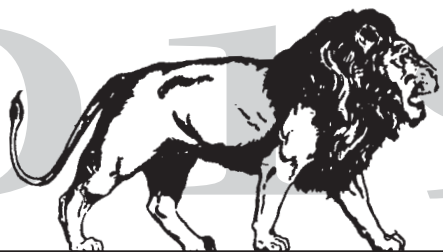


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## A Message From The State President



*State President  
John Costa*

First and foremost Andy, please get well, I miss your reminder email that my article is almost late. Take it slow and easy. I know Debbie will do a great job in your absence.

Please keep Andy in our thoughts and prayers as he recuperates!!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with friends and family. Turkey sandwiches for all for the next week. November has flown by, now it is time to hear all the Christmas carols as we walk into the various stores thinking about what to buy for that perfect gift. As I mentioned in my last article, you could always purchase a "winner every day ticket". They are available, just contact the Grand Lodge office. It's a gift that will give back over and over if you are lucky.

Just when I thought my time would slow down, it seems that it's just the opposite. Between meetings, officers' meetings, anniversary celebrations and dinners, I wonder how I have time to work, (don't tell my boss). I thoroughly enjoy being State President for the last two and a half years. Yes, it's a lot of work, but the rewards are there! Speaking of anniversaries, I was suppose to attend the Caesar Battista Lodge's 90th anniversary on Oct. 10th, but it was postponed due to the northern California fires. However, they were able to change the date to November 14th. Congratulations to the officers and members on a great event and an outstanding meal.

Speaking of fires, once again I have not heard of any member with loss of proper-

ty. I know a lot of us lost food when the power was off., but we are all safe and our homes as well. Thank you once again to our First Responders and Firefighters.

Those lodges interested in having a young lady or gentleman participate in the Royal Pageant, please contact Eva Lavezzari, the committee chairperson. This is a great way for both the filial lodges and participant to earn extra income, and it's a fundraiser for the Grand Lodge. Even if your lodge does not have a participant, the lodge could still sell tickets for a chance to earn extra money or win a cash prize. Let's work together!

I have been hearing that a lot of our lodges have been initiating new members, this is great. I am initiating a group of new members at the end of November at that Northern Solano Lodge. Keep up the good work, "Remember, MEMBERSHIP" is the key to our existence.

With 2020 right around the corner, have you thought of your New Year's resolutions yet? Let's all work together to help our Grand Lodge flourish in the years to come.

Again, my phone is always on; feel free to contact me anytime. An open line of communication is the key. We have so many ways to communicate now, let's use them all. Touch base with our Social Media Committee to see our Facebook page, Instagram, Twitter, just the new avenues to get the word out that we are the "best kept secret"

In closing, First Lady Donna Lee and I wish all of you and your families a Very Merry Christmas and, here is to a very prosperous New Year!!



*State 1st Vice President  
Barbara Wisniewski*

My Dear Sisters and Brothers:

First, let me thank you for the love that came from across the nation when my Dad left us. Your cards and calls helped to ease this difficult time.

I am currently in beautiful Palm Springs where Ken and I were fortunate to be a part of the first golf outing here for the Western Foundation, put together by the Dolly Sinatra Lodge. Joe LaPorta and his Lodge did a wonderful job. The outing was well attended by members across the Grand Lodge.

I can't believe we are ending another year. I want to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Thank you for all you do to keep our Order strong.

Till next year  
Fraternally  
Barbara



*State 2nd Vice President  
Pauline Richmond*

With a sad heart I said farewell to an amazing and beautiful friend. We traveled many roads together attending various OSDIA lodges events and anniversaries. She left me with wonderful memories of cherished times we shared!

Hopefully all of you and yours had a Happy Thanksgiving and are thankful to our Veterans for their lives, time, dedication and love of America which has enabled us to keep our freedom!

I had the honor and pleasure to represent our State President at the La Costa dei Fiori Lodges 41st Anniversary. Their theme was "Vintage Italian American Wedding Reception". Traditional Italian antipasto appetizers and dinner was served. They had a mock Wedding with Bride and Groom, toast, 1st dance, cake cutting and tossing of the Wedding Bouquet. What a fantastic idea and fun night for all in attendance! Many Guest came dressed in attire of the 40's era. Thank you to lodge president Sal Provenza, State 3rd Vice President Sadie Tamburine, Terry Messina and committee doing a wonderful job making the evening for all an enjoyable time. Proceeds from the attendance and raffles will continue promoting Italian American Culture and Charities they support each year.

The 13th of November I visited the C. Colombo Lodge #1315. A very productive and motivated lodge. They gave a report about their up-coming 10th Annual Cucidati Contest and Fall Festa with all profits to go to Lodge Scholarship Fund. I was please to hear the respect and support given to the Grand Lodge of California fund raiser's! I was asked

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*State 3rd Vice President  
Sadie Tamburine*

I trust everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends. We have a lot to be thankful for in this country and we owe it all to the men and women who have sacrificed so much for our freedom.

Well here it is December and time to celebrate Christmas. In Italy Christmas is a major holiday...which means Italians celebrate lots of great, unique Christmas traditions! Across Italy, "Natale" tends to be a family-centric holiday, a time to stay at home (and eat) with loved ones. However, customs vary from city to city, from exactly which dishes are served, to when to open presents, making every region an interesting place to enjoy the holidays.

Here are some of the most popular Christmas traditions in Italy.

Italians kick off the Christmas season (and start decorating) on the Day of the Immaculate Conception, December 8. Decorations and huge Christmas trees can be found in main piazzas, such as the front of the Colosseum or in Milan's Piazza Duomo. "Babbo Natale" (Father Christmas, the Italian version of Santa Claus) spreads holiday cheer.

