

A Message From The State President



by Lynn Lawrence-Murphy State President

"Fratellanza"

The April Showers will hopefully bring many May flowers and warmth and sunshine into our hectic, busy lives. Everyone is busily preparing for the State Convention in June. If you have not received your Convention Packages, please contact the Grand Lodge Office. They were sent out in late March to all lodge presidents. The Theme this year is "American Graffiti" for Thursday Night's Dinner. Frank De Salvo will be doing a Show / Dance

for Friday evening's entertainment, and Saturday Night's Grand Ball will be a time to congratulate and celebrate our 2017 Scholarship Recipients and the New Grand Lodge Officers. Rooms seem to going rapidly so don't forget to book your reservations as soon as possible. Also remember deadline for the Convention Package is May 25th. Since this is an election year the candidates will be holding a meet and greet reception and having a few appetizers to munch on.

April was filled with many family celebrations and activities, and unfortunately Bill and I were unable to attend the Renaissance and Dolly Sinatra Anniversary Dinners, and the Modesto Black Tie Event. Congratulations to all of you on these event and celebrations. Thank you State Orator Sadie Tamburine for representing me at the southern events.

The office is presently

shorthanded with the departure of our part time employee Martha. Thankfully, our faithful standby retiree Juanita is filling in on a limited basis. Please be patient we are trying to get things out as quickly as possible. Juanita will also be helping us at the State Convention.

At the end of April, Bill and I attended on April 23rd the Santa Rosa Lodge's 3rd Annual Fish Fry. In May, we will be back on the road to attend the Cristoforo Colombo Lodge's Festa Primavera on May 6th, Vallejo's Wine Tasting Event for Alzheimer's on May 13th and I will be attending the NELA Gala on May 25th in Washington D.C.

Bill and I wish all mothers, grandmothers and great grandmothers a very Happy and "Thankful for you" Mother's Day, and a great Big Thank You to all who have served in the military as we end the month of May celebrating Memorial Day!

Youth Committee Brian Watson – Chair

Greetings Brothers and Sisters

I hope everyone is getting excited for convention in June, I certainly am! The youth program as a free event would not happen without the generous donations that it receives. 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.

I would like to thank the Catallo Family of the Rodolfo Valentino Lodge in Clovis for their Platinum level donation to the Youth Committee!

Thank you all so much for supporting the Lodges youth program.

I spoke with the General Manager, Derek Franks, of the Fresno Grizzlies about the kids coming out to a game and I was able to get them to donate the tickets and they also threw in a hot dog and soda voucher for each person attending!! The game is a Saturday night game so there has been an adjustment to scheduled events as outlined below.

Thursday Afternoon: Forestiere Underground Gardens and Lunch

Thursday Evening: Theme night (American Graffiti) with delegates and dinner

Friday Afternoon: Wild Water Adventure Park and lunch

Friday Evening: Movie (TBD) and dinner

Saturday Morning/Afternoon: Fresno Chaffee Zoo and lunch

Wild Water Adventure Park and lunch



Saturday evening: Fresno Grizzlies baseball game and Dinner

*Events, event times, and event days are subject to change based on availability *

I am looking forward to the FUNtastic events we have set up for the youth and I hope they are as well!

Fraternally,

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From the **Editor's Desk**

by Andy Pampuro apampuro@comline.com



This is the time of year we need to ask for donations for our Il Leone Sponsorship Program. If you are a delegate you can bring your check to the Grand Lodge Convention and present it on the floor when the time is right. If you are not a delegate you can send me the check and I will present it on the floor. The cost is only \$25 per person per year. A new list will appear in the July/August issue and I hope your name is on the list. We have some members who have been on the list since it's inception and I really appreciate your donations. This is your paper and I would hope you would do anything to support it.



Make out you are buying the paper a Christmas gift. Think of the joy it will give me to know you care. Make out your checks to the Western Foundation and earmark it Il Leone. I am thanking you all in advance.

Happy Mother's Day to all you wonderful mothers, grandmothers and great grandmothers. We love you all.



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News from the North by John Costa State 2nd Vice President



April showers still keep coming; we should be overrun with May flowers. I'm ready to dry out for a while. By the time you are reading this your lodge delegates are preparing to attend the Grand Lodge State Convention in Fresno. It's hard to believe that it has already been a year since we were in Sparks. Those interested in baseball in the Bay Area, both teams are once again having an Italian Heritage game. The Oakland A's will be playing the Texas Rangers on Friday August 25, and the San Francisco Giants will be having their game on Thursday August 31st against the St Louis Cardinals, Let me know ASAP if you are interested.

A quick reminder to all the State Deputies, how about getting caught up with your reports so we know what is going on at the local lodges!

On May 13th the Vallejo lodges will be having their annual wine tasting and silent auction at the Classic Car Museum. The proceeds for this event go to UC Davis Alzheimer's Research. Don't' miss it, it is a wonderful event!

Mother's Day is fast approaching. How about buying your mom or grandmother that "365" raffle ticket. There will be a \$200.00 winner on Mother's Day. There are some great incentives this year, lets reach those goals. Happy Mother's Day to all.

