over the club and kept it going. Mary continues to speak at lodge functions about her quest to be proud of our heritage.

Her dynamic personality and promoting our heritage has earned her this award from our lodge.

We thank everyone who contributed to our scholarship program. You have made it possible to help our foundation make these scholarships possible.

Letter From Grand Lodge Queen Mary Lucido to Joanne Coccia Lodge # 2553



Hello everyone! My name is Mary Lucido and I am the Grand Lodge Queen. I am from the C. Columbo Lodge #1315 and I am honored to be representing this amazing organization. I am currently a college student at California State University, Sacramento. I am going into my third year and I am studying to be a social worker because ultimately my dream is to help make the world a better place and positively impact the lives of underprivileged children. I attended the Joanne Coccia Lodge meeting on July 16th and it was an honor to be invited. When I arrived, Manny Finazzo who is the State Trustee of the South approached me and welcomed me and mentioned to me that the Joanne Coccia Lodge wanted to consider me as a recipient for one of the schol-

arships that they were giving out. I was overjoyed that I was given this opportunity. As the event continued on, the Lodge had their scholarship ceremony and they announced my name to receive a \$1,000.00 scholarship from the Joanne Coccia Lodge. I would like a moment to once again thank the Joanne Coccia Lodge for their generosity towards my education. I'm beyond grateful that the members of this lodge that had faith in me. I especially want to thank Manny Finazzo and every other lodge member that took part in the decision of rewarding me with this scholarship. Thanks again for the scholarship, it will be put to great use and I am so thankful to have the Sons of Italy members standing by me and supporting me throughout my college and queen journey.

William Paca Lodge # 1960

Mountain View, CA
by Carolyn Franklin

Remember in the old movies when the ritzy people dined at the Copa Cabana or Stork Club they had quail or pheasant under glass? Well, we went one better. At our annual August picnic our chefs BBQ'd game hens. They were not served under glass, but under a canopy of pine trees that remind us of the beauty of Rome and our family dinners under the shade of the grape vines. Each diner was served 1/2 a game hen with a fresh salad and for dessert, a choice of cakes.

Chefs for the picnic were: Carlo Marengo, Gene Ludwico, Mike Ravizza and George Ravetto. Well done men! We're already stuffing the quail for next year! Can't get too much of a good thing!

President Rosalia Margarit came up with a hilarious "potato" race...no, the potatoes didn't race, but try to run with a potato wedged between your knees! If you don't lose your balance running, you'll fall down from laughing! And add that to the Cake Walk and it was a day of great fun!

The best part of the day was the celebration of Francesca Benedetto Vigil's 90th birthday!

What a wonderful celebration! Husband, Roldan, managed all the arrangements with the help of 108 family members and friends. It was truly a momentous occasion. Congratulations, Francesca, you are an inspiration to us all.

And, the Italian tradition of excellence is carried on with our scholarship winner, beautiful and gifted Jennifer Bonino of Gilroy. How blessed we are to have so many young and bright people carry on our trademark of success and loyalty to this great country. Nulla si fa senza volontà. God bless Italians and God bless America.

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Giuseppe Verdi Lodge # 1441

Sparks, NV
by Angela Amato

On July 22,2017 The Giuseppe Verdi Lodge #1441 of Sparks Nevada held their monthly dinner meeting and awarded scholarship. There were two recipients this year. First was Megan Falin, granddaughter of members Frank and Rose Bussa. Megan recently graduated from Fernley High School which included academic achievements awards in math, Spanish honor roll and attendance. As a result of tutoring 5th and 6th grader students he career goal is to major in elementary

education at the University of Nevada Reno. She believes that to teach children a teacher must achieve the highest education possible, and with that she wishes to pursue her Master’s degree after she earns her bachelor degree. We wish Megan the very best. Second was Connor London who is a member of the Parks Giuseppe Verdi Lodge and the son of Nicola London, and grandson of member Tony Macaluso. Connor graduated from Spanish

Springs High School and is currently attending Texas A & M University where he is majoring in aerospace engineering. Connor would like to work for a big engineering company such as Boeing, Lockheed Martin, or even NSAA. He is definitely a star on his way to the stars! In addition the Guiseppe Verdi Lodge was happy to announce the induction of 17 new members. After the meeting all enjoyed a delicious spaghetti and meatball dinner.



