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A Message From The State President

JANUARY 2020



State President John Costa

2020: Wow that's going take some getting used too. Let's hope for a wonderful and prosperous New Year for each and every member of the Grand Lodge of California Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America. What goals are you going to set for the New Year? I had set a goal of increasing membership by 10% from last year. We have been going through a lot of applications and membership certificates at the Grand Lodge so hopefully we are on the right track. First quarter is always the hardest with many people dropping because they lose interest or for other reasons. What are those reasons, this is for us to find out before we just dropped members for not paying their dues, lets reach out to them and ask that simply question, why? Let's work together on this, I do not have all the answers, it takes more than just one or two, it takes all of us working together as a team.

We have started the "365" raffle once again, the purchase price is once again \$25.00 and we kept the amounts to win the same. Please help support the Grand Lodge with this fundraiser. Each lodge could purchase one and you would be surprised when the check comes in the mail. If you need tickets please contact the Grand Lodge, all the lodges were mailed some tickets at the beginning of December, also sent to Officers and Chars.

At the beginning of December I had the pleasure along with members of the Vallejo Lodges to present the check to UC Davis Alzheimer's research. Vallejo does

a wine tasting event in May along with a silent auction. The two lodges donate close to \$8100.00, and with a check from the Western Foundation that was collected at last year's Convention the total was just under \$9600.00. Great job Vallejo lodges and to all of you who donated.

I would like to thank our volunteers who have helped out this past year at the Grand Lodge. Joy Bruno and Lynn Lawrence Murphy have been kind enough to sit in rush hour traffic to and from the Grand Lodge. I also need to thank our Recording Secretary for going in once a week to do the bookkeeping. We are working on getting Alexis some help in the office. Fingers crossed we will have someone in mid-January or early February. In the meantime thank you Alexis for working hard to keep the office going. Please if you call be patient we are still having trouble with the new phone system. We are saving a lot of money but are really inconvenienced. Everyone please be patient! I have my cell phone with me if it is important feel free to call, text or email me.

March grand council is also right around the corner. It will be held at the Marriott in Torrance. I am hoping to see a number of members there and see how your grand council works for you. Please come and ask questions.

At the beginning of next year National will have a new Sons and Daughters of Italy Lodge in Rome, Italy. How exciting. Now when you visit Rome you might be able to look up a member of the order in Italy.

So let's purchase those raffles tickets, and sign up that new member(s).

We are the best kept secret!!

Until next month





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State 1st Vice President Barbara Wisniewski

Here we are in a new year in a new decade!

After reviewing our membership numbers, I would like us all to work at keeping our Grand Lodge alive for the end of this decade. Most of you will scoff at this possibility but, believe me, if we don't make membership our priority, we could find ourselves in dire straits.

Our President, John Costa, has made membership his number one priority. Let us remember that membership includes retention as well as getting new members.

I'd like to speak about retention today. Are we, Officers, giving members what they need to want to come to our meetings? Great food is wonderful but certainly not enough. Have we asked our members what they want to do within the Lodge? Perhaps a speaker, a cultural presentation, a local person of interest could bring more members to meetings. Perhaps some fun things together on a different day? Sometimes we Local Lodge Officers forget that the meetings are not just business. What happens before and after the business portion of the meeting is what keeps our members coming back.

We have Lodges in the North that offer Book Clubs, trips to different restaurants in the area, group trips to historical locations in the area, visits to Italian art exhibits, trips to local sporting events, participating in local events as representatives of the Order. Not everyone will want to do each thing, but most will find something they like and would like to share with other members. Officers talk to your Members. Members

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State 2nd Vice President Pauline Richmond

Wishing everyone a New Year filled with Peace and Happiness!

It's hard to believe a half year has gone by of my term as State Vice President of the Central. A year and a half left to continue our two-year agenda. Still an on-going priority is Membership! Our State Membership committee member Joe Simoni is working with the National Membership Commission and keeping each State Vice President informed. In turn the area Vice Presidents are working with their appointed State Membership chairperson plus their two State Trustees. Our goal is to increase membership by 10%. Approx. 300 new members would equate to 100 per area. It is imperative not only to stop the loss of members but for our organization to continue, we must gain membership. I've asked Joe Simoni for a loss and gain of members report for the Central area so that we can see what is being accomplished in our area. Hopefully this will let us know what lodges are doing to increase their membership and give those lodges that need help suggestions and ideas. I'm working with my area State Membership chairperson Steven Barra on Social Media and Digital Marketing. Membership is the concern of all active OSDIA mem-

Sunday, December 8, 2019 I traveled with our State Queen Breanna Simon and her mother Suzanne, grandmother Judie Buldo and Aunt Pamela Buldo, State Trustee – Central to South San Francisco to attend the annual Christmas Party for Columbia Lodge #1940. Member



State 3rd Vice President Sadie Tamburine

I trust everyone had a blessed Christmas with family and friends. I would like to wish all my brothers and sisters a Happy, Healthy, Prosperous New Year.