Italian/American history lesson. On April 24th the founder of the Order Sons of Italy, Dr. Vincenzo Sellaro, was born in 1868, in Polizzi Generosa in the province of Palermo, Sicily.

I look forward to seeing all of you at convention this year.

Until next month, Ciao.

Memorial Day







June 17, 1962-March 26, 2017 Vincent La Banca

To all our dear relatives and friends,

Mary and I want to thank all of you for the warm condolences, mass cards, and donations, you have sent to us. Your thoughts, prayers, and support are most appreciated. Joe and Mary La Banca

Eulogy of Vince La Banca

The Brother, The Son The Uncle

I would like to start by thanking all of you and to extend my sincere appreciation on behalf of Vince, my sister and my parents, for all the support, prayers and love you extended over the past couple of months. Vince was very aware of all the well wishes and it really made a difference.

It is an honor and privilege for me to pay tribute to a very special person, my brother Vince La Banca.

As I began to reach out for the right words to express my thoughts about my brother Vince, I remembered the many valued and meaningful roles that he played throughout his life.

THE BROTHER

He was always protective as a big brother

I recall as a young teenager just starting high school, I was a freshman and Vince was a senior, we got on the topic of discussing drug use in school and at parties. I remember as if it was yesterday we were talking then Vince stopped for a moment and moved close to me with the most serious of eyes and said; "I better not ever see you get mixed up with that stuff, it will screw up your life!!!" He put the fear in me that day, and I can say without any doubt that his words stuck with me for the rest of my life. He was being protective...

THE SON

As for my parents, Vince was their first child and son!! What a special title to be first. He looked after our parents, running business errands, making business calls, calling and checking when they would be home, asking what they wanted for dinner, and what the plans were for the next birthday event. He was happy to help them as long as he complained enough about it.

THE UNCLE

I feel that this was Vince's greatest gift... the unconditional love he had for his nieces and nephews; Mark Jr., Gianna, Enzo and Alisia, they were everything to him!!

When they went to the house, he spent time talking and engaging with them. He always made sure Enzo had his favorite cars to play with. He always quizzed Mark and Gianna on various trivia and played their favorite "Restaurant". He would be the difficult customer, Gianna was Molly the waitress, Alisia was the bus boy, Mark Jr. was the chef. It was always an interesting dining experience.

The highlight of gifts, were lotto tickets, the kids would fight over them all the time.

Vince would go to every sporting event the kids were involved in; soccer, baseball, softball... you name it, he was there. It wasn't uncommon for him to go online and download the kid's game schedule before we did. He would go out and buy equipment for whatever sport they were playing and was always available to help drive them to the game and back. Vince would video tape countless hours of the kids' games and would recount the play-by-play action and show you a video clip to prove it. I was always amazed at the relationship and love he had for the kids... it made me so proud and happy!!!

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His laughter with the kids was authentic and vulnerable, laughing from deep inside and sharing a bond with them as he did with no other.

THE CHEF

Vince loved to cook and eat!! I must say he was a pretty good chef, but boy did he leave a trail of dirty pots and pans.....

Regardless of how easy or complex the recipe was, he would use every single pot and pan available and leave the kitchen looking like a disaster zone...but the food was good, which makes it a wash.

He was always cooking for others, he never said much to us about this, but during the holidays he would prepare food in small portions, package them up and leave to deliver them. It wasn't entirely clear who he brought the food to, but it was evident to me that they were individuals that might not be able to prepare a holiday meal.

Vince, brother, it is very hard to say goodbye so we will just say so long.



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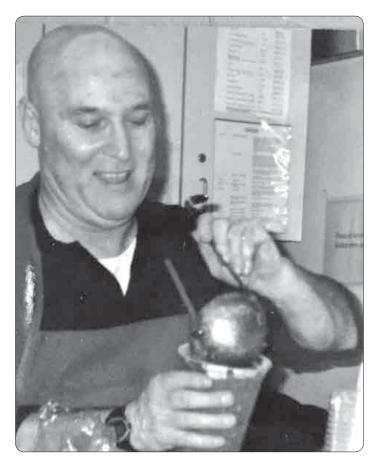
Each morning when we awake we know that you are gone. And no one knows the heartache As we try to carry on.

Our hearts still ache with sadness and many tears still flow, What it meant to lose you, No one will ever know.

Our thoughts are alway with you, your place no one can fill. In life we loved you dearly, In death we love you still.

There will always be a heartache, and often a silent tear, But always a precious memory Of the days when you were here.





If tears could make a staircase, And heartaches make a lane, We'd walk the path to heaven And bring you home again.

We hold you close within our hearts, And there you will remain, To walk with us throughout our lives Until we meet again. Missing you every day but especially today on your Birthday.

Love Always, Your Husband Frank, Your Daughter Jeannine, Your Son Frank Jr. & His Wife Andrea, Your Son Philip & His Wife Toni-ann and Your Grandchildren, Anthony, Olivia, Payton, Presley, Angelique and Vanessa.

