



BOLLETTINO



Retirement and a New Life Member



Past Grand President Michael Cannady reached the status of Life Member Emeritus Elect. Grand President Andy Pappani was elected as our new Life Member.

Congratulations to the Convention Award Winners

At the recent Central Council meeting the following award winners were announced:

Young Adult Leadership Award:

Joanna Mackinson, Br. 442

Family of the Year Award:

The Alessandrino Family

Pope Saint John XXIII Award:

Bryan Stow

Grand President's Award:

Jo Bertaccini

Saint Teresa of Calcutta Award:

Rev. Monsignor Joseph Milani

Past Grand President Larry Marsalli Passed Away



(Obituary from Legacy.com)

Lawrence Joseph Marsalli passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on Monday, July 2, 2018. Larry was born in Santa Clara to Joseph & Emilia Marsalli and was a lifelong resident and civil servant of Santa Clara. Larry graduated from St. Clare School, attended Bellarmine College Prep, and graduated from Santa Clara High School in 1944. Larry proudly served his country in WWII as an Army Staff Sergeant. When he was discharged, he met and married the love of his life, Elise Vanzin of McCloud, CA. Larry & Elise raised three children, Jerry (deceased), Denise, and Lauri Ann and loved and nurtured 8

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ICF Mourns Passing of Dave Rose



(Obituary from Legacy.com)

David Marshall Rose passed away peacefully on June 29, 2018 in Alameda after a brave battle with cancer. He was born in Oakland, California in 1942, and was preceded in death by his father, George Francis Rose and his mother, Berit Linom Rose. Dave attended Bishop O'Dowd High School and Armstrong College. He retired after 32 years as a Kaiser Permanente executive as Director of Financial Reporting/Funding. Dave served for 41 years at St. Philip Neri in various lay positions including President of Parish Council. Dave was a charter member of the St. Philip Neri Boy Scouts of America Troop 78. He was 60 year member of the Boy Scouts of America Alameda Council as well as a 45 year member of the Boy Scouts board, earning the prestigious Silver Beaver Award. Dave was a longtime member of

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Grand President's Monthly Message

by Andrew Pappani

July 4th we celebrate the independence of the United States of America from Great Britain in 1776. This is a good time to reflect back on how all of our families made it to this place we now call home. For some of us our parents or grandparents made the voyage into this great country known as the United States of America. They worked hard creating a strong family rich in faith and heritage. Our families created the backbone by which we have all taken our roots and grown.



For others, the journey to the United States started either via boat or plane, but the uprooting of their lives to make the move had just as much of an impact as those who made the move generations before.

It is these stories that need to be remembered. It is stories that need to be written down or videoed so that future generations will know where their families came from.

We all have a story to tell. Each of us have unique human beings whose very existence have directly influenced the lives of others.

Please turn in your Heritage reports to the Heritage Committee to help us retain our history to share with our future members. These stories are a mere glimpse into the way of life, culture and society that came before many of us.

Take this opportunity to talk with the members of your branch who hold the history of the branch within their memories. Video them and create an archive for the future generations. Get the young members involved in this project. They hold the technology to make this easier, and I am sure they will learn something in the process.

Thought of Mind

Like branches on a tree, our lives may grow in different directions yet our roots remain as one.

"We all want progress, but if you're on the wrong road, progress means doing an about-turn and walking back to the right road; in that case, the man who turns back soonest is the most progressive."

C S Lewis

Happy 4th of July

God Bless America and God Bless the Italian Catholic Federation

Andrew J Pappani

Important Notice

The Bollettino Email Address is Being Changed

The New Email Address Will Be

editor@icf.org

Submissions using the new email address will begin with the October Bollettino.

We are making the change to have our email tied directly to the Italian Catholic Federation.

We are also in the process of having email addresses for all Central Council Members along with the Central Council Committee Chairs with the icf.org association. We will post the new email addresses in the next issue of the Bollettino.

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... Building for the Future!

Monsignor Daniel Cardelli
ICF Spiritual Director
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In June many students graduated. What follows is written for graduates.

To build a house now, is certainly building for the future. You can live in a new home for a long time. Houses can stand for hundreds of years. Build a school now, is also building for the future; the future education of children for many years. Maybe for your children, or even your grandchildren.

Building strength of character now is definitely building for your future: your future as a person of integrity, of faith, of trust, of commitment, of perseverance, of love, of hope.

You do not want to be just an ordinary person, the run of the mill, the maybe yes, and the maybe no type person.

You want to build yourself into a person with conviction, commitment, and respect. This is, indeed, building for the future! When people see you coming they will say, "Now there is a person worth knowing", because your reputation precedes you. People will clamor to meet you, to know you, to be your friend. They feel secure with you and gain strength from just being with you.

You have this edifice of power because you have a secret source from which you draw these qualities. Actually, they are not really yours. You got them from a very dear friend of yours who loves you. He loves you so much, he died for you so that you could believe in him and his message. This friend, of course, is Jesus. He gives you the reason to be, and therefore, the reason to build for the future of your life, here and hereafter.

Whatever you do, wherever you go,



however you live, whenever you build, do it all for Jesus, the best of all your best friends.

May you always build a future for yourselves that includes Jesus every step of the way. May He be with you, guide you and bless you always.

Membership Retention

Forrest Price
Central Council Member Emeritus
Membership Committee Member

All of the functions and activities of the Federation, its districts and branches have an impact on membership. And conversely, membership has a bearing on the ability of the Federation to sustain itself and fulfill its mission to aid the Catholic Church in saving souls and to aid our fellow man. At the branch level membership is crucial to enable the branch to grow and play its role in the overall mission of the Federation.

Generally, most of the previous articles in the Bollettino from the Membership Committee have been devoted to the extremely important subject of methods of attracting and recruiting new members. However, this present article is devoted to the very broad topic of membership retention. And, of course, the ultimate and ideal goal of membership retention should be efforts to retain members for life.

Whether or not a member becomes a life-long member certainly depends a great deal upon his or her rapport with fellow branch members including the officers, the inner satisfaction of being part of a group that serves the Lord and that achieves goals and objectives in a pleasant, enjoyable manner and harmonious atmosphere. Therefore, the conduct of all members and especially the branch officers towards others is paramount. Here are some thoughts on the subject:

Membership Committee 1. The ideal is for every branch to have a membership

committee composed of more than one or two members including a chairperson. 2. The chairperson of the committee should be asked to attend the officers meetings by the branch president and to report on progress. 3. The branch president should call on the Membership Chairperson to report his or her progress at every general meeting. 4. Members of the Membership Committee should continue to be mentors to new members for a substantial period of time in order to introduce them to others, explain proceedings, answer their questions and make them feel that they are part of a dynamic and welcoming organization. 5. The membership committee should also encourage the new member to promptly become involved in the branch activities. 6. Within a year the new members should be encouraged to at least accept one of the lower ranking offices, and, 7. Thereafter the new member should be encouraged to accept higher offices if he or she has the ability and is willing to do so.

The Role of Officers: The President sets the tone for meetings. The President should enjoy presiding at meetings. The President should have a written outline of the meeting agenda but know the agenda well enough so that he or she would rarely have to refer to it. The President should certainly welcome members with some light remarks and then follow the prescribed format for conducting the meeting as set forth by the Central Council. The meeting should be pleasant. The President should be well-versed in "Robert's Rules of order and always

after a motion and a second, ask if there is any discussion on the motion, instead of simply calling for ayes and nays. The President should allow ample discussion on serious matters and should be courteous and fair to all. The President should be prepared to handle amendments to the motion and "calls for the question" and the voting on motions. The wise President will also thank Committee Chairpersons for their reports and praise excellent work. Also, the successful President will make the necessary telephone calls, e-mails and letters that are part of the job in between meetings and also make those contacts that are a necessary part of meeting preparation.

The Other Officers: The other officers in the branch also have an important role to play in the functioning of the branch. Although the performance of the 2nd vice president, the secretary and the treasurer are of key importance, all of the officers including trustees should competently fulfill their duties. Secretaries need to present their minutes in a pleasant and audible voice and present the events of the previous meeting in a concise manner. Treasurers should also present their reports in an audible voice and in an organized manner. A pure recitation of a hodgepodge of numbers frustrates listeners.

Also, the ideal general meeting would be followed by a meal and thereafter be followed by a speaker or entertainment. Along with the various reports made during the meeting, a heritage report would be nice. Also, at the close of a meeting, it is an excellent idea to recognize birthdays and anniversaries with a cupcake and a candle and in the case of anniversaries ask how many

years.

Role of the Membership: The burden of having a successful branch does not fall on the shoulders of officers alone. All members of a branch should do their part in volunteering to serve on committees, help with special events and help create a pleasant atmosphere at all events including meetings. On the positive side, members should treat one another with politeness, courtesy and respect and especially make new members or prospective new members feel welcome.

A few negative items that members should avoid come to mind: 1. members should avoid having exclusive dining groups that exclude other members especially new members, 2. in the formal discussions taking place during meetings, a member should discuss his

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UPCOMING:	
2018 Bishops' Days:	
Aug. 12	Oakland
Sept. 16	Santa Rosa
Sept. 30	Monterey (Central Coast)
Oct. 6	San Jose (Santa Clara Valley)
Oct. 21	Blessed Sacrament
Oct. 28	Fresno
Oct. 31	San Bernardino
Nov. 11	Los Angeles Archdiocese
Dec. 2	Reno

Apostolate – Charity Committee

Lauren Kilcullen
Apostolate Committee Chairperson

form and return it to the Central
Council Office by the July 15 deadline.

A reminder that the 2018 Apostolate – Charity Reporting Form is available for all branches online at the Members Area at icf.org.

The Committee urges all branches to complete the



Judging of the forms will be held in early August and awards will be presented at the Convention in San Diego.

Thank you,
Lauren Kilcullen

Scholarship Corner:

Franklyn Lopes, Jr.
Committee Chairperson

We need scholarship donations for 2nd, 3rd and 4th year. Please donate, \$500.00 for 2nd year, \$600.00 for 3rd year, \$1000 for 4th year. August 1 is deadline for scholarship donations. and applications.

Mario Cugia Scholarship has been established to encourage and support majors in Italian studies. The program

offers two scholarships: (1) a \$600 award to a 3rd year university student declaring a major in Italian, and (2) a \$1,000 award to a 4th year university student continuing his or her studies in Italian.



Who Are We?

Denise Antonowicz
Heritage Chairperson

On this federal holiday, also known as Independence Day, marking the Colonies' adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, which declared independence from the Great Britain and its king, (although it was signed on July 2, 1776). We are already familiar with the fireworks, parades, barbeque and festivities like picnics, fairs, concerts and parties that take place on this day, but there are some things you may not know about the Fourth.

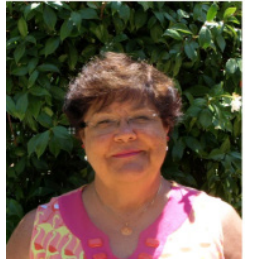
1. Congress made Independence Day an official unpaid holiday for federal employees in 1870. In 1938, Congress changed Independence Day to a paid federal holiday.

2. Only John Hancock signed the Declaration of Independence on July 2, 1776. All the others signed later.

3. The Declaration of Independence was signed by 56 men from 13 colonies.

4. The average age of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence was 45. The youngest was Thomas Lynch, Jr (27) of South Carolina. The oldest delegate was Benjamin Franklin (70) of Pennsylvania. The lead author of The Declaration, Thomas Jefferson, was 33.

5. One out of eight signers of the Declaration of Independence were educated at Harvard (7 total).



6. The only two signers of the Declaration of Independence who later served as President of the United States were John Adams and Thomas Jefferson and both died on July 4th.

7. The stars on the original American flag were in a circle so all the Colonies would appear equal.

8. The first Independence Day celebration took place in Philadelphia on July 8, 1776. This was also the day that the Declaration of Independence was first read in public after people were summoned by the ringing of the Liberty Bell..

9. Barbecue is also big on Independence Day. Approximately 150 million hot dogs and 700 million pounds of chicken are consumed on this day.

10. Every 4th of July the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia is tapped (not actually rung) thirteen times in honor of the original thirteen colonies.

Hope you have a Safe & Happy 4th of July!

JUNE CALENDAR WINNERS

DAY	NAME	BR	CITY	WINS
6/1	Joan Cummings	442	Pleasant Hill, CA	\$30
6/2	Jean McElroy	10	Alameda, CA	\$30
6/3	Marie Hutchison	380	Thousand Oaks, CA	\$30
6/4	Branch 358		River Forest, IL	\$30
6/5	Jim Monge	144	McKinleyville, CA	\$30
6/6	Joseph Kelly		Whittier, CA	\$30
6/7	Annette Pachinger	413	San Andreas, CA	\$30
6/8	Bruno Fomasi	127	Petaluma, CA	\$30
6/9	Franceska Velez		Ashland, OR	\$30
6/10	Bob Basuino	191	San Jose, CA	\$30
6/11	Eileen Fritsch	184	Los Gatos, CA	\$30
6/12	Dino & Marie De Santis		Oakland, CA	\$30
6/13	Julie Richards	25	Chualar, CA	\$30
6/14	June Serrano	36	Monterey, CA	\$50
6/15	Branch 39		Merced, CA	\$50
6/16	Carol Lopes	227	Santa Cruz, CA	\$30
6/17	Lauren Bilich		San Ramon, CA	\$50
6/18	Karen Cerri	33	Bakersfield, CA	\$30
6/19	Marcia & Jennifer Valorosi	27	Madera, CA	\$30
6/20	Natalie Whitney	36	Monterey, CA	\$30
6/21	Kerin Cavallero	27	Madera, CA	\$30
6/22	Audrey Noya	39	Merced, CA	\$30
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6/27	Robert & Carissa Fanucchi		Bakersfield, CA	\$30
6/28	Most Rev. Michael C. Barber, SJ		Oakland, CA	\$30
6/29	Roy Fry	403	Millbrae, CA	\$30
6/30	Donna Barnes	19	Daly City, CA	\$30

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Pier:	Cruise Terminal

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8/26/18	Sunday	Long Beach, CA		6:30 PM
8/27/18	Monday	Catalina Island, CA	7:30 AM	4:30 PM
8/28/18	Tuesday	Ensenada, Mexico	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
8/29/18	Wednesday	Fun Day At Sea		
8/30/18	Thursday	Long Beach, CA	7:00 AM	



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Family Recipes

By Deborah Rodondi

Grand 2nd Vice President

Happy 4th of July! This holiday makes you think of red, white and blue; BBQ's, picnics and parades. So here are some great recipes for these family events.

Deborah's Raw Vegetable Salad

Take hard vegetables (whatever combination that works for you) and cut into small bite size pieces (I do dime to nickel size).

I use:

Cauliflower

Broccoli

Carrots, sliced

Celery, sliced

Pimento stuffed green olives, sliced (must have)

Mix above together with some green olive juice (about 1 Tablespoon) and Zesty Italian Dressing (I have used Good Season's Italian Dressing with a little Balsamic Vinegar to give it the zest). Let set up over night.

NOTE: Using hard vegetables gives it a longer shelf life.

The portion of each vegetable is not important, some of us like one vegetable more than the other; also it depends on how many you are making it for. Rough guide: ½ cauliflower, 1-2 crowns of broccoli, 2-3 carrots, 2-3 stalks celery and ¾ cup sliced green olives. I am a fan of cauliflower and I love green olives.

Add more zest use jalapeno or garlic

stuffed green olives.

Here is another favorite of mine, macaroni salad from my dear friend Kathy Trevizo, also a member of Branch 19 in Colma. Any dinner we have that requires macaroni salad, this is the one we ask for. And of course, she always makes a little extra for me to take home! I would think by now Kathy would be tired of making it. My brother Robert, who is not a macaroni salad fan, enjoys this one.

Macaroni Salad

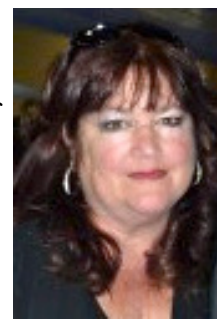
1 pound macaroni ("Ditalini" short Tubular pasta), cooked and drained

Mix with:

2 to 3 stalks celery, finely chopped

¼ onion, finely chopped

1 jar pimento, chopped



1 small can chopped black olives

3 heaping spoonfuls (to taste) Delmonte Pickle Relish

Mayonnaise (not too heavy, enough to coat), salt and pepper to taste

NOTE: Kathy only uses Delmonte Pickle Relish, she says it is what makes the difference.

As in any recipe adjust the ingredients to your satisfaction.

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 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.

Buon Appetito!

BOOK REVIEW

Vince Piro

Grand 1st Vice President
Branch 39, Merced



Suspect Love

Lawrence W. DiStasi

Sanniti Publications

2018, 206 pp.

Continuing the work he began in *Una Storia Segreta* and *Branded: How Italian Immigrants Became Enemies*, Lawrence DiStasi has penned a historical novel about San Francisco's North Beach neighborhood during World War II that focuses on a part of U.S. history that is often ignored, the persecution of Italian-Americans during the war.

The novel focuses on the North Beach community of San Francisco in the 1940s, in some ways a model immigrant community. The Italian-Americans of San Francisco ran successful businesses, were integral to the city's financial community, and held political influence. (The city had even had an Italian-American mayor.) However, with the rise of Mussolini and the United States entrance into World War II, Italian-Americans became suspect. Many Italian immigrants were labeled "enemy aliens," and

rights and privileges as citizens and legal residents were restricted under the influence of the Western Defense Command and Lt. General John L. DeWitt. The community itself became divided with its citizens becoming distrustful and suspicious of one another, and lives and relationships are torn apart. DiStasi successfully illustrates this through the story of Paolo and Anita, two young lovers.

Paolo and Anita must hide their love for one another from their fathers, one a supporter of Mussolini and the other a staunch critic of the Fascism that has swept Italy. At first, they innocently arrange to meet in public places away from North Beach so that they can be together. However as the war progresses, their love while more intimate becomes strained by the tragedy and trouble faced by their suspect immigrant community. And it is through their relationship that DiStasi is able to symbolize how this once proud people become broken and their community disintegrates. If his previous books illustrated this tragic time in Italian-American history through facts, this book appeals to one's heart. One cannot help but feel sympathy for Paolo and Anita and their doomed relationship.

By choosing to approach this history again through a fictionalized account of this time, DiStasi is able to make the story more intimate, focusing on the pain and tragedy of these times on a more personal level. And as such, *Suspect Love* makes for the perfect compliment and companion to *Una Storia Segreta* and *Branded*.

The trilogy acts as a reminder that as a community that has faced discrimination and injustice in the past due to its immigrant status, Italian-Americans must be vigilant against any prejudice and inequity faced by today's immigrant communities. As Catholics, it is also our religious obligation to assure that all people are treated fairly and equitably (as Pope Francis has reminded us on numerous occasions).

Lawrence DiStasi is an editor, writer, and college instructor. Since 1994, he has been the project director of the traveling exhibit *Una Storia Segreta: When Italian Americans Were 'Enemy Aliens.'* He is also author of *Mal Occhio: The Underside of Vision* (North Point Press, 1981) and *Dream Streets: The Big Book of Italian American Culture* (Harper & Row, 1989). He is (president of the American Italian Historical Association's) Curator/Newsletter Editor of the Italian American Studies Association's Western Regional Chapter. His books can be purchased through various online bookstores.

