



BOLLETTINO



Editor ' Note

Nanette Scarpellini Metz

The Italian Catholic Federation shines bright with new faces and hopes for the future. Branches throughout the organization are granting scholarships to students in middle school through college. Young people and their families embark on new adventures with the help support of a strong ICF community.

In May we celebrated mothers and now we honor fathers. Both roles play an important part in how we view the world. From BBQs to bocce, ICF comes together to foster relationships now and in the future. Check out the festivities in the Branch Articles.

Remember also, there is more than one way to give life. **The World Blood Drive Day on June 14th** allows anyone who is able to give life through his or her donation. Take 20 minutes to give someone else a lifetime.

The ICF Anniversary events all come together in June. There might still be time to get your reservation to join the fun.

The ICF community continues to gain strength by working together. The Annual Convention is fast approaching on August 29 through September 2 in Tucson, Arizona. Check out the ads throughout the *Bolletino* to get an idea of some of the events.

Hope to see you there!

Why Do You Give Blood?

Live to Give Committee

In honor of World Blood Donor Day on June 14th, the Live to Give Committee asked members of the ICF why they give blood...these were their inspiring answers:

I give blood because I can; it is a privilege...not everyone is able to donate. And of course, it helps others.

Pat Mages, Branch 380, Thousand Oaks



Lou and Pat Mages

I give blood for 3 basic reasons:

1. *As a person in good health, I want to give good health to people in need – to save their lives!*

2. *Satisfaction that giving blood is a vital part of medical research, which fulfills the need for emergencies & experiments.*

3. *It is the right thing to do, by sharing good health."*

Lou Mages, Branch 380, Thousand Oaks

I give blood because I have a rare blood type and somebody may need my blood. If I'm sick and need blood someday, I hope someone will give blood for me, too.

BG Zasoski, Branch 281, Bakersfield

I give blood because I feel in my heart that I am doing something good for someone. That I am really helping someone I don't know in a big way.

Terrie Rhodes, Branch 39, Merced



Terrie Rhodes and Debbie Piro

Membership Tools to Grow On

Pat Mages

Membership Committee

Last April, the Membership Committee introduced some new materials to enhance your branch membership drives. These new tools were added to the existing materials on the national website (www.icf.org) in the Members' Area under Membership Growth.

Here are the materials you will find on this site:

Information for Membership Drive Team...materials listed here will help volunteers organize the membership drive:

- 7 Steps to Plan Membership Drive
- Membership Drive Checklist
- Information Card
- Mass Script
- Church Announcements
- Retractable Banner Information

Handouts to be Printed for Table.... materials listed here are placed on the table and can be used as handouts for parishioners:

- Branch Calendar
- Meeting Reminder Postcard
- ICF At A Glance
- Member Application
- Sign-Up Sheet
- Table Signs

Other materials not listed or available on the website would be those items specific to your branch and parish. Projects, charities, programs which make your branch unique are great incentives to bring in new members. The national charities and programs are fine, but everyone wants to improve, 'give back' to their own parish/community's needs and programs.

One last reminder. June is the last month to add members for the year's membership. What does this mean? Members joining or paying their dues by June 30 will be used to determine the branch and district membership awards at Convention. However, do not let this stop you from on-going membership recruitment after June. There is always next year.

The Membership Committee along with the Central Council is available to answer your ICF related questions or assist you with your branch needs. Please contact us by email. My email: pmages@icf.org.

Grand President's Monthly Message

Andrew Pappani

June is the month of the Italian Catholic Federation 95th Anniversary—June 15th 1924. Imagine if Sir Luigi Providenza and Fr Albert Bandini were still around to see where the Italian Catholic Federation is today: active in four states California, Nevada, Illinois and Arizona with fifteen Catholic Dioceses and eighteen Districts. Who would have ever thought we would be celebrating our 95 years of existence?!

In the month of June, we have a special refection of the early days of Luigi Providenza and Fr. Albert Bandini. It is important to recall the beginning of this organization. This is true origin of the Italian Catholic Federation with our support of seminarians as well as adults and youths who need us in our communities.



The Federation began when our founders realized the tremendous need for our Italian immigrants to feel at home in America. Church and family were a significant part of their lives. They left their family and religion behind as they journeyed to America. However, the Italian family continued to thrive with the support of the Church, with Mass, with the Eucharist and with other traditional religious beliefs celebrated in Italian.

Thanks largely to the efforts of our founders, the talents of the Italian flourished and their generosity of spirit became evident. The Italian Catholic Federation has made its mark.

Congratulations to all of you for keeping the dreams of Sir Luigi Providenza and Fr. Albert Bandini alive and thriving today

Thought of Mind

My father used to say, that it's never too late to do anything you wanted to do. And he said, 'You never know what you can accomplish until you try.'

-Michael Jordan

Happy Father's Day!

Andrew J Pappani

Grand President



TIME SENSITIVE: PLEASE DELIVER PROMPTLY!

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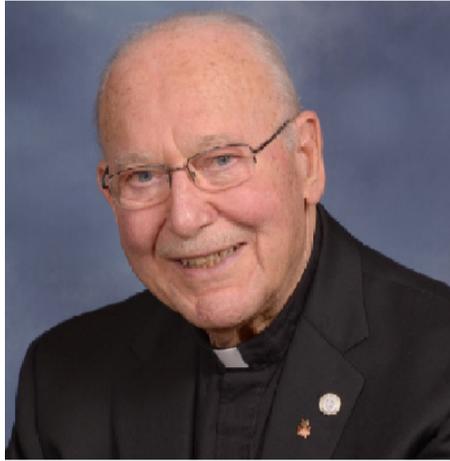
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need to be sent in an electronic format.
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the mail will not be used.

Finally, a reminder that ALL branch
and district reports need to adhere to
the 250 max word count requirement
or they will be shortened or possibly
excluded entirely based on editor
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include captions. To insure photos
are always linked to branch, include
branch number when naming photos
such as Br380.StJoseph.servers.jpeg
Please keep your submission positive
and informative.

Thank you!

There Is Something Special About That Person!**Monsignor Daniel Cardelli**
ICF Spiritual Director

Once in a while we meet someone who stands out as special. "There is something about that person that is attractive; something magnetic," we say. We can't quite put our finger on it, but we know it's there. We feel good when we talk to, work with, or share a conversation with that person. There seems to be a wholeness of character; a feeling of trust. "What is it," we say, "that makes this person unique?" We find ourselves using words like true-blue, committed, follows through, trustworthy, dependable, selfless,



kind, compassionate and honest. We even goes so far to say, "Wouldn't it be wonderful if more people possessed these special qualities?" When we talk to that person, we hear no criticism of others, no gossip, and no complaints, only words of encouragement, praise and willingness to help. There seems to be a special wholesomeness and a feeling of peace present in that person. "What is it?" "What makes this person stand out and be unique?" There is no hidden agenda, no conflict of interest. "Can there be such a person?" Yes, there can be and there are many such people.

We know them when we see them and interact with them.

We read in the Book of Titus 2:7... "Show yourself as a model of good deeds in every respect, with **integrity** in your teaching, dignity, and sound speech..." That's it. That special quality we see in these people is integrity. The dictionary defines **integrity** as: Honesty or trustworthiness. The quality of being virtuous. Wholeness of character without duplicity or internal conflict of interests.

*May our lives sparkle with integrity
in Christ the Light.*

Save the Life

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I give blood because I needed 6 units myself. Someone's generosity saved my life and now I can give back.

Denise Antonowicz, Central Council
Member, Branch 184, Los Gatos

I give blood because...

- 1) *It is really easy and not too painful.*
- 2) *It saves lives! Literally!!!*

Kate Shimshock, Branch 480, Sunnyvale

I started giving blood because of Leonard Zasoski! When he went through his first bout with cancer, he went to the ICF convention and was so sick, but he was so strong at the same time.

Leonard also felt very strongly about donating blood. I thought that if he can go through all that and continue to give back and not be angry or ask, 'why me' than I can do it too!

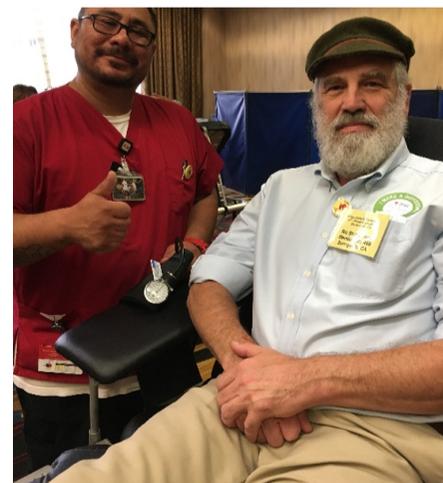
That's why I donate – to be strong and give back like Leonard does. If I can help one person than I have done something good.

Debbie Piro, Branch 191, San Jose

*If you're a blood donor, you're a hero to someone,
somewhere, who received your gracious gift of life.*

I give blood because I have worked on projects to develop artificial Blood Products and artificial lungs over the years with little success, so I am deeply aware of how precious this gift of a blood donation actually is."

Ric Shimshock, Branch 480, Sunnyvale



Ric Shimshock



*Blood is meant to
circulate. Pass it around.*

I give blood because I am helping my friend Laurice and her friends at Children's Hospital by giving them new living sustenance from me to them.

God Bless them.

Mike Rossi, Past Grand President, Central
Council Life Member, Branch 391, San Jose

For more information about giving
blood or planning a blood drive, please
contact

Flopes@icf.org

Franklyn Lopes, Jr., Central Council
Member/Live to Give Committee Chair
or,

Laurice Levine, Medical Consultant/
Live to Give Committee Member

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*Thank you to all of those who
give the gift of life!*



Sir Luigi & Lady Augusta Providenza Seminary Scholarship Fund Donations*

Received as of May 10, 2019:

IN MEMORY OF:

Robert J. Dianda
Paula Neve
Most Reverend Francis Quinn
Juliana Locatelli Boccone
Joseph Russo
Arthur Vierra
Linda Rossi
Kathleen Purdy Bondi
Marie Irene Lencioni
Dr. Anthony Calciano
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Anna Alberti
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Rosalie Campisi

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Natalie Malone

Nettie Descalso-Del Nero
Nettie Descalso-Del Nero

HAPPY 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

Richard and Barbara Thomas The Kilcullen Family

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

Gifts of Love Donations

Report date: May 10, 2019

Branch 130

Eva Stern
In memory of Marie Lencioni
Bob and Elaine Osorio
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Bob and Elaine Osorio
In memory of Ray Fischella
Bob and Elaine Osorio
In honor of the wedding anniversary of Lynn and Craig Noah
Rosalie Campisi
In memory of Edward Mauro, Sr.
Mr. and Mrs. Russell Vento
In memory of Kathleen Purdy Bondi
Russell and Louise Vento
In memory of Marie Lencioni
Adolfo and Carla Del Carlo
In memory of Mary Lou Subia

Joan and Jerry Delfino
Get well wishes for Rose Noack
Fran La Torre
In memory of Clementina Antonini
Eva Stern
Speedy recovery wishes for Marie Antonowicz
Lorraine and Mike Nunziata
In memory of Richard Hanley
Catherine Dabo
In memory of Anthony and John Trebino
Joan and Jerry Delfino
Get well wishes for Marie Antonowicz
Officers/Members of Br. 28
In memory of Adriana M. Shackel
Pat and Louie Cordich
In memory of Adriana M. Shackel

ICF General Fund Donation

John G. and Kim M. Filice
In memory of Adriana M. Shackel



Welcome to Our New Members!

Report date: May 10, 2019

Branch 013
Marcella E Elmore Jack R Chiarelli
Jennifer A Chiarelli Juliana M Chiarelli

Branch 028
John Zuchelli Kathleen Zuchelli

Branch 036
Andrew Loftus

Branch 050
Helen K Parker

Branch 075
Estela Jojola

Branch 108
Glenda J Mantel Joseph A Mantel

Branch 115
Rachele Ramirez

Branch 179
Niccolina A Emery

Branch 191
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Branch 214
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Edward Lexon

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Branch 246
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Greg S Spounias Jennie M Spounias
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Branch 285
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Remo E Canessa

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Branch 390
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Branch 406
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Branch 423
Vito L Liddi Lucky Lipa

Branch 425
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Scott R Pearson Philip Thomas
Susan Thomas Dee A Wachowski

Branch 439
Beatrice D'addosio

Branch 444
Margaret Majid

Branch 447
Andy Di Marco Patty Dunn Di Marco

Bishops' Days

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|-----------|--|------------|-------------------------------|
| Jan. 19th | Tucson | Sept. 22nd | Santa Rosa |
| Feb. 23rd | Orange | Sept. 29th | Monterey (Central Coast) |
| Apr. 28th | San Francisco (San Francisco, San Mateo & Marin) | Oct. 6th | Los Angeles Archdiocese |
| Jun. 23rd | Stockton | Oct. 23rd | San Bernardino |
| Aug. 25th | Oakland (Contra Costa & East Bay) | Oct. 26th | San Jose (Santa Clara Valley) |
| Sept. 8th | San Diego | Oct. 27th | Blessed Sacrament |

In Loving Memory

Report date: May 10, 2019

Deceased Members

| | | | |
|----------------------|------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| Mario Galetto | Branch 010 | Adriana M. Shackel, Former | Branch 270 |
| Yolanda Moglia | Branch 010 | | Panorama City |
| Marie Irene Lencioni | Branch 033 | Pierina Buccola | Branch 326 |
| Nanette M Giles | Branch 036 | Paula Neve | Branch 327 |
| Paul B Smith | Branch 036 | Aurelio Maestrini | Branch 351 |
| Catherine B Stewart | Branch 036 | Leo B Arnaudo | Branch 390 |
| Gail Radon | Branch 108 | Patsy M Hagmann | Branch 391 |
| Agnes Di Scala | Branch 115 | Kathleen Purdy | Branch 391 |
| Phillip Guglielmo | Branch 115 | S Vincent Barone | Branch 425 |
| Betty Antuzzi | Branch 191 | Lisa Maysey | Branch 425 |
| Maria Martinez | Branch 246 | | |

Apostolate – Charity Committee

Lauren Kilcullen, Chairperson

A reminder that the 2019 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 form and return it to the Central Council Office by the July 15 deadline. Judging of the forms will be held in early August and awards will be presented at the Convention in Tucson.

More than completing the forms to see if your branch will win a prize, the forms are our way of compiling accurate data regarding all the good works our branches do.

All branches have some apostolate – charity work, so there should be no reason not to complete the form.

In opening new branches and recruiting new members, it has been found that many people join the ICF because of our charitable giving. Having the information from the forms, will give us accurate information to use in our recruitment process.

Thank you,

Lauren Kilcullen

Cooley's Anemia Donations

Report date: May 10, 2019

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Branch 31 | Charles P. Gullo, Jr. |
| Branch 115 | In memory of The Gullo Family |
| Branch 130 | Roy and Barbara Riccetti |
| Branch 210 | In memory of Andrew Zanardi |
| San Mateo District | Roger and Kathy Santos |
| Officers/Members of Br. 19 | In memory of Andy Zanardi |
| Thank you to Laurice Levine | |

By-Law Change a Success in Saving Branches

At the 2017 ICF Annual Convention, Delegates voted that no Branch shall vote to close on its own. If a Branch wishes to close, the Branch must write a letter of this intent to the Executive Committee of the Central Council, signed by the President and the Secretary of the Branch, at least one (1) year before any vote to close. At this time, the Executive Committee would appoint a Central Council Member to work with the Branch to resolve the problems and/or challenges facing the Branch and administrate the Branch if necessary.

I am happy to announce that this by-law change has been largely a success. While a couple of branches have found this one-year notice difficult to comply with and, given the circumstances, the Executive Committee has allowed for earlier closure, **the by-law change has been instrumental in saving several branches.**

With plenty of lead time, the Central Council has been able to offer assistance, support, and leadership that has prevented closure.

Together, we have been able to find solutions – from moving a branch to a new parish to offering leadership assistance and training for new officers – that have prevented these branches, both large and small from closing.

As branch members, please understand that the ICF staff and Central Council members are here to help. **It bears repeating that this by-law has been largely successful in saving branches because the Executive Committee has had plenty of time to work with branch leaders and members to find solutions.**

If your branch is struggling and considering closing, please contact either Andy Pappani, Vince Piro, or Deborah Rhodoni. We are here to help.

Scholarship Donations--2nd, 3rd and 4th Year

Ed and Jo Bertaccini
In memory of Kathleen Purdy Bondi
Ed and Jo Bertaccini
In memory of Barbara Jones Officers/Members of Br. 435
In memory of Kathleen Purdy Bondi

For information about scholarships, go to this web address:

<https://www.icf.org/scholarships/>

We must use time as a tool, not as a crutch.

-John F. Kennedy

ICF is Going Green!



