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Call for All Your Questions! pmages@icf.org

Pat Mages

Labor Day weekend and ICF convention will be here sooner than we realize. The Membership Committee is planning a workshop on Member Retention. We have been successful in gaining new members but keeping these members, especially beyond five years, has proven challenging.

The workshop will focus on member retention with emphasis on communication, education and participation. In the past years, there never seems to be enough time for the sharing of ideas and successes and the answering of questions.

This year we would like to try something different. If you noticed, I've included my email address in the title of this article. Please email your questions, concerns and most importantly your ideas and successful programs, by August 9. We will use this information in the workshop and hopefully allow for more sharing of ideas. Looking forward to receiving your ideas and seeing you in Tucson!! Thank you in advance for your participation.

Pat

Get answers for your ICF membership questions...

TIME SENSITIVE: PLEASE DELIVER PROMPTLY!

95th Anniversary Celebrations were in Full Swing throughout ICF in June

Starting in Chicago to San Francisco and then Los Angeles, members from all over the Italian Catholic Federation came together to celebrate the 95th Anniversary of the organization. They gathered to honor the work of ICF's founding fathers, Sir Luigi Providenza and Fr. Albert Bandini, and to celebrate how far the organization has come through "promoting activities that build faith and family spirit and bring men, women and children of all ages together."

This spirit is evident throughout the pages of this issue. See how it is encouraged through the abundant scholarships offered to further the education of the young as well as the joyous activities celebrated throughout the branches each month. By joining together ICF has become strong.

Continue the effort by working together at the upcoming Annual Convention in Tuscon, Arizona to plan for the continued success.



Members of Br. 391 enjoyed the ICF 95th Anniversary Gala in San Francisco.



2019 Grand President winner Walter Costa from Br 154 Richmond, enjoying the 95th Anniversary Celebration in San Francisco being congratulated by Life Members Leonard Rossi and Dante Galeazzi.



Br. 13 President Tom Cook tries his finger at the accordion expertly played by Lorenzo Lucchesi at the ICF 95th Anniversary Celebration in San Francisco on Pentecost Sunday.



Br. 392 celebrating at the ICF 95th Anniversary Gala in Chicago

Grand President's Monthly Message

Andrew Pappani

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

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

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

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

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

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

Remember the Italian Catholic Federation is 95 years old and going strong [IGNEM VENI MITTERE] I CAME TO LIGHT A FIRE

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

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**August/September issue
deadline is August 1, 2019.**

Thank you!

What is and Why What is?

Monsignor Daniel Cardelli
ICF Spiritual Director



What is the most important truth in life and why? There could be many answers to these questions. What's important in your life? Before you answer this question, think about it for a few moments. It depends on what people consider is important in their lives? Some possible answers: My wife, my husband, my children, my family, my job, my career, my goals, life itself. Other possible answers can be: my money, my reputation, my health, my friend.

Ah, yes, my friend! There is nothing more valuable than a true friend, who

stands by you no matter what you do or what you did. A true friend loves you for who you are not as he/she expects you to be. To be in a close relationship to such a friend is a priceless treasure indeed!

Oh how lucky we are! All of us have such a friend whose love for us is perfect. **That's what is...** He is always present to us. He "has our back." Yes, he loves us so much that he died for us and makes our life meaningful. Yes, you guessed it. His name is Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Without Him, our life is empty. **This is why what is...**



Thank you Jesus, for being our friend.

Get Ready for the Upcoming August/September *Bollettino*

Remember the next issue of the *Bollettino* will be a joint issue to prepare members for the Annual Convention in Tuscon, Arizona. Be sure to submit your critical information by the **deadline on August 1st**.

Send all your articles and photographs to editor@icf.org by the deadline to ensure inclusion in this important issue.

Make sure your message reaches the desired audience.

Who Are WE?

Denise Antonowicz, Heritage Chair

In the simplest of terms, July 4th is a day that we celebrate in honor of the year 1776 when we as Americans signed the Declaration of Independence, from that moment on it was adopted by the Continental Congress. Whatever that means. Let's be real here, all our freedom has been earned.

Men and women fight for our country daily to ensure that we as Americans can live carefree lives. And yes, I know that we are not a perfect country, but we sure have come a long way and have a lot to be thankful for.

Our independence isn't just those fighting for our country. It's their family, their friends... all of us. We are America. I remember back when I was in seventh grade. Sister Patrick Michael referred to the United States as a melting pot of cultures and ethnicity and personalities. And so we are also in the ICF, a proud group of people who over the years have become a "family" of differences that are blurred; we are left with a sometimes-dysfunctional group that always come together to support, to pray for and protect each other.

Independence to me is knowing that I will not be shunned for my background and culture. My grandparents came to America on boats from Italy, France, and Poland. Before our generation,

America was a place to come for new and exciting adventures. A place people knew that they could come to and live long lives full of freedom and opportunity.

I want the generation growing up now to live in a country that does not judge someone by the color of their skin or by their opinions or their choices. I understand that we all have opinions and that the world is not a perfect place, but I think that it is time we choose to love instead of hate. It's time we choose to be united instead of divided.

The men and women that are fighting for our country are our Independence.

They are fighting so that we can be who we are. They are fighting so that we can believe in whatever God we choose to believe in.

I have never been prouder than to have a grandfather who serve in the American Expeditionary Forces in World War I, a father who served under Patton in World War II, and for my two nephews who served as Marines in Iraq and Afghanistan. I have never been prouder to consider myself an American.

And so, on this Independence Day I ask you to reflect... What does America's independence mean to you?

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Grand President

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[Thought of Mind]

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

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

- G S Lewis

Happy 4th of July

God Bless America and God Bless the Italian Catholic Federation

Andrew J Pappani



Apostolate – Charity Committee

Lauren Kilcullen, Chairperson

The Committee reminds all branches that the deadline for submitting your Apostolate - Charity Reports is July 15. The reports can be found on the Membership Area of the ICF website.

After careful consideration, the Committee decided to readjust the four categories for amount of money donated to: 1. branches with membership of 1 to 45 members; 2. membership of 46 to 70 members; 3. membership of 71 to 115 members and 4. membership of 116 members and above.

The new categories more evenly distribute the number of branches in each category. 1st through 4th places

in each category will be awarded at the Convention in Tucson.

Awards for Districts/Areas with 100% participation will also be awarded at the Convention, instead of at Installations.

The other statistical information that we collect from the report helps us in recruiting new members and in expansion, as we can show Parishes and pastors the value of having an ICF branch in their parish.

We hope all branches send in reports, this year!

Thank you,

Lauren Kilcullen, Chairperson

Cooley's Anemia Donations

Report date: June 10, 2019

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Branch 21
Branch 209
Branch 261
Branch 343
Branch 417
Branch 423

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Dennis and Donna Hoffmann
In memory of Joe Macaluso
Roy and Christine Shackel
In memory of Adriana M. Shackel

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

Deborah Rodondi
In memory of David Novi
Officers/Members of Central Council
In memory of Al Bernardi
The Kilcullen Family
In memory of Al Bernardi
Joan Delfino
In memory of Al Bernardi
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In memory of Adriana M. Shackel
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Member's Corner

Vince Saso, Branch 28

Vince Saso, currently serving as 1st Vice President of Branch 28 in Gilroy, recently received the “Book of Golden Deeds” award from the Gilroy Exchange Club. Vince has a long history of giving back to our community.

Vince’s roles are many and varied. He currently serves as President of the Gilroy Senior Advisory Board. He coordinates with local businesses to gather food to fill up to 400 brown bags each week. He works to provide food to the Second Harvest Food Bank, volunteers at the Garlic Festival and the California Highway Patrol. He is an active member of Seniors in Retirement (a men’s organization) and works tirelessly for Branch 28.



Some of the things people say about Vince reflect who he is – “He’s got fire under his shoes!” “Always busy making things happen.” “He’s got a sense of humor and puts a smile on the face of all he meets.” “He loves people and always says hello.” “He is humble, never taking credit for things he does; always pointing out how other people help.”

Yes, Vince is all of the above and more. We call him “BROTHER” and are so lucky to have Vince and his wife, Rita, as members of Branch 28.

GOOD WORKS ARE LINKS THAT FORM A CHAIN OF LOVE
Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Some strive to make themselves great. Others help others see and find their own greatness. It's the latter who really enrich the world we live in.

-Rasheed Ogunlaru

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

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6/2	Carmen Grima		San Francisco, CA	\$30
6/3	Kelly Swertfager		Fresno, CA	\$30
6/4	Wilma Bartus	102	Burbank, CA	\$30
6/5	Barb Shimshock		Minnetonka, MN	\$30
6/6	Maria Fregosi	342	Auburn, CA	\$30
6/7	David Madej	91	San Leandro, CA	\$30
6/8	Mike Dal Porto	144	Eureka, CA	\$30
6/9	Branch 111		Montebello, CA	\$30
6/10	Mary-Jo Wiese		Reno, NV	\$30
6/11	Jean & Don Tomatis	130	Redwood City, CA	\$30
6/12	Theresa Aston	291	Santa Maria, CA	\$30
6/13	Most Rev. Salvatore J. Cordileone		San Francisco, CA	\$30
6/14	Martha Acuna	32	Fresno, CA	\$50
6/15	Richard M. Barker	230	Lemon Grove, CA	\$50
6/16	Vince Saso	28	Gilroy, CA	\$50
6/17	Mary Petroni	39	Merced, CA	\$30
6/18	Barbara Lucido	36	Monterey, CA	\$30
6/19	Bill & Gina Borba		Moss Beach, CA	\$30
6/20	Margaret Speranza	343	Castro Valley, CA	\$30
6/21	Rolin Miller		Auburn, CA	\$30
6/22	Gennaro Filice	28	Gilroy, CA	\$30
6/23	Pat Jackson		Bakersfield, CA	\$30
6/24	Sharon Sobon		Angels Camp, CA	\$30
6/25	Arthur Berryman	27	Madera, CA	\$30
6/26	Dan Casagrande	227	Santa Cruz, CA	\$30
6/27	James & Alissa Daschbach		Lummi Island, WA	\$30
6/28	George & Terri Carson	281	Bakersfield, CA	\$30
6/29	Judy Wellbeloved	285	Pleasanton, CA	\$30
6/30	Mr. & Mrs. Vic Arnaudo	1	Daly City, CA	\$30

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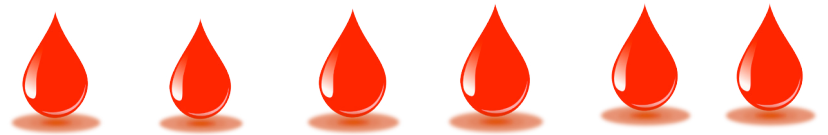
Interested in learning more about the ICF's National Charity, Cooley's Anemia (Thalassemia)?

If so, Laurice Levine, Thalassemia Program Consultant for Children's Hospital Los Angeles, would be honored to come and speak at one of your branch meetings or any special event.

Contact Information:

(360) 860-2023 or LLevine430@aol.com

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



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Laurice Levine

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or, call Vitalant Blood Bank at 877-25-VIGAL (258-4825)



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 Rodoni. We are here to help.

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

Carmelo Sabatella

LA Archdiocese District



Villa Cabrini Academy in Los Angeles Class of 1958 visiting the ICF Mother Cabrini Chapel

Congratulations to alumni of the former Villa Cabrini Academy in Los Angeles for reuniting at the Mother Cabrini Chapel and Library in Burbank on June 9th. Alumni from the Classes of 1957 thru 1968 visited the Chapel for the first time since it was relocated to its present site in Burbank in 1973.

On September 8th, our ICF Santa Barbara/Ventura Region will host the next Open House from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Burbank. All ICF Members and current and future Friends of Cabrini are welcome. Come visit the Chapel and meet the former students who will share stories of their time at the Villa.

Even if you cannot attend an Open House, in 2019 add the Mother Cabrini Chapel in Burbank to your Branch's list of places to visit this year. Include this Chapel in your pilgrimage of Mother Cabrini Shrines in New York, Chicago, Colorado and New Orleans. Visitors from other states come visit the Chapel in Burbank to continue their annual pilgrimage and to pray to Mother Cabrini for strength and guidance. Bring your family and friends to learn more about one of the ICF's Patroness Saints and the Catholic Church's first American Saint.

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 please call 626 372-7812 or visit the Mother Cabrini Shrine at www.icf.org.



Please help the Chapel continue with 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

Email cas1810@aol.com

While we are zealously performing the duties of good citizens and soldiers, we certainly ought not to be inattentive to the higher duties of religion. To the distinguished character of Patriot, it should be our highest glory to add the more distinguished character of Christian. -George Washington

Cooley's Corner: A Patient's Endeavor to Solve The World's Parking Challenges

In the March issue of the Bollettino, Sikandar (Andy) Bangash, age 24, shared his personal story about living with thalassemia. Below is his endeavor to solve some very real problems that we can all relate to...read on...

Everyone has those annoying problems they have to deal with and for me one of them was parking. Over time parking slowly became a big problem. A lot of times it involved not being able to find parking on the street or inside a parking lot. When I did find parking, it turned out to be a restricted parking space.

I was at my doctor's appointment in Los Angeles. When I left the hospital after treatment, I noticed my car was missing. The hospital has a small parking lot which fills up fast. Without any other option, I was fortunate enough to find an open metered parking on the street. I've parked at the same location multiple times without any problems, but this time the parking enforcement decided to change street parking times by a few hours the same week without any early warnings. The day was miserable for me since I had to call a taxi to get a ride home which cost \$80. The



following day I had to pay \$700 to get my car out of impound. All of this could have been avoided in just a few seconds if I had a tool to notify me of the street parking times and even help me find available parking nearby. This horrible experience as a patient was my breaking point and the day when I started building SAPE (Search Available Parking Everywhere).

SAPE provides drivers with instant parking availability and gives the driver a chance to reserve and pay for the parking space before leaving the house. SAPE is a smart platform covering all aspects of parking. SAPE manages difficult tasks like guiding drivers to available parking spaces in large parking lots or structures, saving a driver precious time finding parking, and eliminating all

the pain of paying for a parking space. Drivers will receive street parking rule alerts in just seconds after arriving at a street parking location. Most of all, every user will have a parking space to park in. SAPE achieves this by welcoming all types of parking owners to list parking spaces on the platform. Either you're a commercial parking space owner or a homeowner with unused parking spaces, SAPE will list your parking spaces for drivers to reserve. SAPE will be ready to download on both Apple and Android phones starting January 28th, 2019. Need details about the app downloading process or interested in becoming a Parking Host please visit our website at www.sapeverywhere.com.

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Sikandar (Andy) Bangash is Founder & CEO of SAPE. He is currently studying Bioinformatics at UC San Diego. To learn more about SAPE, please email Andy at sibangas@ucsd.edu.



Family Recipes

Deborah Rodondi
Grand 2nd Vice President

I was just going through the list of recipes that I have shared with you. I realized I have not shared one of my favorite cake recipes that my mom found many years ago. This is a cake that is good any time of the day. Many of you may know I am not much for overly sweet desserts, but this is more like a coffee cake in flavor and not overly sweet. When my branch hosts the Central Council meetings or Pedro Tournaments it can be found on the morning snack table and then on the dessert table. Enjoy!



Swirl Cake

- 1 package yellow cake mix
- 1 small package instant lemon or vanilla pudding
- ½ cup oil
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup (small container) sour cream
- 1 tsp. vanilla

Beat above ingredients 10 minutes scraping sides.

Mix together in small bowl: (I tend to double this part, mom sometimes thought I went overboard with this)
1/3 cup brown sugar, packed (with the back of a spoon press down on the brown sugar into the measuring cup)
1 ½ tsp. cinnamon
¼ tsp. nutmeg
½ cup chopped walnuts or pecans

Turn half of cake mixture into greased tube pan (Angel Food pan). Sprinkle half of cinnamon mixture on cake. Pour in remaining cake batter and top with remaining cinnamon mixture.
Take knife and swirl through batter, swirling from top to bottom.
Bake at 350 degrees for 50 to 60 minutes.