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We are considering an ICF member discount program that would promote ICF-owned businesses while also providing a benefit to our members. Thank you!

THANK YOU

Dear I.C.F. Brothers and Sisters: you often.
Just a note of thanks for all of the prayers and get well wishes I have received over the last couple of months.
It is very heartwarming and comforting to know that I am in your thoughts.
I miss seeing all of you and think of

May God Bless all of you and the I.C.F.
Fraternally Yours,
Sir Robert Dianda
Life Member Emeritus of the Central Council

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Donations received by June 10, 2018

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Monetary Donation Reminder

Denise Antonowicz
Grand Treasurer

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When submitting donations to one of our programs (Providenza, Gifts of Love, Scholarship, Cooley's Anemia, etc). please make the check payable to ICF or Italian Catholic Federation. In the memo, indicate the fund where you would like the donation directed.

Additionally, when making donations to multiple programs, please write a separate check for each donation as there is an individual account for each fund.
Finally, we ask that all donations be made by check, cashier's check or money order. We prefer to not place cash in the depository.
These simple steps will assist our office staff in processing your donations. Thank you for your continued support to the ICF programs.

Gifts of Love
Donations

Donations received by June 10, 2018	
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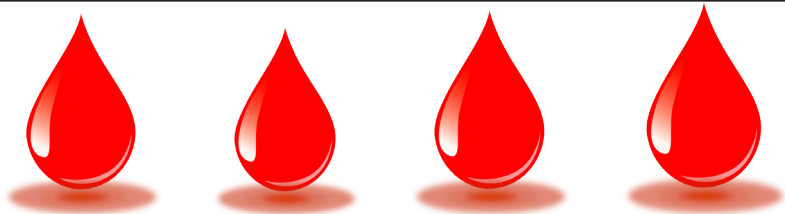


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Interested in learning more about the ICF's National Charity, Cooley's Anemia (Thalassemia)? If so, Laurice Levine, Thalassemia Program Consultant for Children's Hospital Los Angeles, would be honored to come and speak at one of your branch meetings or any special event.

Contact Information: 360-860-2023 or
LLevine430@aol.com

It does not matter how small or how large your branch is, the goal is to educate everyone on Cooley's Anemia and the great work the ICF does for this cause.

Cooley's Anemia Donations

Donations Received by June 10, 2018		Peggy Fortino
Branch 1		In memory of Annie Benetti
Branch 36		Mora Taormino
Branch 70		In memory of Annie Benetti
Branch 209		Officers/Members of Br. 308
Branch 368		In memory of Marian Zasoski
Branch 342		

Benvenuti Membri Nuovi

Report Date: 06/12/2018		STEPHANIE MILES	Branch 352
CRAIG GUGLIELMETTI	Branch 007	SHARON SANTAMARIA	Branch 352
REV RON SHIRLEY	Branch 036	SANDI STAMATES	Branch 352
REBECCA CANDELARIO	Branch 048	STEVE STAMATES	Branch 352
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JOE DI SALVO	Branch 052		Branch 362
LEN HAMMOND	Branch 052	MICKEY M MURANO	Branch 362
CAROL WHITSON	Branch 103	RYUKO J NOVAK-MURANO	
PHILLIP PACE	Branch 111		Branch 362
PHYLLIS PACE	Branch 111	LINA M ANANIAN	Branch 374
ANNA P PEDRINI	Branch 138	HUDSON P ANANIAN	Branch 374
NANCY A RENZO	Branch 145	ROBERT J ANANIAN	Branch 374
ROBERT P RENZO	Branch 145	ROBERT J ANANIAN JR	Branch 374
LOUISE B SCIORTINO	Branch 169	PATRICIA HARRIS	Branch 374
ERIC BELL	Branch 218	JEFFREY HEIMBOLD	Branch 374
IORELLA DANDEKAR	Branch 218	JOSEPH HEIMBOLD	Branch 374
PATRICIA A BRICK	Branch 285	MARY HEIMBOLD	Branch 374
PATRICK J BRICK	Branch 285	MATTHEW HEIMBOLD	Branch 374
JEAN DESILETS	Branch 291	LILA NASTRO	Branch 374
JOANNE DESILETS	Branch 291	JOHN ORLANDINI	Branch 374
DENNIS M HENNESSY	Branch 291	MICHAEL BRUNETTI	Branch 391
PEARL A HENNESSY	Branch 291	PATTY BRUNETTI	Branch 391
ADAM M RICHARDS	Branch 291	DENISE LEMUCCHI	Branch 391
ADELAIDE ROSE RICHARDS		ELIZABETH MC CARTHY	Branch 391
	Branch 291	BRUCE RAMSTAD	Branch 391
EMILY A RICHARDS	Branch 291	MICHAELA RAMSTAD	Branch 391
HANK EDWARD RICHARDS		KAREN D TANNER	Branch 391
	Branch 291	PAUL BOURQUE	Branch 403
JOHN KENNETH RICHARDS		THOMAS A DUTIL	Branch 413
	Branch 291	PATRICIA LOPES	Branch 423
PATTI BELLECI	Branch 352	LYNN M SCHEID	Branch 435
RUSS BELLECI	Branch 352	WILLIAM J SCHEID	Branch 435
ROSEMARIE ELLSWORTH		IDA ROSOLIA-SZABO	Branch 439
	Branch 352	KATHLEEN M BUCHANAN	
ASHLEY MILES	Branch 352		Branch 444
BRANDON MILES	Branch 352	ROBERT KEEFER	Branch 444
CLYDE MILES	Branch 352		

CONVENTION DINING OPTIONS

No-host Breakfast

Terrace Market, Terrace Café, Room Service

No-host Lunch and Dinner

Charlie's Bar and Grill, Terrace Market, Terrace Café, Room Service

To help expedite the meal rush, please be mindful of fellow members waiting to be seated.

Across the parking lot of the Royal Palm Tower (back side of property) there is a pedestrian bridge to the local shopping mall with a food court.

Thursday Dinner Show

(See a San Diego District Representative to purchase tickets, upon availability).

Saturday and Sunday Banquets

(See Rose Jarrett to purchase tickets, upon availability).

Membership

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or her feelings on a subject without becoming angry or extremely emotional. Members should follow the “Golden Rule” in their dealings with one another.

Special events: A branch would be wise to have some special events in addition to the district and CC events. Honoring your branch chaplain, or outgoing presidents or long-time members or having a heritage night or Christmas Party are all worthy endeavors.

Participation in District and Central Council Events and Programs:

A branch which truly wishes to retain members should support its district, the district special events and central council programs. The vibrant branch should also adopt projects to aid the parish and worthwhile charities. However, programs of this nature should not be substituted for district and central council programs but should be in addition to those programs.

As stated earlier the purpose of this article is to describe how the conduct of branch members and especially branch officers play a major role in the success of the branch and its ability to retain members, hopefully for life. Preparation, friendly laughter and excellent camaraderie are the order of the day.

Larry Marsalli

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grand-children and 4 great grandchildren. He worked for Wells Fargo Bank for over 10 years, and then joined Race Street Fish & Poultry where he worked in Sales & Marketing for over 30 years.

Larry lived his life and served his community with honor and dignity at all times. He was a wonderful role model to his family and friends. Over his 92 years, he served in several capacities. He was a volunteer at St. Clare's Parish, served as Grand President of the Italian Catholic Federation as well as many officer positions in the local ICF Branch #5, was Past President and on the Board of Directors of the Serra Club of Santa Clara, a Founding Member and Board President of the Mission City Community Fund, Member of the Santa Clara Elks Club, Member of the Santa Clara YMI and Chairman of the YMI Annual Parade of Champions for 50 years, just to name a few. He was knighted as a member of The Miliary and Hospitaller Order of St. Lazarus of Jerusalem. His Community Service to the City of Santa Clara earned him the name “Mr. Santa Clara” and included serving in several capacities on: the Santa Clara Charter Revision Committee, City of Santa Clara Planning Commission for 3 years, Santa Clara Civil Service Commission for 8 years, Santa Clara City Council (11 years) and Served as the City of Santa Clara Mayor in 1967-1968. Larry was also Chairman of the City of Santa Clara Bi-Centennial Celebration Committee in 1976. He served as Assistant Fire Chief for the Santa Clara Volunteer Fire Department for 50 years, and was

New ICF Brochure



A beautiful new ICF Brochure is available now for use by all branches. This is a great marketing tool to distribute to guests at monthly membership meetings, information tables at branch events, and for membership drives. On the inside of the brochure, there is a reserved area to place your branch contact information. Please contact the ICF Office at (888) ICF-1924 to have brochures sent to your branch.

Dave Rose

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Italian Catholic Federation Branch 10, serving the ICF in numerous capacities. He earned the Pope John XXIII award, the highest honor given to a layperson in the Italian Catholic Federation, for his years of dedicated service to others. Dave was a wonderful person who donated thousands of hours to the Alameda community during his long and happy life of giving. He was a steadfast Oakland Raider fan since the team's inception in 1960. Dave is survived by his loving sisters, Barbara Payne (Jerry, dec.) and Patricia Kennedy (John) as well as his adored nieces and nephews Linda Rose Payne, Tess Payne Rohan, Mary Payne-Omohundro, Karen Kennedy Bjeletich, Matthew Kennedy, and David Kennedy; sons Whitney Gaunt (deceased), James McGee (Kristina) and Erick Waddington (Carmen) as well as grandson Paul Waddington; Godsons David Kennedy and Mark Hobson (Leigh.) Dave acted as a foster parent and mentor to many young people throughout the years

including Michael Pang, Rafael Garcia, Larry Smith (deceased), Chris Wong, Charles Travenia, Peter Travenia, Jessica Travenia, Jacob Travenia, Niko Aumua, Sean Ramsey, Cole Blankenship, Matt Jones, Qaise Shaghazi, Braulio Aramburo, Silvio Mora, Tim Watanabe, Giovanni Campos, Donte Cullins, Miles Jones, Jonathan Pfifer, Emilio Garcia-Sanchez, Safi Hasseeb, Jesse Groves, Keith Murray, Marco Gonzalez, the Norris girls (Hope, Michaela, Sarah, Kate, and Anne), the Henderson's (Charlie, John, Tom, and Mary) and Maggie Hobson Caracciolo. Rosary to be held on Friday, July 13, 2018 at St. Philip Neri Church at [3100 Van Buren St. Alameda, CA 94501](https://www.google.com/maps/place/3100+Van+Buren+St,+Alameda,+CA+94501); viewing 5:30 - 7:00 and Rosary at 7:00 p.m. Funeral Mass on Saturday, July 14, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Philip Neri Church. Reception to follow Mass in church hall. Donations can be made in Dave's name to: Bishop O'Dowd "60" Scholarship Fund, Boy Scouts of America Alameda Council, St. Joseph's Grammar School, Hanna Boys Center, Alameda Meals on Wheels, St. Philip Neri Grammar School, or the Italian Catholic Federation.

Co-Chairman of the Santa Clara Stadium Committee. In 2007, Larry and his family began the Marsalli Family Foundation which sponsors a Charity Thanksgiving Dinner at St. Clare Hall to serve those in need in his community.

Larry is survived by his wife Elise of 69 years, daughter Denise (husband Jerry), daughter Lauri Ann (husband Mike), grandchildren Jerod Marsalli, Brian Marsalli, Janelle Marsalli-Smith (husband Jason), Michael Quieto, Lisa Quieto Colliss, Kelsey Taylor, David Taylor, Katie Taylor, and great-grandchildren Kaylee Smith, Caitlyn Colliss, Allison Smith and Tyler Marsalli Smith, sister Doris Geraci (husband Mario), and several nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his son Jerry Marsalli, and daughter-in-law Nancy Marsalli, and his sister Alma Pirone.

The family wishes to express their gratitude to Santa Clara Kaiser Hospice and Visiting Angels for the wonderful care provided at the end of Larry's life. We are also profoundly grateful to the countless friends who have expressed their sympathy and love to our family.

Family and friends are invited to attend a Visitation and Rosary Service Thursday, July 12, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at St. Clare Church, 941 Lexington Street, Santa Clara, CA 95050. Funeral Mass will be held on Friday, July 13th at 10:30 A.M. also at St. Clare Church. Interment will immediately follow at the St. Clare Chapel of Santa Clara Mission Cemetery.

For those wishing to honor Larry, the family suggests a donation in his memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or Santa Clara Kaiser Hospice.

2018 First Year Scholarship Winners

Name	In Memory of	In Honor of	Branch/District/Individual
<u>Central Coast District</u>			
Rachel D’Agui			Central Coast District
Abbey Genevieve Giuffrida			Central Coast District
Mariana Guerrero			Br. 21
Gabriella Graziano			Br. 25
Christine Wooler			Br. 25
Justin M. Hough			Br. 26
Hailey Dalton			Br. 36
Chase Watkins			Br. 227
Lindsay Ann Cagnacci	Don Bonnel		Br. 227
Akemi Ito	Michael Ponza		Br. 227
William Marlatt	George and Barbara Airoidi and Don Bonnel		Br. 227
Lauren Picone	Otto Ambiel and Peg D’Anna		Br. 227
Rigel Hall			Br. 354
Analise Kunkel			Br. 354
<u>Chicago District</u>			
Alessandra Kidd	Rev. Angelo Garbin		Chicago District
Rosa Bianca Piscopo			Br. 418
<u>Contra Costa District</u>			
Macguire Buss			Br. 14
Madison Thomas			Br. 14
Skylar Jacobs			Br. 154
Isabella Mercurio			Br. 154
Serena Samson			Br. 154
Cierra Garza			Br. 214
Makenna Caldwell			Br. 352
Collin O’Grady			Br. 352
MacKenzie Gumina			Br. 432
Colette Cote			Br. 442
Julianna Friis			Br. 442
<u>East Bay District</u>			
Evelyn Morehead			East Bay District
Miles Carson			Br. 10
Lauren Banchieri			Br. 91
Nicholas John Neira			Br. 215
Cassidy Bates			Br. 285
Gabriella Bond			Br. 285
Gabriela Vilter			Br. 285
Julia Gallaway			Br. 343
<u>Fresno District</u>			
Camille Alamo			Fresno District
Evan Dominic Belli			Br. 32
Gianna Giorlando			Br. 32
Elise Martini			Br. 32
Molly Soper			Br. 33
Dylan Bernardi			Br. 39
Joseph Bustabade			Br. 39
William Gates, III			Br. 39
Kailey Marie Stone			Br. 39
Madison Weed			Br. 39
Darren Borba			Br. 54
Kyle J. Borrelli			Br. 54
David Edwards			Br. 54
Amanda Marie Jameson			Br. 250
Alyssa Brianna Hill			Br. 281
William Stoll			Br. 308
Breanna Ray			Br. 417
<u>Los Angeles Archdiocese District</u>			
George Babek			Los Angeles Archdiocese District
Daniela Salatino			Br. 108
Alessandro Mercuri			Br. 111
Angelina Camello			Br. 115
Mia Melissa Gioiello			Br. 115
Ryan J. Simone	Angie Publico		Br. 237
Lauren Campos			Br. 362
Anya Giarla	Nancy Luna		Br. 362
Gianna Schiappa	Nancy Luna		Br. 362

2018 First Year Scholarship Winners

Name	In Memory of	In Honor of	Branch/District/Individual
Elizabeth Gonzalez			Br. 374
<u>Marin</u>			
Toula Falvey	Florence Falvey		Br. 161
Gabriella-Genevieve Buddie			Br. 161
Charlie Gallagher			Br. 161
Thomas Geloso			Br. 161
Mckenzie Barnes			Br. 332
Joseph Garbarino			Br. 332
<u>Orange District</u>			
Francesca D’Alessandro			Br. 379
Julianna Cecilia Janes			Br. 406
Helena Willits			Br. 423
<u>Reno</u>			
Julia Frediani			Br. 135
<u>Blessed Sacrament District</u>			
Cameron Parra	Msgr. Virgil Gabrielli		Blessed Sacrament District
Joseph Courey			Br. 45
Desmond Dumonchelle			Br. 45
Gabrielle Favro			Br. 73
Cecilia Huckins			Br. 342
Breanna McGee			Br. 342
Allison Cuccia			Br. 438
<u>San Bernardino District</u>			
Isabella Venegas			San Bernardino District
Isabella Romagnoli			Br. 210
Caroline Jordan			Br. 217
<u>San Diego District</u>			
Natalie Rose Carey			Br. 230
Yssabela Ariana Saaib			Br. 230
Carson Oliver Fernandez Spivey			Br. 261
Grace Tarantino		Phillip and Josephine Tarantino	Br. 416
Thomas Fishburne			Scholarship Fund
<u>San FernandoValley Region</u>			
Francesco Pecile			Scholarship Fund
<u>San Francisco District</u>			
Nicholas Oropeza			Br. 258
<u>San Gabriel Valley Region</u>			
Sarah Day			Br. 218
Joseph Anton Lueken	Roxanne Perry		Br. 317
Nadine Ghezso			Br. 319
<u>San Mateo District</u>			
Lindsey Merrigan	Julia Padreddii		San Mateo District
Keira Lyman			Br. 6
Isabella Medeghini	Carlo Giusti		Br. 7
Gianna Jariya			Br. 19
Alexandra Tognotti			Br. 173
Shannen Sulpizio	Steve Crisafi		Br. 213
Eric DeBrine			Br. 327
Reese Walker	Cecilia Tommei		Br. 351
Amanda Aquilio		Carla Del Carlo	Br. 403
<u>Santa Barbara/Ventura Region</u>			
Sofia Iezza			Br. 380
Michaela Pirozzi			Br. 380
Michael Smith			Br. 380
<u>Santa Clara Valley District</u>			
Owen O’Brien	Papa Joe Marsalli		Santa Clara Valley District
Thomas Malaspina	Antoinette Sunseri		Santa Clara Valley District
Ashley Montrezza			Br. 5
Emma Herren	Rosie Mammini		Br. 28
Louisa Mantilla	Shirley Silva		Br. 28
Alessandro Maiuolo	Fr. Salvatore Di Nardo, O.P.		Br. 47