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*Start planning now to attend the ICF Annual Convention:
August 29 through
September 2 in Tucson, Arizona*

May Calendar Winners

| DAY | NAME | BR | CITY | WINS |
|------|-----------------------------|-----|-----------------------|-------|
| 5/1 | Michael & Michelle Cordich | | Glendora, CA | \$30 |
| 5/2 | Frieda Flocchini | 191 | San Jose, CA | \$30 |
| 5/3 | Mabel Willmon | 54 | Merced, CA | \$30 |
| 5/4 | Lauren Kilcullen | 52 | Healdsburg, CA | \$30 |
| 5/5 | Vincent Brown | | Rocklin, CA | \$30 |
| 5/6 | Maria Reames | 21 | Scotts Valley, CA | \$30 |
| 5/7 | James Gooch | 10 | Alameda, CA | \$30 |
| 5/8 | Aldo Sansoni | | Los Banos, CA | \$30 |
| 5/9 | Anthony Spallino | | Golden, CO | \$30 |
| 5/10 | Barbara Crear | 33 | Bakersfield, CA | \$30 |
| 5/11 | Anthony Scipione | 229 | Chula Vista, CA | \$30 |
| 5/12 | Greg Whaling | | Pinole, CA | \$50 |
| 5/13 | Barbara Borra | 327 | San Carlos, CA | \$30 |
| 5/14 | Mary Gualco | 390 | Tracy, CA | \$30 |
| 5/15 | Gary & Joni Maricich | | Watsonville, CA | \$30 |
| 5/16 | Diane Howard | | Morgan Hill, CA | \$30 |
| 5/17 | Gina & Mike Frey | | Bakersfield, CA | \$30 |
| 5/18 | David Lencioni | | Fresno, CA | \$30 |
| 5/19 | Sharon Cunial | 139 | Manteca, CA | \$30 |
| 5/20 | Gary Brougher | 111 | Montebello, CA | \$30 |
| 5/21 | Connie G. Hubbard | | Oakland, CA | \$30 |
| 5/22 | Carla Farber | | Novato, CA | \$30 |
| 5/23 | Most Rev. Randolph R. Calvo | | Reno, NV | \$30 |
| 5/24 | Richard Anton | | Bakersfield, CA | \$30 |
| 5/25 | Barbara & Xavier Irias | | Walnut Creek, CA | \$30 |
| 5/26 | Joan Perkins | | Grover Beach, CA | \$30 |
| 5/27 | Edmond J. Russ | | Gardena, CA | \$100 |
| 5/28 | Faith Hill | 213 | Oakdale, CA | \$30 |
| 5/29 | Marc Teglia | 7 | So. San Francisco, CA | \$30 |
| 5/30 | George Pagni | 365 | San Francisco, CA | \$50 |
| 5/31 | Erik Shimshock | 408 | Sunnyvale, CA | \$30 |

SEE THESE *FIRST* ON OUR WEB SITE: ICF.ORG



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.



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

8th Annual

Convention Blood Drive

Friday, August 30th, 2019, 8am-12noon

at the Convention Hotel

Snacks~~Prizes~~Raffle

Sponsored by:

The ICF Live to Give Committee

We NEED 40 ADVANCE SIGN-UPS

For more information:

Laurice Levine

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Introducing-Member's Corner

Public Relations Committee

We are starting a new section in the Bollettino called

"Member's Corner"

We are looking for submissions from the ICF membership for this area to highlight an individual, event or accomplishment within a Branch or District.

There is a lot of good that goes on throughout the Federation and

this would be a great way for all to share.

If you wish to submit an article, please send it to editor@icf.org.

In the subject line put Member's Corner Article and please limit the word count to no more than 250 words.

Thank you, *The Public Relations Committee*

Mother Cabrini Shrine--Open House on June 9th!

Carmelo Sabatella
LA Archdiocese District



Mother Cabrini Chapel in Burbank, CA

The next Cabrini Chapel Open Houses are scheduled on Sunday, June 9, 2019.

Host San Gabriel Region from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Please add the Chapel to your Branch's list of places to visit in 2019 and bring your family and friends to learn more about one of the ICF's Patroness Saints and the Catholic Church's first American Saint.

At the April 14th Open House, former St. Francis Xavier School Student and Parishioner(s) Lisa Laue visits the Mother Cabrini Chapel and Library with husband Johannes and daughter Anna-Marie Laue.

In 2019 add the Mother Cabrini Chapel in Burbank to your pilgrimage of

Mother Cabrini Shrines in New York, Chicago, Colorado and New Orleans.

Visitors from other states are coming to the Chapel in Burbank to continue their annual pilgrimage to pray to Mother Cabrini for strength and guidance.

Also DVD Copies of the movie *Frances Xavier Cabrini: the People's Saint* produced by Lucia Mauro are still available for sale in English and Italian.

Purchase a copy for your Branch and help support the Mother Cabrini Chapel. To order please call 626 372-7812 or email: cas1810@aol.com.

For more information regarding the above or to make a donation to help the Chapel, please call 626 372-7812 or visit the Mother Cabrini Shrine at www.icf.org. Your donation will sup-



port the annual December Pilgrimage event in Burbank and help maintain the Shrine facility.

Thank you for your continued support!
Carmelo Sabatella, AIA, President
ICF LAADC Mother Cabrini Chapel Committee



Laurice Levine spreading the word on Cooley's Anemia and the power of donating blood to the members of Branch 281 in Bakersfield, CA.



Cooley's Corner

Laurice Levine, MA, CCLS



Every child deserves to experience the power and magic of camp. The Painted Turtle, a camp for children with serious medical conditions, makes that

possible for all children, regardless of physical limitations or life-threatening diagnoses.

Every aspect of the intentional and adaptive programming—from a wheelchair-friendly ropes course to exceptional on-site medical care—is designed to allow all campers to fully participate in all activities.

Through eight-week-long, disease-specific summer sessions, 10 family weekend camps, and hundreds of in-hospital camp days, The Painted Turtle offers life-changing opportunities throughout the year. Since 2004, over 53,000 children and their families have attended camp completely free of charge.

With the on-site support of some of California's top pediatric medical professionals and the Well Shell, a state-of-the-art medical facility, The Painted

Turtle's adaptive programming makes it possible for children with serious medical conditions to enjoy traditional summer camp activities such as fishing, boating, horseback riding, archery, a high ropes course, arts and crafts, woodshop, and much more.

Children with chronic and life-threatening illnesses arrive looking for a camp experience, and what they discover is confidence and a feeling of acceptance and belonging that lasts long after they head home.

For many campers, their camp experience is the best time of the year. For their families, we provide unparalleled care, education, and well-needed respite.

The Painted Turtle serves over 73 medical conditions including: cerebral palsy, spina bifida, kidney disease and transplant, liver disease and transplant, primary immunodeficiency diseases, rheumatic diseases, skeletal dysplasia (dwarfism), hemophilia, thalassemia, inflammatory



The Painted Turtle

a seriousfun camp founded by paul newman

bowel diseases, neuromuscular disorders, genetic and metabolic conditions, and many more.

The Painted Turtle, located in Lake Hughes, California, is a proud member of the SeriousFun Children's Network founded by Paul Newman.

His vision and legacy have impacted over 860,000 children with serious medical conditions and their families



worldwide.

To learn more about The Painted Turtle and how to apply, please visit our website at www.thepaintedturtle.org. Camp magic awaits!

Check out the Painted Turtle Online Calendar for upcoming camp dates:

<http://thepaintedturtle.org/camp-calendar/>

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Family Recipes

Deborah Rodondi
Grand 2nd Vice President

This recipe is a great appetizer for any occasion. Actually when is not a good time for an appetizer?! It is my favorite food group! For years, at any occasion, Mom and I always made the same appetizers (after all they were the ones family members requested and expected).



On Easter of 2009, Mom made an executive decision that we were going to come up with some new treats to snack on. This one was a big hit, easy to do and delicious. So hope you enjoy it.

Brie Cherry Pastry Cups

1 sheet frozen puff pastry, thawed
 ½ cup cherry preserves (raspberry and apricot very good, also. I have even used my pepper jellies for a little zing).
 4 ounce Brie or Camembert cheese, cut into ½ inch cubes
 ¼ cup chopped pecans or walnuts
 2 Tbls. minced chives

Defrost and bring to room temperature the puff pastry. Unfold puff pastry, cut into 36 squares. Gently press into the bottoms of 36 miniature muffin cups coated with cooking spray.

Bake at 375 degrees for 10 minutes.

Of course it is puffed pastry, so it is not going to keep the cup shape of the mini muffin pan. So, using the end of a wooden spoon handle, make a ½ inch deep indentation in the center of each. Bake 6 to 8 minutes longer or until golden brown. With spoon handle, press squares down again.

Spoon a rounded ½ teaspoon of preserves into each cup. Top with cheese cube, sprinkle with nuts and chives.

I did not use chives, but the nuts were a nice touch.

Bake for 3-5 minutes more until cheese is melted.

NOTE: I baked the puff pastry a couple days before and sealed in an air tight Tupperware or jar. Can even freeze them. When ready to bake add jam and cheese and bake. Serve warm, but of course delicious at room temperature.

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!

She had built her restaurant kitchen out of scents and tastes and textures, the clean canvas of a round white dinner plate, the firm skins of pears and the generosity of soft cheeses, the many-colored spices sitting in glass jars along the open shelves like a family portrait gallery. She belonged there.

-Erica Bauermeister,
The Lost Art of Mixing

Travel Books 2019--A Review of Paul Paolicelli's Books

Vince Piro

Grand 1st Vice President

Dances with Luigi and

Under the Southern Sun: Stories of the Real Italy and the Americans It Created, by Paul Paolicelli

Thomas Dunne Books, 2000 & 2003

From time to time, ICF members send me books that they have enjoyed reading. Recently, Amy Pasquarelli, of Branch 319, sent me *Dances with Luigi* by Paul Paolicelli. I enjoyed reading this travelogue/memoir and decided to read his second book also, *Under the Southern Sun: Stories of the Real Italy and the Americans It Created*.

Both books proved to be interesting as not only do they describe the author's visits to Italy but become vehicles for the author to express his ideas on a variety of subjects.

In an effort to discover his ancestral roots, the author visits Italy. From these experiences, he has written two books. What does he learn? Paolicelli learns about an Italy that only be discovered by exploring its cities, visiting with its people, including his relatives, and learning its history at the point of origin. In each book, we follow the author as he discovers an Italy that can only be seen first hand. However, each book, particularly the second, contains the author's discoveries through the research he has done on his family's ancestral land, making these books both emotional and intellectual journeys.

And while these books can be seen as travelogues of his experiences traveling throughout the country, they are also much more. In each book, Paolicelli

shares his discoveries and clearly expresses his opinions on Italian culture and society.

These books become a rumination on a variety of social topics. For example, in *Dances with Luigi*, he expresses displeasure with an educational system that kept his grandparents illiterate and the horrible effects of the WWII fascist government and occupation. In *Under the Southern Sun*, he conveys his ideas about the proud heritage of Southern Italy and the place Southern Italy holds in the historical and social context of the country. He sings the praises of its people and of its immigrants to America while exploring the challenges and oppression they have faced.

Each book is a combination of personal experience, cultural exploration and historical knowledge, blending together both the heart and the mind.

Below are summaries of Paolicelli's two books on Italy:

Dances with Luigi

In this spirited memoir, veteran TV journalist, Paul Paolicelli, does what many of us can only dream of--he picks up and moves to a foreign country in an attempt to trace his ancestral roots. With the help of Luigi, his guide and companion, he travels through Italy--Rome, Gamberale, Matera, Miglionico, Alessandria, even Mussolini's hometown of Predappio--and discovers the tragic legacy of the Second World War that is still affecting the Old Country. He visits ancient castles and village churches, samples superb Italian cuisine, haggles at the open air market at Porta Portese,

enjoys and Alessandria siesta, and frequents "coffee bars", where beggars discuss politics with affluent Italian locals. He finds lost-lost cousins during the day and performs with an amateur jazz group during the night. Along the way, he discovers deeply moving stories about his family's past and learns answers to question that have plagued him since childhood.

More than just a spiritual account of one man's ancestral search, *Dances With Luigi* is also a stunning portrait of la bella Italia--both old and new--that is painted beautifully in all of its glamour, history, and contradiction.

Under the Southern Sun: Stories of the Real Italy and the Americans It Created

... In *Under the Southern Sun, Stories of the Real Italy and the Americans it Created*, journalist Paul Paolicelli takes us on a grand tour of the Southern Italy of most Italian-American immigrants, including Calabria, Basilicata, Puglia, Sicily, Abruzzo, and Molise. He explores the many fascinating elements of Southern Italian society, history, culture.

Along the way, he explores the concept of heritage and of going back to one's roots, the theory of a cultural subconscious, and most importantly, the idea of a Southern Italian "sensibility" -- where it comes from, how it has been cultivated, and how it has been passed on from generation to generation. Amidst the delightful blend of travelogue and journalism are wonderful stories about famous Southern Italian-Americans,

most notably Frank Capra and Rudolph Valentino, who were forced to leave their homeland and to adjust, adapt, and survive in America.

He tells the story of the only large concentration camp built and run by the Fascists during World War II and of the humanity of the Southerners who ran the place. He visits ancient seaside communities once dominated by castles and watchtowers and now bathed in tanning oil and tourists, muses over Matera--what is probably Europe's oldest and most unknown city -- and culminates in a fascinating exploration of how one's familial memory can influence his or her internal value system.

This book is a celebration of Southern Italy, its people, and what it has given to its American descendants.

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For the Child Chef-in-the- Making

Squished Tomato Pasta Sauce

- Place a dozen cherry tomatoes in a bowl;
- Have your kids squeeze each one until the orbs burst and then tear the fruit into small pieces.
- Add the juice of two large tomatoes. (An adult can cut the tomatoes in half and the kids can squeeze the juice into the bowl).
- Next, have the children tear small pieces of basil and chives on top of the mixture.
- They can do the same with a few black or green olives, if they'd like.
- Drizzle a bit of olive oil over the top and — voila!— it's a kid-friendly concoction perfect for spooning over pasta

[Source: BBC Good Food <https://recipes.howstuffworks.com/menus/5-italian-dishes-kids-make1.htm>].

Italy

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Transportation from Italian to English



il camion a truck



una strada a road



una ferrovia a railroad



l'elicottero a helicopter



il cielo the sky



l'aeroplano an airplane



una macchina a car



un treno a train



un fiume a river



una nave a boat



Source: <http://www.hello-world.com/translation.php>



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GOLF TOURNAMENT



DATE: FRIDAY, JULY 26, 2019

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

FORMAT: Four Person Scramble

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

BANQUET: Prepared By Our Returning Chef Ed Leonard

2:00 - Moose Lodge
555 Canyon Del Rey Blvd., Del Rey Oaks, CA 93940
No-host Cocktails

3:00 - Sumptuous Roast New York Strip Dinner

RAFFLE: There will be a raffle with stupendous prizes!

PRICE: Golfers: \$170 (includes hot buffet breakfast, 18 holes of golf with cart and banquet.) After July 19th, the price per golfer is \$185. Banquet only: \$50.

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Branch Reports

Fresno

Madera Santissimo Crocifisso, Br. 27

The April meeting was held on the 9th and it was a Potluck with lots of tasty main dishes, salads, and desserts. Thanks to the Chairpersons Bob and Ann Rolan and committee: Eileen Foster, Anna Raviscioni, Marilyn Rowe, Ila Schoettler, Elsie Bortorff and Theresa DeFrank. May 5th was the annual chicken take-out dinner and it was a success. Members received many phone calls from satisfied customers, not surprising since over two hundred tickets were sold. Thanks to the 20 plus members who came out to help; setting up, cooking, serving and cleaning up. I hope to see everyone at the June meeting on the 11th. We will be celebrating our past presidents and awarding a scholarship Please continue to pray for Art Berryman who has been ill for a couple of months. Hurry up and get well Art, we miss you.

Ciao,

Kerin Cavallero

Fresno

Our Lady of Victory, Br. 32

We were welcomed by Fr. Dominic Savio Rajappa from St. Alphonsus Church on May 7. Our meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month at 4:00. Gated parking is located behind the church. We sat under the covered patio adjacent to the parking lot and the weather was just perfect. Evelyn Lopez provided food for the members and guests.

Sally Caglia, member and friend of Erna Bonetto shared information about the Saint Elia celebration held in September. It was great to see her and she welcomed us to St. Alphonsus, her home parish. She jumped right in, accepted a couple of tasks to enhance our meetings.

Scholarship winners attended the meeting. Elaine Giovannetti attends San Joaquin Memorial High School. She plans to further her education in San Diego. Elaine is the daughter of Carla and granddaughter of Joe and Silvana Giovannetti. Jose DeLeon attends Central East High School and will be attending Fresno State. We met his mom, dad and sister Alexis. In June we look forward to meeting Mark Maffeo, a graduate from Clovis High School. Congratulations scholarship winners, we are so proud of you!

Fresno District Bocce tournament was held on May 4 at San Joaquin Memorial High School. Three teams from Branch

32 participated, team Vivenzi took 1st place and team Vino were victorious with 2nd place. Congratulations to Branch 32 and their competitive spirit. We appreciate Allen Watts, chairperson of the event. It's always a fun day.

Paulette Volpa

Financial Secretary



Br. 32. Pictured from left to right: Bruno Vivenzi, Rocco Vivenzi, Nico Ficher, Elaine Lencioni and Patricia Vivenzi



Br. 32. Pictured from left to right: Louis Girard, Lewis Pedroza, Eddie Vivenzi, Michael Vivenzi and Dominic Ficher



Br. 32. Pictured from left to right: Mark Taylor, Frank Volpa, Paulette Volpa and Robin Taylor

Bakersfield

St. Francis of Assisi, Br. 33

Branch 33 was honored to have our Scholarship Recipient, Joshua Rasmussen, attend our May Meeting. Joshua is pictured here with co-president, Barbara Crear. Joshua will graduate from Centennial High School and continue his education at Bakersfield College and Cal State Northridge.

We recognized Mother's Day, and the month of our Blessed Mother, Mary, by handing out long-stemmed roses to the women members. Past President, Maria Steele, told us about her journey to the Holy Land. As she told us about the many historic and religious sites she visited, it was obvious the experience will be with her always.



Our delicious enchilada dinner gave a shout out to Cinco de Mayo, and we will honor our fathers in June with an "indoor bbq"!

Ciao!

Merced

St. Cecilia, Branch, Br. 39

Chefs Robyn Piro and Estella Reta's chicken enchiladas, beans and rice with homemade salsa were delicious at our May dinner meeting as we celebrated some of our members' Hispanic heritage. A free dinner was given to 5 members with May birthdays. Convention delegates are: Terrie Rhodes, Sandy Del Real, Josephine Bellardita, Millicent Piro and Stephanie Lucich. Thanks to our chairladies, Maryellen Mazzei and Janet Pugliese, our biscotti and bake sale was its usual success, netting us over \$2000 for our charitable donations. They thank everyone who helped in any way: donating, baking, bagging, and selling. And we thank them for chairing it!