Don Cahan

On March 16 another one of the founders of the Gold Country Lodge passed away. Don Cahan founded our lodge along with Joe Agosta and Genny Arietta.

He was a long time member of the Virgilio Lodge #1586 and served for many years as the State Grand Deputy to the Napa Lodge. He also was one of the founders of the Northern Solano Lodge in Fairfield.

He was married to Susan Agosta Cahan for 48 years and has three daughters, Lisa Hanson, Jana Houston and Rose Beeler. Although he wasn't born Italian, he became Italian after marrying Susan and joining our family.

Our condolences to our members, Lisa Hanson, Rose Beeler, Joseph Foote (his grandson), Nicklaus Foote (his great-grandson) and their families. The family will be giving a scholarship in his name through the Sons of Italy Virgilio Lodge, PO Box 4282, Vallejo, CA 94590.

Many of you will remember Don at our crab feeds at the CSD as he was there every year with his wife Susan, daughters and mother and father-in-law making the sauce and cooking pasta.

Winner Every Day Raffle

- 1. Purchase a Winner Every Day Raffle ticket for \$30. If your lodge does not have any, you can order some through the Grand Lodge.
- 2. Mail your ticket stub and check to the Grand Lodge of California, 5051 Mission St., San Francisco, CA 94112
- 3. Once received, your ticket goes into the ticket drum.
- 4. Tickets are drawn every two weeks, until the end of 2017, one ticket for each of those days. If you are a winner, a check for \$25. will be mailed to you. Winners names are also listed in the most current issue of the II Leone newspaper.
- 5. Your ticket is put back into the drum for all future drawings.
- 6. There are several days throughout the year that have a higher dollar amount. Those days are listed on the back of each ticket.
- Grand Prize of \$1,000.00 will be given only if 1000 tickets are sold and returned by December 21st, 2017. Or if 4500 tickets are sold the Grand Prize will become \$15,000. 4500 tickets are one ticket per each of our members!! Buy a ticket and become a big winner.

It's that easy!! You have a great chance of winning more than one time!! And a chance at the Grand Prize!

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Fish is a staple food of many countries. People have fished since ancient times. Those peoples living by the ocean or the sea set out on these bodies of water to fish, while people living inland fished in rivers, lakes, and streams. The first methods of fishing relied upon spears, wicker baskets, and traps. Soon ropes were made to construct large nets to capture large batches of fish, and men made various sizes of fishing boats.

Because of storms, fishing can be a dangerous occupation. And sometimes fish aren't plentiful. Fishermen often prayed for divine intervention, and there is an abundance of folklore associated with fishing. After large-scale industry satisfied the needs of nations, many people adopted fishing as a sport. Today, commercial fishing plays an important role in the economy, and thousands of people enjoy fishing with rods as a recreation and as part of the tourist industry. There are books and magazines to advise us how to become expert an-

Being a peninsula, Italy

The California tuna fleets brought in hundreds of thousands of pounds of tuna every year. Fish are being caught in very large numbers today, and some species are in danger of extinction. The government makes laws and sets limits on fishing. A license to fish is usually necessary. To help keep the waters stocked with fish, some governments operate fish hatcheries.

The seacoasts of both Italy to the United States.

glers.

began fishing early in its development as a nation. The ancient Romans fished the Mediterranean Sea. Italians caught many varieties of fish, as well as octopus, squid, and shrimp. Fish can be dried and salted and stored for months. Modern methods of canning now allow fish to be stored. Fish markets and fish stores played an important role in many Italian-American communities.

and the United States have many cities and towns with busy wharves and marinas. Some Italians who worked on boats and docks in Italy were able to work in the same occupation when they immigrated by Andy Pampuro



The Saddleback Valley Lodge held their monthly meeting on Friday, April 7th. Our recording secretary Bernie Neil and her daughter Kerry Herington chaired a fantastic Easter dinner. We had a delicious ham, pesto penne, a broccoli casserole, salad, garlic bread, Easter bread and Easter pie and the biggest array of desserts you ever saw thanks to our generous members. Next month we will be celebrating Mother's Day with the men doing the serving.



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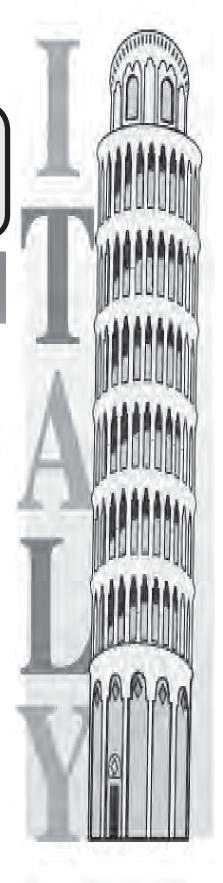
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Paul Failla

Paul Failla is the Orator of the Vigiano Brothers Lodge #3436 in New York. He is a retired police officer who has written a one man play entitled "The Class of Life." He not only wrote the play he produced it and starred in it. He has performed the play in New York, New Jersey, Florida, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and California. This two hour play met with rave reviews. Paul would like to bring the play back to California for anyone desiring to sponsor it. You can checkout out more on www.theclassoflife. com. If you are interested in sponsoring this play you can call Paul at 631-278-4294.

