



BOLLETTINO



2021 2nd - 4th Year Scholarship Program

The 2nd - 4th Year Scholarship Applications have been sent out to the eligible students who previously won a 1st Year Scholarship and the letter requesting donations has been sent out to the Branches and Districts.

The donation for a 2nd Year Scholarship is \$500.00, a 3rd Year Scholarship is \$600.00 and a 4th Year Scholarship is \$1,000.00.

The Deadline for Donations and Applications is August 1, 2021.

Please discuss participating in the program at your meetings by making a donation of a full scholarship, if possible, or a partial donation of any amount.

Partial Donations do help to make other scholarships possible when that money is grouped together. Individual Donations are welcomed as well.

We also have the Mario Cugia Italian Studies Scholarship to encourage and support majors in Italian Studies. The program offers two scholarships: (1) a \$600.00 Scholarship to a 3rd year university student and (2) a \$1,000.00 Scholarship to a 4th year university student

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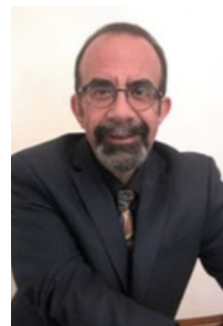
Grand President's Monthly Message

Vince Piro

Celebrating the Fourth of July as a Nation of Immigrants

July always brings special memories to me as I remember my Italian-American grandfather. My grandfather immigrated to the United States as a young man, and as I remember it, the Fourth of July was his favorite holiday. He loved the country that had adopted him, and he celebrated its birthday with family and friends, holding a barbecue and fireworks display in his and my grandmother's backyard.

My grandfather was born and raised in Sicily but came here as a young man. The story of his passage and immigration to America are a bit vague, but he eventually settled in San Francisco after passing through Ellis Island as so many Italians did. It was in the City by the Bay that he met my grandmother and settled into a career as a barber. Eventually, he bought an acre and a quarter in Mountain View, California, where he tended to his "gentleman's" orchard of various fruit trees and vegetables. When my parents were looking for a



place to raise a family, he gave them a quarter acre of his property on which they built a house and raised a family of eight children.

As a child, I remember my quiet but loving grandfather often in his orchard watering his vegetables or pruning his trees while smoking an early morning cigarette. (I still wake up quite early in the morning and claim it is because I am the grandson of a farmer.) He loved having his family so close to him. He would often drive us back and forth to school and church services, attend our school events, and take my mother grocery shopping. (In fact, he was not too happy when she learned to drive.) He and my grandmother held large family meals on Sundays when we would all gather around their kitchen table to eat various Italian dishes. The meals were always loud and loving with my grandfather sitting there quietly taking it all in.

And on holidays, he invited his friends and family from the city to "the country" where they would drink wine, smoke cigars, and play cards after a day of picking fruit to take back home.

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Convention Update

- What:** Italian Catholic Federation Annual Convention
Where: Santa Clara Marriott located at 2700 Mission College Drive, Santa Clara, CA
When: September 3 to 5
Who: Branch delegates, non-delegates & guests
How: For updates visit Facebook; keyword: Italian Catholic Federation. Check www.icf.org for information. See pages 10-13 and 23-24 of the *Bollettino* for details.
Why: Together we are stronger. Come be a voice for the future of ICF.

Hike the Appalachian Trail ICF Hiker's Progress Report



Seven states down, seven to go! Ryan has cruised past the halfway point (mile 1096.5) and is officially in the northern part of the Appalachian Trail. Although the humidity, heat, and continued thunderstorms have made hiking difficult, Ryan is still averaging close to 30 miles each day.

He is very impressed by the wildlife he is seeing, from bright red cardinals to little orange newts. He's been lucky enough to see several bears, a porcupine, and even have a close encounter with a curious fox who sniffed at his feet!

Also in this last section, Ryan completed 2 trail "challenges" that many hikers do for fun. The first was the 4-state challenge, starting in Virginia, hiking through West Virginia and Maryland, and finishing in Pennsylvania on the same day. He did this 45 mile stretch in just under 14 hours.

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July issue
deadline is June 10, 2021.

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Thank you!



One day when Eddie was about
sixteen, he was talking with his dad
while they worked with the canaries.
Suddenly, his dad asked, "What's
wrong, Eddie? You seem down in
the dumps."

"Well, Dad, I am kind of down a bit.
I'm wishing I had a close friend."

"Hey, come on, I'm your friend."

"Yes, you are, but you're my dad.
That's special, but it's different. I'm
wishing more for a buddy, someone
I can share my innermost thoughts
with, my feelings, my failures as
well as the good things I've done
and hope to do. Someone who can
support me no matter what."

Dad said, "What do you mean? You
have lots of friends. What about
Leo? And Joey? And Johnny, Billy,

Danny, Al and all the rest of the
gang whose names I don't remem-
ber? And oh! What about Priscilla?
She certainly meets the 'very special
friend' category."

"Yes, indeed, she's definitely some-
one very special in my life. She's a
good, dear, special friend; but she is
my girlfriend, and that's different.
What I'm looking for is someone I
can unburden myself to, body and
soul. You know, someone I can trust
unconditionally, someone who loves
me no matter what I did, what I
do or will do. I'm just wishing for
a friend who accepts me for what
and who I am, someone who un-
derstands my weaknesses as well as
my strengths, someone I need and
without whom I can't function as a
person."

"Aw, now I know who you're looking
for as your *Friend*." Dad said. "There
is only one person who can be that
kind of friend. He, too, son, is my
special friend. His name is **Jesus**."

*Jesus said, "As the Father loves me,
so I also love you. Remain in my love.*

*If you keep my commandments, you
will remain in my love, just as I have
kept my Father's commandments and
remain in his love. I have told you
this so that my joy may be in you and
your joy may be complete. This is my
commandment: love one another as
I love you. No one has greater love
than this, to lay down one's life for
one's friends. You are my friends if
you do what I command you. Jn 15:
9-14.*

"Eddie," Dad said, "**We may have
many friends, but only a few are
best friends. But the BEST of all
our best friends is Jesus. Keep Him
close!**"

Eddie reached over and hugged Dad
as he said, "Thanks, Dad, I needed
that! You're the best!"



Monsignor Daniel Cardelli
ICF Spiritual Director

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Welcome to New Members (Report as of June 8, 2021)

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SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS
2nd - 4th Year

John and Dorene Campanile
In memory of Steve Martinelli



Cooley's Anemia Donations

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The Antonowicz Family
In memory of Steve Drobeck

Apostolate - The Chalice

Apostolate-Charity Committee

Carmen Kilcullen, Committee Member

On Vocation Sunday, my pastor, Father Sean Rogers of St. John the Baptist Church in Healdsburg, gave a very moving sermon on vocations. He discussed the role of the parish priest in the church community. He ended his sermon with this wonderful account of a former priest in our diocese.

Father has given me permission to share this with all of you.

Father Thomas Keiffer was a priest who served at St. Rose Church in Santa Rosa in the late 80's and early 90's. He entered the priesthood upon his wife's death in an airplane crash where she had been a flight attendant. Her wedding ring was found in the crash and Father had the diamond from the ring set in the base of his chalice when he was ordained.

Father Tom was a quiet man who never said much, but still waters ran deep with him. Although Father Sean said that



he and Father Tom never talked much about his life, a lot was discovered upon his death. In his will, Father Tom left three items: a car which he donated to Hanna Boys Center; a post card from the Hindenberg which he gave to the Smithsonian Museum; and his Chalice which he gave to Father Sean.

Father Sean says that he had no idea of the story of Fr. Tom's life and the Chalice until a few months after his death when one of the wife's friends called him to tell him of Fr. Tom's marriage, his wife's death and his subsequent ordination to the Priesthood. Father Sean says that he was inspired by the power of this quiet priest's story and how much he was a Good Shepherd to the people of St. Rose. He always preached the Gospel with dignity and strength and was an inspiration to the communities he served.

Father Sean has promised to give the Chalice to the first priestly vocation from our parish of St. John the Baptist.

Praying for and supporting vocations is one of the major works of the Italian Catholic Federation. We have been asked to pray for vocations at the end of each of our meetings.

Carmen Kilcullen-
Apostolate-Charity Committee Member

Book Review--Out of Many, One

Vince Piro, Grand President

Out of Many, One

George W. Bush

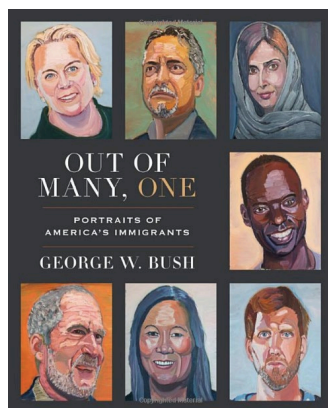
Crown, 2021, 208 pp.

In *Out of Many, One*, former President George W. H. Bush presents a series of portraits, both written and visual of America's immigrants. It's a thoughtful and heart-felt presentation of today's immigrants, "who are drawn to America by its promise of economic opportunity and political and religious freedoms - and who strengthen our nation in countless ways."

In this large format book, Mr. Bush features forty-three men and women from around the world who have immigrated to the United States. For each, there is a full-color portrait painted by the president himself alongside their stories of hope, determination, and success.

We meet Joseph Kim, a North Korean immigrant and author of *Under the Same Sky*. His story is at once both harrowing and inspirational. In North Korea, Kim faced the death of both his mother and father and the loss of his sister, who became a Chinese "bride slave." He struggled in abject poverty and homelessness until he decided to

escape to China where he was befriended by a South Korean missionary, who insisted that he leave for the United States. Once, in his new country, he received assistance from Catholic Charities, and eventually, after many struggles, graduated from Bard College with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. He now works for the Bush Institute as "an assistant and expert in residence in [the] Human Freedom Initiative." His story is a reminder of the kindness of others and the "blessings of liberty in his new land."



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Membership Reflections

Perry Shurko, Membership Chairperson

Hello everyone and happy summer to you all.

They say that summer is the time of the year to relax, slow down and take it easy, but this year is a little different. You see, we've been in a relaxed, take it easy mode for too long now. The state is opening up and it's time for us to jump into action. Branches and districts are meeting in person again, fundraisers are taking place, and hopefully you are having membership drives too. We have to get back into the swing of things. There's no time like the present to make things happen in your parish.



During the last few months, the Membership Committee has been working on finding ways to get the ICF more exposure, and we did this by advertising on Facebook and YouTube. We ran a thirty second advertisement using a portion of the ICF's new promo video. We targeted certain areas such as Catholicism, charitable causes and heritage. The ads received many hits and views and viewers were able to click on the

ad and go directly to the website. Was it worth it? Did we gain anything from it? The answer is yes. It was definitely worth it to get our organization's name out there. Who knows where it might take us? We have to try new things and new ways of getting everyone to know and hear about the ICF. If you remember, we attended the Religious Education Congress for two years (until COVID struck) and the networking that we did there resulted in meeting the president of Wells of Life, who signed up and joined the National Branch on the spot. The founder of Wells of Life was nominated and won the Pope St John XXIII Award the next year.

So while you are out there fundraising for your branches, do me a favor, and have some membership applications on hand for every event. You never know who might ask for one and be interested in joining your branch.

Let's all do our part in growing and expanding our wonderful organization by talking it up with family, friends neighbors and anyone else during the 4th of July weekend. See if we can't get some new members.

Be safe out there and Happy Independence Day! --Perry



Grand President--A Nation of Immigrants

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Of all the holidays, Fourth of July was extra special. It included watermelons from his garden that tasted like cotton candy, corn that was sweet and tasty, and my grandmother's special "pecan pie" (which was actually made with walnuts since we had several walnut trees on the property). It always ended with a spectacular fireworks display that dazzled both children and adults alike.

This is one immigrant's story. My grandfather had faced many challenges but through hard work, he had become successful and filled the last years of his life with the love of family and friends. It also highlights that our country is, in fact, a country of immigrants, searching for opportunity and seeking to fulfill their dreams. Of course, we cannot pretend that this immigrant story always goes so well.

Italian immigrants often faced discrimination and oppression. The racism that fueled that hatred is well documented and extended even into World War II when Italians were often

classified as "alien enemies." Articles and opinion pieces printed in newspapers in this early days of immigration often denigrated these new Italian immigrants and described them in terms such as "low-class, ignorant, unassimilable, and prone to criminality." My grandfather's story, of course, proves all of that wrong—just as the stories of so many of today's immigrants prove the hate filled rhetoric aimed at them is wrong.

As Pope Francis reminds us, we must "welcome, protect, promote, integrate" new immigrants into our society. It is part of our Christian calling and a fitting tribute to our immigrant ancestors such as my grandfather.

Therefore, this year, when I glance up at the fireworks celebrating the birth of our great country, I will remember my Italian immigrant grandfather and all the immigrants who have made this country great.

Vince Piro

Family Recipes

Deborah Rodondi
Grand 1st Vice President

Finally things are starting to open up. Hopefully, this will give you the opportunity to visit with friends, maybe for morning coffee. This recipe is a great addition for your morning social. I was going through my old emails trying to find some information and ran across an email with this recipe from Pat Mages, Central Council member and member of Branch 380 Thousand Oaks. It is simple and not too sweet, which makes it a perfect compliment for mornings.



This is a traditional Italian breakfast cake “Ciambella” ring shaped cake.

Ricotta Chocolate Chip Ciambella Cake

2 cups plus 1 tsp. all purpose flour, divided

½ cup plus 2 Tbls. mini semi sweet chocolate chips, divided

1 ½ tsp. baking powder

¼ tsp. salt

2 large eggs

1 large egg yolk (I used 3 eggs, rather than 2 eggs and 1 yolk)

1 cup granulated sugar

2 tsp. vanilla extract

½ cup olive oil (not extra virgin)

1 cup whole milk ricotta

Confectioners (powdered) sugar for dusting

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray tube pan (I use an Angel food tube pan) with baking spray. Set aside.

Add 1 tsp. flour to a bowl with the ½ cup chocolate chips. Toss until they are coated with flour. Set aside.

In mixing bowl, whisk together 2 cups of flour, baking powder and salt. Set aside.

In another mixing bowl, combine the eggs, yolk, sugar and vanilla. Beat with an electric mixer on medium speed until fluffy. Add in oil and beat until combined. Beat in the ricotta until just incorporated.

Beat in the dry ingredients, until just incorporated. DO NOT over mix. The batter will be thick. Fold in the chocolate chips and spoon the batter into the prepared pan.

Top with the remaining 2

Tbls. chocolate chips.

Bake for 40 minutes. Cool, then dust with confectioners sugar as desired.

Pat also replaces flour with gluten free flour and says it works great.

Variations:

- Use mascarpone cheese instead of ricotta with zest and juice from orange. Glaze for additional sweetness.
- One medium zucchini grated and squeezed dry with one lemon-zest and juice. Bake an additional 10 minutes.

Glazes: (for the sweeter palates)

- 2 cups confectioners (powdered) sugar with 3 Tbls. lemon juice. Mix and drizzle.
- 1 Tbls. honey, 1 Tbls. lemon juice, 1 Tbls. milk, ½ tsp. zest from lemon, 1 cup confectioners (powdered) sugar.

Adjust the confectioners sugar to make the glaze thicker or thinner.

Poke holes in cake with toothpick and the glaze will soak into the cake better.

A shout out to Lawrence Renzi from Bakersfield. A few months ago he sent me a note saying that “the Crisp Little Lemon Cookies were enjoyed by the whole family (tutta la famiglia).” I shared the note with the co-worker who shared the recipe with me. It pleased her that members were enjoying her recipe.