This will be a short article as I am having health issues. Thank you for your cards and best wishes.

Please continue to promote our culture and heritage





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talk to your Officers. Communication is truly the key.

Last but most important, if a member misses a meeting or two, do we follow up? Do we try to reach that member and make sure he/she is alright? Do we help when we know it is needed?

Remember we are a FRA-TERNAL organization and we are all SISTERS and BROTHERS.

Let's start 2020 on the right foot and keep our members needs close to heart.

To all my Sisters and Brothers, let us know what you wish to see.

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

Till next month Fraternally Barbara

State Second Vice President Cont. from page 1

Bennie Pardini did an outstanding job chairing the luncheon. A delicious lunch was served. Lodge president Joe Simoni welcomed everyone. Each person attending brought a door prize. A ticket was given to each person in attendance, then a FREE RAFFLE was held, and each person won a gift! I gave my thanks and was able to wish all a Joyous Holiday Season. It was a wonderful day spent visiting with lodge members.

Please! I'm asking for State Deputies to send in there 4th quarterly report for 2019.

Ciao, until next month!







Pugliese Lodge Christmas Party

by Rosemarie Biagetti Vanderhaar

The officers and members of the Pugliese Lodge enjoyed a wonderful afternoon and delicious meal celebrating the Christmas season.

The party was held at Raffaello's Ristorante in San Pedro. A very short meeting was held prior to the festivities. Following the meeting, President Michael DiGiuro was presented with a card and gift from the lodge. The presentation was made by Carla Lotito Komar, Vice President. President Michael and First Lady Edithe DiGiuro presented each one attending a gift of Celebration libations in a decorative glass.

The gifts were made by junior members, Queen Sarah Taylor and Fiona Taylor.

The meal was served family style with so many delicious offerings. Everyone went home with "take out containers". Special thanks to President Michael and First Lady Edithe for the dessert. What else to top off a great meal but refreshing spumoni ice cream.

A fun afternoon with wishes of Merry Christmas to one another and a Happy New Year.

Til next year, Ciao



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Shasta Lodge #2453

Redding, CA by Carole Dellaragione

Hello from Redding,

It is just a few days from Christmas as I write this and in December we held our annual council dinner and four large catered parties, all in two weeks. Whew, we were very busy. They all had a great time and several have already rescheduled for 2020. Our thanks to Chef James, and some of his students from his culinary classes and club, for all their help. They are working for donations to help with their expenses to attend a culinary competition in Orlando, Florida this spring. Certainly a win-win for us.

Our "bell ringers" have been busy helping the Salvation Army. Once again our Vice President, John DiMatteo, spent eighteen hours in front of Walmart ringing bells in competition with Tim from the Salvation Army. John lost the competition by \$43 last year, but had a great victory this year, with John's bucket raising over sixteen hundred dollars, nearly doubling what Tim had in his bucket. Great job John, and all of our members who rang bells at many locations around the Redding area.

We lost another long term member a few days ago. Carmelo Brugaletta had been a member for over 20 years. Rest in Peace our friend. We wish you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year! Vi auguriamo un felice e prospero anno nuovo.

Your friends at Shasta Lodge



Chef James and his wife Debbie with 2 students.



Chris Whitmore, Rose Nobili and John DiMatteo and ringing bells at Walmart. Charlotte Bailey, Gerry Carroll and Jean Russell stopped by to support. In front is Tim from Salvation Army.



Saddleback Valley Lodge #2566

Mission Viejo, CA by Bernadine Liuzzi-Neil

On December 1, 22 elves from Saddleback Valley Lodge abandoned Santa's Sleigh for 2 mini busses to deliver toys to the Toys for Tots Event sponsored by the United Lodges of Southern California. The party was held at a the Centinela Valley Lodge facility in Torrance and a delicious Italian meal was served replete with pasta, sausage, garlic bread, salad, and Spumoni cake for dessert.



Our SVL President and also United Lodges President Hank Lowinger, our State Deputy Sal Denaro, and Al Trentini, SVL member who is State Treasurer got together not to talk business this time but to enjoy the festivities. Also at the table were Al and Lillian Rossi, Jean Trentini and Anna Altomari.



The gangs all here to celebrate our first Christmas event, Toys for Tots. Back row: Hank Lowinger, Sal Denaro, Anna Altomari, Andy Ginocchio, Gwen Ginocchio, Erta Matson, Lucy Gallo & Al Schlappy. Front Row: Pete Dito, Pat Dito, Michelle Lowinger, Marilyn Vecchio, Louise Pampuro, Bernadine Neil, Giuliana Fanton, Gianfranco Fanton, Lillian Rossi and Al Rossi. Kneeling in from with the big smile is Carmen Moraga-Eid.