During these eight days, also known as the "Novena", carolers singing traditional songs stroll the neighborhood. In Rome, southern Italy or Sicily "zampognari" or bagpipe players- travel from the nearby mountains to play their merry folklore carols. Along with the fancy lights, wreaths and trees, "presepi" (nativity scenes) are displayed in many churches and piazzas. Crafting these ornate works of art by hand remains an artisanal tradition in many parts of Italy. To go to the source, head to

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THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the wonderful people who have kept me in their thoughts and prayers. I received so many beautiful get well cards and they truly brightened my day. The outpouring of love really warmed my heart. So many friends that took the time to come and see me made my hospital stay so much more bearable. I'm working hard at rehab and hope to be home soon.

Much Love,  
Andy Pampuro  
Editor





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WISHING YOU A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS FILLED WITH MEMORIES YOU'LL ALWAYS TREASURE



STATE PRESIDENT JOHN COSTA  
FIRST LADY DONNA LEE COSTA



State Second Vice President  
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to speak and was able to inform them of what is happening in the Grand Lodge as well as the National Supreme Lodge. Also, National Membership Commission presentation on Webinar Tuesday, was held on November 12, 2019. Questions were answered with the feeling that my visit was well accepted and appreciated. I comment lodge president Carol Esposito and her officers running a well-organized general meeting. It was rewarding to visit a lodge that thinks positively with so much enthusiasm and to hear their calendar of events for the year!

Wishing you and yours a season filled with God's goodness and a Blessed and thankful heart.  
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Ciao until next month

Merry Christmas and A Happy and Healthy New Year



Barbara Wisniewski State 1st Vice President and Husband Ken

State Third Vice President  
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the world-famous city of Naples for "presepi". There are whole streets with one workshop after another devoted to the craft.

Ask an Italian when her family opens gifts, and you will find that it depends on where they are from. Gifts are commonly exchanged on Christmas Day after lunch—sometimes with the belief that Jesus delivered them—take that Santa. Smaller, northern Italian cities believe that the blind Saint Lucia brings gifts for children on December 13, so they open them that morning. Other families may wait until January 6. The Epiphany is when "la befana"—a kind of "good witch" who is believed to have followed the wise men, but got lost—drops off presents. "La befana" is a particular tradition in Rome and Bologna, where the main piazzas often host fun activities for the children; in Venice locals believe that "la befana" arrives every year by boat.

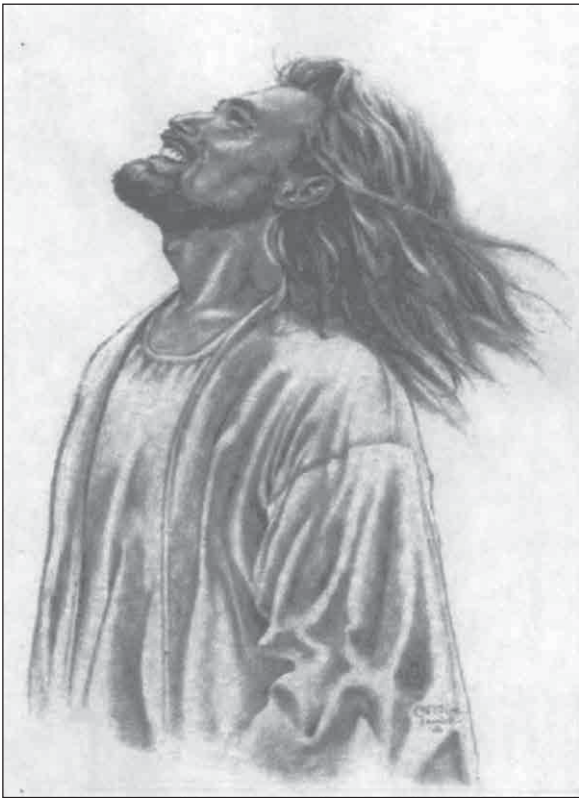
I could go on and on, but Italian traditions are too numerous for this article.

Buon Natale a tutti!!!

ATTENTION  
PLEASE

As most of you know Andy was in the hospital and is now in rehab to build up his strength. Please keep Andy and Louise in your thoughts and prayers. At this time he doesn't want any articles sent to him. Please make sure that articles are sent to [debbie@sanddgraphics.com](mailto:debbie@sanddgraphics.com).

I appreciate all your help.  
Thank you,  
Debbie Ure



Praying for peace and harmony  
throughout the world!  
Merry Christmas to all!!

Christmas Greetings to One and All!




Pauline Richmond  
State Second Vice President






Our very best wishes for a happy holiday season



Sadie Tamburine, State Third Vice President and husband Sid Tamburine





Our very best wishes for a happy holiday season!



Andy & Louise Pampuro  
Chairman, Media Committee





# Cesare Battisti Lodge #1815

Petaluma, CA  
by Louise Vicino

Greetings from Petaluma!

We recently had our Steak Dinner Meeting in place of our Turkey Dinner. The cooks did an excellent job, so we want to thank them for all their hard work and also to thank all others who helped in any way. Everything was delicious but the friendship felt in the room was great. Everyone had a great time.

Our State President Costa spent the evening with us and it was a pleasure for me to meet him. He was very warm and assisted Ernie by saying a few words to all of us as we did not hold a meeting.

Our Christmas Polenta/Stew Dinner will be held on December 12th in the big Assembly Hall at the Lucchesi Center on No. McDowell. It is a Thursday evening as the big hall is not available on a Friday. Reservations: Carol - 707-559-3119.

Regular Dinner/Meeting second Thursday in January.

There will not be a meeting in December.

On February 8th we will be having our Annual All You Can Eat Crab Feed. Menu is pasta, all you can eat crab, shredded lettuce and dressing to go with your crab, dessert, wine and coffee. Cost is \$50 and you must make a reservation with Ernie, 707-585-2928..