2018 First Year Scholarship Winners

Name	In Memory of	In Honor of	Branch/District/Individual
Madeline Daisy Elliott			Br. 184
Michael Montrezza			Br. 184
Bradley C. Plecque			Br. 184
Hunter Miramontes			Br. 191
Benjamin S. Leach			Br. 368
Skylar Jimenez			Br. 391
Stephany Jimenez			Br. 391
John Lawrence			Br. 391
Breanna Thomas			Br. 408
Graham Grisedale			Br. 435
Elena Jurczak			Br. 435
Jim Joseph Falcone			Br. 445
Isabella A. Onorato			Br. 445
<u>Santa Rosa District</u>			
Caitlyn De Solenni	Francis “Jeep” Sanza		Santa Rosa District
Rose Duncan	Spence Burton		Santa Rosa District
Natalie Herriott			Br. 12
Zackary Knowles			Br. 12
Peyton Troendly			Br. 12
Kiley Cramer	Deceased Members of Br. 18		Br. 18
Alyssa Girimonte	Deceased Members of Br. 18		Br. 18
Dante Angelo Miroglio	Deceased Members of Br. 18		Br. 18
September Spotleson	Deceased Members of Br. 18		Br. 18
Lauren Plum			Br. 52
Steven Zichichi			Br. 52
Samantha Stewart			Br. 75
Emma Maggioncalda			Br. 103
Alyssa Schimm			Br. 103
Jenna Silacci	Louis Vicino		Br. 127
Courtney Temple	Spence Burton		Br. 127
Lauren Vollert	Judi Fomasi		Br. 127
Jacob Smith			Br. 144
Gianna Bianchi	Peter and Juliette Barbieri		Br. 198
Mia Cain	Joseph, Irene and Jerre Paolini		Br. 198
Julianna Filice	Frank Castelli		Br. 198
Olivia Gott	Louis, Margaret and Christine Scinto		Br. 198
Teresa Righetti	Rico and Irene Acquistapace		Br. 198
Patrick Tappin	Norman and Rose Anne Sikes		Br. 198
Angelo Telucci	Aldo Desideri		Br. 198
Sofia Boicelli Woods	Romie and Helen Barbieri		Br. 198
<u>Stockton District</u>			
Cianna Guidi			Stockton District
Emily Cunial			Br. 139
Michaela Sobrero			Br. 390
Emylia Rose De Luca			Br. 395
William Jacob Fry			Br. 395
Rosa Leguria			Scholarship Fund
<u>Out of Area</u>			
Clare Ravizza			Br. 391/Scholarship Fund
<u>Individuals</u>			
Samantha Bellucci	Laura Angelino		Friends of Laura Angelino - Br. 28
Michael Alloggiamento			The Antonowicz Family - Br. 184/Br. 191/ Br. 445
Madison Orradre			The Antonowicz Family - Br. 184/Br. 191/Br. 445
Maryfrances DiMaggio	Alice Providenza Bottino		Chris and Virginia Bottino - Br. 432
Anna Bonfiglio	Albert and Rina Brocchini		The Albert and Rina Brocchini Family Foundation
Meagan Nachand	Donald DeTomasi		Louise DeTomasi - Br. 14
Aaron John Del Monte	Robert Grassilli		Robert Grassilli, Jr.
Bailey Friend	Marie Grassilli		Robert Grassilli, Jr.
Nathan Christopher Vardas	Anna Oliva		Robert Grassilli, Jr.
Joseph Galasso	Leo and Ila Kilcullen		Larry and Carmen Kilcullen - Br. 52
Dominic Dal Porto	Luigi and Rosa Mangini		Rose Mangini - Br. 38
Nicole Pappas	John Orlando		Virginia Orlando - Br. 21
Samantha Kerns	Dan Pulone		The Pulone Family
Claire Farias	John and Mary Regalia		The Regalia Family
Cameron Bowers	Nello and Cookie Rossi		Leonard and Karen Rossi - Br. 343
Lucas DeBernardi	Martin and Rose Santich		Michael and Donna Santich - Br. 91
Natalie Chavez	Helen Scesa		Frank Scesa - Br. 54
Giancarlo A. Esposito	Lola and Sam J. Parrinello		Jean and Bob Segale
Grace Kruljac	Mary and Bill Segale		The Segale Family

2018 First Year Scholarship Winners

Name	In Memory of	In Honor of	Branch/District/Individual
Cameron Meirana	Mary and Bill Segale		The Segale Family
Julia Attard	Louise Trevizo		The Trevizo Family - Br. 19

*We also gratefully acknowledge the following partial donations that made additional scholarships from the I.C.F. Scholarship Fund possible:

Central Coast District: Officers/Members of Br. 51 - In Memory of Hugo Tottino and Rose Haupt (Br. 291) - In Memory of Frank Bavaro; Contra Costa District: Br. 13 and Br. 72; East Bay District: Bert Canepa, John and Carolyn Cardinalli (Br. 285) - In Memory of Brian Crudo, John and Carolyn Cardinalli - In Memory of Herb Di Grazia, John and Carolyn Cardinalli - In Memory of Patricia Mueller, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Dianda and Jane (Br. 91) - In Honor of the 90th Birthday of Most Reverend John S. Cummins, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Dianda and Jane - In Memory of Marian Zasoski and Larry and Denise Picetti - In Memory of Thomas Poggi; Fresno District: Br. 70; Los Angeles Archdiocese District: Br. 118 and Don and Connie Bohannon (Br. 237) - In Memory of Angie Publico; San Mateo District: Officers/Members of Br. 173 - In Honor of Rina Cassanego and John and Dorene Campanile (Br. 173) - In Memory of John O’Brien; Santa Clara Valley District: Br. 191, Bill and Maria Greco, Officers/Members of Br. 191 - In Memory of Armando Fini, Officers/Members of Br. 191 - In Memory of Vivianlee Tonry, Officers/ Members of Br. 435 - In Gratitude to The Guglielmo Family, Officers/Members of Br. 435 - In Appreciation for Will Kellett, Bob Basuino (Br. 191) - In Memory of Vivianlee Tonry, Ed and Jo Bertaccini (Br. 191) - In Honor of the 100th Birthday of John Valente, Giulia Gallego (Br. 435) - In Memory of Laura Angelino, Giulia Gallego - In Memory of Evelyn Marie Sylvia, Evelyn Taravella (Br. 368) - In Memory of Steve Taravella, Women In Touch II - In Memory of Laura Angelino and Carol Yamane - In Memory of Laura Angelino; Santa Rosa District: Br. 145 and Br. 209; Stockton District: Br. 48 and Br. 413.

Due to a glitch in the system none of the Branch report photos have made it to print. A bug was received to the editor and the photos were the victim. Photos will appear in the Convention issue as long as the glitch has been fixed.
Sorry for any disappointment this has created.

Editor

Fresno

Madera

Santissimo Crocifisso, Br. 27

The May meeting was held on the 8thth and it was a Potluck with lots of yummy main dishes, salads, and desserts. Thanks to the Chairmen Bob and Ann Rolan and committee: Eileen Foster, Anna Raviscioni, Marilyn Rowe, Ila Schoettler, Elsie Bottorff and Theresa DeFrank. May 20st was the annual chicken take-out dinner and it was a success. Members received many phone calls from satisfied customers, not surprising since almost two hundred and fifty dinners were served. May 26th was the mass for ICF living and deceased members. There were 14 members that attended the mass and 8 gathered for dinner at Gabriella’s for a wonderful dinner full of good food and fellowship. There is no July meeting and I hope to see everyone at the August meeting on the Please continue to pray for our ill and injured members.

Ciao,

Kerin Cavallero

the intention of our living and deceased members. Several members attended mass and afterwards enjoyed breakfast at the Breakfast House.

Our branch is looking for a new president. Please consider and pray to God to find it in your heart to reach and embrace this club that accomplishes so many fine works. The next President is encouraged to attend the convention to be held in San Diego this September.

Raffle tickets were mailed to our members. 12 tickets for \$20—what a deal! 50% of the proceeds stay with our branch. Winners will be drawn at the national ICF convention. Return your checks and ticket stubs to Elaine Lencioni by July 24. If you need more tickets, call Elaine at 834-2278.

We will be having our 2nd annual yard sale on Huntington Boulevard in September, so purge your home of those unwanted items you no longer need, which could become someone else’s treasures.

Have a safe and happy 4th of July!

Paulette Volpa

Stone (Edna Clendenin’s granddaughter); and Madison Weed (Margaret and Joe Pia’s granddaughter). Congratulations to all our accomplished graduates!

The long-awaited collection of stories taken from the popular museum exhibit, “Grazie America! From Italy to Merced County,” has arrived. As of submission of this article, the book “unveiling” is scheduled for Saturday, July 14, 1-3 PM at the museum. It is a reception with wine, cheese and homemade biscotti. You can buy your copies then for \$20 plus tax. After July 14, the price will be \$25 plus tax for the 2-volume set. For further questions, phone Stephanie Lucich 209-658-1897.

Members recently honored at the Merced County Old Timers Association were: Ray Giampaoli, Dominic Giampietro and Virginia Sansoni (Ezio’s sister-in-law). Congrats for reaching this milestone Ol’ Timers!

Our next dinner meeting at the Italo Lodge is Wednesday, August 8, 5 PM Social Hour, 6 PM Dinner, 7 PM Meeting. Join us, as we study and vote on this year’s convention proposals.

Goditi vostre estate! Enjoy your summer!

Stephanie Lucich

students of Sanger High School.

Ralph and Rosemary Wyamenga just returned from a tour of Spain and the Basque Country. They had a wonderful time.

God Bless to all,

Orsolinca Casella

Fresno

Our Lady of Victory, Br. 32

Our May 22 meeting was very special. We had the privilege to acknowledge three first-year scholarship recipients: Evan Dominic Belli from Clovis North High School, Fresno; Gianna Giorlando and Elise Martini, both from Buchanan High School, Clovis. Congratulations!

On May 19 several members of our branch assisted OLV’s Hispanic Ministry by serving dinner after the 5:30 mass in which our catechumens received the sacrament of Confirmation. God Bless all of you.

The 8:00 a.m. mass on June 3, was for

Merced

St. Cecilia, Br. 39

Remember, our next event is Wednesday, July 11, 5 P.M. It is our Annual Weiner Roast chaired by Bob Tyler and crew at our serene and picturesque Lake Yosemite. Besides free BBQ hot dogs and trimmings, there will be a cake walk, bingo, raffle and Make-Your-Own-Sundaes.

Our scholarship winners this year are: Dylan Bernardi (Br. 39 member, parents Cathie and Joe, Lori Sutton’s nephew, and Nettie Descalso and Al Bernardi’s great nephew); Joseph Bustabade (members Mario and Michelle Buttici’s grandson); William Gates III (Carol Salmeri’s grandson); Kailey Marie

Sanger

St. Mary, Br. 70

Greetings from Branch 70, Sanger

Our Mother’s Day Dinner/Meeting tables were beautifully decorated by Josie Lopez and very well attended by all the members. It was decided that President Kay Lopez will be our delegate to the convention in San Diego. I am sure she will have a good time and learn a lot of useful information.

We have decided to continue offering scholarships of \$500 each to three deserving

Clovis

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Br. 250

Everyone had a good time at our annual Branch Picnic. The card games and bocce ball games were going strong; the hot dogs, hamburgers, salads, etc. were delicious; and spirits were high. It was a good day. A big ‘Thank you’ to Vince Jura for opening his home to us.

We missed Rich and Mary Zanarini, though, who were traveling to Salt Lake City and then to Illinois for a family visit and Rich’s 60th class reunion.

Amanda Jameson, our scholarship recipient, and her mother, Debbie Jameson, were present at the May meeting. Amanda thanked the Branch for the scholarship and told of her plans to attend Clovis Community College two years before transferring to Fresno State. Her major will be Speech Pathology.

Rueben and Cindy Silva’s granddaughter, Arianna Silva, received the AVID Award (Advancement Via Individual Determination).

On October 1, 2017 Jeannette Couch became a great-grandmother to Brody Bell. On April 29 this year her second great grandson, Cody Bell, was born.

Angelo and LeAnne Lavagnino’s second great-grandson, Jude Elliott Lavagnino, was born May 20 to grandson, Jordan and his wife, Kristen.

Many Happy Returns to our July birthday



CONVENTION BINGO

Town and Country Hotel, San Diego
Friday, August 31, 2018 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.

Jackpots based on the number of participants.

Advance Bingo Registration Entry Form: Branch

Name: _____	# of Bingo Packs: _____
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Name: _____	# of Bingo Packs: _____
Name: _____	# of Bingo Packs: _____
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Please make your check payable to ICF 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
or \$30 each
Check Enclosed = \$ _____

2018 CONVENTION CHECKLIST

Convention Souvenir Book Ads (prices vary)	Due: June 1
Memorial Names \$5, Sponsor Names \$1	
Delegate Registration \$275	Due: June 30
Late Delegate Registration \$300	After: June 30
Central Council Candidate Application	Due: August 1
Central Council Candidate Bollettino Article	Due: August 1
Branch and District Convention Bollettino Entries	Due: August 1
Thursday Welcome Dinner/Concert Reservations "Remembering Frank Sinatra" \$75	Due: August 1*
Tour #1 Mission San Diego De Alcalá, Junipero Serra Museum & Old Town San Diego \$55	Due: August 1*
Tour #2 Explore Little Italy and Coronado Island \$65	Due: August 1*
Town and Country Hotel Reservations \$129/night	Due: August 7 (firm)
Non-delegate Guest List	Due: August 15
Convention Raffle Tickets sent to office	Due: August 15
Friday Pedro Tournament Signups \$10	Due: August 15
Friday Bingo Early-bird Signups \$25	Due: August 15
Bingo After August 15 or Walk-ins \$30	
Saturday Banquet Reservations	Due: August 15
Honoring: Bryan Stow	
Non-delegate Adult \$69, Children \$30	
Sunday Salute to Swing Banquet Reservations	Due: August 15
Adults \$69, Children \$30	
Friday Blood Drive Signups - Priceless	Walk-ins Welcome
Friday Pedro Lessons Signups - Free	Walk-ins Welcome

No reservations are required for Italian Sing-along, Opening/Closing Ceremonies, Meet the Candidates Social, Masses, 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.

*Indicates that the reservations are submitted to The San Diego District. All other reservations are made through the ICF Office.

Italian Catholic Federation
Convention Yearbook Program
ARTWORK DEADLINE JUNE 1ST!

This is **YOUR** ICF Yearbook!
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?

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

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

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

The ICF Convention Yearbooks 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** entry this year
- Use **COLOR** in your entry
- Submit individual entries for your members - very reasonable price!

BE SEEN!
Tell YOUR part of the story!

Here's to a successful convention!
ST. DENIS -- BRANCH 317

COLOR!
Submit **COLOR ENTRIES** to bring some **WOW** to your images! Here's an entry that appeared in black and white last year. They could have had it in color!
What a difference!

Italian Catholic Federation Eighteenth Annual

GOLF TOURNAMENT

DATE: FRIDAY, JULY 27, 2018

COURSE:

FORMAT:

START:

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

Four Person Scramble

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

BANQUET:

2:00 -

3:00 -

RAFFLE:

PRICE:

Prepared By Our Returning Chef Ed Leonard

Moose Lodge
555 Canyon Del Rey Blvd., Del Rey Oaks, CA 93940
No-host Cocktails

Sumptuous Roast New York Strip Dinner

There will be a raffle with stupendous prizes!

Golfers: \$170 (includes hot buffet breakfast, 18 holes of golf with cart and banquet.) After July 20th, the price per golfer is \$185. Banquet only: \$50.

RESERVATION DEADLINE: JULY 20, 2018

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

SIGN UP:

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Handicap _____

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Handicap _____

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Banquet only

Make check for total amount (\$170 per player plus \$50 per banquet guest), payable to the I.C.F. Golf Tournament, and send to the address below before the July 20th deadline.
Remember: \$185 per player after July 20th.
The Central Council and Tournament Committee are very excited about this event and hope to see all of you (golfers and non-golfers) there!

ICF, 8393 Capwell Drive, # 110, Oakland, CA 94621 - 888-423-1824 - FAX: (510) 633-0750 - Web Site: icf.org - E-mail: info@icf.org

"Our Mission of Faith"

Italian Catholic Federation 2018 Convention Hotel and Travel Highlights Town and Country Hotel, San Diego, California Thursday, August 30 – Monday September 3, 2018

Hotel Accommodations

- 500 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, CA 92108 Direct phone: 619-291-7131
- Reservations: (800) 772-8527 •Book online: <https://aws.passkey.com/e/49392116>
- Group Code: ICF •Group Name: Italian Catholic Federation
- Room Rate: \$129 plus tax single/double occupancy (hotel service fee waived)
- Reservation Deadline: Tuesday, August 7

Note: The ICF group code must be used to ensure we meet our contracted room nights and for you to receive discounted parking and waived resort/service fee). Reservations are available until sold out or August 7, whichever occurs first. After August 7, reservations will be accepted at the best available rate. Delegates are required to stay from Friday evening – Monday morning.

Transportation

- \$5/night self-parking
- San Diego International Airport – 7 miles
- Amtrak – 5 miles ICF Code: X35H-999 For travel between 08/27 - 09/06, a 10% discount is offered when you call and provide this code. (800) 872-7245

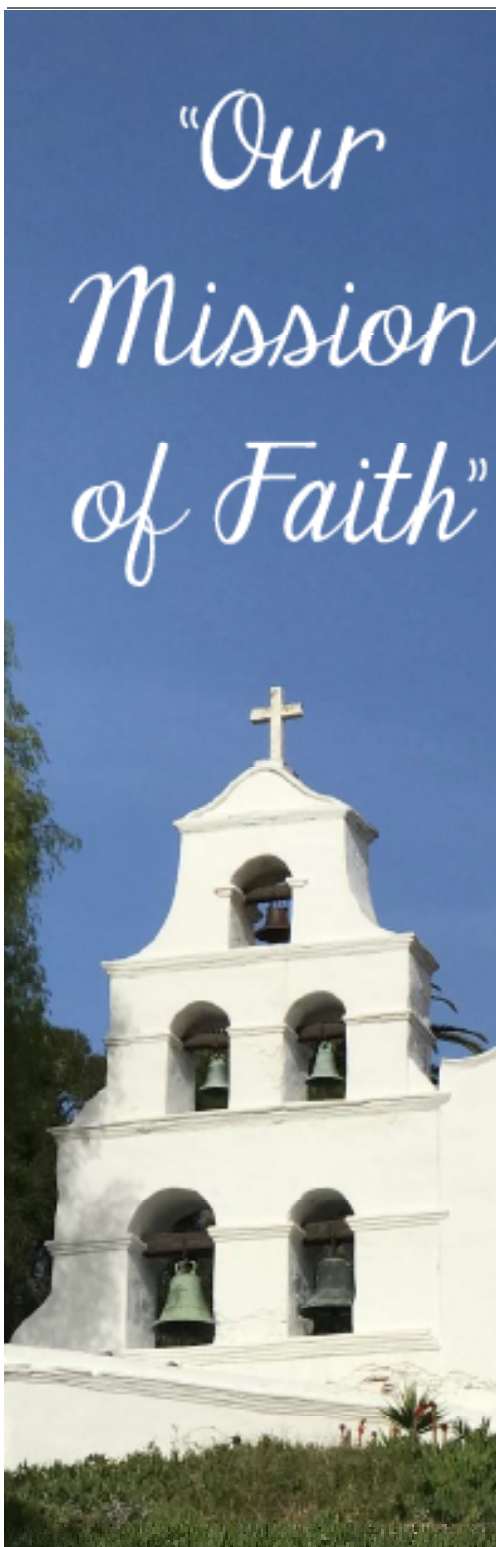
Please notify your branch of your convention attendance.

To ensure we have a name badge prepared, please inform your branch that you are attending the convention. They will include you on the guest list.

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

Please refer to the Buletto, ICF website and Facebook page for additional convention details and reservation forms for activities and dinners.

San Diego: Birthplace of the California Missions



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CONVENTION PEDRO

Lessons - Come and learn how to play what some say is the "official" card game of the ICF. Lessons are complimentary and will take place on Friday, August 31, from 12:30pm-2:30pm.

Tournament - Beginners and Pros are invited to compete in the annual convention Pedro tournament on Friday, August 31, from 2:30pm-5:30pm. The entry fee is \$10 per player.

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

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Pedro Reservations

Branch Number: _____

City: _____

Attendees for Complimentary Lessons:

Walk-ins welcome!