Just some of the gifts for the children. The stage was filled to overflowing by the time everyone arrived.

This is from the Toys for Tots website. "When you're shopping for 7 million children, you need to start early. Every donation matters when bringing Christmas joy to less fortunate." Saddleback Valley Lodge is pleased to be able to join in this effort every year.

Joanne Coccia Lodge #2553

Fontana, CA by Anthony N. Finazzo

The Joanne Coccia Lodge #2553 enjoyed a wonderful Christmas dinner at the Hilton Garden Inn, Fontana, CA on Sunday, December 15, 2019 with 65 members in attendance. The food was excellent with all the trimmings with delicious dessert.

We are delighted to have two new young members joined our lodge recently. They are Gina Walden and Kimberly Folio-Walden. We are very happy to have them to become members of our lodge.

Our Lodge is gearing up for a busy 2020 New Year with a lot of activities being planned. We want all of our members to be involved with our lodge.

We wish our members and our filial lodges to have a blessed and prosperous New Year





Roma Lodge #1573

Tulare, CA by Larry Dutto

Roma Lodge held their annual Christmas party on December 8th with over 110 members and guests present. Attendees were treated to a delicious Christmas dinner complete with ham, yams, rigatoni and a variety of desserts made by members. Co-chairs for the event were *Ken Curti* and Cathy Mederos. Dennis Mederos (A.K.A. Santa) treated over 40 junior members with candy stuffed stockings prepared by Joann Beecher. *Ben Curti*, *Charlie Pitigliano*, *Dominic Pitigliano*, *Clint and Caleb Curti* helped with the cooking and cleanup chores. Lodge members also brought numerous items to be given to the Tulare Lighthouse Rescue Mission.

Pam Sola, junior member activity chair, put on a wonderful talent show and Christmas program with the junior members. *Elisabeth Curti* assisted with decorating the tables with poinsettias and brightly colored table settings. Roma Lodge will be celebrating their 90th anniversary in 2020 and with over 300 members continues to be one of the most active lodges in the state.



Santa Claus presents Roma Lodge junior member Giada Pitigliano with her candy filled stocking at the Christmas Party.



Roma Lodge junior members present items to the Tulare Lighthouse Rescue Mission brought by members to the Christmas party.



Pam Sola, junior member chair, put on a great talent show with junior members at the Christmas Party.



Longtime Roma Lodge member Leroy Beecher celebrated his 80th birthday as part of the Roma Lodge Christmas party with wife Joann and children Steven, Sherry and Stacy

Hanford Lodge #1543

Hanford, CA by Jackie Giacomazzi jackiegiacomazzi@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS PARTY Jackie Giacomazzi

Again, the party was a great success with over 50 members in attendance. I co-chaired the event with Louise Tesoriere, and President Lulu Silacci was our major "elf" helping to make sure the decorations went up with finesse. Loads of pizza, eggnog, apple juice and cookies were consumed during the evening. I set up a "candy bar" that was also enjoyed by all. An "ugly sweater" contest was a highlight of the party. The judges had a hard time deciding, but chose Lulu Silacci after a long deliberation. Each contestant had to model in front of the audience. I believe if Michael Leoni would have stayed around for the competition, he would have definitely been a strong contender!! Annette Nicely added to the fun by leading Christmas Carols; Santa showed up as we all sang "Jingle Bells;" he listened to each child's wishes for Christmas as he gave them a gift. Thank you, Queen Annamarie Tesoriere for helping Santa. A big "grazie mille" to all who participated, especially those who stayed to clean up! Happy New Year to all!!!

SCHOLARSHIPS Jackie Giacomazzi

Applications are available at the Scholarship Office at the high schools. Remember, for our Lodge scholarship, a senior must have been a member for at least four (years) and have earned at least a 3.0 grade point average. Applicants must also add an essay to the application entitled: "What My Italian Heritage Means of Me." March 1 is the deadline, but get it in early. Also, check out the Grand Lodge Scholarships. The applications will be available at the high schools too. If it is not, let me know. March 1 is the deadline for that one too. We have several additions to our Memorial Scholarship Fund in memory of Hazel Ann Christin with donations from: Sid Tambourine & Sadie Koehler; Joy Bruno, Pete & Rosie Cervantes: Mark & Debbie Nardini: Aldo & Pam DeRose. We thank them all so much for the donations.

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING:

Winning is always fun! Some of us are always lucky! Tony Tesoriere took home \$100.00; Michael Leoni, \$40.00 and Danny Dattola, \$10.00 (always a winner)!!

COOKBOOKS are still available. Call Joan Little, Jackie Giacomazzi, and Toni Natali and they will be happy to sell you one or more!!