Get well wishes to Roseanna Cresci and anyone else who is ill. Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to those celebrating. I hope that you have a Happy Thanksgiving and the blessings of a Holy and Blessed Christmas and may the New Year bring you all, the happiness, joy, good health and love for you and your families.

God bless our troops, the homeless, victims of crimes and most importantly God bless America.

Remember to be nice to someone, you will always get it back in return.

Ciao,  
Louise Vicino

# Garibaldi – Meucci Museum

by Joy Bruno  
State Chair / National Overseer

Recently we attended the annual fundraising luncheon for the Museum . Our Immediate Past State President , Lynn Lawrence-Murphy and her husband, State Trustee, Bill, joined us in representing California. Lynn and Bill were on a cruise layover in New York which allowed them to attend. Each year the venue is LiGreci’s Staaten on Staten Island, New York. There were approximately 250 to 300 attendees. There were many speeches and awards presented. Madeline Matteucci, Immediate Past Chairperson of the Museum and Robert Ferrito, Immediate Past President of the Grand Lodge of New York were Honorees of the event.

Along with the usual raffles and donations made by honorees, guests in attendance and bricks purchased, the affair was a great suc-

cess and produced \$35,000 +, which to say the least is “WONDERFUL”.

After a most delicious and abundant meal, we visited the Museum to view the exhibits and tour the building and grounds, checking for familiar bricks. While enjoying the champagne and homemade cookies, we had the privilege of meeting and chatting with Professor Louis Leonini. His background is in European History, with a specialty in Italian History, Language, and Culture. He teaches Italian Language class and presents lectures at the Museum and at Italian Cultural Societies in the tri-state area. He certainly has the ability to make history very, very interesting. I have attended many of these annual events and find myself looking forward to my next visit to OUR very own Museum.



Merry Christmas  
&  
Happy New Year



from the Staff  
of the Il Leone

Holiday  
Greetings



from the  
Grand Lodge  
of California

Merry Christmas  
to all from the  
members of the  
Joanne Coccia  
Lodge #2553



Paul Finazzi  
President





Hanford Lodge # 1543

Hanford, CA  
by Jackie Giacomazzi

**CHRISTMAS PARTY:** Once again the Hanford Lodge will host a Christmas Party on December 11 at the Hanford Fraternal Hall beginning at 6:00 p.m. A “pizza party” will be featured, as well as lots of candy for young and old alike. “Santa” will be arriving to present gifts to the little ones!! **This year we are asking members and guests to dress in “UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATERS”** to add to the festivities. Children may attend in their favorite **PAJAMAS**. We want to make this a fun night for all!! **PLEASE CALL ME IF YOU ARE BRINGING A CHILD SO I CAN MAKE SURE SANTA KNOWS!!!! 559 584 7433 OR 816 0707.**

**SCHOLARSHIP NEWS:** Applications for scholarships will soon be posted at the high schools. Make sure your seniors take advantage in applying for the Hanford Lodge Scholarship as well as the Grand Lodge Scholarship. Requirements for the Hanford Lodge Scholarship: Student must be an active member of our Lodge for at least four (4) years and must have at least a 3.0 grade point average. Besides completing the high school’s application, the member must write an essay on **“What My Italian Heritage Means to Me.”** (at least one typewritten page, double spaced). This year our Scholarship Fund will give scholarships in memory of Lilia Giacom-

azzi, as presented by the Colombo-Stella Lodge #1149 of Fresno (Mille grazie for their most generous donation) and our very dedicated member, HazelAnn Christin. **BE SURE TO CHECK THE GRAND LODGE WEBSITE FOR ITS APPLICATION!!**

I would like to acknowledge the following who have contributed last month to our Fund in memory of HazelAnn: **Teresa & Ray Picollo, Leroy & Joann Beecher, Robert & June Pinkham, Randy & Roslyn Miles, Danny Dattola, Ralph & Suzie Agnello, Tony & Louise Tesoriere, Carol Todd & Jackie Giacomazzi.** Thank you all so much!!

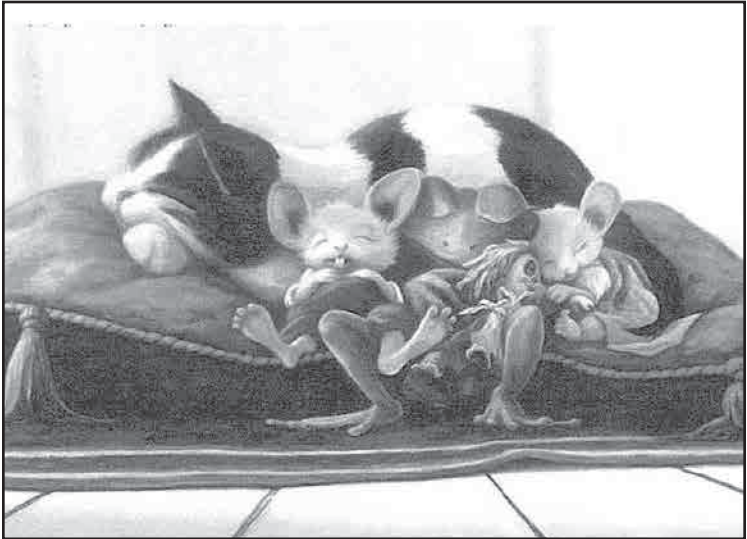
**WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS**

At our November meeting, we were honored to accept several new members into our Lodge: **Daniel & Kelsi Belezzuoli & their son, Vincent; and Julie Belezzuoi, her husband, Kyle Hathaway & their sons, Korban & Hudson.** Welcome, to all!!