We voted to donate \$100 to Fr. Thomas' orphanage in India.

See you at our next event: Wednesday, July 10, 5 PM, for our Annual Weiner Roast at our beautiful Lake Yosemite. Besides a free meal with BBQ hot dogs, grilled green peppers, off-the-vine tomatoes, and corn-on-the-cob, there will be a cake walk, bingo, raffle and Make-Your-Own-Sundaes. We will honor our scholarship winners: member Lucca Lorenzi (Elmer's grandson) and Giovanni Liam Gates (Carol Salmeri's grandson). Remember: there is no meeting in June.

Please pray for the family of longtime member Al Bernardi, Nettie Descalso-Del Nero's brother and Lori (Mark) Sutton and Joe (Kathy) Bernardi's dad, who recently passed away.

Felice primavera,

Stephanie Lucich



Anne-Marie Bandoni and Ruth Redondo making biscotti for Merced branch annual cookie sale.



left to right: Janet Pugliese (co-chair), Sally Latorraca and Nancy Silva preparing biscotti dough for the Merced Br. 39 annual cookie sale.



left to right: Anne-Marie Bandoni, Janet Dal Porto, Christine Martin, Jan Lorenzi and Patrice Marvulli cut biscotti dough baked in the Italo-American Hall ovens in Merced.

Sanger

St. Mary, Br. 70

Greetings from Branch 70 in Sanger!

At our last meeting in May, President Kay Lopez planned a bake sale for May 26. All our members are planning to donate baked goods and with our members' culinary skills it promises to be a great success!

We are also planning to award 2 scholarships of \$300.00 each to two very deserving graduates from Sanger High School. This is something we do annually and take pride in helping our community.

Our branch participated in the Fresno District Bocce Ball tournament. Our team consisted of Kay Lopez, Ralph Wymenga, Karen and Katrina Stinehouer. They didn't win but had a lot of fun. Watch out next year!

Our blessings and prayers to Blanch Mendoza as she fights her cancer battle.

Branch 70 wishes a Happy Mothers Day and Fathers Day to all.

God Bless!

Orsolina Casella

Bakersfield

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Br. 281

June is upon us already! Despite the anticipated heat waves in Bakersfield, Branch 281 ALWAYS has some cool activities to take one's mind off the dog days of summer. On Divine Mercy Sunday April 28th our pasta dinner was well attended and we had more to-go dinners than ever before. We even offered vegetarian sauce and meatballs which were very appreciated by our herbivore friends! A big thank you goes to Lenny Zasoski and Kathy Scatena for all their hard work planning and cooking as well as Allen Watts for setting up the boxed wine tasting bar. Our annual Bocce tournament May 18th brought out the best of the best of our members for a day of friendly competition, food and fun. For our June meeting, our members bring their favorite salad to share. In July when the heat is at its peak, we can always chill out with our friends at the ice cream social meeting.

Happy Summer, and God bless all our Dad's on Father's day!

Theresa Amarante

Annibale Albert (Al) Bernardi January 8th, 1927 – April 25, 2019



Our beloved father, Al went to be with our Lord the afternoon of April 25th at his home in Green Valley, AZ at the age of 92. Al was born in Firebaugh, CA to Joe and Yolanda Bernardi, and spent his early years growing up in Merced, Le Grand, and Madera, CA. When Al was 17 years old he lost his father, and he was responsible for raising the family tomato crop in Madera. After moving with his Mom and sister Nettie back to Merced, he did a variety of jobs over the years including selling cars, driving delivery trucks, meat butcher, and working with local farmers. He became very involved with the Italian Catholic Federation in Merced, learning to cook and organize large events. He met his first wife Esther Vizzielo at a Saturday night dance in Merced, and they were married in 1949. They were married for 34 years and raised 5 children together until Esther's passing in 1984. During the late 1950s and early 1960s, Al farmed around the Merced area, eventually partnering in Tuttle Farms. After a couple of lean years, in 1969 he was asked by a Florida buyer to open a buying office in Nogales, AZ. That started a partnership in a brokerage firm, Ledlow-Cole-Bernardi Inc. Al continued to farm in the summer until 1972 when the partners sold the farmland and packing shed and Al would begin his semi-annual move with his family between Merced, CA and Nogales, AZ.

Al loved the Arizona desert and loved the fast pace of the quickly growing produce business in Nogales. He loved to organize large fundraisers, serving thousands of people chicken and rigatoni dinners for Sacred Heart Church and the NHS band. He also organized many BBQs for the Rio Rico and Green Valley Fire Departments.

In 1985 he remarried. He and Joan Durniat were married for 27 years until Joanie's passing in 2013. During their years together they traveled extensively in their RV all over the US and Canada visiting family, friends, and produce customers.

They opened an art gallery and Christmas shop, Galleria Bernardi, in Tubac as a retirement hobby which quickly became a full time job for both of them in 1990. They sold the art gallery in 1995 and moved to Green Valley to enjoy their retirement. They continued to travel everywhere in their RV, entertain in their Green Valley home, hold informative produce seminars wherever they traveled, and enjoy their friends and family. He helped to open the first branch of the Italian Catholic Federation in Arizona and cofounded the National ICF RV Club.

They moved to the La Posada Retirement Community in 2007 and continued to give back to the community and entertain friends. His La Posada friends and staff, Mangia Mangia Club members, and ICF members were all friends that became family.

He is preceded in death, by wives Esther and Joan, his son Tom, and his granddaughter Kayla. Al is survived by his son Allan (Carolyn) of Pescadero, CA, daughter in law Lee Curzon of Petaluma, CA, daughter Susan Bollinger(Bruce) of Ooltewah, TN, daughter Lori Sutton(Mark) of Atwater, CA, and son Joe (Cathie) of Turlock, CA. Stepdaughters Henriette Frisbie (Bert) and Jeannie Schultz (Tom), sister Nettie Pollicita of Merced, CA plus many grandchildren, great grandchildren, and nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services to be held at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church in Green Valley, AZ on June 11th at 10:00 and St. Patricks Catholic Church in Merced, CA on June 13th, Rosary at 9:30, Funeral Mass at 10:00.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Kayla Bernardi BEE Positive Foundation, PO Box 307, Turlock, CA 95382, or The Italian Catholic Federation Scholarship Fund Branch 39, PO Box 3693, Merced, Ca 95344

Los Angeles Archdiocese District

June is busting out all over! Welcome to Summer. It's time for Dads, Grads and June Brides. This month we celebrate our organization's 95th Anniversary. Congratulations to all of us. I won't be able to attend the Celebration Mass and Luncheon, but I know it's going to be a big hit. Be sure to get your raffle tickets for a chance at winning a stay at a beautiful house on the Colorado River in Parker Az. Safe travels to all of you who will be traveling this Summer and a very Happy Father's Day to all of the Dads.

South Pasadena Holy Family, Br. 108

On April 13th ICF Members enjoyed supporting the "Get on the Bus" Fundraising Dinner in Connolly Hall. Donations help to fund buses to bring children for visits with their parent(s) to prisons in the Southern California area. The program started 20 years ago with 17 children on Mother's Day and one prison to over one thousand children, seven prisons and visits on both Mother's and Father's Days in 2018.

Save the Date: June 23rd - Branch 108 Picnic/General Meeting 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm. Call 626 403-6102 to RSVP and for more information.

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.

Ci Vediamo presto!
Carmelo Sabatella, AIA, Past President
ICF Branch 108
626 372-7812; cas1810@aol.com

Montebello St. Benedict, Br. 111

Ciao a Tutti. A warm hello to everyone. Our June General Meeting is Thursday, June 20, at 7 p.m. at the St. Augustine House, 200 N. 12th Street, in Montebello. After the meeting, we will have cake to celebrate the June birthdays for members: Elsa Wadzinski, Elisa Salomone, Francisco Garcia, Gary Brougner, Anasofia Veneziano, Judd Wadzinski, Luciano Scorcia, Edward Pizzorno, and Francesco Sergi. Congratulations and happy birthday to everyone!

Congratulations to Marianne Schiappa, Palos Verdes High School, for winning Br. 111's \$400 College Scholarship.

At our last meeting, members voted to donate \$1,000 to St. Benedict Church for church improvements, \$500 to St. Benedict Church for the purchase of new albs vestments for altar servers, \$500 to the Order of Augustinian Recollects to support their ministries, and \$250 for St. Benedict's Festival to co-sponsor a booth. Also, we will award two \$400 Phillip Pace, Jr. Scholarships to graduating students at the school's graduation.



Br. 108 members enjoying the meeting



Br. 111 April and June birthdays

Benedict's Knights of Columbus to operate a Fireworks Stand at 228 Beverly Blvd., located east of Poplar Avenue, adjacent to Beverly Car Wash. from June 29th to July 4th. We need everyone's support to make this a successful event. Mark your calendars and plan to volunteer on some days, especially on July 3rd and July 4th.

We pray for our sick members and those in need; keep them in our thoughts and

prayers. Thank you for all you for the ICF. May God Bless all of you abundantly!

Ciao!
Frank Salomone
Branch 111 President
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San Pedro St. John Joseph of the Cross, Br. 115

Thank you to all who attended and brought such delicious entrees to our May potluck meeting. While we were eating President Neal DiLeva was at Mary Star's award banquet presenting our scholarship to winners Rose Amalfitano and Ian Swaim. Congratulations to all!

Our next casino fundraiser will be to San Manuel Casino on July 9th. Bus will leave from the Boys and Girls club at 11am. Please call Pauline for reservation 310 8320563

Our next branch meeting will be on July 11th at 7:30pm. This is one week earlier due to fiesta setup.

Our parish fiesta will be held on July 19th thru the 21st. Our branch will be manning the meatball/sausage sandwich and pizza both. From meatball making on July 18th to helping set up the booth or working in the booth all help will be appreciated! Please call Pauline for more info

Save the date August 17th Dinner Dance celebrating St John Joseph of the cross and our branch's 65th anniversary

Our branch is offering a 3 nite/ 4 day trip. Join us as we travel to California's central coast and San Francisco. Sept 8th returning Sept 11,2019. We will be stopping at a few wineries and casino's along the way. Price is \$320.00 per person double occupancy and \$490.00 single. Call Pauline Iacono for more info or reservations 310 8320563

Please keep longtime member Carmela Guerra and her family in your prayers.

Anita Trujillo Treasurer

Ventura Sacred Heart, Br. 169

Thank you to Carol Eller for her years of service as Branch President. We value her hard work and continued service. We, also, welcome our new President, Greg Corricello. This will be a busy year as we focus on expanding our membership. In June, we will participate in the ICF 95th anniversary mass. In September, we will have a heritage pot luck and silent auction, at which time we will honor our new and prospective members.

God's blessing to all!

Glendora St. Dorothy, Br. 179

In April, St. Dorothy's Glendora Branch 179 went on a field trip! In place of having our normal April meeting, several members took public transportation to downtown Los Angeles Union Station. After a brief walk from the station, we arrived at the Italian American Museum of Los Angeles

(IAMLA). This was so interesting, and we all learned so much of our Italian American heritage here in Los Angeles!

After touring the Museum, we walked across the street to the oldest church in Los Angeles, La Iglesia de Nuestra Senora La Reina de Los Angeles, (translation: The Church of our Lady the Queen of the Angels), dedicated December 8, 1822. The outside is beautiful; but, unfortunately, a private baptism was being held so we were unable to enter, next time. After strolling the church's attached plaza, we walked to Olvera Street, which is part of the El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument, established in 1781. We walked through the traditionally paved alleyways of this colorful Mexican marketplace, and stopped for lunch and margaritas at La Golondrina, established 1924.

A very educational day! We all learned a little something about our Italian heritage, and our local Hispanic culture, here in Los Angeles. And, had fun in the process! In fact, we're looking forward to another outing sometime in the future!

God's blessings! Ciao!
Patricia Auriemmo
Recording/Corresponding Secretary
ICF Branch 179 Glendora

Gardena St. Anthony of Padua, Br. 237

Dear Members,

Our Branch thanks all that made our annual trip to Laughlin a success! Pictured are the happy travelers. These trips help fund out many scholarships.

Also pictured is President Connie Bohannon with Branch members Janette and Irene Russ with our special events coordinator Rose Moore enjoying an evening at the Casa Italia in Los Angeles. This event sponsored by the National Italian St Peter Church. Proceeds are going to the feed the homeless. The food was great as well as the company.

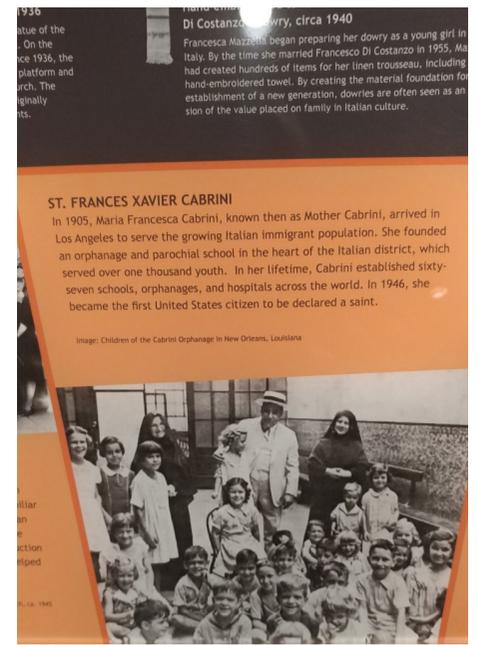
The photo of the firefighters is with Jordan Roa who treated them to Crispy Cream donuts. Jordan had an episode that required 911. They arrived quickly and transported him to the hospital. Jordan is the son of Vice President Micheal Roa and has become a favorite of station 79, recently he delivered an Easter Basket, that was very happily received by the guys. We thank them for their service!!!!

"Trust in the Lord forever, for in the Lord God you have an everlasting rock" Is 26:4

Happy Fathers Day
Respectfully,
Micheal Roa



The oldest church in Los Angeles, La Iglesia de Nuestra Senora La Reina de Los Angeles



Mother Cabrini in Los Angeles visited by Br. 179



Br.179 toured the Italian American Museum of Los Angeles



Laughlin trip and Jordan Roa thanks to firefighters from 79



Dinner at Casa Italia, Branch 237 Gardena

Claremont Our Lady of the Assumption, Br. 319

Congratulations to OLA on a successful Fiesta on Mother's Day weekend. Memorial Day weekend is the start of summer activities At our June meeting we will have all of our local charities and three elementary school and our high school scholarship winners join us for dinner and presentation of their Awards.

We will pass on our meeting in July since the church does their yearly clean up. On August 11 we expect to see the newly refurbished church. We all can't wait to get back. Future events included a Casino trip and spaghetti dinner.

Enjoy the summer and God Bless.
Andrea Linn
President

Temple City St. Luke, Br. 326

If the adage is correct: "no news is good news." I have no news of the Branch's activities for the month of April and May. In April, the Branch went dark, due to the annual fiesta being held on the same Saturday as our meeting date. And for May's reason for going dark is that Memorial Day weekend (Saturday) follows on a meeting day. But this does not mean that all of the Branch's' problems are being put on hold.

We have noble members whose quest for a well-functioning Branch does not end when the monthly meeting ends. Thank God for this. Membership and fundraisers are our prime concerns.

Inspirational thought: *God never closes a door without opening a window. Howsoever, some people see security bars on those windows, while others don't.*

Little bit of humor: Remember, you can make a waterbed more bouncy by using spring water.

Tony Farinella
1st Vic President, Branch 326

Downey St. Raymond, Br. 362

Summer time greetings to you all. I can't believe the year is now half over, or is it half way to go? A great time was had by all at our May Bingo. Italian sausage sandwiches were enjoyed. A very Happy 95th Anniversary to the ICF. Earlier this month we had our Annual Awards Night. Congratulations to all of the scholarship winners, especially to our member, RJ, on her scholarship. We will be having a new fundraiser coming up soon, Quartermania. More info will be coming soon. Happy Father's Day to all our great Dads, Grand Father's, Father's in Law, God Father's and Father figures. *Enjoy your Summer.*

Thousand Oaks St. Paschal Baylon, Br. 380

Branch 380 had a wonderful May general meeting. The theme was a celebration of lemons. Remo Iezza gave an interesting and informative talk about the history of lemons. We learned how they were introduced to Italy, how they are celebrated there, and the many uses for lemons and their health benefits. After the talk, we were treated to a limoncello tasting. Debbie Gallagher shared her limoncello recipe with the group. The evening ended with a lemon cake contest. Pat Mages' delicious lemon cake won first prize for best tasting cake.

We are looking forward to these fun events coming up:

May 18th (Sat.) Baby shower to benefit the Life Centers of Ventura County

- June 1st (Sat.) Annual Bocce Ball Tournament and luncheon on the grounds of St. Paschal Baylon school
- June 8th (Sat.) Many Mansions Bowls of Hope Painting Party
- June 15th (Sat.) Annual ICF garage sale to benefit Branch 380 scholarship fund

Annie Scott
Corresponding Secretary



Br.380, Remo Iezza presenting on the history of the lemon and limoncello

Rancho Palos Verdes Saint John Fisher, Br. 444

Food, Fellowship, and Fun! On May 9, 2019, ICF members, guests, and parishioners enjoyed our Food and Bingo Games night held in our Parish Auditorium. A delicious meal of pork loin roast, salad, bread, rice, and wine was served. Sodas, snacks, and cookies were also available throughout the evening. Compliments to our President, Hany Francis! The bingo games were led by our Sentinel and Bingo Master Cristina Baldemor. We assisted anyone who had questions about the games. We had 5 bingo games with a variety of patterns needed to win! Challenge and anticipation was sure felt during the games! There were a total of 5 winners who each received gifts in kind, such as Australian souvenirs, gift baskets with wine and goodies, gifts certificates to Red Onion Lunch/Dinner for 2, and a Bristol Farms gift certificate. On June 1, 2019, Saint John Fisher Parish will be having their 2019 Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon honoring all our parish ministries of the past year, including our ICF Branch 444. A wonderful meal will be served. Presentations will also take place.

