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# Message From Your State President



**Arlene Marcucci**  
**Nunziati**  
**State Present**  
**"INSIEME"**

Happy 2024 everyone. Hope the first month has been good and exciting for you. It is a new year. Let's call someone we have not spoken to in a long time and wish them Happy New Year.

I spent two wonderful days at our office and it is looking great. We have desks, book cases and filing cabinets. Everything looks terrific. We still have boxes to unload and boxes to transfer from our storage area, but it all takes time. I cannot wait for everyone to see our new building when we convene for Grand Council in March.

Thank you Lynn Lawrence-Murphy for coming up to help unload boxes and special thanks to Lori Rossi who is there every week. I cannot thank Lori enough for all the work she has done.

I would also like to thank Debbie Ure for all the years that she worked on our Il Leone with and without Andy Pampuro. They created a wonderful paper. Debbie has decided

to retire and in the interim, Anna Galbo-Graeber and Luigi DiGrande will be publishing the paper. Please note the new deadline is now the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Also make note of illeone.ca@gmail.com is the only email address to send your articles.

I plan to travel to the office about every two weeks and spend a few days. It is 122 miles on way from my house to the office.

I attended the meeting of the Sacramento Lodge and enjoyed a delicious lasagna dinner and a great meeting run very efficiently by President Dan Marinelli. Bingo was played after the meeting. I even met a cousin of a member of my Columbia Lodge there. Thank you for the wonderful SF 49er puzzle

Sacramento Lodge.

Happy Belated "special" birthday to Past State President Maria Pignati. Ugo had a lovely luncheon for her at the Peninsula Italian American Social Club.

I attended the meeting of the Cornelia Vita Nuova Lodge and enjoyed seeing their new President, Jennifer Chandler, and officers in action. They have another event coming up and am sure they will let you all know about it.

Please remember to invite me and your State Officers to your meetings and events. We want to attend if our schedule allows.

There are quite a few lodges celebrating their 100th anniversaries this

year. Let's all try to attend and support them if we can. These are very special lodges that have fought hard to stay in existence for that long. If they can do it, we all can!

Happy Valentine's Day. Let's go SF Niners! Bring in that one new member!

Ciao



**News from the South**  
**Mark Vaona**  
**State First Vice Present**

Well it's the start of another year I hope everyone had a great holiday and got everything they wished for. Grand council is getting ready for our March meeting at our new building. It would be great to see many of you there to see it. I was fortunate enough to be able to continue my parents tradition of cooking Christmas party for the Residents, there families and caregivers as well as the staff of StarHouse. My lodge also hosted our annual Toys for Tots and I saw many faces I had not seen in a while. I know we have a few milestone lodge

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**News from the North**  
**Louis Lodi**  
**State Second Vice Present**

Brothers and Sisters, I would like to bring to everyone's attention that we have four lodges in Northern California celebrating their 100th anniversary. They are the Weed Lodge #1269 on April 13th, Eureka Lodge #1274 on March 23rd, Camelia - Colombo Lodge #1294 in June and C. Colombo Lodge #1315 in August. This will be such a milestone for these lodges, so I hope you can set aside one or more of these dates and come join us in these historic accomplishments. You can check in your Il Leone Lodge directory and call the recording Secretary of that Lodge for more

Information. Looking forward to seeing you there!

In January, I attended the Roseville Lodge #1413 officers meeting. They discussed ways of making their dinners more interesting and appealing! They are really doing a great job at their dinners, and they came up with some new things to add to their already wonderful gatherings. They worked up the entire year's themes for every meeting and talked about different fundraisers. My thoughts and prayers go out to their president Tom Tommasi who lost his sister in December.

On January 10th Sacramento Lodge #1352 had their Lasagna dinner and Bingo Night, everyone enjoyed themselves, even our state president Arlene Nunziati came and participated in the bingo and dinner. On January 27th Lodi and I drove to Fairfield to attend Northern Solano Lodge #2534 Annual Crab Feed. The crab was "crab delicious"! I understand that the cannoli were out of this world too. If any of you get a chance to attend one of their dinners, they meet on the third

Thursday of every month. The food is delicious, and you cannot beat the price because it's FREE! That's right, every meal is always free.

In closing I am looking forward towards 2024 as a growth year in the life of Sons and Daughters of Italy. A year where if you can "just ask" people around us to come to one of our fundraisers or monthly dinners and enjoy our food, our fun and camaraderie, plus our wonderful family of California Italians, I'm sure it will increase our membership by over 300 new Paisanos! I would like our members to start the new year out with a phone call to someone whom you have not talked to in a while. A friend, a family member or even someone you had a disagreement with and just ask them how they are doing, tell them you were just thinking about them and thought you'd give him or her a call. Let's have a great 2024 and I will see you soon.