Pedro Tournament Players:

Tournament Players: _____

X Entry Fee Per Player: \$10

Total: _____

Check Number: _____

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

CONVENTION SUGGESTED ATTIRE

Thursday

Day – Casual

Evening – Black Tie Optional

Friday

Day – Casual

Evening – Smart Casual

Saturday

Day – Business Casual

Evening – Semi Formal

Sunday

Day – Business Casual

Evening – Military Dress, Respectful Military Costumes, 40s Vintage or Dressy Casual

Monday

Day – Business Casual



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:

Bryan Stow

Learn more about Bryan by visiting BryanStowFoundation.org

**Saturday, September 1, 2018
7:00pm Banquet Seating Begins**

**Town and Country Hotel, San Diego
Semiformal Attire Suggested**

**Reservation deadline is August 15.
Respectfully, refunds will not be extended by the hotel once the headcount has been submitted.**

**Convention Delegates:
Admission is included with convention registration.
A reply is not required on this form.**

Three Course Plated Banquet Menu:
Baby Greens with Heirloom Tomato, Cucumber and Julienne Carrots, topped with Ranch Dressing; Grilled Prime New York Strip Loin with Brandy Peppercorn Sauce, Potato and Cheese Gratin, Root Vegetables; Artisan Bread; Salted Caramel Budino with Chocolate Cream and Candied Peanuts; Red and White Wine; Freshly Brewed Coffee and Selection of Herbal Teas.

Saturday Night Convention Banquet

Non-delegate Reservations

Branch # _____

City: _____

Non-delegate Reservations:

_____ X \$69 per adult = \$ _____

_____ X \$30 per child = \$ _____

(Ages 12 and younger, Pasta Entree)

Check # _____ = \$ _____

**Please mail your check to the I.C.F. office by August 15th.
8393 Capwell Drive Suite 110,
Oakland, CA 94621**

Seating arrangements will be distributed during convention registration. Please reserve your seats on one form if you wish to sit together.

Names of Non-delegate attendees:

Please place a star next to the names of children attending the banquet. Each seat requires a paid attendee.

ICF CONVENTION TOUR #1

MISSION SAN DIEGO DE ALCALA, JUNIPERO SERRA MUSEUM & OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO

**Friday August 31, 2018
\$55 per person**

TRANSPORTATION: pickup and return via The San Diego Tour Trolley at your hotel
TOUR: a 90 minute guided tour of the MISSION SAN DIEGO DE ALCALA, A self guided tour of THE JUNIPERO SERRA MUSEUM (originally the First Spanish Mission) in Presidio Park located on the hillside overlooking Old Town is where Father Junipero Serra founded the first California Spanish Mission in 1769 which exhibits the area's early history.

WELCOME TO OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO
The historic heart of San Diego, created in 1769, a neighborhood on 230 acres, marking the site the first Spanish settlement, with only a mission and a fort, on the U.S. West Coast featuring 12 acres of Mexican heritage & historical sites, wander the lush gardens or browse colorful shops, early-California-style restaurants, museums, a theater and the restored Cosmopolitan Hotel. Restaurant known for authentic Mexican cuisine, dining is lively & vibrant. The Old Town State Historical Park maintains a collection of 19th-century homes and businesses that provide a glimpse into colonial life in San Diego.

The Whaley House Museum is one of only two officially designated haunted houses in California. Constructed in 1856 on a former galleys' site, the house was once home to the Whaley family as well as San Diego's first theater and county courthouse.

Casa de Estudillo, Constructed in 1825, Casa de Estudillo unveils the lifestyle of a prominent San Diego family. Standing as the most famous of the original adobe buildings in Old Town, with representative items from the 16th to 20th centuries within its 13 rooms.

Bazaar del Mundo, a San Diego shopping and dining institution, is popular for food, folklore and fun. Translated as "marketplace of the world," an attraction year-round.

ENTERTAINMENT Live mariachi performers can be seen every day in old town as well as seasonal and special event shows throughout the year on the Fiesta de Reyes stage. When scheduling permits The Ballet Folklórico dancers are a wonderful spectacle of Mexican heritage that's not to be missed.

For more information, Contact Patricia Postal 619.479.4404 or pat.postal@mcasterinc.org
Schedule for The San Diego Tour Trolley Loading, Departure and Return to your Hotel will be available when all Tour Reservations are completed. Tentative time 8:30am - 4:00pm

ICF CONVENTION TOUR #1 MISSION SAN DIEGO DE ALCALA, JUNIPERO MUSEUM & OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO RESERVATION (LIMITED SEATING)

NAME _____	DISTRICT _____
BR# _____	PHONE _____
EMAIL _____	TOTAL # ADULTS _____ @ \$55 per person = _____
CREDIT CARD TYPE _____	CARD # _____
EXP _____	CVV _____
ZIP CODE _____	

Make checks payable to: ICF San Diego District
(Memo line: Mission Basilica San Diego de Alcala and Old Town San Diego Tour #1)
Mail by Wed August 1st: Attn: Sherry Thurston ICF SD District 750 State Street #406 San Diego, CA 92101



Enjoy a USO inspired evening with dinner, 40's swing and a salute to our I.C.F. heroes.

**Sunday,
September 2, 2018
Town and Country Hotel**

Military dress, vintage civilian or semi-casual attire suggested.

**Seating begins at 7pm
Convention Raffle 9:30pm**

ENLIST FOR DINNER, DANCING AND FUN BY AUGUST 15

Branch #: _____ City: _____

_____ X \$69 per adult _____ X \$30 per child

(Ages 12 and younger, Chicken Strips entree)

Check # _____ = \$ _____

**Please mail your check to the I.C.F. office by August 15th.
8393 Capwell Drive Suite 110, Oakland, CA 94621**

MESS HALL THREE COURSE MENU: Wild Arugula Salad with Shaved Romano, Almonds, Grapes and Agrod Sherry Vinaigrette; Braised Pork Shoulder, Herb Gnocchi, Napa Cabbage, Pancetta and Whole Grain Mustard Sauce; Artisan Bread; Espresso Panna Cotta, Blood Orange Gelée and Biscotti; Wine; Freshly Brewed Coffee and Herbal Teas.

OPTIONAL: Send a copy of your 40's era or military photos (any year) to the office or email to roselynnjarrett@gmail.com. Include name, year, military branch, rank and ICF branch.

Names of Attendees:

Please place a star next to the names of children attending the banquet. Each seat requires a paid attendee. Respectfully, refunds will not be extended by the hotel once the headcount has been submitted. Seating arrangements will be distributed during convention registration. Please reserve your seats on one form if you wish to sit together.



Italian Catholic Federation Tour #2

EXPLORE LITTLE ITALY AND CORONADO ISLAND

Friday August 31, 2018 Cost: \$65 per person

The San Diego Tour Trolley, will transport you from your hotel to Little Italy, where you will be met by one of Little Italy's expert Tour Guides to begin your tour, which includes an expertly guided walking tour of Little Italy, once home to San Diego's flourishing tuna fishing industry and generations of Italian families who made their living on the sea. Little Italy is now a lively neighborhood filled with patio caffè, packed restaurants, craft brew stops, urban wineries, art galleries, sophisticated shops and boutique hotels.

The newly built Piazza della Famiglia, located in the "heart" of Little Italy, opened in March of 2018. Visitors and residents can stroll through the 10,000-square-foot European-style piazza on W. Date Street, connecting India and Columbia Streets. A beautiful tiled fountain sits at the East side of the Piazza and tables and chairs with umbrellas line the cobblestone street, inviting the public to take in the beautiful scenery and San Diego Bay views over lunch.

Little Italy is dedicated to the past, present, and future families of the neighborhood. It has become a central community gathering place to host farmers' markets, concerts, cultural events, and more. An exciting visit to The Jewel of Little Italy Our Lady of the Rosary Church & The Gift Shop followed by a tour of the beautiful historical Amici House by Convivia and light refreshments awaits. You will then take The Tour Trolley to the Harbor where you will board the San Diego Ferry to Coronado Island. Coronado's coastline offers wide sandy beaches with sparkling sand, courtesy of the mineral Mica, that draw visitors from around the world. With its elegant gardens, old-world mansions, quaint shops, and oceanfront dining with spectacular sunset views, no wonder this charmed small town has been dubbed "The Crown City," as Coronado means "the crowned one" in Spanish. After exploring this unique place you will return by Ferry to the Harbor and take The Tour Trolley back to your hotel.

For more information, Contact Patricia Postal 619.479.4404 or pat.postal@mcasterinc.org (Limited Seating)
The San Diego Tour Trolley Schedule for Loading, Departure and Return to your Hotel will be available when all Tour Reservations are completed. Tentative times 8:30am - 4:00pm.

NAME _____	DISTRICT _____	BR# _____
PHONE _____	EMAIL _____	TOTAL # _____ @ \$65 per person = _____
CARD TYPE _____	CARD# _____	EXP _____
CVV _____	Zip Code _____	

Make checks payable to: ICF San Diego District
Memo: EXPLORE LITTLE ITALY & CORONADO ISLAND TOUR #2
Mail by Wednesday August 1st: Sherry Thurston 750 State Street #406 San Diego, CA 92101

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.

1. If you wish to place a full-page ad in the convention yearbook; the ad contract, your photo and a message must be sent to the I.C.F. Office by June 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 and icfeditor@gmail.com. Submissions should include a photo and an entry that does not exceed 300 words.

1. Only one poster (maximum size 24 X 36) may be displayed in the area designated by the Convention Director. An easel will be provided.
2. Campaign flyers and campaign favors may only be given out on Friday evening during "Meet the Candidates." Food related favors are permitted so long as the item does not compete with the hotel's food and beverage guidelines. For example: candy

would be acceptable by the hotel, but not wine or other beverages as these items would take away revenue from the hotel bar.

3. There will be no candidate hospitality rooms. This decision was made in order to follow the quiet time and no-party policy enforced at hotels. In lieu of candidate hospitality rooms/campaign parties, refreshments hosted by the Central Council will be served during “Meet the Candidates.” 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 I.C.F. 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.
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.

Thank you for your interest in being a
Central Council Member!

THURSDAY AUGUST 30TH 6:00PM
REMEMBERING FRANK SINATRA
"The Man and His Music"
IN CONCERT



Begin your exciting weekend! The San Diego Tour Trolley takes you to St Therese Social Center. A lavish Cocktail Reception, Exquisitely prepared Sinatra inspired Gourmet Dinner, catered by the Executive Chefs from RoVino+Rotisserie+Wine Restaurant. Enjoy a memorable Musical Concert featuring Sinatra's original music, sung by **HIGHLY ACCLAIMED AWARD WINNING JAZZ VOCALIST/RECORDING ARTIST/COMPOSER PATRIZIA THE SULTRY LADY OF JAZZ** accompanied by her Outstanding Band, followed by Dancing to the band and Raffle Prizes Extraordinaire. Don't miss this, memorable, exciting, fun time for the entire family.

For more information, Contact Patricia Postal 619.479.4404 or pat.postal@mcasterinc.org
Schedule for The San Diego Tour Trolley, Loading, Departure and Return to your Hotel will be available, once all Tour Reservations are completed. Tentative Departure 5:30PM-5:45PM Return 10:30PM-10:45PM.
Black tie Optional (Limited Seating) Additional Information: www.patriziasultryladyofjazz.com

THURSDAY EVENING - REMEMBERING FRANK SINATRA "The Man and His Music" AUGUST 30th 6:00 PM
RESERVATION \$75 Adults - \$35 Kids under 13 - Saint Theresa Parish Social Center 6826 Camino Rico, San Diego, California

NAME _____ DISTRICT _____

BR# _____ PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

OF ADULTS _____ @\$75 per person = _____ # OF KIDS _____ @\$35 per person = _____ C.C. TYPE _____

CARD # _____ EXP _____ CVV _____ ZIP CODE _____

Make checks payable to: ICF San Diego District
(Memo line: Remembering Frank Sinatra "The Man and His Music")
Mail by Wed August 1st: Sherry Thurston 750 State Street #406 San Diego, CA 92101

celebrants! They are: Father Robert (7/18); Madeline Conatser (7/22); LeAnne Lavagnino (7/5); Rachel Schultz (7/27); and Michael Weatherly (7/1).

“Set your heart on brighter things. Each day contains a promise. Light the hours with sunshine thoughts, and hope will paint a rainbow.” (B. J. Hoff)

Happy Fourth!

Ciao!

LeAnne Lavagnino

Bakersfield

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

Happy Summer!

The Annual Summer Salad Social was once again a lovely event, and despite the hot weather, everyone enjoyed each other’s company and tasty dishes. A special thank you to first-time meeting hosts, Ashley and Lucas Choate. We hope to continue visiting them every June! We also appreciate all our members who attended and shared their culinary talents with the group.

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.

The 2018 National ICF Convention is coming up quick in beautiful San Diego. A congratulations is in order to the delegates that are representing our branch—and to the rest of our members: what a great excuse for a vacation to San Diego! Everyone that can attend is encouraged to do so. You can still attend the workshops, network with other branches, and socialize at the fun dances, dinners, and other events.

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 Zasoski

Fresno

St. Anthony, Br. 308

We enjoy making summer special in Branch 308, as the weather warms.

Plans were set in May for three June events, as we continue selling tickets for our Third Annual Tahoe Joe’s Fund Raiser on Sunday July 8th.

We welcomed June with another Sausage Sandwich Sale, the first weekend, and sold out. This is a labor of love by Chef Bernie Squio who leads a team of dedicated cooks, and a sales team that included Patti Lometti,

who celebrated her birthday by taking the early shift Sunday. Despite the heat, it was a joy raising funds for our ministries – while putting a smile on parishioners’ faces, since a sandwich after church meant not having to cook. Always a good selling point!

Wednesday the 13th we will again participate in our parish’s annual Feast of Saint Anthony’s, with other organizations, who each provide a unique ethnic dish. We always look forward to Feeding the Faithful pasta! And this year, our members will bring bakery treats, adding a sweet note to the evening.

We also look forward to a Special Mass for Deceased ICF Members, on Sunday the 24th.

Yet, Branch 308 still takes care of business. Board member Ed Girado is arranging a Safe and Sacred Training course for members who do not use a computer and can therefore not take it online.

Being family focused at our core, we are thankful to receive this mandatory training, designed to raise awareness about potential issues while dealing with children – our future!

Los Angeles

**Mother Cabrini Chapel and
Library**

On June 10, 2018 the Mother Cabrini Chapel and Library Open House was hosted by the ICF San Gabriel Valley Region from 9 am to 12 pm. Visitors included several parishioners of Saint Francis Xavier School and the President of Federated Italo Americano of Southern California Ann Potenza introducing her mother to the Chapel and Library for the first time. They shared their experiences and shared the importance of maintaining a strong connection with Mother Cabrini and the Catholic Church. Attached Photo: ICF Committee members Andrea Linn and Carmelo Sabatella with Ann Potenza and mother.

Please spread the word! All members, families and Parishioners are invited to join The Mother Cabrini annual pilgrimage on December 2, 2018, from 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm. Call 626 372-7812 to RSVP and for more information.

Thank you ICF Branches who were able to donate additional funds in support of the Cabrini Chapel this year. We hope other Branches will also be able to contribute through a special collection or fundraiser.

Members that have memorabilia from Mother Cabrini or her former Cabrini facilities and would like to include them in the Cabrini Chapel Library/Museum; or would like to help the Mother Cabrini Chapel by volunteering their time or by making a financial contribution, please call 626 372-7812 or mail your donation(s) to:

ICF Mother Cabrini Chapel and Library

3801 Scott Road, Burbank, CA 91504

Attn: Carmelo Sabatella, President

C 626 372-7812

Los Angeles

**Los Angeles Archdiocese
District Council**

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer and relaxing with friends and family.

I want to remind everyone of the 31st Annual Cooley’s Anemia Steak BBQ, July 14, held at Holy Family Church in South Pasadena. The event is sponsored by Br. 108, and the Sabatella and Shaw Families.

It is a fun and rewarding event. And, this year it will be in an air conditioned hall. So no ‘rain-out’ or summer heat with which to contend!

Come and join us to raise awareness and funds for Cooley’s.

Looking forward to seeing many of you in San Diego. The Los Angeles Archdiocese District will host a hospitality room and hold our quarterly district GM during the Convention. More information will be emailed closer to Convention time.

Blessings,

Pat Mages

District President

Los Angeles

St. Peter, Br. 67

The next Mother Cabrini Chapel and Library Open House is scheduled for September 9, 2018 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at Saint Francis Xavier Church in Burbank. Bring family, friends and fellow parishioners for a visit to the Chapel where Mother Cabrini visited daily and prayed to Our Lady Help of Christians for strength and guidance in her work as the leader of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The annual Pilgrimage, Mass and Luncheon in honor of Mother Cabrini is celebrated the first Sunday of each December starting at 12:30 pm. For more information call 626 372-7812 or email cas1810@aol.com.

Branch 67 will continue to work with Saint Peter’s Church and reaching out to all ICF Members, the Italian Community and those who are interested in continuing an ICF presence at this beautiful Italian National Church. Interested members are asked to call [626 372-7812](tel:6263727812) for membership in or a position on the Branch 67 Board.

Please spread the word to friends, families and members that the Italian Catholic Federation Branch 67 and Padre Pio Society will attend the 11:00 am (Italian) mass and join St Peter Parishioners on the fourth Sunday of each Month this year. Please call Carmelo at [626 372-7812](tel:6263727812) or visit website at www.icf.org for more information.

Please let me know how you can help us keep the future alive for the next generations at Branch 67 in Los Angeles. We are asking for your ideas, prayers and support.

Your help is greatly appreciated.

Carmelo Sabatella AIA

President Branch 67

Italian Catholic Federation

T. [626 372-7812](tel:6263727812)

E. cas1810@aol.com

South Pasadena

Holy Family, Br. 108

On June 10, 2018 - ICF Branch 108 held

its annual picnic and bocce tournament at Arcadia County Park. Congratulations to Bocce Winners Tom Haubrick and David Tetreault. Members enjoyed lunch from Jakes Roadhouse BBQ in Monrovia and celebrated the May, June, July and August birthdays with cake and Root Beer Float (supplied by guest parishioner Pat Bengford).

Please keep our sick members in your prayers that they may reach a speedy recovery. And to our former Branch members who recently have gone to their eternal reward. May they rest in peace.

Save the Date:

- July 15, 2018 - ICF Cooley’s Anemia BBQ Fundraiser in HFC Connolly Hall. Great food, games and friendships are made prior to the upcoming ICF Convention in San Diego later this year. Call 626 372-7812 for more information.

Montebello

St. Benedict, Br. 111

Ciao a Tutti. Best Wishes for a great summer to all of you. We will not have a general meeting in July. Our branch annual potluck Picnic will be held on Saturday, August 4, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. at the Sanchez Adobe Park. A picnic flyer with details will be mailed out. Invite your family and friends. Our August General Meeting will be on Thursday, August 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the St. Augustine House, 200 N. 12th Street, in Montebello. After the meeting, we will have cake to celebrate the Birthdays of members who have birthdays in the months of July & August: Happy Birthday to everyone!!

We would like to welcome Phillip & Phyllis Pace as new members to our branch. Benvenuti! Congratulations to Alessandro Mercuri from Cantwell Sacred Heart of Mary High School, Montebello. He won Branch 111’s \$400.00 First Year College Scholarship.