**UNITED LODGES OF THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:** By Jackie Giacomazzi, Secretary **THE DECEMBER MEETING OF THE UNITED LODGES IS CANCELLED.** The next meeting will be March 8 hosted by Enrico Caruso Lodge of Visalia. Watch for more information soon.**MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!**



Helpers from our Spaghetti/Meatball Dinner/Sauce Sale held on October 28.



*Praying for peace and harmony  
throughout the world!  
Merry Christmas to all!*

Merry Christmas  
Buon Natale



Rosemarie Biagetti Vanderhaar  
State Scholarship Committee Chairperson  
Pugliese Lodge Recording Secretary  
United Lodges Recording Secretary

Best wishes to all for a  
joyous holiday season



Past State President Maria Fassio Pignati  
and husband, Ugo Pignati



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Music is a human invention. From the dawn of history music has played an important role in socializing and civilizing. Music evokes ideas and emotions. Music facilitates meditation. It can express any human emotion – tenderness, longing, worry, seriousness, loneliness, anger, jealousy, sadness, humor, contentment, hope, or joy.

Music reflects social values and sets the pace of social life. Various classes of people compose and listen to different genres of music. Compare the music of today to that of seventy-five years ago. And compare the music of teenagers living in cities to rural folks. There is a big difference. Radio, television, cinema, audio technology, and computers have made a great variety of Christmas music available to all people.

Music tells stories. Some songs promote radical social change, and other songs promote tradition. Music can be exclusively vocal or instrumental, and music is made by voice accompanied by instruments. Music anticipates the seasons and the calendar year. It is part of human nature. Special areas of the brain process music. But the human brain is so complex that music affects areas of the brain processing memory and critical thinking.

Christmas music narrates the birth of Jesus Christ. It is celebratory. It expresses hope and joy. It serves a traditional role in society. The first Christmas music was religious. Its themes facilitated Christian worship and personal spirituality. Gregorian chants were everywhere sung in cathedrals and chapels in Latin, such as the chant “Hodie Christus Natus Est” (Today Christ Is Born).

Eventually, much of the

Christmas music we enjoy adopted a secular role. Saint Francis of Assisi (1181-1226) advanced singing in the languages of the common people and arranged the first live nativity scene. Christmas minstrels of medieval Europe played music on pipes and small drums.

Christmas music includes all genres. Some remains religious. Many carols inspire religious devotion. The sixteenth-century carol “God Rest You Merry Gentlemen” is still performed to this day. Singing of carols for alms or charity began in England in the seventeenth century. Classical Christmas music has a European character, such as George F. Handel’s oratorio “Messiah.”

Christmas country music has a traditional American sound. Rockabilly and rock and roll celebrated Christmas in their own styles. The big bands of the 1930’s and 1940’s added to the lot of wonderful holiday music. It is not uncommon today to hear a variety of styles in a home or at a holiday event. Christmas music is enjoyed by millions of people around the world. Many children develop a love of music through listening to the songs and sounds of Christmas.

The Italian Americans have contributed much to Christmas music. In 1944, for example, Frank Sinatra backed by an orchestra under the direction of Axel Stordahl had a hit song on the Billboards pop singles chart with “White Christmas.” Italian Americans have sponsored and supported Christmas benefit concerts that have raising hundreds of thousands of dollars. Christmas music has also been enriched by the modern Italian tenors Andrea Bocelli and Luciano Pavarotti.



Christmas Postcard, Printed in Milan, Italy, 1942.

# Diablo Valley Lodge #2167

Pleasant Hill, CA  
by Linda Parent-Tasca, President

Our general membership meeting on October 17th, 2019, at Rocco’s Ristoranti & Pizzeria, was really enjoyable. I’m calling this the “Sing and Eat Italian” event. We were joined by two Grand Lodge National Officers, Arlene Nunziati and Joe Simoni, who braved a two-hour drive during commute hours to come to the “burbs!” Joe, also known as the “accordion guy” made good of his promise to me at Convention ... to come to one of our meetings and bring along his instrument. I arranged this as a surprise for our lodge members. Even the reserved ones couldn’t help but sing along to old favorites like “That’s Amore,” “Volare,” “Arrivaderci, Roma” etc. Hopefully, next time I’ll remember to bring along the lyrics...didn’t do much good left on my kitchen table! So happy that Rocco Biale, an OSDIA member and owner of the restaurant, agreed to entertainment in the back room. Bob Cuneo expressed gratitude and appreciation of Joe’s “gift” to us, a way to have our culture kept alive with the accordion music and singing. It brought back lots of good memories for him growing up with visitors and the sounds of music all around. Several others chimed in their agreement. This really was a nice change from our normal meetings.

We did justice to the food: 2 huge salads (House & Caesar), 2 pastas (rigatoni with meat sauce, and penne & pesto), 4 assorted pizzas; yummy spumoni ended the feast. At Rocco’s, Walnut Creek, there’s always great food and service and enough take-out boxes for the group! There were a few who couldn’t make it at the last minute and I’m sorry they weren’t able to share this evening which was really fun! We were happy to see Ron Artale back from his sick bed, busy bee Bianca Olson and her partner Mark, and Gina Zagotta whose

work and travel schedule most often keep her away from our meetings.

All members were encouraged to put on their thinking caps and come to Lodge meetings with ideas for activities, gatherings and fund-raisers. How about learning an Italian card game, or the names of foods so you can look at and understand an Italian menu without translation provided? There being only a few items to discuss, the meeting concluded with our Chaplain, Laura Bellini reciting a brief prayer to send us safely on our way.

General meeting on November 14th, 2019 was a late lunch at Melo’s Pasta and Pizza, a 45-year old restaurant in Pleasant Hill. As the waitress brought out a huge shared salad that Theresa Massetti ordered for the group, hot crusty bread followed by steaming entrees that were individually ordered, it was plain to see that everyone was hungrily anticipating this meal, almost before Laura said the mealtime prayer! The spumoni, served in hard-shell chocolate cups, was not only beautiful to look at, but wonderful to eat; each order could easily have been shared by two.