Ciao for now,

Louie Lodi



**News From the Central**  
**Alan Spano**  
**State Third Vice President**

February 2024 has arrived! The month of love, dedication and commitment! This February 14th has special significance for more than the love of a special person in your life.

In 2024, February 14th isn't only Valentine's Day's, it is also Ash Wednesday, and the start of lent, one of the most holy days in the Christian calendar.

Along with showing the love, dedication and commitment to the special person in your life, and the family you have made together, we celebrate that love with those that day.

While we normally celebrate Valentine's Day's, eating and giving chocolates and flowers, also a grand meal, (mine would be a nice 16oz rare ribeye), this year is a little different because

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News From the North cont...

celebrations upcoming and I hope to visit as many lodges as I can this year. And a quick thank you to Anna Galbo-Graeber is in order as I was remiss in not catching that the deadline for messages to the IL Leone had changed so that she could try to get the paper to everyone at the beginning of the month. Thank you for calling and letting me know. We have a lot of very hardworking people in the Grand Lodge and I am thankful for all of you.

Sincerely,  
  
Mark Vaona  
First State Vice President

News From the Central cont...

it's also a day of dedication and commitment, to the most loving God, who sent his only begotten son, Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, as it is a day of fasting and that eating meat is forbidden. On that day we will also show the devotion and commitment During the 40 days of lent, as a sign of our commitment to him, we each choose one of the simple pleasures of life, stop from eating things like eating chocolate, ice cream or sweets, and even doing meaningless things that are a joy to do. We also can choose a more untraditional choice, like committing to helping at a food kitchen feeding the poor twice a week during lent! So on Tuesday February 13th, eat all the steak, chicken, chocolate and sweets you want!

To: Supreme Council, SIF, CSJ,  
National Membership Commission,  
Italian Relations & Culture Committee,  
FOTO Committee

**You are invited to participate in a trip to Venice, Milan, Rome, and Palermo from April 24 to May 6, 2024.**  
The main purpose of this trip is to connect with the existing three Italian lodges by participating in meetings and scheduled events and to charter new lodges in Italy.

**This would be a great opportunity to meet members of our Italian lodges!**

- The Venice leg of the trip (April 24-26) is to attend a ceremony honoring Joe Sciamè. This part of the trip is optional
- We will be in Milan April 26-30, where part of the group will be attending meetings with government officials, potential new lodge prospects, and maybe even a basketball game to give an award in person to our 2023 Sports Award recipient, Ettore Messina!
- After that, we will be in Rome from April 30 to May 2, where we will participate in events with the Rome lodges.
- We will end up in Palermo on May 2 and return to the U.S. on May 6.

Everyone participating in this trip will be paying their own way. The price per person for the entire trip, based on double occupancy, is approximately \$ 2,975 (for a group of 20 participants). If the number of travelers decreases, the final cost will be higher. If you have limited time, you can choose to participate in the parts/legs of the trip that are most convenient.

The price includes most transfers but does NOT include flights between the US and Italy or from Rome to Palermo. If you are interested, we will send you more details, terms and conditions, and payment arrangements as soon as they are available. For now, we need to have an idea about the level of interest, as that will directly affect the per person cost.

If you may be interested in participating in this historic trip, please let us know as soon as possible by completing a short form. The form is located on the web at: <https://forms.monday.com/forms/3d0835040a77bbc6211e72eeaf231928?r=use1>

Rodolfo Valentino Lodge #1449  
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**Your New Year's Resolutions are going great?** You can commit to your commitments, right?  
**Bottom Line Personal tells us** that the flu shot reduces your chances of dementia by 40%.  
**Reminder:** Our meetings are now back onto our regular schedule of the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 PM at Luna's on Pollasky Ave. in Clovis. Be aware that this is being looked at for several reasons, cost being one of them; and, also, most members want to get back to our third Monday of the month instead of the first Wednesday of the month. Our January meeting had a good showing. Discussions involved fund raising and meeting scheduling.  
**Patrick Herrera, a Clovis direct descendant of Pancho Villa**, just last week, reminded us that there is no European Dream, nor a Mexican Dream, or China Dream; there is only the American Dream.  
**Grand Lodge Convention is scheduled for the end** of June at the Concord Hilton, with Brian again in charge of the Young Lions; that means he needs our financial support Make your checks payable to the Western Foundation It also means we need a Lodge Delegate to help out in the voting; call Brian for arrangements.  
**Now is the time to shape** good minds; think before you open your mouth: check this issue of IL Leone for Grand Lodge and National information regarding available scholarships.  
**Say it in Italian:** "Il mio cuore batte solo per te", or, My heart beats only for you. Say it to your spouse!