Rodolfo Valentino Lodge # 1449

Clovis, CA
by Carole Watson, President;
Lou Catallo, Historian; lcatallo@aol.com

Last Month: Our summer months were certainly busy: we now have a new Grand Lodge President, and another San Joaquin Valley representative on the Grand Council in the person of Louise Silacci. (Hanford Lodge). I won’t get into all the new officers, since the Il Leone did such a good job in their paper
This Month: Pot Luck will be featured for this months meeting; it is always a surprise to see what is on the table. Agenda items will be ongoing business discussions and the October Pasta Fest.
Also this month: The next meeting of the Central San Joaquin Valley Sons of Italy (CSJVSol) will be Sunday, September 10, 2017, at Andiamo’s Restaurant on Shaw Avenue, in Clovis, at 11:30 AM, for lunch at \$20 per person. General agenda items will be discussed, so be there to see what is going on in our part of California.

Next Month: October 10 will be our yearly Pasta Dinner Fest; alert all your friends and family so they can make plans to attend. The food and fun at this event is always great to look forward to and better to attend. Serving will start at 6:30 PM, take-outs available, \$15 per person. Great food, our specialty.
Do you have comments for our lodge members? Historical lodge photos? Let me know at my email address (above) and we can publish it in this column.
Meet your world head-on: go after Moby Dick in a life boat, and take your tartar sauce with you!
And: I’m sad to report the passing of a long time supporter of our Clovis lodge, Carl Gatto, Jr. He arrived in our area, with his parents, Carl and Elsie, and other members of his family in the ‘40s. He is a 1959 graduate of Clovis High School. His parents owned and operated the Clovis Bakery, then Carl’s BBQ on Pollasky Avenue for many years. Carl is the father to Monica Moore, our past Financial Secretary, brother to President Carol Watson, and uncle to Brian Watson and Jennie Rivera, Membership Secretary and Financial Secretary, respectively. Carl’s support for us will be sorely missed.

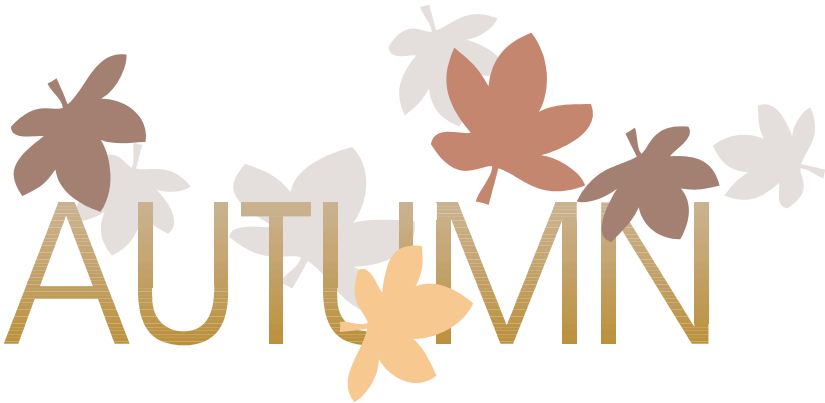
Walter Benjamin once said “History is written by the victors”; (and trebuttals are written by the losers). Hone your writing skills with our Sol scholarship(s). Contact Scholarship Committee Chair, Isabel Ronzano, at (559) 297-0851, for information on this topic. The Scholarship Deadlines are: for **Clovis Lodge**, March 31, 2018; for **California State Grand Lodge:** March 01, 2018; and, for **National Lodge** the date is generally November to February of any year (\$500 to \$5,000 awards). Go to <https://www.osia.org/students/scholarships.php> for grants/tours/studies information in Italy. These are great for any student on a budget or not.
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Centinela Valley Lodge #1991

Torrance, CA
by Annette Porter

At our July meeting we initiated a new member, Italia Barbera into our family. We also had the pleasure of a visit from Paul Faila from the Vigiano Brothers Lodge in New York, He spoke to our members about his one-man play, "The Class of Life". We are considering having him entertain us at one of our monthly events. We would encourage the nearby lodges to attend.

