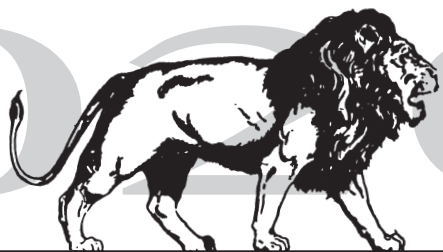


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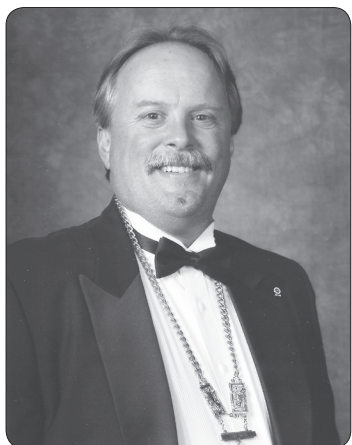
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## A Message From The State President



State President  
John Costa

Normally I would be packing my car and heading to our State Convention on the day I am writing this. This will be the first time in 17 years I will not be attending Convention (except one year for my daughter's wedding). Many of you also, would be checking in to our Hotel for the week to share some laughs, and fraternity. This will be a different year. I hope everyone continues to be safe, and hope for that day when we can break bread, share a conversation, and share an adult beverage will come soon!!

By now you have probably received the Western Foundation donation forms for 2020. Even though we are not meeting at convention you are still able to donate to our scholarship funds, Medical charities and our civic projects. If you have not received the forms please email the Grand Lodge office and we will get them to you.

I have received a couple of calls and emails regarding the Columbus Statues being damaged or removed, such

as the statue in the rotunda in our State Capital building which has been there since 1883. I have contacted our National CSJ about this. With this happening all over the United States, it will be difficult for us to call to action. Not saying we will not pursue this, but we have to be patient with all of the civil unrest facing our country.

Our office manager Alexis gave her notice and is no longer with us, we wish her well in her future ventures. We ask you be patient with us as we search for a new office manager. We will still monitor the emails and phones, if you email the grand lodge please cc our State recording Secretary and myself

As County's and cities begin to open up, please follow the guidelines set up by our elected officials. These requirements are all new to all of us. We need to error on the side of caution, due to the age of our organization. I know a lot of lodges are using Zoom for their virtual meetings. This may be the normal for a while, I am hoping we will be able to have a Grand Council meeting in September, but we will have to wait and see where we are at.

So in the meantime let's continue those phone calls to our members, and do not touch with all our members Happy 4th of July to all of you, if you see a veteran, or person in the service Thank them for there service!!

We will beat this Together!!! Stay safe!

Yours Fraternally



State 1st Vice President  
Barbara Wisniewski

Sisters and Brothers:

I hope this edition of the "Il Leone" finds you all well and safe.

While Ken and I were in Italy, we met a wonderful, young tour guide. Francesca took us on an eating tour of Rome. It was a good thing we walked, or I could never have eaten all the foods she brought us to try.

When we left Rome to go to Catania, it was March 8th. As we know now, COVID 19 was rampant in Northern Italy. The South was not as bad, but the government closed the entire country shortly after that.

Soon after we got home, I got a message on my Facebook account from Francesca. She knew we were going South and was concerned that we might not have gotten out of Italy. We now follow each other on Facebook. The reason I am sharing this with you is because the other day she made my favorite dessert, Cannoli and posted pictures. I asked her to share with me her recipe and she did. I'd like to share it with you now:

15 Shells  
1 cup flour  
1 ounce or 1 tablespoon butter  
2 pinches salt  
1 tablespoon sugar  
Red wine enough to mix into a compact dough (1/4 to 1/2 cup)

Mix the dry ingredients in a bowl. Rub butter into the flour. Make a well in the center, pour in some wine and mix. She likes to use a blunt knife for this, less surface for the dough to stick. Add more wine as needed. Mix together with your hands until a compact dough forms. It shouldn't feel sticky. Wrap in

film and leave overnight in the refrigerator for the best results. The wine will slightly ferment with he flour and this will produce the crisp blisters.

You will need cannoli tubes about 5 inches long and 1 inch in diameter. Bamboo can also be used, in fact, it is traditional in Sicily. Just cut appropriately thick bamboo canes into lengths.

Roll out to thin setting with a pasta rolling machine, or by hand. Cut into rounds, about 4.5 inches in diameter. Roll into tubes slightly greased with butter. Seal overlap with a dab of egg white on the underside of the overlapping bit. Fry in hot vegetable oil or lard. Lard actually does give the best results, drier and leaving no taste.

Filling  
1 1/3 pounds sheep milk ricotta  
Just under a cup of sugar

Work well until smooth. You can flavor with some cinnamon, bitter chocolate, and/or chopped up bits of candied orange.

Fill the Cannoli just before eating.

You can dip the ends of the cannoli in chocolate chips, chopped pistachio or chopped hazelnuts.

That's all for today. Let me know if you try it.

Remember to reach out to the Sisters and Brothers in your Lodge and make sure they are doing alright.