Italian Ambassador to the US  
Visits Bay Area

On Friday, November 17, 2023, Her Excellency Mariangela Zappia, Italian Ambassador to the United States, attended a meeting at the Italian Consulate in San Francisco, with representatives of many Italian associations present to discuss the "strengthening the unity of the Italian and Italian-American Community in the Bay Area in current challenges and new projects." The meeting was beautifully hosted and moderated by Consul General Sergio Strozzi, who introduced the Ambassador who mentioned her pleasure in being with us, and who then gave some interesting and insightful remarks on the unity and growth of the Italian Community of San Francisco and future common projects between organizations and Italy. This was followed by an informative question and answer period, with the gathering ending with networking over coffee and dessert.

Representing the Sons and Daughters of Italy was Past State President Maria Fassio Pignati, and Columbia Lodge President Angelo Fanucchi, who represented our State President Arlene M. Nunziati.

The Ambassador came to the Bay Area to participate in the panel "Boosting the Italian-American collaboration in the field of tech and innovation in Silicon Valley" held at INNOVIT, the Italian Innovation and Culture Hub in San Francisco. She also visited the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory at UC Berkeley, meeting with Italian researchers and professors to view the start-up accelerator and incubator at the UC Berkeley SkyDeck. The Italian Community was most honored by her presence!



L to R: Past State President Maria Fassio Pignati, Columbia Lodge President Angelo Fanucchi, Her Excellency Mariangela Zappia, and Consul General Sergio Strozzi



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**Profiles in Grandeur**  
**By Anthony N. Finazzo**  
**JOANNE COCCIA LODGE #2553**

On December 6, 2023, the Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles celebrated “A Century of Grandeur”. 100 years in existence from 1923 to 2023. Constance Furnare called them and wished them a “Happy Birthday” and told them that she also celebrated 100 years. She also told them that she had lunch at the Biltmore in 1946. The executives invited her to attend their fantastic event. Constance Furnare (aka - Connie) was their honored guest escorted by her daughter, Janet, and son-in-law Bruce Hertzling. Connie was very excited to join them for this special gala. Mr. Jimmy Wee, Biltmore’s Executive comped them with two beautiful suites for two nights plus meals. There was an orchestra, entertainment, and dancing for all the festivities with cocktails and dinner. On arrival, she was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers. The Biltmore Hotel Executives were thrilled to have Constance as their honored guest. Many pictures were taken during the

entire evening in her honor. She certainly received the “RED CARPET” treatment. The smiles on her face tells the whole story for being made the Queen for the entire evening and treated like royalty. Connie wrote: “After speeches and entertainment was over, I was lead on stage to say a few words. Applause rang out as I left the stage and was bombarded with people wanting pictures with me”. Connie stated, “It was the most exquisite place you could go to. There was no other place like it. It was so wonderful to be part of the Grandeur of the Historic event, a moment in my life I’ll never forget.” Constance Furnare is a member of the Joanne Coccia Lodge #2553. The Board of Directors and members of our lodge are very happy that you were able to spend an evening of fun with the Biltmore Executives to celebrate 100 years together. God has blessed you with excellent health, mind, and spirit. We wish you many more years of good health.





Eureka Lodge #1274  
By Joe Bonino

Cesare Battisti Lodge #1518  
Petaluma, CA  
By Anna Biggio, Recording Secretary

Eureka Lodge's 100th anniversary dinner celebration is scheduled for March 23rd at the City of Eureka's Wharfinger Building overlooking Humboldt Bay and the city marina. The festivities will begin at 5PM and a catered dinner at 5:30PM. Our Grand Lodge President and Vice-President will be in attendance as well as many local dignitaries. This celebration is a once in a century occurrence so you will not want to miss out on it. The celebration will continue throughout this year with historical displays, lectures and interviews at various museums and on public access television recalling the Italian-American experience and heritage in

Humboldt County. Speaking of heritage, Eureka Lodge **will** award the Irene and Paul Pinochi and Frank Stagnoli Scholarships this spring. Please remind your grandchildren or friends with children of Italian descent that application materials are available now from their high school counselors or by calling Gene Perricelli at 707-443-0493 to have an application sent directly to them. Do not forget to get on your computer to watch the Carnevale di Venezia celebrations in Italia on February 13th. Next meeting is on February 27th. **Meeting begins at 6PM.**

**Happy New Year 2024!**  
On December 16, 2023, Cesare Battisti Lodge held their biggest, their best event which superseded all expectations. The dinner consisted of Polenta and Veal Stew cooked by Giaco Manni and his helpers of Angelo Leone and Ed Santero and others. Giaco had a vision and it sure came true. The dinner was outstanding. We were hoping to get 100 guests for the event at the Portuguese Hall, instead it was filled with 320 guests plus workers who worked with exhaustion and glee to keep all the guests happy. Everyone had an amazing time. Santa (Justin Tarca) was there for the children. Louis Lodi, State Second Vice President entertained and brought sound equipment. Also, Carlo Solivan sang solo with Louis. Lynn Lawrence-Murphy, Joy Bruno, Mike and Karen Carroll to mention a few of the past and current officers who also supported our event. A huge

thank you to all the members who worked in so many different positions to make this event outstanding. Thank you Giaco and all the workers. January 18 will be our first dinner of the year with pork roast, roasted potatoes, salad, bread and vegetable prepared by Chef Ed Santero.



