

# IN TOUCH

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## District Deputy Newsletter

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### STOP THOSE CANCELLATIONS

Now is the time of year when we have the best chance of keeping those members, who for one reason or another, are considering dropping from our Italian Catholic Federation family. As District Deputies you are to suggest that the President and Financial Secretary review those members who have not already paid their dues. The President then should see that each member be contacted by letter and/or phone. As I said earlier, **Now** is the time!!! The longer we take in contacting those delinquent members, the worse chance we have of keeping them. PLEASE STRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF FOLLOWING THRU ON THESE DELINQUENT MEMBERS.

I know this is not an easy task, but I encourage all of you to work within your District and Branches to make sure that committees are formed to reach out and make contact with your members. Don't just cross them off your roster and count them out. Invite them back in to the I.C.F. family and remind them of the good we do.

### WORKSHOPS

**Deputy Workshop** - Please contact Mike Rossi at (408) 267-0527 or [mmrossi@mindspring.com](mailto:mmrossi@mindspring.com) if you would like to schedule a Deputy Workshop for the Deputies in your District. It is a great way to build camaraderie with your Deputies and to help answer their questions about the Deputy Program.

**District Workshop** - The Workshop Committee is available to conduct a Workshop for your District members. The general topic of the Workshops is Membership. If your District is interested, please

contact Workshop Chairperson Jim Jones at (408) 978-7615 or contact the I.C.F. Office to forward a message to Jim.

### 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

On Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, the Sixth Annual I.C.F. Golf Tournament will be held at the Laguna Seca Golf Course in Monterey. A banquet will follow at San Carlos Church Hall. Proceeds from this event will help support the many programs of the Federation. Cost \$115.00 (includes hot buffet breakfast, 18 holes of golf with cart and banquet). Banquet only \$25.00. Please consider sponsoring a hole even if you are not able to attend. A full sponsorship is \$100.00. Please consider any donation possible to help make this event a success. Call the I.C.F. office for more info, or visit the ICF website.

### RV TRAVELERS GROUP

Did you know that several I.C.F. members get together in the Spring and Fall for RV rallies? The next rally is planned for Chula Vista, CA from April 26 - 29, 2006. If you know members who may be interested in RV fun, please have them contact either Al Bernardi in Green Valley, AZ at (520) 648-0282 or Larry DeTomasi in Crockett, CA at (510) 787-2662.

### WEB SITE

The In Touch Newsletter, District Deputy Quarterly Report, Branch Deputy Monthly Report and Request for Branch Deputy Appointment are now available online at [www.icf.org](http://www.icf.org)

## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DEPUTIES TO SPEAK ON AT BRANCH MEETINGS

Speak on the Membership Contest.

Remember that Per Capita Tax is due when the invoice is received.

Encourage the Branch to contact delinquent members in order to lower cancellations.

Remind members to submit names of candidates for: Grand President's, Pope John XXIII, Family of the Year and Mother Teresa Awards that are due by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Speak on any proposals the Branch may want to make to the Branch By-Laws. Proposals are due in the I.C.F. office by May 31<sup>st</sup>.

Encourage Branches to start preparing their Apostolate/Charity Report that will be due by July 15<sup>th</sup>.

Speak on National Charity - Cooley's Anemia as well as Gifts of Love and the Providenza Fund.

Encourage Branches to support 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Year scholarships.

### CONVENTION 2006 IN SACRAMENTO, CA

Discuss the process to elect Convention Delegates at the May meeting. Suggest new people to run to be a Delegate.

Encourage Branches to push selling Convention Raffle Tickets. Additional tickets are available in the I.C.F. office.

Branches should be encouraged to support the Convention Souvenir book. Submit ads with pictures if possible.

***May the Blessings of this Easter Season  
remain with you always.***

## MEMBERSHIP AS OF 3/31/06 BY DISTRICT

Gain/Loss since  
6/30/05

Santa Clara Valley	1538	- 13
<b>Central Coast</b>	<b>1450</b>	<b>+11</b>
San Mateo	1157	- 16
Fresno	1107	- 53
Santa Rosa	930	- 38
Los Angeles	769	- 18
<b>Contra Costa</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>+11</b>
San Francisco	679	- 39
East Bay	668	- 42
Sacramento	595	- 67
San Diego	556	- 38
<b>Stockton</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>+ 9</b>
<b>Chicago</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>+15</b>
San Fernando Valley	295	- 22
San Gabriel Valley	294	- 13
Marin	282	- 2
Santa Barbara/Ventura	280	- 6
Orange	244	- 26
San Bernardino	244	- 3
Reno	81	- 5
<b>Las Vegas</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>+ 9</b>
<b>Tucson</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>+18</b>

Total membership as of 03/31/06 **13,012**

New members	839
Reinstated	14
<b>Cancelled/Non Payment</b>	<b>946</b>
Deceased	234
<b>Delinquent 6 – 8 months</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Delinquent 9 – 12 months</b>	<b>16</b>

### NEW MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The I.C.F. recently started a New Membership Drive to add to the existing drive. Effective January 1, 2006, a Branch will receive \$25.00 for every 5 New Members they sign up. Please encourage the Branches to take advantage of this program to earn cash for their treasury and grow their membership at the same time.

The Existing Membership Drive remains the same. The Top Branch in each of four categories receives a cash award of \$100.00 and the Branches placing 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> each receive \$50.00. The Top Individual Recruiter will receive \$200.00. Every member who recruits 10 or more members will receive \$25.00. The Branch recruiting the most new Family Memberships will receive \$100.00. The District with the highest net gain will receive a plaque.