Please stay safe until we can be together again.

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

Till next month

Fraternally  
Barbara



State 2nd Vice President  
Pauline Richmond

I hope my article finds you healthy and staying indoors, in these uncertain times.

Instead of hosting sociating activities, events, and catered meals, we are working to provide from telephone contact to teleconferencing; from Skype to now Zoom to reach out to members.

I encourage members to check the National Supreme Lodge Website on scheduled presentation by National Membership Commission, such as using Zoom as your communications

Social and physical isolation is one of the greatest ills of this pandemic.

It appears that businesses are opening in our communities and that soon, a we well be back to "semi normal".

Thank you to the United Lodges of the San Joaquin Valley for their support and donation this year of \$10,000.00 to: Valley Children's Healthcare Medical Genetics Metabolic Clinic (MGM) formerly Birth Defects Library.

Bocce Camp for Kids - Congratulations to the Shasta Lodge #2453 for their participation in the Summer Camp activities at South City Park to show kids about the great game of bocce.

Lastly, thanks to the lodges for their continued support and their generosity of donations given to the various charities that are donated at Convention each year, thus making it possible for the Grand Lodge to continuing to support the charities.

Ciao - until next month

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Please remember the deadline for articles is on the 20th of each month.

I appreciate all your help.  
Thank you, Debbie Ure



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Lodge # 1959  
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MEETING A DEADLINE, AT THE 11 TH HOUR  
As you know we are not meeting...but our thoughts are with you all and the good times that were had at our Third Tuesday of the Month Dinners...

WORTH MENTIONING  
A class mate of mine once said it was nice to have children for ‘spare parts’ ...he had a kidney transplant given by his daughter.  
WELL spare parts weren’t needed for Marie Davis, but children come in handy when you are recovering from a fall...and they take turns meeting your needs.... Get well soon!

RECENT EVENTS IN COMMUNITY  
The National Arts Drive occurred June 20.  
Folks from Canada to Mexico and West Coast to East Coast participated...Singing, displaying art or playing music.. (in their drive ways) . Those who participated had a great time...it was like a reprieve after having been “locked” down for so long....

GOOD THAT COMES FROM NOT SO GOOD...  
Families walking, dogs getting walked more than ever before...families being together, perhaps even talking...although I notice a lot of TV’s flashing as I walk my dog...

DURING THIS TIME...  
This is a time to reach out to those in SOI and say Hello... many find this time stressful, you are not alone..give a friend or neighbor a call...

YOU ARE IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS...  
Looking forward to a time when we can be together again....Virtual hugs.

Ciao



Vallejo Lodges  
by Sharon Silveira

The Vallejo Lodges congratulate our 2020 Scholarship Recipients.  
We may not have been able to fete them with an awards dinner, but we send good wishes and positive vibes for the start of their college years.

1. Jenna Bosetti  
Janet Capello Scholarship Award
2. Imani Darden  
Donald Cahan Memorial Scholarship  
Henry W. Treadway Memorial Scholarship
3. Isabella Kunde  
Caeser Arioldi Memorial Scholarship  
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5. Austin Szabo  
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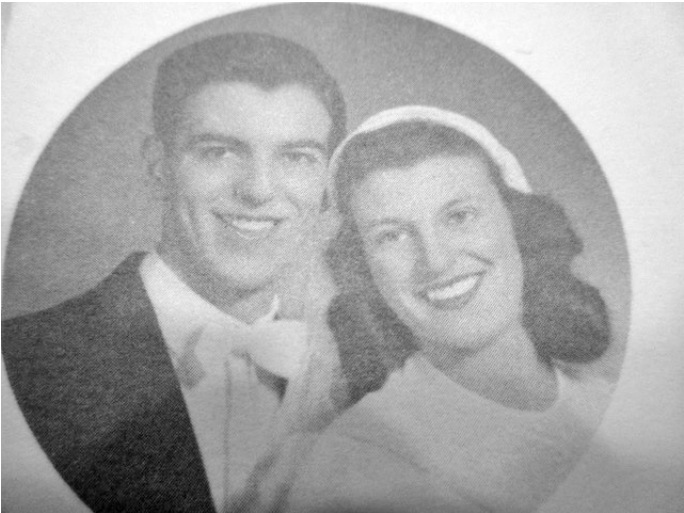
A Golden Anniversary....Steve & Lucy Branch celebrate 50 years of marriage.  
Congratulations and Best Wishes to a wonderful couple.



Living life in a Pandemic continues to be challenging, as we search for balance and how to deal with the new virus protocols and regulations. The Vallejo Lodges have no events scheduled at this time. Our wish is for you all to remain safe and well. Remember the multitude of banners hanging from Italian balconies: Andra Tutto Benne---Everything Will Be Fine. May this sentiment soon come to be true. Ciao.



Congratuatiions!



On October 28th Andy and Louise Pampuro will be celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary and in September they will be celebrating 50 years as a member of the Order Sons and, Daughtersof Italy. Congratulations to the happy pair who are both members of the Saddleback Lodge..