NOTE: IF you don't have sour cream instead of ½ cup oil and 1 cup sour cream put in 2/3 cup oil and ¾ cup water.
You could probably use a Bundt pan, but I do not always have luck getting a cake out in one piece. Being two pieces the Angel Food tube pan allows you to always have a perfectly presented cake.
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.
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Andrew J. Pappani

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Famous Americans of Italian Descent

America is a melting pot of many nationalities. However, Italians are definitely an active part of the mix. Did you know the following famous people are also Italian?

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- Sylvester Stallone
- Madonna
- Leonardo DiCaprio
- Jay Leno
- Hulk Hogan
- Kaley Cuoco
- Gwen Stefani
- Demi Lovato
- Steve Carell
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- Selena Gomez
- Nicholas Cage
- Frank Sinatra
- Bradley Cooper
- Tim McGraw

Inventors:


- The Jacuzzi Family
- whirlpool bath
- Frank Zamboni
- ice resurfacer
- Domingo Ghirardelli
- chocolatier
- Lorenzo Ponza
- modern baseball pitching machine
- Antonio Meucci
- invented telephone
- Walter Schirra
- astronaut
- Emilio Segre
- Nobel Prize-winning physicist & academic

Writers:

- R.A. Salvatore
- Author of *Star Wars* novels
- David Franzoni
- screenwriter of *Gladiator*
- Mario Puzo
- Author of *The Godfather*

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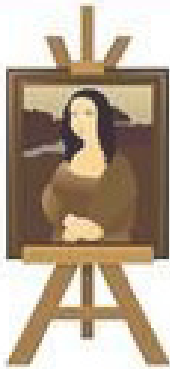
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Humanist
Inventor
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La Gioconda
Logical
Mona Lisa

Leonardo da Vinci

1452 - 1519

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Renaissance
Scientist
Sculptor
Sketches
The Last Supper

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Italian Influence throughout English Language

- al dente:** literally "to the tooth," meaning firm and slightly chewy

al fresco: outside in the fresh air

antipasto: appetizer course with olives, cured meat, artichokes and peppers

arugula: a type of slightly peppery, leafy vegetable

barista: originally a barman or bartender, now used for person who makes coffee at a cafe

biscotti: a type of cookie

bologna: a type of deli meat

broccoli: a variety of green vegetable
- espresso:** strong, small coffee

focaccia: round, flat bread with herbs

fettuccine: ribbon style pasta

gelato: frozen dessert similar to ice cream

maraschino: a strong, sweet liqueur often used with cherries

pepperoni: originally referring to bell peppers, now also used for hard, cured sausage

pesto: a type of green sauce made with olive oil and pine nuts

pizza: flat dough topped with tomato sauce and cheese
- polenta:** a dough made with cornmeal

prosciutto: salted, cured ham sliced very thin

provone: a type of cheese

scampi: large shrimp

spumoni: variety of Italian ice cream

tiramisu: Italian dessert with ladyfingers and coffee

tortellini: type of filled pasta

trattoria: Italian restaurant

Source: <https://grammar.yourdictionary.com/word-lists/list-of-english-words-of-italian-origin.html>



Friday, August 30, 2019

11am - 4pm

Hilton El Conquistador

Turquoise Room I

**Drop-in Bocce will be available
to convention attendees.**

No signups required.

**Italian Catholic Federation Nineteenth Annual
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.

RESERVATION DEADLINE: JULY 19, 2019

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

SIGN UP:

Name _____	Handicap _____
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Banquet only



Make check for total amount (\$170 per player plus \$50 per banquet guest), payable to the I.C.F. Golf Tournament, and send to the address below before the July 19th deadline.
Remember: \$185 per player after July 19th.

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



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Welcome to Tucson, The Last Territory

Join us for a rodeo under the stars



Special Musical Guest Singer-songwriter Angel Perez

Location: Last Territory at the Hilton Tucson El Conquistador

Date: Thursday August 29, 2019

Time: 6:00pm No-Host Cocktails/ 7:00pm Dinner followed by dancing

Menu: Arizona Rodeo Buffet

Cost: \$70

-----Thursday Night Dinner RSVP -----

Guest Name: _____

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Guest Total _____ X \$70.00 = \$ _____

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Branch Reports

Fresno

Madera

Santissimo Crocifisso, Br. 27

The May meeting was held on the 7th and it was a Potluck with lots of tasty main dishes, salads, and desserts. Thanks to the Chairmen Bob and Ann Rolan and committee: Eileen Foster, Anna Raviscioni, Marilyn Rowe, Ila Schoettler, Elsie Bottorff and Theresa DeFrank. May 5th was the annual chicken take-out dinner and it was a huge success. Members received many phone calls from satisfied customers, not surprising since over two hundred dinners were served. The June meeting is past president's appreciation and scholarship night. There is no July meeting and I hope to see everyone at the August meeting on the 13th. The August meeting is a potluck. Members are looking forward to the convention. Many thanks to Rosemary and Lou Janis who volunteered to be the delegates this year. Please continue to pray for our ill and injured members.

Ciao,

Kerin Cavallero

Los Banos

Santa Lucia, Br. 31

Hello, from branch 31 in Los Banos! On May 7th we held an intimate Italian dinner for 10 people (picture 1). This dinner was a prize, purchased by ICF members Bob and Kathleen Brandi, at our Annual Polenta dinner fundraiser in February. This wonderful dinner was cooked and served by our ICF members and was held at the home of Rick and Terri Post (picture 2). Fun was had by all who were there.

June was graduation time in Los Banos. Our branch was fortunate enough to be able to give away a total of 6 scholarships. Congratulations to the four Los Banos High recipients: Taylor Brandi, Stephanie Murphy, Giovanni Gilardi and Trent Mallonee (picture 3); and the two Pacheco High recipients Jadine Garcia and Jacob Pugliese (picture 4). We wish them the best of luck with their futures!

Our next meeting is our annual summer potluck. It will be held on August 17th at the home of ICF members: Rick and Terri Post. We are looking forward to seeing so many members and eating a lot of delicious food.

Buon estate! (have a good summer)

Ciao

Branch 31

Fresno

Our Lady of Victory, Br. 32

We had an exciting, warm June meeting and many new things are happening! A great turnout of members and potentially a few new ones.

Fresno State University has created a new program in Italian Studies. Br. 32 challenges all branches to match or exceed our donation of \$1,000. to the program. Joe Giovannetti is heading this project. Member Sally Caglia, Program Board member, is helping to 'kick start' it with your donations. Many of the nearby cities have young adults attending Fresno State, so please, contact Joe or Sally with your donations.

Our bake sale at St. Alphonsus was held on June 22 & 23 after all the masses. Thank you to all those who baked and donated items. We especially thank all our workers.

Richard Romagnoli and crew are discussing working on a Friday/Saturday to give the benches and tables in the covered area at the church an updated coat of paint. If you can help out, please contact Richard.

Scholarship winner, Mark Maffeo attended the meeting. He is a graduate from Clovis High School. He will attend UC Berkley and major in International Banking. Congratulations, we are so proud of you!



Br. 32 Elaine Lencioni, President; Elaine Giovannetti, Scholarship Recipient and Family



Br. 32 Elaine Lencioni, President (third from left); Jose DeLeon, Scholarship Recipient (second from left) and family

We would love to see more of our members attending our meetings and volunteering. Spread the word about what we do for our community with your friends and neighbors and see you at our meetings held at St. Alphonsus on the first Tuesday of the month at 4:00!

Paulette Volpa

Financial Secretary

Merced

St. Cecilia, Br. 39

We wish all our fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and father figures a belated Happy Father's Day.

Our annual Weiner Roast at picturesque Lake Yosemite will be held Wednesday, July 10, 5 p.m. Join us for free BBQ hot dogs, grilled corn-on-the-cob, garden fresh tomatoes and green peppers, and more. There will be a cake walk, bingo, raffle and Make-Your-Own-Sundaes. It is



Br. 31 LBHS Scholarship recipients (left to right): Taylor Brandi, Stephanie Murphy, Giovanni Gilardi and Trent Mallonee with ICF president Gary Caropreso



Br. 31 members Bob and Kathleen Brandi and Friends enjoying Italian dinner



Br. 31 members serving an Italian dinner for 10



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.

always such a pleasant evening of camaraderie and friendship. We will honor our scholarship recipients.

Our scholarships are awarded this year to member Lucca Lorenzi (Elmer's grandson), and Giovanni Gates (Carol Salmeri's grandson). Congratulations to all our accomplished graduates!

Several members enjoyed spending a recent Saturday afternoon attending the Festa Italiana in Lodi. The event featured live music, delicious Italian food, a mercato market, cooking demonstrations, Italian art and history, bocce ball, wine and olive oil tasting, and puppet shows for the bambini. Check out our photos with the renowned singer, Pasquale Esposito.

Our next dinner meeting at the Italo Lodge is Wednesday, August 14, 5 p.m. Social Hour, 6 p.m. Dinner, 7 p.m. Meeting. Join us, as we study and vote on this year's convention proposals.

Remember our shut in and sick members with cards, visits and prayers.

Goditi vostre estate! Enjoy your summer!

Stephanie Lucich



Br. 39 Sandy Del Real and Bridget Martinelli with singer Pasquale Esposito.



Br. 39 Gina Pugliese with Pasquale Esposito.



Br. 39 Josephine Bellardita with Pasquale Esposito.

Clovis

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Br. 250

Rueben Silva and Rich Zanarini, members of Br. 250, volunteer to pick up donated furniture pieces for homeless families who were on the street but now have a place to live. Cindy Silva, Gerry Goodwin and Mary Zanarini, also members, make from 50 to 150 peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to be handed out to the homeless around the valley Monday mornings. If anyone has furniture pieces they no longer need, please call one of us for pickup.. Also volunteers are welcome to help make sandwiches.

Welcome to new members Dirk, Mariateresa and Stefania Charley. They bring some new energy and interest. Good luck to Carlene Christensen who is enrolled in the Culinary School at the Institute of Technology. We're looking forward to some goodies, Carlene. Jennie Campopiano's grandson, Jake Powe, was the recipient of our Branch's 1st year scholarship and will be attending San Francisco State in September. Good luck, Jake! Wes Johnson is travelling to Can Coon, Mexico to visit a dear friend. Have a safe journey, Wes! Flora DePasquale enjoyed an eight-day visit with her granddaughter Gina in McCall, Idaho. Seventeen family members enjoyed the snow. Mary Zanarini celebrated her Granddaughter's 16th birthday recently in Salt Lake city. Glad all these travelers had a safe trip.

Happy June birthday greetings to Carlene Christensen, Mary Fontes, Ken Gray, Wes Johnson, Vince Jura, and Rueben Silva.

Ciao,

Farina Farrinata

Bakersfield

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Br. 281

The Bocce tournament held on the Garces baseball field was a great success. It was wonderful to see many familiar faces as well as some new ones. Allen Watts choice of a taco truck was a bit of a change in venue and a delicious one at that! No doubt he was happy (at least temporarily) to pass on his chef's hat to someone else for a while.

Our branch welcomed summer at our annual salad potluck hosted at the lovely home of Kristen & Joey Zasoski. Delegates were chosen for our annual convention in Tucson, Arizona this year.

In July we look forward to cooling our heels with our ICF friends at the Ice Cream Social Meeting. Everyone contributes to the ingredients of making the "perfect sundae" and even the most disciplined person has a hard time resisting the tasty treats! Our Branch takes a break in August due to many people traveling.

We wish all of you a happy and safe summer.

God bless, Theresa Amarante

Fresno

Holy Spirit, Br. 417

I had the honor of giving our branch's First year scholarship certificate to a well deserving candidate, Kameron Murphy, proud granddaughter of our members Al and Theresa Pimentel. Kameron will attend Washington State where she plans to study business and hospitality in preparation for becoming a flight attendant.

We continue to serve our community. On May 8th, our branch provided the RCIA dinner for about 50 people. Everyone attending enjoyed the dinner and were very vocal about it. I was given the opportunity to talk about the ICF, its origin, purpose and today's mission with a clear message that anyone that shares the same values and the same faith can join the ICF.

Sunday, June 2nd 2019 our branch will be serving food for the 2nd Holy Spirit Church Festival. It is an all-day affair and our branch has allotted \$500.00 for our food booth. We will be serving sausage & pepper and meatball sandwiches. All proceeds go to the Church. For fundraising, we organize trips to a local casino every two months and once a year sell tickets for dinner to a local restaurant to name a few.

We are certainly empowered to go on with our mission by the appreciation, enthusiasm and acknowledgment that we receive from those who we serve and support

Fraternally

Frank Parisi

San Francisco

San Francisco

Maria S. S. Immacolata, Br. 1

Dear Members:

The 95th Anniversary Mass & Luncheon Celebration was enjoyed by all! Please note the following! No meeting in August. Convention tickets have been distributed. Please return stubs by August 6 per instructions given.

STAY HEALTY! Ciao, Toni Morsello



Br. 417 Standing left to right, Frank Parisi, Kameron Murphy, Al Pimentel and Theresa Pimentel.

San Francisco

St. Elizabeth, Br. 258

On July 19th we will have our Potluck Lunch. If you bring your favorite dish—no charge. If you do not bring food, the cost is \$10.00. We always have 2 full tables of homemade food; all very delicious. Please come and join us. You won't be sorry.

On July 21, 2019, we are going to see the Beach Blanket Babylon Performance. It will be the last performance, as they are closing their doors after many, many years.

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

A Big Happy 95th Birthday to Rena Fazzini on August 24th and Mary Perata on August 10th. Rena and Mary were classmates at Balboa High School. Many more years of Good Health and Happiness.

Please remember our ill and deceased members in your prayers

To Elisabetta Rossi a speedy recovery. Elisabetta sprained her shoulder.

Happy July 4th to everyone!

Please remember the following dates:

July 22nd - Meeting

July 28th - Mass

Ciao,

Eva Perata, President



Br. 258, Fr. Peri, Al and Louise Oneto at our Christmas Luncheon. Al was 100 years young



Br. 258, St. Elizabeth S.F.—Our Christmas Luncheon Raffle



Br. 258, St. Elizabeth S.F.—Our Christmas Luncheon Dec 3, 2018

San Francisco

St. Cecilia, Br. 365

Because of the untimely and unexpected May "rainy weather" and a few of our committee members were "under the weather," our 2-day Garage Sale had to be cancelled. I'm positive the committee will decide on another date...hopefully in better weather...for everyone! This delay will give us additional time to look through our homes, garages for more items to donate! If any of our members have any suggestions for this event, join us at our July meeting...we appreciate getting fresh ideas from our members!

President George and Cosmo were pleased with the results of the "No Bake Sale."

Cosmo will announce how much money was donated at our next regular meeting. To date 91% of our members have donated...WOW!!! Chairman Cosmo thanks all the participating members for helping to make this fundraiser a huge success. We will discuss, at a future meeting, how we can best use these proceeds!

Since a Br. 365 Events Calendar was not prepared in time to mail to our members this year, I will be including in our ICF Bollettino article the dates and events coming up in the next 3 months. Make sure to copy these dates on your home calendar. Next year, hopefully Sean and I will be better organized...sorry!

1. There will be "NO" meeting in July...Br. 365 is on vacation!
2. Regular meeting: Saturday, August 17 in the Green Room, 11:00 a.m.
3. Regular meeting: Saturday, September 21 in the Green Room, 11:00 a.m.

Ciao,

Mara Amato

An Immigrant Story: Ivan Dei Rossi

January 7, 1931 to April 20, 2019



Ivan Dei Rossi was a member of ICF Branch 6 in Redwood City, along with his wife Lillian, for 40 years, since June 13, 1979. He passed away April 20, 2019

At Branch 6, Ivan was well known for preparing the annual polenta dinner with sausage and chicken. Everyone loved those dinners, a major fundraiser for our branch. Cooking for 100 people was hard work and two years ago he had to give it up.

Ivan was born in Bassano del Grappa, Italy, in Jan. 7, 1931. His father had emigrated to Santa Barbara, but returned to Italy in 1926 with his wife and son Andy. When World War II broke out, Andy was sent back to Santa Barbara to live and work in a dairy ranch with relatives.

