



# BOLLETTINO

## Welcome Branch 444, Rancho Palos Verdes!



Grand President Leonard Zasoski, Jr. gives a welcome address to the new members.



Branch 444 co-Presidents Gina DiPietro and Dave Poncia.

## Reminder:

The next *Bollettino* deadline is August 1 for the Convention issue.

TIME SENSITIVE: PLEASE DELIVER PROMPTLY!

The Italian Catholic Federation welcomes to the family a new branch in Rancho Palos Verdes, St. John Fisher, Branch 444. St. John Fisher was inaugurated on May 22, 2016 during a Sunday Mass at the parish.

In attendance were Grand President Leonard Zasoski, Jr.; Grand 2nd Vice President Andy Pappani; Grand Trustees Denise Antonowicz and Anne Interrante; Grand Sentinel Franklyn Lopes, Jr.; and Past Grand Presidents and Life Members of the Central Council Bob Acquistapace and Mike Rossi.

Central Council Member Emeritus Pat Mages was the emcee of the day's events. There were 125 people in attendance. Lou Mages, Theresa Sabatella Shaw, and Connie Bohannon presented the new branch with its branch banner and the structure of the ICF.

At the initiation of the charter members there were 57 adults and 14 children for a grand total of 71 new members.

The new branch officers are:

Co-Presidents: Gina DiPietro and Dave Poncia

Co-1st Vice Presidents: Silvia and Massimo Bettio

2nd Vice President: David Sassano

Recording/Corresponding Secretary: Carol Piccirillo

Financial Secretary: Hany Francis

Treasurer: Mike Maloney

Orator: Marianne Canetti

Trustees: George Camisa, Guido Frasinelli, Dena Maloney

Co-Sentinels: Cristina Baldemor, Pat Payne

Chaplain: Msgr. David Sork

Co-Deputies: Connie Bohannon and Theresa Sabatella Shaw

Attending the inauguration of Branch 444 were representatives from the following ICF Districts: Los Angeles Archdiocese, Santa Rosa, San Jose, Central Coast, Fresno and Branches representing Los Angeles Archdiocese – Downey Br. 362, Diamond Bar Br. 317, Thousand Oaks Br. 380, Simi Valley Br. 443, La Canada Flintridge Br. 374, South Pasadena Br. 108, Gardena Br. 237, San Pedro Br. 115, Los Angeles Br. 67

The door prizes included donated items of Italian food baskets, jewelry, perfume, movie gift card, succulent plants, etc all proceeds to Branch treasury.

The next branch meeting will be on Thursday, July 14th at 7:00pm.

## Grand President's Monthly Message

by Leonard Zasoski, Jr.

With summer time in full swing, many families try to take a break from the rat race of life and go on vacation. Vacation time is good for slowing down and enjoying each other's company and bonding together.

In the past when my boys were younger we would go camping most years at Huntington Lake. This was before all the technology that exists today. There was no cell service, no internet, we actually talked to each other, played card games, enjoyed a camp fire at night and ate s'mores. Those were good times that will remain with me forever.



We did take a break from camping one year, and at the boys' request, we went to Washington D.C. Going to our nation's capital and seeing so much of our country's history was a true adventure. Reading the documents from our founding fathers, going to the national memorials, WWII, Vietnam and Arlington National Cemetery brings to life all the sacrifices that so many men and women gave so that we can have the freedoms that we enjoy today.

Our member's ancestors came to this country for a better life for their families, even with that they still wanted to remember their heritage for that is who they are as people. But they worked hard, had many struggles at time being in a new country and they never gave up. This was their new home and they were proud to be Americans. There is no other country like ours where people from all nationalities and religious backgrounds can enjoy freedom together.

As we enjoy our countries birthday on July 4<sup>th</sup> remember all the struggles that our ancestors went through to make a better life for us. I know that I do and I am proud to call The United States of America home.

*God Bless America*

*Leonard Zasoski, Jr.*

## Congratulations to the 2016 Convention Award Winners

Pope Saint John XXIII: Jim O'Connor

Grand President's: Cecelia McGhee

Family of the Year: The Shimshock Family

Mother Teresa: Rev. Monsignor Craig Harrison

Young Adult Leadership: Paul Cook





Expansion Committee = Exciting Times!

Anne Interrante  
Central Council Grand Trustee  
Expansion Committee Chairperson

What is the Expansion Committee?

Our committee is comprised of five Central Council Members: Donna Raffanti, Mike Rossi, Carmen Kilcullen, David Botta and me as well as one Member at Large, Lou Mages.

Our Goal? Open New Branches!

We find opportunities for branches in many different ways, here are a few:

- Pastors who know of the ICF inquire about starting a branch in their parish
- A branch who previously “adopted a seminarian” gives notification that the seminarian now ordained is assigned to a parish without an ICF, and is contacted about starting one
- A current ICF member recommends a parish location that might be a good opportunity or perhaps a parish that previously had a branch and would like to re-open

Pastors, seminarians, and you, our ICF members, are vital to opening and re-opening new branches. So, if your Pastor was reassigned and has been an enthusiastic supporter of your branch, reach out to him about a branch at his new parish. If your branch has supported a seminarian who is now ordained and assigned to a parish, reach out to him about a new branch. If you, our members, have contacts at a parish that does not have an ICF, reach out to them to start the conversation. Wouldn’t that be great if YOU were the one to help start a new branch? Yes, it would...definitely an item to have on your bucket list!

So, What is the Exciting News?

By the time you read this article, the Expansion Committee will have opened three new branches and during the month of July we will re-open one branch. All of these new members are excited to be part of our amazing organization. We will have four new branches at our annual convention this year. Now, that is something to be excited about!

Ignem Veni Mittere (We came to Light a Fire)!



JUNE CALENDAR WINNERS

DAY	NAME	BR	CITY	WINS
6/1	Tom Kingshill		Belmont, CA	\$30
6/2	Fr. John Bruno, RCJ	70	Sanger, CA	\$30
6/3	Sheila A. Doan	10	Alameda, CA	\$30
6/4	James and Kristina McGee	10	Fremont, CA	\$30
6/5	Tina Souza-Dutra	5	San Jose, CA	\$30
6/6	St. Peter The Apostle		Itasca, IL	\$30
6/7	Gerri Goin	209	Santa Rosa, CA	\$30
6/8	Robert Marvulli		Merced, CA	\$30
6/9	Michael Blasi	230	San Diego, CA	\$30
6/10	Louie Cordich	28	Gilroy, CA	\$30
6/11	Paul Nuti	442	Pleasant Hill, CA	\$30
6/12	Helen Politakes	72	Martinez, CA	\$30
6/13	Gloria J. Fabbri	281	Bakersfield, CA	\$30
6/14	David Taddei	343	Castro Valley, CA	\$50
6/15	Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cardelli		Germantown, TN	\$50
6/16	Nancy D’Amico	163	San Mateo, CA	\$30
6/17	Clark Ebel		Redwood City, CA	\$30
6/18	Dolinda Williams		Martinez, CA	\$30
6/19	Al Oneto	290	San Francisco, CA	\$50
6/20	Pam DeBernardi	442	Pleasant Hill, CA	\$30
6/21	Fr. Linh Nguyen	50	San Francisco, CA	\$30
6/22	Barbara Pipkin	154	Richmond, CA	\$30
6/23	John Picetti		Vacaville, CA	\$30
6/24	Kathy Acquistapace	198	Santa Rosa, CA	\$30
6/25	Fr. Ken Westray	50	San Francisco, CA	\$30
6/26	Sheila Mahoney		San Francisco, CA	\$30
6/27	Rosemary Hekl	139	Manteca, CA	\$30
6/28	Claire Pisching	32	Fresno, CA	\$30
6/29	Kathy & Jack Kinkaid		Salida, CA	\$30
6/30	Mary Montonye	227	Capitola, CA	\$30

ICF HISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

Charter Trips to Italy -- Leaving on a Jet Plane!!

David Botta and Carmen Kilcullen  
Past Grand Presidents

In 1964, the San Francisco and Los Angeles Districts of the Italian Catholic Federation sponsored a jubilee pilgrimage to Italy for interested members. This trip stopped in Paris and then went on to visit Assisi, Monte Cassini, Milano, the Lake Country, Turin, Genoa and the town of Chiavari (some 30 kilometers south of Genoa). Why Chiavari? The co-founder of the ICF, Luigi Providenza was a native of Chiavari. On this trip, he and his wife Augusta celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Therefore, they wanted the renewal of their marriage vows to take place in the church in Chiavari which Luigi had attended as a boy.

This particular pilgrimage left San Francisco on April 1, 1964 and lasted for 30 days. The cost of the trip was \$1290 and included meals, first-class accommodations, tipping, baggage handling and tour escorts.

On Wednesday, May 21, 1964, the group had a general audience with Pope Paul VI.

The trip was open to ICF members only.


John Figone Travel made the arrangements and Past Grand President Mario Cugia was the tour chairman. The Rev. Robert Brennan accompanied the group as the spiritual director.

This pilgrimage proved to be so successful that the ICF started yearly trips to Italy beginning in 1965. To participate on this trip and subsequent ones, one had to be a member of the Federation. This is why, in those years, membership in the ICF increased at a great rate.


The first trip, from San Francisco (June 7 to July 4, 1965) cost \$388 total. No wonder so many people signed up! In 1966, 4 ICF flights made the trip to Italy at a cost of \$435 per person. In 1967, flights were added from Los Angeles. Many people took advantage of this travel opportunity. Many who joined the ICF for the trips later became hard-working and devoted ICF members.

The trips continued until 1977, when new travel restrictions for charters and other travel regulations went into effect. The ICF trips were then discontinued.

Many people who remember the trips speak of them with great enthusiasm.



**Italian Catholic Federation Sixteenth Annual**  
**GOLF TOURNAMENT**



**DATE:** FRIDAY, JULY 22, 2016

**COURSE:** Laguna Seca Golf Course  
10520 York Road, Monterey, CA 93940

**FORMAT:** Four Person Scramble

**START:** Breakfast: 7:00 A.M. / Shotgun tee off: 8:45 A.M.

**BANQUET**

**2:00 –** San Carlos Church Hall  
500 Church Street, Monterey, CA 93940  
No-host Cocktails

**3:00 –** Sumptuous Four Course Dinner

**RAFFLE:** There will be a raffle with stupendous prizes!

**PRICE:** Golfers: \$165 (includes hot buffet breakfast, 18 holes of golf with cart and banquet.) After July 15th, the price per golfer is \$180. Banquet only: \$45.

**RESERVATION DEADLINE: JULY 15, 2016**

\*\*\*If an individual brings in 3 foursomes, that individual golfs for free!\*\*\*

**SIGN UP:**

Name

Handicap

Name

Handicap


Name

Handicap

Name

Handicap


**Banquet only**



Make check for total amount (\$165 per player plus \$45 per banquet guest), payable to the I.C.F. Golf Tournament, and send to the address below before the July 15th deadline.

Remember: \$180 per player after July 15th.

The Central Council and Tournament Committee are very excited about this event and hope to see all of you (golfers and non-golfers) there!



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Things to Ponder

“Let freedom never perish in your hands.”

Joseph Addison



Sir Luigi & Lady Augusta Providenza  
Seminary Scholarship Fund Donations\*

IN MEMORY OF:	DONATED BY:
Reverend Monsignor E. James Petersen	Officers/Members of Br. 308
Joe Garcia	Officers/Members of Br. 308
Pauline Silva	Officers/Members of Br. 191
Robert Gaddini	The Kilcullen Family
Florence Orlando	Officers/Members of Br. 161
Florence Orlando	Doris and Mary Onetti
Guy Masciotra	Carolyn and John Cugia
Gerry Engell	Officers/Members of Br. 327
Eddie Arsentio	The Kilcullen Family
John Galeazzi	Jim and Janice Jones

GET WELL WISHES:	
Rosemarie Gregori	Officers/Members of Central Council
Marcella Lucchesi	Officers/Members of Br. 290

IN CELEBRATION OF 25 YEARS ORDAINED TO THE PRIESTHOOD:	
Fr. Rick Rodoni	Denise and Marie Antonowicz

HAPPY 85 <sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY:	
Josephine Favazza	Elizabeth Grammatico

\*Named after the co-founder of the I.C.F., the Sir Luigi and Lady Augusta Providenza Seminary Scholarship Fund provides I.C.F. members a lasting way to memorialize and/or extend greetings to friends, relatives, and loved ones. Members’ donations provide scholarships to seminarians studying for the priesthood in dioceses where the Italian Catholic Federation is located. A monthly Mass is offered for the intention of those listed.

Cooley’s Anemia Donations

*Donations received by June 10, 2016*  
Branch 21  
Branch 47  
Branch 115  
Branch 209  
Branch 362  
Branch 368  
Branch 374  
Melinda and George Ahrens  
In memory of Gladys Jane Re  
The Chen Family  
In memory of Gladys Re  
Patrick and Marianne Cloonan  
In memory of Joseph and Gladys Re  
Russell and Terry Wolfe  
In memory of Peter Garcia, Sr.

Gifts of Love Donations

*Donations Received By June 10, 2016*  
Branch 21  
Branch 47  
Branch 362  
Branch 423  
Linda Ruggeri and Michael Zarrella  
In memory of Gladys Re  
Eva Stern  
Speedy recovery wishes for Russ Vento  
Mr. Charles P. Gullo, Jr.  
In memory of Josephine A. Francesconi  
The Guido Zan Family  
In memory of Bruno Brunello  
Joan and Jerry Delfino  
Get well wishes for Rosemarie Gregori



Spreading Our Charitable Deeds

- James Jones  
Apostolic/Charity Committee Member
- As a new Apostolic Committee Chair-person for our branch this year, I thought I would share with you a list of charitable items our branch is involved in. I know that many of the branches and Districts in the Federation do the same sort of things, but I was surprised when I made the list, because we don’t really let people know all the things we do apostolically.
- Following are the Charities that we support and the apostolic functions we attend as a branch during this year.
1. Support our Church monetarily as a branch, servicing at Mass, participating in different functions.

2. Support our Pastor.

3. Support our Chaplain.

4. Food lunch program for the needy.

5. Housed and fed 15 homeless women for one month this year.

6. Donated food and toys to the needy during Thanksgiving and Christmas last year.

7. Seminary Fund donation.

8. District Mass each year.

9. Day of Recollection

10. Bishop’s Day

11. Spiritual Bouquet

12. SFC Pilgrimage

13. Quarterly Breakfast

14. St. Joseph’s Table Celebration

15. Gifts of Love donation

16. Cooley’s Anemia Donation

17. Crowning of St. Mary each May.

18. Branch Charities

19. Prayer Group to pray for those members in need.

20. Baby Layette Program each year

Our Mission and purpose is to serve others. Give of yourself with a happy and loving heart.
- In Loving Memory
- |                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| <b>Report Date: 06/15/2016</b> |            |
| JOSEPHINE A FRANCESCONI        | Branch 004 |
| PHYLLIS FEUDALE                | Branch 007 |
| BERTHA ISKRA                   | Branch 007 |
| MICHAEL A MC LAUGHLIN          | Branch 012 |
| JOHN J FRANCO                  | Branch 026 |
| ROSEMARIE BRUNO SMITH          | Branch 036 |
| MARY TRINGALI                  | Branch 036 |
| ARLEEN CALEGARI                | Branch 038 |
| CHARLOTTE PERADOTTO            | Branch 038 |
| CARMELA MASTERMAN              | Branch 102 |
| FLORENCE ORLANDO               | Branch 161 |
| ROSALYN DICKIE                 | Branch 285 |
| EVA ARRIGHI                    | Branch 326 |
| SANTINA R LITTURI              | Branch 358 |
- New Procedure Regarding the Bollettino
- ICF Office

the paper.

The Branch Financial Secretaries are sent delinquency reports starting with the quarter ending June 30. It is a report which lists only the members who have not paid their dues, in order to make it easier to follow up with these members. Please use this change as an incentive to make contact with these members and encourage them to remain and remit their dues. Reaching out to members personally, can often make a difference.
- This will help to reduce postage and printing costs and eliminate mailings to members that may have chosen not to renew their memberships.

If you have any questions about this process, you may call the I.C.F. Office at 1-888-423-1924.

Thank you.
- Don’t Forget to Make  
Your Convention Hotel  
Reservations!
- ICF Is Going Green!
- If you prefer to read the  
Bollettino online and like the idea of saving a  
tree while helping the ICF save on printing costs,  
please follow this link to sign up:
- <http://eepurl.com/bLaMFb>

# The Importance of our Cultural Heritage

Denise Antonowicz  
Heritage Committee Chair

Not everyone feels a connection with their cultural heritage, but many people do. What is it about cultural heritage that draws these people to it? Some may think traditions are archaic and that they are unnecessary during these modern times. Perhaps for some, they aren’t; but for others, exploring cultural heritage offers a variety of benefits.

Culture can give people a connection to certain social values, beliefs, religions and customs. It allows them to identify with others of similar mindsets and backgrounds. Cultural heritage can provide an automatic sense of unity and belonging within a group and allows us to better understand previous generations and the history of where we come from. Understanding our cultural heritage can give

a sense of personal identity. Another benefit that comes from preserving cultural heritage as a whole is the communal support. Those that identify strongly with a certain heritage are often more likely to help out others in that same community. Cultural heritage is made up of many things large and small. We can see it in the buildings, townscapes, and even in archaeological remains. Culture can be perceived through natural sources as well: the agriculture and landscapes associated with it. It is preserved through books, artifacts, objects, pictures, photographs, art, and oral tradition. Cultural heritage is in the food we eat, the clothes we wear, the religions we follow, and the skills we learn. Sometimes we can touch and see what makes up a culture; other times it is intangible.

So whatever your heritage is, learn about, read about it, share it and embrace the specialness that makes you the person you are!