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

Buon Appetito!



Book Review--Out of Many, One

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We also learn of Gilbert Tuhabonye from southern Burundi; he was one of four children in a Catholic Tutsi family. In the political and social turmoil between the Hutu and extremist Tutsi, Tuhabonye was caught in the violence of a civil war and at one point his body was badly burned and he faced certain death. However, he survived through the inspiration of a bible given to him by a girlfriend and a recruitment letter from Tulane University’s Track and Field program. From childhood, Tuhabonye had been a gifted runner. He was eventually chosen to train for the Olympics in Atlanta, Georgia, as a representative of Burundi. “While [Tuhabonye] did not end up making the Olympic team, he did get to realize his dream of running for an NCAA school. He moved to Abilene, Texas . . . and enrolled in Abilene Christian University. In 1999, he won the Division II national championship in the eight hundred meters.” Tuhabonye became a naturalized citizen in 2010. He currently coaches track at St. Andrew’s Episcopal School and is commissioner of the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission. He founded the Gazelle Foundation, dedicated to transforming villages in his native country by providing clean water.

Mr. Bush also presents Annika Sorenstam, who is originally from Stockholm. In the early 1980s, she visited the University of Miami. She remembers, “I loved America from the beginning.” As a gifted golfer, she eventually ends up at the University of Arizona where she won several titles for the Wildcats - “including the 1991 NCAA championship.” After turning pro, Sorenstam won ninety tournaments. She became a United States citizen in 2006 in the same week she won the U.S. Open. After she retired from professional

golf, she focused on raising her family and her foundation, ANNIKA, which “provides golf opportunities for girls in America and around the world.”

We also read about Zunita Cummins, who originally came to the United States as a student at Richland College, Dallas. She had planned to return to her home country of Panama but fell in love with Jonathan Cummins, a fellow student, and they married. She found work as a nanny and saved money to help her family immigrate to her new country. Much of the expense was to pay for immigration lawyers, who could help her “navigate the complicated process of becoming citizens.” As she recounts, “I would like Americans to understand that becoming an American citizen is not as easy as one would think . . . It is very difficult and it requires a lot of money that not everyone is able to afford. I would also like Americans to know that most immigrants are here to help make this country better every day for us, for you, and for your children.” In 2018, Cummins started Dallas Baby Whisperer, Inc. a successful business devoted to newborn sleep training. She became a United States citizen in 2018.

Besides these wonderful and inspirational portraits, Mr. Bush also provides the reader with facts about immigration and the process of becoming an American to provide a context for the portraits. He finishes by discussing “Why We Need Immigration (And Reform)” in a chapter that calls for much needed comprehensive immigration reform.

In *Out of Many, One*, readers are reminded that our strength as a nation remains in our ability to welcome and integrate immigrants from all over the world.

“Love ye therefore the [immigrant]: for ye were [immigrants]...” Deut 10:19



Flag of U.S. Immigration - America's International Roots



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THE ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION



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"CELEBRATING THE 104th YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF
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Mother Cabrini Shrine

Carmelo Sabatella, LA Archdiocese District

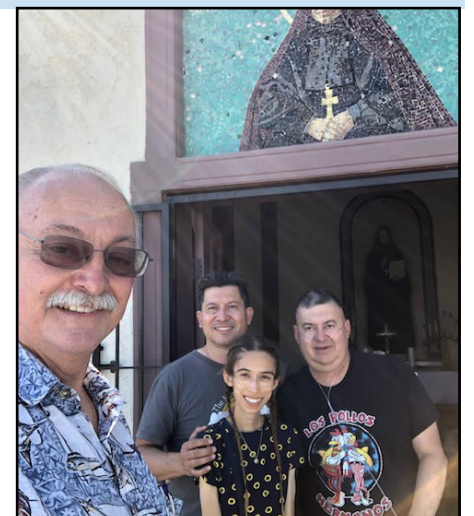
On May 24, 2021 Lawrence Vincent, along with his son and daughter, visited the Mother Cabrini Chapel and Library in Burbank.

Vincent brought his children to meet Mother Cabrini at the Chapel in Burbank so they could pray to Mother Cabrini whenever they needed support. Vincent said he has been praying to Mother Cabrini after he learned about her for the first time at a little church in El Sereno. Here is his story:

"I offer you a story about Mother Cabrini and me. About 7 years ago I was very ill, from what I later found out is a rare genetic neuromusculature disease and had been put on oxygen. I was staying with my mother in El Sereno one block from All Saints church. I liked to stay after mass or pray in the evenings. All Saints had a Mother Cabrini statue to the right of the Holy Mother, but I did not know who Mother Cabrini was.

One day after Sunday mass, after the church had emptied, I knelt and prayed a rosary. Someone was trying to get my attention, but I didn't know who. So I looked at the different saint statues, but no one was home. Jesus is always there as is our Holy Mother, but no they weren't talking to me. It was the little statue of Mother Cabrini and it sounded like she laughed when I found her. She said she has been watching me for a while.

I went home and researched everything I could find on her. Wow! She walked by my house in LA and the same areas I walked a few decades before my birth. Sunset Boulevard. near Hill Street. She is a great Saint with a sense of humor :-). Her Saint statue is usually serious,



Carmelo Sabatella (L) with Lawrence Vincent (R) and his son and daughter.

but she has smiled twice that I saw, my mother saw it one Easter Sunday too."

For more information on the Mother Cabrini Chapel and Library or to make a donation to help the Chapel continue with the annual Pilgrimage event in Burbank to help maintain the Shrine facility, please call 626 372-7812 or visit the Mother Cabrini Shrine at www.icf.org.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Carmelo Sabatella,
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Hiker's Progress

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The other challenge, which Ryan said was definitely harder to finish, was eating an entire half gallon of ice cream at the halfway mark. Ryan completed this task as well, making his grandpa proud!

With less than 900 miles left, Ryan is excited to see the terrain and scenery changes the northern states bring, especially the mountains of Vermont and New Hampshire. Thanks again for continuing to pray for Ryan on this incredible journey!

Loretta



In Loving Memory (Report as of June 8, 2021)			
Frances Foglia-Teglia	Branch 019	Sam I Orlando	Branch 127
Elvira A Pacciorini	Branch 028	Steven Martinelli	Branch 173
Jack Branson	Branch 036	Kenneth J Ravizza	Branch 435

JUNE CALENDAR WINNERS				
DAY	NAME	BR	CITY	WINS
6/1	Danielle Mages		San Diego, CA	\$30
6/2	Irma Calabretta		Belmont, CA	\$30
6/3	Jackie Barnes	19	Daly City, CA	\$30
6/4	Lydia Clarke	21	Aptos, CA	\$30
6/5	Joan Cummings	442	Pleasant Hill, CA	\$30
6/6	Barb Shimshock		Minnetonka, MN	\$30
6/7	Michael & Marielle Jensen		Sacramento, CA	\$30
6/8	Maria Miller		Oakdale, CA	\$30
6/9	Rebecca Collins	281	Bakersfield, CA	\$30
6/10	Branch 10		Alameda, CA	\$30
6/11	Gretchen Curry		Merced, CA	\$30
6/12	Ermelinda Zamora	48	Modesto, CA	\$30
6/13	Millie Franzoni	7	So. San Francisco, CA	\$30
6/14	Nancy Dolci	111	Monterey Park, CA	\$50
6/15	Jan Kern		San Ramon, CA	\$50
6/16	Katie & Lucas Ottoboni		San Francisco, CA	\$30
6/17	Gary Maricich		Watsonville, CA	\$30
6/18	Andi Cassin-Bowen		Santa Rosa, CA	\$30
6/19	Linda E. Benedetti	213	Daly City, CA	\$30
6/20	Franklyn Lopes, Jr.	227	Santa Cruz, CA	\$50
6/21	Most Rev. Joseph V. Brennan		Fresno, CA	\$30
6/22	Michael Shackel		Gilroy, CA	\$30
6/23	Diane Hollister	161	Corte Madera, CA	\$30
6/24	Jin Bellez	214	Concord, CA	\$30
6/25	Kerin Cavallero	27	Madera, CA	\$30
6/26	Stefanie Nisich		San Jose, CA	\$30
6/27	Rene Collier		Ventura, CA	\$30
6/28	Mary Jane Vierra	25	Salinas, CA	\$30
6/29	Julieann Graham	343	San Leandro, CA	\$30
6/30	June Sohn	191	San Jose, CA	\$30

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ICF NATIONAL EVENT CALENDAR

January – Member Appreciation

- Complimentary dinner, New Year’s gift

February – Gifts of Love

- Valentine’s Cards sent to members for donation to Gifts of Love, pass around a basket at meeting, bake sale, raffle Valentine’s gift basket after all the Masses

March – Celebrating our Heritage

- St. Joseph’s Table, members share heritage stories, heritage guest speaker, international food fest, cultural music fest

April – Apostolic & Charitable Works

- Plan several charitable events for members to participate, members can do projects on their own, collaborate with other ministries

May – Promoting our Faith

- Provide hospitality for RCIA meeting, snacks for Confirmation or First Communion rehearsal, handout prayer cards for the parish, sponsor a religious movie or concert

June – Scholarship/Student Appreciation

- Honor ICF students progressing to the next grade with a free dinner or gift card, sponsor pizza party for the parish school graduating class, provide scholarships

July, August – Summer Break

September – Support our Seminarians

- Write appreciation letters to seminarians, arrange special dessert to be sent to seminary, host a fundraiser to make a donation to Seminar-ian’s Burse, invite seminarians to be guest speaker

October – Honoring Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary

- Rosary event for parish, pray the rosary at meeting with member intentions, procession, provide flowers for school procession, provide materials for kids to make rosaries

November – Giving Thanks

- Offer free pizzelle or biscotti to parishioners after Mass to thank them for their support of ICF, sponsor an appreciation luncheon for the parish staff, invite extended family members to a meeting with a special dinner as a thanksgiving for all families

December – Cooley’s Anemia

- Schedule fundraiser for annual donation, collect gift cards for CHLA Cooley’s Anemia Christmas Party, provide volunteers for Christmas party, write Christmas cards to be delivered to Cooley’s Anemia patients

2021 First Year Scholarship Winners

NAME

IN MEMORY OF

BRANCH/DISTRICT/INDIVIDUAL

Merek Hall
Aiden Paul
Neil Beach
Katherine Louise Hodges
Hailey Cognetti
Isabella Borgomini
Brooke Ellsworth
Lucille Marsalek

Otto Ambiel

CENTRAL COAST DISTRICT

Central Coast District

Br. 21
Br. 25
Br. 36
Br. 227
Br. 227
Br. 354
Br. 354

Abigail Hern
Adrianna Heredia
Gianna Lugliani
Claudia Peri
Kyle Cristofano
Kathleen Santich
Natalie Laiolo
Alex Naumann
Anthony Presto

Marina Ellis
David Botta
David Botta

CONTRA COSTA DISTRICT

Br. 13
Br. 14
Br. 14
Br. 154
Br. 352
Br. 352
Br. 432
Br. 442
Br. 442

Pietro Lanzadi Scalea
Julian Arno De Luca
Blanca Cortes-Herrera
Penny Murphy
Wilson Schwegler
Rose Ardolino

EAST BAY DISTRICT

East Bay District

Br. 10
Br. 215
Br. 285
Br. 285
Br. 343

Jordan Rasmussen
Trevor Massetti
Eleanora Grace Tenyenhuus
Jake Rimmer
Lauren Buttrey
Katie Hiler
Alexis Presto
Lalanie Brace
Rylee Grace Knittel
Marcus Powe
Annabella Piercey
Margaret Heathcote

FRESNO DISTRICT

Fresno District

Br. 27
Br. 32
Br. 33
Br. 39
Br. 39
Br. 39
Br. 54
Br. 54
Br. 250
Br. 308
Br. 417

Genevieve Marino
Matthew Ewan Cameron
Mia Bella DiCostanzo
Liliana Ruggiero
Matthew Day
Patrick J. Melia
Michelle Reilly
Alexander Odintsov
Catherine Galanti
Elisa Y. Liberati
Liam McCarty
Jeffrey Tullio DeLuca

Angie Publico

LOS ANGELES ARCHDIOCESE DISTRICT

Br. 108
Br. 111
Br. 115
Br. 115
Br. 218
Br. 237
Br. 319
Br. 362
Br. 374
Br. 444
Scholarship Fund
Scholarship Fund

MARIN AREA

Sophia Stiker
Sophia Tassone
Dawson Barnes

Br. 161
Br. 161
Br. 332



2021 First Year Scholarship Winners

NAME	IN MEMORY OF	IN HONOR OF	BRANCH/DISTRICT
Sienna Basile Janes Cameron Blew Ian Novosel			ORANGE DISTRICT Br. 406 Scholarship Fund Scholarship Fund
Robert David Medeiros Tea Angelina Novi			RENO AREA Br. 135 Scholarship Fund
Gianna Domeny Rebecca Ielati Grace Favro Dominique Lucia M. Huckins	Msgr. Virgil Gabrielli		BLESSED SACRAMENT DISTRICT Blessed Sacrament District Br. 45 Br. 73 Br. 342
Mia Oravetz Gianni Gibbs Aidan Clark			SAN BERNARDINO DISTRICT San Bernardino District Br. 210 Br. 217
Mikayla Mann			SAN DIEGO DISTRICT Scholarship Fund
Lawrence Azzopardi Natalie Descalso Francesca Flowers Mia Jariya Juliana Davis Tristan Norwood Bailey Hardey	Carlo Giusti Deceased Members of Br. 7 Romano Zan		SAN MATEO DISTRICT San Mateo District Br. 6 Br. 7 Br. 7 Br. 19 Br. 130 Br. 213
Emilia Passanisi Sophia Ramacciotti Angelina Stiltz Paolo Innocenzi Angela Biezins Stephen Fitzpatrick Elizabeth Brodersen Michael Lemucchi Brendan Plummer Samantha Duran Angelina Rose Cangelosi Isabella Pistaferri	Papa Joe Marsalli Antoinette Sunseri Rosie Mammini Shirley Silva		SANTA CLARA VALLEY DISTRICT Santa Clara Valley District Santa Clara Valley District Br. 28 Br. 28 Br. 191 Br. 368 Br. 391 Br. 391 Br. 408 Br. 435 Br. 445 Br. 445
Faith Blanchard Garrett Christiansen Isabella Magnani Hanna Wales Madison Foppiano Hunter Irons Kyle Stewart Samantha Gambonini Luke Ronshausen Sarah Sarlatte Alyssa Pedicino Elisa Barbagelata Katie Bjornstrom Kaitlyn Curry Nicholas Girimonte O'Callaghan Liu Ethan Logan	Louise Vicino Louise Vicino Louise, Margaret and Christine Scinto Joseph, Irene and Jerre Paolini Richard Carrera Peter and Juliette Barbieri Norman and Rose Anne Sikes Frank Castelli	Past Members of Br. 18 Past Members of Br. 18 Past Members of Br. 18 Angelo Leone Giacomo Manni	SANTA ROSA DISTRICT Santa Rosa District Br. 18 (Closing Donation) Br. 18 (Closing Donation) Br. 18 (Closing Donation) Br. 52 Br. 52 Br. 75 Br. 127 Br. 127 Br. 127 Br. 144 Br. 198 Br. 198 Br. 198 Br. 198 Br. 198 Br. 198