Hanford Lodge #1543  
By Jackie Giacomazzi

Grazie mille to the Leoni & Nardini families for once again giving the members of the Hanford Lodge a wonderful polenta & stew dinner. About 50 members & guests enjoyed the meal prior to the January meeting. We were delighted to have Pauline Richmond, Judi Buldo, Doris Helmuth, (from the Enrico Caruso Lodge) & Larry Dutto & Joanne Beecher (from the Roma Lodge) in attendance. Happy New Year and Happy Valentine's Day to all!!!



Left to right: Debbie Nardini, Mycaela Leoni, Mark Nardini & Michael Leoni

Happy Valentines Day



Grand Lodge Immediate Past President, National Trustee, Honors and Awards Committee Barbara Fumosa Wisniewski and husband Ken

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State President Arlene M Nunziati and Family



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**Feb 17, 2024**

**Menu** antipasti ♦ clam chowder in bread bowls  
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Italian sausage ♦ baguettes ♦ tiramisu

**Venue** Napa Elks Lodge ♦ 2840 Sascot Ave

**Fundraising** Live & silent auctions & raffle opportunities. To support or donate items, contact **Marisa Silva Miller (707) 477-5538.**

**Tickets** \$65 purchased in 2023 or \$75 purchased in 2024  
VIP table for 8 w perks: \$750 purchased in 2023  
\$800 purchased in 2024

**Music** dance elevation featuring DJ Z

**More Info** [www.napasonsanddaughtersofitaly.com/fundraiser](http://www.napasonsanddaughtersofitaly.com/fundraiser)

**No Outside Beverages**



News from Roma Lodge # 1573  
Tulare, California  
By Larry Dutto-President

Roma Lodge members held their January meeting on January 8th at the International Agri-Center Social Hall. Over 40 members and guests were on hand to start the new year. The weather cooperated with no fog and good visibility so members could attend. **Dominic Chiaramonte** was initiated as the newest member to the lodge. Dominic is the son of **Anthony and Richelle Chiaramonte** and joins older brother **Michael** as members of the lodge. Roma Lodge has more new members who will be joining this year and will be initiated at the March meeting.



*Dominic Chiaramonte was initiated as Roma Lodge’s newest member at the January meeting. He is shown with proud parents Anthony and Richelle Chiaramonte.*



*Giovanna DePaoli and Maryann Luis check out the great desserts brought by members to the Roma Lodge January meeting. Junior members (front to back) Harlow DePaoli, Haydyn DePaoli, Kate Watkins, Ariel Maness, and George Maness IV enjoy the sweets*



**Michael DePaoli and Melissa Watkins** will once again co-chair the Roma Lodge food booth at the World Ag Expo in Tulare, February 12-15th. For the past 56 years the lodge has provided Italian sausage sandwiches to the 100,000 plus visitors to the show from all over the world. Over the past few years our newer members have revised the menu adding pasta, antipasto salads, meatball sandwiches and a variety of other food items to the menu. Over 50 members assist in organizing and conducting the booth during the three day show. **If you are going to be in Tulare for the show, come by and see us and have a great Italian sausage sandwich or some great pasta!**

Letters to the Editor  
By Larry Dutto-President  
“Crying Wolf”

The origin of the expression “cry wolf” comes from one of **Aesop’s Fables, the Boy who Cried Wolf**. In the story, a young shepherd amuses himself by calling for help, saying a wolf is threatening his flock when nothing is really happening. If someone cries wolf, they say that there is a problem when there is not, with the result that people do not believe them when there really is a problem.



I have been writing articles for the **IL Leone** since 2007 informing others of the activities of Roma Lodge #1573. I have also written articles about the direction of the Grand Lodge with numerous suggestions on how to reverse the loss of membership and lodges throughout the state. In 2019 I suggested changes to the committee for the Royal Pageant to be revised from a fundraiser to a learning activity for local lodge queens. Those suggestions were disregarded and as a result the Royal Pageant is no longer part of the Grand Lodge. In 2022 I wrote about changing the format of the Grand Lodge Convention and making it more accessible to younger working families who could attend, reduce the cost of local lodges to send delegates and have more breakout sessions to learn about what other lodges are doing to increase membership and attendance at monthly meetings. All of us can agree the future of any local lodge is the number of junior members and young adults attending your monthly meetings. In

Grande Lodge Cruise

Join the Grand Lodge Council at their September 2024 Meeting aboard the Carnival Cruise Ship Radiance. Everyone is welcome!