Ivan's father, Vittore, was jailed by the Gestapo for six months in 1942. He belonged to the Resistance, he got injured in a shooting and died of an infection due to lack of penicillin. At his funeral, members of the American Army, who had liberated the area from the Germans, carried his casket.

His widow returned to California. Ivan and his brother Walter came in 1948 to join their brother Andy in San Francisco where Andy had established himself working in the restaurant business.

Ivan worked for a sausage company while going to school. He learned the wholesale butcher trade which served him well when he joined the US Army at 21. He was sent to Austria and there he was put in charge of the kitchen and bakery at his company.

On his return from military duty, he married the love of his life, Lillian Liberati, on April 24, 1954 at the St. Peter and Paul Church in North Beach.

From San Francisco they moved to Redwood City. Ivan and Andy owned a restaurant in San Carlos for many years. In five years, they had four sons: Ivan Jr., Alan, Leon, and Greg. Later they sold the restaurant.

Ivan, a fast learner, became an electrician, a job he loved the most, until he retired.

For 40 years he was very active in many volunteer jobs at Mt. Carmel Church, every facet of the St. Vincent De Paul organization and the ICF.

His smiling face and gentle demeanor is greatly missed in all the organizations where he volunteered. A life well spent, Ivan used his God given talents to the fullest.

San Mateo San Mateo District

Burlingame Our Lady of Angels, Br. 173

Today we celebrated the 95th anniversary of the ICF at St. Peter and Paul's Church in San Francisco. We had large attendance and shared a warm 87degree day. The service was in Latin and made me feel like I should have studied Latin a little harder in school.

Before we list some of our events for the next few months, we would like to share in the sadness with our Mentor Annette Navi on the loss of her husband Dave. May he rest in peace and many prayers are being said for both of you!

One of our own members won a scholarship for \$400.00 for first year of college. Mariano belongs to our branch and is the son of Brenda and Gary Wemiz and the brother of Emillano. Good job as studying did pay off!

Sunday, June 30 is our Ravioli dinner, \$25 pp, 12 and under \$9.00, under 2 free.

Reservations to Donna Cervelli, 1411 Paloma Ave. Burlingame, CA 94010 650-343-3790 R.S.V.P. by June 25.

July 21— Beresford Park, San Mateo 11:00 a.m. Face painting. water balloon games, etc. Contact: Mary Ann Camacho 415-285-1219 AFTER 6:00 p.m. MA3@cpuc.ca.gov Adults: \$15; Children 15 & under: \$5.00/Hot dogs,hamburgers, veggie burgers and trimmings, soda and water—cutoff date: July 15.

Please keep our sick members and their families in your prayers and Happy Father's Day to all those living and deceased.

God Bless, Rosalind C. Emery

San Carlos St. Charles, Br. 327

Happy Summer and Happy 4th of July to everyone!

A big thank you to the hostesses of our May meeting - Rose Beall, Christine King and Donna McKay. The pork tenderloin dinner was delicious. An outstanding dinner!

Also at our May meeting we had a guest speaker join us. Laurice Levine joined us for dinner and then gave an inspiring presentation of Cooley's Anemia, with updates on present day trials, medications and progress for those afflicted by this disease. ICF has a big part in all of this as Cooley's Anemia is their national charity. Thank you, Laurice, for your wonderful presentation.

There will be no meeting in July. However, there will be a board meeting on Tuesday, June 25, 2019. Our next general meeting will resume on Tuesday, August 20. Please plan to attend.

All of our members should have received a book of raffle tickets for a drawing to be held at the annual ICF convention. Please return stubs and money to Marie DeRosa. Unsold tickets can also be returned to Marie and redistributed.

Ciao,

Virginia Malaspina

Millbrae St. Dunstan, Br. 403

We had a wonderful 29th Anniversary Celebration/Fundraiser. We thank the Millbrae Lions for preparing the spaghetti & meatball dinner and our members who provided raffle prizes. Also, special thanks to the other branches for their attendance and support.

We will not have a meeting in July.

Next meeting is Tuesday, August 6, 2019, in the Parish Center with social time at 5:30 p.m. and a KFC dinner served at 6:00 p.m.

Rose Marie Morando

Corresponding Secretary

Marin

Larkspur St. James, Br. 161

Two of our members have moved out of the area, Eleanor Feeney and Elvira Balatti. Soon to join them is Mary Onetti. When Marin was a District, Mary was the Recording Secretary. Mary and her sister Doris held many branch positions. Mary was Financial Secretary for many years and when Doris got sick she added Corresponding Secretary. We will miss all of them and wish them the best of luck.

Don't forget to mail your raffle tickets by July 31st. Anyone not wishing to purchase raffle tickets, please return them in the enclosed envelope.

Summer vacation is here, there will be NO meeting in July or August.

Please continue your get well prayers for everyone who isn't feeling well and for those having surgery.

Have a safe 4th of July, and a wonderful summer.

Anna Biggio

Recording Secretary

Novato Our Lady of Loretto, Br. 332

It's hard to believe that we are already half-way through 2019. As our Branch reflects on the past six months, we have many reasons to feel proud and grateful.

Since January, we have welcomed nine new members to our Branch, and through the dedication of our members, we have been able to make substantial donations to the Scholarship Fund, Cooley's, and our Parish. The icing on the cake was that we doubled the number of Convention Raffle Ticket books sold this year. Mille grazie, gentilissimi membri.

We would like to offer special congratulations to first year scholarship winner Jacqueline Bondanza. Jacqueline is the daughter of members Frank and Cathy Bondanza, and granddaughter of Branch Past-President Joe Bondanza. We wish her much success in all of her future endeavors.

Congratulations to Christine and Ken Valente, who celebrated their 41st wedding anniversary with their ICF friends. Ken



Christine and Ken Valente celebrating their 41st Anniversary with Br. 332.

provided champagne for all 116 guests that evening, along with special decorations for the tables in pink, Christine's favorite color. Everyone lifted their classes in honor of the couple, chanting Viva gli Sposi. How blessed we are to be able to celebrate these happy times with one another.

Just a reminder that we will not be meeting in July and August. Our next dinner meeting is September 10th. We wish you all a very relaxing and happy summer and safe travels.

Los Angeles Archdiocese District

Summer time, Summer time, Sum Sum Summer time. I hope everyone enjoyed the 95th Anniversary celebrations of the ICF. Sorry I missed it. Happy Birthday America. Summer time is a great time for relaxing, vacations and BBQ's. I hope to see you all at Holy Family's Annual Cooley's Steak BBQ. This will be my first one. I've heard so many great stories about it. St Raymond is having a new fundraiser called Quartermania. Stop by on the 28th and join them for a chance to win some great prizes. I'm looking forward to going to Tucson at the end of August for Convention. Safe travels to all who will be traveling this summer. Take lots of pictures.

Talk to you next month and God bless.

Los Angeles St. Peter, Br. 67

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

Please spread the word to friends, families and members that the Italian Catholic Federation Branch 67 and Padre Pio Society will attend the 11:00 am (Italian) mass and join St Peter Parishioners on the fourth Sunday of each Month this year.

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

Your help is greatly appreciated.

Branch President Carmelo Sabatella

South Pasadena Holy Family, Br. 108

On June 9th alumni of the former Villa Cabrini Academy in Los Angeles (from the graduating Classes of 1957 thru 1968) visited the Mother Cabrini Chapel and Library in Burbank for the first time since the Chapel was relocated to its present site in 1973.

Save the Date:

- July 14th Cooley's Anemia Fundraiser at Holy Family Church Monsignor Connelly Hall from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Join members in a game of Bean Ball Bocce or Bean Bag Toss (cornhole) with members of all ages. Call 626-372-7812 for more information or to RSVP. 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

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Montebello St. Benedict, Br. 111

Ciao a Tutti. As you know, we will not have a general meeting in July.

Our August General Meeting is Thursday, August 15 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 July & August birthdays of members. Happy Birthday to everyone!! Buon Compleanno a tutti!!

Congratulations to Marianne Schiappa from Palos Verdes High School. She won Br. 111's \$400 First Year College Scholarship.

On June 14, Branch President, Frank Salomone, attended the St. Benedict School Graduation Ceremony, and presented two \$400 Phillip Pace Jr. Scholarships to Ryan Gutierrez, who will attend St. John Bosco High School in Bellflower, and Santiago Alvarez, who will attend Don Bosco Technical Institute in Rosemead.

This month we pay our respects to our Brothers, Sandro Mercuri and Dante Terramani, and our Sister, Rosa Licari, who were a part of us, and who recently passed away. We shared many things together, just by sharing life at our Branch events, and for becoming a part of our family. For this, they shall be remembered.



Br. 111, Remembering our departed members-Rosa Licari, Leonardo Salomone, Edward Valdez, Stephen Chaveez, & Carmela Diliberto



Br. 111 Rest in Peace: Dante Tettamani...

Their presence is gone, but their spirit and memory live in our hearts and in our prayers. May their souls, and the souls of all our departed members, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace.

We pray for our sick members, our members who passed away, and those in need; keep them in our thoughts and prayers. Thank you for all you for the ICF and for our community.

God Bless! Frank Salomone

San Pedro St. John Joseph of the Cross, Br. 115

Due to the parish getting ready for annual fiesta, our general meeting will be held one week earlier on July 11th at 7:30 p.m.

On Thursday July 18th our branch will be preparing the meatballs and sausages that will be sold during the fiesta. Volunteers are needed for making meatballs and/or working in booth and for set up and tear down. Even an hour would be appreciated. Please call Pauline 310 8320563 to sign up.



Br. 115 celebrated the feast of the Madonna dell'Arco at Mary Star of the Sea Church.

Due to the Feast of the Assumption on August 15th, our August general meeting will be moved to August 8th at 7:30 p.m.

Our Tridium, in honor of St John Joseph of the Cross, will start on Friday August 16th with coroncina to follow.

On Saturday August 17th, mass in honor of St John Joseph of the Cross will be celebrated at 9 a.m. Our branch will be celebrating it's 65th anniversary.

Lite refreshment to follow in auditorium Festivities to continue at 6:30 p.m. Join us as we prepare a prime rib dinner with all the fixing's. Music provided by Tony Ciaramitaro. \$35.00 per ticket. Call Neal for tickets at 310 433 1044 Please support this fundraiser and the good works of our branch.

Deadline to join our branch for the San Francisco trip is August 1st. Please call Pauline Iacono for more information and reservations 310 832 0563

Please keep Alfonso Atriano and his family in your prayers. Alfonso was a great friend to our branch.

Anita Trujillo

Treasure



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2019 First Year Scholarship Winners

Name	In Memory of	Branch/District/Individual
Colette Bokulich		Central Coast District
Samantha McNeill		Central Coast District
Morgan Larkin		Br. 21
Whittaker Miller-Netto	Mary Stagnaro	Br. 21
Samuel David Lavorato		Br. 25
Sarah Mikkelsen		Br. 25
Christina Peterson		Br. 26
Madison Ann Ham		Br. 36
Kevin Beach		Br. 51
Ana Gabriella Gutierrez		Br. 227
Samantha Vanderford	Otto Ambiel	Br. 227
Vincent Corella		Br. 354
Tessa R. Tomlinson		Br. 354
James R. Fairchild	Rev. Leonard Mattei	Chicago District
Jessica Cucinella		Br. 418
		Contra Costa District
Trevor Bluth	Sheila Grilli	Br. 13
Samantha Gingrich		Br. 14
Lauren O'Grady		Br. 14
Dominic Driscoll		Br. 154
Ruben Trevino		Br. 154
Lyndsey Urricelqui		Br. 214
Jacob Ennis		Br. 352
James Ennis		Br. 352
Kathryn Lucido		Br. 432
Taylor Crutchley		Br. 442
Robert F. Halupka, III	Sir Robert Dianda	East Bay District
Halie Shea Doan		Br. 10
Manuel Manzo		Br. 91
Francesca Marra		Br. 215
Marissa Gracia	Fr. Paul Minnihan	Br. 285
Isabella M. Carrano	Fr. Paul Minnihan	Br. 285
Gavin McGrath Lathrop		Br. 343
Jon Buttrey		Fresno District
Jose D. De Leon		Br. 32
Elaine Giovannetti		Br. 32
Mark Maffeo		Br. 32
Joshua H. Rasmussen		Br. 33
Giovanni Liam Gates		Br. 39
Lucca A. Lorenzi		Br. 39
Cheyenne Cabral		Br. 54
Hayden Knittel		Br. 54
Jake Powe		Br. 250
Carson Anthony Parks		Br. 281
Trenton Tompkins		Br. 308
Kameron Moore		Br. 417
		Los Angeles Archdiocese District
Isabella Vinci		Br. 108
Marianne Schiappa		Br. 111
Rosaria Carmela Amalfitano		Br. 115
Ian Swaim		Br. 115
Nicholas Boschetti		Br. 218
Collin Paludi	Angie Publico	Br. 237
Ryan Tate		Br. 317
Tyler Higuera		Br. 319
Ryuko Juliana Novak-Murano		Br. 362
Samantha Covey		Br. 374
Angela Richards		Br. 380
Amanda D'Ambrosio		Scholarship Fund
		Marin Area
Aidan Berry		Br. 161
Matthew Ilg		Br. 161
Maria Tassone		Br. 161
Jacqueline Julia Bondanza		Br. 332
		Orange District
Andrew Caballero		Br. 379
Madeline Vargas Brownlee		Br. 406
Paige Condry		Br. 423
		Reno Area
Liam A. Iovinella		Br. 135
Tara Robinson	Msgr. Virgil Gabrielli	Blessed Sacrament District
Gina Marie Courey		Br. 45
Siena Graziani Mazza		Br. 45
Cole Bailey		Br. 73
Sarah Sorenson		Br. 73
Magdalena Jacinta Huckins		Br. 342
Julia Diane Piziali		Br. 342
Georgina Marie Heredia		Br. 438
Liliana Hernandez-Beltran		San Bernardino District
Kathleen Garcia		Br. 210
Antoinette Schreiber		Br. 217
Madison Castagna		Scholarship Fund



Br. 218, scholarship recipient Katie Lacorte



Br. 45 First Year Scholarship presentation to member Gina Courey from 1st Vice Tina Tallman and President Janine Orsi at our May 5th dinner.