## Benvenuti Membri Nuovi

Report Date: 06/15/2016

FREDERICK A FOSTER Branch 010  
BRANDON STANFORD Branch 010  
NICOLE (NIKI) TURIC Branch 052  
SASHA TURIC Branch 052  
SOPHIA TURIC Branch 052  
DAVID S HOFFMAN Branch 209  
JOELLE M HOFFMAN Branch 209  
MASON W HOFFMAN Branch 209  
SCOTT R HOFFMAN Branch 209  
KIMBERLY MURRAY Branch 214  
MARIE-JOSE MURRAY Branch 214  
PATRICK MURRAY Branch 214  
PAUL MURRAY Branch 214  
RICHARD MARSHALL Branch 227  
CANDI STOUT Branch 227  
SHARON JONES Branch 291  
JOSE A VAZQUEZ Branch 291  
CATHERINE M KEDZIE Branch 352  
JOHN G KEDZIE Branch 352  
BRO JAMES BRENDAN MADDEN FSC

SR DOROTHY STACK CSJ Branch 352  
MARY JANE CHOCEK Branch 374  
ROBERT DE PIETRO Branch 374  
WENDE DE PIETRO Branch 374  
JACK DEZELL Branch 374  
LAURA DEZELL Branch 374  
MACABE DEZELL Branch 374  
YOLANDA LEMUS Branch 374  
PAUL G CHARETTE Branch 382  
ELAINE M JUFFS Branch 382  
PEGGY O’HAGAN Branch 382  
BRIAN RALPH Branch 382  
DIANE SKWAREK Branch 382  
DONALD G TUCKER Branch 382  
NORMA TUCKER Branch 382  
RONALD VOLPE Branch 382  
KEN OHISHI Branch 406  
LOLA R OHISHI Branch 406  
DONNA DE FRANCISCI Branch 408  
STEVEN RICHEY Branch 408  
MARIO RIZZO Branch 432  
MARIA ROBINSON Branch 432  
NORMA S LEONE Branch 438  
JEFF E SCUDDER Branch 438  
MADELINE SCUDDER Branch 438  
BENEDETTA CORTESE Branch 439  
TONIA AMALFITANO Branch 444  
CRISTINA F BALDEMOR Branch 444  
GIOVANNI BETTIO Branch 444  
MARIA AURORA BETTIO Branch 444  
MASSIMO BETTIO Branch 444  
SILVIA BETTIO Branch 444  
GRACE A BORCE Branch 444  
JOHN BRYSON Branch 444  
PAULETTA BRYSON Branch 444  
GEORGE CAMISA Branch 444  
MARILYN CAMISA Branch 444  
MARIANNE L CANETTI Branch 444

CHARLES J CARLEO Branch 444  
DONNA M CARLEO Branch 444  
RAYMOND X CERAGIOLI Branch 444  
DIANE CHAPMAN Branch 444  
MAC CHAPMAN Branch 444  
DOLLY F CINCOTTA Branch 444  
AMY D D’AMBRA Branch 444  
ANTHONY D’AMBRA JR Branch 444  
ANTHONY C D’AMBRA Branch 444  
CAROLINA G D’AMBRA Branch 444  
ELIZABETH M D’AMBRA Branch 444  
ANTOINETTE DE LORENZO Branch 444  
GINA M DI PIETRO Branch 444  
ANNAMARIE ELLINGTON Branch 444  
MARK ELLINGTON Branch 444  
HANALEI M EMNACE Branch 444  
LEILANI F EMNACE Branch 444  
NOELANI F EMNACE Branch 444  
DAN FINNEGAN Branch 444  
JOANN FALLON FINNEGAN Branch 444  
HANY A FRANCIS Branch 444  
GUIDO FRASSINELLI Branch 444  
NANCY R GANAHL Branch 444  
THEODORA GREENWALD Branch 444  
PATRICIA C HANSEN Branch 444  
LINDA E LEE Branch 444  
JEANNE M LEO Branch 444  
PAUL P LEO Branch 444  
MARIAN LOCASCIO Branch 444  
DENA P MALONEY Branch 444  
MICHAEL D MALONEY Branch 444  
JORDAN J MASTROIANNI Branch 444  
YVONNE J MASTROIANNI Branch 444  
STEPHANIE MC KENNY Branch 444  
TRINITY MC KENNY Branch 444  
VAN MC KENNY Branch 444  
FRAN NODAY Branch 444  
GRACE OHANIAN Branch 444  
PATRICK A PAYNE Branch 444  
CAROL J PICCIRILLO Branch 444  
MATTHEW PICCIRILLO Branch 444  
DAVE PONCIA Branch 444  
MATEO PONCIA Branch 444  
MICHAEL RICCIO Branch 444  
CESAR (BUD) O SANTOS Branch 444  
MARY ANN SANTOS Branch 444  
ABAGAIL SASSANO Branch 444  
ADELENA SASSANO Branch 444  
ANNE SASSANO Branch 444  
ANTHONY SASSANO Branch 444  
ARABELLA SASSANO Branch 444  
DAVID SASSANO Branch 444  
JULIE A SEAGO Branch 444  
BARBARA TAYLOR Branch 444  
JOHN TAYLOR Branch 444  
ANN M TOMBLIN Branch 444  
DAVID L TOMBLIN Branch 444  
JOSEPH V TRANI Branch 444  
JOVITA M TRANI Branch 444

# Live to Give

## List of Districts and Corresponding Blood Banks By The Live to Give Committee

This guide is continued from last month to assist you in finding a blood center/bank that will help your ICF branch in planning a blood drive. While most blood centers/banks collect blood and also plan blood drives, there could be some below that solely collect blood donations – however they will be able to direct you to a blood collections team for your drive. Information changes frequently; if you have questions or updates, please contact Laurice Levine at 360-860-2023 or [LLevine@mail.cho.org](mailto:LLevine@mail.cho.org).

### CALIFORNIA

#### 14. SANTA CLARA VALLEY:

Blood Centers of the Pacific  
270 Masonic Ave.  
San Francisco, CA 94118  
[www.BloodCenters.org](http://www.BloodCenters.org)  
888-393-4483

American Red Cross Silicon Valley  
2731 North 1st St.  
San Jose, CA 95134  
877-727-6771

#### 15. SANTA ROSA:

Blood Centers of the Pacific  
270 Masonic Ave.  
San Francisco, CA 94118  
[www.BloodCenters.org](http://www.BloodCenters.org)  
888-393-4483

Blood Source  
10536 Peter A McCuen Blvd.  
Mather, CA 95655-4128  
[www.bloodsource.org](http://www.bloodsource.org)  
800-995-4420

#### 16. STOCKTON:

Blood Source  
10536 Peter A McCuen Blvd.  
Mather, CA 95655-4128  
[www.bloodsource.org](http://www.bloodsource.org)  
800-995-4420

Delta Blood Bank – Your Community Blood Bank  
65 N. Commerce St.  
Stockton, CA 95202  
<http://www.deltabloodbank.org/>  
888-94-BLOOD

American Red Cross - Capital Region Chapter  
1565 Exposition Blvd  
Sacramento, CA 95815  
[www.redcross.org/ca/sacramento/about-us](http://www.redcross.org/ca/sacramento/about-us)  
916-993-7070

### CHICAGO

(the information below includes all cities in the district)  
Community Blood Services of Illinois  
1408 University Avenue  
Urbana, Illinois 61801-2341  
[www.bloodservices.org](http://www.bloodservices.org)  
217-367-2202 or 800-217-GIVE (4483)

LifeSource – Chicagoland’s Blood Center  
[www.lifefsource.org](http://www.lifefsource.org)  
No address provided; for an inquiry: <http://www.lifefsource.org/contact-us>  
877-543-3768

### Nevada

#### 1. RENO:

United Blood Services  
1125 Terminal Way  
Reno, NV 89502  
[www.unitedbloodservices.org](http://www.unitedbloodservices.org)  
775-324-6454

American Red Cross - Northern Nevada Chapter  
1190 Corporate Blvd  
Reno, NV 89502  
[www.redcross.org/nv/reno](http://www.redcross.org/nv/reno)  
775- 856-1000

#### 2. LAS VEGAS:

United Blood Services  
6930 W. Charleston Blvd.  
Las Vegas, NV 89117  
[www.unitedbloodservices.org](http://www.unitedbloodservices.org)  
702-228-4483

American Red Cross – Southern Nevada Chapter  
1771 E. Flamingo Rd. Ste. 206-B  
Las Vegas, NV 89119  
[www.redcross.org/nv/las-vegas](http://www.redcross.org/nv/las-vegas)  
702-791-3311

### ARIZONA

#### 1. PHOENIX/GLENDALE:

American Red Cross Grand Canyon Chapter - serves Apache, Coconino, Gila, La Paz, Maricopa, Mohave, Navajo, Pinal, Yavapai and Yuma counties.  
6135 N. Black Canyon Highway  
Phoenix, AZ 85015  
[www.redcrossblood.org/arizona](http://www.redcrossblood.org/arizona)  
602-336-6660

#### 2. TUCSON/GREEN VALLEY:

American Red Cross - Southern Arizona Chapter - serves Pima, Santa Cruz, Cochise, Graham and Greenlee Counties.  
2916 E. Broadway Blvd.  
Tucson, AZ 85716  
[www.redcrossblood.org/arizona](http://www.redcrossblood.org/arizona)  
520-318-6740

# 2016 First Year

Name	In Memory of	In Honor of	Branch/District/Individual
Katie Chapman-Pinto Ryan Joseph Locatelli Mark Beach Nicole DeSerpa August Brigantino Petrina Pinto Suzannah (Suzy) Brookshire Claire Josephine Cardona Andreas Guerrero Christopher Raffetto Tristin Rammel	Donald Giudici		Central Coast District Br. 21 Br. 25 Br. 25 Br. 26 Br. 36 Br. 227 Br. 227 Br. 227 Br. 227 Br. 227
Siena Fiorentino Matthew Pringle Maddie Baxstresser Isabella Marziello Michael Palermo Lisa Pasqua Bellisario Ariana Aloisio	George and Barbara Airoidi Donald Bonnel Otto Ambiel Bob Candau, Barbara Walker, John and Sylvia Raffetto and George Sciutto		Br. 291 Br. 291 Br. 354 Br. 354 Chicago District Chicago District Branches Br. 418 Contra Costa District Br. 13 Br. 14 Br. 14 Br. 154 Br. 154 Br. 154 Br. 154 Br. 214 Br. 352 Br. 352 Br. 432 Br. 442 Br. 442 East Bay District Br. 91 Br. 215 Br. 285 Br. 285 Br. 343 Fresno District Br. 27 Br. 32 Br. 32 Br. 33 Br. 39 Br. 39 Br. 54 Br. 250 Br. 281 Br. 308 Br. 417 Las Vegas Scholarship Fund Los Angeles Archdiocese District Br. 108 Br. 111 Br. 115 Br. 115 Br. 237 Br. 362 Br. 374 Marin Br. 161 Br. 161 Br. 332 Orange District Br. 379 Br. 406 Br. 423 Scholarship Fund Phoenix Scholarship Fund Reno Br. 135 Br. 135 Blessed Sacrament District Br. 45 Br. 73 Br. 236 Br. 342 Br. 342 Br. 438 San Bernardino District Br. 210 Br. 217 San Diego District Br. 230 Br. 230 Br. 261 Br. 416 San Fernando Valley Region Scholarship Fund San Francisco District Br. 38 Br. 50 Br. 50 Br. 258 Br. 290 Br. 290 San Gabriel Valley Region
Emma Rose Walsh Avery Avina Michaela Chiabotti Joseph Baldetti Lily Driscoll Alessia L. Gonzalez Marisa C. Gonzalez Abigail Cappa Nicholas Magagnini Giuliana Tanner Stephanie Kein Clement Farias Courtney Sheffield Gina Crosetti Gabriela Giusti Monica Zuchelli Collette McMahon Gianna N. Oliveri Brian Tognolini Morgan Zapasnik John Rowe Joanna Estrada Brandon P. Volpa Maria Kristina McKenna Mireya Ortega Katherine Tyler Nico Marsigli Rachel Schultz Vanessa Aguilar Beatrice Paolucci Lauren Anne Miller	Rev. Leonard Mattei Rev. Angelo Garbin		
Kaitlin Tucci Gabriel Schneider Madeleine Coppersmith Sabrina Mercuri Nickolas DiLeva Alyssa DiMassa Samantha Joy Marcon Julia Baldoni Giancarlo Orlando	Sheila Grilli		
Abigail (Abby) Tarantino Brooke Brewer Marisa Hagan			
Patrick M. Rood Celia Patricia Janes Madison Terry Alexa Hines			
Tierney Turelli			
Andrew John Dobrowski Sarah Whitehead Christina Rossi Taylor Morris Clarice Favro Michael Luca Guidi Conor Collins Zachariah Huckins Mary Hynes Philip Falcone Michaela Toohey Madeline Jordan Joseph Edward Chiappe Briana Tangredi Christina Marshall Hannah Tallarida Natasha Camacho-Bier	Msgr. Virgil Gabrielli	Recent and Past Members	
Hayley Flores	Deceased Members		
Robert Matos Cailey Guerra Nicole Zenzola Thomas Franceschini Megan Borella Isabella Farrell Alioto	Matt and Gloria Nardella		



# Scholarship Winners

			Br. 317 Br. 319
Regina Turiace			Santa Clara Valley District
Jesse Beeson			Br. 6
Danielle Carle	Gayton DeRosa		Br. 7
Isabella Schrammel	Angela Saso Row		Br. 19
Andy Black	Carlo Giusti		Br. 163
Julianna Fare			Br. 173
Ryan Patrick Lowenstein	Florence Galli		Br. 173
Patrick Driscoll			Br. 213
Raisa Magro			Br. 327
James Saitz	Kay Lucio, Alma Mocelin, Laura B. Garay		Br. 403
Sarah Schisla	and Jack Gardner		
Jennifer Parascandolo			
Leana Sottile		31 <sup>st</sup> Branch Anniversary	Santa Barbara/Ventura Region
Sophia Gigliotti			Br. 380
Andrew Cabri	Antoinette Sunseri		Scholarship Fund
Michael Anthony Piazza	Papa Joe Marsalli		Santa Clara Valley District
Lindsay O’Boyle			Santa Clara Valley District
Andrew Piro			Br. 4
Nicolas Fortino			Br. 5
Timothy Haygood	Rosie Mammini		Br. 28
Gabriella Migliazzo	Shirley Silva		Br. 28
Giulia Corno	Fr. Salvatore Di Nardo, O.P.		Br. 47
Kaelyn Novak			Br. 184
Mitchell Koontz			Br. 184
Lauren Compitello			Br. 191
Nicolas Joseph Lipari			Br. 368
Emily Plecque			Br. 391
Audrey Rose Smith			Br. 391
Sergio Valente			Br. 391
Kacie Wilson			Br. 408
Patsy Marie Fraga	Ann Sanchietti		Br. 435
Natalie Pedicino			Santa Rosa District
Joseph Canepa		Francis “Jeep” Sanza	Santa Rosa District
Gavin Bradley Orr		Francis “Jeep” Sanza	Br. 12
Stephanie Siqueiros		Francis “Jeep” Sanza	Br. 12
ZacharyDavis	Beppe Narduzzi		Br. 12
Heather Rosenberg	Dominic Canale		Br. 18
Morgan Bugica			Br. 18
Kathryn Kuklinski			Br. 52
Margaret Cline			Br. 52
Courtney Cogbill			Br. 103
Wesley Albini	Samuel Di Girolamo		Br. 103
Jessica Barredo	Dante Lombardi		Br. 127
Amanda Charles	Louis Vicino		Br. 127
Kailee Silacci	Estelle Moretti		Br. 127
Mitchell Monge			Br. 127
Dominic Collins	Norman and Rose Anne Sikes		Br. 144
Alexis Fraser	Peter and Juliette Barbieri		Br. 198
Gianna Gammello	Romie and Carolyn Barbieri		Br. 198
Wyatt R. Jones	Gary Apel		Br. 198
Mia Von Knorring	Joseph, Irene and Jerre Paolini		Br. 198
Jack Kuklinski	Aldo Desideri		Br. 198
Anthony Spallino	Rico and Irene Acquistapace		Br. 198
Katrina Smullin	Joe Saludes and Ezio Mangiantini		Br. 198
Jared Bernardi			Stockton District
Jordyn Posz			Br. 139
Austin Escobar			Br. 390
Eric Chapman			Br. 395
			Individuals
Gianfranco Filice	Emma Moretti		Anna Barberi - Br. 28
Nicholas Brightbill	Alice Providenza Bottino		Chris and Virginia Bottino - Br. 432
Nicola Paulo Mussi	Albert and Rina Broccchini		The Albert and Rina Broccchini Family
			Foundation
Maureen LaBass	Cody Joe Anthenien		Louise and Pat Cordich - Br. 28
Thomas Annuzzi	Donald DeTomasi		Louise DeTomasi - Br. 14
Adrianna Faye Dianda			Robert and Theresa Dianda - Br. 91
Marina Ontis	Marie Grassilli		Robert Grassilli, Jr.
Emilio Nunziati	Robert Grassilli		Robert Grassilli, Jr.
Shaelyn K. Pugliese	Anna Oliva		Robert Grassilli, Jr.
Niccolo Giambanco	Leo and Ila Kilcullen		Larry and Carmen Kilcullen - Br. 52
Isabella Sanchez	Luigi and Rosa Mangini		Rose Mangini - Br. 38
Alexandra Gori	Gino Martinucci		The Family and Friends of Gino Martinucci -
			Br. 154
Ryann Elizabeth Piry	Gino Martinucci		The Family and Friends of Gino Martinucci -
			Br. 154
Theresa Anne Borge	John Regalia		Mary Regalia - Br. 14
Marco Andres Bargetto	June and Ed Rodondi		The June and Ed Rodondi Family Foundation
Caitlin Ratto	Nello and Cookie Rossi		Leonard and Karen Rossi - Br. 343
Matthew E. Linker	Martin and Rose Santich		Michael and Donna Santich - Br. 91
Adrianna Scalzo	Lola and Sam J. Parrinello		Jean and Bob Segale
Paul Lomanto, II	Mary and Bill Segale		The Segale Family
Brandon Steven Ellemberg	Mary and Bill Segale		The Segale Family
Dominic Aglialoro	James Tollefson		Maria Tollefson - Br. 229/Br. 230
Keegan Kirk	Louise Trevizo		The Trevizo Family - Br. 19

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Family Recipes

By Deborah Rodondi

CC Grand Treasurer

July is another great month for picnics and BBQ’s, family reunions and District picnics. Last month I shared my Korean Chicken BBQ. This month we will go for the beef. A great cut of beef to BBQ is the tri-tip. Before it became the popular BBQ meat my firefighting brother informed my mom that it was great. So on his word she bought one and then roasted it in the oven like she did cross rib roasts...was not a pretty sight and definitely not very edible. I remember her calling me and sharing the disaster with me. So about the time it was becoming a little more popular mom and I were grocery shopping at a grocery store in Pleasanton, CA. The butchers there were always very friendly and loved to share info with the customers. Tri-tip was on sale, back when it was a really good deal. The butcher called our attention to the sale and mom

informed him what she thought about tri-tip. He sweet talked her and told her if she followed his simple instructions she would be a convert to the tri-tip. Grudgingly she agreed to try one more time.

BBQ Tri-Tip

Marinate the tri-tip overnight in “Good Seasons” Italian Salad Dressing. We use the dry packets and make it ourselves. If you have their bottle it has lines for your measurements otherwise get out those measuring cups. My twist on the dressing is instead of red wine vinegar only I use ½ red wine vinegar and ½ balsamic vinegar and for the oil I use ½ vegetable oil and ½ olive oil. Even for salad this is a tastier version of the dressing...our Branch actually uses it on our salad for our

champagne bingos.

In a Ziploc I place the trimmed tri-tip and pour the marinade in (about ½ the bottle), push out as much air as possible and refrigerate overnight (I have been known to marinate for an additional day). I have even frozen it at this point ready to go for a future meal.

Take tri-tip out of refrigerator 2 hours before cooking so that it comes to room temperature. Taking the meat from refrigerator and cooking immediately shocks the meat and causes it to be tougher.

BBQ approximately 18 minutes on each side. Remove from BBQ and let sit for 10-15 minutes. By letting it rest all the juices won’t run out of the meat when you cut it.