2021 First Year Scholarship Winners

NAME	IN MEMORY OF	BRANCH/DISTRICT/INDIVIDUAL
William Schettler Connor Walsh	Frank Costaglio Aldo and Mary Desideri	Br. 198 Br. 198
Elisa Karin Grim Victoria Rinaldo		STOCKTON DISTRICT Stockton District Br. 390
Francesca Dreher John Wall		INDIVIDUALS The Antonowicz Family - Br. 184/Br. 191 The Antonowicz Family - Br. 184/Br. 191 The Botta Family - Br. 14 Chris and Virginia Bottino - Br. 432 The Albert and Rina Brocchini Family Foundation Louise DeTomasi - Br. 14 Family and Friends - Br. 91 Family and Friends - Br. 91 Family and Friends - Br. 91 Family and Friends - Br. 91 The Dooley Family - Br. 14 Kathleen Scesa Dorr Robert Grassilli, Jr. Robert Grassilli, Jr. Robert Grassilli, Jr. Larry and Carmen Kilcullen - Br. 52 Family and Friends - Br. 391 Family and Friends - Br. 391 Rose Mangini - Br. 50 Jim Muglie - Br. 91 Virginia Coe Orlando - Br. 21 The Risso Family Leonard and Karen Rossi - Br. 343 Michael and Donna Santich - Br. 91 Michael and Donna Santich - Br. 91 Jean and Bob Segale The Segale Family The Segale Family
Angelina Del Monte Thomas Ryan Chiesa Stephanie Franzia Joshua Versace Emma Crump Olivia Crump Turner Crump Caroline DeSousa Aidan Dooley Tianah Cecilia Vitorino Zoey Belliveau Isabella Caso Mason Spounias Hannah Dal Ponte Evan Richard Clarke Bryson Crema Alexandra Gregorio Melanie Plasse Dominic Andrew Bokulich Olivia Pera Luke Olmos Devin Campbell Cordelia Henrie Antonio Aldo Silva Olivia Dowling Arianna Topaz Tillman	David Botta Alice Providenza Bottino Albert and Rina Brocchini Donald DeTomasi Theresa Dianda Theresa Dianda Theresa Dianda Theresa Dianda James F. Dooley Frank and Helen Scesa Marie Grassilli Anna Oliva Robert Grassilli Leo and Ila Kilcullen Sal Lipari Sal Lipari Luigi and Rosa Mangini Theresa Dianda John Orlando Covid-19 Victims Nello and Cookie Rossi Robert and Theresa Dianda Martin and Rose Santich Lola and Sam J. Parrinello Mary and Bill Segale Mary and Bill Segale	

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

Central Coast District: Br. 51, Jennifer Etow and Family - In Memory of Carl Frederick Schaarschmidt, Richard and Valerie Vote (Br. 21/Br. 227) - In Memory of The Rovera and Sarale Families; **Contra Costa District:** Br. 72 and The Cabral Family (Br. 14) - In Memory of David Botta; **East Bay District:** Br. 91, Mr. and Mrs. John Cardinalli (Br. 285) - In Memory of Phyllis Boccoleri, Mr. and Mrs. John Cardinalli - In Memory of Liz Carrano, Mr. and Mrs. John Cardinalli - In Memory of Eleanor Simi, Irene Sarubbi - In Memory of Rich Graham and Laurie Voisinet - In Memory of Andy and Bea Bianco; **Fresno District:** Br. 281; **Los Angeles Archdiocese District:** Br. 317; **San Francisco District:** Mary C. Perata (Br. 258) - In Memory of Reverend Monsignor Joseph Milani; **San Mateo District:** Br. 173; **Santa Clara Valley District:** Officers/Members of Br. 184 - In Memory of Bob Cowan, Bob Basuino (Br. 191) - In Honor of the 90th Birthday of Josephine Bertaccini, Judy and Sam Bozzo (Br. 28) - In Memory of Inez Guerriero, Judy and Sam Bozzo - In Memory of Anita Zanardi, Shirley Catania (Br. 191) - In Memory of Tom Howden, John G. and Kim Filice (Br. 28) - In Memory of Roland Codiga, Aldine Grisenti (Br. 191) - In Memory of Tom Howden, Bob and Elaine Osorio (Br. 368) - In Honor of the Wedding Anniversary of Joan and Jerry Delfino, Richard Pfaff (Br. 445) - In Memory of Bette Di Girolamo, Richard and Donna Pfaff (Br. 184/Br. 445) - In Memory of Cecile Weisner and Diana and Al Vallorz (Br. 391) - In Memory of Carl Rossi; **Santa Rosa District:** Br. 103, Br. 145 and Br. 209; **Stockton District:** Br. 48 and Br. 413; **Out of Area:** John and Barbara Raffaelli - In Memory of Lena Rosellini.

Congratulations!

Branch Reports

SAN FRANCISCO

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

Dear Members:

Still no activity due to COVID-19.

Please return ICF Raffle tickets per the instructions given.

Thank you

Stay safe!

Ciao!

Toni Morsello

San Francisco Br. 258, St. Elizabeth

We regret we will not be able to send a delegate to the convention on September 3, 2021. We cannot afford to do so financially. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic we were unable to have our Champagne Bingo in 2020 as our fundraiser.

We are happy to report that Florence Mangion is recovering nicely. Florence, you are in our prayers for a speedy recovery. We sure miss you.

Please remember our ill and deceased members in your prayers.

To our members celebrating a birthday in July--many more years of Much Happiness and Good Health.

Please stay well and happy. We miss all of you and love you.

Ciao,

Eva Perata, President

SAN MATEO

Burlingame Br. 173, Our Lady of Angels

Many of us are looking forward to summer and being able to be around friends we have missed seeing since 2019. We will be happy to celebrate the 4th of July and thankful we are able to feel more relaxed since getting our vaccine. We were able to hold our first in person meeting on May 13, 2021. Our next meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2021 and we are still restricted to 20 members on a RSVP basis. Once we meet our maximum we will no longer accept reservations. At the June meeting we will be voting on the amount we will be giving Central Council for Gifts of Love and Cooley's Anemia charities.

Reminder: Please send in your raffle tickets and our Branch sat together at

Saturday Evening Mass on June 12.

Even though we are looking forward to more events in 2021, we deeply regret the loss of two of our long-standing members: Steve Martinelli and Joe Malta. Please keep in mind their families. Also, our sick members: Mary Bodisco, Anthony Bruno's daughter, Anita Cecena, Elena Malta, Lorraine Rollandi and those in the ICF that need our prayers.

We can't forget our fathers living or deceased whose fond memories will always be with us. Happy Father's Day!

God Bless,
Roz Emery

Millbrae Br. 403, St. Dunstan

We hope that you all had a wonderful Father's Day and that you did NOT have to settle for doing so via Zoom or Face Time, but in "real time" --together! We are still not having meetings, but are planning to start again soon. Have a joyous Fourth of July and remember why we celebrate it: It's not just about hot dogs & fireworks but an acknowledgement of the formal statement, written by Thomas Jefferson and adopted July 4, 1776 by the Second Continental Congress, declaring the 13 original American colonies free and independent of Great Britain. This Declaration of Independence stands as our call to arms against tyranny--including religious tyranny! So, as we gather together with family and friends, let us celebrate this 245th birthday of our nation safely, joyfully, and reverently.

Finally, in recognition of the difficulties in creating the perfect church bulletin, here is one that obviously had "help" from spell-check: "Pot-luck supper Sunday at 5:00 PM---prayer and medication to follow."

Ciao a tutti,
Adonna Amoroso
Corresponding Secretary

MARIN

Larkspur Br. 161, St. James

Each year we offer a Mass and Spuntino to the ICF First Year Scholarship recipients. It gives our members a chance to meet them and hear about their plans for the future. We look forward to next year when we can resume our regular schedule.

Our recipients this year are two girls from Marin Catholic High School, Sophia Stiker and Sophia Tassone. They are the daughters of our members Leigh Ann Stiker and Joe Tassone. Sophia Stiker will attend UCLA studying Business Economics, and Sophia Tassone will attend San Jose State University studying Design.

This past June 9th was the 59th Anniversary of our branch. Five charter members are still members: Ralph and Margaret DeRango, Silvia Gardin and Arnie and Lois Pieri. Ralph and Arnie are Past Presidents. Silvia grew up in the ICF. Her parents Edith and Pompeo Gardin and her aunt Florence Falvey were members.

Thank you for purchasing the ICF raffle tickets.

Our deepest condolences to Cynthia Rovero and her family on the death of her husband Dave. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Please continue to pray for our sick members and hope everyone will be back to good health real soon.

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

Anna Biggio

Recording Secretary

LOS ANGELES ARCHDIOCESE District Council

Summer greetings to you all. Happy July and Happy Independence Day! Happy days are here again.

Last month the district got together for the first time in many months. We held our district meeting at the San Antonio Winery, our favorite district meeting spot, on June 26 and got right back into action. It was great seeing everyone again. We discussed what to do for our Bishop and Seminarian Day luncheon which is normally held in November and we are looking towards 2022 on when and where to hold the next Officers Installation.

I don't know what the plans are as of right now for the Cooley's Children Christmas party until I hear from Laurice. Let's hope we can have it this year. One thing is clear, if we do have it, it won't be the same without our dear friend and Santa--Steve, we will miss you.

I hope you have your rooms booked for the convention, I know I do. I will be hosting the LA District hospitality room again, with plenty of wine, snacks, desserts and goodies. I hope you all can make it.

So, enjoy your summer, stay safe, stay cool, and safe travels.

God Bless.

Perry Shurko, LA District President.

Los Angeles Br. 67, St. Peter

ICF National Branch 67 is a virtual branch that reaches out to members and non members who do not have an ICF in their area and would like be a part of the ICF Family. We also would like to have your input as we continue to develop this branch online.

Visit ICF.org and select ICF National Branch 67 for more information. You are welcome to join us at ICFNationalBranch67.org and complete the application process.

COVID-19 is a challenge and an opportunity to understand what is important in each of our lives. ICF may be just the place for you as we are multi cultural-based organization focusing on Faith, Family, Fellowship and Food.

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.

Keep safe and Stay healthy,
Carmelo Sabatella, AIA, President
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for August/Sept. Issue
is August 1st.
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Br. 67, St. Peter's Italian Catholic Church

South Pasadena Br. 108, Holy Family

On June 8, 2021 our Branch held its June Officers Meeting via Zoom to review Branch events over the next few months. Our annual Branch Picnic and General Meeting is scheduled for June 27th outside the Holy Family Church Parish Hall and we will continue to schedule in-person events as the law allows and to meet virtually or in-person to discuss and encourage participation and donations to help our various charities.

Our prayers go out to the family of Charlene and Steve Drobeck for the loss of a great ICF Member, Branch Deputy and overall beautiful human being. Steve will also be remembered as our beloved Santa Claus.

Please continue to pray for the speedy resolution of the present COVID-19 crisis and

keep our sick members in your prayers for a speedy recovery; and to our former Branch members who recently gone to their eternal reward. May they rest in peace.

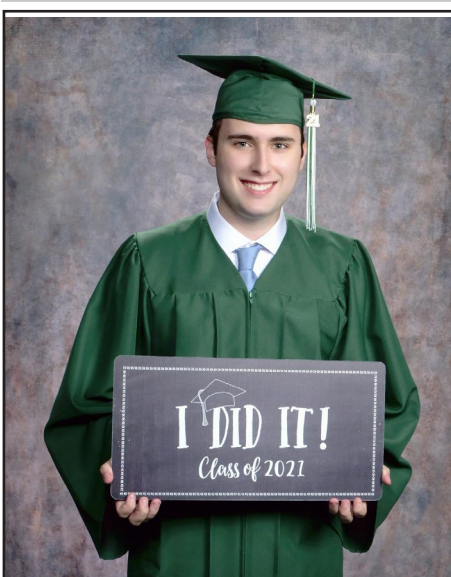
*Keep safe and stay healthy,
Carmelo Sabatella, AIA, Past President
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Montebello Br. 111, St. Benedict

Ciao a Tutti. A warm hello to everyone. We hope everyone is staying healthy. As you may know, we will not have a July general meeting. Best Wishes for a great summer to all of you.

Due to a fireworks shortage this year, TNT Fireworks recommended and we agreed to cancel this year's Fireworks Stand event, which we have operated the last few years together with St. Benedict's Knights of Columbus.

We will be planning a Branch Picnic in July. A flyer will be sent out with the date and additional details.



Br. 111, Matthew Cameron - College Scholarship Winner

Congratulations to Matthew Ewan Cameron from the South High School in Torrance who won the Branch's \$400 College Scholarship. Matt plans to attend Loyola Marymount University and major in Environmental Science.

Based on our review of the ICF scholarship applications and essays we received from graduating St. Benedict School students, we have two winners of the \$400 ICF Phillip Pace Jr. Scholarships--Andres Flores and Sophia Vasquez. Our President, Frank Salomone, presented the scholarships at the St. Benedict School graduation ceremony on June 25. Both Andres Flores and Sophia Vasquez plan to attend Cantwell Sacred Heart of Mary High School in Montebello.

Our August General Meeting, if permitted, will be on Thursday, August 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Augustine House, 200 N. 12th Street, in Montebello. After the meeting, we will have cake to celebrate the birthdays of all the members that we have missed the past several months.

We pray for our sick members and those in need; keep them in our thought and prayers.

*Ciao! A presto.
Frank Salomone*

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

The month of July brings great news of restrictions loosening up! While we still await news of when we can host meetings, our parish has decided to proceed with a smaller version of our annual fiesta!

Four dinners have been planned for Fridays in the month of July and will be sponsored by the various church societies. Our branch together with the St Ann Society and the Trappeto club will host A Taste of Italy on July 9th. Menu consists of salad, stuffed pasta shells, eggplant, meatballs, sausage, a roll and cannoli for dessert. Price is \$25.00 adults \$10.00 children. Dinners will be available for purchase only through presale. Contact Neal for tickets 310 433-1044. Meals can be taken to go (4:30 to 6 p.m.) or dine in (5 to 7 p.m.)

Bingo to follow each dinner at 7:30 p.m. Please check parish bulletin for more details regarding bingo and other dinners.

Our branch will be making meatballs on July 8th at 6:30 p.m. in the parish center. Volunteers are needed. If you would like to help, call Neal at 310 433-1044 I know many of you can't wait to get back to the good works of our branch! Let the fun begin!

Annual St John Joseph of the Cross mass is scheduled for August 21st at 10 a.m. Festivities are pending. I hope to see you there!

*Blessed Father's Day to all!
Anita Trujillo Treasurer*



Br. 111, Birthday Luncheon



Br. 111, Birthday Luncheon



Br. 111 - Group Luncheon to celebrate January-May 2021 Birthdays



Glendora Br. 179, St. Dorothy

On Thursday, May 20, our branch held a successful Zoom meeting. Most all of our members were there. It was great "seeing" everyone, and catching up. During the meeting, we planned our first live, in-person, outdoor General Meeting! So exciting to be back! As none of us had our normal Christmas, we are having a Christmas Eve in June Party! Everyone is asked to bring a traditional Christmas Eve dish to share. And, we'll have a White Elephant Gift Exchange, bocce, and corn hole. Look for lots of pictures next month.

*God's blessings.
Patricia Auriemmo
Recording/Corresponding Secretary*

Arcadia Br. 218, Holy Angels

Again, we would like to thank everyone that helped make our clothing drive and sandwich sale successful. Because of the funds raised, we were able to award two scholarships of \$500 each to two Holy Angels students. At this time, we do not know their names and will publish them in next month's article.