On June 22, 2018, Branch President, Frank Salomone, attended the St. Benedict School Graduation Ceremony and presented two Phillip Pace, Jr. Scholarships, each in the amount of \$400.00, to Samantha Alvarado and Ashely Melendrez.

Our branch is teaming up again this year with the St. Benedict’s Knight’s of Columbus to operate a Fireworks Stand at [228 Beverly Blvd.](#), in Montebello, and will be holding a Fireworks Raffle of a Big Bang Assortment on July 4th.

We pray for our sick members and those in need; keep them in our thoughts and prayers. Finally, I leave you with the following Achievement quote: “Good things come to people who wait, but better things come to those who go out and get them” Thank you for all you for the ICF and for our community.

God Bless!

Frank Salomone

San Pedro

St. John Joseph of the Cross Br. 115

Time marches on and so do the members of branch 115.

On June 2 our adopted seminarian Ian Hagan was ordained to the priesthood at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Angeles. Neal and Anna DiLeva, Nancy Ventimiglia, Pauline Iacono and Filomena Boccanfuso attended the beautiful ceremony. The following day Neal and Anna DiLeva and Pauline Iacono attended his 1st mass at St. Julie Billard Church in Newbury Park. Congratulations!


Our parish fiesta will be held on July 20th thru July 22th Our monthly July meeting will be moved to Thursday July 12th at 7:30pm. Once again our branch will be hosting the pizza/meatball and sausage booth. On

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Thursday July 19th our branch will be making meatballs for the fiesta. Help will be needed to make meatballs on Thursday and to man the booth all 3 days of the fiesta. Please call Pauline (310) 8320563 and or Neal at (310) 433 1044 if able to volunteer a few hours. It is such a worthy cause and lots of fun! All help is appreciated.

At our meeting on July 12th Neal will be discussing our annual Tridium for St. John Joseph of the Cross. Tridium will be celebrated at the 5:15pm mass on August 16th and 17th. On Saturday August 18th mass will start at 9am. Father Harrigan will be the main celebrant and Father Isac Kalina will be the Predicator. Please join us after mass for lite refreshment in the auditorium. The evening festivities will start at 6pm. Menu consist of Prime Rib and all the fixings. Tickets are \$35.00/person. Please support this fundraiser. The monies raised will help our branch support our parish, offer scholarships, and support our seminarians. Call Neal for tickets (310) 433 1044

A Happy Fourth of July to all. God Bless America and keep everyone safe. Keep our newly ordained seminarian Ian Hagan in your prayers

Anita Trujillo Treasurer

Arcadia

Holy Angels, Br. 218

At our last meeting, everyone enjoyed the Father’s Day luncheon of hot dogs and all the trimmings. A big thank you again to JoAnn Hudson, Audrey Luchetta and the rest of the helpers for putting together a fun day. The initiation of new members who joined in the last two years was done by Ann Armenio.

There will be no meetings until September.

Everyone have a wonderful summer and will see you then.

Lolly M.

Glendora

St. Dorothy, Br. 179

On Thursday, May 17, at our General Meeting, ICF Branch 179 hosted a delicious pizza, salad and wine dinner, with an outstanding performance by professionally trained singer, Greg Lima.

Greg is a graduate of a local Catholic high school, Bishop Amat, Class of 2012. He received a scholarship from Our Lady of the Assumption Parish’s branch of the ICF, and went on to attend The Catholic University of America in Washington DC, where he studied Vocal Performance. He acquired a Bachelor’s Degree from the Benjamin T. Rome School of Music in 2016. Greg has worked in film, television, and theater, and currently, is pursuing a career in real estate. St. Dorothy’s Parish is so fortunate to have Greg as one of our very talented Cantors.

Greg’s performance consisted of three beautiful songs in Italian. Afterwards he taught us the Italian lyrics to our Federation Anthem. The entire evening was so much fun; everyone really enjoyed themselves, even our youngest member! We’re hoping to do this again in the future!

Andaré con Dio, ciao.

Patricia Auriemmo

Recording/Corresponding Secretary

Gardena

St. Anthony of Padua, Br. 237

Dear Members,

May 6-8, 40+ members and patrons traveled to Laughlin, NV. The weather was great, food delicious and plenty of good times for all.

Thanks for making our trip a successful event!

May 24th, President Connie presented the ICF scholarship to Senior Ryan Simone from Bishop Montgomery High School. Ryan will be attending UC Santa Barbara. (See photo)

June 8th, we presented two scholarships to our St. Anthony Elementary School students, Hernan Castillo and Kamila Rodriguez, both will be attending St. Pius X-St Matthias High School. Julieta Roa daughter of our vice-president is pictured presenting the awards.

June 9th, Francesca Villaneck, a graduate from our neighbor parish, St. Catherine, received our scholarship to Bishop Montgomery HS. , Congrats to all the graduates and best wishes for a great future. Rose Moore our Special Events Coordinator and Johnny Roa, Branch Jr. President presented the award.

Congratulations to all the graduates and best wishes for a wonderful and successful future.

A very special thanks to all the parishioners and patrons that support our many events. We are very blessed to be able to provide so many scholarships to these special students.

“Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that Shew 23:Summer is near” Matthew 24:32 .

Have a blessed Summer,

Cordially

Micheal Bohannon Roa

Diamond Bar

St. Denis, Br. 317

Our ICF Scholarship Recipient is Joseph Lueken. Joseph is Currently a Graduate if Chino Hills High School. He has been a member of the Drum Line for 4 years and is currently Drum Captain. In that 4 years, the Drum Line placed First three times in the International Competition in Dayton, Ohio. They were just Honored by the City of Chino Hills for 1st Place Win and Record Breaking Score Of 98.775 at theWGI World Championships in Dayton, Ohio. He will be attending John Paul the Great Catholic University in Escondido. His major is Business with an emphasis in Creative Entrepreneurship.

Joseph is the Grandson of Branch 317’s Members Randy and Barbara Northam.

Joseph, on behalf of the St Denis Italian Catholic Federation Branch 317, we are Honored and Proud to present you with this year’s ICF 1st Year Scholarship. We know that you will do Great and wish you All the Best in your College Adventure. May God Continue to Bless You.

Claremont

Our Lady of the Assumption, Br. 319

Happy 4th of July

We are now into the summer months. Many of the branches are going dark and so will we in July. The next meeting will be in August.

Our USO fundraiser on May 27 outside the church was very successful. We will be doing it again July 1

Some upcoming events for the branch.

August is the annual church picnic and ministry expo.

Sept.23rd will be the annual Spaghetti Dinner and Raffle

November 11 is Bishop’s Banquet at St. John Seminary.

Pray for our veterans and friends.

God Bless all

Temple City

St. Luke, Br. 326

Although the Branch did not have a meeting during the month of May, it does not mean that the membership was not active. Indeed we were. In addition to remembering our earthly mothers, this mothers day, we honored Mary, our heavenly Mother, especially during the month of May. And we honored and paid tribute this Memorial Day to those brave men and women who made the supreme sacrifice in order that we may continue to practice in what we believe in. And for those who have served and those who are still serving, we honored those men and women with a Blue Star sponsored BBQ. Thanks for standing tall for our flag.

It is graduation time. Eligible St. Luke’s grammar school eighth graders will receive scholarships from Branch 326 as the students graduate June 8th. Photos will follow as they become available

Let us not forget our June birthday people: Mary Ann Law; Cal Margo; Rose Marie Perfetto; Annette Tombrello and Tony Farinella.

And our June anniversary couples: Ann & Jack Baziak and Chuck and Lucy Hernandez.

Spiritual thought: “Want to make God laugh? Tell Him your plans.”

Jests for laughs: “If your work speaks for itself, don’t interrupt.”

Take care,

Tony Farinella

ICF Branch 326, First Vice President

La Canada Flintridge

St. Bede the Venerable, Br. 374

Three St. Bede School seniors, Faith Ellis, Lily Fontes, and Natalie Hanna, were recognized for their service to their school, church and community on Sunday May 20th at the monthly meeting of the Italian Catholic Federation branch 374 held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Montrose. The students each received a cash award of \$100 from ICF branch president Jack DeZell.

They had been selected by a special branch committee led by Mark G. Mannarelli, Scholarship Chairman, who reviewed essays submitted based on the services students provided over the past school year.Each of the students exceeded service expectations for the year by many hours and a wide scope of services.

Lily Fontes and Natlie Hanna will be attending the Mayfield School in Pasadena, and Faith Ellis will be attending Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy in La Canada Flintridge..

The branch initiated these Distinguished Service awards several years ago to single out and recognize students who go above and beyond expectations for their contributions of service. The organization also awards scholarships throughout the year based on academic achievement, but highlights special students who step forward to volunteer their time and efforts on behalf of others, exemplifying the spirit of ICF.

Downey

St. Raymond, Br. 362

June is busting out all over! Hello Summer. On June 5 th we held our annual awards night and we’re proud to say that we gave out over \$12,400 in donations and scholarships to our parish, ministries and school. Be sure to join us on June 24th for our Reverse Raffle. Our next Bingo will be July 15th. I would like to congratulate our newest branch 447. Good luck to you. Happy Father’s Day to all Dads. St Raymond wishes Sr Paula a happy retirement. Have a very relaxing summer to all.

Thousand Oaks

St. Paschal Baylon, Br. 380

This month, Branch 380 kicked off the summer with our 6th annual Bocce tournament. Many members and guests alike went head-to-head to win first place. It was a fun tournament that ended in a very close match between the last two teams.

We ask that you consider donating to our upcoming garage sale which will raise money for our ICF scholarship fund. This fund is given out in scholarships to current and prospective college students every year. If you have items to donate, or any other questions regarding the garage sale, call Anne Interrante at (805)990-5725.

The Branch 380 delegates for this year’s ICF convention are Jean & Matt Bridges, Joyce Alessandrino, and Marie Chodkowski. We’re looking forward to seeing all our friends from other branches in San Diego this year.

There is no general meeting in the month of July, so we’ll see you in August!

Ryan Interrante

Corresponding Secretary

Rancho Palos Verdes

St. John Fisher, Br. 444

Ciao a tutti!

We had a very fun Karaoke night in May where lots of our members belted out their favorite tunes. The theme was “Jazz Night” and our ICF member Dick Anthony gave a great talk about jazz appreciation. We enjoyed a delicious Italian dinner from “The Appetizer”. At our June meeting we had another beginning Italian lesson. On July 12, we have Laurice Levine as our guest speaker. She will be speaking to us on behalf of Cooley’s Anemia.

Annamarie Ellington, secretary

Monterey

Central Coast

Santa Cruz

Nostra Signora del Soccorso, Br. 21

Buon giorno! Are you enjoying the wonderful days of summer? Do you remember the summers of our youth...getting sunburned on the uncrowded beaches; sitting beneath the fantastic 4th of July fireworks; the family bar-b-ques at local parks; cruising the ‘drag’ on warm evenings? Those were the days, for sure, but we continue on in our maturity with Branch 21 and it’s tradition of community and celebration.

Upcoming events include the annual District BBQ in Chualar on August 5th. This year the push is to simply get together and enjoy good food, good conversation, and the sprawling views of the Richards ranch. If you have never been before, car-pool with us. You will see familiar faces and also meet some really nice folks from other branches. Then on August 12th. Branch 21 will have the always fun and wonderful Annual 90’s Birthday Celebration. And on Labour Day Weekend, will be the ICF Convention! So stay tuned for more information on these up-coming events.

We want to congratulate Father Dat Nguyen on the success of his first mass which was held at Holy Cross. As you know, Father Dat is our Branch’s chaplain and we understand that Holy Cross will continue to be his parish. So we are doubly blessed!

In closing, we ask that you pray for Bishop Garcia who has been ill, and also for those Branch members who are struggling with

illness. Thomas Watson once said: “Prayer delights God’s ear; it melts His heart; and opens His hand. God cannot deny a praying soul.”

Patty Morelli
Secretary Branch 21

Salinas
Sacred Heart, Br. 25

Branch 25 President, Julie Richards, presented scholarships to two outstanding students from Notre Dame High School in Salinas, Gabriella Graziano and Christine Wooler, at their graduation awards ceremony on May 16, 2018. Both young ladies and their families were invited to our June 12 luncheon meeting. We are looking forward to learning about their college choices and goals. Congratulations to both deserving winners!

We are sad to report that long time branch member, Emilio Rossi, passed away on May 10, 2018. Emilio and his wife Rosa both joined ICF in 1962 and were strong supporters and participants in Branch programs and fundraising events. At the commemoration following the Mass, President Julie Richards, accompanied by several Branch 25 members (including his daughter and member, Connie Rossi Rains), gave a short tribute to Emilio from the ICF Ritual guidelines; and she got a chuckle from the attendees when she looked up and said: “Emilio, if there is going to be a Polenta Luncheon in Heaven, I hope you sell lots of tickets, just like you did for Branch 25!”.

Two branch officers, JoAnn Sullivan and Rita Dominy, attended the Central Coast District Meeting in Paso Robles on June 3, 2018. Host Branch 25 has begun preparations for the annual Central Coast District Picnic to be held at JM Ranch on Saturday, August 4th. This year we will have a Bocce tournament and a Pedro tournament, along with Bingo, swimming, a ranch tour, and our usual silent auction and raffles. Doors will open at 8am and the festivities begin at 10am. The flyer will be emailed and mailed out right after our June 12, 2018 meeting.

Our prayers continue for long time member, Don Stoffey. Members are encouraged to visit him at the rehab center on Romie Lane.

Best wishes for a fun filled July 4th and safe travels to all.

JoAnn Sullivan, Recording Secretary

Monterey
Santa Rosalia, Br. 36

Hope everyone had a Happy of Fourth of July in celebrating our Independence. We thank our immigrant forefather who came to America to live their dream.

Congratulations to Hailey Dalton, daughter of Carrie and Tom Griffin, for receiving the Italian Catholic Federation Central Council Scholarship in the amount of \$400.00

June 7, 2018 was our dinner/meeting. Members enjoyed Flamingo Dancers before dinner. Thank you, our Executive Chef PJ, for preparing one of your outstanding dishes, Braised Beef, spinach and ricotta manicotti in red/white sauce.

June 24, 2018, we hosted a Pancake Breakfast, to raised funds for Scholarships. Thank you Chef Peter John Curatolo and crew. Chairman JoAnne Riso.

July 12, 2018, our 85 and Over Birthday Party dinner, is always a hit. We honor our members 85 and over with the Red-Carpet treatment, with photos, special dinner with entertainment. We give special thanks to our chairmen, Antonia Ihnot and June Serrano for doing an awesome job.

We welcome George Leonard as our new newsletter, editor. And also, welcome

Elizabeth Panetta as our Web Page Designer.

Congratulations to Antonia Ihnot, as our new Trustee.

Our Sympathy to the family of Claudine Auria, may God comfort you during the difficult time.

We pray for our members that our who are ill and/or homebound unable to attend our functions.

Calendar

August 2, 2018 dinner/meeting

August 4, 2018 District Picnic – Chular, CA

September 7,8,9, 2018 Santa Rosalia

September 30, 2018 Bishop Day – Hollister, CA

Enjoy your summer.

“Smell the sea and feel the sky,

Let your soul and spirit fly”.

Van Morrison

Sincerely,
Elaine Valentine

Castroville
Santa Caterina de Siena, Br. 51

Happy Birthday America! I hope everyone had a wonderful 4th of July. Our branch has taken the summer months off, our next general meeting will be held on August 10th, but the board continues to meet and plan activities for the second half of the year. Some ideas that were discussed at our last board meeting are: another fundraiser, a canned food drive to help restock our parish pantry, a family game night, Adopt-A-Family for the holidays and our annual Christmas party. Sounds like wonderful times of fun, fellowship and of course food... that’s the Italian way!

Our I.C.F Branch #51 family continues to grow. We would like to welcome our 2 new members, Gepke Strobel and Kathie Hedrick. Both Gepke and Kathie are very involved in our parish and we are blest to have them as members in our branch... benvenuti! Happy birthday to our July babies, Sally Lawrence-Reynolds and myself Cindy Stefani..... buon compleanno!

Please continue to pray for our Bishop Richard Garcia and all those in need of healing prayers.

And lastly, remember the saying when things get rough in life,

“God gives us only what we can handle”, but to that I say.....that may be true, but I think God might be mixing me up with someone else sometimes.

Have a wonderful summer.

Blessings to all,
Cindy Stefani

Capitola
St. Joseph, Br. 227

At our June meeting scholarships were awarded, followed by a delicious Beef Stroganoff dinner prepared by Dan Casagrande and his helpers Bob and Mary Montonye.

The scholarship winners are:

ICF First Year: Chase Watkins from St. Francis High School

Don Bonnel Memorial: Lindsay Cagnacci from St. Francis High

Michael Ponza Memorial: Akem Ito from St. Francis High

Airolti and Bonnel Memorial: William Marlatt from Soquel High School

Otto Ambiel and Peg D’Anna Memorial: Lauren Picone from Aptos High

Richard Robinson Memorial – Alexis Solis

from Soquel High

Perlino Scholarships went to:

Nick Ambiel and Jordan Crevelt, grandchildren of Heidi Ambiel

Dominic, Nick and Siena Armanino, grandchildren of Andy and Tracy Armanino

Katherine Dunn, granddaughter of Bruce and Jean Dunn

Emma McKinney, granddaughter of Jim and Dottie Smith

Amelia Robinson, granddaughter of Don Robinson

Cord Sabbatini, grandson of Richard and Valerie Vote

Brooke Stow, granddaughter of Gene and Ellen Pauly

We were delighted to learn from Franklyn Lopes that Central Council voted unanimously to present the Pope Saint John XXIII award to our member Bryan Stow. This is the highest humanitarian award the Federation bestows. Congratulations, Bryan, and thank you for all your work to put a stop to bullying.

Remember the annual picnic on Saturday, July 28, at George Washington Park (also known as the Forty Thieves picnic area of DeLaveaga Park). Chairperson Ken Olson and his crew will be serving steak and chicken. Prices are \$10 for Branch 227 members, \$15 for guests, and \$5 for children 12 and under. Make your reservations early (as the park can only accommodate 100 people) by contacting Mary Harrison at mrykiwi@sbcglobal.net.

Deanna Musler, Secretary

Arroyo Grande
St. Patrick, Br. 291

At our June General Membership meeting, we celebrated Membership Appreciation Month, and all members enjoyed a free “summer picnic-themed” dinner, hosted by Margaret Franco and Gayle Quain. Earlier in the month, 10 members from Br. 291 attended the Central Coast District Meeting in Paso Robles, which we co-hosted with Br. 354. It was a fun afternoon of delicious food, great raffle prizes and lots of fellowship!

Our convention delegates have been elected! Jennifer Nakamura and Keely Sanchez will be joining President Pete Gallagher as our Branch Delegates. There will be several other members from our Branch attending the convention as well, and we’re all looking forward to taking the train to San Diego!

We recently lost a dear friend and longtime ICF member, Ralph Musalo. The day after attending our May meeting, Ralph took a tragic fall at home and passed away less than a week later from him injuries. We pray for the repose of Ralph’s soul, and also ask to keep his wife Barbara and the entire Musalo family in your prayers.

Please continue to pray for members who may be experiencing illness, pain or heart-ache at this time, including Theresa Aston, Steve Becker, Dianne & Homer Clees, Wally Cox, Joanne Desilets, Terry Garrity, Stevie Hall, Bob McLean, Barbara Musalo, Jerry Quintiliani, Robert Reginato, and Jens & Sonia Wagner.