Br. 31 PHS Scholarship recipients: Jadine Garcia and Jacob Pugliese with ICF Member Sarah Sagouspe



Br. 115 president Neal Di Leva presented scholarship certificates to Rosaria Amalfitano and Ian Swaim graduating seniors from Mary Star of the Sea High School



Br. 343 Scholarship winner



Br. 352 Scholarship Awards to Jacob & James Ennis

Name	In Memory of	In Honor of	Branch/District/Individual
Hailey Blue			San Diego District
Michaela Castagnola			Br. 230
Olivia Lickona	Camila Rosalie Athena Vigili Belmonte		Br. 230
Jonathan Marshall			Br. 230
Olivia Di Napoli			Br. 261
Sophia T. Johnson			Br. 416
Matthew C. Lowenstein			Scholarship Fund
Alexandra (Lexi) Battaglini			San Mateo District
James Freeman Futrell	Carlo Giusti		Br. 6
Jack Maranghi			Br. 7
Mariano Wemiz			Br. 19
Garrett Camicia	Carl Rollandi		Br. 173
Sylvia Berterretche			Br. 213
Jolie Poulet	Bill Houwer		Br. 327
Isabella Balagot			Br. 351
Ana Miciano			Br. 403
Trevor Paez			Santa Clara Valley District
Rachel Callegari			Santa Clara Valley District
Austin James Ellemberg			Br. 5
Dylan Michael Ellemberg		Shirley Silva	Br. 28
Camille Thrall		Rosie Mammini	Br. 28
Aryanna J. Ferdinandi		Fr. Salvatore Di Nardo, O.P.	Br. 47
Victor Montez			Br. 184
Josephine Corral			Br. 184
Sean Slavich			Br. 191
Elizabeth Santina Bracco			Br. 368
Isabella Maramonte			Br. 391
Carlo Jiménez			Br. 391
Samantha Lee			Br. 408
Nicholas Joseph Fontana			Br. 435
Shane Simonin			Br. 445
Jewel Blanchard			Br. 445
Benjamin W. Mickens			Santa Rosa District
Bretten Scott Farrell			Santa Rosa District
		Lynn Stornetta-Green & Gerald Shotts	Br. 18 (Closing Donation)
			Br. 18 (Closing Donation)
Stefano P. Menicou	Bill Occhipinti		Br. 52
Nicole Papadopoulos			Br. 52
Jack Kooba	Joe Dell'Aquila		Br. 75
Emma Tremont			Br. 103
Jordyn Kerley			Br. 103
Blayney Adamson			Br. 127
Kallie Beltrami			Br. 127
Colten Ronshausen	Judi Fomasi		Br. 127
Anthony Sabella	Spence F. Burton		Br. 144
Alexa Tagliaferri	Louis Vicino		Br. 198
Andrew Pedicino			Br. 198
Cristal Garcia Alcazar	Peter & Juliette Barbieri		Br. 198
Anthony Cogliandro Alioto	Richard Carrera		Br. 198
Amy Bjornstrom	Joseph, Irene & Jerre Paolini		Br. 198
Isabella Citti	Norman & Rose Anne Sikes		Br. 198
Natasha Imboden	Aldo Desideri		Br. 198
Johnny (John) William Paneno	Tom Timko		Br. 198
Annalise Rackerby	Frank Castelli		Br. 198
Kristina Skinner	Louis, Margaret & Christine Scinto		Br. 198
Mason Stalder	Romie & Helen Barbieri		Br. 198
Elisabeth Watkins			Stockton District
Emily J. Stenzler			Br. 395
Eddie Ramirez			Tucson Area
Kaylyn Continente			Br. 425
Isabella De Kelaita	Alice Providenza Bottino		Individuals
Cal Selna			The Antonowicz Family, Br. 184/Br. 191
Bailey Cristofano	Donald DeTomasi		Chris & Virginia Bottino, Br. 432
Cailin Mirabella			The Albert & Rina Brocchini
Natalie Hawkins			Family Foundation
Ariella Angelini Stewart			Louise DeTomasi, Br. 14
Lexi Trucco			John Delucchi, Br. 91
Cassidy Kuden	Sir Robert Dianda		Family and Friends
Hannah Cevasco			Family and Friends
Sedona Falco			Mr. & Mrs. James Dooley, Br. 14
Luke Christian Joyce			Kathleen Scesa Dorr
Marcus Warnert			Barbara Ebel, Br. 6
Harrison Dal Ponte			Robert Grassilli, Jr.
Sophie Marie Provencio			Robert Grassilli, Jr.
Sofia Marie Dellamora Grossi			Robert Grassilli, Jr.
Nicholas Guggiana			Larry & Carmen Kilcullen, Br. 52
Matthew Tognolini			Rose Mangini, Br. 38
Chloe Alvarado	John Orlando		Virginia Coe Orlando, Br. 21
Giana Zamagni			The Pulone Family
Dominic Love	Dan Pulone		Leonard & Karen Rossi, Br. 343
Patrick O'Brien	Nello & Cookie Rossi		Michael & Donna Santich, Br. 91
Melissa Sheridan	Sir Robert Dianda		Jean & Bob Segale
	Lola & Sam J. Parrinello		The Segale Family
	Mary & Bill Segale		The Segale Family
	Mary & Bill Segale		The Trevizo Family, Br. 19
	Louise Trevizo		



Br. 32 Elaine Lencioni, President; Mark Maffeo, Scholarship Recipient



Jacqueline Bondanza, Br. 332 scholarship winner

We also gratefully acknowledge the following partial donations that made additional scholarships from the ICF Scholarship Fund possible:

Central Coast District:

Mr. and Mrs. Franklyn Lopes, Sr. (Br. 227) - In Honor of the Birthday of Marie Antonowicz

Franklyn Lopes, Jr. (Br. 227) - In Honor of the Birthday of Marie Antonowicz

Marie Mungai (Br. 227) - In Honor of the 95th Birthday of Marie Antonowicz;

Contra Costa District:

Br. 72

East Bay District:

Br. 40 and Family and Friends - In Memory of Sir Robert Dianda

San Mateo District:

Dorene Campanile (Br. 173) - In Honor of Johna Maychrowitz

Santa Clara Valley District:

Br. 368, Officers/Members of Br. 435 - In Memory of Nancy Morabito

The Antonowicz Family (Br. 184/Br. 191) - In Honor of the Birthday of Franklyn Lopes, Jr.

Sam and Judy Bozzo (Br. 28) - In memory of Laura Angelino

Elaine Davis (Br. 191) - In Memory of Betty Antuzzi

Aldine Grisenti (Br. 191) - Get Well Wishes for Ed Bertaccini

Carol Tacci (Br. 435) - In Honor of the 80th Birthday of Loretta Wilson

Barbara J. White (Br. 184) - In Honor of the Birthday of Marie Antonowicz

Santa Rosa District:

Br. 145 and Br. 209

The Kilcullen Family (Br. 52) - In Honor of the 95th Birthday of Marie Antonowicz

Stockton District:

Br. 48 and Br. 413.

Glendora St. Dorothy, Br. 179

ICF Branch 179 is proud to announce the award of 7 school retention scholarships to St. Dorothy School, Glendora, CA. for the school year beginning September 2019. Our group is blessed to have received serious support from St. Dorothy's Parish during our inaugural years, and we wish to give back to our community in such a way that both meets our branch goals and provides the most benefits. Therefore, ICF Branch 179 is awarding \$3,000 in retention scholarships for the school year 2019-20, and hope to continue this practice in future years.

We are proud to announce our first 7 retention scholarship recipients:

Olivia Chidester

Charbel and Jessica Khalil

Jolie Michael

Charlotte Talbot

Gino and Givlia Tarzia

The scholarships will be awarded at the Children's School Mass on Thursday, June 13. The ICF Branch 179 will host the recipients, along with their families, school administrators, and our clergy, at a special dinner in September. Congratulations to all!

ICF Branch 179 is thankful to all who have donated to our clothing drive this past year, making these scholarships, and all future donations, possible.

Patricia Auriemmo

Recording / Corresponding Secretary

Arcadia Holy Angels Br. 218

Our Father's Day meeting was a lot of fun. Thanks to Maria Lanera, Audrey Luchetta and crew for preparing a very gourmet luncheon. The branch also presented Katie LaCorte with a scholarship award. Katie was instrumental in collecting toys for the children at Children's Hospital and also has always participated in helping the branch with different functions. The other scholarship award went to Clare Curley who was presented her award earlier. Congratulations to both girls – well deserving.

Our ICF branch cookbook will be going to press again and we can use more recipes. All profits from the sale of these cookbooks are earmarked for Cooley's Anemia Foundation.

A reminder – there will be no meetings in July and August. Everyone have a wonderful summer and see you in September.

Lolly M.

Claremont Our Lady of the Assumption, Br. 319

Summer is here and so is the hot weather. We had our award dinner for our scholarships for winners. This year we awarded three OLA graduating 8th graders scholarship to their choice of Catholic high schools and one to a graduating high school senior.

We are taking off July to rest up for next year's activities. In August, we will be reopening the new renovated church all new inside. It will be a big celebration and well worth waiting for.

Hopefully all will have a safe July and we will see you at convention.

Andrea Linn

Temple City St. Luke, Br. 326

Although May is usually a "dark month," Branch 326 conducted its monthly meeting, despite the fact many of our members' attention was devoted to their grandchildren graduating from various levels of the educational system. But also, it is sad to say, illness prevented others from attending the monthly meeting.

Although there may be strength in numbers, the few that we had at our meeting accomplished much. Fundraisers and membership recruitment received attention.

Inspirational thought: God's work done in God's way will never lack God's supplies

Little bit of humor: when you rob Peter to pay Paul, Paul will become your best friend.

Tony Farinella

First Vice President



Br. 380 Bocce Ball Tournament champion



Br. 380 Bocce Ball Tournament teams

Downey St. Raymond, Br. 362

Happy Birthday America. I hope everyone had a great and safe 4th of July. Summer is moving along now. Time for barbecues and swimming. St Raymond is having a new fundraiser this year on the 28th. Come out and join us for Quartermania. \$25 includes lunch, \$10 in quarters and your bidding paddle. It's a cross between an auction and a raffle. There will be great prizes to bid on. Bids are between fifty cents and a dollar. We hope to see you. Safe travels to everyone who will be vacationing.

On June 4, Br. 362 hosted their annual Charity Awards Night.

Pictured are the five 8th Grade scholarship recipients from St. Raymond School with President Perry Shurko.

Congratulations to our High School recipient, Ryuko Novak Murano pictured with our Branch members.

We wish all our Graduates much success!



Br. 380 Baby Shower for Life Centers of Ventura County

Thousand Oaks St. Paschal Baylon, Br. 380

Branch 380 has been enjoying some fun events. A group of ladies from the branch met at Anne Interrante's home on May 18th for the first annual baby shower to benefit the Life Centers of Ventura County. Not only did they collect a very large number of items to donate to the Life Centers, but each participant got to select, pot, and take home a succulent plant.

On June 1st we had our annual Bocce Ball Tournament. It was a really fun afternoon. Thirty-two players enjoyed playing and eating delicious tacos. Anne Interrante and Claudia Pirozzi were our Tournament champions! Thanks to Remo and Carisa Iezza for organizing this event.

Branch 380 wishes everyone in ICF a wonderful summer.

Annie Scott

Corresponding Secretary

Rancho Palos Verdes Saint John Fisher, Br. 444

Summer is here! Time for fun, sun, and relaxation! For our general meeting on Thursday, July 11, we will be having our Summer Festival Home Barbecue in the Saint John Fisher Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. It will be a Red, White, and Blue Theme. Members will bring their favorite food items for the potluck such as meats, appetizers, tasty side dishes, and sweet treats. Beverages will also be available.

In August, we will be having our summer break, so there will be no scheduled general meetings during that month. On August 29-September 2, 2019, is the Italian Catholic Federation 2019 National Convention in Tucson, Arizona. Some of our members will be attending this fun, informative, annual event.

Our monthly general meeting will then reconvene in September 2019 at Saint John Fisher Parish.

If you have any questions about our branch, please feel free to email the ICF Branch 444 Team at icf444rpv@gmail.com!

Grazie!

Tonia Amalfitano

Recording and Corresponding Secretary

Oakland East Bay District

What a fine 95th Anniversary Mass and luncheon we were able to take part in on Sunday June 9th. Thanks to Peggy Lubeck we were able to arrive by bus, on time and with no stress looking for parking. The committee did a great job with decorations, food and seating. Br. 343 was able to share their table with members from Thousand Oaks and Foster City, what a nice way to get to meet new people! There were celebrants from near and far; Central Council member, Teresa Helfand from Chicago was able to join us.

We had a fun Day at the Races, great weather and super food. And since no one has quit their job or taken off for an adventure, it is safe to say that we had no B-I-G winners.

There is still time to sign up for the ICF Golf Tournament and to sponsor a hole.

And remember to sell those raffle tickets, the more you sell the more your branch earns.

Hopefully, all branches have turned in their Apostolic reports, 100% was our goal.

Mark your calendars, Bishop's Day is Aug. 26th at Christ the King Parish in Pleasant Hill, Mass is @ 12:15.

Also the District picnic will be a week later this year, on Sept. 21st, also in Pleasant Hill.

A Happy 4th of July to all and may God Bless the USA!

Pat Grasso, District Sec.

Alameda Nostra Signora Delle Grazie, Br. 10

Our annual Ravioli Diner will be Saturday evening, Oct. 19. The location is Monsignor O'Brien Hall, High St. at Van Buren St., Alameda. On the menu are salad, ravioli, dessert and coffee. The social hour with no-host bar begins at 6 p.m., and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. The program also includes a raffle.

Prices are adults, \$20 and children 12 and under, \$8. For reservations, call Jeanette Zugnoni, (510) 523-8005, or email jeanette@zugnoni.net prior to noon on Monday, Oct. 14. Payment in advance by check payable to ICF Br. 10 and sent to Jeanette Zugnoni, 1841 Fremont Dr., Alameda, CA 94501.

We will host a bunco party on Sunday, Oct. 13 beginning at noon in Monsignor O'Brien Hall. Donations to Birthright will be accepted. For information, please contact president Peggy Lubeck, petalpeggy@aol.com or (510) 521-4687.

We have lost four long-time members in recent months. Mario Galetto died on April 17. Yolanda "Yoli" Moglia, April 20; Lillian Molzan, May 7; and Louise Koepf died on June 3 at the age of 101.

We are proud to announce Halie Shea Doan, Sheila Doan's granddaughter, was awarded an ICF first-year college scholarship. Halie graduated from Alameda H.S. and will attend San Diego State University.

The recipients of Br. 10's four scholarships for graduates of Alameda's two Catholic elementary schools are Zadie Chriss & Victor Marin Ruiz of St. Joseph Elementary and Sofia Yildirim & A. J. Arevalo of St. Philip Neri School. All four will attend St. Joseph Notre Dame H.S. of Alameda.

John Zugnoni,

Br. 10 publicity



Br. 10, Andy Pappani reads congratulatory certificate to Peggy Lubeck, Br. 10 president at the 93rd anniversary dinner.



Br. 10, Andy and Sid with Peggy and Bob Lubeck

Oakland St. Lawrence O'Toole, Br. 91

Buon Estate!!

This past year was a trying time for us due to our losses, including founding member—Sir Robert Dianda and mentor, Dave Rose. Both gave so much to the ICF community. And we are learning how to adapt and carry on. As a surprise result of Sir Robert's dedication and work, our branch was notified that, in his honor, four additional first year scholarships were given. These along with our own, totaled 5, including student Manuel Manzo from Encinal High who will attend Sonoma State.

We have a new mentor, Fran La Torre. She has been helpful in getting us to participate in our own parish, as well as partnering with other branches.

During this last several months we have hosted Hospitality Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. Mass with our outreach team. Treats of biscotti or ice cream plus handouts on customs from Italy are offered at an informational table for ICF. It is our way to re-introduce ourselves to the church community.

Another activity that we started last spring is giving a small gift to our CCD classes- a rosary in a heart shaped box. We put a special label with our branch name as a reminder. Though we lost our school, we can stay active with our youth.

During this summer we will partner with Branch 40 to do a joint anniversary gathering.

Save the date--AUGUST 17th (Saturday) for a **Bingo Luncheon** at Sacred Heart from 1-4 pm.

More details will be forth coming.

A presto,

Jo-Ann Maggiora Donivan, President

Livermore St. Filomena, Br. 285

Our recent "Bingo Bash" fundraiser event was a big success with 163 attending. The prizes were great and raffle baskets highly sought after. Special thanks to Richard O'Connor and his son, Saha, who donated his services as caller.

Our special guest this evening was Laurice Levine who spoke about living with Cooley's Anemia. She is a wonderful spokesperson for the foundation and so grateful to ICF for their continued support. Other special guests included ICF District Officers: Lisa Crudo, Fran LaTorre & Patty Jarrett. We appreciate their support of our Br. 285 events.

Special thanks to Philomena Buonsante for chairing the event and the many members for the hours of preparation necessary, especially the chairpersons for the various committees. Special thanks to Erma Giannitti for her beautification talents to a most essential room frequented by our guests. Kudos to Carolyn Cardinalli who led us in the "Chicken Dance" which is always lots of fun!

We congratulate our scholarship winners, Isabella Carrano from Livermore High School and Marissa Gracia from Granada High School, given in memory of Father Paul Minnihan. Our District Scholarships, in memory of Bob Diana, were awarded to Ariella Stewart from Granada High School and Dianda Natalie Hawking from Livermore High School.

"Take me out to the ballgame" is the theme for our Friday, June 21st meeting at St. Michael's Hall. Carolyn Cardinalli and Virginia Williams team up to host. Father Arcosa, pastor of St. Michael's will be our guest speaker.

Continued prayers of healing & comfort for all who are dealing with health issues.

Until next time, Ciao

Judy Bates

Castro Valley Our Lady of Grace, Br. 343

A big thank you to the 7 members who were able to attend the 95th Anniversary celebration on June 9th in San Francisco. We had an easy bus trip, followed by Mass at St. Peter & Paul Church and a delicious luncheon at the Italian Athletic Club then the bus trip home. Thank you Peggy Lubeck of Br. 10, for the bus, treats and water.