Rodolfo Valentino  
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by Carol Watson, President;  
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Last Month: Same as the month of May; sitting at home trying to figure out as much as possible during this “learning” experience, such as: how far is 6 feet; finding the directional arrows at the grocery aisles; a face mask doesn’t work when it is only covering your chin (New York Governor Cuomo says that is a “chin guard”; at Lockheed we called it a “snood”). I have washed my hands so much lately that I uncovered crib notes on my palms from a test I had in high school. I also learned that, while air at home is free, it costs \$400+ per day when it is delivered via a respirator in a hospital.

The United Lodges of the Central San Joaquin Valley: We had to cancel our June meeting at Andiamo’s; my apologies to Jennifer. The next one meeting will be sponsored by the Fresno Lodge in September, most likely at the Spaghetti Factory.

This Month, Monday, July 20, 2020, our meeting will most likely be cancelled, but stay tuned. One of these days, normalcy will prevail. Don’t you miss those potlucks?

Although Julius Caesar was a Roman, he is the most famous Italian ever known. At the time he was declared Emperor of Rome, the nation’s boundaries were at their most extreme. After his assassination (March 15, 44BC), at the hands of the Roman Senate, he was autopsied and found to have been stabbed 23 times; this was one of the earliest autopsies ever recorded. His death was attributed to “excess loss of blood”. At least 60 Senators were party to the murder, led by Marcus Brutus (of “et tu, Brutus”, fame), Gaius Cassius, and Decimus Brutus.

“Hello” and “Ciao” to our friends in San Francisco!

Most people that suffer shark attacks are wet at the time, so, keep yourself dry to be safe.

In Italian, “*Chiodo Scaccia Chiodo*” literally means that a nail drives out a nail, but what it means is “do not worry, you will get over it”. (The old nail is rusty, the new nail is bright and shiny, so, the new will be better than the old.) This is great for consoling the lovelorn.

These are the times that we need to support our friends: get your take-out orders from our old stand-by restaurants: Lunas, at 299-4141; Andiamo’s, at 299-4141; Boo Boo Bean Bakery, at 570-8093; and Clovis DiCicco’s at 299-3711; and, don’t forget to tip.

-Critical Italian word to know: “Mangiamo”, or “Let us eat”.

The goal of education is to increase intelligence and character; get both with a scholarship by calling Isabel Ronzano; large national and state SDOI 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/>.

Cesare  
Battisti  
Lodge # 1815  
Petaluma, CA  
by Louise Vicino

Greetings from Petaluma!  
I have been watching TV when I realized that today was the 20th and my article should have been sent in. I am hoping this article reaches the members of the Lodge. This coronavirus pandemic, having to stay in, has my days mixed up. I am surviving it with no problem, but I do forget dates and days.

I hope that all of you, my dear friends, are staying safe and are able to enjoy your families even tho we cannot give them hug or have them be close to us. I think that having our grandchildren communicate with us from a distance is the hardest.

I guess it will be quite awhile longer before we can hold a meeting and get together. Fathers Day will be over by the time you get this and probably the Fourth of July will be over as well. So I hope you Dad's had a great day and that all of you were able to celebrate the Fourth, even tho there were no fireworks in Petaluma this year.

Get well wishes to anyone who is ill. Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to those celebrating.

Pray that we get back to normal. God bless our service people, the homeless, victims of crimes, and our Country. That we all respect one another and end this violence and hatred in our world.

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

Ciao,  
Louise Vicino



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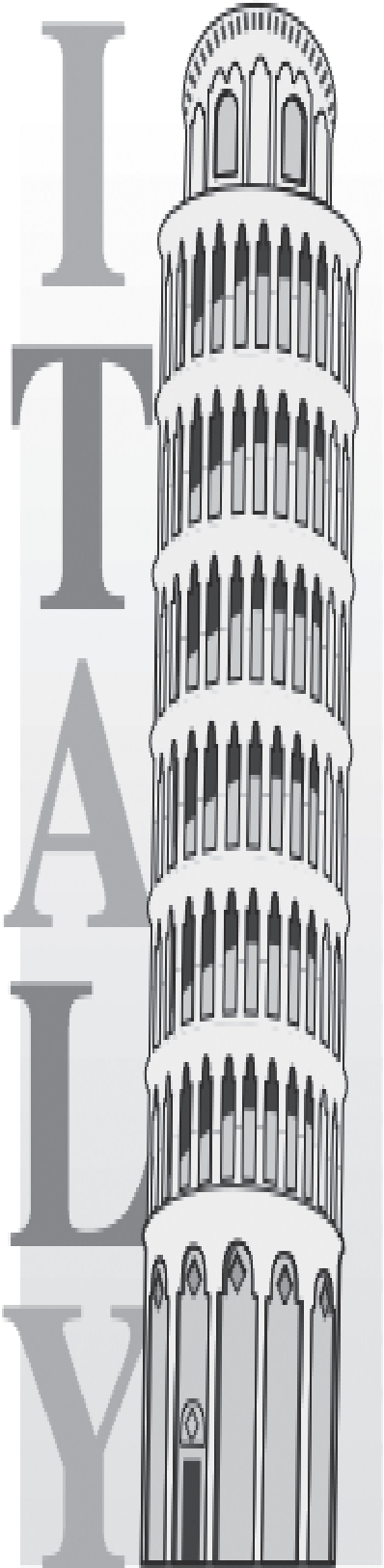
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# Paints

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Painting is one of the oldest arts. It preceded writing. It relies upon the application of paints. No one culture can take credit for inventing paint. Every culture has found ways to make paints and paint. There are various colors and types of paint. Paints are used to beautify and preserve. They protect metal, wood and other materials from the elements by slowing corrosion and decay. The steel bridge like the one across the Golden Gate would have rusted away if paint did not protect it from air and moister. Paint itself can be very durable. The pictures painted by our distant ancestors living in caves can still be seen on their walls today.