The branch board will be meeting soon and decide on when and where to have our regular meeting. Watch for your newsletter regarding this.

*Hope everyone had a safe and fun 4th of July.
See everyone soon--Lolly M.*

Patrick M. Roemer



B.A. Ancient Near East And Egyptology



UCLA Class of 2021

Diamond Bar Br. 317, St. Denis

Ciao from Branch 317 in Diamond Bar!!

We hope that this finds you All safe and well.

Not much has been going on with Branch 317 due to the Pandemic/Shut down. Hopefully we'll be back "up and running" soon.

We are Very Happy to Announce the College Graduation of one of our past ICF Scholarship recipients (Class of 2017), Patrick M Roemer. Patrick is graduated from UCLA on June 11, 2021 with a BA in AN N E (Ancient Near East and Egyptology). On June 4th he received his Chord and Pin from the Advanced Academic Program. He will be going on to get his Masters of Arts in Education at the University of La Verne. He is planning on applying to the Pomona and Walnut Unified School Districts for his student teaching. Patrick, the St Denis ICF is Extremely Proud of you (And so am I).

Buona fortuna per il tuo futuro!
Pamela-Anne Roemer
President, Branch 317
St Denis, Diamond Bar

Claremont Br. 319, Our Lady of the Assumption

Dear members,

Summer time is here, warm weather and outdoor fun. With the regulations lifted for California, we will be able to do more outdoor activities. Take it slow and safe. The ICF will be having it's convention in Santa Clara on Sept 3 to Sept 5th

At this time of writing, we're still not knowing the church restrictions and when we will be having meetings or fundraising events. More to follow.

Hope to see you soon
Stay well and safe
God bless
Andrea Linn Pres

Downey Br. 362, St. Raymond

Hello everyone. It's now July and the state of California should be opened up completely now. HURRAH for that. I'm praying that everything keeps going the way it should be and we are able to enjoy a somewhat normal life again, without masks. We are moving forward and getting back into action.

Last month we held our first in-person meeting since March of 2020, and it was exciting to see everyone and to be able to plan our first Bingo in a very long time. Yes, Bingo is back. I know a lot of our regular Bingo players are excited to start playing again.

Join us on July 25 in the Monsignor Gipson Hall for lunch and Bingo. The 2021 Convention will be held during Labor Day weekend but will be shortened a day and end on Sunday. The convention is in the Santa Clara district at the Santa Clara Marriott. Let's do our part by selling all of our books of raffle tickets. Remember that we get to keep \$10 from every book sold.

We lost a dear friend recently, and an amazing great guy. Steve we will miss you dearly. You kept us laughing and you brought so much joy to all of the kids when you played Santa Claus. RIP Steve.

I want to wish you all a very Happy Independence Day. Let's have fun and keep it safe out there.

Enjoy the summer and keep cool and hydrated.

Have a great month.

Perry Shurko, President Branch 362

Rancho Palos Verdes Br. 444, St. John Fisher

June 5th was a special day for Branch 444. We met together for the largest (socially distant) group gathering since February of 2020. Fifteen members congregated at scenic Hess Park which sits adjacent to sweeping ocean views. The weather was beautiful on this breezy, sunny day, as we joined together in the spirit of love and community! Members formed a circle with their lawn chairs, shared updates from their past year, and caught up on what is happening in the larger, ICF community while eating lunch or a snack. The Good of the Order was led by Marianne Canetti and intentions were broad as we

prayed for members and their families, some who are suffering long-term effects of COVID, others that are struggling with long-term health challenges. We discussed our charitable donations, discussed the upcoming convention and sold convention raffle ticket books. We also held a door prize raffle for all attendees and we had three winners: Marianne Canetti, Bruno Vieri, and Guido Frassenelli.

We look forward to meeting again in person at our church St. John Fisher but until then, we will next meet via Zoom on July 8th at 7pm. Be on the lookout for an email reminder from Hany Francis. We look forward to seeing you!

Respectfully submitted,
Carol J. Piccirillo, Trustee

OAKLAND EAST BAY District Council

Well we are still in a holding pattern awaiting the Bishop's OK to begin face to face meetings.

So far the fundraisers by the Branches have been quite successful. We can be thankful that our parishes are supportive of our activities.

Pres. Lisa would like to remind the branches that we need to sell those Raffle tickets. Remember this is a very easy fundraiser since a part of the money remains with the branch.

A Happy and Safe 4th of July!
God Bless America,
Pat Grasso, Dist. Sec



Br. 444, St. John Fisher, Branch 444 Outdoor Gathering

Alameda Br. 10, Nostra Signora Delle Grazie

The recipients of our four Dave Rose Memorial Scholarships have been selected. They are Kevin Nguyen and Natalie Wright of Saint Joseph Elementary School and Oliver Suer and Amanda Wheeler of Saint Philip Neri School. The awardees are selected by the principal and teachers of their respective schools.

The scholarships are in the amount \$500.00 each and are presented to two graduates of each of the two Catholic grammar schools in Alameda who will enter a Catholic high school in August. All four of this year's winners are staying on the island and will attend Saint Joseph Notre Dame High School of Alameda.

We initiated new members at our Zoom general meeting on July 2. Thanks to our president, James McGee, for bringing in 11 new members. Branch and District mentor Fran LaTorre administered the ICF oath.

At the time this article was submitted we were planning for our annual barbecue. The date has been changed to Saturday, July 24.

Also on our calendar is the annual ravioli dinner scheduled for October 16.

Further in the future is our Christmas party. Santa Claus has already promised to visit us.

Oakland Br. 91, St. Lawrence O'Toole

Ciao ICF Members,

We hope that this finds you vaccinated and finally getting out!!

Though there have been some changes this past year due to the loss of members Theresa Dianda and Rich Graham, we have been holding our own, yet it is still at a distance.

We have not yet stopped the social restrictions, yet we are still supporting our charities. We were able to donate to the 1st year scholarship earlier but found that we wanted to do more.

So, we decided to host a virtual raffle and auctioned a one of a kind sterling silver cross necklace with the ICF logo, made by Donovan & Maggiora Co. At the last minute we added a runner up prize, a pin. Hopeful participants came from all over our branch, the Bay Area and even Southern California. The raffle ran for the entire month of May.

The tickets were \$5.00 and the total amount raised was \$725.00.

The winners were picked by a neutral nonmember during Zoom meeting for the public to see. Winners were notified immediately.

Though we were late for The Bolletino, we used the ICF Facebook page, emails and letters to get the word out.



ICF Fundraiser Winners



The raffle was a great way to raise our charity money and this idea may work for other branches!

What an idea, to tap into creations that branch members make and hold your own raffle-even if it has to be virtual!

*Everyone wins!
Cordiali saluti,
Jo-Ann Maggiora Donivan
President*

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Br.91, ICF New Cross 2021 Fundraiser

Fremont Br. 215, St. Francis of Assisi

Branch 215 has been recently blessed with 2 new members, Debbie Nunes and Mr. Tong. Our wonderful First Vice President, James McGee, recruited his cousin and one of his neighbors. Thank you so much James and welcome Debbie and Mr. Tong!

Two of our members approached President Fran with a wonderful idea for social meetings separate from our regular business meetings. This was something done by branches years ago when the ICF first began. On July 25, we will initiate our new members at a lunch hosted by John and Shirley DeLucchi. John even promised that we might even be able to play bocce ball!

We hope to have further social meetings focusing on the food, drink and customs of a particular region. We can certainly enjoy viewing the DVD portraying the life of Mother Cabrini provided by the Los Angeles ICF District.

At this time, I need to make a slight correction to information given in our June Bolletino article regarding our Bingo Luncheon in October. That date will be Thursday, 10/7/2021, not Saturday, 10/09/2021.

Lastly, let us wish Happy Birthday to our July birthday babies, Ralph Marinelli and Gloria Pianetta. Amazingly their birthdays are just two days apart.

Congrats to any children or grandchildren of members who have graduated high school and/or college. To those celebrating wedding anniversaries, many blessings and many more years together.

*Sincerely,
Fran LaTorre
President, ICF Br. 215/Fremont*

Livermore Br. 285, St. Filomena

For many of us, it's been a long time since we opened a meeting with the ICF Federation Salute. July 4th is a reminder of this part of the Salute: "As citizens or residents of this country, - we promise loyalty and respect to the American flag." Our families came from Italy to live in America "and become Americans" while loving and honoring the land of our ancestors." This creed should be a beacon for all faiths and ethnic backgrounds. Happy 4th!!

Ted Tinges, a former Br. 285 member, has passed. We will miss him and his sense of humor. Our condolences and love goes to his wife, Beverly.

Our members cleverly came up with a fundraising and a members social event that could be held during these restricted times. A local restaurant, Strizzis of Pleasanton, donated a percentage of sales from ICF members and supporters' meals on Tuesday, June 29. Good food and proceeds for charity--hard to beat combination in these times. The members social was held at the grotto at St. Augustine's Church, Pleasanton. It was a box lunch event orchestrated by our President Judy Wellbeloved. The lunch was special and delicious. Thank you, Judy. And, what a heart-warming feeling it is when you can see and talk to your many ICF friends after more than a year. Father Mark and Father Fili spent time with us too which made our first gathering together even more special. The whole event motivated us to get together again as an ICF family.

*Thank you Lord.
Ciao, Charles*



Branch 285 member's social at St. Augustine's

ICF Central Council Ways and Means Committee

in Conjunction with the Golf Tournament invites you on

Saturday, July 31, 2021 to join us at either

Wine Tasting in the World Famous
Dry Creek Valley



OR

Antiquing in the quaint shops around
Healdsburg Plaza



Itinerary

- 10:00 a.m. All meet at St. John's Church, corner of Matheson and East Streets in Healdsburg.
Wine Tasters follow each other to Dry Creek Valley.
Antiquers can either walk to Healdsburg Plaza from the Church or drive the few blocks.
- 10:30 a.m. Wine tasters meet at Saini Vineyards for a private tasting & vineyard tour with the owners.
- 11:30 a.m. Visit the Orsi Family Winery for private tasting in their cellars with the Wine Club Manager.
- 12:30 p.m. Antiquers & Wine Tasters will meet at the Orsi Family Winery & enjoy a box lunch from Costeaux Bakery. Stay after lunch and enjoy the Visitors Center or drive to Lake Sonoma Overlook

Cost (includes Box Lunch)

Wine Tasting	\$55 per person
Antiquers	\$25 per person

Page 2 is your reservation form and box lunch choice.
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SALAMI

Ciabatta roll, dry salami, house made pesto, tomato, lettuce, jarlsburg cheese

Quantity: _____

TURKEY

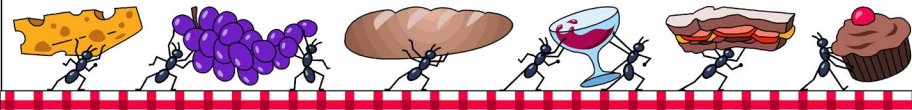
Croissant, roasted turkey, avocado, lettuce, tomato

Quantity: _____

VEGETABLE

Multigrain roll, grilled vegetables, roasted red bell pepper, goat cheese, house made pesto, lettuce, tomato

Quantity: _____



Name: _____ E-Mail: _____

Address, City, State & Zip _____

Phone#: _____

Number of Guests Antiquing @ \$25 per person _____ Total: _____

Number of Guests Wine Tasting @ \$55 per person _____ Total: _____

The Wonder of it all. **LIFE LINE**

By Msgr. Cardelli

*Baby sleeping securely over father's
shoulder in a noisy crowd.*



Castro Valley Br. 343, Our Lady of Grace

It was a chilly, windy evening, but we were able to recite the Rosary in Parson's Park on the feast of Our Lady of Fatima. We were joined by some members of our parish, which made it a more complete activity.

So far we have been successful with our restaurant sharing and are planning one for July and maybe one for August. Since we all have to eat we plan to make these a success also.

The big news is that our July meeting will be outdoors at Adobe Park, so we can actually see each other and enjoy the company. Hopefully we are saying good-bye to Zoom!

The raffle books are out and we need to sell as many as possible. This is also a very easy fundraiser as part of the money from each book sold stay with the branch. Pres. Mike will be our delegate at the convention, since it is close others may like to join for the day/evening.

*Here's to a Happy and Safe July 4th.
God Bless the USA!*

*Pat Grasso,
Branch Sec.*

CONTRA COSTA District

Happy Independence Day! Hoping you are enjoying the July 4th festivities and getting back to gathering with family and friends.

Our district officers voted to have our annual ICF picnic this year. Patty will explore park options and send email invitations to the eight branches in our district with all the details. We are planning a barbecue, raffle, and bocce.

We will have our District Mass followed by brunch in the fall. More details forthcoming.

We are pleased to announce that Rosemary Cook from Branch 13, Martinez is running for Central Council. We offer best wishes to her. You can visit her at the Meet the Candidates event at the Annual Convention opening event on Friday evening.

Thanks to Jim Jarrett who is our new mentor for the Danville branch. We now have filled seven of our eight mentor positions. The Martinez branch mentor position is still open. If interested, contact Rose Jarrett by email: angels8199@aol.com.

*Diana Letizia Mackinson
First Vice President
Contra Costa District*



Martinez Br. 13, San Martino

We celebrate the federal holiday in the United States commemorating the Declaration of Independence of the United States on July 4, 1776 with rest and sunshine—this year on a weekend.

Branch 13 is celebrating summer, a somewhat relaxed unencumbered summer while also gearing up to support its member, Rosemary Cook, in her campaign for Central Council this fall.

We congratulate this former Young Adult Leader Recipient's initiative and dedication to the ICF and her desire to lend her strengths to the council. Pray for her as she undertakes this journey; and, we invite this year's delegates to get to know her and her goals at the convention. We may be biased, but we think she'll be an effective member given the chance.

*Ciao for now
Mary Cook*

Crockett Br. 14, San Carlo

Ciao Amici!

July is a time to remember the sacrifices made by our Founding Fathers and Immigrant Ancestors. Large numbers of immigrants (mostly Italian, Irish, and German) began arriving in the US in the late 1800s. These early immigrants provided the labor for American factories and mines, and helped build our roads, dams, tunnels, buildings, and homes. They truly built America.

This month, we celebrate three important birthdays that seem to have something in common; Courage, Freedom, and Opportunity.

First, we celebrate the birthday of our great country on July 4th, and reflect on the Courage of those who fought so hard for the rights we enjoy today.

Next, we celebrate the 94th 'birthday' of our Branch 14, and remember that

without religious Freedom, we would not have the ICF.

And finally, we celebrate the 100th birthday of Pauline Cardoza. As a second-generation Sicilian American, Pauline's parents took a tremendous leap of faith to come to, and contribute to our land of Opportunity. (Pauline is our longest-standing branch member at 55 years).

We send our get well wishes to Marty DeVenture and Mary Pallio. We hope you are on the mend and look forward to seeing you soon!

Sadly, we recently lost a dear friend, Laurie Taylor. Laurie happily served as our Scholarship Chairperson for many years. We will remember her laughter and smiling face. Please pray for Laurie and her family.

Finally, don't forget to mark your calendars for the July 25th 'surprise event'. You won't want to miss it!

*Happy Independence Day!
Blessings,
~Helen*

Pittsburg Br. 72, San Domenico

It is exciting that we are meeting in person again. At our meeting we confirmed our delegate to represent us at the convention. Roselynn is convention director and has been working on every detail. The Santa Clara Valley District will host a welcome dinner. On Friday the opening ceremony will take place. There will be workshops, general session, election of Central Council and Mass throughout the weekend. We offer Martinez member Rosemary Cook the best of luck as she runs for the Central Council.