Here is the latest scholarship news from our branch. Pres. Mike Miraglia was able to attend the 8th grade graduation at OLG and present the winner, Genna Koceniak, with her award and introduce those present with information on what the ICF is all about. (see attached picture)

The recipient of our 1st year ICF scholarship is Gavin McGrath-Lathrop, from Moreau High School.

In support of the Parish Luau and Auction, we donated a Raffle Basket put together by Lisa Crudo; and 6 of our members joined in the fun that night. Thank you to Lisa for that extra mile she was willing to go.

Once again we were able to sponsor a Hole at the ICF Golf Tournament in Monterey. Was it 11 or 12???

Italian Heritage Nite with the Oakland A's is Aug.3rd, hopefully those going have purchased their tickets.

Still time to join the happenings at the convention. You do not have to be a delegate to attend and find out what and how things happen. In addition to meetings there are also fun things to do and banquets to attend.

Happy 4th of July to all and may God Bless America.

Pat Grasso

Branch Sec.

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Contra Costa District

Bishop's Day (Oakland Diocese) for the Contra Costa and East Bay Districts will be hosted on August 25th by Branch 442. Mass will be celebrated at 12:15 p.m. at Christ the King Church, 199 Brandon Road in Pleasant Hill, followed by a Luncheon Reception at Zio Frado's restaurant, also located in Pleasant Hill. Contact your branch President for menu and ticket pricing.

If you wish to submit your spiritual pledge of Masses, Rosaries and Triduum's to the Bishop, please give it to your branch President or Apostolic chairperson by August 12. The Bishop has many responsibilities, including the care of seminarians studying to become Priests. Imagine the condition of our church if we did not have priests. A portion of our membership dues is allocated to support the seminarians. Individual branches also make contributions to the Bishop for the support of the seminarians. On Bishop's Day we present our Bishop with those contributions. We should all make a conscientious effort to attend Bishop's Day to show our Bishop our support for Him and for our seminarians. The formation and education of each seminarian is expensive and the Bishop can use every contribution given to him for that purpose. I look forward too seeing you on Bishop's Day.

This year's Annual Convention is on August 29 – September 2 in Tucson, Arizona. In closing: You are strong when you know your weakness, You are beautiful when you appreciate your flaws, You are wise when you learn from your mistakes (Anil Sinha)

Joseph (joefflores33@comcast.net)

Martinez San Martino, Br. 13

June 9 is exactly 95 years since Br. 13 was established. We celebrated our anniversary and the Federation's milestone with those who gathered at the ornate Sts. Peter and Paul church in San Francisco. The weather cooperated, the food from the chef at the Italian Athletic Club was superbly cooked, and the company was pleasant. It was a welcomed change to share a meal and visit with other ICF "family" members from various branches as we are so often seated with our own branch/district members at events. We enjoyed the company of Maryann and Jim, Dante, Candy, and Lorenzo. We laughed, we sang, we ate, we spilled drinks, and we became fast friends with the wait staff! Our kudos to the organizers.

It was a stroke of luck that the roaming accordion entertainer was seated with us. Lorenzo Lucchesi, recent high school graduate, chose this instrument after watching Lawrence Welk and Mitch Miller ten years ago! This affable young man not only amused us with his musical prowess, he had us laughing with his wit and wry sense of humor, which apparently also exists in his recently released

book, "Staten Island: Like it or Not!" I'm waiting for my copy which is available on Amazon. Sharing his knowledge of my childhood neighborhoods researched for his book was a special and unexpected addition to the day.

"Now learn the parable from the fig tree: when its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near." Matthew 24:32 Enjoy the lazy days of summer.

Ciao for now,

Mary Cook

Crockett San Carlo, Br. 14

Congratulations to the ICF 2019 Scholarship recipients. Samantha Gingrich, who Roni Jiminez is proud to call her granddaughter, attended Carondelet and will attend Cal Poly. Both Samantha and Lauren O'Grady, who attended San Ramon Valley, received our Branch's scholarships. A scholarship in memory of John and Mary Regalia was awarded to Lexi Trucco, and in memory of Donald DeTomas, to Bailey Cristofano. Both girls attended California High School. Proud of all these students!



Br. 14 Scholarship Recipients, Crockett. Samantha Gingrich, Bailey Cristofano and Lexi Trucco. Congratulations!

Special thanks to Laurie Taylor for overseeing this meaningful Scholarship Program for so many years. Laurie is "graduating," so next year, Lois Contestable will administer the program. Lois is looking forward to meeting our outstanding 2020 students.

We are sad to report our previous Orator, Joe Macaluso, passed recently. Joe was a true humanitarian, a delegate to conventions, a reader at our masses, and skillful cook. Our most sincere sympathies to his wife, JoJo. Joe will definitely be missed by our ICF Family.

In a rare turn of events, a get-well card was sent to Lena McCrossen; Lena normally sends cards, not receives them. Get well wishes were also sent to John Neihouse and David Botta.

Cheers to us! On Tuesday, July 9th, we celebrate the 92nd Anniversary of Branch 14! Get ready for a delicious Valentini Tri Tip Barbeque. Mass is at 5:30, and dinner at 6:30. There is no meeting, but a fun evening of Bingo is planned for after dinner.

Hope everyone is enjoying a summer filled with all that makes your heart smile!

Ciao,

Diane Bottini Thomas

Pittsburg San Domenico, Br. 72

Dear Members,

Greetings to all of our ICF family in Br. 72. Thank you for attending our June meeting. A big thank you to Joann for driving three of our members to the meeting. She has been doing this for years. We do not have a meeting in July.

Watch for your invitation for our August meeting. We'll have a summer BBQ, root beer floats and a free raffle. Will discuss the convention. I will be proud to represent our branch in Tucson AZ. I will fly there on Thurs. August 29 in time to go to the welcome dinner. Check out the Bollettino for convention highlights.

Congrats to Walter Costa from the Richmond branch. He is the winner of the Presidents award which will be presented to him at the convention. He is deserving.

Please send your convention raffle tickets and check to Helen before August 10. Our branch gets to keep half the proceeds.

Tickets have closed for the A's game for Italian night on August 3. Thank you Rose for chairing this event.

Have you bought your lunch/reception ticket for Bishops day? This will be held on Sunday August 25. Mass at 12:15 p.m. at Christ the King church in Pleasant Hill. Our host is Br. 442. The luncheon will take place at Zio Frado's in Pleasant Hill. Ticket donation \$ 30. Call Patty 925-228-0810.

Starting next month, I will honor a branch member in my monthly reports. Stay tuned!

Please pray for David Botta. He is having health problems.

That's it for now.

As we say in Pittsburg,

Sempre Avanti

Patty



Br.154 first year scholarship recipients

Richmond St. Raymond, Br. 154

Hope everyone is enjoying a happy and healthy summer!

Our June meeting was a celebration of Fathers Day and Graduates. We celebrated with ravioli and green salad followed by cake honoring our first year scholarship recipients Dominic Driscoll and Ruben Trevino.

Just a reminder, there is no July meeting. Our next meeting will be August 12th at 6:30pm and we will be having hamburgers and salad. Reserve with Walter at (510) 385-9953 by Aug 9.

The next fun activity we are gearing up for is The Cache Creek Bus trip. On August 1st we will be heading to the Casino to try our luck! Bus picks up from Richmond and Pinole. If you are interested, please contact Toni Reeder by July 15th at (510) 472-9646.

Have a wonderful summer and see you in August!

Concord Todos Santos, Br. 214

Our members had a fun time at our Bingo fundraiser. We had a delicious spaghetti and meatball lunch followed by ice cream and biscotti.



Br. 214, BINGO. Kitchen help



Br. 214, Members playing BINGO

Although we were full, we still had room for popcorn while we played 5 games of bingo. There were many happy winners. There were also great door prizes.

We are looking forward to our Viano wine tasting, olive oil tasting, appetizers and delicious desserts and great raffle prizes. This event takes place on June 9th

We are asking for prayers and thoughts for health issues for Diane Lorenzetti and Ron Artale and Dave Botta who had another health episode lately.

I hope everyone will enjoy our finally dry warm weather and special events with your families.

Ciao

Norene DeLuca

Danville St. Isidore, Br. 352

In addition to enjoying the May presentation by historian Lawrence DiStasi, author of *Una Storia Segreta* and *Branded*, our Branch hosted the Ennis Family. Congratulations to brothers Jacob & James Ennis, recent graduates of Cal High in San Ramon, who received our First Year Scholarship awards. We wish them all the best as they head off to their first year of college!

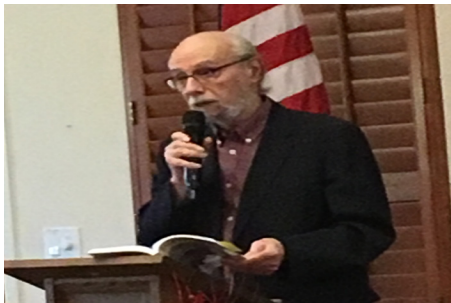
June was picnic time and our members really enjoyed our annual BBQ. The grilled sausage & peppers, with all the fixin's, were a great treat – along with Suzi's Texas sheet cake! Thanks to Brian for supplying the super grill, and to the kitchen crew – Angelo, Russ, Kyle & Marilyn – who always keep us well fed.

We also caught up on new member installation, with help from Rose Jarrett and our Membership Chair, Suzi Reynolds. And – we topped off the evening with guest speaker Valerie Ridgers, who introduced us to a local charity available to assist local youth in need. Thank you to Rose, Suzi & Valerie!

Remember, no meetings in July. Enjoy your Summer - & we'll see you again at our next monthly dinner meeting on Monday, August 19th!

Ciao,

Branch 352



Br. 352, Author, Lawrence DiStasi

Remember, the deadline for *Bollettino* submissions for the August/September issue is. August 1st. Get your articles and photos in to editor@icf.org

Central Coast District

Santa Cruz Nostra Signora del Soccorso, Br. 21

Happy Fourth of July! We hope you enjoyed a nice day outdoors, barbecuing hotdogs and watching fireworks; or enjoyed a quieter day inside, watching fireworks and musical tributes on TV. Either way reinforces our love for America.

We had a nice General Meeting on June 4th. First, we got our 'ducks all in a row' in preparation of the ICF Convention to be held in Tucson, Arizona on Labor Day weekend. Convention raffle tickets still available at \$20 a booklet. One of the many great prizes is a \$2,500 first prize. To buy one, two, or all twelve tickets in the booklet, call Sue Della Santina. You need not be at the Convention to win! Secondly, all the No-Bake Sale donations have been sent out to respective recipients. We thank all who donated. Thirdly, the invitations for our ICF 90th Anniversary dinner are sent. Don't forget to send in your reservation no later than July 22nd. Fourthly, there is a District Picnic on August 17th in Hollister—more information to follow. Finally, remember there is no General Meeting in July. Our next meeting is Tuesday, August 6th.

In closing, we are sorry to announce the passing of two well-loved ICF members, Ida Tarantino and Lido Marietti. Both were long time Br. 21 supporters and will be truly missed. John Taylor once said, "While we are mourning the loss of our friend, others are rejoicing to meet him/her behind the veil." We send good thoughts and prayers to the families of Ida and Lido.

Patty Morelli

Secretary Branch 21

Monterey Santa Rosalia, Br. 36

Hope everyone had a great Independence Day and we thank our forefathers who came to America to give us great opportunities in our lives.

June 6 – Our Branch celebrated its 88th Anniversary. We honored members with membership of 20, 30, 40 & over 50 years. The longest membership in our Branch is Pauline Compagno and Carla Cognila both initiated on 7-01-1966. Pauline and Carla were each presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses in their honor. We initiated 31 new members at San Carlos Cathedral. Father Ron gave our new members a beautiful blessing and Andy Pappani Grand President initiated them. All members enjoyed a complimentary dinner. Our Executive Chef, J P Curatolo prepared barbecue grilled chicken breast, pasta with basil alfredo sauce, steamed artichoke with herb lemon aioli and strawberry short cake. We all enjoyed Julianna Roach (12 years old) sing two songs in honor of our Anniversary.



Br. 36 New member initiation



Br. 36 Julianna Roach



Br. 36 Pauline Compagno & Carla Coniglio

We had many raffle prizes, thank you for all who donated items for our raffle.

Membership - we have 663 members. Starting in June, any member who brings in a new member, will receive a complimentary dinner for bringing in new membership.

Please check our website: MontereyICF.org, as we have updated our website with new pictures, and upcoming events.

We continue to pray for all our members who are ill and/or homebound. We think of you often.

Our condolences to the families of Paul Smith and Nannette Giles. May they Rest in Peace

Count your blessing and appreciate our Freedom

Elaine Valentine

Financial Secretary

Calendar

July 18 85 and over Birthday Party

Aug 1 Dinner/Meeting

Castroville Santa Caterina de Siena, Br. 51

Happy Independence Day!

I hope everyone's summer is going well and some peace and relaxation has found you all.

Castroville's 60th Artichoke Festival was a great success! Thank you to all of our members who volunteered or contributed to the festival. A big thank you to the Cortopassi family! Your hard work and dedication is what makes the festival run so smoothly every year!

Unfortunately, our parish hall is still being repaired so we have not been able to host events. However, future events and meeting activities are in the works!

Our branch will be having a Tri-Tip Take Out fundraiser on Sunday, August 25th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The meal includes a whole tri-tip, bread, pasta salad and dessert. More details to follow in the August *Bollettino*. There will also be an upcoming Bocce Ball Picnic for our members at a winery in the fall. Much appreciation goes to member Ashley Stefani for organizing this get together!

Happy Birthday to our July babies: member Sally Reynolds and our amazing Branch President Cindy Stefani!

I'd like to end this month's entry with a prayer in celebration of the month of July:

Help me to live my life in a way that glorifies you, Lord. Give me the strength to be a blessing in someone's life today, and grant me the opportunity to lead others into the freedom that can be found in knowing Jesus Christ. Amen.

I hope everyone has a festive July Fourth!

Until next time,

Natalie Carbonel

Capitola St. Joseph's, Br. 227

Remember that the Annual Barbecue will take place on July 13 at the Forty Thieves area of DeLaveaga Park. Ken Olson and his crew will be manning the barbecue pit serving up steak and chicken. Prices are the same as last year--\$10 for members, \$15 for guests and \$5 for children under 12. The fun starts at 11:00 a.m. Vicky Howell is in charge of the raffle. Contact her if you can donate a raffle prize. The bocce ball court has been reserved for us.

Seventeen \$1,000 scholarships were awarded at our June 23 meeting. We'll have the names of the recipients for you next month. Thanks to Monica Crowley and Sharleen Hedgpath for preparing the Chicken Cordon Bleu dinner and the Crowley family members for serving.

Andy Armanino, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, noted that since 2005, the first year of Perlino funding, 176 scholarships have been awarded for a total of \$231,500. Next year will be the final year since the scholarship fund will be depleted at that time.

Congratulations to Carl Schaarschmidt and Elsa Cardenas who celebrated their 90th birthdays recently.

Welcome to new member Rosa Radicchi. Rosa, formerly our Branch Deputy, but just couldn't stand to be away from us!

Best wishes for a safe and enjoyable summer.

Deanna Musler, Secretary

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Arroyo Grande St. Patrick, Br. 291

Br. 291 was delighted to have Laurice Levine as our guest speaker at our June General Membership Meeting. Laurice gave an informative presentation on Cooley's Anemia and shared her personal story of living with this disease. We also celebrated the 95th Anniversary of the ICF that day, along with Membership Appreciation! All members enjoyed a free BBQ dinner of tri tip, sausages, beans, salads, and anniversary cake for dessert!

We recently bid a sad farewell to members Jennifer Nakamura and her daughter Whitney, who moved to North Carolina. Jennifer was also our Financial Secretary, and Abby Gallagher will take over her position until officer elections in October. We wish Jennifer and Whitney much happiness and success in N.C., and we hope to see them again soon when they come back to the Central Coast to visit family and their ICF friends!