Happy Independence Day!

Keely Sanchez

Recording Secretary

Paso Robles
Saint Rose of Lima, Br. 354

Scholarship Chairwoman Irma Zanini and Branch President David Zanini presented scholarships to seven Saint Rose Catholic School 8th grade scholarship recipients at the May 29th graduation ceremony (\$1850.00);

the seven scholarship winner will be attending Mission College Preparatory High School at the start of the new school year.

On June 3rd Br.354 and Br.291 Arroyo Grande hosted the Central Coast District meeting in Paso Robles; we had over 50 members of the District in attendance for the event which included the meeting, lunch, raffle prizes, and a 50/50 drawing. It was great to see the members of the Central Coast District socializing before and after the meeting and spending the time to get to know each other better or for the first time.

On June 10th our members attended a mass for the Living and Deceased members of our branch and then enjoyed breakfast at the Guild to support the local 4-H clubs.

Our branch coordinated with Knights Carpets and Interiors to replace the carpet in the church at Saint Rose Parish with new carpet tiles, it looks GREAT!!!!

We will be starting our Registration Assistance Program this summer with the help of Abby Gallagher from Branch 291 Arroyo Grande, with the goal of helping students get a Catholic Education and increasing our membership at the same time.

We will be selling parking spaces for the Mid State Fair on July 26th, 27th, 28th, and 29th (Thursday-Sunday) at the Tractor Supply parking lot from 6am to 8pm as one of our fundraisers.

Wishing you a great and healthy summer,

David Zanini

President ICF Branch 354

Oakland
East Bay
District Council

“Summertime and the living is easy”, or is it? Maybe not since there is much to be done between now and the Convention.

Hopefully the delegates to the convention have been chosen and are aware of their duties and responsibilities. Just a reminder, don’t forget to chose an alternate.

And by now everyone should have their raffle books which is an easy fund raiser for your branch! Just sell those books and a part of the money stays with the branch, couldn’t be easier.

To make the convention more fun ahead of time, there is a 3 day cruise out of Santa Barbara, still time to sign up.

District Pres. Leonard Rossi and his wife, Karen, Br. #343, co-pres. had the pleasure of attending the ordination of 3 seminarians, one who the district has supported for many years, our own Fr. Mario Rizzo. They said that it was a moving experience and Fr. Rizzo will be stationed @ the Cathedral in Oakland. Lucky East Bay!

Please keep the families of Dave Rose and Sir Robert Dianda in your prayers. It may be vacation time, but where there is illness, prayers and support are still needed.

Have a safe and Happy 4th of July.

Alameda
Nostra Signora Della Grazie, Br. 10

We wish to express our appreciation to Laurice Levine, the liaison between the Thalassemia/Cooley’s anemia research program and the ICF, for her educational and moving presentation at our 92nd Anniversary Dinner on May 19. A total of 80 guests and members enjoyed the roast beef dinner prepared by chef Ben Ratto, Sr., Ben’s wife Linda and their son Ben Jr.

We also wish to thank Grand President Andy Pappani and the following other ICF officers for their attendance: past Grand President and East Bay District President Leonard Rossi; Leonard’s wife Karen, the president of Branch 343 of Castro Valley; Central Council member Dante Galeazzi; Lawrence Francis, the president of Branch 40 (Oakland); Lawrence’s mother Mary Ann Francis, Branch 40’s delegate to the East Bay District; Frances LaTorre, mentor to both the East Bay District and Branch 10; Nadine Mattier, Branch 215 (Fremont) trustee; and life member emeritus Leroy Taddei and his wife Stella from Branch 343. We also received congratulatory messages from Grand Treasurer Denise Antonowicz, Denise’ mother Marie Antonowicz, Grand Trustee Anne Interrante and Central Council member Dave Botta.

We have awarded \$500.00 scholarships to Saint Philip Neri School graduates Ashley Robinson and Jimmy Russi. Receiving the Branch’s \$400.00 first-year college scholarship was Miles Carson of San Leandro High School.

Fifteen ICF officers and members attended the Rosary on May 21 for Branch 10 member Albert Raineri. Al lived to age 92 and belonged to the ICF for 70 years. He is survived by his wife Holly, daughter Ann, nephew Thomas Galletti and his wife Judy and niece Carla Gaul and her husband Mark. Leonard Rossi led the ICF prayer, and Frances LaTorre read the scripture passage.

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Oakland
Santa Rita, Br. 40

Happy 4th of July Everyone. We would like to thank all of the people who supported our Bingo Luncheon. The ICF members from other Branches, our Branch 40 members and Sacred Heart Church Parish members. And Thank you to those who made a donation but were unable to attend. Because of all the support is was a great success for our Branch. And equally important everyone had a very enjoyable time. Branch 40 looks forward to having another Bingo soon. The ICF Convention is just around the corner. The Convention Raffle tickets have been mailed out. If you have already returned them, Thank you. If not please do so soon. Our Branch receives \$10 for every book we sell.

Upcoming events:

July: No Meeting.

August 6th: 7PM Monthly meeting.

August 19th: 730PM. Mass at Sacred Heart Church for the intention of the living and deceased ICF Branch 40 Members.

Please remember in your thoughts and your prayers David Rose and his Family.

Happy Birthday to Lawrence Francis, Diane Greene, Vito Muscardin and Betty Young.

Thought: “The measure or our Holiness is not the perfection of personality and the avoidance of all faults, But the extent of our Love.” Fr. Joseph SM.

Ciao,

M.A. Francis and L. Francis

Fremont
St. Francis of Assisi, Br. 215

July is a month of celebration, both of our Independence and family vacations. Here’s hopes that both are safe and a lot of fun.

Branch 215’s June meeting hosted a potluck to greet prospective members in the ICF. Our thanks to our members who provided a wonderful dinner. There will be no meeting in July as most families are on vacation.

There will be a mass for deceased members of branch 215 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church on August 12th at the 10:30 mass.

Bishop’s Day will be held at Our Lady of Grace Church, 3433 Somerset Ave., Castro Valley on August 12th. Mass will be held at 3:30 pm followed by dinner.

Branch 215 will hold its regular meeting August 14th at 7:00 pm at Corpus Christi Parish Administration Building. All are welcome.

Condolences to Clem & Yvonne Brum for the loss of Yvonne’s son, James Webster and to Sharon Xavier de Sousa our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

As always, we wish all members with birthdays, Anniversaries, and any other celebrations our congratulations. Our thoughts and prayers also go out to those who are ill and for the safety of our first responders, military, and their families.

Ken Chiatello

Branch 215

Livermore
St. Filomena, Br. 285

Our annual Polenta and Chicken Cacciatore Dinner was an overwhelming success! The cuisine was excellent as demonstrated by the many empty plates. Cannoli for dessert filled our sweet tooth. Background music was provided by an Italian accordian player. It all went smoothly thanks to the efforts of so many. Judy Wellbeloved did a superb job with the meal preparations and servings. Elaine Meier and so many helpers gave the hall and the tables the atmosphere of an Italian “ristaurante” on a piazza in Italy (see see the photos nearby.) And in this day and age, we have to say thanks to our “techie lady,” Christine Cardullo, who handled everything from flyers, to menus, to tickets, ad infinitum. And the prize baskets seem to get better every year. Fifteen elegant baskets were raffled off to some very lucky winners. Our president, Carolyn Cardinalli, co-hosted the event with Judy Wellbeloved and introduced, Cassidy Bates, one of our four ICF Scholarship winners. Three winners, Cassidy Bates, Gabriella Bond, and Gabriella Vilter, were funded by Branch 285 and our thanks to the District for funding the fourth, Evelyn Morehead. At the end of the evening, everyone went away a happy winner. Good food, good friends - old and new, and feeling they had an enjoyable evening while supporting worthy ICF charities.

As part of our May Heritage meeting, Anna Yocham spoke about the history of Napoli and her young life living there. We all learned how many times Napoli was controlled by various countries and factions. And, of course, we learned where the best pizza comes from. Her talk was full of fascinating information, but unfortunately her time was limited. Our Heritage director, Brenda Ianiro, is planning on more presentations at meetings in the future. It’s interesting to be informed of the different perspectives and lifestyles that are an integral part of our culture.

Ciao,

Charles

Castro Valley
Our Lady of Grace, Br. 343

It may be the beginning of summer, but we still have a lot of work to do prior to the Convention. Our delegates are ready, but we still need to sell those raffle books. Can

we do better than we did last year? Here’s hoping, as this is the easiest fund raiser there ever could be for the branch. Sell raffle books and a part of the money stays with the branch, no fuss, no muss. Lots of ideas out there for additional fund raising, so be ready to sign up for wherever you are able to be helpful or enjoy doing. Please try to be supportive of these activities as it lessens the burden on others. Thanks much.

Hopefully everyone enjoyed the Ravioli dinner. Also hoping that those who saw the slide show for the upcoming tour of Britain and Ireland were encouraged to sign up for it.

Did not hear of any B-I-G winners at the races, although Roz Crudo did give a good try at being our branch winner. Way to go Roz!

Here’s to a safe and happy vacation to all our travelers this summer.

Happy 4th of July to everyone.

Contra Costa

Many thanks to Joann Thilgen for her excellent District articles over the last few years. The purpose of the District is to coordinate and promote activities in the District and to cooperate with other Districts in Diocesan programs. Participation by each branch at District meetings is extremely essential and important. Did you know our District has eight branches? they are located in Danville, Concord, Pleasant Hill, Crocket, Richmond, Martinez, Pittsburg and Brentwood. We have around 800 members. Each Branch is supposed to send at least two delegates to the District meetings.

The District Communion and Breakfast at St. Catherine’s in Martinez last May, though lightly attended, was excellent.

The Italian Night baseball game between the Oakland Athletics and the Detroit Tigers is on Saturday, August 4th. Tickets for the field level seats are \$30.00 each, not the usual \$42.00. First pitch at 6:05 P.M. There will be post game fireworks and A’s Italian bobble heads. Make your check payable to “ICF Contra Costa District”. Contact Rose Jarrett at angels8199@aol.com or at (925)-381-4709.

Bishop’s Day Mass and Dinner will be hosted @ at 3:30 P.M. by the East Bay District at Our Lady of Grace church in Castro Valley on Sunday, August 12.

District Night of Recollection will be hosted by our Richmond branch on Monday, September 10. Our District Chaplain encourages every member to attend, the food will be delicious and Father Young’s talks are always very inspirational.

I leave you with quote by Charles Kingsley “Beauty is God’s handwriting”.

Joseph Flores (joefflores33@comcast.net)

Martinez
San Martino, Br. 13

With fellow parishioners, members of ICF Branch #13 joined in the 145th anniversary celebration of the founding of St. Catherine of Siena Parish with a procession around and about Martinez; followed by Mass with Parochial Administrator Father Anthony Le and Branch #13 Chaplains, Deacons Albert Dizon and Dave Holland. Former Pastor of St. Catherine, Fr. Leo Asuncion currently leading the faithful at St. Rose of Lima in Crockett, joined in the anniversary festivities concelebrating Mass and singing through the otherwise quiet streets of our city. A deliciously lovely luncheon was catered by Zandonella’s to conclude the afternoon. It was a refreshing merriment of the Catholic faithful in Martinez.

Just one day later, we were happy to join representatives of six branches of the Contra Costa District at the annual Communion Breakfast held at St. Catherine of Siena

church. We all thank Joseph Flores for his generosity in treating district members present to pancakes and eggs!

And, we had a successful kick-off to summer Spaghetti and Meatball family dinner. Many thanks to all those involved either as donors, guests, cooks, bar tenders, ticket sellers, organizers, table setters, decorators, cleaners, and/or servers. Everyone working together made it all worthwhile. Thanks to Marty, a first time dinner coordinator, for pulling it all together.

Wishing you all a sunny, safe, and fun-filled summer!

Ciao from Martinez

Anne Crisp

Crockett
San Carlo, Br. 14

Can’t wait to celebrate our Branch’s 91st Anniversary on Tuesday, July 10, with a Tri Tip BBQ dinner. There will be no mass or meeting; dinner is at 6:30, and we will play Free Bingo for awesome prizes after Johnny V’s prepared culinary treat.

There is no August meeting, but who doesn’t like a picnic? Join with your ICF friends at our Branch Picnic at the Crockett Park, near the Bocce Courts, on Sunday, August 12. Branch provides Italian sausages, buns, chips, condiments, and dinnerware. See the May to September newsletter for what to bring, and please contact Pat, 787-1131 or Donna, 799-2336 if you plan to attend. If you are going to play bocce, they need to know by August 5th. The tournament begins at 9:00 a.m., and lunch is about 11:30 or noon.

A hearty welcome to John Collins, who transferred from another branch. Glad to have you, John!

Sincere get well wishes to Gerard Lesmeister, and our sympathies to Peggy Aiello Hagerthy on the loss of her father.

Congratulations to this year’s scholarship recipients. Branch 14 awarded scholarships to two Vacaville High students, Macguire Buss (Pat Sullivan’s great nephew) and Maddie Thomas (Bill and Diane Thomas’ granddaughter). In memory of John and Mary Regalia, Jim and Nancy Dooley offered a scholarship to Claire Farias, of Carondelet, and Louise DeTomasi offered a scholarship in memory of her husband, Donald, to Meagan Nachand, of College Park. Meagan and Maddie were able to attend; Meagan will attend Sacramento State and Maddie will attend Lewis & Clark. Best wishes for successful college days to all.

Hope everyone is enjoying this warm sunshine and long summer days. On the 4th of July, remember to say a prayer of thanks for America’s blessings of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. May God bless the USA!

Ciao,

Diane Bottini Thomas

Pittsburg
San Domenico, Br. 72

A big thanks to all those who took part in our Membership appreciation event. This was held at our June meeting. Our theme was Patriotic red, white and blue. Our heritage report given by our very own Vet. Denny O’ Laughlin. The all American BBQ was a hit. Members brought side dishes and everyone had a nice evening. Each member was given a thank you raffle ticket and was thanked for being a member. Each member said when they joined branch 72. It was nice to hear some of the old time members share stories of how things were back in the day. We also thank our hostess Josie Leontini.

We do not have a meeting in July. Watch for your invitation for our swim party picnic which will be held this summer. You will also receive your invitation to our August branch meeting.

Please remember to sale your convention raffle tickets. We keep have the sales for our treasury. A book of 12 tickets is \$20.00. Make your check out to ICF branch 72. Our treasurer will write one check for all of the tickets. We thank Donna Stone for buying a book of tickets for our branch to have a chance to win.

Bus tickets are on sale for our annual trip to the Santa Rosalia festival. AKA Festa Italiana. This fun filled event will take place on Sat. Sept. 8. Each ticket is \$45.00. Bus will depart from Good Shepherd parking lot and will have a second pick up in Concord at Sun Valley Mall. Will enjoy music and play Bingo on the way to Monterey. On the way back will enjoy a movie. At the festival we will enjoy the parade and blessing of the fleet. We will be entertained by great singers and bands. There will be vendors with many items and food booths as well. The Monterey wharf is located a few steps away. You will not want to miss this. Email Chairperson Joann for more details and to secure your reservation at: limu3@yahoo.com

The annual ICF convention will be held in San Diego over labor day weekend. This will be held at the Marriott Mission Valley hotel. Book early and get the ICF rate. If you plan to attend let us know so we can submit your name for your guest badge.

Save the date of Sept. 30 for the Flock party at Good Shepherd church. We will have an ICF table at this festival.

If you know of any member who is ill. The branch will be happy to send a card. Just let us know.

That is all for now.

As we say in Pittsburg, Sempre Avanti

Patty

Brentwood
Immaculate Heart of Mary,
Br. 432

Not a lot has happened since we last touched base. There wasn't a meeting in May and June will see two events; the "Scholarship Awards Dinner" and the "Crab Feed Trial Run."

A thumbnail overview of the scholarship awards dinner was presented in last month's Bollettino, shown here again for those who might have missed it: (Looking ahead to our next event, the annual Scholarship Awards Dinner, it will be the biggest awards presentation ever for the Branch, both in concert with the Knights of Columbus or as an individual sponsor. Nine scholarships will be awarded, five College and four High School. Raising the ante to take the awards to another level was made possible by an anonymous donation of \$1,000 and the potential of the Catholic Daughters of America donating \$1,000 to the scholarship fund.) A recap of the awards presentation will appear in a future issue of the Bollettino.

The crab feed trial run will be a preview of the Branch's new fund raiser for their charitable donations. Originally to be a joint effort with the Knights of Columbus, with the trial run now and the full scale event in early 2019, the Knights have withdrawn from the trial run and will partner with the Branch for the main event only.

Bob and Pat Hoffner, the Branch's 2nd Vice Presidents will be spearheading the effort. Bob and Pat have previous experience with crab feeds and coupled with a committee of enthusiastic Branch members, the trial run should prove to be a successful harbinger for the prime time crab feed in 2019. As with the scholarship awards, a recap of the trial run

crab feed will be covered in a future issue of the Bollettino.

Looking ahead, coming up on October 12th and 13th, 2018, IHM will host a Marian Conference with the theme "With Mary, we say Yes to the Lord!" More on the conference in the August issue of the Bollettino.

Life is a journey you have to make, no matter how bad the roads or the accommodations are.

la vita è buona

Pleasant Hill
Christ The King, Br. 442

Hello Members,

I am sending this months report in the absence of our correspondent. Please pray for her (Eileen McGauranem) her father recently passed away. We offer condolences from all at Branch 442.

We welcome our new ICF member Father Mario Rizzo. He will be associate pastor at CTK starting in July. Father Mario was recently ordained. He is well known to ICF.

Our branch has been very busy. As you know we have themed meetings with delicious food, a free raffle, heritage and more. Our June meeting was held at the Viano Winery in Martinez. We enjoyed wine, soft drinks and a Mediterranean potluck. No meeting in July. Watch for your E- Vite with details for our August meeting. We will go over convention proposals. We will also collect convention raffle ticket stubs and money. Do not have convention raffle tickets? No problem. We have plenty. Let President Matt or financial secretary Judi know. The deadline to buy and turn in stubs and money is August 12. This raffle is an easy fundraiser. Our branch keeps half the proceeds. Prizes range from \$1,500.00 to \$500.00 and as ticket seller you can win \$150.00 to \$100.00. Each book of 12 tickets is 20.00.

Congratulations to our member Joanna Mackinson. She is the ICF Young Adult award recipient for 2018. We are so proud! Our convention delegates will be President Matt Dallara. Elected delegate is Diana Mackinson. Anyone can join the festivities in San Diego over Labor Day weekend.

Our Salami Toss booth was once again a favorite at the festival. A big thanks to all that set up, worked, and broke down. All proceeds go to the festival fund.

We have awarded several ICF scholarships. The winners of the first year scholarships is Colette Cote and Julianna Friss. We wish them well in college.

Happy Birthday to all born in July.

Happy Summer.

Fraternally yours,

Patty Jarrett

Orange
Irvine

St. Thomas More, Br. 423

Summer Greetings!

May's Cinco de Mayo themed dinner was hosted by Sylvia Garcia and Hermi Gonzalez. Members dined on tacos, refried beans, Mexican rice, salads, and desserts. Muy delicioso!