A Big Thank You

I would like to thank all my sisters and brothers for their cards, calls, and prayers when my mom, Rita Gallipani Fumosa passed away. My father, Sam, my brothers, Steven and Joseph, and I were filled with the love you showed us in our time of need. Always know that you made a difference.

Fraternally Barbara Fumosa Wisniewski



Dolly Sinatra Lodge #2400

Palm Srings, CA by Andy Casey

Wow, what an eventful couple of events we've had of late. First was our annual St. Patrick's Day dinner, which our President Joe LaPorta, has for the last two years had catered at the Lodge, in order to give our amazing volunteers the evening off. Once again the corned beef and cabbage dinner was spectacular, and Michael O'DeAngelo, our once a year Irish ambassador, entertained brilliantly for us!

Next came our 40th Annual Anniversary and Honoree of The Year, Dinner/Dance, which was as energized an event as I've been to in years. Our Honoree this year was the unmatchable Larry Delrose, of whom I've written about twice in the last year, and have run out of suitable adjectives to describe him! Yes, he was our Honoree of the Year, but it sure resembled a Roasting too, with seven different persons or groups to come up and speak of their friendship, and in some instances hilariously "rip" into our Honoree!

The funniest was Frank Montiforte who came to the dais with his pants waistline way up over his waistline, like Larry likes to wear his slacks. After speaking a moment he suddenly dropped his trousers dramatically gesturing to another pair of slacks underneath, with the normal and more conventional waistline, and screamed at Larry, "This is where the waistline should be over and over, regaling the audience and Larry too. For he takes as good as he gives!

The others roasted, toasted or spoke of their love and affection, especially his two daughters, Laura and Gina and his five grandkids, which all paved the way to Larry. And then it was Larry's turn to speak. He opened saying that having listened to all the speakers it gave him some insight to how his memorial service would go! I was left with the impression that he was going to put that event off for a long time as he was having too much fun in life now! That outrageously and irreverently funny bit brought the house down! Then he moved onto how he felt the award was really for his family both his parents, his wife Sandy and children. His brother and his wife, who had come all the way from Joliet, Illinois for the award. He spoke glowingly of his youth with the family, and his life today. That is the quintessential Larry, the ability to energize a crowd, leave them laughing and move them with his warmth and sincerity. He has legions of friends and there is not a shadow of a doubt why, he is all I said and more! Then came the blockbuster, the Larry move that topped them all! He said there would never be an opportunity so likely, surrounded by his fam-

ilv and friends, with the band playing as this, to announce he was asking his wife Sandy, unbeknown to all of us, to renew his marriage vows! Sandy lovingly joined him at the dais, as his friend, Arnold Capitanelli, came forward to administer the renewal vows. Arnold, started as if he was going to do his famous "two choices: joke, but left it at, "you have two choices, to be happy or miserable", and then commenced with the service while we laughed.

Then Frank DiSalvo joined by his lifelong friend Bill Cheichi, and Rich Bono struck up the band with Larry and Sandy starting the dancing, and then as they say, "the band played on"! And Frankie and company, well, not enough can be said, he is the deserts premiere entertainer, and everyone had an amazing time!

We are a lucky, lucky Lodge to have Joe LaPorta, as President, and Frank DiSalvo Vice President, for they know how to put on amazing events, as the two talked about above testify to! Our season has a month left, and then the doors sadly close till October after another brilliant season! They hope we all have a wonderful summer!



Emcee Patrick Evans and our VP and entertainer Frank DiSalvo.



Emcee Patrick Evans, Accordian Tony Pomponia, singer Larry



Honoree Larry Delrose and wife Sandy.



Arnold administering vows to Larry and Sandy Delrose. This is for the 40th anniversary article for Dolly Sinatra Lodge.

ORIZZONTALI

1. Si apre per parlare.

5. Simbolo della tribù.

cordofono ad arco.

14. Le consonanti di Sonia.

15. Il nome della Massari.

17. Club per automobilisti

18. Precede il nome del

19. Vendite con banditori.

21. Tessuto frusciante. 22. Pulita, nitida.

24. Uniti in America.

25. Il nome di Delon.

28. Edouard, pittore

34. Ferri del caminetto.

37. Opera di Mascagni.

francese.

Saluto arabo. 33. Cortigiana greca.

Frutti del rovo.

38. Metallo giallo.

39. Tre lettere per

decametro.

41. Antico (abbrev.).

42. Pezzo degli scacchi.

Francesco musicista.

46. Ultimo numero al Lotto.

Le vocali di poche.

48. Animale che raglia.

27. Panciotto.

9. Provincia sarda.

Luce senza pari. 13. Strumento musicale

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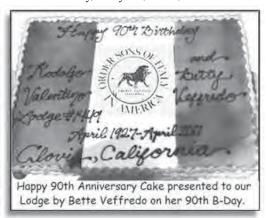
Rodolfo Valentino Lodge #1449

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

Last Month: We celebrated our 90th anniversary here in Clovis, with a beautiful cake donated by Betty Veffredo, our Chaplain, who, incidentally, was celebrating her 90th birthday. The month's dinner, being held at Luna's, was certainly perfection. The cake topped everything off perfectly, as did Rick DelCarlo, playing traditional Italian music on his accordion.