Here are some upcoming ICF events:

- June 13, 2019- Potluck and Karaoke Night in the Saint John Fisher Parish Auditorium at 7:00 pm.
- July 11, 2019- Barbecue (Summer Festival Theme) in the Saint John Fisher Auditorium at 7:00 pm.

Please keep our member Dick Anthony and his family in your prayers. May he rest in peace.

Grazie,
Tonia Amalfitano
Recording and Corresponding Secretary

Manhattan Beach American Martyrs, Br. 447

The General Meeting held on May 20th at 6:30 p.m. in O'Donnell Hall was a huge success. Our branch celebrated our First Anniversary and our theme was our Heritage. We also had our first ever "Meatball Monday" where we handmade meatballs for meatball sandwiches, which were incredible and enjoyed by all. For dessert, we handmade Sicilian style Cannoli which were also amazingly delicious! Several

members shared about their unique family heritage, their family's journey to the United States, and their family customs and traditions. Luanne Donahue, our Co-President taught all of us the Tarantella and we had a great time dancing the night away! We ended the celebration with one of our all-time favorite events, the 50/50 raffle.

Our June General Meeting will be held on Monday, June 24th at 6:30 p.m. in O'Donnell Hall. It will be a fun and casual Pizza night with appetizers, salads, and desserts. We will also be playing Italian Trivia. Come and enjoy great food, great friendship and great fun while learning facts about Italian history, geography, traditions and other fun facts. More information will follow in your evite!

We have many fun and exciting events planned for the second half of 2019, including a Talent Show. Even if you have no particular talent in dancing, singing or playing an instrument, feel free to try your hand with stand-up comedy, or you can act out a skit, any type of talent is welcome! We will also be having a Bocce Ball tournament and picnic, and will be chartering a bus to "A Taste of Italy" event by the Italian American Museum of Los Angeles, which will be held on October 12th. More details will follow.

Stay connected by joining our FaceBook group where we will post information about future events, share photos of events, recipes, and more.

Peace & Blessings,
Stephanie DeRaddo
Corresponding and Recording Secretary

Monterey

Central Coast District

Santa Cruz Nostra Signora del Soccorso, Br. 21

My goodness; summer is almost here! Time for graduations, too, and Branch 21 is proud to announce that we have three scholarship recipients this year. They are Morgan Larkin, Whittaker Netto, and Sofia Dellamora

Grossi. If members would like to meet these bright young people, we have invited them to attend our June 4th meeting. You can then wish them a blessed voyage on the sea of knowledge. Scholarship donations were made in the memory of John Orlando and Mary Stagnaro by their families. Branch 21 also contributed to one scholarship. We are grateful for the interest and generosity of one and all.

The No Bake Sale was a great success this year. Members donated \$2275.00! At last month's meeting, it was announced which charities would receive a donation and how much. Some of those charities include Cooley's Anemia Fund, Siena House, Holy Cross School, Alzheimer's Association, and more. Thank you all for your 'baking'!

Upcoming events include the ICF 95th Anniversary held in San Francisco on Sunday, June 9th. There is the possibility of car-pooling, if there is enough interest. Then, on Saturday, July 27th, we will be celebrating our own ICF Anniversary of 90 years. Contact Roseann or Rosa with any questions about either event.

We hope to see you at our next meeting. In the meantime, remember to pray for the health and well-being of our friends and members who are ill. May the Lord continue to bless us all.

Patty Morelli
Secretary Branch 21

Salinas Sacred Heart, Br. 25

Branch 25 is pleased to announce our two winners of the ICF Scholarships for Graduating Seniors: Samuel David Lovrato from Palma High School, and Sarah Mikkelsen from Salinas High School. We are awaiting the name of the eighth grade winner from Sacred Heart School. All of the winners and their families will be hosted for a celebratory lunch at our June 11, 2019 meeting, at noon in the K of C Hall in Salinas. Lunch will be provided by the Branch. All members are encouraged to attend.

We have also been notified by Sacred Heart Parish that our first date choice for our fall Polenta Luncheon is a go. Preparation day and our November meeting will be on Tuesday, November 12; and the Annual Polenta Take Out Lunch will be Wednesday, November 13, 2019. Formal planning will begin in September.

Congratulations to all of the Scholarship winners and all of the students graduating this year. And we wish a Happy Father's day to all of the wonderful ICF Dad's!

JoAnn Sullivan
Recording Secretary



ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION 2019 NATIONAL CONVENTION TUCSON TRAVEL HIGHLIGHTS AUGUST 29 – SEPTEMBER 2, 2019



Hotel: Hilton El Conquistador Resort 10000 N. Oracle Road, Tucson, Arizona

Reservations: Use group code 'ICF' on the Hilton website or call (520) 544-5000

Link: <http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/T/TUSHTHH-ICF-20190827/index.jhtml>

Rate: \$95 plus tax single/double occupancy **Note:** Convention attendees must book using this code for the ICF to receive credit towards our contracted room nights. Rate available until August 15 or sold out. After August 15, reservations will be accepted at the best available rate.

Resort fee: \$25 per night will be waived when using our group code before the deadline.

Transportation:

Flights to/from various areas may be faster and more economical via PHX due to layovers. Research fares and ground transportation to determine the best travel option for you.

Tucson Airport: 22 miles, 45 minutes **Phoenix Airport:** 107 miles, 1 hour 45 minutes

Tucson Shared Van: Stagecoach Express \$50 each way (520) 889-1000

Tucson Uber/Lyft: Approx. \$35 each way **Phoenix Uber/Lyft:** Approx. \$140 each way

Hertz Rental Car: New ICF discount. Receive up to 30% off year round. CDP# 2173699

Please notify your branch of your convention attendance.

To ensure non-delegates 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) ICF-1924.

Convention updates are visible first on Facebook. Keyword: Italian Catholic Federation.

Also look for convention news in the Bollettino and at www.icf.org.

95 YEARS: THE JOURNEY CONTINUES



The Los Angeles 95th Anniversary Committee Announces A Special Opportunity

*Win a Week at the Jones River House,
In Moovalya Keys, Parker, Arizona*

Proceeds go to St. Peter's Italian Church Ministries.
Tickets are \$25 for one or 5 for \$100.

The winner will be announced at the celebration on Sunday, June 30.
You need not be present to win.

For additional information, contact
Pat Mages at (805) 428-4623 or Perry Shurko at (562) 804-0230

There will also be an opportunity to
participate in a separate basket raffle.



Jones River House in Moovalya Keys Parker, Arizona



Features:

- Located two houses from the river
- A beautiful 4-bedroom and 3-bath home with open kitchen, dining and living room
- All facing the water--attractively designed and furnished
- Dining area with large table that seats 8 & bar seating
- Laundry room with stacked washer and dryer.
- Also, an extra refrigerator and ice machine as well as a wine fridge
- Comfortable patio with several seating areas
- Full garage access parking for 4 cars
- Free Wi-Fi

*For you know that we dealt with
each of you as a father deals with
his own children, encouraging,
comforting and urging you to live
lives worthy of God, who call you
into his kingdom and glory.*

~ 1 Thessalonians 2: 11-12

The Italian Catholic Federation (ICF) is a family-oriented, non-profit fraternal organization dedicated to promoting activities that build faith and family spirit and bring men, women and children of all ages together.

By joining a local branch, ICF members share their culture, heritage and religious beliefs.

We believe that together we accomplish more than one can alone.

We are active in various cultural events throughout the country, support our local parishes, and provide various charities with financial and other support.

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Hollister Sacred Heart, Br. 26

Hollister, Branch 26 held a very successful Polenta and Italian Sausage Dinner on Saturday, April 27. President Harry Hill and his wife, Kathy, organized our meal preparations and kept our many volunteers busy chopping, stirring, BBQing, serving meals, and cleaning the kitchen. Our faithful volunteers include, Grand President Andy and Sid Pappagni, Mary Ann Friebel, Carol Hart, Joe and Joanna Mc Mahon, Denise O'Laughlin, Martha Gibson, Mike Pera, jLuis, Cheri and Tatiana Huntley, Marie Peterson, Tony LoBue and Daniella, and Brenda Ellis. A very big Thank You to you all. Our scholarship funds have been increased due to your efforts.

Christina Peterson, daughter of Dan and Marie Peterson, has been named a Central Council Scholarship Winner. Congratulations, Christina, and continued success with your educational pursuits.

Save the date for the Central Council Picnic to be held on Saturday, August 17. Branch 26 will host this annual picnic at San Benito County Historical Park near Hollister. More information to follow.

Please pray for the soul of our long time member, Anthony Trebino, who died this past month. Remember our sick members in your prayers, Ralph Brigantino, Nick and Betty Ferrero, Norma Martinetti, Cheri Huntley, and Sid Pappani's sister.

We hope you had a blessed Mother's Day and enjoy a wonderful Father's Day.

Brenda Ellis, Secretary

Monterey Santa Rosalia, Br. 36

Summertime -- "Dance with the waves, move with the sea. Let the rhythm of the water set your soul free" - Christy Ann Martine.

May 2 was Br. 36 Scholarship Awards Night! We congratulated 5 high school students with \$1,000 scholarships, along with \$500 scholarships presented by the Italian Heritage Society. Recipients were Michael Carnazzo, Christopher Campo, Taylor Colello, Jerry Flores, and Nathan Martorella. Also, we recognized Madison Ham for receiving a \$400 scholarship from ICF Central Council. Br. 36 \$500 Achievement Awards for San Carlos School 8th grade grads were presented to Anna Gorman, Gianna Mangiapane, and Lillian Young, who also received \$250 each from the Italian Heritage Society. Our members and guests enjoyed Bracirole braised in tomato basil sauce over pappardelle pasta, spring salad, vegetables, garlic bread and carrot cake. Thank you to our chef PJ Curatolo and crew for a great dinner. And kudos to Barbara Lucido and Scholarship Committee Jane, Antonia I, Sandie, and June for their excellent work. Antonia Ihnot, June and Annie decorated the hall

beautifully for this event

Welcome our newest member, Andrew Loftus. We are saddened to report that Catherine Cardinalli Stewart, Paul Smith, and Nanette Giles recently passed away. Condolences to their families; may God comfort them during this time. Pray for all our members who are ill and/or homebound. On June 6, we will celebrate our branch's 88th Anniversary and initiate new members - this is usually a well-attended free dinner for our members.

*May your blessing be countless,
Elaine Valentine
Financial Secretary*

Calendar

July 18—85 and Over Birthday Party

Aug 1—Dinner/meeting

Castroville Santa Caterina de Siena, Br. 51

Happy Summer!

Hello! My name is Natalie Carbonel and this is my first time writing for my branch! Thank you, Cindy Stefani, for asking me to take over. I only hope I will write as well as you have!

This past month has brought some challenges. Our branch's parish hall flooded due to the most recent storm which had forced our branch to become rather creative when finding a temporary meeting space. For our last general meeting member, Pat Stefani graciously offered to host the meeting at her home. Thank you for welcoming us into your home and being our host!

With the beginning of June comes Castroville's annual Artichoke Festival. This year is the 60th Celebration of all things artichoke! Several of our members volunteer and attend the festival to indulge on Castroville's delicious artichokes and participate in the festivities.

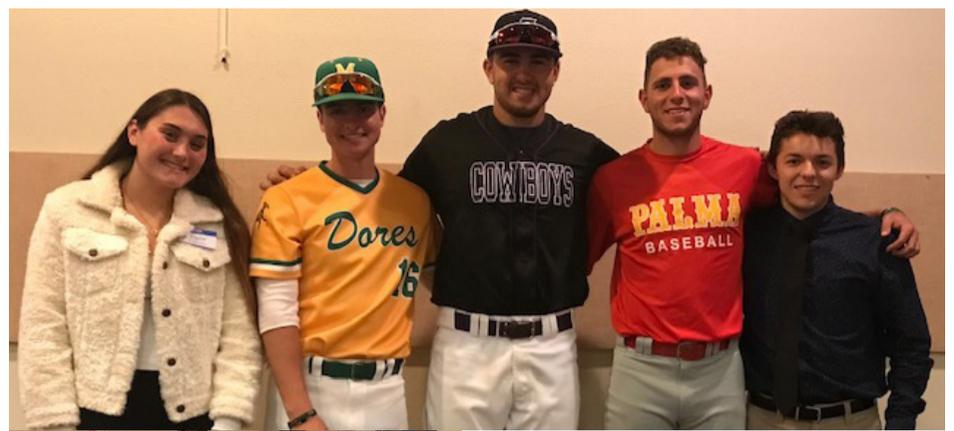
Happy Birthday to our June babies: Nancy Ausonio, Father Pedro Espinoza, and our Vice President, Carrie Holbrook!

Congratulations to our scholarship recipient from Palma High School, Kevin Beach! Also, a warm congratulations officially to our high school graduate members, Allison Barlow and Kevin Cortopassi! Your ICF family is proud of you both and is here for support and guidance as you start this new chapter.

*I hope everyone is enjoying their summer!
Until next time,
Natalie Carbonel*

Capitola St. Joseph's, Br. 227

The results are in for our Fish Fry dinners. There were 1,235 meals served and the profit was \$13,252.76. A portion of that will go to restoration of the church hall and the various charities we support.



Br. 36 has been busy



A special thank you goes to member Robert Marani who donated three cases of Robert Marani Wine and Corralitos Wine Company wine to the dinners. His generosity helped us realize a greater profit on the operation of our bar.

Fish Fry workers enjoyed a thank you party that was hosted by President Franklyn Lopes and featured Linda Calciano's delicious lasagna for dinner.

Congratulations to Gabriella Guterrez from St. Francis High School who received the \$400 First Year Scholarship. The winner of the Otto Ambiel Memorial scholarship is Samantha Vanderford. Samantha is the granddaughter of member Vicki Howell. These scholarships, as well as the Perlino Scholarships, will be awarded at our June 23 meeting.

Monica and Bill Crowley and Ellen Pauly have been named delegates for the convention in Tucson in September. Gene Pauly is an alternate.

In honor of Cinco de Mayo, our May meeting menu included enchiladas, rice, and beans prepared and served by Rick and Jane Kotila and Mike and Liz Rios. Thanks to them for always coming through when we need cooks.

Remember that the annual barbecue will be held on July 13 at Forty Thieves Park.

Happy Father's Day to all dads, granddads and great-granddads.

Deanna Musler, Secretary

Arroyo Grande St. Patrick, Br. 291

At our May General Meeting, Br. 291 introduced three scholarship recipients—all branch members—who met all requirements to qualify for the scholarships. Our 8th Grade Scholarship recipients, who must attend a local Catholic high school to qualify, are Charlie Ward, St. Joseph's High School, and Eli Marsalek, Mission College

Prep. Branch 291's College Scholarship recipient is Samantha McNeil, who will be attending UCLA. We congratulate these students, and all graduates, and wish them well in their future endeavors!

We would like to send BIG Happy Birthday wishes to Br. 291 member Rose Renna-Guzzetti who will turn 100 on June 8th! Rose will be celebrating in San Diego with many generations of her family in attendance. Rose is in good health and enjoys playing Bridge, Rumikube, Canasta and Gin Rummy. Her family feels very blessed to have her in their lives.

We are looking forward to having Laurice Levine as a guest speaker at our June General Meeting on Sunday, June 23rd. Everyone is welcome to join us for Laurice's informative presentation on Cooley's Anemia, as well as helping us celebrate the 95th Anniversary of the ICF!

Please keep the following Br. 291 members in your prayers who may be experiencing illness, pain or heartache at this time: Anita Caracci, Dianne & Homer Clees, Wally Cox, Terry Garrity, Stevie Hall, Jennifer Nakamura, Mary Recchia, Nick Sausa, Ann Silva, Jim & Throck Scudder, June Steves, Fr. Alphonse Van Guilder, Jens & Sonia Wagner, and Doris Wais.

Happy Father's Day and Happy 95th Anniversary to the ICF!

*Keely Sanchez
Recording Secretary*



Happy 100th Birthday to Rose Renna-Guzzetti on June 8th! Rose is a member of Br. 291.

Paso Robles Saint Rose of Lima, Br. 354

May is nature's birthday. May is Our Blessed Mother's month when Catholic School children pick Cecil Bruner Roses and ferns to weave delicate pink crowns to set atop statues of Mary. May is the month to honor our earthly mothers with messages of love and appreciation. And in Branch 354 May brings our annual meeting and potluck at Theresa Sollazzo's welcoming home. Theresa is 98 years young, wise, funny and good to be around. She is a transplant from Monterey's ICF and we are blessed to have her here in Paso Robles.

May is also a time of many birthdays for Branch 354. Happy birthday to Vincent Valentin, Marianne Cates, Don Maddalena, Hope Ellsworth, and Fr. Roberto Vera.

Meatballs in May? What could be better than David Zanini's leftover meatballs in red sauce in the freezer? Our PASTA DINNER, as usual, was a huge success in so many ways—a delicious Italian meal complete with local wines, old and new friends staying around to visit, and proceeds to provide scholarships to deserving young people, and David's planned leftovers to enjoy at a later date. Life is good!

Yvonne Maddalena

Chicago

River Forest St. Vincent Ferrer, Br. 358

Members of the ICF 358, St. Vincent Ferrer Parish, met recently and discussed some important issues.

The children confined to life on respirators at the Maryville residence in Chicago, will continue to be our major concern. Donations made to our ICF campaigns will be focused on their care. Most of these children will die before they reach the age of 21. After age 18, the state of Illinois takes over their care and they will be confined to nursing homes until they die.

Our annual bake sale will be held on Sunday, Oct. 13th, 2019, in the vestibule of St. Vincent Church after all morning masses. As stated above, proceeds will benefit our children in Maryville.