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The United States Bill of Rights

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Italian-Americans have been among the most law-abiding citizens of the United States. Italians came to this country legally and demonstrated pride in learning the English language and gaining American citizenship. They worked hard, and they didn't become dependent on taxpayers and on the government for welfare benefits. Italian Americans believed in and supported both public and private education and encouraged their children to attend schools and universities.

Certain advantaged and powerful elite groups felt threaten by and jealous of these hardworking and ambitious newcomers. Elite groups sought unjust ways to repress and exploit the newcomers. They used various tactics to demonize and exclude Italians. But all efforts to repress and destroy Italian Americans have failed due in large part to the fact that this country is a nation of laws, not of privileged individuals.

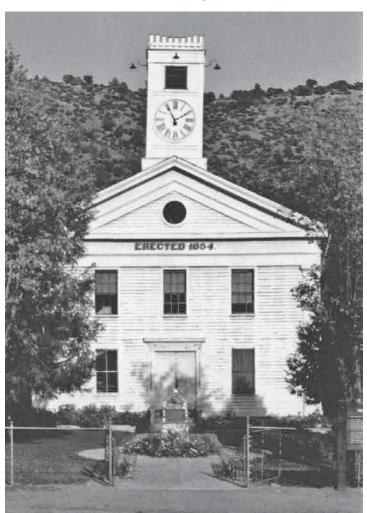
Indeed, the Italian Americans had certain impartial and powerful laws on their side, which protected and continue to protect legal rights. The first ten amendments of the United States Constitution are known as the Bill of Rights. They promulgate rights and due process in trying criminal and civil cases. The amendments prohibit high-handed and arbitrary actions as un-Con-

stitutional. These laws have advanced democracy and justice for generations of legal immigrants.

When a violation of a Constitutional right or due process occurs in a lower court, the verdict or judgment may by appealed up to the Supreme Court of the United States. This country has an independent judicial system that has the power to limit Congress and the President if they exceed their Constitutional authority. Americans have liberties or rights that cannot be denied to them.

It is essential for all Americans to understand the United States Constitution and the courts. There are courts to serve every American in every state, county, or city. Some of these are state courts others are federal. They have general or specific jurisdictions. The courts hear unique cases and use precedent to make rulings, but judges also have discretionary authority to see that justice is done.

The study of the law is a noble endeavor. Many people make their living in assisting others to file complaints or claims. There are various branches of law, such as criminal law, business law, administrative law, family law, intellectual property law, labor law, maritime law, and international law. A good knowledge of law will greatly increase a person's confidence and ability to negotiate.



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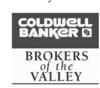
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Gold Country Lodge #2705

El Dorado Hills, CA by Tami Welch













Buon Natale (Merry Christmas) from our lodge to yours!! We enjoyed our Christmas dinner on Sunday, December 8th at Cascada's in El Dorado Hills. The lodge provides the appetizers and dessert. An ornament gift exchange has also been a fun tradition. Wishing you all a very Happy New Year!!



Cesare **Battisti** Lodge #1815

Petaluma, CA by Louise Vicino

Greetings from Petaluma!

Got the fireplace going, trying to keep warm. We really are having a wet and cold winter. It's a good time to get families together, get those chestnuts roasting and spending precious time together.

I hope that all of you had a wonderful Christmas holiday with your loved ones surrounding you and thanking God for all we have. Having a wonderful dinner gathering together, sharing love. We sure need that at this time.

With that, comes my wishes for you in the New Year. May you and your families have a year full of happiness, love, good health and joy. Thank you too, for all your friendship this past year and I look forward to next year with all of you.

We had a wonderful polenta/stew dinner with so many members and their guests in attendance. The cooks did an excellent job, so our thanks to them and to all the members who helped in any way.

We had two young men who represented The Hatchery who spoke to the Group. They gave good information for the members.

We did not hold a meeting, as we never do in December; however, we did hold the Monthly raffle for three meetings. I will give you their names in the next edition. Unfortunately, as I have aged, I forgot who they were.

Coming up is our All You Can Eat Crab Feed, which will be held February 8th. Menu: pasta, all you can eat crab, shredded lettuce and dressing to go with your crab if desired, dessert, wine and coffee. Cost: \$50. Reservations are a must, so call Ernie - 707-585-2928.

Regular Dinner/Meeting February 13th - Reservations with Carol - 559-3119.

The Board has decided to have many activities going on this new year, so plan to attend and support our President. Without you there is no Lodge.

Get well wishes to those who are ill, Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to those celebrating this month.