Our July Red, White and Blue Dinner Dance was enjoyed by all. We had many in attendance. Thank you to Chef Mark Vaona and Annette Porter for a delicious ribs and chicken dinner. Our entertainment for the evening was "The Sicilian Band". When he is in the house, we have many up, dancing.

Tuesday July 25th we went on a bus trip to a Dodger Game. What a game! Of course the Dodgers won. We had about 45

people on the bus and everyone enjoyed themselves.

On August 6th we had our annual picnic at Torrance Park. The weather was perfect. We had about 40 or 50 people attending and they brought their favorite dish to share. The lodge supplied the sausage, hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks for everyone. A big thank you to Brian Sinaguglia, Mark Vaona, Steve and Bobbi Guthrie and Annette Porter for getting everything together, setting up and tearing down. Thank you all who came out and enjoyed the afternoon.

On 20 August 2017, as part of the Southern CA Bocce Federation, Torrance will hold their first ever Bocce Tournament. Competing on the Universally Accessible bocce courts. Angelo is president of San Pedro Bocce Club, and Bob is president of South Bay Bocce Club.



Norm and Maureen Reeder brought a few of their friends. Steve Guthrie walking around and visiting with the guests.



Centinela Valley Lodges' new member Italia Barbera.



America Lodge President Linda Enneman brought her great-niece and a member of their lodge Joe Rossi



A few of our new members and Pat Porter, Bernard Torres (he was patriotic) and Brian Sinaguglia enjoying themselves.



Two members of Centinela Valley Lodge, Angelo Lo Grande and Bob Chiota, left and right respectively. Fraternal members and friends yes, but competitors on the courts.

In support of all the men and women who have been called into military action.
You're in our hearts, in our thoughts, and in our prayers.



Vallejo Lodges

by Sharon Silveira

Estate....Summer.....Time for vacations and so our Sunday Dinner Cooks took a vacation in August, but we hope you will join us on Sunday, September 17th for Ham and Garlic Butter Pasta. Social time starts at 4 p.m. and dinner is served at 5:30. Please call for a reservation prior to September 14th--Josephine Agosta 642-1658 or Michele Castagnola 853-0388. The 2nd Tuesday of the month Meeting Night Supper will be a tasty surprise. Come and see what's cooking and what's happening in your lodge. Stay for the meeting and feast for a mere \$6.00.

Welcome to Meloday Sparks and Patricia Rushing, Beatrice Portinari's two newest members initiated on Tuesday, August 9th by our State Deputy Karen Carroll. It Takes A Village---have you asked your friends and relatives to join???

Social Media.....Facebook...Have you given our page a Like? Check out Order Sons of Italy in America Vallejo Lodges. Photos! Announcements! Sometimes Snail Mail and Bulk Mail move way too slowly---come join us on Facebook.

Italian Heritage Night at The Admirals...Replacing The First Pitch--The first bocce roll by Rick Branch & Rick Silveira and the umpire proclaimed Silveira closest to home plate. Incredible a cappella rendition of our National Anthem by Melody & Violet Sparks. Lots of fun between innings---for example Rick Branch in the dance contest! Due to a very short lead time and the afore mentioned snail mail, only a small group from the Vallejo Lodges rooting on the Admirals who did lose to their rivals the Sonoma Stompers.

Essere Bene ed Eserre Felici!



Patricia Rushing, President Pamela, Melody Sparks.



Cheering on The Admirals.