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, Joanne Desilets, Terry Garrity, Stevie Hall, Mary Recchia, Nick Sausa, Jim & Throck Scudder, Ann Silva, June Steves, Fr. Alphonse Van Guilder, Jens & Sonia Wagner, and Doris Wais.

Have a safe and Happy 4th of July!

Keely Sanchez

Recording Secretary



Br. 291 recently awarded scholarships to two 8th Grade graduates who will be attending Catholic High Schools and a First Year College Scholarship. Pictured here L-R are: Samantha McNeill, who received First Year College Scholarships from Br. 291 and from Central Council; Eli Marsalek, 8th Grade Scholarship recipient; Pres. Pete Gallagher; and Charlie Ward, 8th Grade Scholarship recipient.

Chicago

Chicago

St. Francis Borgia, Br. 392

Sunday, June 2, 2019 was a joyful day here in Chicago as we celebrated the ICF 95th Anniversary at the Pescatore Palace. Even the weather cooperated as the spring day was filled with sunshine.

The gala event was delightful as the Central Council's Grand President

Andy Pappani and his lovely wife Siria, Grand Treasurer - Denise Antonowicz, Past Grand President and Life Member Emeritus - Bob Basuino, and Grand Trustee - Franklyn Lopes, joined us for the celebration.

The Pescatore hall was tastefully decorated with flowers and plants creating the proper atmosphere for the celebration of Mass, which would be followed by a festive dinner.

The festivities began promptly at 1:30 p.m. as Father Charles Fanelli and Father Mario Stefanowski co-celebrated the Mass. Liliana Bartolotta, added the spiritual aura for the Mass with beautiful keyboard music and her pleasant voice.

Before dinner was served, Andy and Bob greeted and thanked everyone for coming. They also presented an award to our much loved and esteemed Vince Picciola (a Central Council Life Member Emeritus) for his dedication and years of service both here in Chicago and on the Central Council. Vince will be featured in the 2020 ICF calendar. Be sure to purchase the calendar to read the short biography of Vince's achievements. It was a great pleasure seeing Vince and his lovely wife, Diane, together with their family. The Chicago Area ICF friends extend their heartfelt congratulations to Vince.

Many thanks go to the committee chairman, Bob Basuino, and to Teresa Helfand, Maria Perna and Aurora Pensa for planning and organizing such an enjoyable and fun-filled party. The food was good, the conversations were pleasant, and the music provided by DJ Alex was lively -- all the ingredients for a great time. Just think in five years we will do it again celebrating the ICF 100th Anniversary!!

"Grazie mille a tutti per la Vostra partecipazione!"—Special thanks go to all the members and friends from Branch 392, Rita Bratta and all the members from Branch 418, Al Cimino and his family, and our Chaplain, Father Fanelli, for attending. Without you the party would not have been successful.

In closing, I take this opportunity to remind everyone in Chicago that the Celebration of the 17th Anniversary of the Canonization of St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina will be held on Sunday, 30 June 2019 at St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church (Mass, Procession and Buffet).

Wishing everyone a safe and happy summer.

Aurora Pensa

Sacramento

Sacramento

St. Mary, Br. 45

Congratulations to our First Year Scholarship winners GINA COUREY and SIENAMAZZA. Gina attended our May 5th dinner and was presented with her certificate. She is a branch member who graduated from St. Francis H.S. and will be attending Sacramento State Honors Program in Criminal Justice. Siena, also a branch member, graduated from Chris-

tian Brothers H.S. and will be attending UC Berkeley. Siena will be presented with her certificate at the July 21st dinner.

Congratulations to our 8th grade scholarship winners. The Leda Pasquini \$500 Scholarship was awarded to LAUREN RILEY, who will be attending St. Francis H.S. The Shirley Pasquini Bennett \$500 Scholarship was awarded to MASON WENINGER, who will be attending Jesuit H.S. We will meet the students at our July 21st dinner.

Welcome NEW MEMBERS, Sandra Legarizzi Schettini and daughter Nives. Glad you have returned to the branch and we look forward to your help and support.

Our next event will be a Chicken and Polenta dinner on Sunday, July 21st in Giovanni Hall. Branch meeting starts at 4:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:00 p.m. Come and meet our scholarship winners. Menu includes: Polenta w/ Meat Sauce, ½ baked chicken, salad, rolls, dessert and wine. Pasta available on a PRE-ORDER basis only. Members \$15 & Non-Members \$20 (reduced price for July dinner only). Contact me at 916-508-1199 before Tues., July 16th for reservations.

Buon Compleanno to the members with July birthdays: Antonette Bonanno, Sheryl Cecchettini, Mariann Isola, Melissa Keller, Marie Leonard, Albert Lovotti, Donald Pasquini, and Diana Yarletz. Happy Day!!

Ciao, Janine

Auburn

St. Joseph, Br. 342

This past May, members of Branch 342 came together to honor student scholarship recipients and two members for service to our branch. Julia Piziali and Magdalena Huckins were our branch college recipients and Micah Nagel was our high school recipient. Dino and Rosie Tribuzi were honored for their years of great service to our branch. They were doubly surprised when their family came from the Bay Area to join them for dinner and see them receive their award!

We hope that you will be able to join us on July 14th for our annual member picnic at ARD park in Auburn. We always have such a great time playing games, eating great food, and enjoying each other's company. The calling committee will be contacting you soon to see what you will be contributing to our picnic potluck.

Ciao,

Pam Andersen



Br. 342 Scholarship Recipient Magdalena Huckins



Br. 342 Scholarship Recipient Micah Nagel



Dino And Rosie Tribuzi being honored for service to our branch



Br. 342 Scholarship Recipient Julia Piziali

Roseville

St. Clare of Assisi, Br. 438

Cinco de Mayo was celebrated at our May Branch dinner meeting. Everyone enjoyed a delicious homemade Mexican meal, compliments of our President, Joe Aguilar, and his family. What a wonderful way to celebrate another culture! Father German Ramos was our guest speaker for the evening. Father spoke about his experience as a seminarian and shared his personal journey to the priesthood. Joe presented Fr Ramos with a \$1,000.00 check as a donation from ICF to St. Clare parish. We were also pleased to announce that Br 438 will be providing \$500.00 scholarships to two seminarians, Alejandro Valtierra and Ryan Mahar. Another great part of the evening was the family heritage story, presented by Gene Nunziati. It's so special learning how our ancestors came to this country. We appreciate their love and sacrifice.

Br. 438 is getting ready to host our District Bingo fundraiser on Saturday, June 15th. A delicious spaghetti luncheon will be served, followed by Bingo and fun raffles. One week later, we'll be celebrating our Branch's 8th anniversary by enjoying an indoor picnic, complete with a salad bar, birthday cake and fun games for all.

As we begin the Summer season, we thank the Lord for time spent with our family and ask for his continued blessings. We also pray for all the fathers in our lives, both living and in Heaven. Happy Father's Day!

Grazie.

Anne Finn

Recording Secretary



Santa Clara Valley district members honoring the Blessed Mother.

San Jose

Santa Clara Valley District

Prior to the meeting SCV District members gathered at the Blessed Mother Grotto for a solemn tribute to the Blessed Mother. This is a custom that has been followed for the past few years.

All branches reported that all convention delegates are designated and ready to go.

District Mentor Jerry Delfino has four maybe five mentors that are retiring and is determined to fill all vacancies. Please get raffle ticket sales back to branch secretaries soon. We are all in readiness for the 95th Anniversary Mass in San Francisco on June 9.

Joan Delfino regretted that only two scholarship applicants out of nine were from the SCV District. So seven scholarships were awarded outside the district. Another disappointment was our Luau fundraiser. Attendance was only 44 (compared to 120 last year). We managed to eke out a small profit. President Bausino held a discussion on whether to continue planning for the Oktoberfest. The consensus was Yes.

Treasurer Steve Lencioni said he needs tax related information from each branch treasurer. Tina Souza-Dutra offered a Mother's Day Novena prayer emphasizing the motherhood of St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton. Jo Bertaccini advertise the opening of the Bocce courts and the 17th Annual Tournament – July 13.

SCV District Picnic at Vasona – August 4

June District Meeting – ICF Branch 5 St. Clare's Santa Clara – June 10.

Mike Nunziata

Santa Clara N.S. Assunta, Br. 5

A Big Thanks goes to Elaine Osorio, our Mentor, for preparing May Dinner/Meal, Enchiladas, along with husband, Bob, her assistance. Judy Hare prepared the rice. Janet Glaubke did the salad and beans. Tina Dutra did guacamole. It was wonderful and delicious. Thanks!

The Casino Trip was enjoyable with a

few winners. Thanks to Janet Glaubke. Esther Galedrige brought all sorts of goodies too. Thanks!

Judy Hare was elected to be the delegate for Br. 5 at the ICF Convention in Arizona on Labor Day weekend.

The Board mailed a letter to Oakland to Central Council that ICF Br. 5 was beginning the process of closing the end of the year. At the recent dinner/meeting, members were informed of this information. This is an ongoing item on Agenda in the coming months. Officers wanted to know the closing procedures from Central and District Council.

Coming events:

August 4, 2019 – District Picnic – Vasona Park

October 26, 2019 – Bishop Day/Mass – St. Clare

Happy and Safe 4th of July.

Ciao,

Marlene J. Rotolo

Gilroy Santa Maria Ausiliatrice, Br. 28

At our May 20th dinner meeting, we had light dinner fare of pizza and salad organized by our board members.

On June 9th President Joe Fortino and 10 members of our branch attended the 95th ICF celebration held in San Francisco. Members attended Mass held in Italian at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church followed by a luncheon at the San Francisco Italian Athletic Club. The chartered bus ride from San Jose provided refreshments and snacks for the Santa Clara Valley District members who attended. An historic celebration in a historically Italian section of San Francisco.

2019 convention raffle tickets have been distributed to all members. Hope you enjoy the complimentary ICF Branch 28 emblazoned shopping bag sent with the tickets. Please return ticket stubs by July 30th so that they will be included in the Convention drawing.

The board is busy planning our annual ICF family picnic which will be held on the grounds of St. Mary Parish in July. As soon as the date is confirmed, information will be provided to all members. President Joe Fortino and First Vice-

President Vince Saso are taking the lead on planning this event.

At the May 20th meeting, branch delegates were selected to attend the annual ICF convention that will be held in Tucson, Arizona on August 29 through September 2, 2019. Thank you to Joe Fortino, Vince Saso, Jeanette Hudson and Sondra Serenka who will be representing our branch.

Peace and God Bless,

Kim M. Filice

San Jose St. Frances Cabrini, Br. 191

June 9th, ICF celebrated its 95th Anniversary. Founding fathers, Luigi Provenienza and Father Albert Bandini's, goals were to "unite faith, community, and pride in a shared heritage."

The celebratory Mass took place in St. Peter and Paul's Church in Washington Square in San Francisco. The initial structure was built in 1884, but the earthquake and fire of 1906 destroyed that structure. The present church was rebuilt and became a landmark of the area. It was completed in 1924 in the traditional Italian Gothic Style. Its twin spires rise 191 feet into the sky, the area is known as "North Beach" of San Francisco. The church interior has many amenities in the beauty and ambiance of the Catholic tradition.

The members of Branch 191 completed the celebration by taking part in a festive luncheon at the San Francisco Italian Club. The luncheon consisted of a pre-course salad, antipasto platter, pasta, entree, and dessert. Il pasto e stato fantastico. A beautiful summers day was enjoyed by all of us. It was the true dream of our ICF fathers to see a united membership celebrating 95 years together.

Our May dinner meeting focused on our convention in Tucson. Delegates Debbie Piro, George Midwin, and Shirley Catania look forward to new and exciting opportunities at the convention. Also, please don't forget about raffle tickets! The sale of these tickets send delegates to the convention and further our scholarship goals. Make sure you return your purchased ticket stubs to George Midwin, our ticket chairperson.

May we pray for our sick and infirmed members.

A blessing to all of our Fathers.

Shirley Catania

Sentinel



Br. 191, The delightful Antonowicz family enjoying the festive celebration



Br. 191, St Peter and Paul's church San Francisco, what a beautiful day

Los Gatos St. Mary, Br. 184

We have awarded first year scholarships to three college bound students. They are Aryana Ferdinandi and Kaylin Continente, both of Mission College Prep in San Luis Obispo, and to Victor Montez of Pittsburg High School, Pittsburg, CA. Congratulations and God Bless you in your future studies. For more local news, we awarded \$200.00 scholarships to two 8th Grade students at St. Mary School. We are pleased to give Lucile Ferrari and Vincent Matesso our ICF scholarships this year. Congratulations and keep up the good work!

Our annual Branch BBQ will be incorporated with the Santa Clara Valley District BBQ. Save August 4 for this very nice Mass and Picnic, starting at 2:00 p.m. at Vasona Park in Los Gatos. Please let Denise Antonowicz know if you plan to attend.

Our delegates Marie and Michelle are getting ready for the Convention in Tucson, Arizona! Don't forget to send your checks and ticket stubs to Donna Pfaff by the end of July. Good Luck!

Back by popular demand, we will be hosting our traditional polenta and chicken cacciatore dinner on September 21. Usually held in October, this year we're trying something a little different - stay tuned for details.

Our lovely Mentor, Maria Greco, is resigning her position at this time. We thank her for her kind words and spiritual encouragement. I'm sure we will be seeing Maria and husband Bill, who are always willing to lend us a helping hand.

Please keep our members in your prayers - it really helps!

Ciao and have a safe summer,

Lucy Amico



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San Jose Santa Teresa de Avila, Br. 368

On May 19th our Santa Clara Valley District annual outdoor Mass at Our Lady of Peace Shrine and church in Santa Clara was this year held indoors because of inclement weather. Father Milani presided from a chair but with a strong, clear voice, and the congregants were really happy to see him. We had entered the gymnasium in the rain but exited to a break in the clouds and a ray of sunshine. The meal at Michael's in Mountain View was delicious, as usual. We thank Elaine and Bob Osorio and their crew for organizing the event.

We also thank Anne Cordoni, JoAnn Opp, and Mary Ridi for planning and arranging for our picnic at Almaden Lake Park and our bocce ball entertainment. Several excellent players showed off their skills at our June 12th meeting. We never cease to amaze ourselves with our various talents.

We are working on our baby back rib dinner for August 10th. Many of our members will be contributing to the success of the feast.

Our branch continues to witness health problems in many of our members or in their families. The Curullas, the Dyers, the Erkels, the Gills, the Radzinskis, the Robbas, and Rose Traina are all on our parish and branch prayer lists. We miss so many of our friends. May God take care of them all.

Have a blessed summer!

Judy Zahn



Br. 391 Scholarship presented to Isabella Maramonte by Scholarship Chairperson Mary Lipari and President Mike Rossi.



Br. 391 Convention delegates: Mike Rossi, Marcie Rossi, Elizabeth Brodersen, Teresa Brodersen

San Jose St. Martin of Tours, Br. 391

Our June meeting included a delicious ribs dinner prepared by Al and Diana Valloz. President Mike Rossi and members thanked them for the delicious dinner!

At the meeting, we honored our scholarship winner Isabella Maramonte from San Bruno, along with her family. Not present was our second scholarship winner Elizabeth Bracco from Redwood City. Thanks to our scholarship chairperson, Mary Lipari, for her hard work and for presenting the scholarship certificate.

Congratulations to our Convention delegates representing Branch 391 in Tucson: Mike Rossi, Marcie Rossi, Teresa Brodersen and Elizabeth Brodersen. You will represent our branch well!

Tina Rossi asked members to return Convention raffle tickets to her before the August 1st deadline. Thanks to Cathy De Maria who circulated the signup sheets for the Convention Book Memorial and Sponsor names, and thanks to Mary Kay Tocce for designing the Convention Yearbook page for Branch 391.

Upcoming events: Branch 391 Family Picnic - July 2 at 6:30 p.m.; District BBQ picnic at Vasona - August 4 at 2:00 p.m.; ICF Convention at Tucson's El Conquistador Resort--August 29 to September 2; Branch 391 Quarterly Mass - September 8 at 8:30 a.m. mass.

Wishing you all a happy summer!