Paints were first invented by combining coloring materials called pigments with other materials to form their bodies. The body and pigment were combined with a binder to make them adhere to a surface. Clay often served as the body of the paint.

The first pigments were simple ochers made of iron compounds. Ochres are red, yellow, orange, and brown in color. Black pigment came from burned substances. The binders used to hold and apply paints were made from the grease and oil taken from the bodies of animals man hunted and consumed. Another substance used in paints is thinner, which evap-

orates while it helps make the paint flow. Turpentine is the best known of the thinners. Lead paint is no longer used because of the health hazard it poses.

After the Second World War acrylic paints came into common use. They are mainly glue solution thinned with water for application. Acrylic paints are easier to use and clean up, dry quicker, and pose fewer hazards than working with oil paints.

Paints are used in enormous amounts in the United States. Factories make billions of gallons of them every year. Paints are brushed, sprayed and rolled on to surfaces. When paints dry they leave a film called a coat. Paints have a flat, satin, or glossy look. They are made for interior and exterior uses.

You can learn much about art history and painting by studying paints and beginning a painting project. Restore or beautify some items and explore the many wonders of paint. Express your thoughts and feelings with paint. There is also an enormous assortment of painting tools and accessories. Easels, paints, and paintbrushes make pleasing gifts. Italians are certainly among the great lovers of art and painting. Many people believe that the great painters of the Italian Renaissance have never been surpassed.



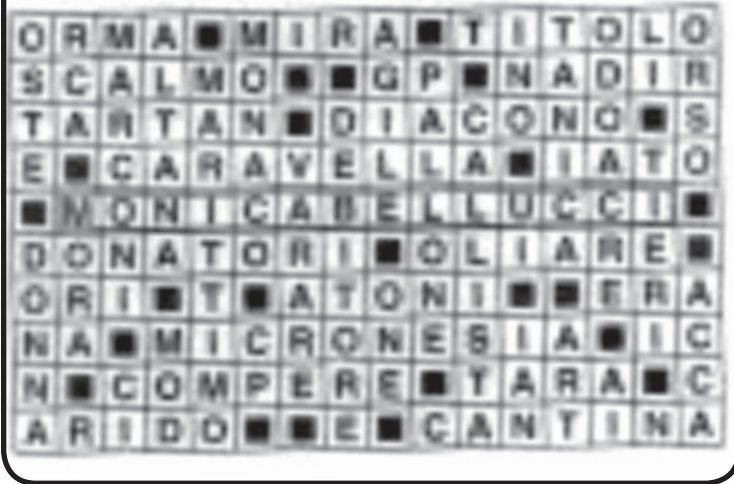
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# Italy

Italy, country of south-central Europe, occupying a peninsula that juts deep into the Mediterranean Sea. Italy comprises some of the most varied and scenic landscapes on Earth and is often described as a country shaped like a boot. At its broad top stand the Alps, which are among the world’s most rugged mountains. Italy’s highest points are along Monte Rosa, which peaks in Switzerland, and along Mont Blanc, which peaks in France. The western Alps overlook a landscape of Alpine lakes and glacier-carved valleys that stretch down to the Po River and the Piedmont. Tuscany, to the south of the cisalpine region, is perhaps the country’s best-known region. From the central Alps, running down the length of the country, radiates the tall Apennine Range, which widens near Rome to cover nearly the entire width of the Italian peninsula. South of Rome the Apennines narrow and are flanked by two wide coastal plains, one facing the Tyrrhenian Sea and the other the Adriatic Sea. Much of the lower Apennine chain is near-wilderness, hosting a wide range of species rarely seen elsewhere in western Europe, such as wild boars, wolves, asps, and bears. The southern Apennines are also tectonically unstable, with several active volcanoes, including Vesuvius, which from time to time belches ash and steam into the air above Naples and its island-strewn bay. At the bottom of the country, in the Mediterranean Sea, lie the islands of Sicily and Sardinia.



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# Empathy In The Time Of Covid-19

“Holy God, as you have touched us, may we touch others with your love.”

As most of us continue a ‘stay at home,’ ‘social distancing,’ way of life, I have found myself reflecting on the virtue of empathy and how it can get lost due to our frustrations with the situation and our self-preoccupations. I find myself being so focused on the state of the economy and other practical considerations that I forget there are people suffering, some dying from the virus every day.