We had a couple of visitors, Ben Massetti with his Grandmother, and Bianca brought along a friend, Darlene Fleming, to whom she is teaching Italian. Italian while

a romantic language, can be difficult to pronounce despite what my Father-in-Law told me. Probably similar to listening to English spoken by someone from Boston, New Hampshire, Nashville or London and trying to decipher their accent. I asked how funghi (mushrooms) is said and got 3 very different pronunciations from people from the Alps, Sicily, and the Tuscany region. In future I might just say mushrooms and point at the menu!

The venue was not very conducive to holding a meeting, so much of what I said apparently wasn’t heard. I shared that our upcoming holiday dinner in December at Back Forty would be free to members and \$20 for guests, early reservations necessary. We agreed that a Secret Santa gift-giving (limit \$10), was a go, but an Ugly Christmas Sweater contest not so much so.

Our birthday celebration in February will be a polenta dinner. The Martinez Yacht Club and caterer have already been contacted, and Eddie the DJ and theme (Carnavale?) still need to be worked on.. Anne Mobley has also booked Viano Winery for our June picnic/barbecue so we have a few events to look forward to! With that info shared, the meeting wrapped up.

Until next time, Ciao. LPT





# Roma Lodge #1573

Tulare, CA  
by Larry Dutto

In **Roman times**, polenta (or as they knew it, pulmentum) was a staple of the mighty Roman Legions, who would eat it in either a porridge or cake-like form, just as it happens today. Roma Lodge celebrates the month of November with a traditional polenta and stew dinner at their meeting. **Michael DePaoli, Dominic Pitigliano, Josh Pitigliano, Matt Watkins and the DePaoli Family** headed up the cooking and decorations with some great polenta and stew.



(l-r) **Michael DePaoli** with daughter **Haydyn** show the empty pans of polenta enjoyed by Roma Lodge members at the November meeting.



**Pamela Sola**, Junior Member Coordinator working with the junior members making projects for the upcoming holidays.



Part of the large number of Roma Lodge members and guests at the November polenta dinner meeting. Over 70 members and guests attended.

# Rodolfo Valentino Lodge #1449

Clovis, CA  
by Carol Watson, President;  
**Lou Catallo, Historian; (559) 299-2205 lcatallo@aol.com**

**Last Month:** We reviewed the success of the October Pasta Dinner, and, as suspected, it all went well with minimum glitches; all goals were met. Discussion also related to the upcoming Clovis Electric Light Parade in downtown; some of the rules for the parade work against us (all float riders must be seated at all times, for example); we were also reminded that in September we had decided to not enter the 2019 parade, and determine at a later time if we wanted to participate.

**The United Lodges of the Central San Joaquin Valley:** The December meeting has been cancelled until March of next year, so watch this space for more info.

**A big "Hello" and "Ciao"** to our friends in San Francisco!

**Winter is a big stressor** for our bodies, so keep your feet warm, stay hydrated, wash your hands with soap and water (works better than using hand sanitizer) and wear your footies to bed.

**Italian Wedding Cookie is not an actual cookie!** It is a custom, with no specific recipe. First, it had to be home-made by the families involved in the wedding. Preferred cookies were Pignoli, Biscotti, Pizzella, Cucidati, Butter Cookies,

Seed Cookies, Anise Cookies, Lady Lock Cookies, and Peanut Butter Blossoms, with maybe a Fiore Fritto thrown in, but not Rum Balls. Italian and Eastern European emigrants to the Pittsburg, PA, area, circa 1885, and onward, have traditionally used a Cookie Table at their wedding receptions; cake was not yet a tradition for weddings; for many, cookies were for breakfast. At the party typical comment is "What wedding? I'm here for the cookies. The custom is also shared by Mexico, but there is no Spanish language equivalent for the practice. If you are from Calabria, yes, I know they take credit for it.

**This Month, Monday, December 16, 2018,** will not be our Christmas Dinner (that will be January 20, 2020, possibly at Luna's); for this month we will meet at Luna's in their Banquet Room with hor d'oeuvres to be served.

**An old Italian proverb** says: chi parla poco, gli basta la metà del cervello; or: The least said, the soonest mended.

**Sadly** I report the passing of an old friend, Mary Jane (Ciavaglia) Faoro. She is the youngest daughter of Frank Ciavaglia, originally of Pastena, Italy; Frank was a coal miner in Dawson, New Mexico, moving to Clovis in 1925

to a grape vineyard where he raised his 8 Children. Frank, with others, helped establish the Rodolfo Valentino Lodge in Clovis in 1927 and was a charter member. For Mary: she led a beautiful life.

**In Italy, a passeggiata** is usually a Sunday family stroll. The "stroll" can be a walk-in town or a small hike along a nearby trail. Sometimes, this could include a suitor with an interest in one of the family members, so the family becomes, essentially, a chaperone for the "date".

**Clay P. Bedford tells us** that "Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new."; It is not a mistake to encourage kids toward a scholarship by contacting Isabel Ronzano; the time is now; national and state scholarships are also offered.

**Join Us:** If you have friends or family that are looking for good fellowship and a place to hang out on the third Monday of each month, invite them to join you at our meetings, 6:30 PM, at Notre Dame Hall, 333 8th Street, at DeWitt Avenue. We feature short meetings, great companionship, and superb food. Our web site is <http://rodolfovalentinolodge.com/>.