My dad was not a cook. The best he could do was boil water for Top Ramen. He loved the fact that this tri-tip always came out perfect and was now the second dish he could cook. To give Dad credit he could BBQ other things but he took great pride on his tri-tip expertise.

It was such a big hit that when it is on sale several get purchased and put in the freezer,


ready to go at a moments notice.

Now recently my brother and I discovered the best way to have this left over.

Start with wonderful French bread (if you are from the SF Bay Area that would be sour dough). Slice the tri-tip very thin. I was lazy and used a dry mix to make Aux Jus. Make it according to directions. When ready take it off the stove and add the tri-tip to it to warm it up, then pile into your bun and dip your sandwich in the juice as you go. You can caramelize onions to go on this and even add cheese if you like. A little horseradish on the bun is all you need to make this a delicious and messy meal!

Hoping you might like to share some of your specialties or the family recipes that have been handed down with the members of the ICF. Send them to me at [drodondi@comcast.net](mailto:drodondi@comcast.net) or mail to the ICF office include a story if any. If you have questions send them also, I may not be able to answer them but we can put them out there for our readers and maybe find what you are looking for.

Boun Appetito!



Forestiery Underground Gardens Tour

Friday - September 2

Departs the Hotel at 9:00 a.m.

Returns to the Hotel at 12:00 Noon

Cost \$25.00

This tour will depart the hotel at 9 a.m. arriving at 9:30 a.m. at the beautiful Forestiery Underground Gardens. There is no AC underground but the gardens’ temperature is 10-30 degrees cooler than ground level. The underground portion of the tour is about an hour. There is no wheelchair access. The bus will be departing the gardens at 11:30 a.m. returning to the hotel by noon.

Reservations Deadline: August 19, 2016

DETACH THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN WITH YOUR PAYMENT.

PLEASE ENCLOSE YOUR CHECK WITH THE REGISTRATION FORM AND MAKE IT PAYABLE TO:

.....

I.C.F. FRESNO DISTRICT.

MAIL CHECK TO: I.C.F. C/O ROBYN PIRO (PHONE # 209-383-4817)

336 W. 21<sup>ST</sup> STREET, MERCED, CA 95340

RESERVATIONS: \$25.00 PER PERSON

NAME.....

PHONE.....

ADDRESS.....

BR. #.....

TOTAL NUMBER.....

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$.....

VISIT THE GARDENS’ WEBSITE @ [WWW.UNDERGROUNDGARDENS.COM](http://WWW.UNDERGROUNDGARDENS.COM)



Wine Tasting and more...

Friday- September 2nd

Departs the Hotel at 1:30 P.M.

Returns to the Hotel at 5:00 P.M.

Cost \$30.00

This tour will have 3 stops:

1) Nonini Winery (tasting and tour) Departs at 3:30 to...

2) Shinzen Gardens (ranked 3rd out of 39 sites in Fresno to Visit) Departs at 4:15 to...

3) St. John Cathedral, one of the Doors of the Divine Mercy Pilgrimage Returns to Hotel at 5:00 p.m.

Reservations Deadline: August 19, 2016

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# Called To Be Merciful

2016 Convention of the  
Italian Catholic Federation

Friday, September 2 –  
Monday, September 5, 2016

Fresno, California

## Hotel and Travel Highlights

Convention Site: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel  
2233 Ventura Street • Fresno, CA • 93721

### Hotel Accommodations

- Call: (559) 268-1000
- Book online @ [www.doubletreefresno.com](http://www.doubletreefresno.com)
- Group Code: ICF
- Group Name: Italian Catholic Federation
- Room Rate: \$112 plus 14.35% tax (tax rate subject to change)
- Reservation Deadline: Tuesday, August 9

Note: Reservations are available until sold out or until August 9, whichever occurs first. After August 9, reservations will be accepted at the best available rate, based on availability. To reserve your room, you must call the hotel or visit their website.

### Transportation

- Complimentary hotel self-parking
- Fresno Yosemite National Airport— 6.5 miles Visit <http://www.flyfresno.com>  
Airlines Include: Alaska, Allegiant, American, Delta and United
- Amtrak— 0.7 miles ICF Code: X66A-945 For travel between 08/29 - 09/08, a 10% discount is offered when you call and provide this code. (800) 872-7245
- Limited complimentary hotel shuttle service to/from Amtrak and Fresno Airport is on a space available basis. Call the hotel front desk when ready for pickup.

Please notify your branch  
of your attendance.

To ensure we have a name  
badge prepared, please inform  
your branch that you are  
attending the convention, even  
if you are not staying at the hotel.

EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE OF MERCY

DEC. 8, 2015 - NOV. 20, 2016



For assistance, please contact the ICF Office at (888) 423-1924.



**Delegates, Members and Guests  
are invited to the annual Saturday  
Night Convention Banquet to  
recognize the recipient of the  
Italian Catholic Federation's  
Saint Pope John XXIII Award.**

**Saturday, September 3, 2016  
6:00pm Delegate's Reception  
7:00pm Banquet Seating Begins**

**DoubleTree Hotel, Fresno  
Semiformal Attire Suggested**

### Dinner Menu:

Bibb Salad, Petite Filet Mignon coupled with Encrusted  
Stuffed Chicken, Harvest Vegetable Medley, Garlic Mashed  
Potatoes, Freshly Baked Breads, Chocolate Cake on a  
Raspberry Painted Plate, Iced Tea and Coffee.

Children's Menu: Chicken Strips with French Fries  
(ages 12 and younger – Please place a star next to the  
names of children attending the banquet).

Reservations are non-refundable  
once headcount is given to the hotel.

## Saturday Night Convention Banquet

### Non-delegate Reservations

Branch # \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Convention Delegates ~ Admission  
is included with convention  
registration. A reply is not required.

Non-delegate Reservations:

\_\_\_\_\_ X \$65 per adult = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ X \$20 per child = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Ages 12 and younger)

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail your check  
to the I.C.F. office by August 1<sup>st</sup>.  
8393 Capwell Drive Suite 110,  
Oakland, CA 94621

Delegate and non-delegate tickets will  
be distribute to your Branch President,  
or their representative, during  
convention registration.

Names of Non-delegate attendees:

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## Pedro Reservations

Branch Number: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Attendees for Complimentary Lessons:

Walk-ins welcome!

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Pedro Tournament Players:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Tournament Players:

X Entry Fee Per Player: \$10

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to I.C.F. and write "Pedro" in  
the memo. Entries must be received by August 15. Mail to the  
I.C.F. Office 8393 Capwell Drive, Suite 110, Oakland, CA 94621

## CONVENTION PEDRO

**Lessons** - Come and learn how to play what  
some say is the "official" card game of the  
I.C.F. Lessons are complimentary and will take  
place on Friday, September 2 from 1pm-3pm.

**Tournament** — Beginners and Pros are invited  
to compete in the annual convention Pedro  
tournament on Friday, September 2 from  
3pm-6pm. The entry fee is \$10 per player.

Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$50 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$30  
3<sup>rd</sup> - \$20 4<sup>th</sup> - \$10 5<sup>th</sup> - \$5

### Year of Mercy Pilgrimage

October 8 – 12, 2016 to Washington  
DC with ICF Br. 12, Napa and  
Knights of Columbus

Price of \$1500 per person, based  
on double occupancy includes  
round trip airfare and hotel  
accommodations for 4 nights.

Highlights of the pilgrimage will  
be daily Mass at the Basilica of the  
National Shrine of the Immaculate  
Conception and St. Augustine's  
Catholic Church and other churches.  
You will also visit the many  
memorials in Washington DC. A tour  
of the US Capitol and the National  
Archives will round out the tour.

For more information, call Proximo  
Travel at 1-855-842-8001 or visit  
their website at [www.proximotravel.com](http://www.proximotravel.com)  
and look for "Brother Paul's  
Trip to Washington DC."

Brother Paul is the chaplain for  
Branch 12.



THE ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION  
FRESNO DISTRICT  
WELCOMES YOU TO

# a nite at the races

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2016

WE WILL RECREATE A NIGHT AT THE TRACK WITH THOROUGHBRED RACING ON DVD. Every device is employed to simulate an experience at the track and an evening full of excitement; the parade of horses, opening of the gate, photo-finish close-ups, posting of the final results and \$2 mutual wagering.

### BECOME AN OWNER.

Sponsor your own horse for a donation of \$20 and you could win the \$120 Purse to be given away with each race. There will be 6 races of 12 horses each race. That's a 1 in 12 chance of winning the big money!

CONTACT ALLEN WATTS (661) 363 3803 FOR MORE INFO ON THE HORSE RACE AND HOW TO BECOME AN OWNER.



HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH  
355 E. CHAMPLAIN DRIVE  
FRESNO CA 93730

5:00 PM BUS DEPARTS FOR  
CONVENTION HOTEL GUESTS  
6:00 PM NO-HOST COCKTAILS  
7:00 PM DINNER  
RAFFLE PRIZES



**MENU:** PASTA E FAGIOLI SOUP, SPINACH SALAD, PENNE PASTA WITH CHICKEN BREAST AND SHRIMP, SOFT POLENTA AND GREEN BEANS WITH ITALIAN SAUSAGE AND DESSERT.

Dinner Reservation Deadline – August 11, 2016

Please Print Clearly:

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Branch #: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Persons Attending Dinner: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$35.00 each Total Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I/We will be riding the bus to the "nite at the races" Thursday Night Dinner Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Make Checks payable to: ICF Fresno District  
And Mail to: Robyn Piro  
336 W. 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
Merced, CA 95340



# CONVENTION BINGO

DoubleTree Hotel, Fresno  
Friday, September 2, 2016 3pm – 5pm

Entry Fee Per Bingo Pack: \$25 Advance Reservations  
\$30 After August 15, or at the door

Each Bingo Pack includes 6 Bingo games. For each game, participants will receive 6 Bingo cards per sheet.

Prizes: First five games \$100 per pot  
Final game – Blackout - \$250 pot

## Advance Bingo Registration Entry Form: Branch # \_\_\_\_\_

Name: _____	# of Bingo Packs: _____
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Name: _____	# of Bingo Packs: _____

Please make your check payable to I.C.F. and write Bingo in the memo. Mail to 8393 Capwell Drive, Suite 110 Oakland, CA 94621. After August 15, the price per Bingo pack is \$30. All Bingo packs will be distributed at the door. Bingo location will be announced on the Convention Agenda.

Total Bingo Packs: \_\_\_\_\_  
X \$25 each  
Check Enclosed = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_



## Friday September 2 DoubleTree Hotel Registration 10am

Take part in the 2016 convention bocce tournament. Teams will be created randomly, and announced at registration. Timed games will be played in the meeting space on carpet. Medals will be awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams.

There will be no entry fee this year, but advanced signups are still required. Bocce is limited to 48 players of all skill levels. Please submit this form to the I.C.F. office before August 15<sup>th</sup>.  
8393 Capwell Drive, Suite 110  
Oakland, CA 94621

## BOCCE REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Branch # \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Branch # \_\_\_\_\_



Convention 2016 Fresno  
Visit the Fresno  
District Novelty Booth  
with Embroidery Booth

### Hours of Operation:

Thursday, Sept. 1 –  
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 2 –  
9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 3 –  
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 4 –  
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
AND  
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 5 –  
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.





# Convention Prom Night

Sunday, September 4, 2016 7:00pm

Reservations for Branch #: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Adults x \$55 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Children x \$25 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(ages 12 and younger)

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Names of attendees:

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Please place a star next to children's names.

Seating arrangements are made in the order that reservation checks are received. If you wish to sit with your branch or other group, please send in your reservation together. Tickets will be distributed to your Branch President, or their representative, during convention registration. Reservations are non-refundable once headcount is given to the hotel.

Enjoy dinner and dancing with your date or group of friends at the ICF Prom. Ruffled tuxes and retro prom dresses are welcomed, but not required. Help crown a prom king and queen and vote for the ICF "Best of the Best." This throwback night will be full of fun and surprises.

*The committee would like to use your prom photos at the event. If you'd like to share, please mail a copy to the office or email to roselynnjarrett@gmail.com by August 1.*

Dinner Buffet Menu: Downtown Green Salad, Basil Pesto Bowtie Pasta Salad, Sliced London Broil with Herbed Balsamic Demi Glaze, Stuffed Pork Loin with Raspberry Chipotle Glaze, Italian Oven Roasted Vegetables, Roasted Red Potatoes with Hot Bacon Dressing, Freshly Baked Breads, Assorted Desserts, Iced Tea and Coffee

Please mail you check to the I.C.F. office by August 15<sup>th</sup>.  
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## Notification of Intention to Run for Central Council at the 2016 Convention

### Application Process

1. Applications are available from the I.C.F. Office.
2. Candidates' completed applications must be received by the I.C.F. Office by August 1 in order to be eligible to run for Central Council.
3. A candidate who is not currently a Central Council Member must be a branch delegate to the Convention.

### Other Pre-Convention Deadlines

1. If you wish to place a full-page ad in the convention souvenir book; the ad contract, your photo and a message must be sent to the I.C.F. Office by July 1.
2. Candidate entries to be included in the Bollettino, must be emailed to both the I.C.F. Office and the Bollettino Editor by August 1. Email [admin@icf.org](mailto:admin@icf.org) and [icfeditor@gmail.com](mailto:icfeditor@gmail.com). Submissions should include a photo and an entry that does not exceed 300 words.

### Campaign Rules

1. Only one poster (maximum size 24 X 36) may be displayed in the area designated by the Convention Director.
2. Campaign flyers and non-consumable campaign favors may only be given out on Friday evening during "Meet the Candidates." Food and beverage items may not be distributed during "Meet the Candidates."
3. As voted upon at the February 2016 Central Council Meeting, there will be no candidate

hospitality rooms. This decision was made in order to follow the hotel's quiet time policy. If a district hosts a hospitality room at any time during the convention weekend, there shall be no candidate posters, flyers or other campaign paraphernalia available in the hospitality room.

4. No campaigning may take place during convention sessions, activities or in the delegate registration area.

5. No campaign literature should be posted in the public areas or on the ICF Facebook page.

6. Registration workers should not wear campaign items.

7. Candidates should notify campaign helpers of these rules.

8. Campaign speeches will be held during the Saturday session and shall not exceed 2 minutes.

### Other Information

1. Candidates for Central Council will be announced in descending order in even years and ascending order in odd years.

2. 10 candidates will be elected to the Central Council, unless an unforeseen event takes place that will reduce the election to 9 Central Council Members.

3. Candidates should wear proper business attire at all functions; no campaign T-shirts, pins, etc.

4. For additional information, or for clarification, please contact the I.C.F. Convention Director.

## Hospitalization Committee Candidates

That time of year has come again to consider running for the Hospitalization Committee.

This is a good chance to expand your commitment and activity level in the Italian Catholic Federation by serving your fellow members with a two year term on the Hospitalization Committee.

If you are interested in being a candidate, here are the guidelines:

1) Hospitalization Committee Candidates must be Delegates to the Convention.

2) Candidates for election to the Hospitalization Committee must declare their candidacy by August 1<sup>st</sup>. All necessary paperwork must be submitted by this date.

Please call the I.C.F. Office at 1-888-423-1924 if you are interested, in order to obtain the necessary paperwork.

## Convention Checklist

_____ Delegate Registration \$225	Due: June 30
_____ Convention Souvenir Book Ads (prices vary)	Due: July 1
_____ Memorial Names \$5, Sponsor Names \$1	
_____ Central Council Candidate Application	Due: August 1
_____ Central Council Candidate Bollettino Article	Due: August 1
_____ DoubleTree Hotel Reservations \$112/night	Due: August 9
_____ Thursday Welcome Dinner Reservations	Due: August 11*
_____ "Night at the Races" \$35	
_____ Non-delegate Guest List	Due: August 15
_____ Friday Bocce Signups - Free	Due: August 15
_____ Friday Pedro Tournament Signups \$10	Due: August 15
_____ Friday Bingo Early-bird Signups \$25	Due: August 15
_____ Bingo Walk-ins Welcome \$30	
_____ Saturday Banquet Reservations	Due: August 15
_____ Non-delegate Adult \$65, Children \$20	
_____ Sunday Prom Banquet Reservations	Due: August 15
_____ Adults \$55, Children \$25	
_____ Forestiere Underground Gardens Tour \$25	Due: August 19*
_____ Table Mountain Casino Tour \$20	Due: August 19*
_____ Wine Tasting and More Tour \$30	Due: August 19*
_____ Friday Blood Drive Signups - Priceless	Walk-ins Welcome
_____ Friday Pedro Lessons Signups - Free	Walk-ins Welcome

No reservations are required for Masses, Rosary, Central Council Committee Exhibit, Italian Sing-along, Opening/Closing Ceremonies, Meet the Candidates Social, General Sessions or Workshops. Non-delegates are welcome to participate in all activities, however only Delegates can speak at the General Session and vote.

All flyers and reservation forms are available at [www.icf.org](http://www.icf.org).  
\*Indicates that the reservations are submitted to The Fresno District.  
All other reservations are made through the ICF Office.

Please Save-The-Date to Save-A-Life



5<sup>th</sup> Annual



Convention Blood Drive

Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016

at the Convention Hotel

Snacks~~Prizes~~Raffle



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For more information:

Laurice Levine, MA, CCLS

[LLevine430@aol.com](mailto:LLevine430@aol.com)

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PROUDLY PRESENTS  
**LATE NITE CATECHISM,**  
THE RAUCOUS, ROLICKING  
INTERNATIONAL HIT COMEDY  
COMING TO HOLY NAME UNIVERSITY  
REGENT'S THEATRE, OAKLAND!

**Late Nite  
Catechism**  
by Vicki Quade & Maripat Donovan

**NEW DATE!**

*Late Nite Catechism* will be presented at  
Holy Names University Regents Theatre  
3500 Mountain Blvd., Oakland, CA.  
**SATURDAY, August 27, 2016**  
fund raising wine and cheese reception  
beginning at 5:30 PM, show at 7:00 PM

Tickets are \$ 40.00 Mezzanine and  
\$ 50.00 for Orchestra and Box seats,  
discounts available for groups of  
10 or more  
and are available by calling  
brown paper tickets at  
1-800-838-3006 ex 1,  
or on-line at  
<http://ICFLNC.brownpapertickets.com>

Catechism classes are never as much fun - or as  
hilarious - as when they are led by Sister in the  
international hit comedy *Late Nite Catechism*  
by Vicki Quade and Maripat Donovan.



# TABLE MOUNTAIN CASINO



Friday - September 2nd  
Departs the Hotel at 12:30 P.M.  
Returns to the Hotel at 6:00 P.M.

Cost \$20.00

This tour will arrive at Table Mountain at 1:00 p.m. Guests will receive \$10.00  
on a TMC Players' card for all guests with a valid government ID.

The bus will be departing Table Mountain at 5:30 p.m. returning to the Hotel at  
6:00 p.m.

Reservations Deadline: August 19, 2016

**DETACH THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN WITH YOUR PAYMENT.**

PLEASE ENCLOSE YOUR CHECK WITH THE REGISTRATION FORM AND MAKE IT PAYABLE TO:

I.C.F. FRESNO DISTRICT.