Northern Solano Lodge #2534

Fairfield, CA
by Pam Boes and Rick Tracy

To paraphrase and old song: "Those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer..." does NOT describe the summer months for the Northern Solano Lodge #2534. May 5th saw members and guests of our Lodge attending the annual "Day at the Races "at Golden Gate Fields in Albany, CA. No matter the monetary gains or losses at the track, all enjoyed the goo friends, good food and excitement of the day. Thank you Rich Barker for organizing this yearly event. Welcome to our new members: Joyce Erday, Claudio Covacci, Gloria and Joe Niccoli, Andrea Smithson and Tim Smithson. Tim was also installed as our Master of Ceremony. Each year our Lodge participates in the Assist-A-Grad Scholarship Program. Our recipients this year are Steven Bocca and Ashley Del Core. Nelson Lanza received the Rose Simon Memorial Scholarship. A HUGE Thank You to Sue Cahan, Jana Houston and Tim Smithson for interviewing the candidates Bebe (Bea) Moretti and her husband Ernie Moretti were long time members of our lodge. Bea was President of

the Assist-A- Grad Program for many years. Bea passed away on April 8, 2017 and will be missed by all who knew her. Our condolences to her daughter Barbara and members Guido and Rosie Colla. The participation of our Lodge in the Dixon Mayfair on May 12th, 13th and 14th was coordinated by Richard Barker and Carla Gamez. Our members ran a beer, water and Margarita booth. We had 28 members and their friends working 6 hour shifts with 13 members doing double shifts. Our Lodge received a large donation from the Dixon Mayfair as well a generous tips from fair patrons to assist the charities we sponsor. Congratulations Guido Colla. Guido was presented a pin in honor of his 50 years as a member of the Sons of Italy. MANGIA, MANGIA. Kudos to David Rico and crew consisting of Angie Casera, Carla Gamez, Carol and Vince LaNovara as well as Frank Rossi and crew of Carol Jones, Lori and Mark Rossi and Rick Tracy. Our chefs and their assistants continue to tantalize us

with wonderful meals at each of our monthly meetings. Continuing in the Italian Family Tradition of gathering for good food we are never disappointed with the variety of restaurants chosen by Pam Boes and Kay Locatelli for the monthly "Out to Lunch Bunch." A special feature of each monthly meeting is the "Who Am I" contest. Each month a biography of a member is presented. Other members submit a name and a winner is drawn from those who guess correctly. A few of those highlighted have been Helen Barker, Lina Craduck, Vince LaNovara, Frank Rossi and Rolf Urban. The Annual Lodge Picnic in memory of Geno Bruno was held at Laurel Creek Park in Fairfield on August 12th. Thank you to Rich Barker, David Rico, Vince LaNovara, Carla Gamez, Angie Casera and Albert Galli for your part in making it a success. Thanks also to the members who brought the wide variety of desserts for all to enjoy. Coming Event: Columbus Day Dinner on October 14th. Tickets are available from Carol Urban or any members of the Lodge.

Autumn

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Colombo-Stella Lodge # 1149

Fresno, CA
by Olivia DeLiddo Gallegos, President

September is here. The Mother Lodge is celebrating her 95th anniversary later this month. What a huge accomplishment for our little Lodge! We were nearly shut down a few years ago. We are still having some problems with membership (but what Lodge isn't?) but financially, we are thriving. We have a wonderful association with a Foundation that has given full ride grants to several of our college students and has helped our Lodge with some much needed items that we did not factor our fundraising efforts into. We have a successful Concert Series thanks to the efforts of Steven Barra, and we have our annual Fundraiser. I really want to thank my members in advance, because we lost several members last year. It hit us pretty hard, and my people are rallying! We have brought in almost as many as we lost, and we're still trying! **95 YEARS and trying for 100!!**

We hope to see all of you help us celebrate on September 19th. We are having a Pasta and Sausage dinner with green beans, salad, rolls and wine. This year, it will be a little different. We are having our gravy (or sauce, if that's what you call it) prepared by one of our newest members who is from Bari, Italy. So will will have a very authentic Italian gravy. I am very excited about this. Also, as usual, we have the best raffle and silent auction prizes coming in. So far, everything has been donated to us, including 10 cases of sausage links and 94 pounds of pre cooked rigatoni. We have very generous friends! I will write all the details in my next article.