We will depart Long Beach on September 27, 2024. Open Evening

**Itinerary:**  
**Saturday September 28th from 9 AM – 5 PM**  
Grand Council Meeting (which is a sea day)  
**Sunday September 29th from 8 AM to 5PM**  
Ensenada, Free time go on a tour or stay on the ship.  
**Monday September 30th**  
Free time aboard ship while we return home. Be sure and pack first!

The cost to attend will be less than what you pay for the week-end at a Grand Council Meeting as all Meals and Hotel expenses are included.

You can drive, there is ample parking (for a fee) in the Carnival Cruise Lines parking area. In the event you fly to Long Beach and if needed I can arrange transfers to and from the ship for you.

This is a Fundraiser for the Grand Lodge with Carnival Cruise Lines. Each cabin sold with double occupancy Carnival Cruise Lines will donate \$24.00 to the Grand Lodge.

I checked several cruise lines, Carnival Cruise Lines is the only Cruise Line that fits into our Grand Council Meeting time frame. We have 40 cabins on hold for us, when these cabins sell out the rates may change, please book early.

I will need your name as it appears on your passport, date of birth, what type of cabin you want, interior, ocean view, balcony, or suite. Once I have the required information I will call you to get your cc for your deposit of \$100.00 per person that is refundable before the final amount due.

**State Officers:** You will be receiving a 3 day per diem for this Grand Council Meeting. Come on out and join us prices start at \$382.00 per person that includes all port fees.

Email me at [cruiseg@aol.com](mailto:cruiseg@aol.com) or call 916-933-0476

We look forward to welcoming you on board!



September of 2023 I wrote about having an ambassador program for our junior members. **Louise Silacci**, Hanford Lodge, volunteered to be the statewide advisor and submitted a plan for how the program could be operated. It has fallen on deaf ears. In the last month I have attended a United Lodges meeting and a neighboring lodge meeting. At each of those meetings I have asked our local representatives on the Grand Council what is going on in the state. Their answer was simply, **“We have not heard anything.”** It took a local lodge member to text someone on the Grand Council to determine the convention will be held in Concord this year instead of Burlingame! With fines being

removed from local lodges who do not send delegates to the convention it will be interesting to see what the attendance at the 2024 convention from local lodges who face a financial burden to send delegates. *How will the Grand Council handle this?* It is said, “if you do what you have always done, you will be what you have always been.” The Grand Lodge can no longer do what it has always done, because the decline in the number of lodges and membership mandates new ways of doing things or lodges will continue to perish. **The wolf is at the door!**





Lodge Anniversaries

January

- CESARE BATTISTI LODGE No. 1518..... Jan. 28
- NORTHERN SOLANO LODGE No. 2534..... Jan. 16
- SACRAMENTO LODGE No. 1352..... Jan. 7
- VIRILIO LODGE NO. 1586..... Jan. 4
- WEED LODGE No. 1269..... Jan. 6

February

- DIABLO VALLEY LODGE No. 2167..... Feb. 13
- JOANNE COCCIA LODGE No. 2553..... Feb. 19
- SHASTA LODGE No. 2453..... Feb. 23

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Sons and Daughters of Italy  
C. Colombo Lodge 1315



Saturday  
March 9,  
2024

Crab  
Feed

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Doors Open at 5:00pm Dinner at 6:00pm

MEAL INCLUDES:

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throughout our community.

Policies of the IL Leone

Anna Galbo Graeber, Editor

Each lodge is entitled to a 16" column (2"x16"). For every inch over that you  
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Photographs are extra at a cost of \$8.00 per photograph. Lodges are billed  
on their per capita billing from the Grand Lodge. Many lodges run articles  
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Photographs should be high resolution and in color. Avoid dark and fuzzy  
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- Filial Lodge Fundraiser Event Flyer
- Filial Member Obituary
- Filial Lodge Thank You
- Letters to the Editor
- Articles from Committee Chairs

Our deadline is the 15th of the month. Please keep this in mind as you get  
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Mary Lucido

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Garibaldi-Meucci Museum

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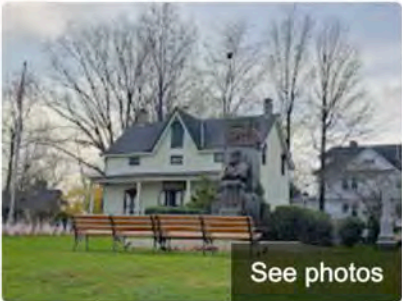
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Now that the holidays are over it is time to settle back to our everyday lives but first we wish you all a "Happy, Healthy New Year". The Christmas tree lighting was beautiful, if you missed it you can watch it on the Museum website. We would like to introduce you to Anonio Meucci, the candle maker and inventor. He was born in Florence in April 1808. He studied Design and engineering at the Academy of Fine Arts and married Ester Mochi 1835 at which time they migrated to Cuba where they worked at the Tacon Opera House. He was employed as superintendent of mechanics and Ester, a seamstress, was appointed wardrobe mistress.