MAIL CHECK TO: I.C.F. C/O ROBYN PIRO (PHONE # 209-383-4817)

336 W. 21<sup>ST</sup> STREET, MERCED, CA 95340

RESERVATIONS: \$30.00 PER PERSON

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ADDRESS.....

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TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$.....

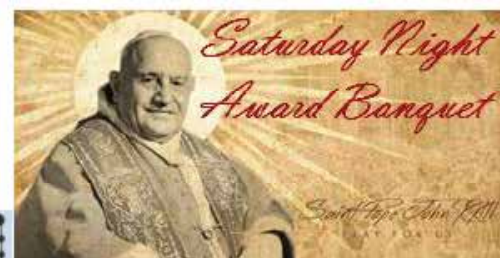
## Italian Catholic Federation

2016 Convention – Fresno, CA

*Called To Be  
Merciful*

Friday, September 2 –  
Monday, September 5, 2016

### CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS



## Italian Catholic Federation Convention Souvenir Program ARTWORK DEADLINE JULY 1ST!

NEW SPONSOR OPPORTUNITY!  
Full color 1/16th page sponsor ad for only \$25!  
EVERYONE should be doing this!  
(This is the actual size of the ad.)



*Best of Wishes for a  
Successful Convention*  
Nettie Descalzo-Del Nero  
Branch #39 - Merced, CA

This is Your ICF Convention Book!  
We're making this book one you'll  
want to look through over and over.  
It will tell this year's story of the ICF.

To do that it needs **your participation!**  
**What's YOUR part of the story?**

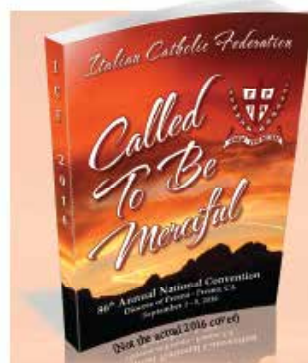
Did you know that each  
person who brings in a  
commercial ad gets a  
20% commission check?



## COLOR!

We are now offering  
color ads to bring  
some WOW to your  
images. Here's an  
ad that appeared in  
black and white last  
year. They could have  
had it in color!

**What a difference!**



The ICF Convention Souvenir  
Program Books are:

- Collected & kept for years
- Referenced by members
- A visual history of the ICF

You need to be in this year's  
book! **Maximize** your **visibility!**

- Create a **NEW** ad this year
- Use **COLOR** in your ad
- Submit individual ads for  
your members!

**BE SEEN!**

**Tell YOUR part of the story!**







# Italian Catholic Federation Sixteenth Annual



# GOLF TOURNAMENT

**DATE:**

**FRIDAY, JULY 22, 2016**

**COURSE:**

Laguna Seca Golf Course  
10520 York Road, Monterey, CA 93940

**FORMAT:**

Four Person Scramble

**START:**

Breakfast: 7:00 A.M. / Shotgun tee off: 8:45 A.M.

## BANQUET

**2:00 –**

San Carlos Church Hall  
500 Church Street, Monterey, CA 93940  
No-host Cocktails

**3:00 –**

Sumptuous Four Course Dinner

**RAFFLE:**

There will be a raffle with stupendous prizes!

**PRICE:**

Golfers: \$165 (includes hot buffet breakfast, 18 holes of golf with cart and banquet.) After July 15th, the price per golfer is \$180. Banquet only: \$45.

**RESERVATION DEADLINE: JULY 15, 2016**

**\*\*\*If an individual brings in 3 foursomes, that individual golfs for free!\*\*\***

**SIGN UP:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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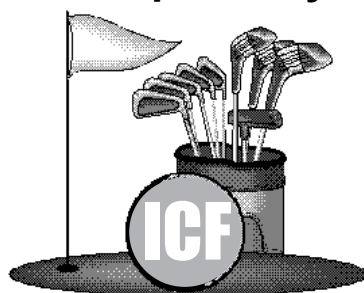
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**Banquet only** \_\_\_\_\_



Make check for total amount (\$165 per player plus \$45 per banquet guest), payable to the I.C.F. Golf Tournament, and send to the address below before the July 15th deadline.

Remember: \$180 per player after July 15th.

The Central Council and Tournament Committee are very excited about this event and hope to see all of you (golfers and non-golfers) there!







# Chicago

River Forest

St. Vincent Ferrer, Br. 358

The ICF of St. Vincent Ferrer Parish has been busy as usual. June 5th was our parish picnic and the ICF provided a beautiful selection of delicious treats for the sweet table.

July birthdays will be celebrated by Janet Tramelli on July 18th and Rich Before on July 26.

Since we celebrate our nation’s birthday on July 4th, I thought you might enjoy some facts surrounding the 4th.

1. The declaration of Independence was adopted on July 2, 1776, but was revised and adopted two days later. The Declaration of Independence was written by Thomas Jefferson. 56 men represented 13 colonies.
2. Thomas Jefferson and John Adams died within hours of each other on July 4, 1826. James Monroe died July 4, 1831.
3. Calvin Coolidge was born July 4, 1872.
4. The average age of the signers was 45. Benjamin Franklin was 70, Edward Rutledge was the youngest at age 26.

Submitted by Judith Schweickert

## Chicago

### Our Lady Mother of the Church, Br. 439

On Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, ICF Branch 439 held its annual May Crowning Mass at Our Lady Mother of the Church. The Italian mass was celebrated by Fr. Augusto Feccia. The crowning of Mary was accompanied with placing flowers at Mary’s statue on the altar. It was a beautiful and special evening of prayer to honor our Blessed Mother. After the general meeting in May, members celebrated Mother’s Day in honor of the mothers of our Branch with food, refreshments and desserts. Members are now looking forward to the Annual St. Anthony Mass and Bread Blessing to be held at OLMC on Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. Wishing all Fathers a very Happy Father’s Day!

Anna Tamburello

President, ICF Branch 439

Members of Branch 439 at the May Crowning.

## Fresno

### Madera

Santissimo Crocifisso, Br. 27

The May meeting was held on the 10th and it was a Potluck with lots of yummy main dishes, salads, and desserts. Thanks to the Chairmen Frank and Louise Brunolli and committee: Eileen Foster, Anna Raviscioni, Ed Pia, Norma Fontana, and Nancye Pond. May 14st was the Central District Bocce Tournament. Branch 27 had 2 teams: Team 1 was” The energetic Noni’s” which consisted of Elsie Bottorff, Theresa DeFrank, Louise Chiarelli, and Ila Schoettler. Team 2 was the “Bocce Ball Blues”. Playing for that team was Jeff Bottorff, Ralph Perry, Jim Cavallero and Mike Cavallero. Our annual chicken take-out dinner which occurred on May 22nd was a success. Almost two hundred dinners were served. On a sad note we lost long-time member Bina Boitano in May. Please continue to pray for our ill and injured members, especially the family of Bina Boitano.

Ciao,

Kerin Cavallero

### Clovis

#### Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Br. 250

We had a beautiful day for the District Picnic and Bocce Tournament. Our Branch had five teams playing this year. Thanks to Ron Travis, we all had special red and white shirts to wear. Our annual Branch picnic is coming up on June 26 at Vince Jura’s home.

We had three very special events at the May Branch meeting: Deputy Flora DePasquale initiated four new members, Doug Duke, Geraldine Goodwin and Rueben and Cynthia Silva; President Jesse presented our scholarship to a very gracious young lady, Rachel Schultz, who spoke to us about her future plans; and President Jesse presented Jeanette Shriver with her Past President’s pin. (Pictures are



Branch 33 Olga Jacobs, together with family and friends, celebrates 80 years as ICF member at San Luigi Branch dinner



The Branch 27 Bocce teams: Back row from left: Elsie Bottorff, Jeff Bottorff, Ralph Perry, Ila Schoettler and Jim Cavallero. Seated Theresa DeFrank and Louise Chiarelli.



Jeff Bottorff seasoning the chicken for the Branch 27 barbeque chicken take-out dinner.



Art Berryman and Butch Hope from Branch 27 make preparations chicken take-out dinner.

included in this issue of the Bollettino.)

Father Robert recently joined his family to celebrate his parent’s, Richard and May Borges, 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

And congratulations to Wes and Maxine Johnson who celebrated their 68<sup>th</sup> anniversary on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Jennie Campopiano’s grandson, Marcus Powe, has made it to the semi-finals for his school’s track team. He threw the shot put 31.4 feet, 4 feet farther than last year. Marcus is in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade at St. Philip School in Pasadena.

Happy Birthday to our July celebrants: Father Robert (7/18); Madeline Conatser (7/22); Rachel Schultz (7/27); and Michael Weatherly (7/1).

Have a Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July, and remember to stop and take a minute out of your day to say a prayer

for those who have fought and those who continue to fight for our freedom!

Ciao!

LeAnne Lavagnino

### Bakersfield

#### Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Br. 281

The Annual Summer Salad Social was a great event, and the Carson residence was a beautiful new setting for our June meeting. Veggie, fruit, potato, and pasta—all the best salads made an appearance. The



Branch 250, Clovis, CA - President Jesse Budd (l) presents the Branch scholarship to our recipient, Rachel Schultz.





# Convention Prom Night

**Sunday, September 4, 2016 7:00pm**

Reservations for Branch #: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Adults x \$55 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Children x \$25 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(ages 12 and younger)

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Names of attendees:

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Please place a star next to children's names.

Seating arrangements are made in the order that reservation checks are received. If you wish to sit with your branch or other group, please send in your reservation together. Tickets will be distributed to your Branch President, or their representative, during convention registration. Reservations are non-refundable once headcount is given to the hotel.

Enjoy dinner and dancing with your date or group of friends at the ICF Prom. Ruffled tuxes and retro prom dresses are welcomed, but not required. Help crown a prom king and queen and vote for the ICF "Best of the Best." This throwback night will be full of fun and surprises.

*The committee would like to use your prom photos at the event. If you'd like to share, please mail a copy to the office or email to [roselynnjarrett@gmail.com](mailto:roselynnjarrett@gmail.com) by August 1.*

Dinner Buffet Menu: Downtown Green Salad, Basil Pesto Bowtie Pasta Salad, Sliced London Broil with Herbed Balsamic Demi Glaze, Stuffed Pork Loin with Raspberry Chipotle Glaze, Italian Oven Roasted Vegetables, Roasted Red Potatoes with Hot Bacon Dressing, Freshly Baked Breads, Assorted Desserts, Iced Tea and Coffee

Please mail you check to the I.C.F. office by August 15<sup>th</sup>.  
8393 Capwell Drive Suite 110, Oakland, CA 94621



# Ciao

# Aloha

ICF Convention Opening Festivities

Italian - Hawaiian Night

Friday, September 2, 2016 Double Tree Hotel, Fresno

7:30 pm Italian Singalong

8 pm Aloha Opening Ceremony

Followed by a social in the hotel atrium to meet our  
Central Council Candidates. No-host cocktails available.

Tropical attire encouraged.

No reply required.



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# a nite at the races

**THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2016**

**WE WILL RECREATE A NIGHT AT THE TRACK WITH THOROUGHBRED RACING ON DVD.**

Every device is employed to simulate an experience at the track and an evening full of excitement; the parade of horses, opening of the gate, photo-finish close-ups, posting of the final results and \$2 mutual wagering.

**BECOME AN OWNER.**

Sponsor your own horse for a donation of \$20 and you could win the \$120 Purse to be given away with each race. There will be 6 races of 12 horses each race. That's a 1 in 12 chance of winning the big money!

CONTACT ALLEN WATTS (661) 363 3803 FOR MORE INFO ON THE HORSE RACE AND HOW TO BECOME AN OWNER.



**HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH  
355 E. CHAMPLAIN DRIVE  
FRESNO CA 93730**

**5:00 PM BUS DEPARTS FOR  
CONVENTION HOTEL GUESTS  
6:00 PM NO-HOST COCKTAILS  
7:00 PM DINNER  
RAFFLE PRIZES**



**MENU:** PASTA E FAGIOLI SOUP, SPINACH SALAD, PENNE PASTA WITH CHICKEN BREAST AND SHRIMP, SOFT POLENTA AND GREEN BEANS WITH ITALIAN SAUSAGE AND DESSERT.

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**Dinner Reservation Deadline – August 11, 2016**

**Please Print Clearly:**

**First Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Branch #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Phone #:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Persons Attending Dinner:** \_\_\_\_\_ x \$35.00 each      **Total Amount Enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**I/We will be riding the bus to the “nite at the races” Thursday Night Dinner**    Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

**Make Checks payable to: ICF Fresno District  
And Mail to: Robyn Piro  
336 W. 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
Merced, CA 95340**

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Branch 33 Olga Jacobs, together with family and friends, celebrates 80 years as ICF member at San Luigi Branch dinner



weather was also in our favor, and for a Bakersfield summer night, what more could we ask?

Convention Raffle Tickets have been distributed, and members are now encouraged to sell or buy them! This is a simple and easy fundraiser, and \$10 of every \$20 packet will stay with Branch 281. Thanks in advance to all members who will be doing their part to generate funds that we all know are so important to the success of our parish branch.

To this year’s delegates, congratulations! Mindy White and Deborah Leary, who will accompany President Crystal Watts, will represent Branch 281 at the 2016 National ICF Convention in Fresno. Because it is being held so close to Bakersfield and being hosted by our district, all members are encouraged to come stay for an evening, a couple of nights, or the whole extended weekend!

Our next meeting will be the Annual Ice Cream Social, and in the Bakersfield July heat, it can’t come at a more perfect time! Keep an eye on your emails and mailboxes for the notice!

*Baci e abbracci,*  
*Kristen Watts*

## Las Vegas

**Las Vegas**  
**St. Francis di Sales, Br. 367**

Branch 367 is winding down a busy year with our last bake sale on June 12th. We were blessed with perfect weather – only 94 degrees with a nice breeze. We can’t do much of anything when it is triple digits outside, so we just cool it, and go on our vacations and trips. In other words – “Get out of town!”.

We have to congratulate our centenarians in our



Members of Branch 367 at their recent Bake Sale.



Branch 108 Frank Bratta Scholarship recipients.

Fisher, Branch 444 in Rancho Palos Verdes. Thank you to Grand President Leonard Zasoski, First Lady BG, Central Council Members, and LA Branches who took the time to help welcome our newest family members. Your participation was greatly appreciated. During May we had our quarterly District Meeting and second quarterly District Mass and luncheon at St. Peter’s Italian Church.

Grand President Leonard Zasoski presented a 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary plaque to Branch 319, Our Lady of the Assumption in June; and the fundraiser Night for the Seminarians was held at Branch 380, Thousand Oaks.

In July Branch 108, South Pasadena will once again hold the Cooley’s Anemia fundraiser at the Sabatella home. This is a long standing and popular fundraiser, so get your reservations in sooner then later. If you’ve never been to Carmelo and Theresa’s family home you need to attend. You will be happy you did.

Our next quarterly District meeting will be held in Fresno at the Convention, in the District’s hospitality room. A Safe and Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July to all!! See you in Fresno.

*Pat Mages*

*District President*

## South Pasadena

**Holy Family, Br. 108**

Congratulations to Holy Family School 8th Grade Students Giovanni Ciulla (Saint Francis HS) and Victoria de Cardenas (Mayfield Senior HS) who each received an ICF Branch 108 Frank Bratta Scholarship from Branch President John Maggiora at the HFS Graduation Ceremony on June 10th.

On June 26, 2016, Br 108 will host its Annual BBQ Picnic and Bocce Tournament BBQ at the Pasadena Lawn Bowling Club Field in Pasadena Central Park in Pasadena from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. RSVP to 626 403-6102 or 626-372-7812. Members, families and friends welcome to play Bocce. Novice to experienced Bocce players welcome.

The annual ICF Branch 108 Cooley’s Anemia BBQ is scheduled for Sunday July 24th from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Villa Sabatella in South Pasadena.

We will be celebrating 30 years of friendship and great BBQ in support of ICF’s National Charity. Space is limited. Please RSVP by calling 626 403-6102 or 626 372-7812 on or before July 18th. All Branches are invited. Please spread the word. Hope to see all Branches join Branch 108 poolside.

Please keep our sick members in your prayers that they may reach a speedy recovery as we start the new year. And to our former ICF Branch member who recently have gone to their eternal reward. May they rest in peace.

May God bless and keep you healthy “œper cento anni!”

*Carmelo Sabatella, Past President*

*LAADC and ICF Branch 108*

*Email: cas1810@aol.com*

## Montebello

**St. Benedict, Br. 111**

Ciao a Tutti. A warm hello to everyone. Best Wishes for a great summer to all of you. As you may know, we will note a have a general meeting during the month of July. Our August General Meeting will be on Thursday, August 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the St. Augustine House, 200 N. 12th Street, (corner of Cleveland Ave.) in Montebello. After the meeting, we will have cake to celebrate the Birthdays of the following members who have birthdays in the months of July & August: Carmelo Palmeri, Rachel Lujan, Rose Mary Brougher, Daniel Bermudez, Paul Adragna, Jeff Garner, Mario Castello, Giuseppe Veneziano, and Ruben Valdez. Congratulations and Happy Birthday to everyone!! Buon Compleanno a tutti!!

Congratulations to Sabrina Mercuri from Cantwell Sacred Heart of Mary high School, Montebello. She won Branch 111’s \$400.00 First Year College Scholarship. It was a pleasure seeing her and her parents, Robert & Grace Mercuri, at our June 16th general meeting, where we presented Sabrina with the Award of Scholarship Certificate. Congratulations to Sabrina’s grandparents, Sandro & Rose Mercuri and Salvatore & Giuseppina Sorce, who are all ICF 111 members.

On June 17, 2016, Branch President, Frank Salomone, attend the St. Benedict School Graduation Ceremony, and based on our essay contest, presented two Scholarships, each in the amount of \$300.00 to the essay contest winners: Joey Wadzinski and Jason Carletto. Congratulations to Joey and Jason, and to their families.

We would like to thank Salvatore Sorce for volunteering his time and expertise to repair the broken tables in the St. Augustine House. May God Bless him abundantly.

The 30th Anniversary of the Cooley’s Anemia BBQ Fundraiser will be held on July 24th at 4:00pm at Villa Sabatella in South Pasadena. This is a great BBQ with unlimited drinks and great raffle prizes. A great event for an even greater cause. Cost for



Members of Branch 111 celebrating May birthdays.



Branch 111 members is \$12:50, non-branch 111 members is \$25.00. If you would like to attend this important fundraiser, send a check to Frank Salomone, 957 N. Scott Avenue, Montebello, CA 90640 by July 18. Any questions please call Frank at (323) 888-2074.

*God Bless!*

*Frank Salomone*

### San Pedro

#### St. John Joseph of the Cross, Br. 115

Dear Members,

May 22 was the official opening of Branch 444 at St. John Fisher Parish in Rancho Palos Verdes. Twenty of our branch members attended the installation and luncheon. Congratulations and warm wishes to our branch neighbor.