Mike Rossi

John Busco from Branch 391 took photos of the 95th Anniversary. Two ways to access the photos.

Br. 391's website:
<https://www.icfbranch391.org/2019/06/11/icf-95th-anniversary/>

Go directly to John's site:
<https://johnbusco.smugmug.com/Social/2019-ICF-95th-Anniversary/>

Sunnyvale Resurrection, Br. 408

We will be hosting our next ICF/Parish Blood Drive on Saturday June 29th. Please pray for donors to contribute this precious gift of life in order to our support our the local community and the many operations planned at Stanford Hosiptal. We will host donors from 8 a.m. -1 p.m. There is a currently a critical need for donors in this summer season.

Save the Date - our SCVD District Mass and Picnic will once again be held in Vasona Park on Sunday, 4 August. We will meet there in the afternoon for Mass, for Good Food and Fellowship.

Please remember to include our sick members in your prayers - including Bishop PJMcGrath, and Paul and Dori Blefari.



Br. 435, Mitch Mariani and George Guglielmo cooking up the pasta for our Pasta Fundraiser.

Morgan Hill Santa Caterina D'Alessandria, Br. 435

As I am writing this, the temperature outside has just hit 102 degrees. I made sure everything was well watered this morning and now I am staying put inside. It should be back down to more comfortable temperatures by the end of the week. We can't complain about the weather though with all the tornadoes and floods in other parts of the country. I'll take the few uncomfortable days here anytime.

Branch 435 had its annual Pasta Fundraiser on May 18th and it was a great success. Folks enjoyed pasta, Italian sausage and garlic bread prepared by George Guglielmo and his crew, "Noni Rosie's sauce" prepared by Alex Gallego, and a salad of fresh greens, tomatoes, salami and cheese prepared by Tommy Palmer. We had many raffle prizes and tickets were selling fast with over \$600 in sales. The profits from this event go towards the church renewal at St. Catherine's, and to help support our seminarians.

Our scholarship recipient this year is Samantha Lee from Notre Dame High School. She will be attending Johns Hopkins University in the fall.

As I mentioned in last month's Bollettino, Br. 435 is teaming up with the Knights of Columbus for a "Knight in Italy" fundraiser on June 22nd. Hope we have another success.

Our annual July BBQ will be held at Guglielmo Winery on Thursday, July 11th. This is always a fun event in a lovely setting. George and his crew will again be serving up steak, pasta, salad and garlic bread.

Ciao!

Maryclaire

San Jose Transfiguration, Br. 445

ICF Branch 445, is hosting their 2nd annual version of the TV hit game show "The Price Is Right" July 14th! While the prizes are not as "grand" as the prizes on the TV show, the Games, Fun, Entertainment and Excitement certainly are! All ICF branches are invited to participate. So, "Come-On-Down!" Tickets are \$25.00. Call/Email Jim Falcone for details at (408) 264-3076 jim@jfalcone.

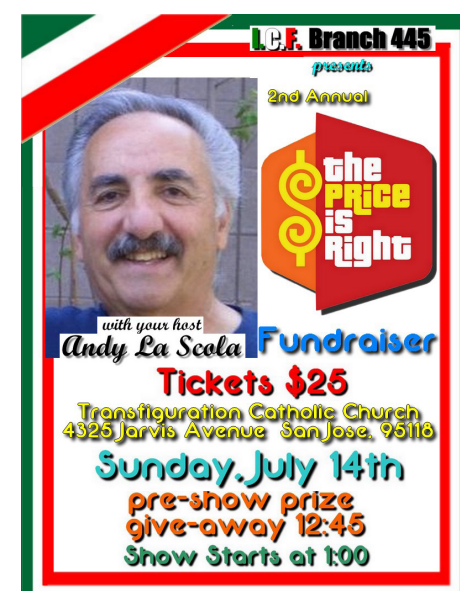
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Our Lady of Peace District Mass on May 19th was held indoors rather than outside due to weather.

At our monthly meeting, Jan Stumhoffer gave a very informative and interesting talk entitled "The Joy of Growing Up Italian" written by John Pirelli Lodge. He recalled the traditions/customs/habits of early Italian immigrants. Sadly most, if not all, of these early traditions have faded away. The author reminded us "older folks" why we and our children have been cheated out of what it was like to "Grow Up Italian" because now, everyone is "too busy"! Read it, if you can, and maybe, some of these wonderful traditions can be restored!

Angelo (Andy) La Scola

Corresponding Secretary



Santa Rosa District

Healdsburg St. Francis de Sales, Br. 52

The Parish Festival on June 23 was a great success and lots of fun! Thank you to everyone who attended and who helped. Fr. Sean hopes to make this an annual event. It was great to see participation from all the Parish organizations. The ICF presented our scholarship award winners their certificates at the festival.

Upcoming Events:

Sat., July 6: ICF Monthly Mass at 5:00 p.m.

All members have received their ICF Raffle tickets in the mail. We're asking each family to purchase one book of tickets. The branch keeps half the proceeds. Last year, we sold the most books we've ever sold - 63! I'm hoping to improve on this, this year. The deadline for returning the filled-in ticket stubs and money is August 1.

Have a great Summer! Happy Fourth of July!

Lauren Kilcullen

Sonoma St. Sebastian, Br. 103

67th anniversary dinner of Branch 103... Above all we were graced by the presence of our Grand President Andrew Pappani and his wife who traveled from Hollister to Sonoma. There's a rumor that "Andrew" likes to drive!!



Br. 103 Past Grand President of SOI in Sonoma, Michael Carroll and his wife Karen, who is our SOI Recording Secretary.



Br. 103, Marilyn with Our President and sitting wife!

We all enjoyed ourselves and the parents of the scholarship winners were amazed at our Italian Catholic Organization. Rightfully so, they won many prizes!

As always the "girls" from Petaluma 127 attended. So thankful for their presence but I am also looking forward to their next dinner, right Denise?

We now have an authentic "on site" photographer! Thank-you Maria Nita for exercising your photographic expertise.

We appreciate it. Nanette and I are having a grand time exchanging "Images."

Did I mention that there was also a photo of Mike and Karen Carroll? Well, they are members and Officers of the SOI here in Sonoma and I did extend to them an invitation. I am so happy that they were able to attend. You all come back!!

It is not the end of summer until we have our August Picnic at Larson Park Winery on August 13. I expect a sell-out crowd. Who could resist Tom's BBQ hamburgers or hot dogs? By the way, my roving photographer did take a photo of Tom Wurst (bartender, 1st VP.) even thou he was busily stirring a drink. He exists!



Again, thank you to our Grand President and his wife for traveling to Sonoma to honor us. I was honored to be chosen to sit at their table.

Marilyn Sylvestri
Recording Secretary

Petaluma St. Vincent's, Br. 127

Greetings from Petaluma!

We had our Day of Recollection and it was very inspirational. A nice group of members from other Branches attended, the speakers were excellent and nice time was had by all. Thank you Bob Acquistapace, Dennice and all who helped to make this day a success.

We had a nice turnout for our Chicken Cacciatore Dinner. We introduced and honored three young people who received scholarships. They were: Colten Ronshausen in memory of Judi Fomasi; Anthony Sabella in memory of Spence Burton and Alexa Tagliaferri in memory of Louis Vicino.

We want to thank the cooks and everyone who helped to make this dinner so successful. Our next dinner is going to be the Shrimp Risotto on August 17th. More info in the next issue.

No Meeting in July. We are on vacation.

8/12 - Regular Meeting

9/7 - Branch Picnic. Keep date open.

Our condolences to Shirley Isabel's family on her passing. Shirley was a sweet lady who was a member for years and helped whenever she could. I think of Josephine Ronconi and hope that her memories of Charlie, bring her peace.

Get well wishes to all who are ill. Happy to hear that Bruno Fomasi is home and recuperating.

Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to those celebrating this month. Happy Fourth of July to all and God Bless America.

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

Arcata St. Mary's, Br. 144

Benvenuta All 'estate! Welcome to Summer!

Branch 144 was busy during late Spring with the wonderful anniversary dinner attended by members from Branches 144 and 145, as well as members who travelled from the Santa Rosa area. The food and fellowship was delightful! Springtime was not lacking in treats for our parish community. The Bake Sale, provided by our members, including sweets such as homemade biscotti, pizelle, and other delectable goodies. Parishioners went home with desserts that were baked with LOVE!

On the agenda this month was the 2019-2020 Calendar. Branch 144 is always challenged to choose which activities best serve our parish and larger community with our good works. We strive to be the hands and feet of Christ.

Judith Cardoza and Elena David are excited to have been selected as our delegates to the ICF Convention in Tucson this year! Don't forget the sunscreen, Ladies!

We said, "goodbye" to one of our original members, Mary Tanferani, as she went to the arms of Christ at age 98. Mary was a faithful Catholic, mother, grandmother, and friend to so many. May the angels be with you, Mary.

Finally, Italian Rotary Exchange Student, Gennaro Lucchino, gave us a well-presented hidden history of Italian-Americans who were placed in internment camps during WWII. He focused on Marino Sichi, who happened to be the uncle of our own Elena David. Gennaro presented this at the state History Day. It was a reminder of how we should all be sensitive to other cultures.

Be safe this Summer and have fun! Branch 144, Gennaro Lucchino and President Linda Spallino

Santa Rosa St. Eugene, Br. 198

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

July means a real month of summer and a time for us to look back at our heritage. For many of us, it means remembering our parent's gardens and the many vegetables we harvested. For others, it was a special vacation. We may have gone to Yosemite, to a redwood campground or along the coast to enjoy time away from home. Remember ICF picnics along the Russian River?

It also meant a time when we were out of school and getting ready to pick apples or prunes. Whatever your summer memories may be, I know that it was a time of family and fun. Definitely no computer games or cell phones to keep us entertained and connected with friends!

Our next meeting will be on August 5th and starts at 5:30 p.m. with a Mai Tai followed by our Luau. The cost to cover expenses will be \$7.00. Dig out your Hawaiian shirt or Muumuu and plan for a fun evening. This would be a great time to bring a friend who is interested in joining our Branch.

Please remember our members in your prayers. Special thoughts for Mary Desideri, Marie Lagomarsino, Carrie Vittellini, and Jim Rivara.

God bless America in her month of Independence.

Ciao,

Gail Bongie-Azevedo

Sebastopol St. Sebastian, Br. 209

On June 2nd at 10 p.m., members, Joe & Sarah Hug, welcomed their second child, Joseph Anthony Hug V. They were excited to welcome a son to carry on the family name. Big sister Siena is happy to have a baby brother. Little Joseph was in such a hurry to arrive that his father Joe had to deliver him himself in the car on the way to the hospital. He weighed in at 7 lbs. 15 oz. and 21 in. long. Congratulations to the Hug family!

In August, Eugene & Sharon Vannetti will again represent Br. 209 as delegates to the National Convention being held in Tucson, AZ.

There is no July meeting. Enjoy your vacations and time with family and friends.

The new bocce tournament date is set for August 18th. Debby Wallin is chairing this event. Contact her at 707-823-5135 or debby_wallin@yahoo.com.

Father Gerry underwent open heart surgery in May and is recovery in the Bay Area. Please pray for his speedy recovery.

On May 30th Don Becchetti passed away. Don was the husband of past president Loudean Becchetti. At ICF events, Don could always be found using his cooking talents in the kitchen. Please pray for Loudean and her family.

We also lost Jerry Sanchietti, who played Santa for 3 generations of Br. 209 children. Our prayers go out to Jerry's family, including sister Barbara Bidia, who was herself a past president of our branch. Jerry's parents, Gus & Anne, were founding members of Br. 209.

Ciao,

Sharon Vannetti



Br. 209 Loudean & Don Becchetti



Br. 209 Scholarship winners and their families with President Pam Mc Alvain.

Stockton District

Modesto St. Stanislaus, Br. 48

Things have slowed down a bit for the summer since we do not have a meeting in July or August though we still have things going on to keep us busy. One of our families is in Italy and will be there

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until the middle of July. We are looking forward to hearing about their trip when they get back.

We have the Stockton District Picnic coming up August 18, 2019. Each branch is assigned a different item to bring to the picnic and our branch is bringing Fruit Cups. We get together at Cecelia's home and set up a production line to make about ninety fruit cups. We have fun making them and get to visit while doing so.

Our President Mary Jennings is at home recovering from surgery please keep her in your prayers. Keep Caterina Bertolotti in your prayers she just celebrated her "103rd" birthday on June 1, 2019.

Reminder that we have convention raffle tickets to sell and we need your help to sell them.

Mass for our deceased members will be Sundays July 14, 2019 and August 11, 2019 at the 8:00 a.m. mass at the Maze Blvd. Church.

Refreshments for the September 11, 2019 will be furnished by Carla Wagner.

Coming up:

July No meeting

August No meeting

August 18 District Picnic - Escalon Park

Aug 30 thru Sep 2 Convention Tucson, AZ.

Sep 27-29 St. Stanislaus Fall Festival

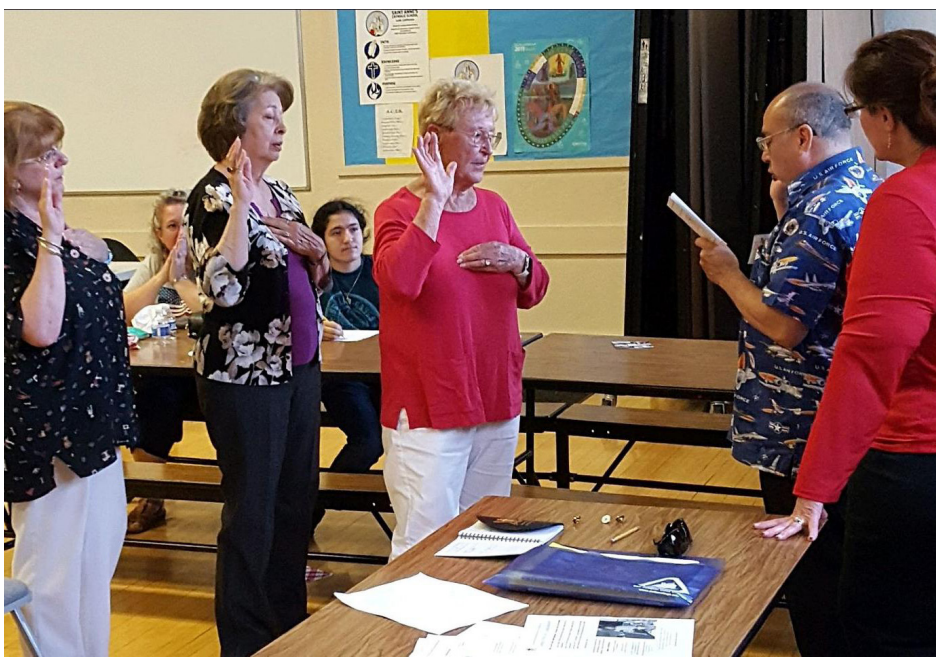
Cecelia McGhee



Br. 82 Festa Italia: ICF Booth with Donna & Lisa



Br. 82, Festa Italia: Tony, Grace, Ravioli, Patty



Br. 82, Member Initiation: Margaret Foley, Natalie Alagna, Vera Scatena



Br. 82 Festa Italia: Pasquale Esposito, Nettie Kaehler

Lodi St. Anne, Br. 82

Happy Independence Day, ICF Family!

The last month was busy. Our membership is increasing and also our events.

At our meeting on May 28th, three new members were initiated. Welcome aboard Natalie Alagna, Margaret Foley, and Vera Scatena. We celebrated with an old-fashioned picnic and had lots of laughs learning to play Pedro.

On June 9th we took part in Festa Italia in Lodi. Our booth was decorated with bright displays inviting Festa goers to learn about ICF, share their Italian heritage, locate their family roots on a map, and purchase religious items, some provided by our St. Anne's Rosary Makers. It was also very exciting to hear the beautiful voice of our ICF member, Nettie Kaehler, harmonize on stage with the renowned Pasquale Esposito. A successful event due to our Festa Italia Committee and members volunteering in the booth. Grazie!