Our guest speaker was Teresa Quick from Thomas House in Garden Grove. Thomas House helps families by providing housing, counseling, support services, and a safe environment. Families stay in their facilities where they become self-sufficient. They have a 90% success rate. Ms. Quick has been involved with Thomas House for over 20 years. Our very

own Dolly Lewis was one of the founders! Thomas House is one of the organizations we support. For more information, visit www.ThomasHouseShelter.org.

June's meeting was an ice cream social followed by a brief meeting. The branch book award winner was announced and was invited to the meeting. Members brought their favorite ice cream toppings and we all enjoyed a game of Bingo.

Annual Picnic will be on July 20 at 5:00 pm at St. Thomas More Parish. Carole Caplett and Rose Gianantonio are chairpersons. Please bring side dishes, as branch will provide items for barbecue.

Our latest restaurant fund-raiser event was held on June 20 at Rodrigo's Mexican Grill in Tustin. A portion of the meals and drinks were given back to ICF to help fund the various charitable organizations we support.

If you are interested in going green, you can view the Bollettino online, in color!

Miranda Gibson

Reno
Reno

St. Albert, Br. 135

At our meeting on May 20st we enjoyed a dinner of Ham, Cheese Ravioli, Roasted potatoes, salad, and apple pie with ice cream prepared by Mel Sullivan and Lydia Brunelli.

The membership voted to enter into a Joint Venture with the Knights of Columbus Assembly 3118 to put on our successful Polenta & Chicken Dinner on November 17, 2018. The reasoning was to give us a larger pool of workers and enhance ticket sales to many new people..We will be sharing the profits.

President, Charlyne Pacini will be attending as the delegate to this year's convention, August 30-September 3 in San Diego. The members voted to place a "Half-page" black and white ad in the Convention Book.

On June 10th our members enjoyed Roasted chicken, cheese ravioli with meat sauce, vegetables, salad and a decorated cake in honor of Julia Frediani prepared by Ron and Romie Frediani.

At this meeting we honored Julia Frediani, the daughter of our treasurer Ron and his wife Romie Frediani, who received the Central Council scholarship that Branch 135 donated.

Our annual fund-raiser will be a polenta with chicken & sauce dinner and all the trimmings to be held at the Boys & Girls Club of Reno on Saturday, November 17, 2018.

Our next Branch get-together will be our annual picnic on Sunday, September 16, 2018, being held at President Charlyne' house at noon. The Branch will furnish the meat and drinks. Everyone else attending should bring a side dish, salad or dessert.

Hope everyone is having a good summer.

Ciao

Charlyne Pacini

Sacramento
Auburn

St. Joseph, Br. 342

A big thank you to all who helped to make our June Appreciation Dinner a big success! Many hands helped to set up, prepare food, donate raffle prizes, and clean up after the event. At our dinner, we were able to honor member JoAnn Swars for her outstanding service to our branch and we were able

to install Tammi Cuthill and her daughter Stormie as new members. We also awarded to eighth grade scholarships to Angelo Pizzialli and Stephen Ordorica. Our high school recipients were Cecilia Huckins and Breanna McGee. Congratulations to all who were honored!

Our annual members picnic will take place on Sunday, July 22nd at ARD Park in Auburn. we hope you will be able to join us for an afternoon of fellowship, good food, and games. The branch will provide hot dogs and hamburgers. The calling committee will be contacting you soon to see what you would like to contribute to the potluck meal.

We are saddened to report the passing of charter member Ida Granada. She very active in our branch and the Blessed Sacrament District and was also very active in her church and community. In 2007, she was honored by the Placer County Board of Supervisors for her "humble, unassuming and selfless generosity and service to the weakest and neediest in her community." She told the best stories and will be greatly missed by all who were blessed to know her.

Ciao!

Pam Andersen

Roseville

St. Clare of Assisi, Br. 438

We celebrated The month of May with an authentic Cinco de Mayo dinner given by Joe Aguilar and his family. A well deserved thank you to all of you and your helpers.

Some of our members worked 2 precincts for the primary elections. Michael took the chairmanship again this year. Michael you are such a hard worker. Thanks to all of you for participating in working at the polls.

Our branch is a hard working branch. Remember we are one big family. It takes all of us to get the job done and have fun when were doing it.

We have many sick members. Please remember them in your prayers. There is no meeting in July. I wish each and everyone of you a happy and safe 4th. of July.

Your Reporter,

Yvonne Perry

San Diego
San Diego

Our Lady of the Rosary, Br. 230

ICF #230 enjoyed an exciting May and looks forward to more of the same in June and the summer months to come. Last month's General Dinner Meeting was a success with pizza, salad, and garlic bread dinner topped off with Tiramisu desert for the general membership. The event was well attended and highlighted by Jim Bregante's presentation of his family's immigration to the U.S. and experience and memories growing up in San Diego's Little Italy neighborhood and Our Lady of the Rosary parish. Additionally, the branch initiated 12 new members at the meeting. ICF #230 was honored to represent the Italian community at San Diego's first annual Pentecost Multi-Cultural Mass and Festival at Good Shepherd Parish. Attendees were treated to an inspiring homily by Bishop Robert McElroy and blessing of the altar, entrance procession, hymns and readings in various languages, dance performance, and native food and decorations from many of San Diego's faith communities. The event was an overwhelming success and one which the branch looks forward to participating in the future

On June 24th, ICF #230 will celebrate ICF Recognition Day with a Special Mass at

which time next year’s Queen and Her Court and Annual ICF Scholarship winners will be announced. A Special Award

Presentation will take place as well, highlighting faith, family, and fellowship, giving us a great opportunity to showcase all of the branch’s charitable works for the causes about which we care so deeply – Cooley’s Anemia, Gifts of Love, Youth Scholarships, Church Donations, Seminarian Support, and Gifts of food and toys to needy children at Christmas time. Special emphasis will also be placed on our Semi- Annual Membership Drive.

Fast-forwarding ahead to the summer months, ICF #230 is busy preparing for its summer picnic and bocce ball tournament as well as the ICF 88th Annual Convention hosted in San Diego. Again, those interested in attending the convention should make their reservations as soon as possible as available space will fill fast, particularly for “Remembering Frank Sinatra,” “The Man and His Music, “ hosted by the ICF San Diego District, Annual Award Banquet and closing event, Salute to Swing Dinner and two pre-arranged tours to Little Italy/Coronado Island and Mission San Diego de Alcalá.

John Sgalio ICF Branch #230

**Spring Valley
Santa Sophia. Br. 416**

As we all get ready for summer, everything here in the San Diego District is in full speed ahead mode. We here at Br. #416 had a wonderful farewell party for our South Korean student Min and he is now at home in South Korea telling everyone how much he enjoyed being with the ICF. He was a great help in all of our different functions and we will really miss him. We also welcome Mike and Nira Clark and their two daughters Sara and Jane. We welcome back Barbara Middleton who has been away for the past few months with family in Texas. At our June meeting we will be discussing on-going plans for this years convention. We will also be discussing this years District picnic and Bocche tournament. Our picnic will be held in August and it is always a good time for the branches to get together. Our branch will be welcoming our Scholarship recipient at our June meeting. Grace Tarrantino is the granddaughter to branch members Jo and Phillip Tarrantino. We are looking forward to meeting her and sharing with us her plans for college. We hope that all of you are as excited about coming to San Diego for the convention as we are excited to being your hosts for the grand event. Hope to see lots of you there and we hope that we all have a great opportunity to make new friends and further the excitement of belonging to the Italian Catholic Federation. In the meantime, keep smiling and God Bless.

Tim Smith

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

Dear Members,
Please note the following:
August - No Meeting. Convention tickets have been distributed. Please return stubs by Tuesday, August 7, per instructions given.
Stay Healthy!
Ciao,
Toni Morsello

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

Our trip to the Lavender Farm in Turlock was very interesting. The lavender was not in full bloom, but still beautiful. We saw many items that are made with the lavender.

Our stop to the Sciabica Oil Co. in Modesto was great. We were able to taste 8 different types. Oil with garlic, lemon, pesto, rosemary, orange, lime, sweet mission and regular olive oil.

Our day on May 23rd was fantastic.

On July 13th, we will have our Annual Potluck Lunch. If you bring food it is free and if you don’t the price is \$12.00. You will not leave hungry with all of the homemade food. It is always an enjoyable day. We will award Nicholas Oropeza with his Scholarship Certificate. Congratulations, Nicholas!

Please remember our ill and deceased members in your prayers.

To all of our members who have a Birthday in July, many more years of Much Happiness and Good Health.

Ciao,
Eva Perata, President

**San Mateo
South San Francisco
Sacro Cuore, Br. 7**

Happy Fourth of July!

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, August 1, hosted by Sam Bonanno and Jim Eli. It’s our annual “Pasta alla Bononno” with meatballs feast, and some special guests will be in attendance.

This year we awarded scholarships to two students from our local SSF parochial schools, Wyatt Hartman of All Souls and Emily Gomez of St. Veronica’s. We also awarded a college scholarship to Isabella Medeghini, granddaughter of Branch member, Maria Medeghini. They all plan to attend our August dinner so we can congratulate them in person.

Let’s all welcome our newest member, Craig Guglielmetti. Talk about deep roots in our Branch and Community! Craig’s nonna Norma, and both his parents Ed and Patty, were all long-time members of Branch 7.

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to our long time orator, Leonore Armanino. She has decided to take a break from her volunteer work, and we will dearly miss her presence at meetings. We are grateful for all the years of service she dedicated to our Branch. We are now looking for volunteers to help lead our opening meeting prayers. If interested, please contact Diana Ferrari.

Please remember to purchase the raffle tickets, which you should have received by mail. These funds help to alleviate our delegates’ travel costs, as we keep half the proceeds of the ticket sales. Plus, you could be a winner!

Finally, please continue to pray for member Marlis Risso.

Ciao,
FHR

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

We are still awaiting summer as it has not quite arrived yet with cool and windy weather. Of course after writing this, we will have a heat wave.

Our president, Mary Ann Camacho and also our Financial Secretary, Brenda Wemiz, will represent us at the San Diego Convention. We hope all raffle ticket stubs have been sent in as the deadline is close at hand.

Our Sunday, June 24, 2018 Ravioli Dinner will be held at the OLA Gym 4:00 PM no-host Cocktails and 5:00 PM dinner. Contact Dorene Campanile 650-344-7860 Adults:\$25.00 Children:12 and under \$5. Donations for the raffle are greatly appreciated along with volunteers to help.

Also July 22, 2018 we will not have a meeting but will have a picnic at Beresford Park in San Mateo. Hot dogs,Hamburgers, Vegebursgers, Soda/Water along with games, prizes, Bocce Ball and face painting will be provided. \$15.00 Adults Children: 15 and under \$5.00 Please bring something to share and contact Mary Ann Camacho at 415-285-1219 after 6 PM or email: MA3@cpuc.ca.gov

Please keep our sick and recovering members in your prayers and a wonderful Father’s Day to all who are with us and in memory of those we keep close in our hearts.

God Bless,
Rosalind C. Emery

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

Our June meeting was hosted by Donna DeVoe and Joanne Wallace. They provided us with a special pizza and salad party honoring our scholarship recipient Shannen Sulpizio . She shared with us her educational goals and we wished her a successful year a school. Thanks to all the members who supported this scholarship program. d

Welcome to Victor Spango who attended this months meeting, we look forward to him joining ICF.

Semi-Annual district mass on June 16th was a very beautiful event. Everyone did a great job providing enjoyable food for all who attended this celebration and thanks to Jackie Smith for organizing this day.

Our delegates will be attending the Convention in San Diego in Sept and will report back to everyone the latest ICF information/updates at the following meeting.

Well wishes go out to our members who are ill and special prayers for a speedy recovery.

We wish you all a fun summer, reminding everyone that there will be no meeting in July, but back in August.

Till we meet again,
Joyce

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

Happy Summer to everyone! Hope everyone is out and about enjoying the wonderful weather and all the things our fine peninsula has to offer.

There will be no meeting in July. However, there will be a board meeting on Tuesday, July 24, 4:00pm. Our regular meeting will resume on Tuesday, August 21st. Please plan to attend.

If anyone still has convention raffle tickets, the unsold tickets or the stubs and money need to be turned in to Marie DeRosa by August 15.

Our upcoming events are:

Saturday, September 22 - Branch 327 hosts our District Mass at St. Charles Church, San Carlos, 5:00pm

Friday, November 9 - Branch 213 will be hosting Chaplains Night at the South San Francisco Elks Club..

And our thanks to Dede Waters-Masters who prepared a wonderful chicken dinner with all the trimmings for our May meeting. Delicious!

Happy 4th of July!

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

Our recent fundraiser, Spaghetti & Meatball dinner was successful thanks to our cooks from the Millbrae Lions Club who volunteered their services. Our Branch has donated a \$400 scholarship to a student from Mercy High School, in honor of Carla del Carlo, our past president. We do not have a meeting in July, our next monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 7, 2018, and we will be served KFC. Save the Date - On Sunday, September 16, 2018 is our annual Polenta Dinner in the Parish Center, with no-host cocktails at 4:00PM and dinner at 5:00PM. The cost for this popular event is \$25 per person. Dinner includes antipasto, salad, polenta, chicken and sausage, wine and dessert. For reservations please call (650)692-4029, Rose Marie. We welcome our newest member, Paul Borque.

Corresponding Secretary,
Rose Marie Morando

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

Cari Amici e Soci,

Meetings are on hold for the summer months. We will resume in September. Mark your calendars for our September 9th Grandparents’ Brunch (watch your mail for details) and our regularly scheduled meeting on September 18th.

Remember to buy convention raffle tickets! The convention is during the Labor Day weekend in San Diego this year. If you’re interested, email Marlene Farber (marlenefarber@gmail.com) for details.

We wish you all a pleasant summer full of family fun and frolic; safety to all who are traveling; good health to all who are ill; and an arrivederci a presto.

Jeanne & Lucia

**San Jose
Santa Clara Valley
District Council**

Our meeting was prefaced by celebrating the crowning our Blessed Mother statue with a floral wreath and singing “Oh Beautiful Mother” and reciting the Memorare. Two letters from ICF Scholarship Chairman Franklin Lopes expressing gratitude for the SCV District scholarships. ICF Branch 184 Denise Antonowicz said the branch donated three first-year, a second, third and fourth-year scholarships. She also added that the Antonowicz family raised \$1200 at the yearly open house and funded two scholarships.

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Br. 191’s President Jim Jones asked everyone to pray for Bishop Garcia and announced the opening of the Bocce courts. Joe Bertaccini added that the 16th Annual Frank Guidace Memorial Bocce tournament will be held July 7. Jim also reminded everyone of the November 11 Pilgrimage at St. Frances Cabrini Church. Beginning with a 10:45 procession, Rosary and 11:30 mass.

SCV District President Bausino reiterated that all branches should have elected their convention delegates and nominations of the various convention awards need to be submitted on time (see Bollettino for more information). He also announced that plans for the August 5 district picnic are coming along. Denise Antonowicz asked all branches to donate a raffle basket at least \$50.

Emily announced the district scholarship winners and plans to invite them to the district Mass & Reception.

July District Meeting ICF Branch 5 Santa Clara Tuesday July 9, 2018

Mike Nunziata

Santa Clara
N.S. Assunta, Br. 5

Hope all ICF Members and their Family had a wonderful 4th of July.

ICF Br. 5 is hosting the Santa Clara Valley District Meeting in the St. Clare Parish North Hall on July 9th. Need help with setup and refreshments around 4PM to 7PM from all members who can help. After 7PM Meeting will be held.

We have not schedule a Dinner/Meeting for the month of July. Come to the Dinner/Meeting(s) each month and support us.

Agenda and Menu will be mail to members in August.

The Santa Clara Valley District is having a Picnic at Vasona Park in Los Gatos on August 5, 2018. Call Mary Ann Ruiz for more information.

See you at the Dinner/Meeting each month.

Ciao, Los Gatos

Marlene J. Rotolo

Gilroy
Santa Maria Ausiliatrice, Br. 28

Our May 21st dinner meeting was held at the Old City Hall Restaurant in Gilroy. Members enjoyed a buffet dinner of a variety of pasta dishes, salad and garlic bread. Dessert was provided by Diana Berry who made beautiful sheet cakes for all in attendance. At this meeting, the following delegates were selected to attend the upcoming ICF Conference in San Diego: Gennaro Filice, Joe Fortino, Vince Saso and Roy Shackel. If you are not a delegate and would like to attend this conference you are welcome to do so which will be held on August 30 – September 3, 2018. If you are reading your Bollettino issues, you can find information on this conference.

Thank you to members for your support on selling/purchasing the 2018 convention raffle tickets for the drawing of cash prizes that have been mailed to you. Branch 28 will retain one-half of all proceeds from 150 ticket books sold by our membership. Remember to return your tickets stubs and payment no later than July 30, 2018 to Kim Filice, Financial Secretary.

Mora Taormino was the winner of the “Membership Card” drawing at the May 21st meeting. Remember to have your membership card with you at all monthly meetings, as you may be a winner!

Volunteers are needed to work at the upcoming Garlic Festival during the last weekend in July. The dates are July 27, 28 and 29. Please

contact President Gennaro Filice if you are interested in volunteering.

Mark your calendar for the July picnic that will be held on July 14th at Las Animas City Park in the Oaks Area in Gilroy. This is always a fun and enjoyable event with great food and fellowship. More information will be provided at our upcoming dinner meeting.

Peace and God Bless,

Kim M. Filice

Los Gatos
St. Mary, Br. 184

We wish our Delegates Marie Antonowicz and Barbara White Godspeed as they travel to San Diego over Labor Day Weekend. From the Convention, entitled “Our Mission of Faith”, we hope to learn more about combining our faith to our good works.

In addition to our previously awarded scholarships this year, we were able to offer two \$200 scholarships to graduating 8th Grade students attending St. Mary’s School. We don’t have names to date.

Our Quarterly Mass was rescheduled to July 15 at 7:30 A.M. Breakfast will follow at Emil Villa’s Hickory Pit on Campbell Avenue. There will be a special group area reserved.

Dates to remember: August 5 for Branch BBQ at Vasona, the Circle Area. Mass will start the day at 11 A.M.

The famous Rib Dinner hosted by Branch 4 in the years past will take place August 11 at the Santa Teresa Parish. Maria and Bill Greco, our Mentors past and present, will be involved!

Save October 27 for our Polenta Dinner. Details will follow.

For now, we hope you all have a safe, happy and healthy summer,

Lucy Amico

San Jose
St. Frances Cabrini, Br. 191

I am Happy and proud to announce that our Past President, Jo Bertaccini, won the Grand President’s Award to be presented to her at this year’s Convention in San Diego. She is certainly a deserving recipient and we are happy she won the award.

Convention is nearly here for those of us involved in the Convention Committee and I, for one, am looking forward to it. We recently sent in our Apostolic/Charity Report and were amazed at the number of Church related things we support to help our Church, Pastor, Seminarians, School, Homeless, Bishop and other Charities. The most important part of our mission.

Another report that we sent in was the Heritage Report. As President of 191, the stories we hear at each meeting are fascinating. Our Heritage Chair gets every member involved. Every nationality is asked to tell their story; stories how businesses are started, what it was like to grow up in San Jose, Italian stories of Internment camps during the war. Tony Spagnolo does a great job as Heritage Chair. If your branch would like some great ideas on setting up a Heritage Program,

Call me, Jim Jones-408-210-5541.