Due to our annual Parish Fiesta being held on July 15th, 16th and 17th, our monthly meeting will be held on Thursday July 7th at 7:30pm. We will again be sponsoring the Pizza and Sausage/Meatball Sandwich booth. Help will be needed to make the meatballs on Thursday July 14th and also in the booth during the fiesta. Please call Pauline at 310 832 0563 if able to help out. Your help will be greatly appreciated!!

We are thrilled to announce that the granddaughter of members Isidoro and Rose Amalfitano is running for Fiesta Queen. Please support her fundraising events and cast your vote for Rose Amalfitano. She is a very special and well deserving young woman!

Our next upcoming event is our annual Tridium in honor of St. John Joseph of the Cross. Tridium will begin on August 18<sup>th</sup>, continue on the 19th with Mass and Coroncina to be held at 7:30pm. 9am mass will be held on Saturday Aug 20th. Procession to grotto will follow mass. Please join us after procession for refreshment in the auditorium. Our traditional Prime Rib dinner dance will begin at 6:30pm. Cost is \$35.00 per ticket and can be purchased from Neal DiLeva 310 433 1044. Please support our fundraiser.

ICF convention raffle tickets have been distributed. A book of tickets is \$20.00. The branch retains \$10.00 per book and will help with the cost of sending delegates to convention. Please support this fundraiser.

Our next branch meeting will be held on August 11th at 7:30pm

Please keep all our sick and deceased members in your prayers.

*Anita Gioiello Trujillo, Treasurer*

### Gardena

#### St. Anthony de Padua, Br. 237

Branch 237 welcomed Branch 444, St. John Fisher, Palos Verdes, last month to the ICF. 52 charter members were initiated. Congratulation to all the new members of this branch. We are looking forward to working with you.

We've had a busy few weeks.



American Cancer Society Relay for Life, San Pedro Branch 115 survivors. (L-R) Rose Amalfitano, Geraldine Gioiello and far right Branch Pres. Neal Di Leva.



Branch 115 attended the installation and luncheon of the new Branch 444 in Rancho Palos Verdes



Branch 115 president Neal Di Leva presented scholarship to recipients. Nicholas Di Leva and Alyssa Di Massa both from Mary Star of the Sea Church in San Pedro, Ca



Members of Branch 115, San Pedro attended a fundraiser dinner in support of the new Mary Star of the Sea Church queen candidate Rose Amalfitano, grand daughter of Isidoro and Rosaria Amalfitano.




**29<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL**

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We traveled to Laughlin, NV. this month and had a great time.

We presented high school scholarships, to Brianna Jolon and Shelby Bach and one college award to Samantha Joy Marcon, a senior at Redondo Beach HS. Samantha will be attending Cal Poly San Luis Obispo in the fall. Congrats to all these beautiful young ladies and we wish all the best for them, ,

The convention is coming soon. We will be meeting new members and seeing old friends, our raffle tickets were sent to all members, good luck....

Our next scheduled trip is to the Regan Library to see the Vatican exhibit. This is a once in a life time opportunity to view all these treasures. Stay tuned for details.

Date to remember: October 8th, our annual Columbus Day Dinner Dance.

*Respectfully*

*Micheal Bohannon Roa*

## ***San Gabriel Valley Region***

### **Arcadia**

#### **Holy Angels, Br. 218**

A huge thanks to Maria Lanera and her crew for the wonderful Father's Day luncheon after our June meeting. Everyone had a grand time. We also installed our new members that joined this last year. The branch has designated our scholarship money for students of Holy Angels School. The recipients are Ian Bestida and Nicholas Luchetta. Congratulations to both of them.

At our last board meeting the board went through each month for the following year as to what we have planned. The calendar will be presented at the regular church meeting in August for approval. There will be new and interesting events coming up.

Everyone have a good summer and hope to see all of you in September.

*Lolly M.*





Br. 362 Downey Charity Awards Night. On June 1 Br. 362 presented scholarships and charity awards totaling \$11,325. Pictured is Pres. Perry Shurko and LA District Pres. Pat Mages with those who were able to attend. Congratulations to all our recipients this year.

A great big “Thank You” to all our awesome members who made this all possible!



**Claremont**

**Our Lady of the Assumption, Br. 319**

Summer is officially here. All the children are out of school and vacations are starting. We just had dinner with our Scholarship winners, both Central Council and OLA school. They students have great goal and with the little extra they received will be on the road to success.

This is the time that we do the yearly cleaning at the church, so there will be no meeting in July. We will meet in Aug. to get finalize out plans for convention and yearly fundraisers. We have planned for a Spaghetti dinner, Christmas boutique and our annual St Joseph Table to name a few.

Be safe on all your adventures during the summer and we will meet again in August.

Andrea Linn

Corr. Sect.

**Temple City**

**St. Luke, Br. 326**

Happy Summer to all of our members!

There will be no July meeting.

Our next General Meeting will be held on August 13, 2016 at 4:15 p.m.

Please continue to keep all of our ill members in your prayers, especially: Mary Lou Lemoine, Mae Rosenkranz, Roberta Nangelo, Mary Jacobs, Herminia Saez, Pat Buccola, and Ann Primising. And, let’s not forget to pray for our deceased members.

Happy June Birthday to: Tony Farinella, Mary Ann Law, Cal Magro, Rose Marie Perfetto, Annette

Tombrello and Chuck Hernandez

Happy Anniversary to: Ann and Jack Baziak (63 years) and Chuck and Lucy Hernandez (42 years)

Happy July Birthday to: Frances Bonura, Peter Costa, and Mae Rosenkranz.

Happy Anniversary to: Josie and Anthony Basile (62 Years) and Cal and Val Magro (39 Years). Congratulations!

“The source of every blessing is God, who reigns above; A God of love and mercy and never failing love. ...He is there when health is failing and burdens seem too hard to bear; He reaches out with arms of love, with compassion and infinite care. ... To all who seek for mercy, He is just a prayer away.”

(Frances Culp Wolfe)

God Bless,

Jo Anne Disney

**San Fernando Region**

**Burbank**

**St. Maria Goretti, Br. 102**

Sunday, May 22,2016 was a special day for our branch.

Our young brother sister members, Angelo Bellomo and Melanie Schiflett hosted a delicious authentic local Italian cuisine celebrating the feast of St. Rita of Cascia, the patron saint of parenthood.

The meal consisted of a bruschetta , salami, olives, and cheese appetizer plate, an Italian bean salad, a roll, and grilled Sausage with grilled bell peppers, grilled onions and grilled fennel and garlic.



(Top) Branch 237 bus trip to Laughlin.

(Right) Brianna Jolon Class 2016 and president Connie Bohannon Branch 237.

These young members have been an inspiration to our branch. It was a joy to see these young members and their friends preparing this delicious meal in the kitchen we had worked in for so many years.

The food was delicious, the service was excellent and it felt great to be served by these beautiful young members and their friends.

Especially our very youngest member, George, who made certain we all had a good time.

God’s blessing to you all.

Dina Tomei



**Monterey**

**Santa Cruz**

**N.S. Del Socorso, Br. 21**

St. Francis of Assisi said, “A single sunbeam is enough to drive away many shadows.”

This summer, lots of shadows are being driven away with beautiful sunny days.

And Branch 21 will bring added sunshine with our annual Summer Event-90 Year Olds Birthday Party which will be held at Holy Cross Hall on Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Come help us celebrate our ‘nonagenarian’ members who have just turned ninety years old and those who’ve gone beyond 90. God willing, in a few years we will have members who will be termed ‘centenarians’ (100 years of age)...by the way, Branch 21 member,

Aurelia Bozzo, already reached that amazing mark last year! Please call Norma Wilson or Roseann Costabile for information and reservations about this summer event.

We are also getting our ducks lined up for the annual ICF Convention to be held in Fresno on the 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 5<sup>th</sup> of September. This is a wonderful event and any ICF member can attend. It’s a chance to see ICF in its finest form. Fresno isn’t too far away.....lots of sunshine there to chase away the shadows. Please contact any Branch 21 Board member for particulars if you are interested in attending.

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of two very fine ladies and ICF members. Nara Caiocca and Marie Walsh have gone to join our



Members of Branch 218, Holy Angels Church, Arcadia, on a “Men’s Retreat”, in Sierra Madre.



Lord. Heaven has certainly been sweetened with their graciousness. They will be missed.

As a reminder there will not be a meeting in July; next meeting will be at 5pm on August 2nd at Holy Cross Hall. Come and have fun.

In closing, another saying by St. Francis: “It is in giving that we receive.” Plain and simple, that’s St. Francis. Have happy and healthy sunny days.

*Patty Morelli*

*Secretary Branch 21*

**Monterey**

**Santa Rosalia, Br. 36**

Monterey’s Italian fishermen have left for Alaska, we pray they have a good season and keep safe.

Independence Day - July 4 - remember the only reason we can celebrate this day is because of our young men and women in the military, God bless them.

Our favorite party will be July 7th when we honor all of our paid up members who are 85 and older this year. We look forward to this each year when we can honor them and let them know how special they are.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Mary Tringali, a beautiful woman who was so sweet and dignified, she will be so happy to be with her Phil, it was her wish.

Calendar:

July 7 - 85 and over birthday party to honor our “stars”.

Aug. 4 - Monthly dinner meeting.

Sept. 2-3-4 - Convention

Sept. 9-10-11 - Festa Italia Santa Rosalia

- 1. Life is an opportunity, benefit from it.
- 2. Life is a challenge, meet it.
- 3. Life is a promise, fulfill it.
- 4. Life is a dream, realize it.
- 5. Life is life, fight for it.

Mother Teresa

*Peace be with you,*

*Bettye Sollecito*

**Capitola**

**St. Joseph, Br. 227**

Congratulations to the winners of this year’s Perlino Scholarships:

Nicholas Ambiel, Siena Armanino, Jared Beadnell, Jared Herrera, Lincoln Korver, Nathaniel Kotila, Nathan Lommazi, Lucas Robinson, Krista Schaarschmidt, Nicole Schaarschmidt, and Conner Young. The awards were presented at our June meeting.

Other scholarships awarded earlier this year were:

ICF Scholarship to Suzannah Brookshire from San Benito High School, Hollister; George and Barbara

Airolidi Scholarship to Claire Cardona, Santa Catalina School, Monterey; Don Bonnel Scholarship to Andreas Guerrero, Bellarmine, San Jose; Otto Ambiel Scholarship to Christopher Raffetto, Monterey High School, Monterey; and the Candau, Raffetto, Sciutto and Walker Scholarship to Tristin Rammel, Palma High School, Salinas

Many thanks to Ron Castle who put together the wine-tasting on June 18, and to Linda Calciano who obtained silent auction items. Thanks also to the members who donated appetizers and raffle prizes.

Remember the Annual Barbecue on Saturday, July 23, at DeLaveaga Park. The menu will be chicken or steak and all the trimmings. Cost is \$7.00 for members, \$12 for guests, and \$5 for children under five.

Deadline to purchase convention raffle tickets is August 15. A book of twelve tickets is \$20, \$5.00 of which stays with our branch.

Your prayers are asked for Wendi Locatelli. Wendi is married to Jay Locatelli, who is the grandson of charter members Kay and Ken Waldvogel and Frank Locatelli. Wendi has undergone a very serious operation at UC Davis Medical Center and faces a long recovery. Please keep her and her family in your thoughts.

Best wishes for an enjoyable summer.

*Deanna Musler, Secretary*

**Arroyo Grande**

**St. Patrick, Br. 291**

At our May General Meeting we were very pleased to meet our 2 First Year Scholarship recipients, along with their families. The students, Siena Fiorentino and Matthew Pringle, are smart and upstanding young adults, who are dedicated to God and have strong family values. We are very proud to be helping them as they pursue their college education. Siena and Matthew graduated from Arroyo Grande High School and will both be attending Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo.

At our May meeting we also initiated and welcomed new member Sharon “Jonesey” Jones to Branch 291!

Our Branch co-hosted the June Central Coast District Meeting with Branch 354 at St. Rose Parish in Paso Robles on June 4<sup>th</sup>. Br. 354 put on a nice luncheon of roasted chicken, rigatoni, salad and dessert. We supplied all the beverages for the afternoon meeting, which also included a Strategic Plan Presentation from a member of the Central Council.

Please continue to keep our entire ICF Family in your prayers, especially the following members who may be experiencing illness, pain or heartache at this time: Barbara Badasci, Homer Clees, Dianne Clees, Crystina Giuffrida, Stevie Hall, Sharon “Jonesey” Jones, Pat Osuch, Jerry Quintiliani, Giovanna Schaefer, Lorraine Spargo, Helen Summerfield, Joanna Van Blaricom and Jens Wagner.

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!! Have a wonderful summer!

*Keely Sanchez*

*Recording Secretary*



Br. 291 was proud to meet their 2 First Year Scholarship recipients at their May General Meeting. Pictured L-R: ICF Br. 291 Scholarship Chairperson Chris Gianini, scholarship recipient Matthew Pringle, Scholarship Co-chair Helen Summerfield, scholarship recipient Siena Fiorentino, and Br. 291 President Pete Gallagher.

**Paso Robles**

**St. Rose of Lima, Br. 354**

So much to cover in this two month period of past and future events. We had ideal weather for the short May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting held at my home. President David with member assistance barbequed Italian and Portuguese sausage and hot dogs. Beans, salads, appetizers and awesome desserts completed the meal. Birthday wishes went to Vincent Valentin, Don Maddalena, Hope Ellsworth, and Father Roberto who was unable to be there.

Due to our successful pasta dinner we were able to award high school and St. Rose Catholic school students with scholarships. First year to Maddie Boxstresser from Mission Prep and to Isabella Marziello from Paso Robles High School. We wish them much success with their studies and look forward to meeting them. The following St. Rose Catholic Schools 8<sup>th</sup> grade recipients were awarded \$350.00 each: Amiah Clampi, Nikalia Clampi, Kai Thomas, and Loretta Burke.

On June 4<sup>th</sup> the Central Coast District meeting was held in the St. Rose Parish Hall. Our branch together with the Arroyo Grande Branch President Julie Richards opened with introduction of district and branch officers. Sad that attendance was low. Hats off to President Pete Gallagher, wife Abby and the ladies of their branch for help in making for a wonderful event.

President Julie from the Salinas Branch reminded us of the Central Coast District Bishop’s Day and annual district picnic celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Mass at 10Am will be celebrated by



Br. 291 recently initiated new member Sharon “Jonesey” Jones, pictured here with Pres. Pete Gallagher.

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Members of ICF Branch 36, Monterey, California



the Most Reverend Bishop Richard Garcia with presentation of the Spiritual Bouquet and Seminary Burse. This event is the highlight of the year and our members look forward to attending. Grand President Leonard Zasoski concluded the meeting with film, ideas and discussions on how to have a more successful organization with membership growth. Closing prayers followed.

You can really change the world if you care enough.- Marian Edelman

Theresa Sollazzo, Correspondence Secretary

# Oakland

## East Bay

### District Council

It has been and will continue to be a very busy summer, so we really need to pull together to make the work easier for all. This may sound like preaching to the choir, but let’s get those raffle tickets sold. The more we sell the more our branches benefit.

A big thank you to Fran LaTorre for organizing The Day at the Races. The district was well represented by all the branches and everyone seemed to have a good time. Were there any B-I-G winners???

We are pleased that our 1st year scholarship was awarded to Gina Crosetti of Mira Monte High School in Orinda. Good luck and reapply for the 2nd year.

Hope all you golfers have been practicing you shots for the tournament on July 22nd. Lots of prizes and good food out there.

Remember to get those tickets for Late Night Catechism, rescheduled for Aug. 27th. at Holy Names University. Hors d’oeuvres, raffle baskets and Catholic school humor will fill the evening.

Soon after this event we will be off to Fresno for out annual convention. All branches are encouraged to send all the delegates they are allotted. This is a good way to find out more about our organization and how it functions and to meet other members of different branches.

Moving on into the fall, the East Bay District will celebrate our 60th Anniversary at Aqua e’ Farina on Friday evening Oct. 14th with a 4 course dinner. All are invited to attend, flyers will be sent out soon.

But getting back to July, let us pause a moment to give thanks for our Independence won for us by our founding Fathers over 200 years ago.

Happy 4th of July and safe fireworks for all.

### Alameda

#### Nostra Signora Delle Gracie, Br. 10

More than 100 members and friends of Branch 10 came together on Saturday evening, May 21 in Monsignor O’Brien Hall for our 90th Anniversary

Dinner. The Ratto brothers, chef Ben and assistant Don, prepared the delicious dinner of salad, risotto, prime rib and vegetables. The local Nob Hill Foods market provided--at a dicount--a theme-decorated and very tasty sheet cake. Guests danced to the lively music of the Ramos brothers, Henry and Alex.

The attendees included representatives of both District Council and other branches located in the East Bay. Also present were Father Robert Chinnapan, mf and Father Kuriakose Nadooparambill, mf, the two priests of our sponsoring parish, Saint Philip Neri-Saint Albert the Great, and Father John Badwin, the helper priest for our parish. Father Robert celebrated Mass prior to dinner, and eucharistic ministers and lectors from Branch 10 assisted in the liturgy.

As is our custom, we have awarded \$500.00 scholarships to each of four graduates of the Catholic elementary schools in Alameda who will be entering Catholic high school in August. Jade Robinson and Antonio Roblero were selected from Saint Philip Neri, while Alyssa Rito and Sebastian Hurtubise were chosen from Saint Joseph Elementary. Antonio, Alyssa and Sebastian will be attending Saint Joseph Notre Dame High School in Alameda, while Jade will continue her studies at Bishop O’Dowd High School in Oakland.

At our June meeting we voted to sponsor a hole at the ICF Golf Tournament on July 22 at Laguna Seca GC in Monterey. We are hoping to be assigned hole no. 10.

We have selected our repretatives for the Fresno Convention. Going as delegates will be Peggy Lubeck and Jeanette and John Zugnoni. Bob Lubeck and Dave Rose will serve as alternates. We have been promised mild weather with gentle breezes and temperatures between 65 and 70 degrees.

We have added two new members, including the 10-month-old son of our first vice-president, Gina Foster. We plan at our next meeting to elect young Anthony Fredric Foster as Branch 10 president for life. He is the great-grandson of the late Anthony Mariani, who served as president of Branch 10 for almost 20 years, and Margaret Mariani, who remains active in the ICF.

John Zugnoni, Publicity

### Fremont

#### St. Francis Assisi, Br. 215

We had three guests at our May meeting: Diana Padilla, Religious Education Coordinator of Corpus Christi Church along with two of the 17 teens preparing for their Confirmation at Corpus Christi Church. They thanked Br. 215 for the \$250.00 donated to help one of the teens participate in this special weekend and then the teens provided dessert at our meeting later that night.

Our 1st Year Scholarship Winner this year is Monica Zuchelli from Gilroy, CA. President Fran LaTorre presented Monica with her scholarship certificate at her teen group meeting held at St. Mary’s Church in Gilroy on June 1st.

The East Bay District will hold its 80th Anniversary banquet on Friday, 10/14/2016 at Acqua e Farina

Italian Restaurant in downtown Hayward. additional details will be forthcoming.

Our branch’s convention delegate will be Fran LaTorre and the alternate will be James McGee.