On June 27 we enjoyed our annual picnic and pool party hosted by Joann. I am writing this early June so I will give a report next month.

We will join the District picnic. Watch for the invitation sent with our newsletter and details for our next meeting.

Remember to send convention raffle stubs and check to Helen by August 10.

Happy 4th of July. Please tell your families to stay out of the streets and away from fireworks. A family friend died last year as he lit fireworks for his family. Be safe!

*That is all for now. As we say in Pittsburgh, Sempre Avanti.
Your President, Patty*

Concord Br. 214, Todos Santos

Ciao a tutti:

I hope you are all well and hopefully on the 15th of June more things will open up and we will have the option of wearing masks.

A celebration of life, for Ed Lexon, (one year anniversary) will be held at St. Agnes Church on June 12th. He was a long time devoted member of our branch and is truly missed. After the service, we are holding another branch meeting at our presidents house, Roberta Healy.

The last meeting was a success and hopefully more members will attend. We still have books of raffle tickets to sell for the convention. Each book is \$20 and our branch keeps half of the proceeds. Please contact Roberta to purchase a book. The deadline is August 1st.

Please continue to pray for an end to this terrible virus and hopefully we can return to some normalcy in our lives. We continue to honor our first responders who have sacrificed so much to help the sick, and their families.

Please enjoy Father's Day with your loved ones. Every father deserves to be honored especially those who we have lost.

*Stay well and healthy.
Ciao for now
Norene DeLuca*



Happy 100th Birthday Pauline Cardoza from Branch 14, Crockett. We wish you continued good health and more fun times ahead. Congratulations!!!

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Brentwood Br. 432, Immaculate Heart of Mary

We celebrated Memorial Day on May 31. We recognize all service men and women who died in the service of our country as well as those who are still serving now. We owe them all a huge THANK YOU! The number of veterans who survived WWII and the Korean War grows smaller each day. Therefore, whenever you see a veteran wearing a hat, indicating he or she has served in WWII or the Korean War, please acknowledge them with a "THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE." Let's not forget their bravery.

In May, one of our long-standing members, Richard Grimes, passed away and is now with Our Lord. Richard was a devoted Catholic and committed to the ICF. He wrote articles for the Bollettino, and his wife, Grace, was the ICF secretary for several years. You could always depend on Richard to volunteer, especially when there was a need to help with the ICF Pancake Breakfast. At all of ICF's fundraisers, Richard was the ICF's bartender, which he loved to do! He was helpful to all new incoming ICF members. Not only was he a devoted member of the ICF, he also was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary's Knights of Columbus for 15 plus years and served as an officer in the Knights. Richard worked the IHM Friday night Fish Fry in Lent. Richard Grimes will be sadly missed by ALL Immaculate Heart of Mary parishioners.

As June 15th approaches, the ICF began planning next years' fundraisers for scholarships, Sunday morning "free" pancake breakfasts, our annual car show, and our murder mystery dinner event.

Pleasant Hill Br. 442, Christ the King

Happy Fourth of July! The fun never ends for Branch 442! With Diana Mackinson as President, the activities and accompanying meals are always entertaining and creative. The monthly meetings continue to be themed and the cuisine is designed to match the flair of the meeting.



For our June gathering, the members met in the Christ the King Church amphitheater for burger and fries box lunches from In-N-Out. Those who attended had a great time! Because of vacations, there will not be a meeting in July, but meetings will resume in August, with the date set now for Tuesday, August 17, 6:30 p.m. Diana said that this meeting will have a Hawaiian theme, and pizza and salad will be the fare for the evening. Everyone is asked to wear their "Aloha" wear. More details are forthcoming as the date nears.

Please continue to purchase convention raffle tickets. There are still plenty to be sold. Our branch benefits from the sales, too – 50%!

*Allora, finalmente siamo alla fine.
Ci vediamo quando siamo piu' vecchi,
Teri Martinucci Hurlbut*

BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sacramento Br. 45, St. Mary

As things begin to open up again, we are anxious for the day when we can have our famous Chicken and Polenta dinners again. I am awaiting direction from the Diocese and Parish on the opening of the Hall for events in the near future.

The Branch awarded scholarships in May to two graduating 8th graders from St. Mary Parish School and one First Year Scholarship for a graduating high school senior.

Congratulations to Rebecca Ielati from St. Francis High School on the First Year Scholarship. Rebecca is a member of the Branch and will be attending California State University, Sacramento.

Congratulations to Sophia Cignarella and Rocco Giordano our 8th grade scholarship winners. Sophia will be attending St. Francis High School and Rocco will be attending Christian Brothers High School. We look forward to Branch members meeting all winners at our first post-COVID dinner event whenever that can be scheduled.

A special "thank you" to the 8th Grade Scholarship donors: Lee Bennett for the Shirley Pasquini Bennett Scholarship in memory of his wife, Shirley and Don Pasquini for the Leda Pasquini Scholarship in memory of his and Shirley's mother Leda, a longtime member of our Branch. Your continued support for students at the Parish School is greatly appreciated.

I hope that all members and their families remain healthy and free of the virus. I look forward to us getting together hopefully in the Fall. Stay safe.

Ciao, Janine

Auburn Br. 342, St. Joseph

Hello,

A big thank you to all those who purchased tickets for our June drive thru dinner. A big thank you also goes to MaryAnn, Adriana, Judith, Sabrina, Geri, and Carol who worked so hard to make this a successful event.

We hope you will be able to join us July 17th for our Annual Picnic at Auburn Recreational Park. We will meet from 11 to 3. We all really miss each other and would like to get together and socialize. Members will be asked to provide their own chairs, blankets, food and drinks. The branch hopes to be able to provide an ice cream cups. Please call MaryAnn Mikles (916)759-8466 or Bridget Piziali (530)906-0634 to make your reservations.

*Ciao!
Pam Andersen*

SANTA ROSA District Council

Dear Members,

We are now already in the month of June and I am hoping somewhere or at sometime soon we can get together. We are all mature enough to realize that our responsibility is too distance and stay masked.

Right now we are all mourning the loss of our former District Council president, Bill Scinto. There will always be a terrible void but time heals and we must be strong to carry on in his footsteps. Let us remember him in our prayers.

*Sincerely,
Marilyn Sylvestri
Santa Rosa District Council*

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Healdsburg Br. 52, San Francesco di Sales

We hope everyone is having a good summer and hopefully beginning to emerge from our houses.

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, July 10: ICF Monthly Mass. 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 10: ICF Monthly Meeting. 6:00 p.m. in the rectory.

Sunday, October 10: Br. 52 Golf Tournament! Our popular golf tournament returns to Tayman Park Golf Course. More details later.

Saturday, November 13: Polenta Dinner! Our very popular polenta dinner is back! Dinner will be held inside the Activity Center. More details in the coming months.

We are planning to be back on schedule in 2022 with Polenta dinners and Fish Fry.

Please send in your raffle tickets, if you have not already done so. The deadline is August 1. So far, about 40 books have been purchased. Thank You!

The officers thank all our members for your continued support of Br. 52 during the pandemic.

*Happy Fourth of July!
Lauren Kilcullen*



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Br. 75, L'Annunciata

The Ravens were screeching yesterday; I looked out and, once again, there was a large black bird in my St. Francis fountain, too weak to fly away. His family was not happy!

We are not happy either! Monday, we suffered the loss of beloved Bill Scinto who came to our Branch each year to cook our Corned Beef and Cabbage St. Patrick's Day dinner for no other reason than to be our friend and be with his cousin, Robert Aquistapache. This is a huge loss to ICF as he wore many hats in the organization. I know he's in the arms of Jesus, but, he will be sorely missed!

My bird flew away after a day of rest and recuperation. Last year it took almost a week. Our Branch Secretary, Ron Brown, had a lengthy surgery yesterday and is recuperating at home. Our Branch President, Claudia Cuneo, will have surgery later this month. May she experience the same excellent care and resiliency as Ron!

Other members of our ICF family have experienced physical challenges and battled back from them over the past year. Like a bunch of screeching Ravens we've been praying them through these difficulties. Our Heavenly Father has taken care of them.

Diane Heckenberg, our "sunshine girl" has been busy with outreach whenever she's informed. If she's neglected anyone, please forgive us! Communication tends to break down when there is no formal meeting. Our meeting is postponed pending the successful outcome of Claudia's surgery!!!

We have joy, too! There are graduation celebrations, birthday parties, after-Mass breakfasts, and travel. The list goes on and on as will we! Our Branch loves your Branch! Ciao!

Sonoma

Br. 103, St. Sebastian

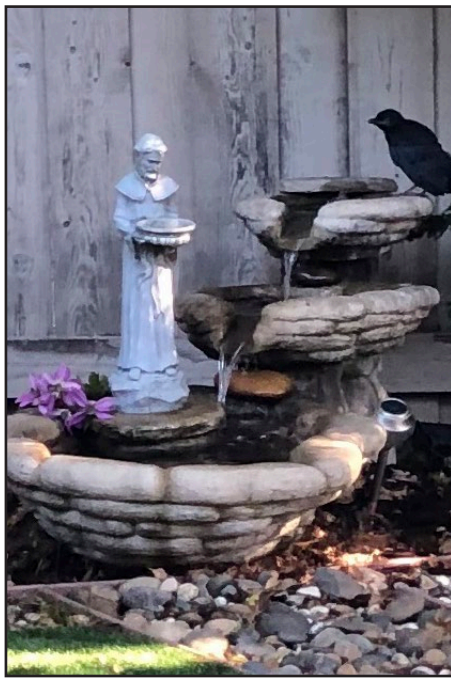
Greetings:

June is when Mother Nature really turns of the heat. Sun, swim, and time to stretch your legs and continue in the garden. Notable days this month are:

Flag Day the 14th and Father's Day on the 20th.

My message this month will be brief. We are all mourning the passing of Bill Scinto. Bill was actually a savior sent to support our Sonoma Branch. He was not only the Treasurer but also Financial Secretary. Basically he was the chief cook and bottle washer. Great cook and also tended bar. We had good times!!

My sincerest sympathies to his children and their families.
Marilyn Sylvestri
Recording Secretary



Br. 75, Crow visitor

Petaluma

Br. 127, St. Vincent

Dear members,

Margaret Cordrey sends many thanks to our members for their fantastic response in donating for the Bakeless Bake sale.

Please continue to remember Alice Rebizzo. She is recovering from a stroke and is currently residing at Petaluma Care on B Street.

I regret to inform you that our long time member, Sam Orlando, died. He was our chief cook for all our dinner functions for many years and you could still find him in the kitchen directing the cooking long after he was able to do any of the heavy lifting. He is sorely missed. Please remember him in your prayers and also the brother of Jim & Jackie Smith.

Some good news: Marilyn Lombardi won on the ICF calendar in May. Our First year scholarships have been awarded and they are as follows: Sarah Sarlotte, St. Vincent's, in memory of Louise Vicino, Samantha Gambonini, Petaluma High, in honor of Angelo Leoni, and Luke Ronshausen, Petaluma High, in honor of Giacomo Manni.

This month we will be sending out the Convention raffle tickets. Half of the proceeds will remain in the Branch. Keep an eye out for your tickets.

With good wishes and good luck!
Dennice DiGirolamo

Eureka

Br. 145, St Ambrose

The St Bernard/Sacred Heart combined parish picnic scheduled for July 11th has been postponed. No new date has been selected.

However, our mezzo agosto potluck picnic at the Redwood Ballfields and Bocce Courts in Cutten is being planned. Our families and our scholarship awardees and their families are all invited to attend.

As usual we will have ICF convention raffle tickets for sale at the mezzo agosto picnic.

Happy July Birthday to John Silva!
By Joe Bonino 707-445-5799
Eureka President

Santa Rosa

Br. 198, St. Eugene

It is with deep sorrow that I must report that our brother, William (Bill) Scinto, has died. A member of our Branch for 20 years, Bill will be remembered for cooking the annual scholarship dinners, being our Branch Treasurer, serving Christmas Egg Nog, and making an Afghan for every raffle. May he rest in peace.

This will be the last article before our August dinner meeting so mark your calendar now. We will meet at the Brinker Room patio for a BBQ and meeting. The phone committee will contact you for reservations before August 2nd.

Our next two monthly Masses are Sunday, July 11 at 9:00 a.m. and Monday, August 16 at 8:00 a.m. Please try to attend,

May your garden grow and yield an abundant harvest.
Ciao,
Gail Bongie-Azevedo

Sebastopol

Br. 209, St. Michael

Although we are still not getting together, the board is keeping up with our commitments to support ICF charities. This year however, due to the pandemic, our delegates will not be attending the national convention in person.

Raffle tickets have gone out to members. Tickets are \$20 per book. Winning tickets receive CASH prizes. Please return ticket stubs with your check to: Lorraine Vannetti, 311 Burlwood Ct., Santa Rosa, CA 95401.



Br. 209, Scholarship winner, member Ethan Logan with his grandmother Loudean Becchetti

Branch 209 welcomes 5 new members. They are President Pam McAlvain's brother and Bud & Tia Polley's son and his family: Tim & Tammy Polley, Christopher Polley and Kathryn & Kyle Lofftus. Remember, we are always looking to expand our ICF family.

Congratulations to President and soon to be grandparent Pam, whose daughter, Haley Mills is expecting a baby boy in October!

Gene Vannetti continues to maintain our bocce courts and is still collecting recycling items for their maintenance.

Thank you to Mia Del Prete for presenting the scholarship awards to Anally & El Molino students at their awards ceremonies.

Prayers go out to the family of our member Larry Wass on who passed away in early June. If you would like to donate to our scholarship fund in his memory, send a check to Lorraine Vannetti.

We were sad to learn of the passing of Bill Cinto who was a member of St. Eugene's Branch 198 and past President of the Santa Rosa District. Bill will be deeply missed by our ICF family.

Happy & healthy summer,
Sharon Vannetti

FRESNO

Madera

Br. 27, Santissimo Crocifisso

We now have several important dates to keep in mind for upcoming activities! On Saturday, July 17, at 5 p.m., our annual mass for living and deceased members will be held. On Sunday, October 17, at 11 a.m., our ICF branch's 90th anniversary will be celebrated at the 11 a.m. mass. More details on this special commemoration of the anniversary are forthcoming.

As we approach our Independence Day holiday on July 4th, it is time to give thanks to God for the blessing of a free nation. The patriots who originally declared independence from England and later crafted the Constitution, provided a framework for the most successful and longest surviving government in history—one based on individual freedom.

I close with quotes on freedom from several presidents of years past. From President Abraham Lincoln: "America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves." From President Ronald Wilson Reagan: "Freedom prospers when religion is vibrant and the rule of God is acknowledged." Also, "Freedom is a fragile thing and it's never more than one generation from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same."

Ciao,
Mary Keitz

Los Banos Br. 31, Santa Lucia

Hello again from Branch 31. I am delighted to say we finally have something positive to report on. Last month we had our first get together, since COVID started, and it was wonderful to see so many people show up. The get together was held on the evening of the 4th and was graciously held at the Post's home. The gathering was outside with people bringing their own chairs, drinks and food. There was also a great snack box available for those who ordered in advance. While social distancing was respected, guests were still able to catch up with many people they have not been able to see in a while.

