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### District Deputy Newsletter

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### MESSAGE FROM JANE DIANDA!

Dear Branch and District Deputies,

Just a few reminders regarding our Annual Convention...

You have now received the proposals which will be presented at the upcoming Convention. Please be sure that the Branch Presidents review and discuss each of these proposals with their Members and Delegates. Having a clear understanding of what is proposed and what will be voted on will greatly reduce the amount of discussion during the General Session.

Also, if there are any Branches in your District that will not be able to attend the Convention, please have them send a letter addressed to the Executive Committee requesting to be excused and explaining the reasons for not attending the Convention. The sooner we receive a letter, the better chance we will have to work with the Branch.

Please remind Branches that the Convention registration fee, which includes a ticket to the banquet, must be paid in advance by the Branch. Additionally, the Delegates shall receive from the Branch a reasonable expense allowance to cover the costs of meals, accommodations and transportation for the Convention days on which the Delegates participate. Any deviations from these regulations must also have prior approval from the Executive Committee.

On another note, please inform your Branch members that the "In Touch" newsletter can be viewed on our Web site at [www.icf.org](http://www.icf.org). The "In Touch" is a great source of information for those members who may not be able to attend regular monthly meetings.

Looking forward to seeing you at Convention!

**Jane Dianda**

Chairperson, Deputy Program

### APOSTOLATE CHARITY

At the recent June Central Council meeting, it was voted on once again that the National Charity of the I.C.F. will be Cooley's Anemia. Our Annual Donation will be presented at the Convention. Be sure to remind Branches and members to send donations in time to be included at the Convention.

Additionally, please remember to turn in your Apostolate/Charity reports to the Central Council office not later than July 15<sup>th</sup>.

### 2011 CONVENTION IN FOSTER CITY, CALIFORNIA !!!

"With God All Things Are Possible."

The San Mateo District has been working very hard to give you an enjoyable time at the Convention this year. Your District and Branch Presidents have the flyers for all of these events.

Thursday Morning: The Bocce Tournament will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Registration starts at 11:30 A.M. \$15.00 per person for Bocce only. Lunch will be available for purchase at the Hotel. Deadline is August 19<sup>th</sup>. Call the I.C.F. Office at 1-888-423-1924.

Thursday Evening: The Hawaiian Luau Dinner will be held at Our Lady of Angels Hall in Burlingame. No Host Cocktails at 6:00 P.M. and Dinner at 7:00 P.M. A bus will depart from the hotel at 5:15 P.M. Deadline is August 15<sup>th</sup>. \$37.50 per person. Under 12 - \$15.00. Call Faith Hill at (650) 455-1560 or Cory Roberts at (650) 867-8946.

Friday: The Golf Tournament will be held at Poplar Creek Golf Course in San Mateo. Check in at 9:30 A.M. Start at 10:00 A.M. \$75.00 per person.

Deadline is August 17<sup>th</sup>. Call the I.C.F. Office at 1-888-423-1924.

Pedro Tournament at the Crowne Plaza Hotel from 12:00 - 3:00 P.M. \$15.00 per person, includes refreshments. Deadline is August 12<sup>th</sup>. Bingo is also at the Crowne Plaza Hotel from 3:00 - 6:00 P.M. \$25.00 per person. \$30.00 after August 12<sup>th</sup> or at the Door. Cash prizes will be given. Call the I.C.F. Office at 1-888-423-1924.

Friday/Saturday: On Friday there is a Tour of Children's Hospital from 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. with lunch from 12:00 P.M. - 1:30 P.M. A bus will leave from the hotel. \$25.00 per person. Call Barbara Firpo at (650) 323-0189.

On Saturday there is a Non-Delegate San Francisco City Tour from 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. Lunch at Fisherman's Wharf. Deadline is August 18<sup>th</sup>. \$35.00 per person. Call Enrica Poggio at (650) 364-7774.

Sunday Night Dinner Dance at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Casino Night is the theme. 7:00 P.M. - 12:00 A.M. \$60.00 per person. Deadline is August 12<sup>th</sup>. Call the I.C.F. Office at 1-888-423-1924.

Encourage the Delegates and Members going to Convention to attend the Workshops. A variety of workshops are available.

Don't forget to remind your Branches to sell their raffle tickets. This is a major way for the Branches to offset the cost of sending their Delegate (s) to Convention. It is also a fundraiser to help keep the Convention costs to a minimum.

## GIFTS OF LOVE

Please encourage the members to donate to the Gifts of Love Program to help special people. Through this program the I.C.F. is able to reach out to the developmentally delayed/disabled to help them with their special needs. This is a great way to publicize the I.C.F. because many of the beneficiaries are in the larger community. The need is great, so please be generous.

## SCHOLARSHIP

Please encourage the members to donate to the Second, Third and Fourth Year Scholarship Program. These scholarships are available to past First Year Scholarship winners who apply for I.C.F. funds to continue their college education. Also, encourage them to donate towards the Mario Cugia Italian Studies Scholarship. This Scholarship is for a Junior or Senior in College who is majoring in some form of Italian Studies. Please be generous.

## MEMBERSHIP AS OF 6/30/11 BY DISTRICT:

		Gain/Loss since 6/30/10
<b>Central Coast</b>	<b>1487</b>	<b>+18</b>
Santa Clara Valley	1400	-123
Fresno	1143	- 41
San Mateo	1003	- 45
Santa Rosa	849	- 33
Contra Costa	741	- 5
<b>Los Angeles</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>+14</b>
East Bay	562	- 66
Blessed Sacrament	504	- 16
Chicago	455	- 47
San Diego	438	- 32
Stockton	422	- 13
San Francisco	393	- 47
<b>Marin</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>0</b>
Santa Barbara/Ventura	255	- 38
San Gabriel Valley	244	- 5
Orange	239	- 12
San Bernardino	195	- 44
Tucson	120	- 10
Phoenix	115	- 14
San Fernando Valley	92	- 30
Reno	69	- 2
Las Vegas	53	- 2

Total membership as of 6/30/11 **11,698**

New Members	991
Reinstated	38
<b>Cancelled/Non Payment</b>	<b>1,316</b>
Deceased	306
<b>Delinquent 6 – 8 months</b>	<b>1,095</b>
<b>Delinquent 9 – 12 months</b>	<b>29</b>

## REMEMBER!

This year's membership drive ended June 30<sup>th</sup>. Encourage Branches to participate in next year's contest.

*Enjoy Your Summer!*