Special thanks to Dale Mattier, husband of Nadine Mattier, who used his computer skills to produce a brochure that gives all the information regarding the contact and meeting/activities of ICF Branch 215 for 2016. Reminder to all Branch 215 Members:

· Please turn in your convention raffle ticket stubs and money to Ralph Marinelli

· There will be no meeting during the month of July.

Happy Birthday to all branch members with birthdays this month and congratulations to all those celebrating wedding anniversaries.

We offer our prayers for those who are ill and to the safety of our first responders, military, and their families.

On a personal note, I want to send a heartfelt Thank You to all who sent me good wishes and prayers for my Friday the 13th bout with the altitude while on a National Parks Tour. Now that I’m back at sea level I’m pretty much back to normal.

Ken Chiatello

### Livermore

#### St. Filomena, Br. 285

Our May meeting was a full house with the addition of several non-ICF members who came to hear Signore Bertolucci of Biordi Art Imports. He was excellent and we all enjoyed an informative primer on Italian ceramics. Bonus two new members, supporting our belief that events like this generate interest in our organization and, importantly, make us all look forward to upcoming meetings.

You wonder sometimes about how important our scholastic scholarships are in the big scheme of things. The following is an excerpt from the thank you from Kelly Borden, one of our scholarship winners. Wonder no more

“ I cannot express enough gratitude towards the Italian Catholic Federation for the scholarship they so graciously gave me. One of my biggest fears upon deciding to attend Worchester Polytechnic Institute was being able to afford it, and truly every dollar counted towards helping me continue my education and pursue a career path I love.”

Our prayers are for our Apostolate Chairman, Rosalyn (Rosie) Dickie, who passed away in May. She was a lady that warmed up a room by her presence, her sparkling eyes, her warm smile, and her humor. Always ready to help, she will be dearly missed.

Bocce and pizza for our July get together followed by our annual August picnic this year at Bob Butler’s

home in Pleasanton. We will get back to our regular meetings in September so stay tuned for who our next speaker will be.

Come join us for our events or meetings - together we are the Italian Catholic Federation family.

Ciao, a presto

Chuck Meier

### Castro Valley

#### Our Lady of Grace, Br. 343

June was a “slow”month here at OLG, but that did not stop us from making things happen. We did not have a regular meeting so things just came together as planned anyway. On June 4th, branch president Karen Rossi presented our 8th grade scholarship winner, Cecilla Wolecale, with her prize. Then on June 9th, a group of us got together for A Day at the Races. Have not heard of any big winners, but we sure had a lot of fun and enjoyed the company of the other branches.

We are proud that we had a CVHS student, Brian Tognolini, win our 1st year scholarship and are looking forward to meeting him soon at our regular meeting.

Once again we are looking for a Deputy for our branch. Pat Pasquinelli has sold her home and bought a new one in the Sacramento area, the commute is a bit too long. We will miss her and pray that our next deputy stays a bit longer.

With most of the busy, fun things that fill the month of June over for an other year, we are ready to take on July. That means selling more raffle tickets prior to convention and earning money for our branch. Remember, Fresno is not that far away so here’s hoping that more members can attend some or all of the convention. Lots of meetings and presentations to attend and some fun things to do too. Come join us and learn more about the ICF!

July 4th is coming and we as Americans have a lot to be thankful for, especially for our Independence won over 200 years ago. So along with our picnics and fireworks, let’s take a moment to say a Thank You Prayer for what we have and for those who won it for us.

Happy July 4th!

### Contra Costa

#### Crockett

#### San Carlo, Br. 14

To our scholarship recipients and all graduates, we congratulate you, and wish you the best life has to offer. The two scholarships presented by



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Members of Branch 10 celebrating their 90th Anniversary!







Branch 215’s president, Fran LaTorre, presenting Monica Zuchelli with her 1st-year scholarship award. Photo was taken at Monica’s teen group meeting held at St. Mary’s Church in Gilroy on June 1st.

our Branch, plus those offered by Mary Regalia in memory of John Regalia, and by Louise DeTomasì in memory of Don DeTomasì, all show that our members understand the value of education.

As we begin our summer months, we thank all who have helped make this a productive year, including our officers, cooks, those who set and decorate tables, and the many members who work to make our fundraising dinners so successful. Special thanks to Fr. Leo, who says a special mass prior to our meetings and who has either an inspirational message or a humorous quip to share.

Get well wishes are being sent to Pauline Cardoza and Carmela White.

Sympathies to Inez Chapdelain’s family. “Corby” was a very longtime member and will be missed. Additional sympathies to Andrea Delsid on the passing of her mom. Many will remember Andrea’s parents, Beverly and Alex Delsid, who lived in Crockett prior to his death. Heartfelt condolences to Rich and Carmen Nemanick. Carmen’s sister, Mary Sacco Simas, lived in Rodeo for many years. Also, our sympathies to Ace and Marilyn Canetta on the sudden death of their son-in-law, Michael Apgar. Our thoughts are with you all.

ICF Branch #14 will celebrate our 89th Anniversary on Tuesday, July 12th, at a Western Night. There will be no mass or meeting, but all can enjoy a fabulous barbeque tri tip dinner, prepared by our own Johnny V. The cost is \$10 and includes an evening of free Bingo, with prizes!

“Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer, the days of soda, and pretzels and beer” (Remember Nat King Cole?) at our Sunday, August 14th Branch Picnic at the Crockett Park. See the May to September newsletter for additional information



Congratulations to Theresa Borge, Thomas Annuzzi and Avery Avina for getting scholarships from Branch 14 , Crockett Great Job !!



about what to share and the bocce tournament, or call Donna, 799-2336 if you have any questions.

“We wish that summer could always be here!”

*Diane Bottini Thomas*

### Pittsburg San Domenico, Br. 72

On June 4 th we had our annual summer potluck. It was followed by our meeting and free raffle. Our heritage report was given by Denny O’ Loughin. He told us about his recent military trip to Washington DC. Denny was one of the world war 2 vets chosen to represent the bay area. It was a very informative heritage report. We had two members present that were celebrating June birthdays. Jim Jarrett and Josie Leontini. Thanks to all who brought food and shared in the festivities.

Our next event will be our backyard potluck and swim party at the home of Joann Thilgen. This will take place at 6:PM to 9:PM on Saturday July 16. We will enjoy the pool so bring your swimsuit and a towel.

Our bus trip to Monterey will take place on Saturday Sept. 10. We will go to the Santa Rosalia Festival now known as Festa Italia. The bus will leave Good Shepherd parking lot at 8: 30 AM. We will leave Monterey for the return trip at 4: 30 PM. At the festival we will enjoy food booths, entertainment, parade, blessing of the fleet, dancers, and bocci. Your check for \$40 confirms your reservation. Deadline is Aug. 1. Call chairperson Joann Thilgen at ( 925) 625-0863.

Please remember to turn in your convention raffle tickets by Aug. 5 th to Treasurer Helen Politakes. If you need more tickets let me know by calling ( 925 ) 228-0810. Our branch keeps half the proceeds.

I will send a newsletter with the date, time and details of our August meeting.

Have a happy and safe 4 th of July

*Sempre Avanti,*

*Patty*

### Ricmond St. Raymond, Br. 154

Our June meeting was a celebration of our recent scholarship recipients. We were fortunate to be able to award six scholarships this year.

Two scholarships in Memory of Gino Martinucci:

Alexandra Gori, St. Patrick-St. Vincent High School, Vallejo; Ryann Elizabeth Piry, Marin Catholic high School, Kentfield.

And, Joseph Baldetti, Las Lomas High School, Walnut Creek; Alessia L. Gonzalez, Salesian Collage Preparatory, Richmond; Marisa C. Gonzales, Salesian Collage Preparatory, Richmond; Lily Driscoll, Salesian college Preparatory, Richmond

Attending the Ravioli and Salad dinner were Joseph Baldetti, his family and Alessia and Marisa Gonzales and their families. Alessia and Marisa are the great



Branch 214 held a successful Wine Tasting event.

nieces of our long time member, Gina Lencioni. We are always happy when scholarship winners are related to ICF members!

No Meeting in July!

Cache Creek Trip, July 25, call Joe Meneghelli-510-234-2208 for reservations.

Don’t forget to turn in your raffle tickets! Convention is only three short months away.

Next meeting is August 08, Hamburgers and Salad.

*See you in August!*

*Lorraine A. Acuna*

### Concord Todos Santos, Br. 214 Includes: St. Agnes, St. Bonaventure, St. Francis & Queen of All Saints parishes

Our Scholarship recipient Abigail Cappa came to our May meeting accompanied by her parents and Grandmother. President Roberta Healy awarded her, her scholarship, this is always such a highlight, Higher education is a must today. Her Grandmother Judy Van Meeran is from Br. # 442, Christ the King parish in Pleasant Hill. Several months ago, we had a mother Kristi Quimet, come & speak on behalf of her son and his illness & challenges, we recently received a photo of Little Matthew who is adjusting well and getting stronger every day. Our heritage person Paul Schepis always has interesting subjects to speak on, this month it was Our Mother Mary. He also spoke on object that are special to Catholics: The Shroud of Turin & the Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Our Wine Tasting event was very well received; over 100 guests arrived to an afternoon of delicious food made by our members, delightful wine and music by Reno the wonderful accordion player. A percentage of the proceeds from this event went to the Veterans at the Veterans Administration in Martinez.

Prayers always for our elderly and sick members and our military.

Have a safe 4th of July

*Ciao,*

*Christina, correspondence secty.*

### Danville St. Isidore, Br. 352

June found the members of Danville Branch 352 with a busy schedule! Our Membership Drive & Bake Sale was a hit! Not only did we sign up new members from St. Isidore’s parish, those new members like to cook! (Chef Angelo will be happy). We look forward to learning more about each of them in the coming months. As to our bakers – what can we say? Thank You! The biscotti, as usual, were flying off the table. Note: next time, have a “Biscotti Sale!” Not that any other baked goods were left over; chocolate chip & oatmeal cookies, brownies and cakes were gone before the 12:15pm Mass. So, for the best selection, it pays to attend early Mass!

Guests attending our June dinner meeting included our two local first-year scholarship recipients and their families. Dick Reynolds, Scholarship Committee Chair, presented this year’s awards to Giuliana Tanner and Nicholas Magagnini, both of Danville. Giuliana graduated from San Ramon Valley High School and is heading to San Diego State to study Business/Policy. Nicholas, a graduate of Dougherty Valley High School, will be attending the University of Oregon, majoring in Medicine & Health. Look for pictures in the next Bollettino issue!

And don’t think we’ll enjoy a lazy month of July! Members will be busy planning our September Picnic & Bocce Ball Tournament. I hear our Pleasant Hill branch has a bocce team – maybe they can join us? How about a challenge to all other local branches? It’s a big park – with eight bocce courts. We might make some new friends – and great memories. More to come on this event, as planning progresses. In the meantime, Happy Summer!

*Ciao,*

*Branch 352*

### Brentwood Immaculate Heart of Mary, Br. 432

Discover Fresno, be a convention delegate.

The city of Fresno is located in the heart of the state in the fertile San Joaquin Valley. From the agriculture fields on the valley floor to the snow capped peaks of the Sierra Nevadas, the Fresno area truly offers something for everyone.

Yes, the city of Fresno where the ICF will be holding its 2016 convention. Fresno, the gate way to Yosemite National Park: Visit historic, St. John the Baptist Cathedral, wander the scenic walkways and browse the shops of River Park, marvel at the wonders of Forestiere Underground Gardens.

This will be your opportunity to enjoy the rich and rewarding sessions about the ICF, its history and it’s roadway to the future. Enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow conventioners as you meet the members of other Branches. As a delegate you will have the satisfaction of knowing you are contributing to the growth of your Branch and strengthening yourself in your faith and in your ICF community. Think about being a delegate and representing your Branch at the convention.

As a conventioneer your expenses, while involved in convention related activities, will be paid for by the Branch. Please see Frank Stagnitto or Jack Bagar for more information.

It’s getting closer, the 7th annual “FESTA d’ ITALIA”, Branch 432’s version of “Hot August Nights”. Some of America’s greatest cars will be on display for car enthusiasts to enjoy. Coupled with great food, it doesn’t get any better. The date is September 26th. Tickets are available now.

You don’t need a reason to help someone.

la vita è buona

## Orange Irvine Name, Br. 423

Branch 423 celebrated the Month of May with a “Cinco de Mayo” themed dinner...Meanwhile we are still collecting the tabs from aluminum drink cans for the Ronald McDonald House...Our branch has gone over the entries for our annual Book Award and a deserving high school senior will be honored at our June meeting...We also now have an active Facebook page! Please give us a follow and find out what Branch 423 is up to...Next month we will have reports from our busy June calendar including the California Pizza Kitchen fundraiser night and our sausage and meatball sandwich plus cannolis fundraiser! Thanks for reading.

*Ciao,*

*Miranda*





# Sacramento

**Sacramento**  
**St. Mary, Br. 45**

Saluti,  
Our Branch enjoyed Bingo Night with our Chicken and Polenta Dinner on Sunday, June 26th in Giovanni Hall!  
Keep Sunday, September 11th open for our next event! It will be Monte Carlo Night with our Pasta with Pesto and Meat Sauce Dinner in Giovanni Hall. Details to follow!!

Congratulations to our Branch Scholarship winners!!  
First Year \$400 ICF Scholarship was awarded to Taylor Morris, who attended Christian Brothers High School. She will be attending UC Santa Cruz in Fall 2016.  
The Leda Pasquini \$500 Scholarship was awarded to Kimberly Riley, who attended St. Mary's Parish School. She will be attending St. Francis High School in the Fall. This scholarship is made possible through Bill and Shirley Bennett in memory of Shirley's mother Leda Pasquini, who was a branch member.

President Janine Orsi is looking forward to a great time as the delegate for our branch at the Convention in Fresno.  
Happy Birthday wishes to our members in July: Antonette Bonanno, Sheryl Cecchettini, Melissa Keller, Maria Leonard, Albert Lovotti, Jasmine May, and Diana Yarletz!  
Enjoy the rest of your summer and hope to see you all at Monte Carlo night in September!  
*Ciao,*  
*Elaine Savarino Myers*

Branch 342 President MaryAnn Mikles with Branch 342 Scholarship Recipients and a picture of Honoree MaryAnn Mikles with her husband Joe.

## Auburn

**St. Joseph, Br. 342**

A big thank you to all who helped out with our June Member Appreciation Dinner. The hall was beautifully decorated, there were lots of fun raffle prizes, and so much yummy food (a special thank you to our polenta and sauce chefs!). Thank you to all those who donated desserts for the sale, to those who donated and set-up raffle prizes, to those who sold tickets and checked members in, and to those who helped with set-up and clean-up.

At our Appreciation Dinner, we were able to award four student scholarships. Congratulations to grammar school recipients Francesca Piziali and Donovan Carrillo and to high school recipients Conor Collins and Zachariah Huckins. We also were able to honor a very surprised President MaryAnn Mikles for her service to our branch.  
We hope you will be able to join us for our annual picnic on July 9th at ARD Park in Auburn. Please be on the look-out for an e-mail with more details and calls from our calling committee.

*Ciao!*  
*Pam Andersen*  
*Bolletino Contributor*

## Roseville

**St. Clare, Br. 438**

We had several of our officers absent at our May meeting due to illness and vacations. Michael and Sandra Fuentes toured Spain and Italy and past President Paula and Hank Scarpelli went to Mexico. Our fearless Central Council member Nina Malone took rank as acting president. With her expertise she did a terrific job leading the meeting. Thank you Nina. Following our meeting several members brought Mexican dishes for a delicious Cinco De Mayo pot luck.  
Now get your 1950's outfits ready and enjoy the upcoming Sock Hop. It will be held on Sat. Aug. 13. The price is \$15.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children. There will be food served from the 50's and a great DJ. This is going to be one fun event. So come and join the fun. Oh yes 50's costumes are not mandatory but welcomed. My committee members are working very hard to make this a fun and successful event.  
Before I close Br. 438 thanks all the members that worked hard on the voting polls. Our branch had 4 precincts. A big thank you to Michael Fuentes who was the chairman.  
Please pray for all our sick members.  
*Your Reporter*  
*Yvonne Perry*



The ladies of Branch 261, hard at work.

# San Diego

**San Diego**  
**St. Theresa, Br. 261**

Due diligence...Our ICF ladies' committee that coordinates the sale of meatballs – sausages and buckets of meatballs and sauce in our Murray Hall on Saturday (4 PM – to 6 PM ) and Sunday (8 AM to 12:30PM) are incredible volunteers.. They set up the serving tables..slice the rolls – prepare the containers of sauce and meatballs make, wrap and bag the sandwiches ready for sale...At the last sale they sold over 100 sausages and over 800 meatballs...  
Our St Therese parishoners are encouraged to purchase the Italian cuisine since the cooking aromas do enter the church...On entering Murray Hall they can see our ladies eagerly preparing the sandwiches...One of our helpers is approaching 90 years of age ...Thank you Carrie.....  
Our sales team: Kay Marcantonio; MaryAnn Backensto; Vickie Strieble; Carrie Molinare: Pru Price; Fran Poirier and Pamela & Vic Tallarida Jr at the cashier's table...The coordinator of our team is Robin Fielding.... Mike & Vickie Delvac pickup and deliver the 17 dozen rolls...

Our Kay Marcantonio recently had a knee replacement surgery.. Kay...we pray for a speedy recovery..... you will soon be on that ballet stage!!  
Our Pastor and the St Therese parishoners are most appreciative of the ICF producing this event...  
Our bocce players are ready to roll...Our Branch Tournament is in July and the Annual District Competition is in August....  
President Pamela Tallarida is chairing the Annual Bishop's Day Banquet.. November 6<sup>th</sup>... It will be at St Therese Church's Social Center....  
*Victor Tallarida*

# San Francisco

**San Francisco**  
**Maria S. S. Immacolata, Br. 1**

Dear Members  
Please note the following events:  
July 24 -- Branch Mass, ICC, 10:30am  
August 3 -- Monthly meeting, 7:00pm Hosts; Vic & Pat Arnaudo  
Convention tickets have been distributed. Please return stubs by Tuesday, July 26 per instructions given.

Prayers and get-well wishes to Mary Zadra.  
Stay Healthy!  
*Ciao!*  
*Toni Morsello*

## San Francisco

**Sts. Peter and Paul, Br. 38**

Our meeting on May 14 was very poorly attended due to the unexpected death of our dear and faithful member Lottie Peradotto in May. Her sisters Norma and Dora were unable to be attend either, and there were a few injured members too. However, we thank those who did attend. We're sure Lottie is now busy in heaven organizing our 2<sup>nd</sup> ICF branch #38! Lottie, you will always be present in our minds and our thoughts at our meetings.  
We thank George Pagni, our Branch Deputy, for attending our meeting, and for giving some great ideas for me and our secretary's meeting agendas. We appreciate your comments and help.