Thought for the month. When you finish your ICF monthly paper, leave it in your church, favorite coffee place, or your doctor's office, for others to read. This is one way to spread knowledge about the ICF. Who knows where they may travel and be read?

*God bless you and our country.
Judith Schweickert
Pres., Br. 358 River Forest, IL*

Oakland East Bay District

Kudos to our East Bay President, Lisa Crudo, for her hard work coordinating with Collette Travel, the ICF trip to the British Isles. We had a total of 12, members and family from northern Calif., who joined up with the larger group for a total of 42 travelers for a busy, interesting and fun filled 15 days. Where to next??? Thank you, Lisa.

Now that we are back to reality, we are still organizing our trip to San Francisco to celebrate the 95th Anniversary of the ICF. So far the bus is ready to roll, all we need is for people to make their reservations soon as their is a limit of 300 for the luncheon following Mass.

Time to select delegates for the convention and sell those raffle tickets to raise money for your branches. Also, we are expecting 100% from all the branches for the Apostolic report.

One of our fun activities is our Day at the Races, which is June 6th. And let me slip in a plug for the ICF Golf tournament in Monterrey on July 26th, still time to sponsor a hole. And our Italian Heritage A's baseball game in Aug. is fast approaching. Lots of ways to meet ICF members from different branches and to have fun.

Let us keep all of the victims of violence in our prayers.

Happy Father's Day to all who have been there for us over the years as father figures, even if not biological fathers. Thank you, Dad.

*Pat Grasso,
District Secretary*

Alameda Nostra Signora Delle Grazie, Br. 10

We celebrated our 93rd year as a branch with our Anniversary Dinner on Saturday evening, May 11. Over 60 members and friends of Branch 10 attended, including Grand President Andy Pappani and officers of both the Central Council and other ICF benches. We all enjoyed the roast pork dinner prepared by chefs Ben Ratto and Rich Coula.

Our next social undertaking will be our annual barbecue scheduled for Thursday, July 11 at Monsignor O'Brien Hall, High Street and Van Buren Street, Alameda. Social hour will begin at 5:30 p. m., and dinner will be served at 6:30 p. m. The menu will include nachos as an appetizer, hamburgers, veggie burgers, potato salad, chips and watermelon.

Event is free to Branch 10 members. Prices for non-members and children of non-members are \$10.00 and \$5.00 respectively.



Oakland--East Bay District ICF trip to the British Isles

Reservations due by noon on Monday, July 8 to John Zugnoni, john@zugnoni.net or (510) 523-8005. Payment in advance by check made payable to ICF Branch 10 and mailed to John Zugnoni, 1841 Fremont Drive, Alameda CA 94501.

We have voted to sponsor a hold at the ICF Golf Tournament scheduled for July 26 at Laguna Seca Golf Course in Monterey. We are asking to sponsor our namesake hole, no. 10.

We will announce our scholarship winners in the July Bollettino.

*John Zugnoni
Branch 10 publicity*

Fremont St. Francis of Assisi, Br. 215

Congratulation to our 1st Year College Scholarship winner, Francesca Marra. She will be graduating from St. Francis High School in Mountain View. We hope Francesca and her parents will join us on our 6/11/2019 meeting.

It is with sadness that Branch 215 bids farewell to Shirley Ann Cesare (March 15, 1933 - April 8, 2019). Shirley and her husband of 61 years, Sam, were both longtime member of our branch and avid Bocce players

She will be greatly missed.

Our condolences also go to the family of Colleen Marron, a good friend, ICF supporter and one of our faithful bocce ball player at our monthly games. Colleen passed away 5/2/2019.

Sharon DeSousa and Lorraine Neira both say thank you for all our prayers.

Time to sell your ICF Convention raffle booklets raffle tickets. Please make checks payable to ICF Branch 215. Send your check with the completed ticket stubs to John DeLucchi at 35929 Plumeria Way, Fremont, CA 94536. The DEADLINE to MAIL TICKET STUBS AND CHECK IS 8/01/2019.

Our June meeting is 6/11/2019. There will be no branch meeting in July.

To all members with birthdays, anniversaries or special events in June, our congratulations. To our first responders, military and their families, we wish to express our gratitude and prayers for your safety.

Ken Chiatello, Branch 215



Here are some photos from Br. 215's recent bingo luncheon.

Livermore St. Filomena, Br. 285

May was a busy month planning for our branch's annual BINGO BASH on June 1st at St. Augustine's Hall in Pleasanton. Doors open at 6 p.m.—Cost is \$10/Bingo packet of 10 games. Pizza, snacks & beverages available.

Great prizes & raffle. Reservations by May 28. Call Patty at (925) 462-2491. Fundraiser benefits Children's Hospital treatment of Cooley's Anemia plus other ICF charities.

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Our May meeting included guest speaker—Sandra Ryan speaking about her Sicilian heritage.

Our scholarship winners: Isabella Carrano from Livermore High School and Marissa Gracia from Granada High School. We congratulate these deserving young ladies. They will be honored at their respective schools next month and presented their awards by a Branch member.

Our May 17th general meeting/potluck will be held at Saint Elizabeth Seton hosted by Pat & Patty Brick.

Some of our members will attend the Italian Heritage Night A's game on Aug. 3rd.

Larry Frazier, San Pedro High School, grandson of members Milt & Kathy Elm, received an appointment to the Naval Academy. Congratulations to him and his family.

We wish all the graduates and their families congratulations. It is always a proud moment for parents and grandparents to see young people setting future goals and celebrating accomplishments.

Continued prayers for members & their families who are struggling with health issues. We pray for healing and peace.

Let's "keep in touch" the summer months when we enjoy relaxing a bit more. For all who are travelling this summer, we wish you happy, safe adventures.

Until next time, Ciao
Judy Bates

Castro Valley Our Lady of Grace, Br. 343

Our May meeting had a special beginning with Rosary recitation in honor of the Blessed Mother. Followed by a fine Mexican dinner. Melody prepared a delicious flan. Thank you.

The winner of the Leonard and Karen Rossi 1st year scholarship, Matthew Togmolini and his parents, Michael and Susan attended. He is from Castro Valley High School and will attend UC Berkeley majoring in Civil Engineering. This is a family tradition, as both of his older brothers were past winners. Maybe next month the Branch 1st year winner and the 8th grade winner from OLG will join us.

We displayed a Certificate of Merit, signed by Grand Pres. Andy Pappani, for our 49th Anniversary. In this day and age, it is not always easy to keep our branches functioning. Thanks for your hard work.

It is time to sell those raffle tickets to earn money for the branch. Remember, \$10 from each chance book remains with the branch. Last year we had the big winner from our branch! We are still looking for "Cooking with Noni" recipes for the ICF calendar.

Please continue to pray for the many victims of shootings and their families, in recent months.

In June we honor our fathers. One easy way

is to treat him to our Ravioli dinner at our June 13th meeting. You can also include the new graduates.

Happy Fathers Day to all the men out there who have taken care of us over the years. May God continue to bless you.
Pat Grasso,
Branch Sec.

Contra Costa District

Many thanks those who attended our District Communion Breakfast on May 19th. Mass was held at Queen of all Saints church in Concord. A delicious brunch was then served at the "Legends at Diablo Creek" golf course.

The next District meeting is on Wednesday, June 26 at 7:15 P.M. at the

"Legends at Diablo Creek" golf course. It is very important for delegates to attend.

We ask each branch to mail the Apostolic report to chairperson Roger Van Marren by June 30. If you don't have his address, contact our District President (Patty Jarrett) at Jandp1976@aol.com. We have been awarded 100 percent participation in the past and wish to continue that.

Join us to celebrate "Italian Heritage Night" with the Oakland A's on Saturday, August 3rd for the game against the St. Louis Cardinals. Tickets are for field level seats and are \$33.00 each. Please contact Rose Jarret (925-381-4709, e mail angels8199@aol.com) for information.

This year's Annual Convention is on August 29 – September 2 in Tucson, Arizona. The experience gained at our conventions is wonderful. You don't have to be a delegate to attend but you must let the Central Council office know so they can provide you with the necessary information.

In closing:

May flowers always line your path and sunshine light your day.

May songbirds serenade you every step along the way.

May a rainbow run beside you in a sky that's always blue.

And may happiness fill your heart each day your whole life through.

(Irish Blessing)

Joseph (joefflores33@comcast.net)

Martinez San Martino, Br. 13

Welcome members Jack, Jennifer, and Juliana Chiarelli. Tasked with increasing membership 10%, Br#13 exceeded its goal at 36%! We congratulate member Bob Poirier whose short story, "Malone" will be featured for publication in the California Writer's Club "Literary Review." Quite an accomplishment!

We offer thanks to the dozen parishioners including our co-chaplains who were certified in CPR and AED to assist in the event of emergencies at the church/school on equipment donated by Br. 13 with contributions from members and friends. June 8, Br. 13 celebrated its 95 anniversary! We next meet on August 15, 6:30pm, St. Catherine Parish Center to welcome scholarship recipient, Trevor Bluth, Clayton Valley Charter High School graduate. Come join us and bring a friend.

We, as Catholics, daily follow the fifth commandment handed down to Moses and "honor thy father and thy mother." In these months that we celebrate parents and embody this commandment, the words of Audrey Hepburn are poignant when she was asked to share her 'beauty tips.' She said, "For attractive lips, speak words of kindness; for lovely eyes, seek out the good in people; for a slim figure, share your food with the hungry; for beautiful hair, let a child run her fingers through it once a day; and, for poise, walk with the knowledge that you never walk alone. People, even more than things, have to be restored, renewed, revived, reclaimed and redeemed." Take the summer to do just that.

We pray for our graduates, mothers, fathers, each other, and a peaceful summer.

Ciao for now,
Mary Cook



Br. 13 Trustee, Bob Poirier, with President, Tom Cook, assemble and install the new automated external defibrillator (AED) in the vestibule of St. Catherine of Siena Church.



Br. 13 Chaplain, Deacon Dave Holland practices CPR on a training dummy.



Br. 13 Chaplain, Deacon Albert Dizon practices CPR on a training dummy.

Crockett San Carlo, Br. 14

Thanks to Lena McCrossen and Gina Pena for sending thoughtful cards to our members throughout the years. Remembrances like the card sent to John Neihouse, whose son Aron passed recently, are always difficult to send. John, you have our most sincere sympathies.

Sincere sympathies also to the Pagni family...Barbara Denton, and especially to Mary and Medoro Pagni on the passing of their niece, Lorraine Pagni-Kiefer. This consummate nurse was the daughter of the late Pino and DeAnne Pagni. Lorraine worked 33 years in the ICU department at Scripps Memorial Hospital and, although undergoing chemotherapy, earned her Master's in Nursing Education, graduating with honors. At her career's end, she taught at Palomar College of Nursing.

We always look forward to welcoming scholarship recipients to our June meeting. Please try to attend the June 11th mass at 5:30, followed by a pasta dinner at 6:30 and the meeting at 7:30. It is such a pleasure to meet these young adults, and to share their enthusiasm for the future.

Speaking of the future...circle July 9th for our 92nd Branch Anniversary! Tri Tip BBQ by Johnny V and his crew, and a fun evening of free Bingo. And on Sunday, August 11th, it's our Branch Picnic at the Crockett Park. Food, Friends, Fun...and Bocce! Such a winning combination.

Happy Summer, Everyone! Enjoy each day to the fullest!
Ciao,
Diane Bottini Thomas

Pittsburg San Domenico, Br. 72

Happy 95th birthday to the ICF. We look forward to the celebration Mass and Luncheon reception in June.

Thank you to our members that attended the District Communion Breakfast on May 19. We went to Mass at Queen of all Saints church in Concord. Brunch followed at Legends in Concord. It is nice to be apart of our district and attend Mass together.

It is time to buy your ticket to the Italian Heritage Night with the Oakland Athletics. The event is going to be held on Saturday August 3rd. First Pitch 6:07 p.m. Oakland vs. St. Louis Cardinals. Ticket includes: Field level seat, Italian souvenir, pre game social in the championship plaza, Enjoy: food trucks, live Italian music and other surprises hosted by the A's. Seats are limited. \$33 per person. Checks payable to the ICF Contra Costa District. Contact Rose Jarrett (925) 381-4709 or email Angels8199@aol.com (Address to send check will be provided when you make your reservation)

You are invited to the Monterey 85th annual Santa Rosalia Festival. Now known as

Festa Italia. on September 7, 2019.

Our bus will leave Good Shepherd in Pittsburgh at 8:30 a.m. The 2nd pick up will be at the Sun Valley Mall in Concord next to site for sore eyes. On the bus we will play bingo on the way down and on the way back will watch a video. At the festival we will enjoy: Food booths, entertainment, Blessing of the fleet, Italian dancers, vendors and bocce. To reserve your bus ticket, contact chairperson Joann Thilgen at (925) 858-4406. Your check of \$45.00 confirms your bus reservation. Hurry! Space is limited.

Our summer pool party potluck details are being worked on. You will receive your invitation in the mail.

Invitations have been mailed with the details for our June meeting. Hope to see you there.

That is it for this report. Take care and as we say in Pittsburg, Sempre Avanti

Patty

Richmond St. Raymond, Br. 154

Our May meeting was a celebration of our Mothers and Fathers. After mass was said by Chaplain, Fr. Al, we enjoyed a Cinco de Mayo dinner of salad, enchiladas, beans and rice. Ole!

Our convention delegates were elected. They are branch president, Alicia Treviño and vice president, Lorraine Acuña. They are all set to represent us at the convention in Tucson,

Don't forget to turn in your Convention Raffle tickets to Dee Yonke at the June or August Meeting. Don't forget, No Meeting in July.

Next meeting is June 10th, 2019, ravioli and salad, scholarship recipients and their families honored. Reserve with Toni by June 7th, 510-472-9646

Concord Todos Santos, Br. 214

Happy Spring. Our branch had our Primavera tea on April 27th. Everyone loved the food and enjoyed shopping at the purse vendors booth. Great raffle prizes were enjoyed by the winners and a beautiful basket was given as a door prize. Julia Reyes and Erin Gasapan read their heritage essays and were given scholarship money.

We are looking forward to having our annual Viano Winery event where there will be wine tasting and olive oil tasting. We will serve appetizers and desserts. There will also be raffle prizes. This is a fun event. It is being held on June 9th. The cost is \$30.

Cari Saluti
Norene Deluca
Correspondence Secty.

Remember, the deadline for *Bollettino* submissions for the July issue is June 10. Get your articles and photos in to editor@icf.org



Br. 214 Kitchen crew at tea. Allison, Norene, Franca, Joanne and Roberta



Br. 352 meeting and fun for all

Danville St. Isidore, Br. 352

Time is flying by! Our Champagne Bingo was a winner--as were many of our members & friends! Our April Festa Primavera Dinner was delicious – and entertaining! Chef Russ treated us to an amazing antipasti platter, including shrimp cocktail, with insalata misto, penne marinara, salmon topped with tomato-lemon-garlic sauce, green beans and an outstanding orange sorbet – served in an orange! Our local version of “America’s Got Talent” performed, as Dan played the accordion, members sang along, John manned the piano, and Russ sang solo – until Patty grabbed the mike! We definitely enjoy good food, fun & friends!!

May welcomed Chef Angelo back to the kitchen, with pesto pasta & pork loin – always a favorite! Our members were also treated to a remarkable presentation and book signing by historian Lawrence DiStasi, author of *Una Storia Segreta, Branded, and Suspect Love – A Novel Set in WWII San Francisco When Italian Immigrants Were ‘Enemy Aliens.’* What an education! All felt the impact of his shared insights & depth of knowledge of those historical times.

Our June 24th meeting will feature our annual BBQ – just in time for hot summer nights. We’re also planning the installation of our new members that evening. Remember, no July meetings – time to recharge! Have a Happy Summer – and we’ll see you in August!

Ciao,
Branch 352



Brentwood Immaculate Heart of Mary, Br. 432

Cooley’s anemia, also called thalassemia, is a fatal genetic blood disorder.

Children born with thalassemia have blood that can’t carry oxygen around the body the way it should. As a result, these children need lifelong blood transfusions every 2 weeks in order to live.

They also must undergo a daily drug treatment to remove excess iron that accumulates in their blood and organs due to these frequent transfusions. For many, this treatment involves sticking a needle into their stomachs or legs and pumping a drug into the body for 8-12 hours every night.

Thalassemia patients face a host of complications, including heart and liver failure, diabetes, pulmonary hypertension, osteoporosis and blood borne infections.

The Cooley’s Anemia Foundation founded in 1954, is dedicated to serving people afflicted with various forms of thalassemia.

Our mission is advancing the treatment and cure for this fatal blood disease, enhancing the quality of life of patients and educating the medical profession, trait carriers and the public about thalassemia.

The Cooley’s Anemia Foundation provides valuable service programs that assist individuals live with the challenge of thalassemia; funds medical research into thalassemia and complications related to the disease and provides doctors with up-to-date information about the management of this rare disorder.

The Foundation couldn’t do what it does without volunteers and donors. Help your branch become a voice to find a cure. Remember, the ICF is a major benefactor for Cooley’s Anemia.

la vita è buona

Pleasant Hill Christ the King, Br. 442

Happy Summer to all! I hope everyone is out enjoying the weather!

Our May meeting was an enjoyable and well-attended meeting with pizza and salad. We gave out our 8th grade scholarships for those attending a Catholic high school in the fall. Congratulations to Abigail C., Abigail S., and John. And we gave out our 1st year scholarship as well. Congrats to Taylor! A big THANK YOU to our scholarship committee, Terry, Suzie and Joan. A second thank you to all those that put the meeting together .

Come join us on May 17th and 18th at the ICF sponsored Salami Toss Booth at the CTK parish festival. If you haven’t been to one of our parish festivals, there is music, food, wine, beer and carnival games. Great place for the grandkids!

Our next meeting is June 2nd at 1:30 at CTK. Theme TBD but it might be an Ice Cream Social! Watch for the Evite.