Christmas Greetings  
from the  
Officers & Members of the  
ANAHEIM LODGE #2076  
**Buon Natale**  
Eva Lavezzari, President

Merry  
Christmas



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Merry  
Christmas  
And  
Happy  
New Year!  
Love,  
Grand Lodge Queen  
Brianna Simon





# Lynn Lawrence Murphy is presented IL Leone Donation from Philip Privitera



I presented it in front of one of the Statues I donated to Boston and Metro Boston Area. This one is fittingly in Boston’s Italian North End on Hanover Street. It is a statue of a life long friend and an OSDIA Greater Boston Renaissance Brother of mine Tony DeMarco (World Welter Weight Champ 1955).

## Youth Committee

by Brian Watson

Greetings Brothers and Sisters

I hope everyone is getting ready for a festive holiday season this year. Last month I talked about posting youth pictures on the Grand Lodge website and I have gotten a couple responses so far. If anyone has pictures of the youth either at convention or at your local lodge I would love a copy of them to add to the site. If they are pictures from 20 yours ago or from your last lodge meeting we would love to see them all. If anyone has pictures of youth events please email them to me with a short description of the event, when it was and who is pictured. My email is Pumbaa673@yahoo.com you can also send them to osia.ca.webmaster@gmail.com and please put youth pictures in the subject line.

Again, I am still planning on providing a free convention package for the youth members who would like to attend but we will need your help again. I am calling on all parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles to support the Little Lion Program again.

The last time we were in the Bay Area I used the Go San Francisco pass that allows entry to 25+ attractions

for one price and we had a great time with it. Since Concord is close to San Francisco I have been looking into these passes again. Some of the attractions included in the pass are, California Academy of Sciences, Madame Trussauds wax museum, Bridge to Bridge cruise, Ripley’s Believe it or Not!, Alcatraz Island, Great America (probably a little too far away though), SF Museum of Modern Art, the Exploratorium, Aquarium of the Bay and many many more. Great thing about this is you can go to as many as you want while you have the pass. I am also looking into a Giants baseball game, if I have my dates right they finish a series with the Mets and start a series with the Dodgers while we are in town. Nothing is set in stone, I am just starting out my event planning at this point. If you are from the area I would love to hear from you with ideas for events also, no one knows better than those who are local to the convention city.


With a no cost convention youth package for the kids I am calling on everyone to please support the Little Lion Program either as an individual, as a lodge, or as both. I

have again set up different levels of support for the program. Those who donate over \$100 will be part of the elite Platinum level, donations up to \$100 are in the Gold level, up to \$50 donations are silver level and the bronze level is up to \$25.


This is a great way to invest in our youth and the future of our organization. For those of you who were at convention and saw the looks on the faces of our youth members could see how excited they were about being a part of the order and how they want to do more with their lodges and other youth members.

If you have a youth member who would like to attend convention this year ask them what kind of things would be exciting for them to do and to learn about and call, email, text, or write me and let me know what’s on their minds.

Fraternally,  
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Youth Committee Chair  
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Best wishes for a  
Happy Holiday Season



Arlene Nunziati, National Alzheimers Chair

Past State President  
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# Saddleback Valley Lodge #2566 Mission Viejo, CA

In honor of the special day in November, Saddleback Valley Lodge hosted a fabulous Thanksgiving dinner. We didn't miss any of the trimmings! We had roasted turkey, potatoes & gravy, dressing, green beans and an assortment of salads. It must have been the aroma of the meal that brought in nearly 70 members and guests. Thank you Lowingers for making the preparations. We

Italians do love parties! In addition to our feast, we honored many members for their long time membership and service: Louise and Andy Pampuro-50 years, Teresa Arieta, Nancy Constantino, Al Rossi, and Al Trentini-35 years, Emmett Yana-25 years & Lucy Gallo received a certificate for 30 years. There were also certificates given to 5 members for 15 years, 6 members for 10 years, and

10 members for 5 years. No wonder our lodge is so strong with members like these! Pete Dito organized an excursion to CHRIST CATHEDRAL in Garden Grove this month. On display are reproductions of the Sistine Chapel in Rome. The works of Michaelangelo are seen up close in panels. The brilliant colors are amazing! A recorded discription fol-

lowed us around the complete exhibit. Don't miss this if you have a chance. From there we lunched at Lucille's Barbeque Restaurant. What a treat to have 20 members sitting around the table talking about Italian art. The whole lodge is missing our member Andy Pampuro. He's on the mend and will soon be home under the great care of Louise!



Lucy Gallo & Joann Copp.



Al Trentini & Joann Copp.



Joann Copp, Louise Pampuro & Tony Marraccino.



Sistine Chapel

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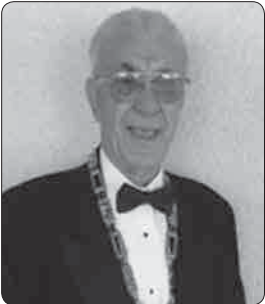
## Buon Natale



Merry Christmas  
from  
Past State President John Tedesco  
and Pam Tedesco, Past First Lady



## Merry Christmas



Manny Finazzo  
State Trustee South



# Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!





Shasta Lodge # 2453

Redding, CA

by Carole Dellaragione

Hello from Redding,

On November 9th our council members, along with a few helpers, prepared and served our annual Thanksgiving/Memorial Dinner to about 80 family and friends. Our Chaplain Charlotte Bailey gave a nice tribute to our deceased members and to our veterans. President Jim Nobili read the names of our departed members while Charlotte ran the bell for each one. And as the names were read we lit candles at our tables when we recognized our loved ones who had passed.

All proceeds from this dinner go to our scholarship fund. With a donation of a lovely basket from Rhonda Minch to be raffled, and a few other donations, we added close to \$1500 for our scholarship fund.

Thanks to Paul Monette for heading up the kitchen crew, the dinner was wonderful. Also thanks to those who are not on council for all their help.