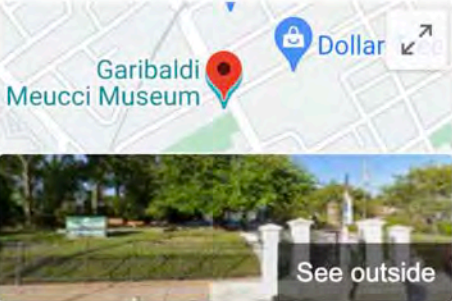
Meucci was fascinated by electricity and it was in Cuba that he developed an electroplating workshop and experimented with shock therapy as a way to treat headaches. During one of these treatments, Meucci heard a patient's cry transmitted through copper wire he was using by electricity. Shock therapy was the first of many experiments that lead him to the "speaking telegraph" in 1849. Alexander Graham Bell was only 2 years old and living in Edinburgh, Scotland when Meucci first began his experiments with sound. A fire in the Tacon Opera House in 1850 forced the company to seek work in New York City. Antonio and Ester left Cuba and settled on Staten Island in 1850. Wow ! That's a lot of info for this month, look forward to the next episode next month.

Fraternally  
Joy Bruno  
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See photos



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Museum in Staten Island, New York

Scholarship Information Update  
Rosemarie Biagetti Vanderhaar  
Scholarship Committee Chairperson

Happy New Year everyone!

This update is a reminder that the scholarship applications for 2024 are available on the Grand Lodge website. Just log in to the website and click on scholarships and the link will take you to the scholarship page. The applications for 2024 are Academic, Career Education (trade school) and Students to Italy Study Grant. The applications can be downloaded. If you have questions, please contact me by email, cellphone or text.

The contact information is email: rgeorev@aol.com or cell/text: 626/222-7768.

As a side note, of the twenty-three scholarships awarded in 2023, fourteen students have sent in their request for their scholarship checks. They may request their money after January 1st and they have until June, 2024.



From the Editor  
Anna Galbo-Graeber

As Arlene mentioned in her article Debbie Ure retired the first week of January. I would like to take the time to give a HUGE shout-out to Luigi DiGrande who I have worked with for over 10 years on our Grand Lodge website. Luigi immediately answered the call to action in working with me to publish your IL Leone in a timely fashion. I think he has done a fabulous job putting it together for you. Please send him an email thanking him for answering the call to action so we could get your IL Leone to the printer, mailing house, and finally in your mailbox. illeone.ca@gmail.com



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Anniv. Mar. 20, 1949  
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1744 W. Carson St.  
Torrance, CA 90501

**CESARE BATTISTI**  
**LODGE No. 1518**  
Anniv. Jan. 28, 1929  
**PETALUMA**  
**PRES: JOHN ALBINI**  
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Herman Sons Hall  
860 Western Ave,  
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**LODGE No. 1940**  
Anniv. July 30, 1944  
**SAN MATEO**  
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Peninsula Italian American  
Social Club  
100 North B Street  
San Mateo, CA 94401

**COLOMBO-STELLA**  
**LODGE No. 1149**  
Anniv. Sept. 22, 1922  
**FRESNO**  
**PRES. Olivia DeLiddo**  
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For Details

**CORNELIA-VITA NUOVA**  
**LODGE No. 1198**  
Anniv. April 21, 1923  
**SAN FRANCISCO**  
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**LODGE No. 1534**  
Anniv. June 14, 1929  
**PRES. DAWN ROMERO**  
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The Reno Elks Lodge  
597 Kumle Lane  
Reno, NV 89509

**DIABLO VALLEY**  
**LODGE No. 2167**  
Anniv. Feb. 13, 1966  
**PLEASANT HILL**  
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*Rec. Secty. Francine Loyd*  
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Pleasant Hill, CA 94523  
925-933-1578  
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VARIOUS LOCATIONS

**DOLLY SINATRA**  
**LODGE No. 2400**  
Anniv. May 29, 1977  
**PALM SPRINGS**  
**PRES. JOSEPH LAPORTA**  
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Palm Springs, CA 92262  
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Meets 2nd Tues. 6:00 p.m.  
Dolly Sinatra Lodge Hall  
1700 Sahara  
Palm Springs, CA 92262