In an effort to keep our Il Leone costs down, I wrote our Convention information in our newsletter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

This last month we were quite busy, assigning job duties for the Fundraiser while still doing the great work of our Order! We gave out 2 donations in August. The first one was to Project Surf Camp. Our own member, Donn Alfano is very involved with this project because his employer, Pepsi, is one of their sponsors. Shell Voorhees and Aimee Brantley from Project Surf Camp spoke to our Lodge and brought beautiful informative brochures for our members to see what they do. They take all types of kids, including and especially, autistic and handicapped, to Morro Bay to learn how to surf and paddle board. This gives these kids a day to feel like everyone else, to learn

about the ocean, there is so much self esteem there for these kids. Richard and I were in Morro Bay last month on vacation and we stopped by to see it in action and we were very impressed. They set up a day camp and bbq, and what Project Surf Camp needs is money to purchase a trailer to hold their surfboards and equipment safely. Our Lodge voted to give them a \$1,000.00 donation. Please look up their website.

We also wanted to show our support for our member, Tracy Fiorini Price, who had watch Alzheimer's Disease slowly take her mom from her, until she lost her battle in May of this year. Tracy is walking in her mom, Pauline Hufford's memory, trying to raise money and awareness of this horrible disease. Our Lodge gave Tracy \$500.00 in her mom's memory, to help her reach that goal.

September is also a time for back to school! What better gift than a scholarship? Congratulations to Youth Member Hannah Craig. Our Scholarship Committee looked at Hannah's very impressive application and made the recommendation to award her \$1,500.00. Hannah comes to nearly every meeting, she helps at our Fundraiser has maintained a very high GPA and is a very special young woman. She will be attending Fresno State, majoring in Business. We are sure she will do great things. Congratulations Hannah! Another Youth Member to Congratulate is Madison Gallegos. Madison just completed a 30 day Vogue Immersion Course at Conde Nast College in London, England. She is a Fashion Merchandising major with a minor in Journalism, so this class will count toward her major. While she was there, not only did she get to visit the Vogue House, and do a cover and layout for Vogue in the class, but the Largest Fashion Exhibition in the World was happening in Paris, so she and one of her classmates took a train to see the Exhibition. A Fashion major's dream. Madison is beginning her Senior Year in College at Long Beach State. Like Hannah, Madison will also do great things. Sons of Italy invests in their youth! Until next time, Ciao!!!



Hannah Price



Madison Gallegos



Pauline Hufford



Project Surf Camp



Olivia, Richard and Madison Gallegos

To everyone who helped us at the Black and White Ball, during the medical emergency with our daughter, Madison. We can never thank you all enough for the love, support, care, cards, emails, calls, texts, mass cards, well wishes and prayers. Sons of Italy has the most precious people on the face of the earth. Special thanks to Mark Rossi and Donna Grist, you are my friends for life, to Vera Girolami, for rushing over like the former nurse she is, the special card you sent meant the world to us, and to Pam Bini, you were our angel that night. Pam never left our side, her nursing skills helped keep us calm. Madison is doing fine now. We will never forget the friendship and love you have shown us.



Shasta Lodge # 2453

Redding, CA

by Carole Dellaragione

Greetings from Redding:

Since our last Il Leone article, we have continued to remain busy. We took a bus trip to a SF Giants game, had a great time. The Giants lost that game, but have won a few since. We picked up Joy Bruno, our Past State Trustee of the North, in Fairfield and had a lot of fun visiting with her.

We then catered a vow renewal reception for a lovely couple celebrating 20 years of marriage. They came in with beautiful decorations and we all enjoyed the day. Just two days later, nine of our members traveled to the the Camp for Life to cook a dinner. The Camp for Life takes place at Whiskeytown National Recreation Area and offers children with terminal illness and developmental disabilities a chance to go to camp for one week. Parents and children alike attend the camp, which was co-founded by the Walmart Heart program and Missing in America. Our group donated Shasta Lodge's spaghetti sauce and served them spaghetti, meatballs, salad and bread. Thank you to John DiMatteo, Steve Delben, Bob Gullixson, Al Wolochuk, Mitch and Rita Mandina, Jean Russell, and Louann Roberts and her sister Pillar.