We are also excited to say that Santa Lucia, Branch 31 will be celebrating our 90th Anniversary this year, having been founded on July 20, 1931. The branch will be having an anniversary party on August 7, 2021 to mark this milestone (more information to come). Thank you all for doing your part to keep the branch going, especially during these difficult time.

Lastly we would like to congratulate the recipients of this year's scholarships. Los Banos High recipients were: Tessa Alberti and Cayden Pricolo and the Pacheco High recipient was: Nicole Terrel. Congratulations to the recipients and the entire 2021 graduating class for making it through an extremely tough school year. We wish you all the best of luck with your futures.

Ciao,
Giona Boffa

Merced Br. 39, St. Cecilia

Happy Fourth of July!

We plan to have our annual July Wiener Roast at Lake Yosemite on Wednesday, July 14, 5 p.m. social, 6 p.m. dinner, followed by the ever popular cake walk and ice cream. Please continue to follow CDC and public health updated guidelines while mindful of the impacts of COVID-19. Unvaccinated people still need to wear a mask.

Several members or members' relatives graduated recently. A round of applause and congratulations to: Alyssa Mendoza, granddaughter of Janet Dal Porto and great-granddaughter of Lillian, graduated from Humboldt State University with a Bachelor's degree in English and a minor in Law. Genevieve Gates, granddaughter of Carol Salmeri, graduated from Boise State University with a Bachelor of Business Administration, including a second major in Human Resource Management, and minor in Marketing.

Vincenza Pia, granddaughter of Joe and Margaret Pia, graduated from El Capitan High School and will attend Merced College. Alexandra McDaniel, daughter of Mara and Steve McDaniel and granddaughter of Carol Salmeri,

graduated with her Masters in Social Work from the University of North Texas and Texas Woman's University. Jared Bernardi, son of Joe and Cathie, and nephew of Lori Sutton, graduated in May with an MBA from Chapman University.

Clare Camper, daughter of Mary and Scott, graduated from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, as a Political Science major, with an emphasis in Global Politics. Josh Ellis, grandson of Kathleen Stefani, graduated from North Ridge High School in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Josh will attend Yale University.

Tenere bene, cari membri. Keep well, dear members.
Stephanie Lucich

Clovis Br. 250, Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Happy triple-digit weather days! Summer is here although it's supposed to cool down to the high nineties!

Bad news, good news: Frank Pimentel suffered a stroke but we're happy to report he is home now and recuperating.

Because no meetings can be held until the "all clear" from the pandemic, President Jeanette requests that all members give her a call for convention raffle tickets and she will mail them to you. Give her a call ASAP. Speaking of the convention, contact Jeanette if you are interested in being our branch delegate.

As soon as the "all clear" is given, we will get busy on a number of items, including a celebration of our 50th anniversary, which was planned for last year prior to the pandemic.

Did you know? The average Italian consumes 26 gallons of wine each year (Wow, I've got a lot of catching up to do!) Also, Italy is the fourth most visited country in the world with about 5 million visitors annually.

Riddle: If a seagull gets its name because it spends its time on the sea, what would it be called if it spends its time on the bay? See end of column.

Happy July birthdays to Fr. Robert, Madeline Conatser, and LeAnne Lavagnino, and a big congrats to Angelo and LeAnne Lavagnino who celebrated their 62nd anniversary on July 5th!

Answer to riddle: It would be called a "baygull" (bagel, get it?).

Thought for the month:

*His love outreaches time and place
And spans all generations,
His love out gives the greatest gifts,
It knows no limitations.*

Ciao,
Sophia Salaminetti



Bakersfield Br. 281, Our Lady of Perpetual Help

It's been well over a year since we've met up with our beloved ICF family members. The challenge of being separated from family, friends, and being unable to normal things such as going to restaurant have certainly taken their toll. We are hopeful though that this long pause in our activities and gatherings will finally come to an end as more people are vaccinated and restrictions are lifted.

Speaking of hope there is nothing like the birth of a child to bring joy and hope to our troubled world. Branch 281 gained a new member this past May! Arlo Zasoski was born May 9th (Mother's Day!) to Kristen & Joseph Zasoski 8lbs 9 oz 21 inches long. The proud (first time for them) grandparents are none other than Betty & Lenard Zasoski & Crystal & Allen Watts. Congratulations to both the parents and grandparents, and we can hardly wait to meet our newest member in person. We look forward to resuming our regular meetings and activities in the near future. We extend our prayers and love to all especially those who have lost loved ones during the past year. Wishing all good things for our ICF families.
*God Bless,
Theresa Amarante*

CENTRAL COAST District

Santa Cruz Br. 21, Nostra Signora del Soccorso

Hello and best wishes to all Branch 21 members and their families. We hope you are enjoying a nice summer and the slow transition to normalcy. It won't be long now we will resume our ICF General Meetings in person and subsequent events. Celebrations will certainly be the order of the day!

We would like to extend our congratulations to Dominic Bokulich, a graduate of Santa Cruz Academy High School, who received this year's John Orlando



Br. 281, Kristen, Joey & Baby Arlo



First Year College Scholarship. Best wishes to him and also a thank you to the John Orlando family.

Once again, it's Convention time and this year's Convention will be held in Santa Clara. However, Central Council decided that this year, each branch need send only one delegate. President Rebecca Hernandez was voted as the most likely candidate to represent Branch 21. The Convention is always held over the Labor Day weekend. We wish Rebecca an interesting and productive time.

Here's another month of Happy Birthdays for our Branch's members whose birthdays fall in July. They are: Maureen Benito, Madeline Crews, Emily Cato, Mari Segura, Gene Tartaglino, and Patty Morelli. Felice compleanno, Tutti. Whatever age we have reached, we have truly been blessed.

Finally, if you are looking for a good time, Capitola ICF Branch is hosting a BBQ at De Laveaga Park on July 17th. We are all invited to attend.

Once again, we thank you, Lord, for our many blessings, large and small.
Patty Morelli
Secretary Branch 21

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Monterey Br. 36, Santa Rosalia

Happy 4th of July to all!! We are grateful for the FREEDOMS which with GOD has BLESSED our country.

Santa Rosalia - Monterey Branch 36 just celebrated their 90th Anniversary, at a beautiful outdoor 12:00 noon mass at the San Carlos Cathedral. Our Branch was established June 7, 1931. We are very proud to be involved with the Italian Catholic Federation all these years. Our families have gathered together for generation sharing our heritage, traditions, dinners fine wines, many festive celebrations. Over the years we have made donations to our church, priests, Seminarians, scholarships, youth sports, Fishes and Loaves, Cooley Anemia, and too many others to mention. Many members donated their time, material, and money to help built the San Carlos Parish Hall.

On May 22, 2021, we had our Scholarship/Achievement Presentation at San Carlos Hall—outdoor. Branch 36 gave four \$1,000 scholarships to High School Graduating students and two \$500 Achievement Award to San Carlos 8th grade students.

The nominating committee are welcoming all members who may be interested in running for an office on the Board of Branch 36. Also, we have several committees you may be interested in. Please contact Elaine Valentine at 831-521-8026. Election is in October 2021.

We are saddened to report that Jack Branson and Gloria Avila recently passed away. Our condolences to their families.

Pray for all members that are ill, home bound, or who recently lost a love one.

*God Bless America,
Elaine Valentine
1st. Vice President*



Br. 36, Emily Wooler \$1,000



Br. 36, Lamley Blake \$500



Br. 36, Nora Rawson \$1,000



Br. 36, Ava Mangiapane \$500



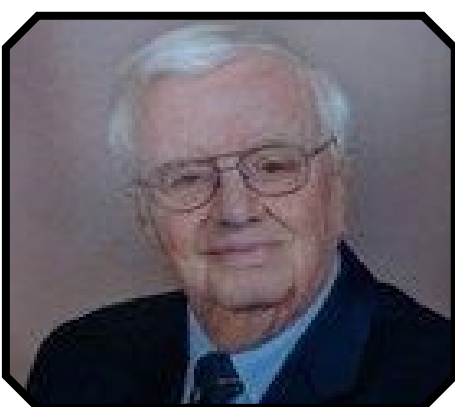
Br. 36, Katherine Hodges \$1,000



Br. 36, Rachel Reade \$1000



Gloria Avila 1933-2021 Branch 36



John Branson 1928 - 2021 Branch 36



Joe LoManto, President Br. 36, 90th Anniversary Mass

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

I hope everyone has a festive Fourth of July!

*We hope to be able to start meeting again soon!
Natalie Carbonel*

Your prayers and get well wishes are requested for our member Tracy Armanino, who is currently dealing with some health issues.

We are currently making plans for Bishop's Day which our branch will be hosting on October 23.

Wise words from William Ashley:

"Better to limp all the way to heaven than not get there at all."

Happy Fourth of July
Deanna Musler, Secretary

**Deadline
for August/September
issue
is August 1st.
Send articles and
photos:
editor@icf.org
Remember, this is the
Convention issue.**

Castroville Br. 51, Santa Caterina da Siena

Happy July and summer!

I would like to ask everyone to please keep Toni Hibbs and the Hibbs family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Please keep an eye out for another basket drawing coming sometime this month! This basket will be Fourth of July and summer fun themed!

A big congratulations to Gino Grier, Greg Stefani, and Amanda Ausonio! Gino graduated from Palma High School and is majoring in Psychology and Criminology at Humboldt State University; Greg received his Masters in Kinesiology from San Jose State University; and Amanda graduated from St. Marys! Congratulations to all our graduates and fellow graduates and good luck on all your future endeavors!

Capitola Br. 227, St. Joseph

Good news! July 17th is the date when we can finally all get together again for a picnic at DeLaveaga Park. The menu will feature Italian sausage, hamburgers, salad, beans, watermelon, and cookies. COVID-19 guidelines in effect on July 17 will be followed. Dottie Smith will be taking reservations. Watch for a flyer from President Franklyn Lopes with more details

Vicky Howell has been selected to serve as a delegate to this year's Convention in San Jose September 3-5. Vicky has also kindly agreed to serve as both First Vice-President and Second Vice-President for the remainder of this year. Talk about multi-tasking!

More good news is that the parish hall will be re-opened in July, so hopefully we can resume branch meetings before long.



Br. 227, The Richard Robinson memorial scholarship awardee. From left to right: chairperson Vicky howell, awardee Mateo Mora Solick, mother Emily Solick, father Ricardo Mora.

Arroyo Grande Br. 291, St. Patrick

We started meeting in person again in May! We met again in late June. It was nice to see our members in person, even though we had to follow church guidelines, including temperature taking at the door, no food served and social distancing at the tables.

At the May meeting, Abby Gallagher introduced our five Br. 291 Scholarships recipients! Lucy Marsalek graduated from Mission College Prep and will be attending Gonzaga University in Spokane, WA this fall. Also, Lucy was a recipient of an ICF Central Council First Year College Scholarship! Our Branch also awarded four 8th Grade Graduate Scholarships to the following students/ICF Members, who all graduated from St. Patrick Catholic School and will be attending local Catholic high schools. They are: Mary Marsalek, Vinny Orlando and Lillie Parish—Mission College Prep in San Luis Obispo, and Emmerson Reynolds—St. Joseph High School in Orcutt. Congratulations to these outstanding students!

We are looking forward to future ICF events, including having at least one delegate, and possibly up to 3, represent our Branch at the National Convention in Santa Clara. We are in the early planning stages for our annual Christmas Luncheon at the Madonna Inn. We hope to gather in person and celebrate the Christmas season!

Our Branch is sad to report that we recently lost two, very dear members. Terry Garrity and Robert Reginato both passed away after long battles with cancer. Please pray for Terry's and Robert's families as they mourn the loss of their loved ones. And your continued prayers are appreciated for members who are experiencing illness, pain or loss at this time.

Have a safe and happy 4th of July!
Keely Sanchez
Recording Secretary

Paso Robles Br. 354, Saint Rose of Lima

Summer is upon us and Paso Robles is coming fully alive. Restaurants and downtown stores are bursting with locals and tourists, winery tasting rooms are filled with laughter, and parking spots are few. It feels like an explosion of energy long held back by the threat of COVID-19.

And at last Branch 354 has some news to report. Regarding first year scholarship awards, Mission College Prep graduating students Lucille Marsalek (granddaughter of Pete and Abby Gallagher), and Brooke Ellsworth (granddaughter of David and Irma Zanini) were awarded scholarships to help defray college expenses. Congratulations and blessings to you and your families. These scholarships were approved and awarded through ICF's Oakland office.



Br. 291 recently awarded five Branch Scholarships to these outstanding students. Pictured L-R: Father Beto Vazquez, Vinny Orlando, Lillie Parish, Emmerson Reynolds, Lucy Marsalek, Mary Marsalek and President Pete Gallagher.

Ever supportive of Catholic education, Branch 354 has sent \$800 to the ICF Central Council Scholarship Committee.

We Paso Roblans know it's summertime by the opening of the Mid-State Fair—June 21st through August 1—so get ready to eat your favorite fair food(s), have a beer or two, take in a grandstand show, visit the 4H and FFA animals, and say “howdy” to the hard working Branch 354 members who will be parking cars to raise funds for our St. Rose Registration Assistance Program.

One bit of sad news to pass along, Mary Mazzo, our Corresponding Secretary for many years, passed away on May 22, 2021.

And prayers please for Irma Zanini who will be having a knee replacement on June 18.

Yvonne Maddalena
Recording Secretary

CHICAGO

Itasca

Br. 418, St. Peter the Apostle

Hello, my name Clara Cascella and I am the recording secretary for Branch 418. This picture was taken when we inducted our new officers into our branch, (before the pandemic). Our president is Nick Tenerelli (far right), next to him is our 1st VP (Mike Favia), then our 2nd VP Maria Tenerelli, I'm the recording secretary (white hair), Dan Anderson (Financial Secretary/Treasurer), Silvana Gialo (Sentinel), Rosa DiGioia, (Trustee) and Teresa Helfand (President of the Central Council). Grazia Albergo (Orator) and Anna DiSerio (Trustee) were not in attendance.

Looking forward to seeing our post in the *Bollettino*.

Warm Regards,
Clara Cascella, Recording Secretary,
ICF, Branch 418

SAN JOSE SANTA CLARA VALLEY District Council

District Chaplain Fr. George recently presided at a memorial mass for Kayleigh Cosimano,

Granddaughter of Tony & Carmela Cosimano. charter members of Branch 368. In his homily he said that when an elderly person dies there is not a shock associated as in the case with Kayleigh, a young girl with a fuller life is expected. We always ask the question Why? The answer we never will know.

*“Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning
to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your
teeming shore.
Send these, the homeless,
tempest-tossed to me,
I lift my lamp beside the golden
door!”*

The district mass, we usually held at the Lady of Peace church, was a cherished event that would not be possible under the current conditions Likewise, Bishop Oscar Cantu's Memorial Mass will be substituted with a live streaming version. I wonder what the outcry would be if the bishop went ahead with a face-to-face mass. It might illicit (paraphrasing President Biden's favorite remark) “Hey! Come-on folks, let us get with it!”

We can look forward to the promised reopening on June 19. Shucking our stifling masks and resuming pre-pandemic life. Hallelujah!

During these times, I rely on Santa Teresa's Prayer – “*Let nothing disturb you, - Let nothing frighten you - All things are passing away - God never changes - Patience obtains all things - Whoever has God lacks nothing - God alone suffices.*”

SCV District Meeting – Cancelled until further notice.