Also, last month, our third meeting of the 90th Anniversary Dinner Bash committee was held to hash out some ongoing details. Mark June 03, 2017, on your calendars for yourself, friends, and your family ... we know you are going to enjoy that party. As a reminder, for \$20, it will be the same menu plus a grilled beef entre (quite a tasty bargain). Josh Bravo, Rick Del-Carlo and his band, will provide the music and entertainment.

Next Month: The Central San Joaquin Valley SoI meeting will be Sunday, May 21, 2017, with an RSVP date of May 15,



at the Visalia Lodge... (let Watson Carol know if you attend) will and will benefit the Valley Children's Hospital Child Disabilities Library; bring your private donations to Carol Watson to present

with the donation from our lodge.

Also, next month's meeting will be Pot Luck ... bring your appetite along with your own contribution (As my mother used to say: "everyone else's cooking is the best"). When it comes to food, a pig is a great meal walking around for when you prepare it for your plate.

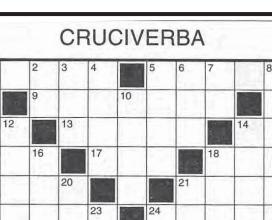
And, the 90th Anniversary Dinner Bash committee will meet at 5:00 PM, just before our regular meeting.

June will be busy for us ... our lodge will be helping the Fresno Lodge put on the Grand Lodge Convention in Fresno during the last week and week-end of June. Call our president, Carol Watson, for any concerns you have regarding what is happening at that level. Our Membership Secretary, Brain Watson, is also in charge of the Youth Group, and needs contributions to support this effort, so see him for any questions or suggestions. He always does a great job on this.

Do you have comments for our lodge members? If so, let me know at my email address (above) and we can publish it in this column. Also, if you have any photos that we can include in our archive of lodge memorabilia, let me know either at our monthly meeting or contacting me at the email adress shown above.

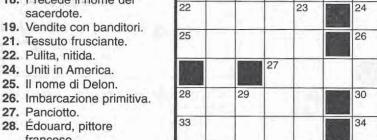
For all of us children of immigrants: America is not a country you live in, it is a country that lives in you. Help improve the quality of your living by applying for the many SoI scholarships available to you by contacting Scholarship Committee Chair, Isabel Ronzano, at (559) 297-0851, for information on this topic. The Scholarship Deadlines are: for Clovis Lodge, March 31, 2018; for California State Grand Lodge: March 01, 2018; and, for National Lodge the date is generally November to February of any year (for more information, and grants available for tours/studies in Italy, go to https://www.osia.org/students/ scholarships.php); National scholarships are for \$500 to \$5,000. These are great for any student on a budget or not.

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/.



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6. Non la vede l'ansioso.

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- 7. Vale "a te".
- 49. Il poeta dell'Iliade.

VERTICALI

- 1. Una composizione
- poetica... danzata.
- 2. Sigla di Cosenza.
- 3. Cavaliere in breve.
- 4. La culla di tutte le
- religioni.
- 5. Correlativo di quali.

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- 8. Scure... di ghigliottina.
- 10. Si dividono gli utili.
- Effettua preziosi lavori di incisione.
- 14. Nave che si immerge.
- 16. Scura e tetra.
- 18. James de "Il Gigante".
- 20. Pretendere.
- 21. Categoria di lavoratori.
- II nome della Ekberg.
- 24. Venuta in basso.
- di Pico della Mirandola. 29. Buio, tetro.

28. Era eccezionale quella

- 31. L'eroina di Pasternak.
- 32. Arcano, enigma.
- 36. Locale per riunioni.
- 39. Attore famoso.
- 40. Segno della sottrazione.

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- 43. Indica compagnia.
- 44. Atmosfera (abbrev.).
- 46. Fine di lezioni.
- 47. Iniz. di Einstein.
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Centinela Valley Lodge #1991

Torrance, CA by Annette Porter

Our February Crabfest dinner was an enjoyable evening. We had a wonderful crab dinner, the food was fantastic as usual thanks to chefs Mark Vaona, Annette Porter, Steve Guthrie and the group of members that help put this event together. Our entertainment for the evening was Tony "The Sicilian Band". Tony is fantastic he always has everyone up and dancing.

Our March Soprano's dinner show was a big success. The evening was a sell out, with everyone enjoying themselves. Thank you to the chefs of the evening Mark Vaona, Annette Porter and Christian. The show was outstanding they had everyone up dancing and interacting in the show. As always the guests are ready for next years production show, keep a look out for our calendar for next years show.

Without each and every one of our members that help with the events they would not be successful.

Our anniversary is scheduled for Saturday May 27th. Invites will be going out to the state officers and each lodge. The menu will be choice of Prime Rib or Chicken Wellington, the price is \$40.00 for adults and \$20.00 for children under 12. We have the pleasure of honoring "Enrica Stuart" this year.