July 14th is our next Quarterly Mass and brunch. We meet at the 10:45 mass. Mr Lucky’s to follow. There will NOT be a regular July Meeting.

Don’t forget to turn in your Convention Raffle tickets to Rose. She has more if you need them.

Please keep these members and their families in your prayers: Denise’ daughter, Maria’s husband who just had surgery, Nancy and any other members that could use an extra blessing or two.

Ciao,
Your 2019 Officers



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Sacramento Roseville St. Rose of Lima, Br. 73

The profit from Branch 73's polenta/chicken dinner held 10 November last was a little over \$2,000.00, and almost all of it was donated for the relief of the Camp Fire survivors. At a Sunday Mass, President Tony Barsotti presented the check to the present St. Rose pastor, who was formerly pastor at Paradise.

This spring, two donations of \$400.00 one by the branch, the other by a member, were made available for first year college scholarships. Meeting in Oakland, the Central Council's scholarship committee awarded them to Sarah Sorenson of Elk Grove, a senior at Rio Americano High School, and Cole Bailey of Roseville, a senior at Jesuit High School. We wish each of them much success in their future educational pursuits.

Later this spring, Branch 73 will make available three \$500.00 scholarships to be awarded by the school to St. Rose graduates who will continue their education at a Catholic high school.

The last week of April, Branch 73 lost its oldest member when Dr. Aldo Frediani died at 97. A member for many years, he always attended our dinners. We extend our condolences to his son, daughter, and grandchildren. Requiem aeternam dona ei, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eum. Requiescat in pace.

Tante belle cose a tutti I padre della Sezione 73 nell'occasione della loro giornata special, il 16 giugno. Buon compleanno e tante belle cose a tutti I soci nati nel mese di giugno.

Robert Delpippo

Auburn St. Joseph, Br. 342

We hope you will be able to join us for to very fun events this summer. We will once again be joining with the other branches in our district to raise funds for our Bishop's Day donation. On Saturday June 15th from 12-3 at St. Clare's Church in Roseville, we will be having an afternoon of bingo. For \$25, you will get a great lunch (including dessert), bingo games, and a chance to win great raffle prizes. More details to follow soon.

On July 14th (Sunday), our branch will be having their annual picnic at ARD Park in Auburn. We hope you will be able to join us for an afternoon filled with great food, friends, and games. Our calling committee will be calling you soon with more information.

Ciao!

Pam Andersen

Roseville St. Clare of Assisi, Br. 438

Branch 438 enjoyed an Easter celebration dinner at our April meeting. We were treated to a delicious ham dinner complete with all the trimmings and topped off with a special Italian dessert. Thank you Cathy and Art Rasmussen for preparing this wonderful meal! Mr. Martin White was our guest speaker for the evening. He spoke to us about the Gathering Inn, a shelter that serves the homeless in our South Placer community. We were all inspired by his passion for those less fortunate than ourselves. Martin encouraged everyone to get involved with this very rewarding ministry.

Topping off our night was the heritage presentation given by Susan Ches. Thank you Susan for sharing your unique family story.

Get ready for some fun activities over the next few months! We'll be kicking off the festivities by hosting our Blessed Sacrament District Bingo fundraiser on June 15th. One week later, Br. 438 celebrates its 8th year anniversary with a picnic in the park. Then, dust off your dancing shoes, as we prepare for our Saturday Night Fever Dance on July 27th. Also, on the schedule, is a bus trip to Reno for the Italian Festival in October. It's wonderful sharing both fun and fellowship with our ICF family members.

We pray for our many special intentions and ask the Lord to comfort all in need. Wishing all our Moms a blessed and happy Mother's Day!

Grazie.

Anne Finn

Recording Secretary

San Francisco

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

Dear Members

Please note the following events:

July 3--Spuntino & Raffle at 6:00 p.m.
Cash: \$20.00

Chairperson Vic Arnaudo (650) 755-1369.
Please bring a raffle prize.

Happy Father's Day to all Branch 1 Fathers!

Ciao! Toni Morsello

San Francisco St. Elizabeth, Br. 258

We hope all of our Mothers had a Happy Mother's Day with their families.

Happy Father's Day to all of our Dads on June 16th.

On June 19, 2019 we are going to the Red Hawk Casino. We are still waiting for a big pot.

To all of our members who are celebrating their Birthdays in June—many more years of Much Happiness and Good Health.

A Big Happy Birthday on June 28th to Vince Tudoni in celebration of his 96th Birthday. Many more years of Much Happiness and Good Health. Vince, we meet on the 4th Monday of each month and it is during the day at 1:30 p.m. Please try to join us. Call me: (415) 587-7464.

Please remember in your prayers our ill and deceased members.

Please remember the following dates:

June 23rd - Mass

June 24th - Meeting

Ciao,

Eva Perata, President

San Francisco St. Cecilia, Br. 365

In April our members decided to have a "No Bake Sale." This fundraiser has been very successful and many members have donated. Mille grazie: to our generous members for being quick in mailing in your donation. If you have forgotten, you can still do so. If every member gave just "a little" it would mean "a lot" to our branch!

Our scheduled May "Garage Sale" hasn't taken place yet. Hopefully, our members were able to contribute to help make our 2-day event a success. Cosmo and I volunteered to help the committee and experience the event for the 1st time...I'll report next month!

I recently spoke by telephone to our dear long-time ICF member Virginia Aguilar, who now lives in Hattiesburg, MS, but continues her ICF membership. Virginia says she thoroughly enjoys receiving and reading every single article in the Bollettino each month...reading keeps her connected to the ICF and to our branch! Miss you Virginia... wish you was still living in SF...stay well!

Sean Hollands has had some health issues lately, however she is on the mend. Dr. Carolina Braga fell in church on Holy Saturday...she missed a step going up an unlit staircase. Could have been serious...thank goodness she's fine. Get well...we need both of you ladies at our meetings!

1. Our next regular meeting will be Saturday, June 15 in the Green Room at 11:30 a.m.

Liliana & Cosmo will be preparing a "Pasta with Bingo" Luncheon!

2. There will be "NO" meeting in July... Br. 365 will be on vacation!

Ciao,

Mara Amato

San Mateo San Mateo District

The San Mateo District would like to thank Laurice Levine for coming to our April meeting as our guest speaker. No matter how often we visit with her, we learn something new.

April 28th we celebrated the San Francisco Archbishop's Day. The event was hosted by Branch 6 Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Redwood City. In attendance along with the San Mateo District were Grand President Andy Pappani, Sid Pappani, Grand 2nd VP Deborah Rodondi and San Francisco District Mentor Vic Arnaudo and wife Pat. The day began with Mass at 5pm followed by an abundance of wonderful foods provided by the Branches and the District. Mistress of Ceremonies Sylvia Row and District President Barbara Firpo presented to Deacon Tom Boyle (standing in for the Archbishop) a Donation of \$2,000 to the Seminary Burse and a Spiritual Bouquet from the San Mateo District and Marin Area. Grand President Andy Pappani also presented a check for \$2,000 from the Central Council for the Seminary Burse. A special thank you to all the members that made food for the day and to all those that attended.

Our ICF scholarship recipient is Matthew Lowenstein. We will be inviting him to a future meeting.

The District is chartering a bus for the ICF 95th Anniversary celebration being held in San Francisco on June 9th. The cost will be \$20 per person for the bus.

Happy Father's Day to all!

South San Francisco Sacro Cuore, Br. 7

Felice Estate South City.

A belated happy 102nd birthday to our lovely member Eyda Giachetti. We are so fortunate to have the Giachetti/Tassan families as part of our Branch.

Special birthday wishes also go out to President Diana Ferrari, Louis and Mary Masini and Evana Medeghini. Hoping all of them had great birthdays.

Big thank you to Lola Migliore, Donna Smith, Jim Eli and everyone who pitched in to make May's Cinco de Mayo celebration so special. This event, one of our most popular, is held in memory of our late, great member Gayle Mangini, who chaired and cooked it for many years.

Congratulations to our Branch scholarship winner, James Freeman Futrell, son of Branch member Mike Futrell and his lovely wife Susan Freeman. James will attend UC Berkeley in the Fall.

Keep in your prayers Barbara and Richard Bergamaschi, Joe Johnston, Marc Teglia, former longtime Branch officer, Leonore Armanino and all our members who may need our prayers.

May you have rest and peace in your heart. May angels surround your bed through the night. May each day bring healing with the dawn, restore your energy, and heal your wounds. May hope remain within your heart, as you find new strength and make a new start. We pray you'll soon be well, to love and live and enjoy life again. Amen.

Finally, in honor of Father's Day, *Some people don't believe in heroes, but they haven't met my dad.* – unknown author

Happy Father's Day to all the dads.
FHR

San Mateo Colma

San Vincenzo De Paolo Branch, Br. 19

Hello Everyone,

Happy Spring and a joyous Easter to all. Before we know it, it will be time to start planning our vacations.

The Branch participated in Archbishop's Day at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Redwood City. Everyone enjoyed the Mass and Reception held after the Mass. We are now preparing for the convention.

Coming Activities:

Friday, May 24th: Jefferson High Baccalaureate Mass hosted by Cheryl Simon. Any help will be appreciated.

Saturday, June 8th: ICF Central Council Meeting at Holy Angels Hall, let us know if you can help that day and/or make a salad or dessert.

Sunday, June 9th: 95th Celebration of the ICF at St. Peter and Paul's Church, 666 Filbert Street, San Francisco. 11:45 Mass Luncheon at SF Athletic Club, 1630 Stockton Street, SF

Monday, June 10th: Scholarship recipients' dinner. Reservations to Cheryl Simon (650)755-0878 or email cas94015@yahoo.com by June 6th.

There will be no meetings in July.

Our Annual Garage Sale will soon be coming. Please check out your closets and garages for items. We need your help to make it a successful event.

2019 Raffle Tickets - \$20 per book and the Branch keeps \$10 per book. Mail your check and ticket stubs to: payment to: Donna Barnes, 183 Santa Paula Drive Daly City CA 94015 (650) 991-0178.

Please remember long time member Rena Cortopassi in your prayers.



Br. 7's scholarship winner, James Freeman Futrell with Branch Treasurer Donna Smith and in the background, Branch President, Diana Ferreri.

Burlingame Our Lady of Angels, Br. 173

Many of our members enjoyed Archbishop's Day on Sunday, April 28th at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church and, as usual, the Appetizer/dessert buffet was plentiful and delicious.

Our branch held our Bingo event on April 27, 2019 and we will be celebrating Cinco de Mayo on May 9 with our meeting and dinner from La Tapitia Mexican Restaurant along with beer, wine, soda and Margarita drinks. Our event is being chaired by Brenda Wemiz who will be our branch representative along with President Dorene Campanile at this year's Convention in Tucson, AZ.

UPCOMING EVENTS: June 9, 2019 95th Anniversary of the ICF which will be celebrated at St. Peter and Paul Church in San Francisco with lunch to follow at the S.F. Athletic Club. There will be a bus provided for \$20 each and the Lunch will be \$60. Please let our President know if attending. (11:45 a.m. Mass)

June 30, 2019 Ravioli Dinner chaired by Mary Ann Camacho and will be held in the gym of

Our Lady of Angels School in Burlingame \$25.00 adult, \$9.00 children 12 and under. Cocktails: 4:00 - dinner 5:00 Beer, Wine and Soda/Raffle prizes. Servers will assist us so come and enjoy!

Please keep our members and their families in your prayers especially Frank Clyne, Elena Malta and Jack Sherratt. Also, Jean and John Watterson's daughter, Janine who is waiting for a Kidney transplant.

*God Bless,
Rosalind C. Emery*

South San Francisco St. Augustine, Br. 213

Members of our branch gathered for our May 14th meeting to enjoy fellowship and Boston Chicken Market food provided by member Joe Flores.

Chapter is giving a \$400 scholarship to Serra High School graduating Senior. Garratt Camicia. At our meeting, Jackie discussed presentation of the scholarship. The student and family will be invited to a future meeting and will feature pizza, salad and cake.

Members discussed the organization of upcoming Champagne

Bingo, planned for July 20 at St. Austine's Hall beginning at Noon. Tickets are \$25. Jackie sought volunteers for various roles and the items that Are needed. There will be 8 appetizers and Lots of champagne. There will be a raffle

Featuring beautiful paintings, baked goods and gift cards from Fish Market, Lunardi's, Westlake Joes and Trader Joe's. Fliers have sent to all district

Presidents. Jackie's goal is to raise \$3000. Please see our Facebook page to view the flier and ticket info.

President Jackie thanked members regarding Prayers regarding her family member Who has accident. She was unable to attend the April meeting. Jackie announced upcoming board meeting

To discuss chapter activities for The next 3 months. Roberta and Jackie attended st Augustine

Stewardship meetings which continue to build relationships with the hosting Parish.

Readers are invited to like and follow our Facebook Group at : <https://www.facebook.com/ICFSSF213> See our pictures and follow our activities. Our monthly newsletter is also posted there.

*Ciao from Branch 213
Victor Spano*

San Carlos St. Charles, Br. 327

The April meeting was hosted by Kentucky Fried Chicken. It was a very nice meal enjoyed by all those who attended the meeting.

Our June meeting will be our annual pizza meeting. We will entertain the St. Charles 8th grade recipients of our scholarship awards, plus their families. This is always a very nice meeting, so please plan on attending. Our scholarship committee is very busy reviewing all the applications and will soon be determining who will be receiving a well-deserved scholarship.

Sunday, June 9 is the 95th anniversary of the ICF. There will be an 11:45am Mass at St. Peter and Paul's Church in San Francisco followed by a luncheon at the San Francisco Athletic Club. A bus is also available for those who would prefer not to drive and have to seek out parking. Please contact Carmel Dufault if you plan on attending and if you would be interested in a seat on the bus. The bus is limited to space available. Contact Carmel at 650-592-1781.

Please consider running for a position on our ICF board. We need people to volunteer for these positions in order for our branch to continue to thrive. Thank you.

A very Happy Father's Day to all our fathers, grandfathers and great-grandfathers!

Virginia Malaspina

Marin

Larkspur St. James, Br. 161

We would like to thank Laurice for coming to our branch and giving us an update on Thalassaemia and how she is doing since her last visit.

On Tuesday, May 21, we went to Healy Hall for a Spuntino honoring our scholarship recipients: Aidan Berry of Sir Francis Drake High School, and Matthew Ilg of San Rafael High School. The Guy Francoz Memorial Scholarship Recipient is Maria Tassone of Marin Catholic High School. We congratulate our wonderful recipients and wish them lots of luck in their future endeavors.

Also thank you to everyone who brought finger foods for everyone to enjoy. Everyone had a great time.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, June 18 at 6:30 p.m. in Healy Hall.

Please continue your get well prayers for everyone who isn't feeling well.

Wishing all the "Fathers" a very Happy Father's Day.

Anna Biggio, Recording Secretary

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Tell everyone what's happening with your branch. Submit by June 10th to
editor@icf.org

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San Jose

Santa Clara Valley District

District Mentor, Jerry Delfino reminded everyone to not wait until last minute to sell Convention Opportunity Books. Also, to vote and confirm convention delegates. If you have not suggested any By-Law changes nor nominated anyone for convention awards, it is too late. You will have to wait until 2020,

What a resource it is to have the Central Council Grand President, Andy Pappani, at our district meetings. We learned of his attendance at the Catholic Education Congress in March which included delegates from Australia, New Zealand, Colorado and the Midwest. He said there was huge interest in the ICF.

Get well soon Janet Glaubke. Branch 28 President, Joe Fortino reported First VP, Vince Saso was awarded "Citizen of the Community" for outstanding service. Branch 191's Debbie Piro reported that 18 members were going to the ICF 95th. Celebration in San Francisco. She also said the Bocce courts have been renovated and will be open soon. Branch 408 Ric Shimshock said that parish priest, Fr. Noel (sic) very helpful and encourages parishioners to join ICF.

Jan Stumhoffer gave a wonderful heritage report on the Easter tradition in Italy. She also asked members to share their family Easter customs. District Orator, Tina Souza Dutra challenged us to forgive as Christ forgives, which brings new life in our relationships.

Our Lady of Peace Mass: May 19 at 11:00 am.

SCV District Picnic at Vasona – August 4
May District Meeting – ICF Branch 435 St. Catherine's, Morgan Hill – May 13.

Mike Nunziata

Santa Clara N.S. Assunta, Br. 5

Hope everyone will have a safe and enjoyable Summer. Don't forget to come to the Dinner/Meetings each month to stay informed. Also read the various events in the Branch Reports of branches in the Santa Clara Valley District in the Bollettino. Call Mary Ann Ruiz for more information.

The District Meeting is schedule at St. Clare North Hall on June 10, 2019 between 4:00PM Setup and Meeting at 7:00PM. Members are needed to setup and stay for the Meeting to learn more about the District and what it is all about.

The Santa Clara Valley District Picnic is at Vasona Park at 2:00PM on August 4, 2019. More information at the Meetings.

Don't forget to sell or buy the ICF Convention Raffle Tickets and return the stubs and money to Mary Ann Ruiz as soon as possible.

June is the month of Father's Day so to all dads have a nice one and enjoy the day.

Ciao,
Marlene J. Rotolo

Gilroy Santa Maria Ausiliatrice, Br. 28

ICF Branch 28 began their April 15th meeting with a dinner prepared by member Teri Fortino and her cooking crew. Members enjoyed the chicken and pesto pasta dinner. We are blessed with members that are willing to cook for our monthly dinner meetings in which the count can be over 100 people in attendance. We are thankful for the commitment and dedication to Branch 28 in preparing these dinners as it is not an easy job. It goes beyond meal preparation to include they need to purchase supplies and clean up after the dinner is served. Branch 28 is very grateful and appreciate all the efforts that go on to prepare these monthly meals.