**ENRICO CARUSO**  
**LODGE No. 1463**  
Anniv. June 27, 1927  
**VISALIA**  
**PRES. LARRY ROMANAZZI**  
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pjbuldo@aol.com  
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Visalia Sons of Italy Hall  
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Visalia, CA 93291

**EUREKA**  
**LODGE No. 1274**  
Anniv. Mar. 16, 1924  
**EUREKA**  
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St. Bernard's Parish Hall  
7th & "I" Street  
Eureka, CA 95501  
sonsofitalyeureka@gmail.com

**FRATELLANZA GARIBALDINA**  
**LODGE No. 1627**  
Anniv. Apr. 17, 1932  
**SAN DIEGO**  
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San Diego, Ca. 92107  
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5:30pm P.M. 5717 Pacific Center  
Blvd#100 San Diego, Ca. 92121

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**LODGE No. 1441**  
Anniv. Sept. 6, 1927  
**SPARKS, NV**  
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Immaculate Conception  
Church - Social Hall  
2900 N. McCarran Blvd.  
Sparks, NV 89431

**GOLD COUNTRY**  
**LODGE No. 2705**  
Anniv. July 20, 1996  
**EL DORADO HILLS**  
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5011 Golden Foothill #7  
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

**HACIENDA**  
**LODGE No. 2168**  
Anniv. Apr. 17, 1966  
**WHITTIER**  
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Masonic Hall  
7604 Greenleaf Avenue  
Whittier, CA 90602

**HANFORD**  
**LODGE No. 1543**  
Anniv. July 27, 1929  
**HANFORD**  
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Hanford Fraternal Hall  
1015 N. 10th Avenue  
Hanford, CA 93230  
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**JOANNE COCCIA**  
**LODGE No. 2553**  
Anniv. Feb. 19, 1984  
**FONTANA**  
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Knights of Columbus Hall  
16432 Merrill Ave.  
Fontana, CA 92335

**LA COSTA DEI FIORI**  
**LODGE No. 2424**  
Anniv. Oct. 22, 1978  
**ENCINITAS**  
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Meets 1st Wed. 6:00 p.m.  
Sky Loft Community Center  
Sky Loft Community Center Lane  
Encinitas, CA

**NAPA**  
**LODGE No. 2043**  
Anniv. Mar. 28, 1955  
**NAPA**  
**PRES. MARISA SILVA MILLER**  
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napasonsdaughtersofitaly@gmail.com  
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Chef David Thater  
Dinner 6:00pm.  
RSVP  
Marisa Miller 707-477-5538  
Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
Native Sons Hall  
937 Coombs St. Napa CA

**NORTHERN SOLANO**  
**LODGE No. 2534**  
Anniv. Jan. 16, 1983  
**FAIRFIELD**  
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Fairfield Senior Center  
1200 Civic Center Drive  
Fairfield, CA 94533

**PUGLIESE**  
**LODGE No. 1375**  
Anniv. Sept. 5, 1925  
**LOS ANGELES**  
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Torrance, CA

**RENAISSANCE**  
**LODGE No. 2259**  
Anniv. Mar. 4, 1972  
**ORANGE**  
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Renaissance Lodge  
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**RODOLFO VALENTINO**  
**LODGE No. 1449**  
Anniv. Apr. 4, 1927  
**CLOVIS**  
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Clovis, CA 93612

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LODGE DIRECTORY

**ROMA**  
**LODGE No. 1573**  
Anniv. May 25, 1930  
**TULARE**  
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International Agri-Centre-Social Hall  
4450 S. Laspina  
Tulare, CA 93274

**ROSEVILLE**  
**LODGE No. 1413**  
Anniv. Apr. 4, 1926  
**ROSEVILLE**  
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106 Sutter Ave.  
Roseville, CA 95678

**SACRAMENTO**  
**LODGE No. 1352**  
Anniv. Jan. 7, 1925  
**SACRAMENTO**  
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Sacramento, CA 95819

**SHASTA**  
**LODGE No. 2453**  
Anniv. Feb. 23, 1980  
**REDDING**  
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Sons of Italy Hall  
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**ST. HELENA**  
**LODGE No. 2077**  
Anniv. May 28, 1958  
**ST HELENA**  
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Native Sons Hall  
1313 Spring Street  
St. Helena, CA 94574

**SADDLEBACK VALLEY**  
**LODGE No. 2566**  
Anniv. Nov. 17, 1984  
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Norman P. Murray Senior Center  
24932 Veterans Way  
Mission Viejo, CA 92692