What is empathy? According to the Dictionary it is the ability to understand and share the feelings of another within their frame of reference. It is the capacity to place oneself in another’s position.

Some antonyms to empathy are: self-centeredness, hard-heartedness, antipathy, and the mistaken belief that showing empathy is a sign of weakness.

In the Bible, in the New Testament, there are some significant passages that treat of the virtue of empathy. Here are a few: “Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep” (Romans 12:15); “Coming within sight of Jerusalem, Jesus wept over it and said: If only you had known the path to peace this day; but you have completely lost it from view” (Luke 19:41-44); “We do not have a high priest (Jesus) who is unable to sympathize with our weakness, but one who was tempted in every way that we are....” (Hebrews 4:14-16).

Some examples of practicing empathy in the midst of the virus: praying for those who have died from it and for their grieving loved ones; praying for those who have tested positive for it, for their complete recovery; and wearing a face mask in public to protect not only ourselves but others around us.

Empathy is a virtue of the heart. I find the following reflection helpful in keeping my heart open:

My heart goes out to:

Care givers and first responders who put their lives in jeopardy so others can live.

People of all ages who have had the virus or who are presently suffering from it.

Family members who are unable to visit their sick in the hospital and for those who are dying from the virus who are without the comfort of their loved ones.

Elderly people in nursing homes.

People who live alone and struggle doubly with loneliness during the lockdown.

Men and women who are incarcerated and are forced to live in close quarters.

Saturday and Sunday religious worshippers who are unable to be together in person for their services.

Small business owners who are suffering financially, some of whom could lose their company as a result of the virus.

People who are out of work. The poor and defenseless who lack testing.

Students in their Senior Year in colleges and universities who lost the joy of graduating in person with their classmates.

Teachers who were separated from their students; the uncertainty of how classes will restart in the fall – on-line or in classrooms.

Empathetic people speak from the heart and not just from the head. Empathetic leaders publically and often voice their concerns for the suffering of their constituents. Their primary concern is for the welfare of others, not for their own personal agenda.

Someone who understood empathy and lived it with great courage was St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta. In her “Life of Faith” prayer, she shared the following:

Lord,  
When I am hungry, send me someone who needs food.  
When I am thirsty, send me someone who needs a drink.  
When I am distressed, send me someone to console.  
When my cross is becoming heavy, send me someone with whom to share their cross.  
When I am discouraged, send me someone to encourage.  
When I need to be understood by others, send me someone who needs my understanding.  
When I need to be cared for, send me someone to care for.  
When I only think of myself, attract my attention to someone else.

NOTE: If you would like to read other short articles I have written and homilies I give, go to the Jesuits West website (.org). On the Home Page, click on “Ignatian Spirituality” (at the top). Then click on “Spirituality and Ethics” (right hand column).

Fr. Max Oliva, S.J.

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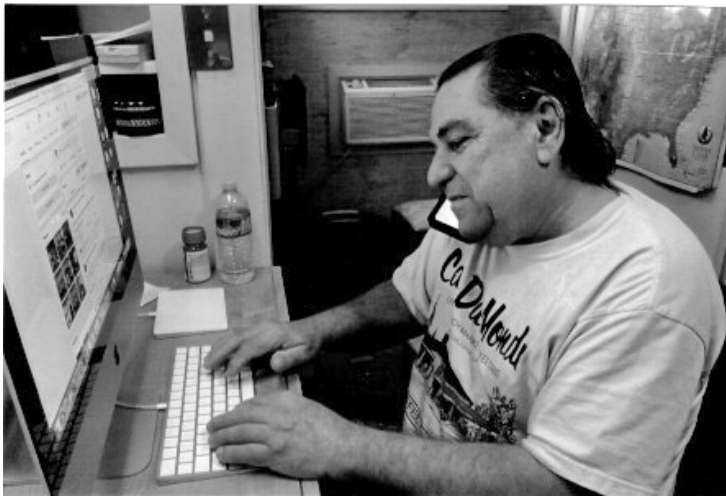
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by Zelda LeFrak-Belleci

## At Home with Safety-in Place Our Answer to Covid-19



The coniglios decided enough was enough following the stay-in-the- house regulations. Sue and Joe set up their tent and cook stove n their backyard and gave a whole new meaning to self-isolation: “coming in the hood”.

Charlie Paduano spent his long hours of self-isolation exploring aps on his computer. His goal: give PRIME something to shout about.



A special table was set up in her dining room so Zelda LeFrak-Belleci could work on her pcture puzzle hobby while obeyng the covid-19 isolation rules. She’s terrific at the 500 piece pictures, but ohhhhh, those thousand piece puzzles! She passes those on to her daughter-in-law.

Homebound, yes, but a wheel chair can’t keep Gerry Cardinal down. She’s inyo relaxing with a myraid of colored pencils and ink pens as she illustrates designs in theme books.



# Indeed, party like it’s 1999!

The world has changed in the last few months, but it seems like just yesterday that Jennie “Jean” Privitera (1936-2009) was dancing at an Order Sons of Italy Gala, impeccably dressed in Yolanda fashion.