As you know our "No Bake Sale" fundraiser was doing very well. After we thought it was over, we received another \$140.00...what a happy surprise! Thank you members, you never fail us! Our membership may be shrinking, but you always come through!  
Cosmo has mailed you the Convention Raffle Tickets. Cosmo also said a good amount of our members have either bought or sold their raffle tickets and have already returned the book stubs. All the stubs are due to be returned by the deadline - August 15, 2016. Our Branch #38 Scholarship Recipient is Robert Matos goes/went to Marin Catholic HS, and he lives in San Rafael. Robert phoned me and was happy and excited to have received the scholarship and is looking forward to meeting our members. He will join us at our August meeting. He will be attending College of Marin and will major in Theater Production. He sounded so enthusiastic...we can't wait to meet him!  
\*HAPPY & SAFE "4<sup>th</sup> of July" to all ICF members and their families!

\*IMPORTANT REMINDER ...NO MEETING IN JULY...BR. #38 is on VACATION!  
Ci Vediamo il 13 di AGOSTO...at 12:00 noon... in the PC!  
*Ciao!*  
*Mara Amato*

## San Francisco

**Santa Stefano, Br. 50**

Although we did not meet this month, we are happy to report that our ICF Branch 50 participated in the St. Vincent de Paul School Graduation.



In the past we have always donated a \$500.00 Scholarship to one deserving graduate continuing their education in a Catholic High School. This year our Branch decided to grant two \$500.00 Scholarships. The recipients are Mallory Roberts, who will attend Sacred Heart Cathedral Prep., and Isabella Belerini, who will attend St. Ignatius College Prep. Diane Bacigalupi made the presentations, with our congratulations to them both, and with our best wishes for success in their future studies.

As we will not be meeting again until August, Beverly Desmond was kind enough to forward to each of our members, a book of of I.C.F. raffle tickets, so we can start our fundraising.

We wish everyone a happy summer !

**San Francisco**  
**St. Elizabeth, Br. 258**

We hope all our Fathers have a great Father’s Day.

Our trip to Yosemite was great. The weather was beautiful and the falls were all full with all the rain we had.

On June 27th we go to the Red Hawk Casino. We keep hoping for a big win.

We have a trip planned on July 27th for a drive, the 17 Mile Drive. We will have lunch at the Crow’sNest in Santa Cruz. Our last stop will be at the Pebble Beach Lodge.

Barbara, we hope you are doing better.you are in our prayers.

We hope Leo, Florence’s brother is on the road to complete recovery. Leo had heart surgery.

Please keep our ill and deceased members in your prayers.

Please send us your raffle tickets. We would like to sell our full quota of 50 books. Half of the proceeds remain in our Branch.

Happy Summer to all our members and their families.

To all our July Birthday celebrants, have a great day.

Please remember these dates:

Officer’s Meeting: 7/4--No Meeting

Meeting: 7/25

Mass: 7/24

*Ciao,*

*Eva Perata, President*

**San Francisco**  
**St. Cecilia, Br. 365**

Since there will be no Bolletino in August, this is my opportunity to wish all of you a great summer. Have fun in whatever you will be doing and make each moment count. We have but one life to live. Let’s live it in God’s way.

Thanks to all of you who continue to pray for our daughter, JoAnn, who is still holding her own. We thank God every day that her chemo regimen is continuing to keep her stable.

We hope that our sick members are doing better.

Please continue to keep them in your prayers. To the rest of you members, please stay well.

Please get your Convention raffle ticket stubs and check to Mary Fe` as soon as possible. Kudos go to Mary on doing such a great job with the tickets for so many years.

Next meeting: August 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. Please try to attend.

September meeting will be on Saturday, the 17<sup>th</sup>. We will meet in the lower church at 11:30. Potluck lunch will follow. For those of you who don’t drive at night, this is a great opportunity to join us. We really want to see you.

*God Bless,*

*Ann Basuino*

**San Mateo**  
**District Council**

Greetings! Hope you have booked your events and organized your calendar for the coming year July 2016 to June 2017.

Mark your calendars:

Saturday, June 25, 2016 Night for the Seminarians at St. Pascal Baylon, 155 Janss Road, Thousand Oaks.

Wednesday, August 3, 2016 Branch 7, All Souls, South San Francisco Dinner meeting. They have scheduled Laurice Levine (Cooley’s Anemia spokesperson) as the guest speaker.All are invited to come. Call Kelly Teglia for further information 650-589-4638.

Remember ICF Convention beings Thursday, September 1st to Monday, September 5, 2016. It will be held at the Doubletree Hotel in Fresno. If you don’t want to drive you can take Amtrak for about \$25 to \$30 each way. Fresno District will have several tours, a Casino trip and a trip starting with winetasting. There are some great workshops scheduled, daily masses, general sessions, elections, proposals to vote

**Burlingame**  
**Our Lady of Angels, Br. 173**

Well Summer officially is almost here and June is one of the busiest months of the year with graduations, school children out for their break and the beginning of vacations. Our club has decided to forgo our June meeting so we can attend our various functions with our club and with our families.

On June 3 we celebrated our Mother’s Day/Father’s Day dinner at the Peninsula Italian American Social Club. Our Ravioli dinner will be held on June 11 in the O.L.A. gym. 6:00pm, No-Host Cocktails, 7:00pm dinner.

Our Branch Picnic will be held on July 10 at Beresford Park, San Mateo 2720 Alameda de las Pulgas. (Bocci Ball, Games, Face Painting and anyone wishing to play Pedro (cards will be supplied). Adults: \$15.00 (Only \$5 if you plan to BYO food due to dietary restrictions) Hamburgers, Veggie burgers, Hotdogs & buns, water, soda and condiments. Call Mary Ann Camacho 415-285-1219. Please bring a dish to share and if you wish to your own alcohol.

Please continue to pray for John Cassanego, Concha & John Edmudson, Lois Fragomeni, Rosemarie Gregori, Dave Mayer, Norel Regnier, and Lorraine Rollandi along with Keith, Dorene and John’s son-in-law.

Special wishes to all of the Father’s in our branch and those who are no longer with us. (God Bless you Dad)

*God Bless,*

*Rosalind C. Emery*

**San Mateo**  
**St. Matthew, Br. 163**

Greetings! Sorry that my editorials didn’t make it for the last two months’ Bollettinos due to unforeseen circumstances. So I’ll repeat a little bit of what I wrote. Many thanks to Virginia Fuentes for cooking the delicious minestrone sup for our March soup night. Thanks to the San Francisco District for hosting the Archbishop’s Day in April. Five of our members attended the delightful and inspiring day. Our April meeting was cancelled, so we decided to have the same menu of pulled pork for our May Mothers’ Day dinner meeting. Thanks to Frank Venturelli and Harold Fuentes for honoring the Mothers with a delicious cake and champagne. Thanks also to Virginia and Steve Fuentes for cooking the delicious dinner.

Convention delegate Harold Fuentes was elected at this meeting and Frank Venturelli will be the alternate. The convention will be held at the Doubletree Hotel in Fresno from September the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> and the theme is “Called to be Merciful”.

Remember to buy your raffle tickets. \$20 per book and the Branch keeps \$10, a great fundraiser.

This year the I.C.F. celebrates its 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday, June 1924 to June2016. Happy Birthday I.C.F. !!

Happy Father Day to all!

Remember our dear friend Father Frank Murray in your prayers and send him a fathers day card to: Nazareth House, 245 Nova Albion Way, San Rafael, CA 94903.

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!

*Peace and Love!*

*Anne O’Brien*

**South San Francisco**  
**St. Augustine, Br. 213**

Our May meeting was hosted by Joe Flores providing us with a great meal from Boston Market and Jackie Smith for bringing special desserts. Everyone enjoyed our social meal and as always, managed to clean our plates and leave very little for left overs. Thanks so much Joe, for a very enjoyable dinner and being so generous.

The meeting was open with the discussion of September Convention activities. Barbara and Roberta will be attending as delegates and promise to return with new ideas and projects.

Our June meeting will host this year’s scholarship recipient James Saitz a recent graduate of Riordan High School who plans to attend St. Mary’s College.

Plans are being put together by committee members Jackie Smith and Joyce James, for our annual Fund raising activity. Information flyers with more details (date, cost, transportation) They promise a fun afternoon activity that you and your friends will enjoy. Mark your calendar. OCTOBER 20TH - A DAY AT THE RACES.

for a fun afternoon outing organized by our Branch. More information to follow.

Remember to prayers for t our ill members. We wish them speedy recovery . Card to those members are always appreciated.

Reberta has turned her pen for writing the news letter articles for the Bollettino over to me.Thank you Reberta for volunteering over the years and hope I can do half as well as you have in writing about our Branch activities.

*Ciao,*

*Joyce James*

**San Carlos**  
**St. Charles Br. 327**

As our June meeting is being held after the cut-off date for submission in the Bollettino’s July issue, be sure to read your August issue for the report on our annual pizza meeting and our lucky scholarship recipients.

Your ICF Board members are busy working on the Mass and reception for the Installation of Officers, January 2017. It will be here sooner than you think, so the Board members are forging ahead. More information will be coming soon.

There will be no meeting in July. We look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday, August 16 for our next meeting. Everyone enjoy your time off!

It is with great sadness that I report we have lost another of our devoted members. Gerry Engeli passed away in May. Our sympathy to his wife, Miriam. May he rest in peace.

Happy 4th of July!!!

*Ciao,*

*Virginia Malaspina*

**Millbrae**  
**St. Dunstan, Br. 403**

There will be no meeting in July, but will resume in August with our hot dog, chili beans and potato salad dinner.

We had several members from our branch attend our neighbor’s Branch 173, fundraiser Ravioli Dinner, which was delicious and enjoyed by all.

Carolyn Cannizarro will represent our Branch 403 at the ICF Convention in September.

Our Membership Chairman, Paul Larsen is working diligently to encourage new members to join our organization by placing information about our branch in the Sunday Church bulletin.

Our wishes for an enjoyable and safe Summer to all.

*Corresponding Secretary,*

*Rose Marie Morando*

**Marin**  
**Larkspur**  
**St. James, Br. 161**

We would like to congratulate Brooke Brewer of San Rafael High School and Abigail Tarantino of Marin Catholic High School who received scholarships from our Branch. Good luck in your future studies.

Father Lawrence Vadakkan is moving to Burlingame, we wish him well in his new parish.

On July 24 there will be a Mass at 9:30 at St. Vincent’s followed by a brunch at McInnes Park restaurant at 11:30. For reservations call Marlene Farber.

Our President Marlene Farber will be going to the convention over Labor Day weekend.

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Larry and Elise Marsalli, Jim and Janice Jones, Mike and Marcie Rossi, and Bob Basuino enjoying Br. 191's dinner/dance in April.

Our deepest condolences to the family of Florence Orlando who recently passed away.

Our get well wishes to everyone who isn't feeling well.

Have a great 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

There will be no meeting in July or August. Enjoy your summer.

*Ciao,*

*Anna Biggio*

## San Jose Santa Clara Valley District Council

Patricia Look, Branch 408 welcomed all and provided refreshments. District President Denise (fresh from a cross-country trip) gaveled the meeting to order, welcomed guests and dignitaries and thanked representatives of Branch 408 for their hospitality. Jo Bertaccini offered a prayer in respect to mothers for Mother's Day.

Gerry Delfino reported that all deputies received their copies of "Insight". While the report showed an increase in membership, Gerry encouraged all branches to keep after delinquent members to pay their dues. Mike Rossi added that the total new members for new branch 445 will be reflected in the membership count. Emily Corral reported our two scholarship recipients will receive their awards at District Picnic. Also, that 313 scholarship applications were receive and 169 first-year scholarships were awarded. The SCV District awarded 20 scholarships and most students achieved over 4.0 grade point average.

For Heritage, Sandra de la Torre recalled a trip to Europe when she was a teenager ending with a 3-Day visit in Rome. She was awestruck with enormity of St. Patrick's Cathedral and apologized for not remembering details. For the picnic, Treasurer Bill reminded all branches to remit one check payable to SCV District. President Denise said to think about sending new convention delegates. She also agreed that it is important all to support all convention functions. And she asked for all branches to submit a Heritage Report.

Next Meeting: July 11 at Resurrection Church, Sunnyvale Branch 408.

*Mike Nunziata*

### Santa Clara N.S. Assunta, Br. 5

In June, Larry Marsalli celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. We wish him well, and many, many more years to come.

ICF Br. 5 regrets that the Branch BBQ scheduled

for July 10, 2016, has been cancelled.

The ICF District BBQ is still on for August 7, 2016, at St. Clare's BBQ area. The time of the BBQ is from NOON to 3:00pm. The District Mass is scheduled for 10:30AM, in the BBQ/Patio area. Br. 5 Members are asked to bring baked goods for the Cake Booth on the day of the BBQ.

In July, we will be having our regular meeting. An agenda, with the dinner/meeting, time, and date will be sent to all members.

Valley District is sponsoring a "Night at the Horse Races," on August 12 , 2016, at the County Fairgrounds. Come join us for dinner, raffle prizes, and fun, cheering on your favorite horse, and enjoying your winnings. See your branch President for more information. The cost will be \$22.00. RSVP by August 8, 2016.

The ICF District Meeting on August 8, 2016, is being hosted by Branch 5. Please come and help and learn what the district does.

Enjoy the lazy days of Summer.

*Ciao,*

*Marlene J. Rotolo*

### Gilroy Santa Maria Ausiliatrice, Br. 28

Well Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Hope you had a very nice barbeque, fireworks and all the trimmings.



Branch 28, Gilroy, scholarship presenter and winners: Gennaro Filice, Joe Fortino, Gianfranco Filice, Tim Haygood (Roger's grandson), Brandon Ellemberg. Not pictured Nicolas Fortino (Joe's cousin).

Our family picnic will be on July 23 at Fortino Winery. Look for an e-mail or pick up a flyer at our June dinner meeting for all the particulars. Please Please tell your callers the number of people attending and the number of children if you are bringing family and friends. We want everyone to come, and it will be a catered meal cooked by the Fortino family, so we need exact numbers.

Our yearly convention will be in Fresno this year, and anyone is free to attend. Check out all the information in the June issue of the Bollettino.

I want to inform you that one of our members, Vince Saso, has been taking our gym chairs home a few at a time and giving them a thorough scrubbing. Our Parish needs to thank him for his tireless work. Good job Vince. ICF members make a difference in our Parish.

Hope to see you at the picnic.

*Ciao,*

*Anna Barberi*

### Los Gatos Name, Br. 184

It's that time again for us to say Happy Father's Day to all the Dad's out there both living and deceased. You are the pillars of our families! Thank you for all you have done for us. Don't forget our Annual Bocce Dinner at St. Frances Cabrini on July 17<sup>th</sup>. Check in at 4:30 pm and Mass at 5:00pm, Dinner and Bocce to follow. I'll be calling you all to get your reservation and tell you exactly what we're doing.

One of our Charter members, Gertie Klem passed way and her life was celebrated at a beautiful Mass. Gertie was our treasurer for years, then secretary, then sentinel. Gertie and Midge were the smiling faces at our Dinner Dances selling bar tickets and when Midge passed, Gertie continued to perform her duties with such joy that we all looked forward to her selling us tickets. She was a decorator of our dances for many years and performed that function with such precision that when I took over the job, I was still consulting Gertie for ideas. Lastly she was a friend of all in our club. Her warm smile will always be remembered. Even though Gertie was German, she gave of herself and time to our Italian Club. Thank you Gertie for being our friend and part of our ICF family!

*Ciao.*

*Denise Antonowicz*

*President, Br. 184*

### San Jose

#### St. Francis Cabini, Br. 191

At our meeting this month it became very apparent that the year is racing by. We elected our Delegates and Alternates for the Fresno Convention in September. We discussed our 3<sup>rd</sup> quarterly breakfast for the year, and we are working on plans for the District Picnic in August, the Bishops Day in October, and the Pilgrimage, honoring our Patron Saint Frances Cabrini, in November.

I want congratulate our Delegates for Convention in Fresno; President Jo Bertaccini, Lonnie Swarringim and Debbie Piro. We are fortunate to have them attend in our behalf. It will be an exciting experience for them. Jo wanted everyone to know that all members of the branch are invited to attend.

Next meeting we will meet our scholarship recipient, who graduated from Archbishop Mitty High School, Mitchell Koontz. I enjoy hearing from them on what college they plan to attend and what they plan to study. We started giving scholarships last year to deserving St. Frances Cabrini 8th graders and we will be giving two this year. The recipients this year will be Matthew Pluth and Haley Brown.

It is our wish that everyone in the Federation, their Families and Friends have a wonderful and safe summer.

*Jim Jones*

### San Jose

#### Santa Teresa de Avila, Br. 368

Congratulations to our branch's scholarship winner, Laureen Compitello, pictured, a recent graduate of Notre Dame High School in San Jose. A poised and articulate young lady, Laureen will be attending the University of Portland in Oregon in the fall.

At our June meeting we enjoyed a wonderful smorgasbord of appetizers, salads, and desserts planned by Cheryl and Ron Sanchez, Joanne and Jerry Opp, and Jacque and Paul Butler. Patriotically themed decorations added to a lovely evening. Thanks, all of you!

Our thanks also go to Ed Wendler, who regularlry provides us with thought-provoking spiritual reflections, and to Noreen Gillio, who enriches us with heritage stories.

We are still meeting in the church because the city of San Jose has not yet signed off on our new Avila Hall, which is, in fact, finished. The City demands landscaping and a flat walkway between the church



Branch 368 scholarship recipient Laureen Compitello.





Br. 391 President Mike Rossi and Scholarship Chairperson Sal Lipari present first year scholarships to Nicholas Joseph Lipari, Audrey Rose Smith, and Emily Plecque, all grandchildren of members. Congratulations!

and the hall. Even though we can’t use it yet, we will be dedicating and blessing the hall on June 12 because June 14 is the 50th anniversary of the founding of our parish.

Along with speaking to our branch about the new hall, Father George Aranha, our pastor and chaplain, received our check for the parish for \$5,000, proceeds primarily from our Monte Carlo night fund-raiser.

We are very pleased to add Unjoo Chang to our branch, which has recently been expanded by several new members. A big hardy embrace to you all!

*Blessings on all,*

*Judy Zahn*

### Sunnyvale Resurrection, Br. 408

May God Bless Fr. Bob in his Retirement. After 14 years at Rez, he is now moving on. There was an excellent turnout at his Retirement Party. ICF contributed to the Potluck Celebration and our Br 408 Patricia Look was the Hostess.

We welcome Fr. Noel to our Parish.

Our Br 408 8th grade Service award winner was Samantha Heydari – Congratulations !

Our 1st Year Scholarship Winner was Sergio Valente who will be studying International Relations at American University just outside of Washington, DC. We wish him all th best.

Remember to get your District Picnic Tickets. The District BBQ will be 7 August at Saint Clare’s starting with a Mass at 10:30 AM with Fr. George.

Please remember to include our sick members in your prayers - especially for Donna DeFrancisi, Paul Blefari, Edith Novak, Al’s wife Syd, Betty DeVille, Carolyn O’Connor, John Parker’s wife Barbara, Dori Blefari,and MaryJo DiMuccio.



Congratulations to Branch 408 8th grade Service award winner was Samantha Heydari.