Mike Nunziata

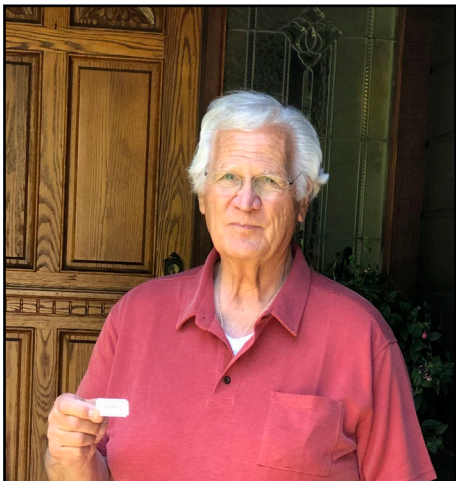


Branch 418, New Officer Induction

Gilroy Br. 28, Santa Maria Ausiliatrice

The membership ticket drawing for a \$75.00 gift certificate to Heavy's restaurant in Gilroy was drawn by member John Matteucci with the winner being member Sam Bozzo.

John has a long history of participation in the Italian Catholic Federation. A member of Santa Clara Branch 5 in 1974 and Larkspur Branch 161 in 1976 where he was Deputy, District Deputy, Treasurer, 1st Vice President, and President for five years. Also Branch 28 in Gilroy since 1974 where he has been an active participant for the last 15 years. John is comfortable in kitchens and cooking which he learned from his mother who operated a delicatessen in downtown Gilroy through the 1960's. John's heritage of those culinary skills was put to full use for Branch 28's "pasta sauce" fundraiser as he shared those skills for our first fundraiser in over a year. John has a penchant for classic cars and has owned a 1931 model A and a 1941 Ford convertible. My tenet of life is to attempt to find joy in the sorrow, good in the bad and something to be grateful for. In this particularly challenging and difficult year that tenet became very blurred and at times difficult to find. But member John Matteucci helps in that clear-eyed



Br. 28, John Matteucci showing the winning membership ticket drawn with the winner being Sam Bozzo.



Br. 28, Peggy Fortino preparing tote bags for delivery to supporters of Br. 28's "pasta sauce" fundraiser

view of that good, that joy, and a person to be grateful for.

Convention raffle tickets were sent out June 1st. Your continued support is much appreciated. God bless our members, God bless our branch, and hope to see you all soon.

*Peace and God bless,
Kim M. Filice*



Br. 28, On left Vince Saso, on right John Matteucci joining forces in preparation of the pasta sauce at the "pasta sauce" fundraiser.



Br. 28, Left to right: John Matteucci, Gennaro Filice, Joe Fortino, Vince Saso, and Sam Bozzo, taking a break from preparations for the "pasta sauce" fundraiser

Los Gatos Br. 184, St. Mary

I have always believed that the start to a great day is listing all the things to be Grateful for, though sometimes the ideas don't flow as easily as I like. Here are my top 10

1. Anything Red, White & Blue
2. Fuzzy blankets
3. Family & friends & hugs & kisses
4. Beach Parties
5. Eating dessert first
6. Warm weather
7. The beach – my favorite of the Things to be Grateful for in the Summer
8. July Birthdays
9. Not having to wear masks or attend Zoom Meetings
10. Feeling loved

Try and do this daily and be surprised how much you really have to be grateful for.

Here a few of the upcoming events in the District and Central Council.

- Central Council Annual Golf Tournament – July 30st in Healdsburg
- Annual In-Person Convention – in the Santa Clara Marriott (near Great America) Labor Day Week-end - 9/3/2021 – 9/5/2021
- Santa Clara Valley Picnic (September 19th Vasona, Circle Area)

Our parish is losing our beloved Fr. Rick Rodoni and Fr. Daniel Barghesi. We will be welcoming Fr. Gregory Kimm and Fr. Gabriel Le.

Also, we have a several members in need of our healing prayers.

God bless America and God bless the ICF

Ciao, Denise Antonowicz, President



Br. 191, Summertime cherries at Andy's



Br. 184, Our very own ICF Mascot Marie Stalteri Antonowicz in the ICF Entry into the Rose White and Blue Parade in San Jose. Happy 4th of July!



San Jose Br. 191, St. Frances Cabrini

The summer season is upon us. We await the magic date of June 15, 2021. Let us hope we receive good news regarding less confinement of our lives.

June was also the month of graduations. We awarded 2 scholarships to two 8th graders from SFC School, Luca Bovone, and Sebastian Lama. Both will be attending Bellarmine. Our first year ICF scholarship was given to Angela Biezins, of Thousand Oaks, California. She will attend Cal Poly in the fall. Congratulations to all!

Our June Board meeting via Zoom discussed many important topics, all of which will be decided by our new June 15th COVID regulations. The Convention, in September, is in progress. Bob Basuino, District President, said our Convention will be very different, as compared to years past. There will be a Thursday Night Banquet event, of a tailgate theme, with all of the trimmings. Watch the Bollettino for complete instructions and information regarding Convention.

Remember that Convention time is Raffle Time! Purchase at least one book of tickets to help our branch obtain revenue. \$10 per book stays in our branch.

The Zoom meeting also had a special guest of Vince Piro, Grand President. As we discussed goals and objectives for our branch, Vince encouraged membership as a way to obtain these goals. Vince was encouraged about our branch, and future activities to keep our membership thriving. Vince gave great tips and suggestions about membership, and encouraged us to use all available resources to obtain new members.

I hope each and everyone had a great celebration with their Dads, as we look forward to summer. Next...Convention 2021.

*Shirley Catania
Sentinel*

San Jose**Br. 368, Santa Teresa de Avila**

As we emerge from our cocoon-like homes, some of us are happy butterflies, flying already, and some of us are just inching along. Each of us is coping with the current state of the pandemic at a different speed, trusting in God.

We are currently in the planning stages for our fundraising barbeque to be held on the Fourth of July at 12:30, take-out only. Tickets are \$30.00 and may be purchased on-line. Maria and Bill Greco have generously agreed to prepare their famous barbecued ribs-and-beans dinner, and John Gillio, supported by his trusty sidekick Noreen, has agreed to chair the event. Thanks to the two G's, the Grecos and the Gillios, and to our generous members, who so often give of their time and energy.

Uplifting news from parents Mary and Marcello Ridi: the wedding of David, their son, and Aimee occurred on Saturday, May 29, at a winery in Livermore. Congratulations and best wishes to the happy couple!

More uplifting news: Elaine Osorio says the secret to a long, loving marriage is PATIENCE, in capital letters. Congratulations, Bob and Elaine Osorio, who celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary on June 9 with their children and their families.

We are receiving news of recoveries from serious health problems from some of our members and pray for and support those who are more critical. We give thanks for the lives of each of them and tenderly remember those who have passed away.

Blessings for a safe and happy Fourth, Judy Zahn

San Jose**Br. 391, St. Martin of Tours**

Thank you to our members for contributing to the ICF Branch 391 Memorial Page for the Convention book.

We want to remind you that 2021 Convention Raffle tickets (stapled together) and checks need to be submitted to Tina Rossi by August 1, 2021. Note that half of the amount stays with our Branch and that this is one of our annual fundraisers.

**Morgan Hill****Br. 435, St. Catherine of Alexandria**

The 2021 ICF Convention is being held at the Santa Clara Marriott on Labor Day weekend. Marcie Rossi will be attending as our sole branch delegate, and Mike Rossi will attend as a Central Council delegate.

Congratulations to the two winners of the ICF Sal Lipari Memorial Scholarship—Evan Clarke and Bryson Crema.

Again, congratulations to our Branch 391 scholarship winners, Elizabeth Brodersen and Michael Lemucchi.

We look forward to seeing you in the coming months.

Have a safe and happy Fourth of July. Janis Patellaro

Sunnyvale**Br. 408, Resurrection**

Happy Fourth of July!

Let's get ready for ICF Convention!

This year our Annual ICF Convention will held right here in Santa Clara. The Convention will be hosted over the 3-5 September 2021 (Labor Day Weekend) at the Great America Marriott Facility. Patricia Look will be our Branch Delegate to the Convention this year. Please consider attending the Bishop's Mass on Sunday 5 September at 11 a.m. Bishop Cantu has agreed to Celebrate this mass with us.

Over 35 Donors stopped by our Spring Blood Drive to share this gift of Life. We held this Drive using the Stanford Bloodmobile parked just outside the Farana Center. Our next Drive will be held on Saturday 18 September 2021.

We continue to hold our monthly meetings via Zoom on the fourth Monday of the month—which Sandra Hosting and Coordinating for us—Thank you Sandra!

We look forward the June 15th Lifting of COVID Restrictions will result in more chances to gather and meet in Community!

Please Pray for our sick Members: Al Chantelope, Steve Richey, Paul and Dori Blefari.

It's hard to believe that we are already halfway through the year. Last year seemed to go on forever and with all the ups and downs associated with the pandemic it was very difficult to plan ahead with a positive outlook. But now things are looking better and we are almost out of the woods. Keep up the good work and we'll be there soon.

We had our second board meeting on June 7th and we are still without a venue for most of our monthly dinner meetings due to the church renovation schedule. If any of our members has any suggestions, please contact me. We are moving ahead with our annual summer barbecue at Guglielmo Winery on July 15th. We still have a few details to work out and a notice will be going out at the end of June.

Convention raffle tickets are due to me by the end of July. A big thank you to all who have already sent them in.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy Fourth of July. Fireworks are back at the Morgan Hill Sports Center and the downtown Freedom Fest is on, so get out your red, white and blue and celebrate.

Take care, stay safe and keep the faith. Maryclaire Sampognaro

San Jose**Br. 445, Transfiguration**

Fellowship and Friendship

The last time Br. 445 members met in person was February, 2020.

What a delightful day it was in June 2021, when thirty of us gathered together for an outdoor luncheon at Palermo's Restaurant in San Jose!

It truly was a joy to see familiar faces again and celebrate an afternoon of fellowship and friendship while enjoying a delicious meal! To those who were unable to join us, you were in our thoughts.

July historically has been the month of our big fundraiser 'The Price Is Right'. Due to COVID we are not holding this in July but hopefully we will create a new COVID friendly format for hosting it in Fall 2021... stay tuned for updates!

Our prayers are extended to ICF members Loretta Miller, Sam Morocco, Karen Fierravanti and Janice Jones as they deal with health issues.

Happy 4th of July to all! May summertime bring everyone much joy and many opportunities to share long awaited visits with family and friends.

Until next month—stay safe and stay well ;-)
Jan Marianelli Stumhoffer

STOCKTON District**Modesto****Br. 48, St. Stanislaus**

We will be sending a delegate to the convention, Cecelia McGhee. We gave the opportunity to the members to be the delegate but had no takers. Maybe next year they will feel more like being a delegate.

The word has gone out that we have the convention raffle tickets to be sold and to our members that don't use the computer or text messages we will be mailing a book. Since we couldn't have our regular bake sale, which is our biggest fundraiser, we need to sell as many books of tickets that we can. We keep \$10.00 from each book sold.

We don't have meetings in July or August and are usually getting things ready for the convention and the district picnic. As yet we have not heard if there is a possibility of having the district picnic. We also have our St. Stanislaus Fall Festival September 24 thru 30, 2021 a weeklong celebration of the 58th Fall Festival. I am sure there will be plenty for us to do to help out.

Father Adrian Cisneros will be assigned to St. Stanislaus parish in July 2021. He was one of the seminarians who attended the Bishop's Bursar at St. Stanislaus Church in 2015. He was one of the seminarians the ICF was helping to support.

Stay healthy and safe.
Cecelia McGhee



Br. 408, Kate Shimshock, June 21



Lodi Br. 82, St. Anne's

L'estate e qui!

Time for barbecues, swimming, hiking, picnics, vacations...and BOCCE! The branch is in the midst of planning for our Bocce Dinner Fundraiser. This year it's on Sun., Aug. 8th at the Waterloo Gun and Bocce Club in Stockton. Spread the word to family and friends to join us for a fun afternoon followed by a pasto delizioso!!

We feed our body with good food, and we need to feed our soul with inspiring, spiritual words. St Anne's is hosting a Consecration to St. Joseph, July 20-Aug.20. This is a way to deepen your devotion to St. Joseph, the blessed, earthly father of Jesus, who is a prominent saint with the ICF. The program includes daily readings, prayer, and a short video. It's done individually, with an option to join a weekly reflection group. Our branch is forming a group for ICF members to gather and share our understanding on the week's readings and videos. To participate, register on St. Anne's website. Then, to join the ICF group, contact me.

I'm writing this report on Italy's Independence Day, June 2nd! On this day in 1946, Italians voted to abolish the monarchy and form a republic. Festa della Repubblica events are much like our Independence Day festivities: parades, festivals, concerts, fireworks, and of course, food! Enjoy your 4th of July holiday. We are so blessed this year to be able to gather with family and friends.

Be safe!
Patty Litts, President

Manteca Br. 139, N.S. del Buon Viaggio

Final arrangements have been made for our annual picnic and bocce tournament. The lovely grounds of Dino and Sharon Cunial's home are ready to welcome us on June 13. The bocce court, under Dino's supervision, is waiting for the "athletes" of the traditional Italian sport.



Betty Hollars, Sandy Zepeda, Anita Ridolfi, and Mary Gaulco packing the salad containers.

The picnic will be a farewell of sorts for our Branch chaplain, Father Chris Varghese, who is being transferred to Holy Family Parish in Modesto on July 1. Father Chris had become quite a bocce participant.

Last month's Branch meeting at Tony's Kitchen (Cucina Queirolo) began with Chef Tony's delicious dinner of salad, chicken and pasta, followed by Past Branch President Anna Mello's tasty apple dessert.

Secretary Michelle Harmon acknowledged the attendance of Central Council member Dante Galeazzi.

President Jim Alfieri provided the Stockton District Secretary with information on Italian Easter customs. That content was to appear in a recent District Newsletter.

For a bit of Italian Heritage, we were informed that exactly 85 years ago, New York Yankees star, Tony "Push'em up" Lazzeri drove in 11 runs in a baseball game against the Philadelphia Athletics. Lazzeri grew up in San Francisco's "comunita Italiana" and played for the local Seals team before moving to the Big Leagues. He was a contemporary of Joe DiMaggio.

In the absence of Father Chris, Orator Colleen Alfieri led us in a closing prayer and we recited an English translation of the Federation Anthem.

Ciao,
Mariano

Tracy Br. 390, St. Bernard

Thanks to the loyal and dependable members who contributed to our take-out dinners, we had a profit of over \$1,600—a nice addition to our fundraising efforts. We applaud those of you who came the night before to mix and prepare homemade Italian meatloaf. Our side dishes were mashed potatoes and green beans, salad, bread and dessert. Wow—was that a great dinner! We served up 175 dinners and I must say the recipe gets better and better with all the love put in the prep! Next month we are serving up Italian roasted chicken, pasta con pesto and all the trimmings as usual.



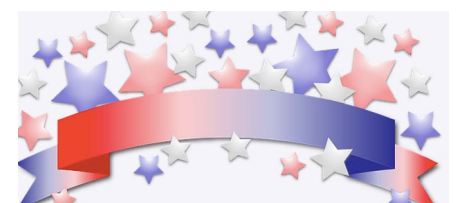
Annette Elissagaray, Mary Gualco, Anita Ridolfi, Betty Hollars, and Sandy Zepeda getting ready for the food to come out to be boxed.



Chuck and Marilyn Tuso with Louie Serrato getting ready at the final packaging Station.



Bob and Mike Bacchetti mashing the potatoes



The Meatloaf is done!!