**UKIAH**  
**LODGE No. 2104**  
Anniv. Apr. 24, 1960  
**REDWOOD VALLEY**  
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**VALLEY OF THE MOON**  
**LODGE No. 1959**  
Anniv. May 17, 1947  
**SONOMA**  
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Veterans Memorial Bldg.  
126 First Street, West  
Sonoma, CA 95476

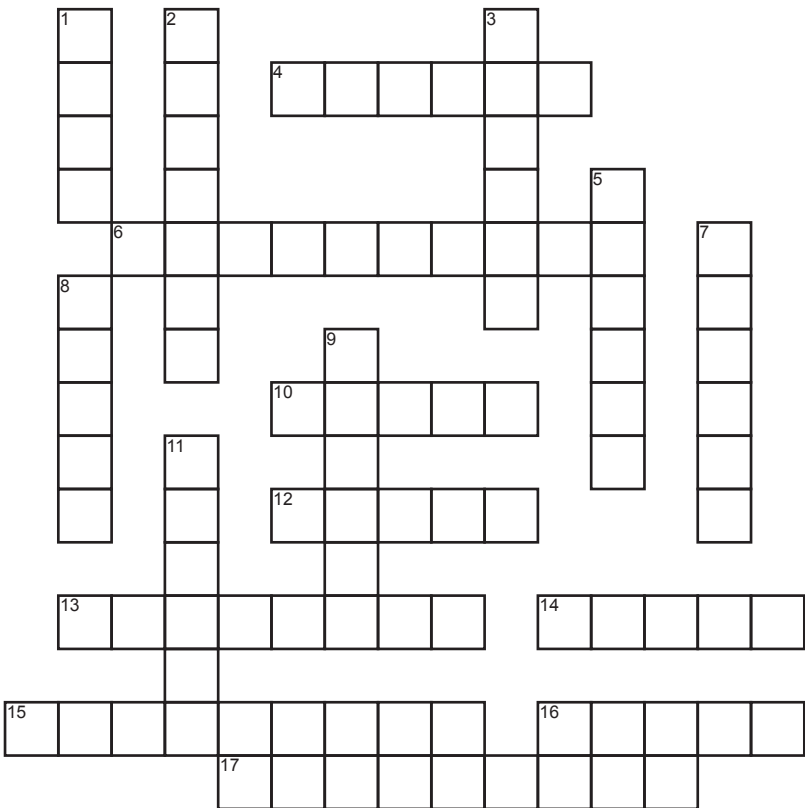
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**LODGE No. 2519**  
Anniv. May 29, 1982  
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**LODGE No. 1586**  
Anniv. Jan. 4, 1931  
**VALLEJO**  
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**WATSONVILLE**  
**LODGE No. 2016**  
Anniv. Nov. 18, 1951  
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Watsonville Women's Club  
12 Brennan St.  
Watsonville, CA 95076

**WEED LODGE**  
**No. 1269**  
Anniv. Jan. 6, 1924  
**WEED**  
**PRES. RICHARD NEGRO**  
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Sons of Italy Memorial Hall  
155 Clay Street  
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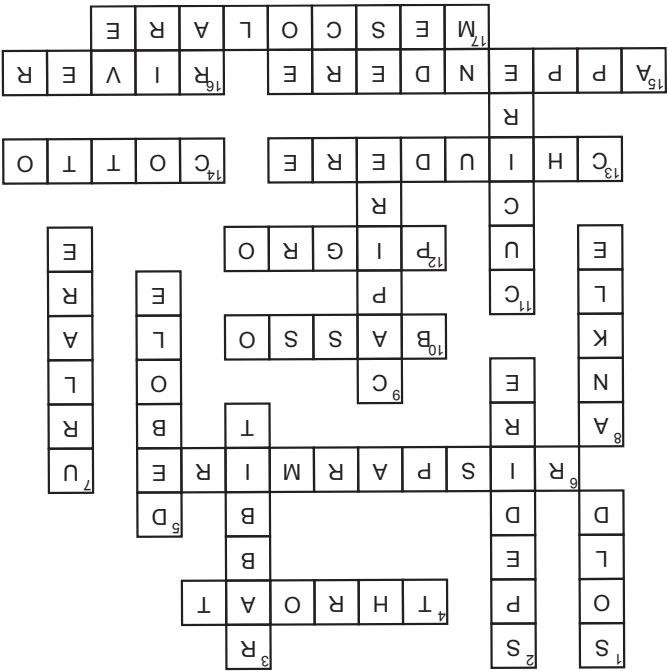


Across

4. la gola
6. to save
10. to be short
12. lazy
13. to close
14. cotton
15. to hang up
16. il fiume
17. to mix

Down

1. venduto
2. to send something
3. il coniglio
5. to be weak
7. to yell
8. la caviglia
9. to understand
11. to sew



Italian