Angelo and Patti LoGrande

Tony Giamberdino enjoying himself with the two lovely ladies.

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Sgt. John Basilone





with their family having a glass of vino with the cast

Gilma Vaona and her family enjoying their evening with delicious crab and music.



Lisa and Terry Hayes and Joyce Barney having a good time and having a relaxing evening with all their friends and family. Enjoying listing to Tony sing and many up dancing.

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Napa Lodge #2043

Napa, CA

Clementina Baile April 9, 1929 - April 5, 2017



Surrounded by her family, our Sister Clementina Biale left to be with our Lord on Wednesday April 5th, 2017.



Clementina was the oldest of nine children, born to Filippo and Cecilia Calvi in Prunetto, Italy. Her youth was spent tending to her siblings, vineyards, silkworms, cows, goats, and outdoor bread ovens; mending clothes, shucking chestnuts, and making sure the traveling olive oil salesman didn't cheat her family by adding water to the 5-gallon jug!

In 1953 Clementina met, fell in love, married and then moved to America to start her new life with her husband Aldo. Moving to Napa, Clementina managed the daily demands of ranch and child-rearing with a shrewd business savvy and compassionate discipline–and some darn tasty cooking!



Clementina without fail made you feel like you were part of the family even if you had just met her.

To hear Clementina tell her stories of growing up and her early years in America was mesmerizing, one could actually place themselves right beside her in the stories of her life. She always spoke with great fondness of the agrarian life and the joy of a large family–



Clementina's joy for life was infectious to everyone around her, if you watched closely... you could even catch her every now and again looking after something with the wide eyed wonder of an innocent child. That vision alone would bring a smile to your heart, and for me when I think of the joy Clementina gave out just by being who she was will make my heart smile all the time.

Northern Solano Lodge #2534

Fairfield, CA by Pam Boes and Rick Tracy

"April Showers Bring May Flowers." Though it has been a cloudy rainy winter and spring the true sunshine of the past months has been the volunteers who work so unselfishly for our Lodge.

In January our Crab Feed was a rousing success. The location at the Fairfield Adult Center was smaller but the outcome was very profitable.

Each month David Rico and Frank Rossi alternate as chefs for our meeting. Both are excellent planners and have loyal crews to assist.

Recently a telephone tree was reinstated. This has provided the opportunity to personally reach member who have been unable to attend the monthly meetings. Those contacted in the past two months have appreciated the contact and the caller has a better insight into the absent member's circumstances. Our Lodge President, Don Cradduck continues to offer transportation for meetings and activities. Everyone is encouraged to check our new website (sonsofitaly2534.com) for information about the Lodge and the link to our newsletter La Voce. A special thanks to Rich Barker for his technical expertise in maintaining the website.

Kay Locatelli and Pam Boes continue to find local eateries for the monthly "Out to Lunch Bunch." Those who regularly attend enjoy the wide variety of dining experiences discovered by Kay and Pam.

Joy Bruno is to be commended for her consistent dedication to the Solano Food Bank. Joy has been our liaison for several years. Joy along with her regular crew of volunteers processed a record number of food products in March. All food donated and processed is distributed to those in need

Clementina, you will be greatly missed dear sister... the joy you gave will live in our hearts forever. in Solano and Contra Costa Counties.

Members and friends are looking forward to "A Day At The Races" on May 5th. This has become an annual event coordinated each year by Rich Barker. Valet parking, VIP seating and a delicious buffet add to the excitement of the race.

It is with sadness that we note the passing of Don Cahan a longtime member of our Lodge. Don has held many offices in Sons of Italy and his wonderful personality will be greatly missed. We extend our condolences to his wife Susan, daughters Lisa, Jana and Rose along with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Colombo-Stella Lodge #1149

Fresno, CA by Olivia DeLiddo Gallegos, President

We have May Flowers! Fresno has had enough rain to really make a dent in our drought, if only we had water storage! Along with a wet winter, comes extra early blossoms and weeds and allergies, so to all my fellow sufferers, I get it.

In the last two months, our little lodge gave a \$500.00 donation to our local chapter of the American Heart Association, we gave \$500.00 to the Heart of the Horse Therapy Ranch and we also gave \$750.00 to the Honor Guard and American Legion Veterans. We are very proud of how often we are giving out donations, we have a few more scheduled before we start our Fundraising Season, so if you have a charity near and dear to your heart, come to a meeting and make a case for why we should choose it.

We are preparing for State Convention in June, as Host Lodge. Very fittingly, bringing it back to Fresno, where the West Coast started organizing Sons Of Italy in America, in 1922. We have many duties, and Clovis, Hanford, Visalia and Tulare Lodges have all offered to help this undertaking. Our United Lodge members are very kind and generous, always ready to help each other out. True Italian spirit. I also want to encourage all of you to attend our Convention beginning Thurs. June 22nd-Sat June 24th. (Wednesday June 21st for our Bocce Ball players)

Only Delegates can vote and speak, but if you have any questions you want asked or anything you want more information on, please let me know and I will ask for you. I represent you and our Lodge and I encourage you all to see the inner workings of SOI. There will also

be more on the possible sale of the Grand Lodge building. It is not over yet. As you know, it is NOT compliant with the American Disabilities Act and has issues concerning asbestos, parking, and safety. It is NOT central to all of our members. There will never be a better time to sell it, when it is appraised at \$5,000,000.00 If we sell it, we could actually buy a building without all those problems, pay way less in property taxes, have a couple/few million leftover to prevent raising our dues and have cash on hand to operate. We could also have a more fair representation for the Central and South Districts.