This year marks the 21’st year since the Gala in the Photo, and, 11 years since Jennie left us. However, the more things change, the more they seem to stay the same.

Postponed by the COVID 19 Pandemic, the Sons of Italy Foundation National Education and Leadership Awards will honor Yolanda Cellucci (of Yolanda’s Bridal and Fashion, Watertown, MA), NEXT Memorial Day Weekend -- 2021. Frank and Jean Privitera used to serve as Foundation Trustees in the 90’s that picked the Honorees. Now, for the last 20+ years, their son, Attorney Phil Privitera, has maintained that tradition and serves on National Sons of Italy Foundation since the late 1990’s, early 2000’s (including two terms together with his father, Frank).

On the night that Yolanda is honored, Phil will also go on stage to present the Privitera National Educational and Leadership Awards Scholarship. While Jean and Yolanda had a longstanding friendship, their husbands, Frank and Dan (Frank – being a builder, and Dan – being a plumbing/heating contractor), also had a similar relationship.

More notable, starting in the early-to-mid 1980’s Jean was ONLY seen in public wearing Bill Blass, Bob Mackey or other designer fashions that had to be provided exclusively by what Frank called “Jeanie’s Private Fashionista:” Yolanda “Yoli” Cellucci.

The tradition of adorning Jean in exclusively “Yolanda Fashions” was set by Frank, at a time when the OSDIA Greater Boston Renaissance Lodge (sometimes referred to herein as “Renaissance”) was in its early years. “Jennie” and “Yoli” were lifelong friends, OSDIA Lodge sisters, and, both were among the first members of the Renaissance Lodge.

While Frank’s “Yolanda Standard” for Jean was a symbol of extreme appreciation for all Jean had done, it was also an exemplification of the fraternal love and support between members of a closely knit, OSDIA Lodge – the Greater Boston Renaissance Lodge.

In their modest days, both Yoli and Jennie sewed their own dresses. But, in the high-flying 80’s, Yolanda was picking up Jean in her Stretched White Excalibur Limousine, once per month, and bringing her to Yolanda’s Bridal and Fashion Spa. Jean would shop and model her selections for Frank, while Frank enjoyed hors d’oeuvres and other Spa amenities.

Periodically, one would hear Yolanda exclaim: “Jeanie, another Bullseye! Bill Blass’ and Bob Mackey’s are a perfect fit for you...’right off the rack!’ No alterations necessary.”

Through Renaissance’s fraternal support of its members, the attraction of this “Yuppie Lodge,” as Renaissance was quickly nicknamed, spread like a wild fire. Successful members begot more successful members.

They came together to appreciate Italian Culture. However, they really “networked.” Essentially, they shared and benefited from each other’s talents. Most importantly, they had fun. So, they kept doing it, and they’re still doing it to this day.

Through unique meetings, innovative gatherings, and entertaining events, Renaissance exploded to 400 members, under the stalwart leadership of people like Dean Saluti, Marjorie Cahn, Pamela Donnaruma, Marie Deramo, Annette Luongo, the Gemma Cardillo, Jennie Privitera and many others.

Because of its quick success and aberrational approaches, the “Renaissance Way” quickly came under scrutiny of Grand Lodge. However, methods that were once scrutinized, were soon emulated. But, for whatever reason, never replicated!

“Our creativity and uniqueness are what sets us apart and make our lodge special” says OSDIA National Recording Secretary, Phil Privitera. Renaissance has approximately 400 brilliantly, talented people approaching a traditional concept (i.e. the running of an OSDIA Lodge Meeting), from 400 different perspectives.

The Renaissance Progressive Philosophy enables each member to design the most creative meetings possible. Privitera says: “Essentially, if you can think it, we can do it.”

Privitera recounts proposing the “Providence Federal Hill and Fire Walk Meeting” to President Saluti: “Before anyone could blink, the Lodge was boarding Greyhound Buses and the ‘Show was on the Road.’ We were on our way to Providence.”

In many ways, “It was easier DONE, than SAID!?!?” One of the Renaissance members ran a transportation company and helped set up the transportation, and many other members were restaurateurs or restaurant suppliers, who called down to Federal Hill to help us out.

The members opened meetings and performed ritual right there on the bus! In less than an hour, we were rolling into Providence’s Italian Federal Hill to shop, taste wine, and eat all day. In the evening, we were brought to downtown Providence and watched the Fire Floats parading through the canals of downtown Providence, carrying musicians, dancers, and performers.

The Renaissance is receptive anyone and everyone bring something new to the table, and periodically, it sees transfers from OSDIA leaders looking to do more than just replication of standard modus operandi. Most recently, Presi-

dent Saluti welcomed the energy and skills of highly talented Carol and Angelo Rossi. Both are National Board Overseers for the Garibaldi-Meucci Museum in Staten Island, NY, and brilliant innovative Fundraisers, as well as “Fun-raisers” in the Order.

The Rossi’s work did not go unnoticed as the GM Museum is a special cause of the Privitera’s. Jean always adored the extraordinary dedication of the late John Dabbene, as well as this year’s GMM Honoree Madeleine Matteucci. The Museum is directly under the auspices of Foundation President Joseph Sciamè. Sciamè has been a life-long friend of three generations of Privitera’s and a colleague of Frank and Phil Privitera on the Foundation for almost 40 Years.