### Morgan Hill

#### Santa Caterina D’Alessandria, Br. 435

Welcome to summer! We sure had a few hot scorcher days the first week of June.

Our branch celebrated Cinco de Mayo with a delicious meal of beef Enchiladas prepared from scratch by Syd and Andy Pappani. The whole meal was outstanding.

All the goodies and trimmings that came with the meal, including the dessert was enjoyed by all.

On June 2nd Loretta Wilson, Giulia Gallego, and Denise Campagna did some artistic and beautiful flower arrangements at the Living and Learning Center here in Morgan Hill. The group enjoyed learning tips from Loretta, Giulia, and Denise.

We are hosting the District Branch Meeting At St. Catherine’s on June 13th. I will give more information in the next Bollettino.

Sal and Denise Campagna are going to be our delegates for the ICF Convention in Fresno. Thanks, to you both.

On July 14th, George Guglielmo will be hosting our July event at his beautiful, lovely winery. We will be having a steak barbeque. More information will be coming in the future via e-mails and phone calls if needed.

*God bless!*

*Donna Basilin*

## Santa Rosa

### Napa

#### San Giuseppe, Br. 12

Our Branch has presented a scholarship to Cecilia Telliz, graduating from St. John’s Catholic School who will be attending Justin-Siena High School in the Fall. We voted to move our meeting place and time beginning with our June meeting. We now meet in the Y Room near the Hall. We also cancelled our dinners replacing them with a dessert social at the meetings. We participated in Hospitality Sunday at St Apollinaris Church.

Now we are getting ready for our annual Branch Picnic.

Happy Fourth of July.

*Juliann*

### Santa Rosa

#### Santa Rosa, Br. 18

We pay honor to all mothers with our annual donation to the Living Room, \$100.00 and to all

Fathers with our annual donation to Yountville Veterans Home,\$100.00.Many thanks to those kind folks who joined us for our May 7<sup>th</sup> Dinner Dance. The proceeds from this event go to help fund our community service projects. Please remember Carmella Hanson who is undergoing foot treatment. So many of us have children and grandchildren graduating from high school and college this month. Our good luck wishes and prayers go with them. We look forward to greeting our two ICF scholarship winners at our

October 8<sup>th</sup> Prime Rib Dinner which will be held at Scottish Rite Center, Santa Rosa. Last years Prime Rib Dinner was a great success so don’t wait to make your reservations. Our unending thanks to our events helpers, planners,advertisers,set-up crew,bartenders,dishwashers and cleanup help. We could not accomplish all the good works we do without them.

*Happy 4th of July!*

*Marie Canale*

### Healdsburg

#### San Francesco di Sales, Br. 52

Many thanks to our ICF St. John the Baptist school moms, headed by Kim Baribeau, for cooking our delicious Father’s Day chicken dinner. We honored gentlemen over the age of 80 with a free dinner, and held a short meeting to elect our 2016 convention delegates: Nancy Seppi, Teri Rolleri, John Del Monte and Marie Butler. They are looking forward to the convention in Fresno.

Upcoming Events for our branch include: September 13<sup>th</sup>,our annual Harvest Potluck in the small hall. Our delegates will report back to the membership. October 9<sup>th</sup>, the Golf Tournament at Healdsburg Golf Club at Tayman Park – please save the date. Details to follow. October 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>, a Reno Fun Trip! We’re planning an overnight bus trip to Reno, staying at the El Dorado Resort Casino. We can accommodate only 40 guests. Call Susie Garcia, 707-433-2424, for details and reservations. November 12<sup>th</sup>, our first polenta dinner of the season.

Please note there won’t be a general meeting in July or August.

Happy Fourth of July!

*Marie Butler*

*for Lauren Kilcullen*

### Sonoma

#### St. Sebastian, Br. 103

The Branch June meeting, with a polenta dinner and all trimmings, was again held at Fr. Robert’s Hall. Our scholarship winners and families were in attendance. From Sonoma Valley High the winner was Courtney Cogbill, and from Justin Siena High it was Margaret Cline. President Wurst presented the winners with their prizes. Pictures in the next Bolletino.

The branch members will hold their annual picnic at the Larson Winery during the second week of August, hopefully on August 9 from, 12-3 p.m. More details in the newsletter. There will be no meeting in July.

*Tanti saluti a tutti,*

*Marie-Therese Denning*

### Petaluma

#### St. Vincent, Br. 127

Greetings from Petaluma!

We had our Chicken Cacciatore Dinner and altho I was unable to attend, I heard that it turned out to be a wonderful dinner. President Bruno, Giacco, Angelo, Sam and all the kitchen helpers did a fantastic job on the dinner. So our thanks go to all of them for a job well done. All of the members who helped in anyway are also thanked for all their help. Without all pitching in and giving a hand, things would not get done, so don’t be shy in offering your help.

There is no meeting in June, so nothing to report.

July 11 - Regular Meeting

Aug. 8th - Regular Meeting

Aug. 14th - Communion/Mass for Living and Deceased Members - St. James Church 11:00 Mass. Tyler Branch Picnic for members and their families will follow the Mass in the Quad Area. Cost \$10. Call Louise for reservations: 769-7389 by Aug. 10th.

Sept. 1-5 - Convention in Fresno. This is a fun time, try and attend. Meet new people and have a mini-vacation. Please get your convention raffle tickets back to Mary Ann Ciabattari as soon as possible. Do not remove staples on tickets.

Get well wishes to Spence Burton and to all who are ill. Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary wishes to all who are celebrating this month.

With the Fourth of July coming up, have a happy and safe holiday, and thank God that we live in this wonderful country THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Pray for our homeless, our servicemen and for peace in our world.

Remember to be nice to someone you will always get it back in return.

*Ciao!*

*Louise Vicino*

### Arcata

#### St. Mary, Br. 144

Judy Cardoza opened the June 1 Branch 144 meeting with the rap of the gavel and the recognition of Pete Stagnoli and Jeff Mills for their participation in the Bocci Ball Tournament in Sebastopol. They placed Fourth in a field of fourteen.

The dedication of the Fr. Eric Freed’s bench on the crest at the Newman Center was presided over by the Bishop. A beautiful view of the bay is provided in memory of a well loved priest.

Heritage Day will be celebrated on July 24 with the sale of Italian Sausage Sandwiches with a special prize for any new membership commitments. The Custom Special Made Italian Sausages are prepared by Jim Spallino and his assistants.

Convention Delegates were announced representing our Branch. This year will include Judy Cardoza and Rosemary Melendy with alternate Marie La Banca.

I.C.F. Scholarship Awards were announced honoring Mitchell Monge, Patsy Fraga and Natalie Pedicino.

June Birthdays included Jim Monge, Judy Cardoza, Doris Sturges, Kathy Spallino and Jeff Mills.

Anniversaries were also recognized honoring Shar and Bill Evans and Elena and Ken David.

Special thanks to Paula Proctor for heading the Parish Talent Show presented last month at Leavey Hall. It was a family friendly show with fourteen acts of talents aging from 6 to 62.

*Larry De Peel*

### Eureka

#### St. Ambrose, Br. 145

Our May 10th meeting was a pizza potluck. We also introduced our Jerry Colivas scholarship winner. This year’s student was Adam Cutler. He is a student at St. Bernards Academy. He plans to attend the College of the Redwoods for his first two years and then transfer to UCLA. His course of study will be film making. His goal is to one day become a director or producer. After having met this young man, there is no doubt that he will achieve his goal. Also congratulations to mom and dad for Adam’s accomplishments.

We also introduced Catrina Smullin the recipient of the St. Eugene’s scholarship. She is a senior at Eureka High. Her plans are to attend UC Davis to study computer science. Congratulations!

Three of our members have graciously made donations to the Colivas Scholarship fund in memory of Anita Pera. Thank you for your



generosity.

We later had a short business meeting discussing what type of memorial we could do in memory of Anita Pera. One of the suggestions was to purchase a brick to be permanently placed at St. Bernards. We will discuss it at our next meeting.

Some events to put on your calendar are the Mezzo Agosto picnic on August 14th and the Italian Festival on September 18th. Both events are always much fun, visiting, eating good food, drinking wine and even play a little bocce.

Our next meeting will be on June 14th. Please plan to attend.

*Peace and Good Health,*  
*Nancy Paoli*

### Sebastopol St. Michael, Br. 209

As mentioned in last month’s Bollettino article, we are pleased to announce Branch 209’s scholarship winners for 2016. They are: Mason Hoffman and Zachary Davis who were both 2016 graduates of Analy High School in Sebastopol and Wesley Albini who is a 2016 graduate from El Molino High School in Forestville. All three of these students will no doubt make us very proud!

Our June meeting will feature our “Fathers Day Dinner”. No doubt Pam McAlvain and Yvonne Watson, who are in charge, will prepare a delicious meal for us!

REMINDER: Branch #209 does not meet in the month of July!

Because Branch #209’s meeting has not taken place at the time of this writing, the article is rather short this month.

Hope everyone enjoys the summer and with that, have safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July!

*Ciao,*  
*Lona Bertoli*

## Stockton District Council

The dog days of summer have started in the Stockton District. What a great time for us to celebrate two annual events.

1) SATURDAY, July 16, 7:10 P.M. 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual ICF Stockton District Ports Baseball Night at Banner Island. The Stockton Ports vs. the Modesto Nuts. If you haven’t seen Jackson Rancheria’s Fireworks display at Banner Island, this is your opportunity. It’s also Princess/Superhero Night. Wear your crown or cape! Tickets are \$11 each. Kids or grandkids of members are only \$5.50 Call Karen Rosson (209) 465-8074 for your tickets.

2) SUNDAY, August 21, 11 a.m. ANNUAL PICNIC at Escalon Community Park; Food, Fun, Raffle; \$15 for a delicious steak dinner with beans, salads, bread, and dessert. Kids eating hot dogs are free. Call Ida Queirolo for your reservations at (209) 982-5710.

Each branch should have elected delegates and made reservations for the Convention in Fresno. The Apostolic/Charity report is due July 15<sup>th</sup> and it’s hoped that 100% participation will occur this year.

Congratulations to the Stockton District 1<sup>st</sup> Year Scholarship Award winner Jared Bernardi.

*Karen Rosson*

### Modesto St. Stanislaus, Br. 48

We had a very successful bake sale. Thanks to everyone that baked all the delicious biscotti, cakes, pies, cookies and many other baked goods. Thanks to all who help sell the bake goods. Since there always seems to be a district meeting the day we have our bake sale as soon as we finished the bake sale we were on our way to Presentation Br. 395 in



Greeting the members



Mike cutting the Tri-tip



Members listening to the speaker



Family fun waiting for dinner



Sister City Group selling desserts

Stockton for a district meeting.

The district has tickets for a baseball game July 16, 2016 in Stockton. We had fun at the game last year and are looking forward to this year’s game.

We also have the district picnic August 21, 2016 that some of us will be attending. So even though we do not have a meeting in July or August there are still many thing to do.

Tom Silvaggio will be our convention delegate and a couple of us will be going as guest.

Mass for our deceased members will be Sunday, July 10, 2016 and August 7, 2016 at the 8:00 am at the Maze Blvd. Church.

Our bank night winner was Ida Dusi

Coming up:

July - No meeting

Aug. - No meeting

Aug 21 - District Picnic 11:00 am to 5:00 pm Escalon Park

Sep 2-5 Convention - Fresno

Sep 14 - 7:00 pm Meeting - In the hall at 7th and K Streets, Modesto

*Cecelia McGhee*

### Manteca Nostra Signora del Buon Viaggio, Br. 139

Nearly 50 people attended last month’s annual Branch Picnic held on the beautiful grounds of Dino and Sharon Cunial’s home. Socializing, drinks and a bocce tournament were enjoyed before a delicious picnic lunch. Steaks, barbecued by chef Tony Queirolo, along with salads, dessert and drinks were served.

At the conclusion of the lunch, Branch President Frank Re announced that Jordyn Posz, daughter of Rich and Cary Posz, was awarded a Branch

scholarship. Jordyn, a recent high school graduate, will attend Modesto Junior College in the fall.

We are looking forward to these Stockton District events in the near future: the District Italian Catholic Federation Day at the July 16 Californrnia League



(Above) Branch 395’s first year scholarship recipient: From left to right President Josephine Weber, Eric Chapman and his parents Mary Ann Piana Chapman and Dan Chapman.



(Left) Branch 395 scholarship from Bob and Ruby Zanoni. Left to right Ruby Zanoni, Annie Loewen and Bob Zanoni.



George Bertuccio won our attendance drawing at our monthly meeting. He, in turn, donated the \$100 to the Disabled American Veterans.

*Ciao,*

*Mariano*

**Tracy**

**St. Bernard, Br. 390**

What a great “Tour of Italy” we celebrated at our monthly dinner meeting! We decided to serve not only the often-requested lasagne, we added additional choices of pasta! Our members and their guests were excited about the three pasta choices and we will definitely offer this menu again in the future!

The Stockton District is offering tickets to the Stockton Ports baseball game for all ICF members and their family and friends. You can contact Karen Rosson for tickets, dates and details or email her at [karenrosson@comcast.net](mailto:karenrosson@comcast.net). ICF Branch 390 members attended last summer and had such a great time we are going out to the ball game again this year.

August 21 is our district picnic at Escalon park. Come one come all - there will be games, prizes, raffles, and of course great food! We will then have our quarterly district meeting after all our bellies are full!

Our members attending convention this year on the weekend of September 1-5 in Fresno will be Lucy Orsi, Joe Bacchetti, Steve and Anita Ridolfi and Serena Martocchio.

Also on our busy schedule is the annual St. Bernard’s Church Fall Festival on September 15-18 weekend. Our booth will be selling pizza and lemon Ices to the parish members and all funds raised go to support both our church and school.

Summer is here at last and we hope everyone has a relaxing summer and safe travels. On a personal note, we’re so excited to be off to see Sicily for the first time and then spend some time in Italy!

Stay well and be happy!

*Ciao for now,*

*Betty Hollars*

**Stockton**

**Church of the Presentation, Br. 395**

Branch 395 has had a busy month! We hosted the Stockton District meeting on May 15. We served a delicious dinner cooked by our wonderful cooks and had a productive meeting. On May 22 Branch 395 had a booth at the annual Festa Italiana. Our booth was very unique as we had a life-size cutout of Pope Francis and sold selfies with the Pope. We also sold Italian bracelets and Italian note cards. It was very successful and well received and was featured in our local newspaper. At our meeting on June 9, we presented two high school seniors with scholarships. The first year scholarship went to Eric Chapman, son of our member Mary Ann Piana Chapman. Another scholarship donated by Ruby and Bob Zanoni went to Annie Loewen. They were presented with certificates and we honored them with a beautiful decorated cake and specialty coffees made in the church coffee shop, Holy Grounds. We are taking a break for the summer, but we still have a number of fun activities in the works.

Upcoming events:

July 16 - Stockton District Night at the Ports Baseball game

August 21 - Stockton District Picnic at Escalon Park

*Have a safe and wonderful summer.*

*Josephine Weber, President, Branch 395*

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## **What: San Francisco Festa Coloniale Italiana**

**When: Saturday, August 20**

**Where: San Francisco Italian Athletic Club.  
1630 Stockton St. 94133**

**Time: 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.**

**Cost: Free**

**Contact: Paul Alioto 415 781 0166**

**Website: [www.sfiacfesta.com](http://www.sfiacfesta.com)**

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On Saturday, August 20, the San Francisco Italian Athletic Club (SFIAC) Foundation welcomes the Bay Area to the Festa Coloniale Italiana, a traditional Italian street festival in the heart of Little Italy, North Beach.

The event is family orientated and showcases the SFIAC’s facilities, at 1630 Stockton St., with its main ballroom transformed into an Italian piazza accented with Vespas, wine tasting and Italian-themed vendors. The third floor will hold displays of Italian heritage, a history of the Carabinieri (Italy’s national law enforcement agency) and the Guardians of the City- a tribute to San Francisco’s police, firefighters and other first responders; sponsored by the California Law Enforcement Columbia Association.

From 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., the street will be filled with additional Italian-themed vendors, mouth-watering food, and arts and crafts-while a central-ized stage will provide performances by Bay Area Italian musical artists and dancers.

The Festa Coloniale Italiana remains San Francisco’s only Italian festival and is a precursor to the SFIAC’s 100th anniversary celebration in 2018. For up-to-the-minute Festa information, please visit: [www.sfiacfesta.com](http://www.sfiacfesta.com) or contact the Festa at [info@sfiacfesta.com](mailto:info@sfiacfesta.com) or [administration@sfiac.com](mailto:administration@sfiac.com). You can also contact the SFIAC office or at 415 781 0166.

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# Intention to Run for Central Council

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Application Process

- 1. Applications are available from the I.C.F. Office.
- 2. Candidates’ completed applications must be received by the I.C.F. Office by August 1<sup>st</sup> in order to be eligible to run for Central Council.
- 3. A candidate who is not currently a Central Council Member must be a branch delegate to the convention.

Other Pre-convention Deadlines

- 1. If you wish to place a full-page ad in the convention souvenir book; the ad contract, your photo and a message must be sent to the I.C.F. Office by July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 2. Candidate entries to be included in the Bollettino, must be emailed to both the I.C.F. Office and the Bollettino Editor by August 1<sup>st</sup>. Email [admin@icf.org](mailto:admin@icf.org) and [icfeditor@gmail.com](mailto:icfeditor@gmail.com). Submissions should include a photo and an entry that does not exceed 300 words.

Campaign Rules

- 1. Only one poster (maximum size 24 X 36) may be displayed in the area designated by the Convention Director.
- 2. Campaign flyers and non-consumable campaign favors may only be given out on Friday evening during “Meet the Candidates.” Food and beverage items may not be distributed during “Meet the Candidates.”
- 3. As voted upon at the February 2016 Central Council Meeting, there will be no candidate hospitality rooms. This decision was made in order to follow the hotel’s quiet time policy. If a district hosts a hospitality room at any time during the convention weekend, there shall be no candidate posters, flyers or other campaign paraphernalia available in the hospitality room.
- 4. No campaigning may take place during convention sessions, activities or in the delegate registration area.
- 5. No campaign literature should be posted in the public areas or on the ICF Facebook page.
- 6. Registration workers should not wear campaign items.
- 7. Candidates should notify campaign helpers of these rules.
- 8. Campaign speeches will be held during the Saturday session and shall not exceed 2 minutes.

Other Information

- 1. Candidates for Central Council will be announced in descending order in even years and ascending order in odd years.
- 2. 10 candidates will be elected to the Central Council, unless an unforeseen event takes place that will reduce the election to 9 Central Council Members.
- 3. Candidates should wear proper business attire at all functions; no campaign T-shirts, pins, etc.
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13. Fill the gap in a retirement plan caused by lower than expected returns on your assets.

14. Pay for short-term in-home care or physical therapy following an accident or medical episode.

15. Pay for a retirement plan, estate plan or a will.

16. Convert a room or basement to a living facility for an aging parent, relative or caregiver.

17. Set up transportation arrangements for when you are no longer comfortable driving.

18. Create a set aside to pay real estate taxes and property insurance.

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