Jim Jones

San Jose
Santa Teresa de Avila, Br. 368

Our thanks go to Patty Capps, Noelia Chiono, and Joyce Robba for a Cinco de Mayo fiesta at our May meeting. For dinner we all enjoyed

the taco bar, which also featured enchiladas and refried beans. Thank you, ladies!

A huge thank you and many hugs to Mary Ridi and Anne Cordoni and their team for all their work on our pasta dinner, a fund-raiser for our branch. Mary and Anne artfully filled over 25 baskets with raffle items donated by our members. This dynamic duo and their helpers spent many hours planning, decorating, shopping, and organizing the dinner, which was a huge success. Joan Delfino made her famous pasta sauce, and her husband Jerry stirred the sauce every fifteen minutes all afternoon on May 12. Everyone, THANK YOU

We have had several members in the hospital, but three are home now: Gus Mavroudis, Bill Radzinski, and Elaine Osorio. We have been praying for all our members, but especially those who have been ill. We are sorry to announce that Mary Ann Landucci passed away recently.

Our branch members are very active in our community. Recently Anne Cordoni and Mary Clarke each received a Pius X award for many years of service to the diocese as catechists. Elaine Osorio, while recuperating from her hip replacement surgery, also is in charge of our district Mass on June 24. Furthermore, seven branch mentors in our district come from our membership. Well done, good and faithful servants!

Have a blessed, safe July, everyone,

Judy Zahn

San Jose
St. Martin of Tours, Br. 391

President Mike Rossi opened the meeting by thanking everyone for bringing their wedding photos and thanking Cathy De Maria for collecting \$225 for the Convention Book Sponsors and Memorial Page.

We thanked Al, Diana and Lynda Vallorz for preparing a wonderful rib dinner with beans, coleslaw, bread and dessert.

Our members donated \$325 to the ICF Southern California Wildfire Fund by way of Catholic Charities for relief to those stricken by the devastating fires.

Eileen Fritsch, an ICF Organ Donor advocate, gave an informative presentation about organ donation.

Mike Rossi and Scholarship Chairperson Mary Lipari presented our branch #391 scholarship awards to the following: John Lawrence, Skylar Jiminez, Stephany Jiminez, and Clare Ravizza, who are all grandchildren of our members.

Tina Rossi encouraged all to purchase convention raffle tickets and to return ticket stubs to her by August 1.

Our branch earned over \$3,000 at our successful Wine Down fundraiser in May. Again, thank you, Susan Busco and team of volunteers and wineries.

Father Sergio introduced our new pastor, Father Saju Joseph, who comes from St. Julie’s Parish.

We bid farewell to Father Sergio and Father Abe, our chaplain, who are leaving St. Martin’s. Thank you, Al and Diana Vallorz, who prepared the “ICF-salad” for their farewell celebration in June.

Thank you, Mary Kay Tocce, for preparing the art work for our convention advertisement.

Upcoming events: Branch #391 Family Picnic—July 3, 2018, 6:30pm, no meeting; Convention San Diego—August 31-September 4.

Wishing you a safe and Happy Fourth of July!

Janis Patellaro

Sunnyvale
Resurrection, Br. 408

Congratulations to our 2018 ICF Scholarship Winner – Breanna Thomas. You have seen her helping out at many of our various functions. We are very happy that such a deserving candidate has been selected. Breanna plans to attend San Francisco State next year to study. We wish her all the Best.

Remember the Santa Clara District Mass is coming up June 24th @ 11 AM outdoors under the statue of Our Lady. Please mark your calendars.

Please pray for our sick members – especially for Richard DeFrancisci who passed on the 8th June, Edith Novak, Betty Deville, and Carolyn O’Connor.

Morgan Hill
St. Catherine of Alexandria, Br. 435

In May, we celebrated the 10th anniversary of Branch #435 at St. Catherine’s Parish. Our current president, Giulia Gallego, introduced the past presidents, including John Sorci, Jim Friebel, Andy Pappani and Jerry Caravelli (deceased). Original officers attending were Carol Tacci (Corresponding Secretary) and Johanna Tacci (Orator).

Most of the founding members (pictured) were able to attend the wonderful dinner prepared by Maurizio Cutrignelli. We feasted on delicious antipasto including prosciutto, cheeses, olives and artichokes and had his signature dish, Rotelle di Parma, for the entree. For dessert we enjoyed wonderful cannoli, vanilla cake and cookies. It was a memorable evening.

We also hosted the Santa Clara Valley District board meeting on May 14th and learned what the other branches are doing. Our sentinel, Frances Scalzo, gave an interesting account of how the Italian Catholic Federation started in San Francisco. We all learned something new.

It’s hard to believe that the year is halfway through but here we are in June. Our fundraiser dinners as well as our monthly dinner meetings are always well attended and enable us to continue to contribute substantially to our scholarships and seminarians, but we couldn’t do it without all the wonderful members and supporters at St. Catherine’s ICF and in neighboring branches. Thank you for your generosity.

God bless!

Maryclaire Sampognaro

San Jose
Church Of The Transfiguration, Br. 445

ICF Branch 445 sponsored scholarships to Jim Joseph Falcone from Archbishop Mitty high School and to Isabella A. Onorato from Presentation High School.

Our branch has been well received by the parish for sponsoring Donuts, Coffee and Juice on the first Sunday of every month.

July 14th is the date for the “Italian” version of the TV hit game show “The Price Is Right!” It includes a Prime Rib Dinner, complete with Sautéed Red Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, French Bread and Dessert! Tickets are \$30.00 and are limited, (only 100 can be sold) and may be purchased after all Masses, at church or by calling Jim Falcone at 408-264-3076.

Hosting the program will be Angelo La Scola. There will be many, many chances to win prizes throughout the night! Naturally, the prizes won’t be as expensive as the TV version but the fun will be!

Net profits will go to the church.

Angelo (Andy) La Scola
Corresponding Secretary

Santa Rosa

District Council

Greetings from the farmhouse in the vineyard where the grapes are maturing fast!

The next district meeting is on Sunday, August 19 at #75, Cloverdale. Please call MJ Dell’Aguilla (707-894-7896) to give a number attending from your branch.

The next big event is the Day of Recollection on Sunday, August 26 at St. Eugene’s Parish Center. Information has been sent out to the branches. Please inform your members.

Branches need to elect their delegates to the Convention which this year is in beautiful San Diego. The Convention Committee is planning an interesting and exciting event. Make your reservations early for all events.

Update - At this point, our house is steadily going up with the garage level almost finished. Main level work starts next week.

Peace and love to all. Comfort and support each other always.

CK

Healdsburg

St. Francis de Sales, Br. 52

Our Father’s Day Dinner was a lot of fun. We honored our Fathers over 80. Pres. Richard Passalacqua and Teri Roller cooked an excellent meal. Congratulations to our Convention delegates, elected at the dinner: Pres. Richard Passalacqua, Rick Norman, Mary Lou and Bill Jones and Barbara Thomas.

Upcoming Events:

August 26: Santa Rosa district Day of Recollection at St. Eugene’s Cathedral. Mass: 12 Noon. Day of Recollection begins at 1:15 PM. Presentation include St. John the Baptist and Deacons and Acolytes. Price: \$7.00 includes lunch. Call Carmen or Lauren: 433-1210 for reservations.

September 11: Harvest Potluck Dinner/ Meeting. Our Convention delegates will give reports on the convention. Come and share your culinary creation with other members. Time: 6:00 PM.

October 7: Golf Tournament at Healdsburg Golf Course - Tayman Park. Mark your calendars!

All branch members have received a Convention Raffle Ticket Book. Please consider purchasing a book of tickets. Br. 52 keeps 50% of the proceeds. In past years, our branch has seriously lagged behind other branches in purchasing the raffle tickets. Please return the stubs and check by August 1 to: Italian Catholic Federation, PO Box 1531, Healdsburg, CA 95448.

Happy 4th of July!
Lauren Kilcullen

Cloverdale

L’Annunciata, Br. 75

Summer is here and our branch is taking a couple months off from meetings, but not from working!

Our Branch participated in St Peter’s Corpus Christi procession this year. During the procession Father went to different stations and blessed each organization and group in our parish. It was a special event that unified the entire parish.

We are also pleased to announce that

Samantha Stewart and her family joined us at our last meeting so we could present her with a Scholarship, which was well-earned.

Our Wine and Food Pairing in June was a wonderful sell-out event.

Everyone tasted 6 different wines which were paired with foods that brought out the delicate flavors of the wines. Thank you, Pedroncelli Winery!

The summer will be spent preparing for our Dinner in the Vineyard on September 22. Our committees are set and there is lots of planning to do. We will be selling only 50 tickets for this first-time event.

Happy Summer!

Sonoma

St. Sebastian, Br. 103

June Madness

Our June dinner was filled with anxiety and activity. First the anxiety coping with the lack of a bartender and preparation and the lack of our janitor who prepares the St. Francis Hall for our guests. Enter Jo Grant and Marilyn Sylvestri to the rescue. Wine and snacks purchased, tables assembled and as they say in Italian, tutto a posto!!

This was an important evening for all of us because our scholarship recipients were attending with their proud parents. Congratulations to Emma Maggioncalde and Alyssa Schimm. Each of the girls gave a brief synopsis regarding their chosen academic subjects and future plans. Both girls lovely and delightful.

Our doors opened to a lovely crowd of our faithful monthly diners, but in addition 3 lovely ladies from Petaluma, Br. 127. Thank-you so much for coming, Bea, Mary Ellen and Sharon. Unusually good was our end of “semester” dinner of roast chicken, macaroni salad, green salad, rolls and large dollops of vanilla ice cream with toppings!!

Since this is our last dinner until September I want to thank Fran and her lovely petite sister, Carolina for decorating and setting our lovely round tables, John Boragno and Bill Scinto for assuming my scheduled task as “bar-person”.

Thanx a million guys! Unfortunately there is no rest for the wicked. Our August picnic at Larson Park Winery is looming on the horizon and details demand our attention. The date is August 14 from 11:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m. Great place, great time, great wine and Bocce!! Don’t ever forget that August is the perfect month for a picnic. Hopefully for the remainder of the year we will have a complete crew. OK, Tom?

In the meantime, enjoy the summer!

Ciao,
Marilyn Sylvestri

Arcata

St. Mary, Br. 144

It is with great sadness that we announce the loss of our member Shar Evans. Shar was a talented cook, master of perfection, and a wonderful friend to all. She took great pride in serving on committees, and presenting new ideas. We will miss her presence and her wonderful smile.

Our June meeting was opened with a special “Taste of Italy” treat cooked and served by Alfred and Anne Eanne who had just returned from a Culinary Tour in Italy!! Yummmmy!

A revised calendar of events was distributed. If you were not at the meeting be sure to get a copy from Pres. Judy.

Heritage Day will be Aug. 5 after the 11 a.m. Mass. Again, Homemade Italian Sausage will be served. Mark your calendar.

If you need more convention raffle tickets call Elena. Return the stubs (still stapled) and money as soon as possible to Elena.

Our May bake sale was a great success. Thanks to all bakers.

Our Newman Center graduate Matthew Flaherty will be leaving this summer to serve one year in Denver with the organization Christ in the City. It is a mission to know, love, and serve the poor who live on the street. We voted to send \$500 towards his \$8,100. necessary for him to serve. Keep him in your prayers.

Pres. Judy presented our ICF Scholarship to winner Jacob Smith at the McKinleyville High School Award ceremony. Congratulations Jacob!

Have a blessed and safe summer!
Rosemary

Sebastopol

St. Michael, Br. 209

We had a wonderful time at our annual Bocce Tournament, chaired by Tia Polley and Debbie Whallin, which took place after the 10am mass at St. Sebastian’s Church on May 20th. Eight teams took part in the tournament with our youngest team made up of 21 year old twins, Kyle & Katie Vannetti, member Dominic Petuya and Josh Tambornini. Everyone took a break after the first round of bocce for a lunch potluck of hotdogs, salads, beans and desserts, all overseen by Barbara Bidia and her helpers. After playing four rounds of bocce, there was a final playoff game for 1st and 2nd place. The first place team consisted of Gene Vannetti, Ricky Vannetti, Larry Wasson & Don Becchetti. 2nd place was a team from St. Eugene’s ICF and 3rd place from our own Branch #209 – Dante & Jackie Corsetti, David Armstrong and Bill Cole. Congratulations to all the winners and to everyone who enjoyed a day of bocce, sunshine and great company.

If you haven’t done so already, please sell those convention tickets and return the ticket stubs and money to Barbara Bidia.

There will be no July ICF meeting.

Wishing everyone a wonderful summer, and bon voyage if you’re off on any travel adventures.

Ciao,
Sharon Vannetti

Stockton

Modesto

St. Stanislaus, Br. 48

Those of us that attend The Stockton District Bishop’s Burse enjoyed a beautiful mass and the welcoming by Annette Elissagrany to her lovely home for the dinner served by Branch 390. We were able to meet and talk to Bishop Myron Cotta.

Even though we will not have a meeting in July or August there are still many things going on to keep us busy. We will be getting ready for the Stockton District Picnic.

We remind our members to bring their Bocci Ball Game, Horse Shoes or other games you might to play. Remember to invite your family and friends.

We are looking forward to the convention and helping our new president find her way around. It is also great time to catch up with old friends.

Mass for our deceased members will be Sundays August 5, 2018 and September 2, 2018 at the 8:00 am mass at the Maze Blvd. Church.

Refreshments for the September 12, 2018 will

be furnished by Carla Wagner.

Coming up:

No meeting in July or August

Aug 19 District Picnic in Escalon

Convention Aug 31 - Sept. 3

Sep 12, 7:00 pm Meeting 7th & K Street Hall

Cecelia McGhee

Stockton

St. Luke, Br. 138

The Italian Catholic Federation #138 was proud to collaborate with St. Luke School’s National Junior Honor Society in hosting a pancake breakfast to honor all the veterans in St. Luke Parish, both active duty and retired. The breakfast was free to all veterans.

St. Luke School Honor Society members greeted the veterans and their families and served at the tables; Branch #138 members did all the food prep and cooking.

About 150 veterans attended with their families.

Plans for Convention and the District Picnic and a November Polenta Dinner will be discussed at the June 14 Officer and General meeting. An all-you-can-eat pizza dinner will be served at the general meeting.

Kathy Hall
Parish Secretary

Manteca

Nostra Signora del Buon Viaggio, Br. 139

Our Branch is mourning the passing of member Jane Lewis, who passed away recently. A long-time ICF member, she was very proud of her Italian heritage. May she rest in peace. A week later, our members attended a Mass in St. Anthony Church in memory of her and our other deceased members. Our chaplain, Father Chris Varghese, was the celebrant.

At our last branch meeting, President Dr. Elizabeth Demichelis welcomed Central Council member Dante Galeazzi, mentor Steve Ridolfi and his wife as guests.

After a successful “All You Can Eat” shrimp dinner in our parish, plans are already being made for our annual Polenta Feed, scheduled for October 13. Ida Queirolo will chair this event and workers are being lined up. Michelle Harmon will be in charge of the Silent Dessert Auction.

Our Scholarship Committee awarded our \$400 First Year Scholarship to Emily Cunial, a graduate of Manteca’s Sierra High School. She was Senior Class President and is the daughter of branch members Dan and Annie Cunial and the granddaughter of branch members Dino and Sharon Cunial. She will attend the University of California, Santa Barbara. Anna Bonfiglio, granddaughter of members August and Roberta Bonfiglio, was awarded the Brocchini Scholarship by President Demichelis and her mother Irma. Anna is a valedictory graduate of Escalon High School and will attend UCLA.

Our branch voted a generous monetary donation to our parish in support of kitchen upgrades in both the cafeteria and in the recreation hall. Joe Pellegrino and Ed Fichtner are handling the details.

A busy five weeks ended with the annual Branch picnic on the beautiful grounds of the home of Dino and Sharon Cunial. A bocce tournament was held after which we enjoyed steaks barbecued by chef Tony Queirolo, salads, refreshments and dessert. Special guests included retired Bishop Stephen Blaire of the Diocese of Stockton, our chaplain Father Chris and Grand President Andy

Pappani and his wife.

Ciao,
Mariano

Tracy
St. Bernard, Br. 390

Contributions for Seminarians were given to the new Bishop of our Diocese, the Most Reverend Myron Cotta. After various branches presented their donations, the Bishop received over \$8,000 for education of our young men who have proclaimed a vocation to serve God and their communities. It takes over \$35,000 per year for their education. In a beautiful acceptance speech, Bishop Cotta requested that we pray for the future vocations here and in foreign countries, where many of our local priests come from to help with the shortage all over our country.

Also we must say a great resounding thank you for the vocalists at the Bishop's Day event, sisters Ashley and Amber Willett, who sang like angels! Beautiful voices singing beautiful songs were enjoyed by all with a standing ovation!

Our June dinner meeting featured Italian Meatloaf similar to last year at this time with

a few variations that improved the taste and was well received. We continue to thank our attendees not only for their participation but for their kind donations each month at our dinner meetings. If it weren't for you, we would not be able to contribute to the continued growth and maintenance of our parish.

Our congratulations to scholarship winner Michaela Sobrero from Tracy High School.

See you all at the annual picnic on August 19th.

Don't forget to look for yourself on our website: icfbranch390.org.

Ciao for now,

Betty Hollars

Stockton
Presentation of the BVM, Br. 395

Branch 395 is taking the month of July off after a very busy and fun ending to June. Italian Heritage Night was held at the Stockton Ports Baseball ballpark on June 30. Many local Italian organizations came together for a night of culture, music and of course baseball. A great time was had by all.

Festa Italiana is back at the Lodi Fairgrounds

on Sunday, July 29. This year's event is bigger and better. So call your friends, fellow ICF members and make the drive. Tickets are available at the gate.

Buone vacanze everyone!

Alla prossima,
Mary Ann

Angels Camp
St. Patrick, Br. 413

We have been a busy branch, so far. Today we had the Baccalaureate Mass for all of the graduates in our area who wanted a special blessing to start them on their life's journey. It was a beautiful Mass, and we had eight local high school graduates participate. One of the eight, Alyssa Ritzel, was a home school student using Seton Home Study School out of Front Royal, Virginia for her curriculum. The other seven were all from Bret Harte Union High School. We congratulate them and their families and wish them well in their endeavors.

Summer begins! I hope you all have a wonderful 4th of July! We will be holding our first BBQ Lunch for families this year. The date is set for July 22. We will be having Chicken or Steak meals with the beer and wine

included for \$25 each adult. The children who are 12 and under eat a delicious hot dog meal for free. We plan to have games for all the members of the family, with raffle prizes and lots of fun. Tickets are available until July 16th. We hope to see you there.

August brings the Stockton District Picnic at the picnic grounds in Escalon. It starts at 11 a.m. Be sure to send your check to the District Treasurer and let her know the number of people coming from your branch. Please don't forget to bring your own plate, utensils, and drinks. It is always a great time seeing and talking with all our ICF Family at this event.

Then, it is time for Convention 2018! Wow, how time does fly! Our Stockton District will have a new candidate for Central Council this year, Frank Re. He is a very active member of the ICF, and has lots of good ideas to share and keep the ICF growing.

Ciao for now!

Annette Pachinger

Correspondence Secretary

New ICF Brochure