On November 20th we held a blood drive at Vitalant in Redding in memory of deceased member Joe Soltis. Joe was chairman of our blood drives for many years. He would be proud to know that Bob Gullixson will continue in his place. His family will be in town for Thanksgiving and with his wife Billie, will be donating blood next week to honor Joe. Thanks to all who donated. A drawing will be held for a dinner at a local restaurant once everybody has had a chance to donate.

We have many parties at the lodge from December 3 to December 14th so many of us will be doing double duty entertaining our guests.

The date for our Crab Feed was announced at the November meeting. Tickets are now on sale for Friday, February 7th and Saturday, February 8th, 2020. Hope some of you will be able to join us.

We are all grateful that the fires in the Sonoma did not impact the Valley of the Moon Lodge, that none of their homes were lost.

Wishing you all a very Blessed and Merry Christmas.

Ciao, your friends at Shasta Lodge.



Jean Russell, Bob Gullixson and Liz Lamarre at Vitalant Blood Drive in Memory of Joe Soltis.



Mary Ellen Maddox, Jean-Marie Carr, Sharon Roberts, Gerry Carroll and Rose Nobili at the Thanksgiving Memorial Dinner.



Jim Lamanna, John Tasello, Steve Delben, Jim Nobili, John DiMatteo and Paul Monette ready to start cooking Thanksgiving Memorial Dinner.

Buon Natale to all



Hugh & Pam Ricci

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



Debbie Ure  
Assistant to Andy Pampuro  
Il Leone



Merry Christmas and best wishes for the New Year!



Past State President and Western Foundaton CAO Roy T. Vanoni and wife, Yvonne



Wishing you all the many joys and blessing of the holiday season



Past National President  
Past State President  
Frank J. De Santis and wife Eileen



Lodge Anniversaries

Giuseppe Mazzini #2424 12/10/50

Congratulations!!!





PUGLIESE LODGE #1375  
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*Grand Lodge Scholarship Chairperso, Rosemarie Biagetti Vanderhaar*

*Wishing everyone a  
Merry Christmas and  
a Happy New Year*



From The Members of the  
Enrico Caruso Lodge #1463



*“From Visalia With Love”*



365 Fund Raiser - Winners

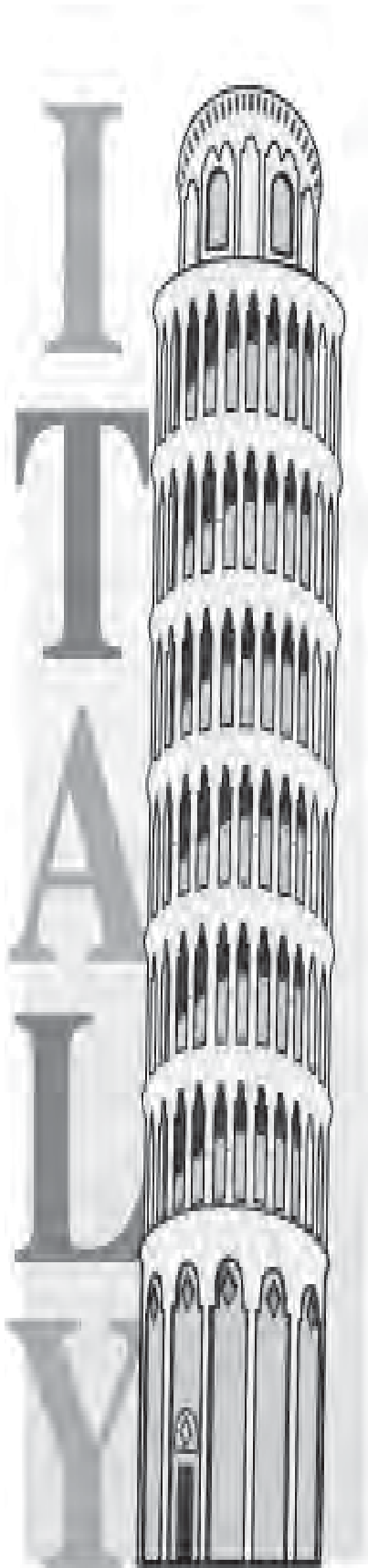
Oct. 16-31		
16	\$25.00	Chentel Fazio
17	\$25.00	Paulette Lagana
18	\$25.00	Elaine Quillin
19	\$25.00	Janet Shiverly
20	\$25.00	Northern Solano Lodge
21	\$25.00	Carolyn Johnson
22	\$25.00	Louise Silacci
23	\$25.00	Mary Lucido
24	\$25.00	Mary Jane Cambria
25	\$25.00	Carmaline Giotta
26	\$25.00	Tricia Trone
27	\$25.00	Nick Simon
28	\$25.00	Mike Carroll
29	\$25.00	SttephanieFirpo
30	\$25.00	Lorenzo & Emilio Nunziati
31	\$50.00	Roy Vanoni
Nov. 1-15		
1	\$2500	Lizzy Simon
2	\$25.00	Minnie Baffo
3	\$25.00	Kate Watkins
4	\$25.00	Leslie Emge
5	\$25.00	Rodolfo Valentino
6	\$25.00	Yvette Sanfilippo
7	\$25.00	Pauline Richmond
8	\$25.00	Giovanna Depaoli
9	\$25.00	Giana Daramy
10	\$25.00	Nico Bldo
11	\$25.00	Henry Parrio
12	\$25.00	John Tedesco
13	\$25.00	Hank Lowinger
14	\$500.00	Janey Lionardich
15	\$25.00	Mark Rossi

365 Winners

In last month’s issue we made a terrible error saying that someone won \$200 on the 25th of the month. This was not true. the person only won \$25. The only time the prize is bigger is as follows:

- Last day of the month - \$50
- Mother’s Day - \$200
- Father’s Day - \$200
- Christmas Day - \$200
- New Year’s Day - \$200
- and Columbus Day - \$500

This is it, if you see something different once in a while it is wrong.  
We try our best not to make mistakes but it does happen and we do apologize if it causes any misunderstandings.