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

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

Vallejo Lodges by Sharon Silveira

In Italy the partaking of good food is a celebration---and the Vallejo Lodges have certainly been celebrating. On Saturday, November 16th, a very large crowd savored a polenta & stew dinner. There is no denying its deliciousness on a chilly Fall evening. Kudos to the Kitchen Crew of Marlene Parr, Laverta Harris, Ray Airoldi, Katelynn Clemens and Chris Over. Our State President, John Costa, volunteered to take the oar and stir. Dinner Chairperson was Jessica Ray.

Saturday, December 7th, was our traditional dinner of roast beef and ravioli adorned with Rick Branch's special meat sauce. Joining him in the kitchen were John Costa, Glen Rushing, Steve Branch and Donna Branch. A smaller but very appreciate room full of diners.

Helping Others is always appreciated, and the Vallejo Lodges donated several boxes of needed and requested food items to the food locker of the St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Basil's Church. Items were collected at our vearly Food Drive starting in November and Chaired by Rick Silveira. The Lodges have received a heartfelt thank you letter for our do-

Thank You, Thank You.... from UC Davis Alzheimer's Research. On Tuesday, December 10th, the money raised from our yearly Wine Tasting & Silent Auction Event was presented at their Walnut Creek facility. Attending the presentation our State President John Costa, our Lodge Presidents Pamela & Ray Bini, Ruth Costa, Rick Branch, Glen Rushing, Elaine Quillin and Esther & Fred Asche. The Vallejo Lodges are their longest most continuous supporter and they always make us feel beyond appreciated for our contribu-

Tie On Those Bibs...and come join us on Saturday, January 18th for our Crab Feed. Tickets only \$45.00. Advance Sale Only - call Pamela Bini 567-2938. All you can eat crab, exceptional pasta, garden salad, garlic bread. Door prizes, raffle, money board. Libations at 5 p.m. Dinner 6:30. Promises to be a fun and delectable evening.

Felice Anno Nuova. Augurandoti tutte le cosa buone 2020!



IL LEONE PAGE 8 **JANUARY 2020**

By the time you receive

this issue of the Il Leone, it

will already be 2020! A time

to rejuvenate ourselves for

our own health and welfare.

2019 was the first year that

we've offered a dinner be-

fore ever meeting in order

the attract more members. In

addition to the usual Corned

Beef and Cabbage for St.

Patrick's Day, BBQed ham-

burgers and hot dogs and a

Polenta and Cacciatore din-

ner, we also served a Trippa dinner prepared by our own

chef Pietro Quilici that was

"out of this world", as those

in attendance put it. He also

prepared a Lasagna dinner

at our Toys for Tots meeting

in November. Photos below

include the presentation of

the gifts for the children in

San Mateo County to the lo-

cal Fire Station in San Carlos.

Attracting more members

(and guests) is still a work

in progress. The Board has

met to plan the activities in

2020 which will be sent to

the members and those who

are on our mailing list (first

class and electronic). We had

a major change on our Board,

as those who felt "burned

out" decided not to continue.

However, we are looking for-

ward to a new year with an-

ticipation and the implemen-

tation of our activities. There

are also photos of the Colum-

bia Lodge Choir. 2019 marks

the 47th year of providing a

little happiness and joy to

the residents of the assisted

living facilities in San Mateo

County. This year, the choir

returned to Sunrise Assist-

ed Living in San Mateo and

Burlingame and performed

for the first time at Cadence

Youth Committee

by Brian Watson

Saluti Fratelli e Sorelle,

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

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

The last time we were in the Bay Area I used the Go San Francisco pass that allows entry to 25+ attractions for one price and we had a great time with it. Since Concord is close to San Francisco I have been looking into these passes again. I noticed on the Go website that Six Flags Discovery Kingdom is also on the list. That would be a great theme parks for the kids to go to. Some of the other attractions included in the pass are, California Academy of Sciences, Madame Trussauds wax museum, Bridge to Bridge cruise, Ripley's Believe it or Not!, Alcatraz Island, SF Museum of Modern Art, the Exploratorium, Aquarium of the Bay and many many more. Great thing about this is you can go

to as many as you want while you have the pass. I am also looking into a Giants baseball game, if I have my dates right they finish a series with the Mets and start a series with the Dodgers while we are in town. Nothing is set in stone, I am just starting out my event planning at this point. If you are from the area I would love to hear from you with ideas for events also, no one knows better than those who are local to the convention city.

With a no cost convention youth package for the kids I am calling on everyone to please support the Little Lion Program either as an individual, as a lodge, or as both. I have again set up different levels of support for the program. Those who donate over \$100 will be part of the elite Platinum level, donations up to \$100 are in the Gold level, up to \$50 donations are silver level and the bronze level is up to \$25.

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

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

Brian E. Watson Youth Committee Chair 4308 North DeWitt ave Fresno, Ca 93727 (559) 285-6934 Pumbaa673@yahoo.com

Fraternally,

Columbia Lodge #1940

YEAR IN REVIEW

San Mateo, CA by Joseph Simoni - President



Toys for Tots.