Well our members did it again! On May 5th we had a successful bake sale at St. Mary Parish. Members brought in many homemade goodies that included cookies, cakes and other sweet treats. These goodies were so popular, that we sold out before the 11:00 am Mass was over. A big "thank you" to all our members who took time to prepare bake sale items and help sell our goodies, and set-up and take down for this event. We made a total of \$454. Again without our members' support, this event would not have been possible.

Convention raffle tickets have been distributed to members. Your continued support in selling/purchasing these raffle tickets help with expenses for the upcoming 2019 ICF Convention.

The next meeting will be held on June 17, 2019.

Peace and God Bless,
Kim M. Filice



Br. 28: Joe Fortino and Roy Shackel at the April 15th meeting. Roy is doing the opening prayer before the dinner begins.

Los Gatos St. Mary, Br. 184

Denise read a very nice essay about Mother's Day in Italy. It is called "La Festa della Mamma," and is a family sharing day. There is a high volume of telephone calls all over Italy that day.

The main point is honoring Mothers and acknowledging how important they are in the family life.

Eileen Fritsch introduced the Organ Donor Program to our Branch a few years ago. She made us aware of the need for donors and answered questions. There will be an Organ Donor Walk in September in San Ramon. Please contact Eileen at (408)438 8842 if you want information about the walk and/or the program itself.

Marie and Michelle Antonowicz will be our delegates to the Convention in Tucson, Arizona, August 29 to September 2. We wish them safe travel and look forward to their reports. You will be receiving the yellow Raffle Tickets, which are drawn at the Convention. Please send your checks and ticket stubs to Donna Pfaff in the envelope provided. Good Luck!

Seems like we have some people who really miss our Polenta Dinners, so, look for information about the dinner coming soon!

Plans are under way for gathering together at our own St. Mary's Grotto, at the statute of Mary in front of our Church. We hope to have a regular group pray the Rosary there. The date will be announced.

Special Blessings to our members who are experiencing serious health issues. We send our love, as usual, to Dads and Grads.

Have a safe Summer,
Lucy Amico

San Jose St. Frances Cabrini, Br. 191

Branch 191 enjoyed a fun filled beginning to spring. We began our celebration with our Palm Sunday Mass and traditional Pancake Breakfast. We enjoyed the company

of our members, had a tasty breakfast, and our young guests hunted for eggs in the Bocce Court. It was a gratifying way to begin Easter Week.

Our weather has been warm and sunny, which means that is our invitation to Bocce Time!! The Bocce Court is now under construction. Our eating area will have a facelift of new patio covers along with new ceiling fans to keep us cool from the summer rays. Our delightful volunteers haven't given us their labor on Saturdays to get this job accomplished. The Bocce committee hopes to see this project completed with a grand opening celebration in May/June.

Once our Bocce Court is open, we look forward to many Thursday night festivities. We look forward to various fund raisers throughout the summer, with BBQ's and cookouts. We will also continue with our Thursday night play; \$3 for 191 members, and \$5 for non members. What a bargain for an evening of play.

The Bocce Court is also available for rent for parties, graduation, or anniversary celebrations. Please contact Camille Orlando at Camille.Orlando@Comcast.net for a reservation.

Our heritage report was given by Emily Coral at our monthly April dinner meeting. Emily explained of her family life of growing up and living in San Jose. What a delightful story and history of the Valley of Heats Delight.

Let us remember our sick and confined members. Keep them in our prayers.

Blessings to All
Shirley Catania, Sentinel



Br. 191 Contractors get a blessing from Father Mike...



Br. 191 Jo Bertaccini at the Bocce court construction site



Br. 191, Frank Rando getting ready for pancakes

San Jose Santa Teresa de Avila, Br. 368

We have two groups of hosts and hostesses to thank for our meeting dinners. From April Bobbie Gallegos, Jackie Morton, and Judy Platt deserve our thanks for their ham dinner celebrating Easter, and in May Robin Hayr, Maria and Bill Greco, and their daughter Anna Gonzales planned a Cinco de Mayo nacho bar for our eating pleasure. Thank you, one and all!

We also thank Maria Greco and Noreen Gillio for organizing our recitation of the rosary before Mary's statue. We agreed to honor Mary with the rosary outside again next May.

Our June meeting at the bocce court and picnic grounds at Almaden Park will begin at 6:00. Don't go to Avila Hall at the parish, folks!

Our rib dinner fund-raiser will be on August 10; we will begin selling tickets in July.

Our Convention delegates will be our president John Gillio and Tina Souza-Dutra.

Our dear Sunshine Lady Rose Noack is having health problems, and Avis Erkel has graciously agreed to assume the role. Thank you, Avis. Rose, we are praying for you.

We donated \$240.00 to Saint Jude's hospital and have received a thank you letter.

We are mourning the loss of Don Landucci, a founding member of our branch, and the loss of Dick Hanley, who passed away on Easter Tuesday, April 23. We truly miss Don and Dick and all the faithful departed of our branch. May they all, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Have a blessed June, everyone!

Judy Zahn

San Jose St. Martin of Tours, Br. 391

Our May meeting included a delicious Mexican Feast prepared by Jessie Romero and her Holy Rollers. President Mike Rossi and members thanked them for the delicious enchilada dinner enjoyed by all!

Our annual "Wine Down with ICF" fundraiser was a great success! Guglielmo, Fortino, Loma Prieta, Vini Pazzi, and Ramstadt wineries provided wonderful varieties of wines, and guests were treated to delicious appetizers.

Once again, a big thank you to Susan Busco and her hard-working team of cooks, donors, ticket sellers, and hospitality workers, who helped make it fun event! Over 90 people attended and over \$900 was collected from our Silent Auction.

Mary Lipari reported that Elizabeth Bracco from Redwood City and Isabella Maramonte from San Bruno received two ICF scholarship awards. We hope to congratulate them at our June meeting.

During our May meeting, members elected our ICF convention delegates representing our Branch 391 in Tucson, AZ. Tina Rossi distributed convention raffle tickets and asked members to return them as soon as possible. Cathy De Maria circulated the signup sheet for the ICF Convention Book Memorial and Sponsor of Names.

Upcoming events: Branch #391 General Meeting—June 4, 2019 at 6:30 (Bring your wedding photos.); ICF 95th Anniversary Gala in San Francisco--June 9, 2019; ICF Convention, Tucson's El Conquistador Resort--August 29-September 2, 2019.

Wishing all our Dads a Happy Father's Day!

Janis Patellaro



Br. 391 Official Photographer John Busco, Wine Down Chair Susan Busco, and son, Tony.



Br.391 Future Members--Kevin Schenk, Tony Busco, and TJ Lencioni.



Br. 391 Chef Bob Gorini with Steve and Cathleen Lencioni

Sunnyvale Resurrection, Br. 408

Please congratulate one of our members Steve Richey (Olive and Richard DeFrancisi's son-in law) who participated in the full set Holy Week Services and was confirmed at the Easter Vigil to become a full member of the Catholic Community.

We look forward to seeing you at the SCVD Our Lady of Peace (OLP) Outdoor Mass on Sunday 19 May @ 11 AM under the Large Statue of the Blessed Virgin and at Michael's for lunch after.

We will be hosting our next ICF/Parish Blood Drive in June—please pray for donors to contribute to our support of the Community.

Please remember to include our sick members in your prayers – Bishop McGrath, and Paul and Dori Blefari.

Morgan Hill Santa Caterina D'Alessandria, Br. 435

Easter and all that goes with it is over for another year. Lent was a time of renewal of the soul and remembrance of what our faith is all about, and filling our spiritual hope chest for the rest of the year. Now we can move on with bolstered spirits to continue our faith journey.

Branch 435 will be having our annual Pasta Fundraiser on Saturday, May 18, 2019. We will be having pasta, sausage, salad and garlic bread prepared by George Guglielmo and crew, "Noni Rosie's sauce" by Alex Gallego, and dessert provided by other members. There will also be raffle prizes donated by members and local businesses. The proceeds from this fundraiser go to the church renewal project at St. Catherine's and to support our seminarians.

We are teaming up with the Knights of Columbus at St. Catherine's for Italian Night on Saturday, June 22, 2019.

- There will be Antipasto, Cioppino, Cacciatore, Polenta and Pasta Carbonara along with bread, insalata mista and gelato.
- There will be entertainment in the style of Frank Sinatra and Bobby Darin, as well as a DJ to get us all up on the dance floor.

Come and join us for an evening of good food, entertainment and fellowship.

Ciao!
Maryclaire Sampognaro

San Jose Church of the Transfiguration, Branch 445

ICF Branch 445, is planning to host their annual version of the TV hit game show "The Price Is Right" July 14th!

The recipients for our annual \$400.00 Scholarship awards are Nicholas Joseph Fontana of San Jose, Bellarmine College Preparatory, and Shane Simonin of Paso Robles, Templeton High School.

At our monthly meeting, Jan Stumhoffer gave a very informative and interesting talk about how Italians celebrate not only their own birthdays, but how they also celebrate their "ONOMASTICO," i.e., the birthdays of their saintly namesakes. On such days, they might also receive a small gift along with "good wishes". Additionally, first sons were often named after their paternal grandfathers while first daughters after the paternal grandmother. Second sons were named after their maternal grandfather and second daughters after their maternal grandmother. Jan asked members to think of their own family "naming heritage." A lively response ensued when others shared this tradition.

Angelo (Andy) La Scola
Corresponding Secretary

Santa Rosa District

Grapes here in the valley are maturing fast! Beautiful sight!

June 9th is the 95th Anniversary celebration in San Francisco. Check the Bollettino for information and reservation forms. Get them in soon. Parking will be a problem in SF, so car pool, if you can. There are parking lots nearby, but they tend to be pricey.

The next district meeting is Sunday, June 23 at #209, Sebastopol. Officers meeting at 1:30 and general meeting at 2PM.

Check your Bollettino for Convention information. Activities sound like fun, but you need to make reservations. Forms are in the Bollettino. You should have chosen your convention delegates by now.

The house is moving along at a fast clip. Looking good. It is going to be a very busy few months ahead.

Pray for and comfort each other and be grateful for family and good friends.

CK

Healdsburg St. Francis de Sales, Br. 52

While our branch has been quiet in April and May in terms of events, the branch officers have been hard at work planning our upcoming events.

Upcoming Events:

June 2: ICF Mass 8:00 AM. Please try and attend this Mass.

June 11: Branch meeting. 5:45 PM in the Rectory.

June 23: Parish Festival celebrating St. John the Baptist Feast Day. This event has morphed from our Summer BBQ to a parish-wide festival spearheaded by the ICF. Price: \$5.00 for everyone. Tickets may be purchased after the Masses or from the rectory. Menu: BBQ chicken, pasta, Mexican corn, dessert potluck. Wine and beer will be available. Fr. Sean wants everyone to attend this fun, family event! We're hoping that by starting small, the festival will gain in popularity and grow in future years. Deadline: June 18. Time: 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

August 11: Santa Rosa District Meeting. 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All members are invited to attend and see what the ICF does on a diocese level.

Happy Father's Day!
Lauren Kilcullen

Sonoma St. Sebastian, Br. 103

Summer Portals

Following in the footsteps of our March Fundraiser is Sonoma's 67th anniversary dinner which will be catered. Naturally by the time you read this article our dinner will only be a memory for those that attend. At this point our branch wants to thank in particular Maureen Dutil who was responsible for the lovely flyers which were distributed far and wide. I am really looking forward to this anniversary party on the 25th of May!

In a few weeks we will be approaching the month of June. Already six months into the New Year and looking forward to our annual August picnic at our Larson Park Winery, complete with picnic tables and bocce!

Hopefully our last dinner meeting in June will bring many members who have not had the opportunity to attend during the dark months of winter. Please make an effort to once again enjoy our monthly dinners with the many members that have grown along side of us all.

Ciao a tutti!!
Marilyn Sylvestri

Remember, the deadline for *Bollettino* submissions for the July issue is June 10. Get your articles and photos in to editor@icf.org

Petaluma St. Vincent's, Br. 127

Greetings from Petaluma!

I was inspired by the beautiful weather in our beautiful town of Petaluma today. We are so lucky to live here and have our ICF. We need new members to join our branch, so please try to bring someone to enjoy our great family of friends.

Our Branch held the Day of Recollection and was enjoyed all who attended. Our thanks to Dennice, and her helpers for a nice luncheon and for the nice day. Thanks to Bob Acquistapace for always giving us such beautiful Days of Recollection. We appreciate the time and effort he puts in it.

Thanks to Margaret Cordrey for Chairing our Bakeless Bake Sale. Please send in your donation if you haven't done so.

We will have had our Pizza/Bingo Nite and also our Chicken/Cacciatore before the next *Bollettino* comes to you, so I will give a report in the following edition. In the meantime, thanks to all who helped at these events in any way.

- 6/10 - Regular Meeting
- No meeting in July.
- 8/12 - Regular Meeting
- 8/17 - Shrimp Risotto Dinner (more info to follow later)

Get well wishes to Lucy Spingola and anyone else who is ill. Hope Janet Leone is feeling better.

Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all celebrating this month. Happy Father's Day to all the Dads. Remember to treat him royally. If mine were here, I would smother him with hugs and kisses; they are so special.

Remember to pray for our homeless, service members, crime victims and for our Country. We need to have peace and love return to our Nation. And last, remember to be nice to someone, you will always get it back in return.

Ciao,
Louise Vicino

Santa Rosa St. Eugene, Br. 198

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we reach the warmer months of summer, our Branch will be embarking on two new events:

The first will be a Summer Fundraiser on June 29th. The dinner is open to the public, but we need Branch support as well. Our Risotto and Chicken Dinner will sell only 140 tickets at \$18.00 per person. See Claire Giampaoli or Bob Acquistapace to purchase your tickets early.

The second event will be a Luau before our meeting on August 5th. Look for more in-

formation on this event in our Branch news in the *Bollettino* as the date draws near.

We have welcomed three new members into our Branch this year and we would welcome more. Remember, you need to A-S-K to G-E-T, so ask your friends to join our fun Branch.

Following our July 1st meeting, we will serve burgers and ice cream sundaes. Our Mass in July will be on Sunday, July 7th at 9:00 a.m. Please plan to attend.

Please pray for Mary Desideri, Carrie Vitellini and our other members who may be ailing.

Ciao,
Gail Bonghi-Azevedo

Sebastopol St. Sebastian, Br. 209

At our May meeting we enjoyed a delicious lasagna dinner prepared by Lori Bianchi to introduce and honor our scholarship recipients and their families: Christian Garcia, Analy HS, Jacob Lepori, (Ag Scholarship winner) Analy HS, and Samuel Kenny, El Molino HS. (More information & photos of our scholarship recipients in next month's *Bollettino*)

On April 27th – 28th, some of our members enjoyed a quick trip to Arcata to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of Br. 144; joining them for a private mass followed by a buffet dinner. On Sunday they attended a Santa Rosa District meeting held at the historic Samoa Cookhouse, which is the last, remaining cookhouse in the west. They serve their meals Lumber-Camp (or family) style.

Our Father Gerry's Bocce Tournament was May 19th. Eight teams participated and were treated to a chicken BBQ and potluck lunch, in between all the bocce games. Thank you to our BBQ pit masters Charlie & Eugene for barbecuing the chicken.

On June 23rd, St. Michael's Br. 209 is hosting the next Santa Rosa District meeting. Officers – 1:30 p.m. with 2 p.m. meeting at the St. Sebastian's Parish Hall, Sebastopol. You are welcome to attend.

Our member May Gregori is recovering from a broken hip. Please pray for her and for Colombina Albini who is ill.

Prayers for safe travels to Don & Loudean Becchetti on a two week trip to Georgia.

We send out Happy Father's Day wishes to all the dads and grandfathers who are members of Br. 209.

Happy summer, Sharon Vannetti



Br. 209, Bill Scinto & Butch Bondi getting help with the raffle.

Stockton

Modesto St. Stanislaus, Br. 48

As always our members gave us plenty of baked goods to sell. There were biscotti cakes, pies, cookies and brownies plus all the special items each of our bakers make. This made a very successful bake sale for us. Thanks to all our bakers and all who helped with the sale.

With so many things going on at same time we had a small attendance at our Mother's Day potluck. We still had plenty of good food and an enjoyable evening visiting.

Our delegate for the Convention will be Cecelia McGhee since President Mary Jennings will be unable to attend.

We encourage our members to attend the Bishop's Bourse June 23, 2019 in Manteca. We need to support the seminarians and attending the Bishop's Bourse is a great way to do this.

Mass for our deceased members will be Sundays June 9, 2019 and July 14, 2019 at the 8:00 am mass at the Maze Blvd. Church.

Our Bank Night winner was Nancy Souza.

Refreshments for the June 12, 2019 will be furnished by Steve & Rebecca Candelario.

Coming up:

- June 12 7:00 pm Meeting in the Hall at 7th and K Streets
- June 23 Bishop's Bourse in Manteca
- July No meeting
- August No meeting
- August 18 District Picnic - Escalon Park
- Aug 30 thru Sep 2 Convention Tucson, AR.
- Sep 27-29 St. Stanislaus Fall Festival

Cecelia McGhee



Br. 209 Brother Paul, ICF chaplain, joined Santa Rosa District for breakfast at the Samoa Cookhouse

Stockton District, Lodi St. Anne's, Br. 82

Ciao a tutti!

Hoping you had a blessed May with so much to be thankful for: honoring St. Joseph, celebrating motherhood, encouraging first communicants, congratulating graduates, and remembering fallen military members.

We are thankful for Andria Bersi, our April 23rd general meeting guest speaker. After crunching on fresh garden salads, Andria, an instructor of Horticulture Studies at Delta College, shared how her family came from Italy in the 1930's bringing seeds to plant on American soil, and spoke about the importance of Heirloom seeds.

We are thankful for John Spagnola, our new orator and Heritage Committee Chair. John is very knowledgeable of our Catholic faith and well-versed in Italian history and traditions.