Welcome new member, Carlo Prandini.. He is the father of member, Ann Prandini Anderson, and his parents came to America from Brescia, (Lombardy) and Castello, (Calabria) . Also joining our Lodge are Erika Canzio-Kelly (daughter of Fin. Sec. Yolanda and Leonard Canzio), and Sabino Pace and his wife Rachele Giammarella, originating from Bari, (Puglia) Italy. Our new members have been very supportive of our Lodge and or Fundraisers. Benvenuto nella nostra famiglia!

Happy Birthday to our April Birthdays: Brenden Barra, Olivia DeLiddo Gallegos, Grace Barra, Gina Nulick, Isabella Barra and Leroy Scolari.

Remember, we are having another New Members drive, winner will have their dues paid. Last year's winner was Ann Anderson. So far, Yolanda is in the lead, but we have a long way to go, so sign up your family and friends! Until next time, Ciao!!



Sabino Pace and Rachele Giammarella





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Erika Canzio

Carlo Pradini



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We appreciate all your help.

Thank you, Andy Pampuro Debbie Ure





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Hanford Lodge #1543

Hanford, CA by Jackie Giacomazzi jackiegiacomazzi@gmail.com



At the April meeting of the Hanford Lodge, Tony and Louise Tesoriere treated members to delicious sausage sandwiches topped with peppers and onions. Many members brought salads and desserts to complete the meal for a pre-Easter event. We thank everyone for a wonderful evening. Members are making plans to attend the Grand Lodge Convention in June to be held in Fresno. Our Lodge President, Louise Silacci, will be on the slate of Trustees, Central. "Smart & Sassy— Vote for Silacci"!!!



Joan Little was presented with the" Member of the Month Award" by President Louise Silacci. In 2003 Joanie started a Charity Fund by selling T-shirts, aprons, carry bags, etc. Today, the proceeds from sauce sales and various other fundraisers make it possible for our Lodge to donate to local charities throughout each year. Mille grazie to Joanie for all her efforts over many years. We hope to see you all on May 10th at the Enrico Caruso Lodge hall when the United Lodges of the San Joaquin Valley meets for lunch to give donations to Valley Children's Healthcare Birth Defects Library. This year the Hanford Lodge will be able to donate \$1700.00 to this worthy cause.

> Happy Mother's Day!



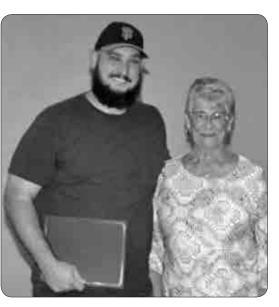




Roma Lodge #1573

Tulare, CA by Larry Dutto

Roma Lodge celebrated their 87th Anniversary at the April meeting. Over 70 members and guests were present to enjoy a delicious meal prepared by the Chiaramonte Families. The lodge recognized members who were celebrating membership milestones. Roma Lodge will be hosting their 82nd annual Ravioli Dinner on Saturday, May 13th at the T.D.E.S. Hall in Tulare. The meal features ravioli, spaghetti, chicken, green beans, salad, salami, cheese and a biscotti cookie for dessert. Over the past several years more and more diners have chosen to utilize the takeout option while fewer people dine inside. The lodge has decided it will only have a drive through takeout dinner option this year. Tickets may be purchased from Cathy Mederos, 687-1112 for only \$20.



Roma Lodge 25 Year Members Joseph Goni and Joann Jones



A memory for life & longer: Lunch in Venice 1998 A young SIF Trustee Phil Privitera with NELA Scholarship Founder Jean "Jennie" Privitera (1936-2008)



Roma Lodge 35 Year Members Mary Louise Yribarren and Kathy Briano





Roma Lodge 50 Year Members Dennis Burner and Carol McLafferty



May Roma #1573 5/25/30 Valley of the Moon #1959 5/17/47 William Paca #1960 5/25/47 West Covina #2056 5/14/56 **Anaheim #2076** 5/3/58 St. Helena #2077 5/26/58 **Dolly Sinatra #2400** 5/29/77 Vincenzo Bellina #2519 5/29/82

Congratulations!!!



Roma Lodge 50+ Year Members Agnes Pelous, Maryann Luis, Leroy Beecher, Ron Pedroncelli, Carol Burner, Joann Beecher, Gary Dutto and Sharon Barreto. Seated is State Deputy Lila Giacomazzi.