Choir.

So, on behalf of the officers and members of Columbia Lodge #1940, I wish you and your families a Felice Anno Nuovo!

Joe

in Millbrae.



Dolly Sinatra Lodge #2400

Palm Springs, CA by Andy Casey

"If you build it, they will come", and so he did, and by God they came! Our President Joe LaPorta wanted to put on a golf tournament that would be for the benefit of our collective Western Federation Lodges! Wonderful idea, lots of work, incredible amount of work, especially if it's your first tournament.

But he pulled it off, with a lot of help from volunteers, and again tons of work. The tournament was a huge success by any measurement! For a first time tournament, a major triumph. There were fifty golfers, not only from just our Lodge, but they also came from SIX DIFFERENT Lodges, to enjoy a beautiful sunny warm day at the Indian Canyon Golf Resort, where the golfers played in the first ever Dolly Sinatra Open to benefit the Western Federation of Lodges.

And along with the tournament Joe also organized a sumptuous Italian themed grand buffet, which had 66 diners, and by every standard of dining was also memorable and magnificent event. An epicurean delight!!!

There was also 34 tee sign sponsors, 13 of these tee sponsors were from other Lodges, and will be acknowledged later in this article.

The first place winners of the tournament were a team led by our own Guido Portante and coming in second place was team Bobby Ardralino. Congratulations to them, and all the players who made our first ever tournament such a success! Teams and players came all the way from the following cities; Kalamath Falls, Oregon, Reno, Nev., Orange County, South Bay, Vallejo, and Fontana, the last four all from California. And a special thanks goes out to Andy Pampuro, Debbie at Sandgraphics and the gang at Il Leone, for running our ad for the months leading up to tournament.

No tournament of this magnitude can be solely done by one person, so it is vital that we thank among many, who contributed their time and effort to ensure the blowout winner of a tournament we had! Thus huge thanks to Rene "dancing" Troiano, Laurie Tappero, Annette Bicer, JoAnne Gold and Diane Girazian! You built the field, and they came....and THANKS!!!

I would imagine that doing another tournament, next year might be in the offing, especially since Joe built the field, and why wouldn't they come back, those amazing golfers that composed our tournament! And perhaps even bring friends, and when the rest of the lodges hear the news, hopefully even more will come to the field that Joe and friends built!!

And these are the amazing "friends of the tournament from outside of our Lodge" who bought tee signage: Arlene Nunziati, Lynn Car-

olyn Murphy, Vera Girolami, Barbara Wisnewski, Roy Vanoni, Sadie Tamburine, Saddle Back Lodge, Alice Bankhead, Camelia Columbo Lodge, JoAnne Coccia, David Lavezzari, Renaissance Lodge 2259, Manny Finnazo, John Costa and Watsonville Lodge 2016. Thanks and see you next year...



Some facts about Italy

- Italy was unified in 1861 and became a Republic in 1946
- The population is about 60 million
- The surface is 301,338 km²
- It is divided in 20 regions
- Italy hosts 2 foreign countries, the Republic of S.Marino and Vatican City.
- The capital and largest city is Rome
- More than 75% of Italy is hilly or
 mountainous.
- Italy is the fourth most visited country in the world, with about 5 million visitors annually.
- About 85% of Italians are Roman Catholic.
- The average Italian eats about 30 kg of pasta per year and drinks 98 liters of wine.
- The climate is Mediterranean with hot, dry summers and mild, rainy



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or website and you would like to include it with the above list, please send it to me at apampuro@comline.com.



Valley of the Moon Lodge #1959

Sonoma, CA by Susan Antonini susanantoniniart@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

As I peruse the room of gleeful gatherers...my ears are filled with the mirth of Christmas cheer.

So happy was this group that my heart sang along with their glee.

MARCH MADDNESS... MARCH DANCE

Keep you March Calendar open for the dinner dance.

GRATEFUL FOR VOLUNTEERS

So many of our dinner group pitch in to help...it is amazing...and secretly....much depends on volunteers....John our Chef is very grateful for all those that help. It takes a village!

HOSPITAL STAYS....

Recently we heard Larry Lazzareschi was in for hip surgery....a little pain now, but wait until he is up and around and jumping with glee. And wonder why he didn't do it sooner!

Others are ill and or recovering, I don't know all the names but I know they are missed.

Our hearts and prayers go out to them.

ONE PIECE OF THE PUZZLE MISSING

It would be remiss not to mention the passing of our regular dinner guest, Dominic Garamoni...passed away this past month...

Such a sense of humor and wit. We were told that Dom "just loved Frank Sinatra".... Keep his family and dear wife Donna in your prayers.

MY SIDE OF THE STORY...