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Saddleback Valley Lodge #2566  
wishes you all the many joys and  
blessing of the holiday season



President Hank Lowinger and wife, Michelle

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year  
from the Officers and Members of  
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Steve Guthrie, President

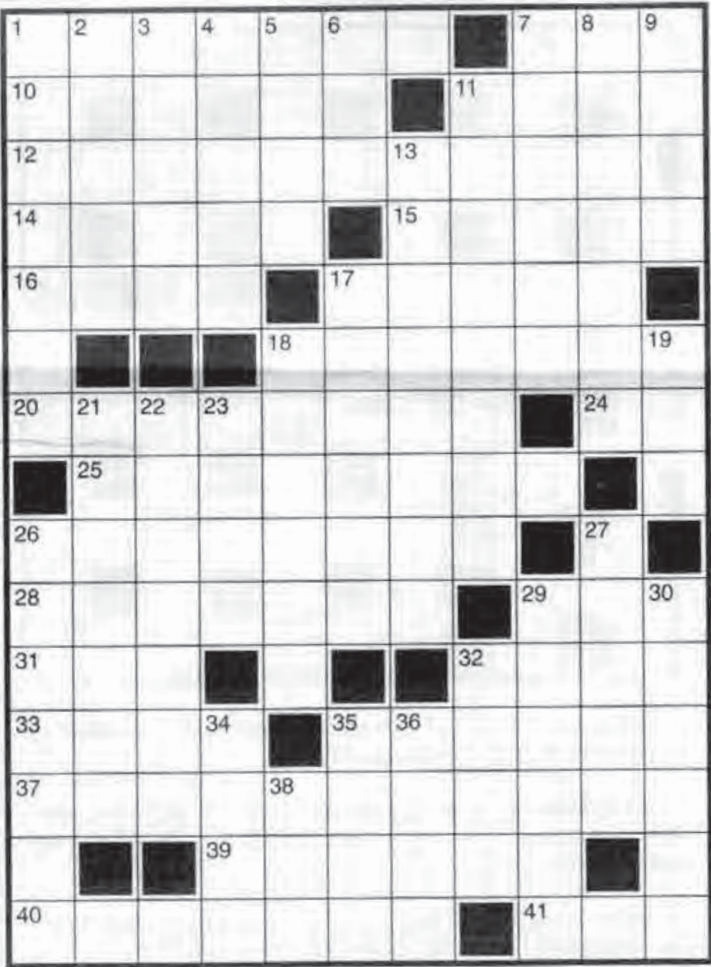
The officers and members  
of the  
Renaissance Lodge #2259  
wish you and your family  
a very joyous Holiday Season!



President Mary Jane Cambria



CRUCIVERBA



ORIZZONTALI

1. Un genere di funghi.  
7. Il nome dell'attore Wallach.  
10. Lo Stato di Ottawa.  
11. Il Pitt del cinema.  
12. Avversaria... nella trattativa.  
14. Pesce dai bei riflessi.  
15. Arrabbiata.  
16. Anche alternata in poesia.

17. Costruzione in montagna.

18. Artisti con i pennelli.  
20. Il poeta lo è dalla Musa.

24. Cuore di diva.  
25. Un cittadino francese.

26. Fase di arresto dell'economia.

28. Lode... ufficiale.

29. Il commediografo Benelli.

31. Organizzazione contro

- la fame (sigla).  
32. Il cinquanta per cento.  
33. Il nome della Fitzgerald.  
35. Narrò le avventure di Tartarin.  
37. Rimettere... in carica.  
39. Automezzo per merci.  
40. Grande lago nordamericano.  
41. Avverbio di luogo.

VERTICALI

1. Stefano attore.  
2. Indigeni neozelandesi.  
3. Regione indocinese.  
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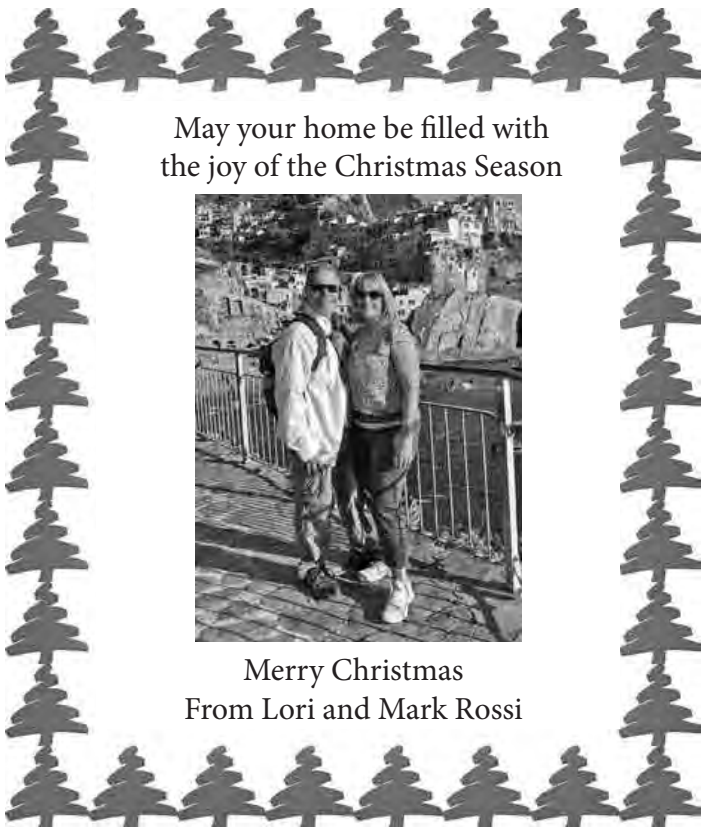
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