We are thankful for our 1st Vice President Tony Vaccarezza who is teaching Italian card games during our May 28th general membership meeting. In celebration of Memorial Day, we are having a good old-fashioned picnic. Game faces and favorite picnic foods will abound.

We are thankful for our Festa Italia Committee which is finalizing our booth for this event on June 9th at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds. We're looking forward to a fun day! Perhaps we'll see you there!

We are thankful for our Chaplain Deacon Karl Welsbacher, who recently had major surgery requiring a lengthy recovery. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Summer is approaching, meaning vacation time! May St. Christopher, the patron saint of travelers, protect you along the road's way.

Patty Litts, Recording/Corresponding Secretary

Stockton St. Luke, Br. 138

Italian Catholic Federation Branch 138, is planning to participate in St. Luke Parish's annual Fall Festival the weekend of September 7 & 8, 2019. The event features food, entertainment, and games, including Bingo.



Br. 138, Danette and Joe

Manteca Nostra Signora del Buon Viaggio, Br. 139

Several guests/new members spent the evening with us at our April meeting. Dan and Birdie Nieri and Eric and Jeanette Oliveri were welcomed. Eric is the son of Branch member Olivero Oliveri.

After hearing Treasurer Lillian Pauletto report healthy financial figures from our recent Shrimp Feed, our Secretary Michelle Harmon read "Thank You" notes from four different charities who were recipients of donations from our branch.

Plans are moving forward on our branch picnic and bocce tournament and for hosting the Bishop's Burse. Both events will be in June.

We are all praying for branch member Frank Risso, who is facing surgery for a serious medical condition.

Our recent meeting ended, as usual, with President Elizabeth Demichelis leading us in the singing of the Federation Anthem.

*Ciao,
Mariano*

Tracy St. Bernard, Br. 390

We are proud and very, very happy to welcome Deacon Pete Ryza as our chaplain - our branch has known him and his lovely wife Linda for many years, and respect and admire all the hours they have devoted to our church. We thank you for volunteering for this position and can't believe our good fortune.

On May 30th, the Tour of Italy menu made a comeback - trio of lasagne (red), alfredo (white) and pesto (green) just like our Italian flag, hey! Everyone was very pleased.

It is possible that the Tracy Chamber of Commerce intends to have a cultural event here about Italy. We will attend the May 14th meeting when they plan to discuss the details and find out more details. The meeting to discuss the event is May 14th at 4:00. The event itself is scheduled for the weekend of September 28th and 29th in Lincoln Park.

Please feel free to attend the meeting and report back to us any details we should print here - even though it's not ICF, it's Italian!

June 23rd is the date for our diocese' Bishop's Burse celebration, Mass at St. Anthony's Church in Manteca followed by a reception at Del Webb's center.

Be sure to look for photos of yourselves on our website www.icfbranch390.org - new photos are loaded every month. Again, we are celebrities in this branch!

*Ciao for now,
Betty Hollars*

Stockton Presentation of the BVM, Br. 395

Buon estate everyone!

We had a wonderful District Meeting in May. Thank you all for attending. We once again would like to thank our cooks, Pat Beglau, Bill Trezza and Jo Weber. And grazie mille to Bernice Nickols for the beautiful centerpieces.

We just had our quarterly mass as a branch followed by the Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast. It's always nice to get the branch together outside of a meeting. Our June meeting will really be a special one. Not only will we present our first year scholarship to Emily Stenzler, but we will have a special guest speaker. Laurice Levine will speak to us about Thalassemia and how she has coped with this disease. We have also opened this monthly meeting to our local ICF Branches so that they can experience her very inspirational talk.

Hard to believe that our convention is around the corner. We have our delegates and are ready for the desert!

*Alla prossima,
Mary Ann*

Angels Camp St. Patrick, Br. 413

It is June and we are preparing for our annual Baccalaureate Mass for the 2019 Graduates. We would like to thank Carrie Ritzel for all her hard work in getting this put together for us. Our annual BBQ on this July 13th is coming soon! Tickets are available by calling me at (209) 754-9619. We will have chicken or steak with some delicious side dishes, and children 12 and under will get a free hot dog meal. The tickets are \$25 and include dinner and drinks. Come on out to the countryside and enjoy some fresh air, delicious food, and fun! If you haven't been up this way, it is a nice peaceful drive out of the city with gorgeous views.

In August, we will get together with our fellow branches in our Stockton District at the annual District Picnic in Escalon. All you ICF members that are participating in the picnic, don't forget to bring your own utensils and plates.



Br. 395 members, Linda Biancalana, Paula Watt and Emily Behrmann listen closely during the district meeting.

God has blessed us with the return of our Secretary, Sharon Dunn. It is good to have her back and doing well. Please keep all our members in your prayers, as we pray for all our ICF Family, too!

*God bless you all and Ciao for now!
Annette Pachinger
Correspondence Secretary*

Tucson

Green Valley Our Lady of the Valley, Br. 425

May brings our annual picnic meeting which is usually held at Madera Canyon in the gorgeous Santa Rita Mountains here in Green Valley. However, this year we moved to one of Green Valley Recreations facilities as there were high winds and the barbecues would not have been allowed. We had a meeting and then have a lot of great picnic foods cooked by some of our members and everyone bringing an item to share. It is always one of our members' favorite meetings. At the end of April, we had our second Corporate Communion of the year and had a lovely breakfast together at a local restaurant, The Arizona Family Restaurant. Also, late in April, we had another social event, a gathering at DeAnza RV Resort's yummy restaurant where we gathered for a buffet and the song styling of Angel Perez, who will also be performing at the annual ICF Convention in August!

Speaking of the Convention, the branch is busy organizing our fundraiser, a silent auction of several gift bags. There will be everything from jewelry to food to goodies for the kids and grandkids.

Members are looking forward to attending the Convention and meeting up with old and new friends, attending workshops and dinners. *We will see you there!*



Stockton District meeting hosted by Branch 395

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Both Forms must be filed no later than May 15, 2019. The IRS and State strictly adhere to this date, so please take this process seriously.

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Included in the Financial Secretaries' packet are materials that the District and Branch Financial Secretaries will need to help them with this process. District and Branch Presidents - please work with your Financial Secretary to go over the information when it is received and see that the appropriate forms are filed by the due date.

Please make sure all District or Branch finances are in order and that Bank Statements are reconciled through December 31, 2018. Remember that the Gross Receipts are total amounts received without subtracting any costs or expenses. These amounts include, but are not limited to, Membership and Hospitalization Dues, Dinners, Fundraisers, Raffle Tickets, Income from Convention Raffle Tickets and Calendar Sales, Interest from all Bank Accounts, Monetary Donations, etc.

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 Denise Antonowicz, Grand Treasurer

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 Officers: Pres. Deborah Ruffalo, 1st VP Betty Bradley, 2nd VP Susan Barone, Secretary Cheryl Smith, Treasurer Dorothy Hines, Sergeant-at-Arms Josephine, Treasurer Christine Provenzano, Doris Anneta Neri, Trustees: David Neri and Donald Hines, Richard Galati Branch, Master Rita Tommasini, Chairman Maria Legrand

ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION CONVENTION AWARD CATEGORIES

Review the five award opportunities and complete the application. There is one shared application available for all categories. The deadline to submit applications and supporting documents is May 1. Previous year's nominations are eligible for resubmission.

POPE SAINT JOHN XXIII AWARD

The highest award bestowed by the I.C.F. is presented at the Saturday Night Convention Banquet. The recipient may be of any religious denomination and shall exemplify the spirit and tradition of the late Pope Saint John XXIII. The nominee must demonstrate achievements in one of the following areas: 1. Community Betterment of Civic Endeavors 2. Ecumenical Spirit in Furthering the Brotherhood of Man 3. Charitable and/or Religious Activities. A \$1,000 donation will be made to the award recipient's charity of choice.

The Saint Teresa of Calcutta Award was created to acknowledge and honor a Catholic Priest, Brother, Deacon or Nun who exemplifies the spirit of Mother Teresa in the performance of works to better the human condition. The recipient will receive this award during the Sunday General Session. A \$1000 donation will be made to the award recipient's charity of choice.

SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA AWARD

GRAND PRESIDENT'S AWARD

This award will be presented during the Sunday General Session to an outstanding lay member of the Federation. Nominees must have demonstrated exceptional commitment and dedication to furthering the goals of the Federation. A \$500 donation will be made to the award recipient's I.C.F. charitable program of choice.

The I.C.F. Family of the Year is recognized during the Saturday General Session. This award honors an I.C.F. Family which has made a significant contribution to their branch, district, parish and/or community. A \$500 donation will be made to the family's I.C.F. charitable program of choice.

FAMILY OF THE YEAR AWARD

YOUNG ADULT LEADERSHIP AWARD

This award recognizes a member (39 years or younger) who has demonstrated outstanding leadership abilities and possesses the enthusiasm, talent, energy and vision to become a leader who will guide the Federation in the decades ahead. The recipient will receive this award during the Saturday General Session. A \$500 donation will be made to the award recipient's I.C.F. charitable program of choice.

CENTRAL COUNCIL CANDIDATE MEMORANDUM

TO: 2019 ICF Central Council Candidates
FROM: Roselynn Jarrett, Convention Director
RE: Notification of Intention to Run for Central Council at the 2019 Convention

Application Process

1. Applications are available from the ICF Office.
2. Candidates' completed applications must be received by the ICF Office by **August 1st** in order to be eligible to run for Central Council. This deadline is firm.
3. A candidate is no longer required to be a convention delegate.

Other Pre-convention Deadlines

1. If you wish to place a full-page ad in the convention souvenir book; the ad contract, your photo and a message must be sent to the ICF Office by **July 1st**.
2. Candidate entries to be included in the *Bollettino*, must be emailed to both the ICF Office and the *Bollettino* Editor by **August 1st**. Email admin@icf.org and editor@icf.org. Submissions should include a photo and an entry that does not exceed **300 words**.

Campaign Rules

1. Only one poster (maximum size 24 X 36) may be displayed in the area designated by the Convention Director. 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 & 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 ICF Facebook page.
6. Registration workers should not wear campaign items during registration hours.
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 business functions; no campaign T-shirts, pins, etc.
4. For additional information, or for clarification, please contact the ICF Convention Director.

Thank you for your interest in being a Central Council Member



ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION AWARD NOMINATION

Nomination Year: 20 _____
Award:

- Pope Saint John XXIII
 Saint Teresa of Calcutta
 Grand President's
 Family of the Year
 Young Adult Leadership

Nominations must be postmarked on or before May 1.

Please include with this application:

- A maximum of three letters of endorsement.
- Copies of awards or publications, if available, to support the nomination.

The Central Council will vote on one finalist for each award at the June meeting. The Grand President will notify the winners of their achievement and invite them to attend the I.C.F. Convention to receive their award. Transportation, one night lodging, and admission to the Saturday night banquet will be provided. Central Council Members, Members Emeritus, Life Members Emeritus or Members of their immediately families are not eligible for nomination.

Nominee:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: (____) _____

E-mail: _____

Branch #/City: _____

For the Family of the Year award, please indicate names of parents, children and other family members being nominated within the body of your biographical sketch.

Nominated By Individual, Branch or District:

Contact Person: _____

Phone: (____) _____

E-mail: _____

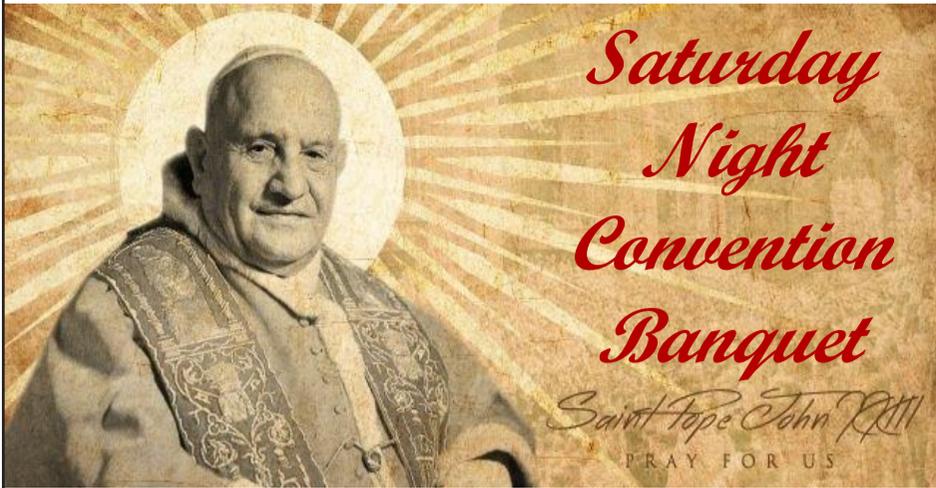
Statement of Endorsement:

Review Sample applications and the award options.
Print out the ICF Convention Award application by going to icf.org

Qualifications Summary:

Please summarize the major accomplishments of the nominee. If known, include offices and chairmanships held (within the I.C.F., parish and community) along with information on any significant contributions. You may attach additional sheets of text.

Applications must be postmarked by: May 1 – Submit to: Italian Catholic Federation
8393 Capwell Drive, Suite 110, Oakland, California 94621
(888) ICF-1924 Website: www.icf.org Email: info@icf.org



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

**Saturday, August 31, 2019
6:30pm No-host cocktails
7:15pm Banquet Seating Begins**

**Hilton El Conquistador Hotel, Tucson
Turquoise Ballroom
Semiformal Attire Suggested**

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

Three Course Plated Banquet Menu:
Tender Greens Salad with baby spinach, arugula, cilantro, sliced strawberries, queso fresco, candied almonds and white wine vinaigrette
Chipotle Roast Sirloin of Beef with braised fennel and mushrooms, red skin roasted potatoes, broccoli and carrot puree; rolls and butter
Vanilla Bean Cheesecake; Iced Tea and Coffee

Non-delegate Reservations

Branch # _____
City: _____

Non-delegate Reservations:

_____ X \$70 per adult = \$ _____

_____ X \$30 per child = \$ _____

(Ages 12 and younger, Chicken Tenders)

Check # _____ = \$ _____

Please mail your check to the ICF 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.

Write names of non-delegate dinner attendees on reverse. 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.

DANCING IN THE DESERT

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

7PM NO-HOST BAR
7:30PM SOUTHWESTERN BUFFET AND DANCING
9:30PM CONVENTION DRAWING AND ADDITIONAL PRIZE RAFFLE FOLLOWED BY MORE DANCING

**HILTON EL CONQUISTADOR HOTEL
TURQUOISE BALLROOM 1**

Dinner Reservations

Branch & City: _____

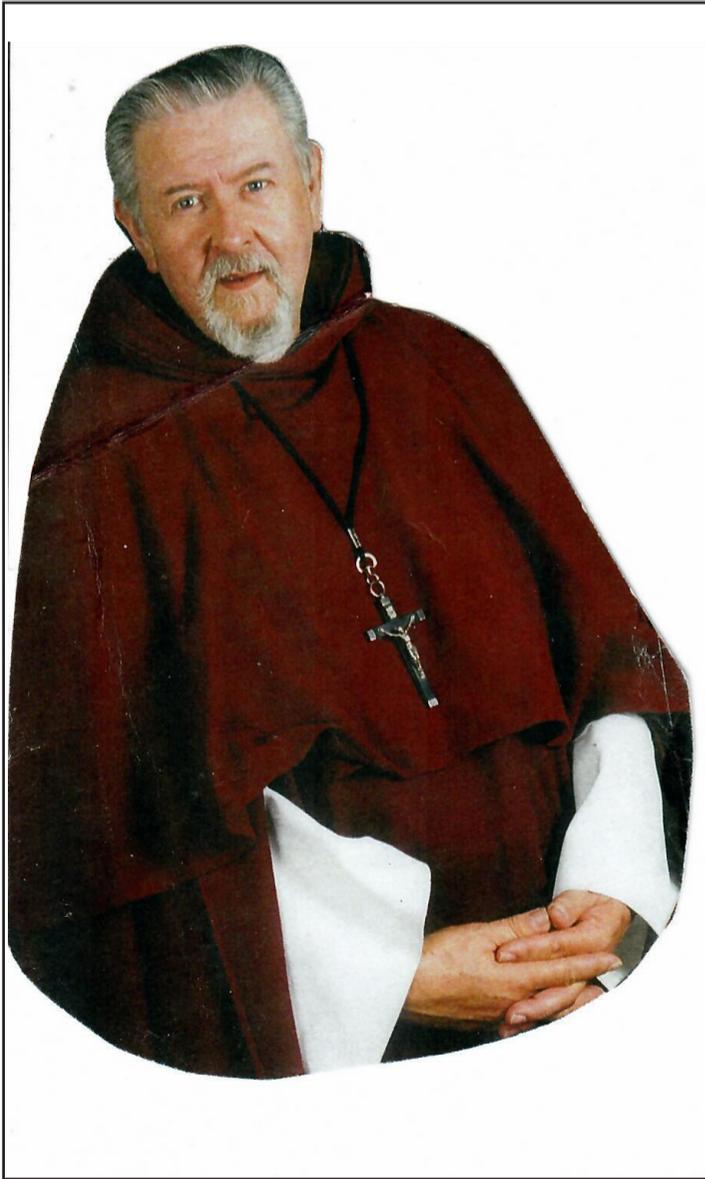
_____ X \$70/adult _____ X \$35/child
(Ages 12 and younger)

Check # _____ = \$ _____

Please mail your check to the ICF office by August 15th,
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Oakland, CA 94621
Names of Attendees:

Please place a star next to the names of children attending. 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.

Happy Father Day!
and
Happy 95th
Anniversary
to the ICF!



Help Our Priests And Our Bishops And Our Church.

Please Pray 3 Hail Marys Daily
For Them That They May
Do God's Holy Will.

Bro. Paul McCarthy, C.C.T.
I.C.F. Diocesan and District Chaplain
Diocese of Santa Rosa