It is my pleasure to work along side our Chef John Berger....he is simpatico .. and puts together a meal we all love.

PICKING ONE OLIVE AT A TIME

To appreciate hand grown, picked and expressed olives...you have to spend a day picking olives....or ask John Albini if you can taste some of his delicious olive oil.

Which was used in our salad at the Christmas dinner!

HOLIDAY CHEER

Holidays over and a New Year begins...

Keep safe and healthy everyone.

Remember to put the Third Tuesday of the Month on your calendars...SOI Dinner are where happy people meet!

Call Karen for reservations: 707-938-1295

Ciao



Preston, John, Alina Serving the delicious Ham Dinner



Paul Grant and Karen.



Paul Grant, Karen and Mike Caroll



Leslie Fuller, Paul Grant and Karen Carroll mixing the Tom and Jerry Mix.

RodolfoValentino Lodge #1449

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

Happy New Year to everyone! Make your resolution now, before it's too late.

Last Month: We had an abbreviated meeting so that we could get to the hor d'oeuvres that were brought in by everyone and to just shoot the breeze. A good time was had by all. The United Lodges of the Central San Joaquin Valley: No meeting until March of 2020; watch this space for more info.

The flu season is already up to a roaring start ... get your shot ASAP; your friends will appreciate it.

This Month, Monday, January 20, 2020, will be at Luna's in Clovis, as will the February 17 meeting; bring your appetites.

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

An old Italian proverb says: "La paura delle donne è alla base di una buona salute" ...The fear of women is the basis of good health.

An old Italian wedding tradition is the gift of candy-coated Jordan Almonds, wrapped in tulle, delivered by the wedded couple as they greet their guests at the post-wedding feast; the bitter-sweet flavor represents the rigors of marriage. This custom allows each of the couple to introduce their mate to any otherwise unknown guest or relative, but, in small villages, and "unknown" is almost unknown. Italian is the official language of Italy, and 93% of the Italian population are native Italian speakers. But, there are a number of dialects like Sardinian, Friulian, Neapolitan, Sicilian, Ligurian, Piedmontese, Venetian and Calabrian, spoken throughout the country. Natives also speak Bavarian, Catalan, Cimbrian, Corsican, Croatian, French, Greek, Slovenian, Milanese (in Milan) and Walser. Some minorities speak German and Albanian. There are 34 languages widely spoken in Italy.

An old Chinese proverb tells us that the best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago; the next best time is now; plant the acorn of an idea in your kids / grand-kids to apply for a scholarship by contacting Isabel Ronzano; national and state SoI 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/.





United Lodges of Southern California Christmas Party

by Rosemarie Biagetti Vanderhaar Recording Secretary

The United Lodges of Southern California kicked started the holiday season with its annual "Toys for Tots" Christmas Party. The event took place at the Centinela Valley Lodge Hall in Torrance on Sunday, December 1st.

Presiding over the festivities was United Lodges President Hank Lowinger with the help of Chairperson Rosemarie Biagetti Vanderhaar. Attendance was down a little this year to illness of some of our members and family members, Those members and guests attending enjoyed the "feste" spirit just the same. The lodges attending were America, Anaheim, Centinela Valley, Joanne Coccia, La Cocta Dei Fiori, Pugliese, Saddleback Valley and West End. Toys filled the stage. The Marines were suppose to be at the party to accept the toys but duty called; duty being at the Hollywood ChristmasParade. They received the toys the following week when they were invited to the Centinela Valley Lodge Christmas Party

State officers and committee chairs attending were Mark Vaona, State Orator, Al Trentini, State Treasurer, David Lavezzari, State Financial Secretary, State Trustees of the South Manny Finazzo and Hank Lowing. State Committee Chairpersons attending, Rosemarie Biagetti Vanderhaar, Scholarship and Eva Lavezzari, Queen Contest.

The members and guest enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by the Centinela Valley Lodge. A big and very special "GRAZIE" to President Steve Guthrie, Imed. Past President Annette Porter, Member Pat Porter, Vice President BrianSinaguglia, Mark Vaona, David Lavezzari and Bobbi Guthrie for all their hard work in the kitchen, behind the bar and most of all, opening their hall so we could have the party. United Lodges can't thank the Centinela Valley enough for their fraternalism and help in letting us use their hall.

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. Stay well, be safe always.