The more energetic one is and the more “out of the Box” one thinks, perhaps the better the ‘fit’ might be with Renaissance Lodge. National Recording Secretary Privitera suggests: “We don’t always agree...in fact, I don’t think we EVER ALL agree on anything. We are all strong individuals, and motivated go-getters. Most of us ‘run our own shows,’ and, in the end, we are used to ‘getting our own ways.’ ”

He explains: “By the same token, however, we respect each other’s individuality and differences of thought. Ultimately, we’ll all try to help make, what might see to some as a crazy idea, into a fun, once-in-a-lifetime, successful experience. Sometimes it works, and sometimes it doesn’t. The way we look at it, EVERYBODY in the Renaissance lodge can’t be THIS successful, BUT their creative and innovative ideas always be wrong. There must be different ways of looking at things, or there would never be anything new. There must be a lot of diamonds in the rough. It’s our job to work together to find them and shine them up.

Privitera expanded: “You won’t never get opposition at Renaissance for trying a new idea. We may have differing ideas, but publicly we stand as one. We are usually one of the biggest and one of the best in every category, and there must be a reason for that. I think it’s our Philosophy.”

The Renaissance Italian Sports Car Meeting at the Lars Anderson Museum was another meeting (now a “tradition”) that is hard to forget. The Renaissance essentially “invaded” acres of perfectly manicured fairgrounds at a private Museum in Brookline, MA – a neighborhood of Sports Team owners and Athletes who marry Brazilian Supermodels. I remember thinking: “How many seconds will it take before we get thrown out or arrested?”

Our members drove their own cars (Italian Sports Cars, Antiques, Classic Cars, Muscle Cars, Hot Rods, Convertibles, etc.), and parked them all over the grass. They started pitching tents, raising Italian Flags and cooking, right there.

The visitors thought we were part of the Museum. They were looking at our cars and coming to our tents asking if they could buy our sausages!?!?!? However, the museum loved our enthusiasm and brought out their cars in similar fashion. There were Ferrari’s, Maserati’s, Lamborghini’s and other Italian Sports cars everywhere.

As it turns out, we had members on the Lars Anderson Museum Board, too! After that meeting, we picked up a few more seats on their Board and we tapped a few more of their members into Renaissance, as well. With such a car connection, the Renaissance Classic Car Brigade soon represented, all on its own, the largest Parade Division in Boston’s Co-

lumbus Day Parade, for several years in a row.

As other interesting Renaissance Meetings, Yolanda used to sponsor Fashion Show/ Fundraisers in her Spa and the Privitera’s hosted Al Martino, Frank Gorshin (the “Riddler”), Herb Reed and the Platters, and many other entertainers, in the Roman Garden that Jennie had built at her home.

To this day, the Greater Boston Renaissance Lodge remains one of the most powerful and influential lodges in Massachusetts. For more information on the Greater Boston Renaissance Lodge, Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America, please contact: Dr. Dean Saluti (617) 285-6565. Viva Italia!



1999: Frank & Jennie "Jean" Privitera



1999: L-R Jeannine Privitera dances while NRS Phil Privitera poses with his mother Jennie "Jean" Privitera (1936-2009) at an OSDIA Lodge Gala. Jeannine & Jennie Privitera's wardrobes were provided by Greater Boston Renaissance Lodge sister 2020 NELA Honoree "Yoli" Cellucci of Yolanda's Bridal and Fashion.



L-R: Pam & Jennie "Jean" Privitera  
October 23, 1999

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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.

# I'm an Italian American

*I am an Italian-American. My roots are deep in an ancient soil, drenched by the Mediterranean sun, and watered by pure streams from snow capped mountains.*

*I am enriched by thousands of years of culture.*

*My hands are those of the mason, the artist, the man of the soil.*

*My thoughts have been recorded in the annals of Rome, the poetry of Virgil, the creations of Dante, and the philosophy of Benedetto Croce. I am an Italian-American, and from my*

*ancient world, I first spanned the seas of the new world. I am Cristoforo Colombo.*

*I am Giovanni Caboto known in American history as John Cabot, discoverer of the mainland of North America.*

*I am Amerigo Vespucci, who gave my name to the new world, America.*

*First to sail on the Great Lakes in 1679, founder of the territory that became the State of Illinois, colonizer of Louisiana and Arkansas, I am Enrico Tonti.*

*I am Filippo Mazzei, friend of Thomas Jefferson and my thesis on the equality of man was written into the Bill of Rights.*

*I am William Paca, signer of the Declaration of Independence.*

*I am an Italian-American. I financed the Northwest Expedition of George Rogers Clark and accompanied him through the lands that would become Ohio, Indiana, Illinois,*

*Wisconsin, and Michigan. I am Colonel Francesco Vigo.*

*I mapped the Pacific from Mexico to Alaska and to the Philippines.*

*I am Alessandro Malaspina.*

*I am Giacomo Beltrami, discoverer of the source of the Mississippi River in 1823.*