The committee for our first major fundraiser is working tirelessly to insure that guests have a wonderful time at Pranzo e Bocce on June 30th at the Italian Athletic Club in Stockton. Guests will enjoy a chicken and pasta meal, participate in a raffle, and spend the afternoon on the bocce court.

July begins with the Priestly Ordination of Deacon Adrian Cisneros. Having a diocesan priest from our parish ordained is an historic moment for St. Anne's. On July 7th, we will help with the celebratory reception. Congratulations, Deacon

Adrian!

We plan for ICF to sponsor a Parish Family Movie Night in July and August in the school courtyard...complete with refreshments and mosquitos.

Divertiti un'estate!

Patty Litts,

Manteca Nostra Signora del Buon Viaggio, Br. 139

Members of Branch 139 enjoyed their annual picnic and bocce tournament, held earlier last month on the beautiful grounds of Dino and Sharon Cunial's home in Manteca. Picnic attendees ate delicious steaks barbecued by chef Tony Queirolo, along with salads, desserts and cool drinks. At the same time, some members were attending the Festa Italiana in Lodi soaking up the Italian culture.

New ICF members Birdie and Dan Nieri were among those who attended our Branch meeting in May. Several other membership applications were picked up that evening. Bob and Mary Bandoni were introduced as guests. Central Council member Dante Galeazzi was also present.

Sister Ann Venita Britto, a Daughter of the Cross, was presented with a Certificate of Recognition by President Elizabeth Demichelis for all her work that benefited the parish and Branch 139. Sister will be leaving for England in the near future. She will be missed.

In the absence of Chaplain Father Chris Varghese, Orator Colleen Alfieri led us in prayer to close our May meeting.

As always, we also sang the Federation Anthem.

Godere tuo estate.

Ciao,

Mariano

Tracy St. Bernard, Br. 390

Tour of Italy dinner meeting was another delicious night for our members and their guests - Mike Bacchetti made homemade lasagna for us, along with two other pasta dishes but the rave of the night was the "prime e perfette" lasagne! Thanks to Mike and his crew!

June 27th was the dinner meeting to close out the year before our summer hiatus and everyone loved the Italian flavored meatloaf and mashed potatoes. Graduating students belonging to members of ICF were given student appreciation awards on that night as well.

We are taking the summer off so next up is our annual district picnic to be held Sunday August 18 at Escalon Park again this year. Plan to bring the kids and grandkids since there will be lots to do for them - games, etc.

Convention tickets have been distributed so please sell, sell, sell and turn in the proceeds as soon as possible.

We are still getting details of the September 28-29 Italian weekend event in Lincoln Park here in Tracy. Stay tuned as we investigate more details.

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

Branch 395 is taking the month of July off after a very busy and special ending to June. Laurice Levine spoke to our branch and fellow ICF members at our June meeting. We enjoyed dinner followed by Laurice's inspirational talk. Thank you also to the Manteca Branch for hosting this year's Bishop's Burse. It was a great day.

Buone vacanze everyone!

Alla prossima,

Mary Ann

Angels Camp St. Patrick, Br. 413

Greetings to all our ICF Family! In May, President Robert Pachinger had the pleasure of giving two High School Seniors each a scholarship of \$500 from our Branch 413 at their high school's award ceremonies night. The recipients were Luke Bakke and Daisy Solis-Herrera. Congratulations to them and their families! May God bless them on their journeys in life ahead.

In June, a few weeks after the scholarships were given out, our branch hosted the Baccalaureate Mass at St. Patrick's in Angels Camp. This is a special Mass

said for all the graduates of the Parish, whether they are high school or college. Our parish priest gives each graduate a small gift from the parish, and the poem “Foot Prints” from Branch 413. All graduates are asked to attend in their gown, if at all possible, but it isn’t required. We seat them in the front pew, and have them bring up the gifts. One of our branch members usually gets up and says something at the end of Mass. This year, President Robert Pachinger spoke, and inspired the young, as well as, the old. We ask God to protect these young minds and hearts, and to be with them in their struggles and their joys.

President Robert and I would like to acknowledge all the hard work and preparation that Mrs. Carrie Ritzel did to make this event happen. Thank you, Mrs. Ritzel!!

Ciao,
Annette Pachinger

Orange
Irvine
St. Thomas More Br. 423

Cinco de Mayo was the theme of our dinner for the May meeting. We dined on beef and chicken tostadas with rice and beans, salads, and desserts, including flan. Muchas gracias to Hermi, Teresa, Loy, Margaret, and Lupe for organizing the dinner.

President Donna Stahl is encouraging us to wear blue to the masses for the Believe & Grow campaign through October.

The gathering in June was our annual ice cream social and presentation of the branch book award winner. We added having root beer floats this year. Members brought their favorite ice cream toppings and the branch supplied the ice cream and root beer. We played bingo as our social event for the evening.

We had a successful fund-raising event at California Pizza Kitchen in Tustin on June 5 and 6. A portion of the receipts for those days will help fund the various charitable organizations we support during the year. Thank you to those who attended the event!

The Jordans will be hosting an olivewood statue of St. Joseph for a month. If you are interested in hosting the statue, please contact Donna Stahl.

Picnic will be held at St. Thomas More parish on August 16. More details to come.

Ciao,
Miranda Gibson



Br. 413 Awards Ceremony

Reno
St. Albert, Br. 135

At our meeting on June 2, 2019, we honored the recipient of the Central Council scholarship, donated by Branch 135, Liam Iovinella, who is graduating from Damonte Ranch High School in Reno. (Photo included)

25 members and guests, including the four members of the Iovinella family, enjoyed a dinner of Chicken Marsala, and cheese stuffed shells, prepared by Nancy Telliano, salad and strawberry shortcake prepared by Vonnice Ramos

At our March meeting, the membership voted to give a \$200.00 scholarship to an 8th graduate of each of the three Catholic Elementary Schools in Reno, going to Bishop Manogue Catholic High School. On June 4th President, Charlyne Pacini presented a scholarship to Annamaria Zamboni, graduating from Our Lady of the Snows Catholic School. On June 5th she presented the scholarship to Daniella Galvez, graduating from St. Albert the Great Catholic School. On June 5th Secretary, Vonnice Ramos presented Mariah Wise, graduating from Little Flower Catholic School the scholarship

President, Charlyne Pacini will be attending as the delegate to this year's convention, August 29-September 2 in Tucson, Arizona.

Our next Branch get-together will be our annual picnic on Sunday, September 15, 2019, being held at President Charlyne's house.

Ciao
Charlyne Pacini



Br. 413 Baccalaureate Mass



Br. 135 Picture: President, Charlyne Pacini presenting the Branch 135 scholarship certificate to Liam Iovinella.

Tucson
Green Valley
Our Lady of the Valley,
Br. 425

Our branch takes a respite in the summer heat of Arizona for a couple of months as our members take to cooler climes.

It is with heavy hearts that we once again mourn the loss of one of our members, this time our founding member, Al Bernardi. Al passed away on April 25th at the age of 92. He started our branch with the help of then pastor, Father Lombardo. It was the first in Arizona.

Al was originally from California and became active in the ICF while living in Merced. He was a farmer in that area and eventually partnered with Tuttle Farms there. He also met his first wife and was married in 1949 in that area. They were married for 34 years and raised 5 children there.

Al eventually started a business in the Nogales, Arizona area and ran that business until 1972. He was very active in the Rio Rico and Green Valley areas,

helping with fundraisers for their fire departments.

Al remarried in 1985 and he and his second wife, Joan, were married for 27 years. They traveled in their RV and had a home in Green Valley. They moved into the La Posada retirement community in 2007 and were very active in the ICF he helped found. Al was a great friend to the ICF members, especially those who were there from the beginning.

His memorial mass in Green Valley was celebrated on June 11th. He will be



Remember, the deadline for *Bollettino* submissions for the August/September issue is **August 1st**.
Get your articles and photos in to
editor@icf.org



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/hil/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

2019 CONVENTION WORKSHOPS

Learn new ideas at our convention workshops. Branches with multiple attendees are encouraged to split the workshops among their members to allow branches to gain more information. Non-delegates are welcome to attend and participate in workshops.

FRIDAY			
August 30	Optional workshop opportunity 4pm – 5pm		
Presidio 2/3	Open Forum	Bring your questions and suggestions. Topics can be related to any ICF by-law, ritual, process, committee or program. Several Committee Chairpersons will be present to help answer questions.	
SATURDAY			
August 31	Session 1 8:30am – 9:20am	Session 2 9:30am – 10:20am	Session 3 10:30am – 11:20am
Presidio 2/3	Spiritual	Spiritual	[Mass Setup No workshop]
Presidio 1/4	Successful Branches	Successful Branches	Membership
Turquoise 2/3	Finance	Strategic Plan	Presidents' Workshop

DESCRIPTIONS

- Finance – Presented by: The Finance Committee**
Presenting the one and only showing of “The Wheel of Finance.” Come to this interactive game show where we will test your knowledge of ICF financial practices. You will have a chance to stump the committee.
- Membership – Presented by: The Membership Committee**
Did you know that most new members remain in their branch for five years or less? We do a great job bringing in new members. How do we keep them interested and active? This workshop will cover communication, education and participation. Adopting a few techniques and being open to new ideas will surely help member retention.
- Presidents' Workshop – Presented by: The Executive Committee**
Designed as a time for Branch and District Presidents to gather, this workshop will begin with ideas for conducting meetings, delegation tips and helpful resources. The second half of the workshop will be time to share your leadership ideas and have your questions answered.
- Strategic Plan – Presented by: The Task Force Committee**
Hear highlights of our milestones achieved and how the strategic plan continues to guide the ICF's objectives. The plan is regularly updated based on our priorities over the next three years. By knowing our goals, you can help the ICF achieve them.
- Spiritual – Presented by: ICF Chaplain (to be announced)**
As a branch community, do we place emphasis on the “C” of ICF? Part of our mission states, “Through families and fellowship, the Italian Catholic Federation promotes and supports the Catholic faith and its values...” Knowing and understanding our mission statement will help ensure we are following the vision from 95 years ago, which is still relevant today.
- Successful Branches**
Be inspired by the ideas presented by four successful branches and try to incorporate at your branch.
Session 1 – Branch 139 Manteca and Branch 230 San Diego Topics: Branch Participation and Heritage
Session 2 – Branch 52 Healdsburg and Branch 442 Pleasant Hill Topics: Family Memberships and Fundraising/Fundraising

2019 CONVENTION CHECKLIST

Convention Souvenir Book Ads (prices vary)	Due: June 20
Memorial Names \$5, Sponsor Names \$1	
Delegate Registration \$275	Due: June 30
Late Delegate Registration \$300	After: June 30
Central Council Candidate Application	Due: August 1
Central Council Candidate Bollettino Article	Due: August 1
Branch and District Convention Bollettino Entries	Due: August 1
Hilton El Conquistador Hotel Reservations \$95/night	Deadline: August 15 or when sold out
Non-delegate Guest List	Due: August 15
Convention Raffle Tickets sent to office	Due: August 15
Thursday Welcome Dinner Reservations \$70	Due: August 15*
Friday Bingo Early-bird Signups \$25	Due: August 15
After August 15 or Walk-ins \$30	
Saturday Banquet Reservations	Due: August 15
Non-delegate Adult \$70, Children \$30	
Sunday dancing in the Desert Banquet Reservations	Due: August 15
Adults \$70, Children \$35	
Friday Blood Drive Signups - Priceless	Walk-ins Welcome
Friday Pedro Lessons Signups - Free	Walk-ins Welcome

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

All flyers and reservation forms are available at www.icf.org.
*Indicates that the reservations are submitted to the local Tucson committee.
All other reservations are made through the ICF Office.



WANTED
CONVENTION
RAFFLE WINNERS

REWARD: \$2500 Grand Prize
followed by prizes of \$500 - \$1500

SELLERS WIN TOO! \$100 - \$250

Price: \$20 per book of 12 -or- \$2 for individual tickets
•Raffle earnings support the ICF Branches and Central Council programs.
•Winning tickets will be selected at the ICF Convention Sunday Dinner Banquet.
•You do not need to be present to win.

Directions to Buyers:
•Fill out the tickets or place an address label on each ticket. List yourself as the seller too.
•Return tickets at a meeting or mail to your raffle chairperson by August 1.
•Include a check, made out to ICF.
•If you would like additional books, please contact your branch chairperson.

GOOD LUCK!

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**.

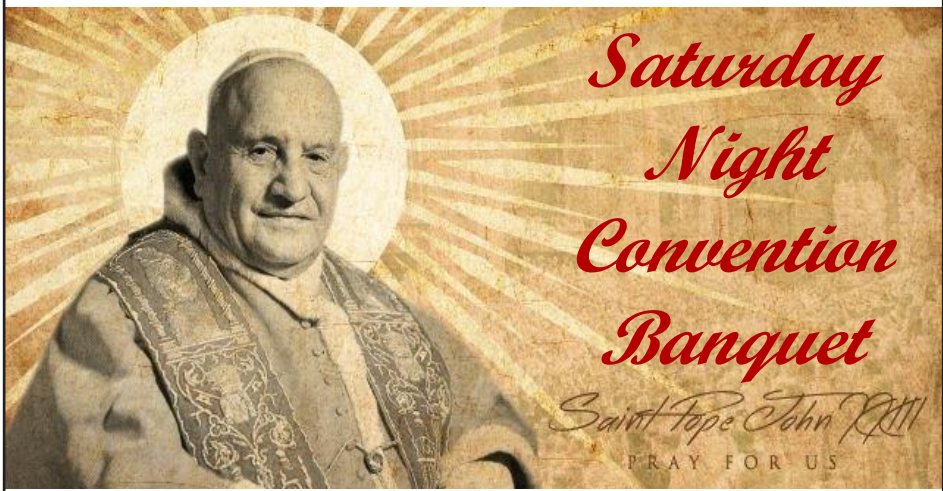
Campaign Rules

- 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



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.



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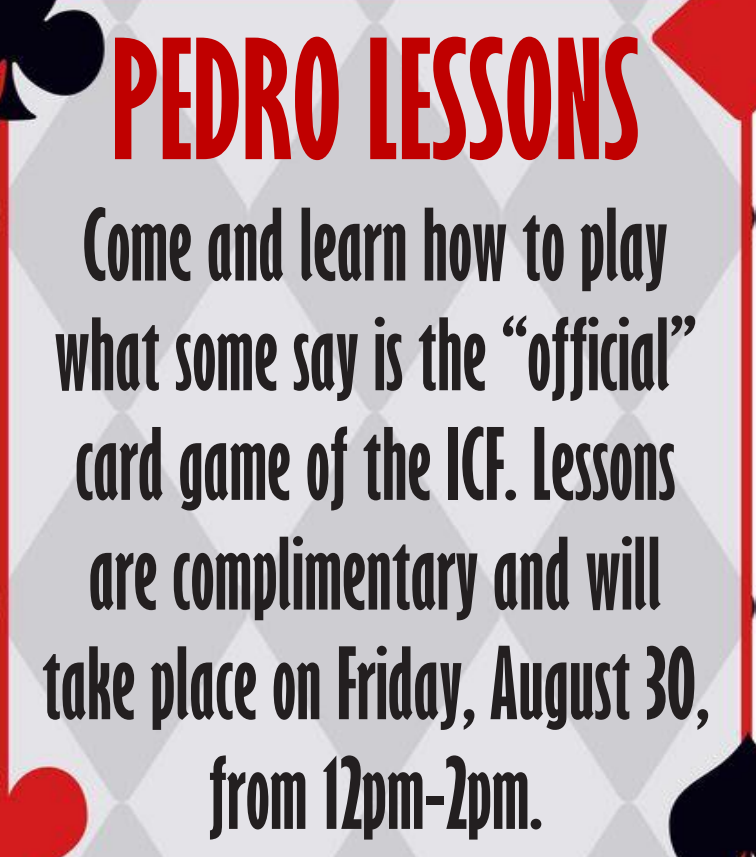
Donate blood

Tell everyone what is happening with your branch. Submit by August 1st to editor @icf.org



Branch 392 at the 95th Anniversary in Chicago

donate
BLOOD save a life



PEDRO LESSONS

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

There is no Pedro Tournament this year. Players may form games on their own throughout the convention weekend.