William Paca Lodge # 1960 Mountain View, CA by Carolyn Franklin

It might be the wonder of Italian cooking that keeps the world in orbit. In our April dinner we had the best of Irish food: ham, scalloped potatoes and carrots. This always comes with the green salad and great dessert. Yes, we manage to slip in a little of the best of Ireland on occasion. And what are the long term results of this great cuisine? Ask Bice Cobeletta, our 92 year old member, who, after a life of the best in Italian dining, is still going strong and doesn't miss a moment of fun and conversation. Chi prima arriva il mulino macina.

Bice was accompanied to the dinner by George Ravetto, a neighbor. We appreciate George bringing Bice. It's wonderful to have a personal chauffeur and so close by. The dinner was designed by Mike Ravizzi who now has a life-time of menus to share along with our other chefs. We are so fortunate to have the best in every way. Della peggiori strade bisogna prendere la meglio.

Pauline Richmond, State Trustee Central District was a welcome guest as was Maria Pignati. Being a Trustee in our wonderful organization is not only an honor for us, but a considerable responsibility. We're grateful for the dedication of both Pauline and Maria for their time and devotion to our Lodge.

And, speaking of Italian foods (aren't we always?) the introduction of zeppole promises to rival pizza. These little "blimps" are delicious and easy to eat and easy to make. La pulizia sta bene daperrtutto fuorche in tasca.

Stay well through the upcoming allergy seasons. Drink lots of cold water and wear a garlic wreath – that will even repel the IRS.

Greetings from Redding,

Shasta Lodge was saddened to lose one of our members in early April. Ron Litterst had been a social member since May of 2001 and had been one of our chefs for over ten years. Ronnie has been making our signature pasta sauce for so long it is known as "Ronnie's Sauce". We will certainly miss him in the kitchen. His Celebration of Life will be held at the lodge on Saturday, May 13th.

Speaking of "Ronnie's Sauce", we had a pasta sauce contest at our meeting in April and with ten entries, "Ronnie's Sauce" made by Jim Nobili, Paul Monette and John Tasello came in first in a blind taste test.

Saturday, March 25, was the Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day program honoring the men and women who served in Vietnam. The event is held annually at the Veterans Hall on Yuba Street and sponsored locally by the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 357. Shasta Lodge has been preparing and serving the lunch provided to all in attendance since a proclamation was signed and became a law by the Governor of California. The Lodge cooking team was Jim Nobili, John Tasello, Paul Monette, Bob Gullixson, Jim Lamanna, Iim Giacomelli and John Di-Matteo. Shasta Lodge also donated the sauce for the pasta luncheon. The Lodge serving team was headed by Jean Russell, with help from Fran Mazet and Julie Warren.

The event was well attended and included about 20 Hmong soldiers, men and women, who fought communism with American service men and women as a covert CIA Special Guerilla Unit. Many were trained, armed and fought as children, one in particular joined the Force at the age of 10. He stated that his carbine was larger than him. These veterans had some incredible stories to share and were greatly appreciative of the invitation to be a part of the Welcome Home event. Shasta Lodge # 2453 Junior member Morgan Giacomelli, son of Jim and Cathy Giacomelli, recently graduated from Air Force Basic Training at Lackland Air Force Base- San Antonio Texas. Morgan is currently studying airfield systems at Keesler AFB- Biloxi Mississippi. A 2016 graduate of Sacramento State, Morgan was also a Shasta Lodge and Louie Dellaragione scholarship recipient. Morgan's sister Jordan and her husband Daniel Henson are in England where Daniel is stationed at Mildenhall Air Force Base.

Shasta Lodge #2453 Redding, CA

by Carole Dellaragione

We received three applications for lodge scholarships and they will be reviewed at our next council meeting. Those receiving scholarships will be announced in May. On May 6th we will be helping the Anderson Police Department with a fundraiser for their canine program. Then we will be presenting a wreath from Shasta Lodge at two Memorial Day events on May 29th and 30th.

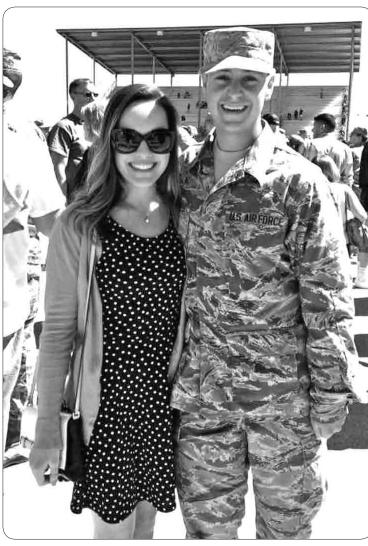
Wishing you Moms a very happy Mother's Day. Your friends at Shasta

Lodge.



John Tasello with two Viet Nam Vets from Welcome Home Viet Nam Veterans Day luncheon.





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Jordan and Morgan Giacomelli on Morgan's graduation from Air Force Basic Training at Lackland AFB in San Antonio, Texas.



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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 know 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. I will not be told that my contribution is any less nor my role not as worthy as that of any other American.

I will stand in support of this nation's freedom and promise against all foes. My heritage has dedicated me to this nation. I am proud of my full heritage, and I shall remain worthy of it. I Am An Italian-American.

by Angelo Bianchi, Esq.

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