*I created the Dome of the United States Capitol. They called me the Michelangelo of America. I am Constantino Brumidi.*

*In 1904, I founded in San Francisco, the Bank of Italy now known as the Bank of America, the largest financial institution in the world. I am A. P. Giannini.*

*I am Enrico Fermi, father of nuclear science in America.*

*First enlisted man to win the medal of Honor in World War II,*

*I am John Basilone of New Jersey.*

*I am an Italian-American. I am the million strong who served in America's armies and the tens of thousands whose names are enshrined in military cemeteries*

*from Guadalcanal to the Rhine.*

*I am the steel maker in Pittsburgh, the grower in the Imperial Valley of California, the textile designer in Manhattan, the movie maker in Hollywood, the home maker and the breadwinner in 10,000 communities.*

*I am an American without stint or reservation, loving this land as only one who understands history, its agonies and its triumphs can love it and serve it.*

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*I Am An Italian-American.*

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LODGE No. 1626**  
*Anniv. Jan. 2, 1932*  
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LODGE No. 1294**  
*Anniv. June, 1924*  
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LODGE No. 1315**  
*Anniv. Aug. 31, 1924*  
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Antioch, CA 94509

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LODGE No. 1991**  
*Anniv. Mar. 20, 1949*  
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1744 W. Carson St.  
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LODGE No. 1518**  
*Anniv. Jan. 28, 1929*  
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Center  
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Petaluma, CA 94954

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LODGE No. 1940**  
*Anniv. July 30, 1944*  
SAN MATEO  
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San Mateo, CA 94403  
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American Legion Hall  
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LODGE No. 1149**  
*Anniv. Sept. 22, 1922*  
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LODGE No. 1198**  
*Anniv. April 21, 1923*  
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place

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LODGE No. 1534**  
*Anniv. June 14, 1929*  
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Reno, NV 89511  
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Email: paul@redstonenv.com  
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St. Thomas Aquinas Cathedral  
310 W 2nd St.  
Reno, NV 89503

**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  
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LODGE No. 2352**  
*Anniv. Sept. 21, 1975*  
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Apple Valley, CA 92308  
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LODGE No. 2400**  
*Anniv. May 29, 1977*  
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LODGE No. 1463**  
*Anniv. June 27, 1927*  
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LODGE No. 1274**  
*Anniv. Mar. 16, 1924*  
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St. Bernard's Parish Hall  
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Eureka, CA 95501

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LODGE No. 1627**  
*Anniv. Apr. 17, 1932*  
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San Diego, CA 92106

**GIUSEPPE VERDI  
LODGE No. 1441**  
*Anniv. Sept. 6, 1927*  
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Church - Social Hall  
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**GOLD COUNTRY  
LODGE No. 2705**  
*Anniv. July 20, 1996*  
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El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

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LODGE No. 2168**  
*Anniv. Apr. 17, 1966*  
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Whittier, CA 90602

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LODGE No. 1543**  
*Anniv. July 27, 1929*  
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Hanford Fraternal Hall  
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LODGE No. 2553**  
*Anniv. Feb. 19, 1984*  
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Fontana, CA 92335

**LA COSTA DEI FIORI  
LODGE No. 2424**  
*Anniv. Oct. 22, 1978*  
ENCINITAS  
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St. Johns Catholic Church  
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Encinitas, CA 92024

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LODGE No. 2021**  
*Anniv. Apr. 20, 1952*  
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Grace Lutheran Church  
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Modesto, CA

**MONTEREY  
LODGE No. 2003**  
*Anniv. Feb. 5, 1950*  
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**LODGE No. 2534**  
*Anniv. Jan. 16, 1983*  
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Fairfield, CA 94533

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**LODGE No. 2743**  
*Anniv. July 10, 1999*  
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*Anniv. Sept. 5, 1925*  
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**LODGE No. 2259**  
*Anniv. Mar. 4, 1972*  
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**LODGE No. 1449**  
*Anniv. Apr. 4, 1927*  
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Clovis, CA 93612

**ROMA**  
**LODGE No. 1573**  
*Anniv. May 25, 1930*  
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**ROSEVILLE**  
**LODGE No. 1413**  
*Anniv. Apr. 4, 1926*  
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**SACRAMENTO**  
**LODGE No. 1352**  
*Anniv. Feb. 8, 1925*  
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Knights of Columbus Hall  
5961 Newman Court  
Sacramento, CA 95819

**SADDLEBACK VALLEY**  
**LODGE No. 2566**  
*Anniv. Nov. 17, 1984*  
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**LODGE No. 1898**  
*Anniv. July 5, 1940*  
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**LODGE No. 2453**  
*Anniv. Feb. 23, 1980*  
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**LODGE No. 2077**  
*Anniv. May 28, 1958*  
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*Anniv. Apr. 24, 1960*  
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*Anniv. May 17, 1947*  
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*Anniv. May 29, 1982*  
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**LODGE No. 1586**  
*Anniv. Jan. 4, 1931*  
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**LODGE No. 2016**  
*Anniv. Nov. 18, 1951*  
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