We continue to have our bocce social nights at the park when the weather allows. It always seems to be cooler in the park when we are playing bocce and having fun. Those that have been playing a long time are helping those of us who are just learning. We have a lot of friends coming down to play too, along with some members we don't see too of-

ten. Chance to get some new teams for Paesano Days and maybe a couple new lodge members. We are hoping to start a league in the fall.

Speaking of Paesano Days, our big event will be held September 22nd and 23rd this year, once again at our new bocce courts at South City Park. We will have a Friday night Spaghetti Dinner, and our meatball sandwiches and Italian sausage sandwiches on Saturday. Adult beverages will be available and of course cannoli. The bocce tournament will start Friday afternoon and hopefully finish in the early evening on Saturday. The basket committee headed by Sharon Roberts and Gerry Carroll, is busy getting ready for our raffle. The "Sauce Boys" Jim Nobili and Paul Monette will start making sauce soon. John DiMatteo our chair, along with co-chairs Steve Delben and Doug Piazza are busy getting banners made, advertising in place, and helpers lined up. We hope some of you will make the short trip to Redding and join us for a couple of days of fun.

And of course just a couple of weeks after Paesano Days, some of us will be attending the Columbus Day celebration in Reno. Hope to see some of the Reno and Sparks members there. Then watch for the Wings of Angels fundraiser to be held later in September.

Hope you have all had a nice summer. I look forward to fall and maybe a little cooler weather.

Ciao

Your friends at Shasta Lodge #2453



The guys who helped with Camp for Life: Mitch Mandina, John DiMatteo, Steve Delben, Bob Gullixson and Alan Wolochuk.



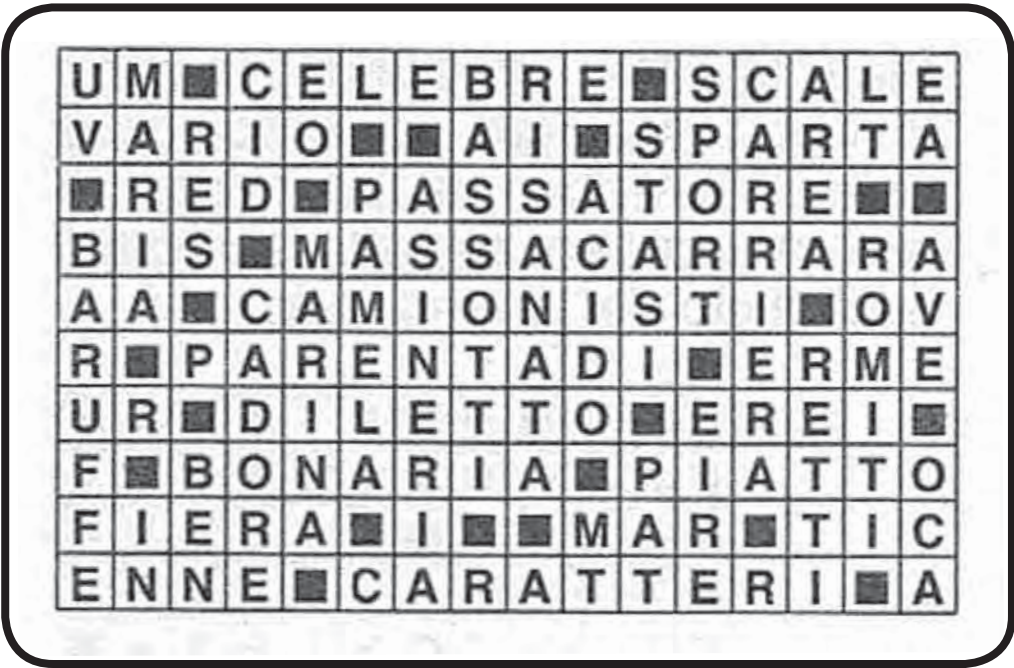
Giants Game: Rose Nobili, Jim Nobili, and Past State Trustee of the North Joy Bruno.



Weed Bocce Courts: Sharon and Jim Roberts stopped in Weed to play bocce while on way home from a vacation with Gerry Carroll.



The ladies who helped with Camp for Life, Pillar , Rita Mandina, Jean Russell and Louann Roberts.



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