365 Fund Raiser - Winners

Oct. 16-31			
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	17	\$25.00	Pam Stewart
	18	\$25.00	Kathy Briano
	19	\$25.00	Theresa Massetti
	20	\$25.00	Louise Silacci
	21	\$25.00	Doris Hildreth
	22	\$25.00	Annette Porter
	23	\$25.00	Sadie Tamburine
	24	\$25.00	Paul Del Gosso
	25	\$25.00	Rosetta Beyerdorf
	26	\$25.00	Chris Hamzaeff
	27	\$25.00	Nancy Quinn
	28	\$25.00	Hayden Defaoli
	29	\$25.00	Giiana Daramy
	30	\$25.00	Shirley Firpo
	31	\$50.00	Mike Caroll
Dec. 1-15			
	1	\$2500	Carol & Tony Varni
	2	\$25.00	Maureenn Bianco
	3	\$25.00	Lidia Bidinost
	4	\$25.00	Steve Guthrie
	5	\$25.00	Nancy Sparks
	6	\$25.00	Edith DiGiuro
	7	\$25.00	Bill & Betty Welch
	8	\$25.00	Dorothy LaGonarsino
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365 Winners

Susan Webb

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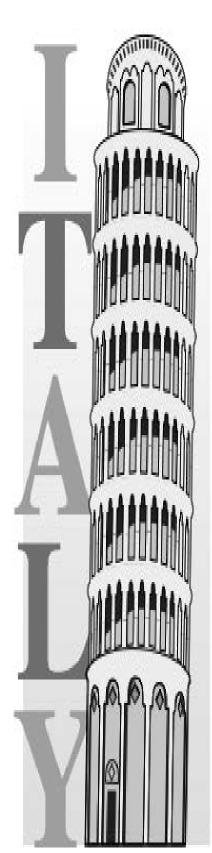
In last month's issue we made a terrible error saying that someone won \$200 on the 25th of the month. This was not true. the person only won \$25. The only time the prize is bigger is as follows:

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

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This is it, if you see something different once in a while it is wrong.

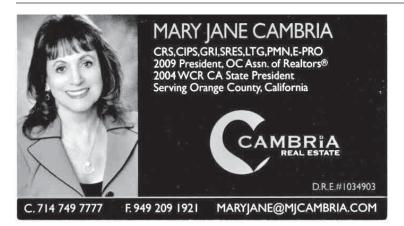
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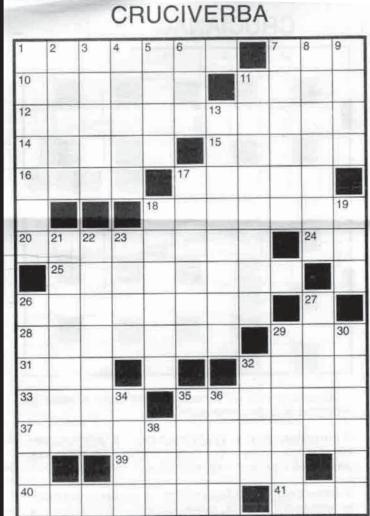


Lodge Anniversaries

Weed #1269 1/6/24
Cesare Battisti #1518 1/28/29
Virgilio #1586 1/4/21
BeatricePortinari #1626 1/2/22
NorthernSolano #2534 1/16/83

Congratulations!!!





ORIZZONTALI

- Un genere di funghi.
- II nome dell'attore Wallach.
- 10. Lo Stato di Ottawa.
- 11. Il Pitt del cinema.
- Avversaria... nella trattativa.
- 14. Pesce dai bei riflessi.
- Arrabbiata.
- Anche alternata in poesia.
- Costruzione in montagna.
- Artisti con i pennelli.
 Il poeta lo è dalla
- Musa. 24. Cuore di diva.
- 24. Cuore di diva.
- 25. Un cittadino francese.
- Fase di arresto dell'economia.
- Lode... ufficiale.
 Il commediografication
- 29. Il commediografo Benelli.
- 31. Organizzazione contro

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

VERTICALI

- 1. Stefano attore.
- 2. Indigeni neozelandesi.
- 3. Regione indocinese.
- Giulio premio Nobel.
- La uccise Eracle.
 Ideologia cinese.
- 6. Ideologia ciri
- Sbagliato.
- Monti della penisola sorrentina.
- 9. Si sfrutta se è buona.
- Una voce maschile della lirica.
- 13. Sotto la tazzina.
- 17. Max del motociclismo.
- 18. Il padre di Ettore.
- Imposta in fattura (sigla).
- Relativo alla colonna vertebrale.
- 22. Il poeta di "Myricae".
- 23. Pieno di aculei.
- 26. Relazione clinica.
- 27. Il nome dell'attore Falk.
- Ortaggio con coste.
- Gruppo dell'Appennino campano.
- 32. Si innalza a mattoni.
- 34. Osso del fianco.
- 35. Una Moore del cinema.
- 36. Comodità... singolare.
- Tribunale regionale (sigla).

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the mainland of North America.

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

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I am Filippo Mazzei, friend of Thomas Jefferson and my thesis on the equality of

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I created the Dome of the United States Capitol. They called me the Michelangelo

of America. I am Constantino Brumidi.

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

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I will not be told that my contribution is any less nor my role not as

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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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