Convention plans are underway for this year. Attending on our behalf will be Steve and Anita Ridolfi. We look forward to a full report from them when they return. We are proud to say we have added new members to our branch recently, bringing our membership total to 277. We welcome our new members with the hope that they love our little community as much as we do.

Don't forget Steve Ridolfi continues to post the life of our branch though pictures on our Website: www.icf-branch390.org. The newsletter on our website would love to hear from you!

Stay healthy, happy and safe,
Betty Hollars



Luci Orsi tending the salad



Stockton Br. 395, Presentation of the BVM

Branch 395 is going to take the month of July off and allow our members time to reconnect with their families and friends. However, before we go, we have taken care of a few things. We donated to our parish, awarded a first-year scholarship, financially supported our seminarians and we even reserved our parish community center for our annual polenta dinner, February 10, 2022. Save the Date!

We also would like to say Buon Compeanno to our long term ICF member, Ruby Zanoni. Ruby, who just hit 90 years old, has always been a dedicated and active member of our branch. Looking forward to celebrating.

*Buone vacanze everyone!
Alla prossima,
Mary Ann*

Angels Camp Br. 413, St. Patrick

Happy 4th of July!! It is time to get out of the house and enjoy a picnic with friends and family! It has been over a year since we have all gotten together for the annual ICF Stockton District Picnic. I am looking forward to seeing you again, and sharing good food, good conversation, and fun raffle prizes!

Thank you to Ida Queirolo for reserving our favorite picnic place in Escalon for this event! The date is set for August 15th. The time was usually 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. or so, if I remember correctly. The steaks were usually ready around 1 p.m. and the kids' hot dogs were ready too. I'm guessing that at the District level they will discuss all of the details and pass the word on to their respective branches. Since I live with the District/Branch 413 President, I might get the scoop sooner than later. I do know that sometimes, the most forgotten thing at the picnic is your own napkins, utensils, and plates. It is good to know that, as an ICF family, someone has always brought extras to help those of us whose memory isn't all that great.

Branch 413 is still hanging in there. Our members are waiting patiently for a chance to get together and start things rolling again.

Stay safe in God's hands, and keep us in your prayers.

*Ciao,
Annette Pachinger
Correspondence Secretary*

RENO Reno Br. 135, St. Albert

On a warm Sunday afternoon, June 6, 14 members of Branch 135 enjoyed their first get-together since March 2020 with a picnic luncheon at President Charlyne Pacini's backyard. Ron Frediani did a great job of grilling the hamburgers and hot dogs. The members added to the picnic by bringing appetizers, salads and desserts.

Congratulations to Robert Medeiros graduating from Reno High School, who received our Central Council High School scholarship. Also congratulations to the three 8th graders from the 3 Catholic Elementary Schools going to Bishop Manogue High School. They are Cody Sayo from Little Flower Catholic School, Charteuse Millare from St. Albert the Great Catholic School and I don't have the name of the student graduating from Our Lady of the Snows Catholic School.

Our Branch lost a long time, active and lovely member, Audrey Ferrari, in December, 2020 at the age of 85. Please pray for the repose of Audrey's soul and keep her family in your prayers.

Convention raffle tickets were distributed to those attending the picnic. The tickets will be sent to those who didn't attend. Please purchase them since the Branch keeps \$10.00 of the purchase price (\$20.00) and is important to our Treasury.

We are hoping to have a regular meeting indoors on September 12.

*Happy 4th of July, have a good summer, Ciao
Charlyne Pacini*



Br. 135, Branch Picnic

2021 CONVENTION - SANTA CLARA - BRANCH DELEGATE REGISTRATION

BRANCH NO. _____ CITY: _____ DISTRICT: _____

Active Members as of March 31st: _____ No. of Delegates: _____

The Central Council looks forward to welcoming you to the 2021 convention. The Santa Clara Marriott is open and holding events following all local guidelines to promote a safer environment. Measures in place include reduced seating at each table during meals and sessions and enhanced hotel room cleaning between guests. Additionally, the state may require attendees to provide verification of vaccine or negative Covid test. For up to date details, please visit covid19.ca.gov.

Delegate registration deadline is July 1.

For 2021, each branch is encouraged to send at least one delegate to attend the convention, even if it is for a portion of the weekend. You may send your maximum number of delegates. Elections for delegates may be held in the method best for your branch to follow. Branches unable to send a delegate may submit a letter by July 1 to the I.C.F. office stating the reason for their absence. Registration has been reduced to assist budgeting. Please review the travel highlights flyer for more information on hotel reservations. It is suggested to book flights mid July as the hotel and I.C.F. will be reviewing government regulations on July 10. This still allows for advanced airfare bookings without the worry of cancelling and receiving a credit. Please do make your hotel reservations to allow us to view attendance in advance. In the event of a convention cancellation, rooms booked under the I.C.F. rate can be cancelled with no charge and delegate registration will be refunded to the branches.

DELEGATE NAME: (Print clearly) Use additional sheets if necessary.	Check for 1st time Delegate	Date Arriving	Email Address
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
ALTERNATE DELEGATES:			
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____

Instructions: Mail this form with registration payment of \$250.00 per delegate by July 1 to: Italian Catholic Federation, 8393 Capwell Drive, #110, Oakland, CA 94621.

Delegate registration fee has been reduced this year and includes: Friday reception, Saturday banquet, copy of the yearbook, convention materials, and convention related expenses such as microphones.

Branch Check No. _____ No. of Delegates: _____ X \$250.00 = \$ _____

President's Signature Recording Secretary's Signature Date

FOR I.C.F. Office Use: Delegates: _____ Guests: _____ Total: _____

2021 ICF CONVENTION GUEST LIST

(Non-delegates)

Branch No. _____ City _____

Please list the names of non-delegates attending the convention. A guest name badge will be made.

Name:	Attendance Date(s):
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____
6. _____	_____
7. _____	_____
8. _____	_____
9. _____	_____
10. _____	_____

Guest name badges will be available in the Convention Delegate registration area in the conference center.

Max capacity is 200. Delegates have priority admission and will register by July 1. In the event that we reach capacity, guests will be welcomed based on when this form is received by the ICF office. Your branch will be notified in advance if admission is not possible.

Please indicate the dates you will be present at the convention.

All attendees must show completed COVID-19 vaccination card or proof of negative COVID-19 test that is completed within 72 hours of arrival.

Thank you for your understanding.



ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION 90TH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION

TRAVEL HIGHLIGHTS SEPTEMBER 3 - 5, 2021

Hotel: Santa Clara Marriott 2700 Mission College Drive Santa Clara, CA 95054 (408) 988-1500
(located next to Great America Theme Park)

Reservations: Marriott.com/SJCGA or use the Bonvoy App
Under special rates, select group code, then enter ICFICFA.

Rate: \$129 plus tax single/double occupancy

Note: Rate available until August 12 or sold out. After August 12, reservations will be accepted at the best available rate. You may cancel reservation at no charge up to 48 hours prior to your arrival date.

Parking rate: Discounted for attendees at \$5 per car, per day

Mineta San Jose International Airport: 5 miles

Amtrak Diridon Station: 7 miles

Hertz Rental Car: ICF year-round 'business' discount. Receive up to 30%. Discount Code 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.

Supporting a safe environment: The hotel is open and safely holding business and social events.

The ICF and the hotel will follow local guidelines in place, which may include proof of vaccination or negative COVID test within 72 hours of the convention. For current regulations visit covid19.ca.gov.

BRANCH FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY



The Annual Convention Raffle is an excellent fundraiser to boost revenue for your Branch and extend a chance to win cash prizes. The golden ticket books are \$20 each. Your Branch keeps \$10 for each book sold. Tickets can be individually purchased for \$2 each. Address labels were included with each package of tickets. Mail a book to each household to give members a chance to win. Additional books can be requested from the office. Stubs and a Branch check are due to the office by August 15th, so the tickets can reach us in time for the drawing.



CENTRAL COUNCIL CANDIDATE MEMORANDUM

TO: 2021 ICF Central Council Candidates
 FROM: Roselynn Jarrett, Convention Director
 RE: Notification of Intention to Run for Central Council at the 2021 Convention

Application Process

1. Applications are available from the I.C.F. Office.
2. Candidates' completed applications must be received by the I.C.F. Office by **August 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 yearbook; the ad contract, your photo and a message must be sent to the I.C.F. Office by **July 1st**.
2. Candidate entries to be included in the Bollettino, must be emailed to both the I.C.F. Office and the Bollettino Editor by **August 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 may be placed on a table provided on Friday evening during "Meet the Candidates." To support a socially safe environment, delegates may pickup flyers on their own. Additionally, to reduce contact, **favours will be omitted** this year.
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. If a district hosts a socially safe hospitality room or district meeting at any time during the convention weekend, there shall be no candidate posters, flyers or other campaign paraphernalia made available.
4. No campaigning may take place during convention sessions, activities or in the delegate registration area.
5. No campaign literature should be posted in the public areas or on the I.C.F. Facebook page.
6. Registration workers should not wear campaign items 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. Candidates should wear proper business attire at all business functions; no campaign T-shirts, pins, etc.
3. For additional information, or for clarification, please contact the I.C.F. Convention Director.

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

RESPONSIBILITIES OF CENTRAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

All Central Council members are expected to participate in the following:

1. Honor the I.C.F. By-laws, Rituals and Central Council Statutes.
2. Attend all Central Council Meetings.
3. Serve and participate on all Committees of the Central Council to which you are appointed.
4. Support and promote all I.C.F. programs.
5. Inform the I.C.F. office of any serious problem pertaining to the District and/or Branch.
6. Serve as a Special Representative at events at the request of the Grand President of the Central Council.
7. Attend your Branch and District meetings, providing leadership as needed.
8. Keep "lines of communication" open between the District and Central Council.
9. Advise and assist District Officers regarding matters of I.C.F. protocol at all District functions.
10. Visit other Branches and Districts when appropriate.
11. No candidate shall receive address labels of I.C.F. members for solicitation purposes.
12. To review the Central Council Statutes, please visit www.icf.org.
Select members area > organization and by-laws > Central Council Statutes.

CENTRAL COUNCIL NOMINEE PROFILE

Describe in 300 words or less your qualifications for candidacy and the goals you hope to accomplish as a member of the Central Council.

Candidate entries to be included in the Bollettino, **must be emailed to both the I.C.F. 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**.

ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION 2021 CENTRAL COUNCIL CANDIDATE NOMINATION APPLICATION

I, _____, wish to be a Candidate for Membership to the Central Council of the Italian Catholic Federation.

I have been nominated by _____ / _____.
Branch No. City

I have reviewed the application process, campaign rules and deadlines.

I have read and understand the responsibilities of Central Council Members.

Signature of Candidate

Date

Name of Branch President (or alternate)
submitting the name of the above candidate
for nomination.

Signature

Return this form to the I.C.F. Office by mail, email or fax with a date stamp of August 1st or prior to be eligible to run for Central Council.

WE ARE ONE

Friday Night Opening Festivities 2021 Convention

Reception, Convention Opening and Meet the Central Council Candidates

Friday, September 3

7:00pm Dinner

8:00pm Opening

Santa Clara Marriott

Sedona Room and Patio

Menu: Antipasto,

Pasta Action Stations, Dessert

No-host bar available.

Suggested attire:

Smart Casual

Admission to the dinner

reception portion is

included for delegates.

Non-delegates: \$60

Children 12 and

younger: \$30

Please reply on the

branch headcount form

by August 15.

Respectfully, reservations are
firm once headcount is submitted.

Keeping Safe at Convention

As of May 2021, the following guidelines are in place in Santa Clara County to allow the ICF to hold the convention.

- 1) Only 200 people can be present at one time. To keep us from going over capacity, **be sure to register for the convention with the ICF office by July 1**. Delegates have priority to attend. Guest registration is also required. If you plan to be present, you must notify your branch to ensure they add you to the headcount and a name tag will be provided.
- 2) All attendees must show proof of being fully vaccinated. When delegates and guests receive their name badge, show the registration worker your completed COVID-19 vaccination card. If not vaccinated, proof of a negative COVID-19 test, completed within 72 hours of attendance, must be shown and control number provided. The hotel will receive a list of all attendees.
- 3) Similar to everyday etiquette, masks must be worn (except when eating) and keep a social distance. Skip handshakes, hugs and kisses on both cheeks.
- 4) Fewer people will be seated at each table.
- 5) We will hold one workshop during each session. Delegates will keep their same seat for each workshop and then the general session. Tablecloths will be changed for the banquet.
- 6) The hotel will follow county measures in place for preparing and serving food.
- 7) Most materials will be provided on the ICF portal to reduce the exchange of papers.

The ICF will provide updates as we learn them. Sure this convention will feel different, but following local guidelines will support a safe meeting and allow us to be among our friends in a modified format. I look forward to seeing you in Santa Clara!

Rose Jarrett

Convention Director

**UPDATED GUIDELINES
ARE PENDING**
Check WWW.ICF.ORG or the
ICF FACEBOOK page for the
latest information.

Santa Clara Valley District Welcomes you to the
ICF Annual Convention Back to Normal (?) Thursday Night



Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021 - 6:00 pm

Our Lady of Peace, 2800 Mission College Blvd, Santa Clara, CA 95050

**Only 1/2 mile from Hotel
Car Pooling Available**

**Tri-Tip - Ribs - Chicken - Corn on the Cob
Potato Salad - Green Salad - Desserts**

Beer - Wine - Soda - Water Available for Purchase

Wear your favorite Sports Team Shirt

\$40 per person

Great Live & Silent Auctions Cash - Checks - Credit Card Accepted

Fill out Reservation and Send with check made to SCVD no later than August 1, 2021

Mail this form and \$40 per person to Steve Lencioni, 2246 Rosita Ave, Santa Clara, CA 95050

To use Credit Card please Call Denise Antonowicz @ 408-656-8954

Name: _____ Br. # _____ Phone # _____

E-Mail _____

Address: _____

Number of Tickets _____ at \$40 each _____ Check Total _____

Reservation Deadline August 1, 2021

Saintly Saturday Banquet

"Consult not your fears, but your
hopes & your dreams."
-Saint Pope John XXIII

"Faith in action is love and love
in action is service."
-Saint Teresa of Calcutta

The Italian Catholic Federation
invites you to the annual
convention banquet, honoring
the recipients of our
Saint Pope John XXIII and
Saint Teresa of Calcutta awards.

Banquet Menu:
Caesar Salad
Bassian Rotisserie Chicken
Mashed Sweet Potatoes
Fruit Tart

Suggested attire:
Semi-formal

September 4, 2021
7:00 PM No-host Cocktails
7:30 PM Seating Begins
Santa Clara Marriott Salons 5-9
Please use the branch headcount form
to make your reservation by August 15.

**Delegates
Included in Registration
\$60 Non-Delegates
\$30 Children 12 and Younger**
(chicken strips entrée)

Respectfully, reservations are firm once
headcount is submitted to the venue.



CONVENTION BINGO

Santa Clara Marriott
Friday, September 3
3pm - 5pm

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

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

Jackpots based on the number of participants.

Please make your reservations on the branch headcount form.

WE ARE ONE

Check the *Bollettino*, ICF Facebook
and www.icf.org for information about the
upcoming ICF Convention. Don't miss your
chance to be part of
"We Are One"
ICF's 90th Annual Convention
on September 3-5.

BOLLETTINO DEADLINE

August 1st is the deadline for ICF Convention issue.
This is the combined August/September Issue
Send articles and photos: editor@icf.org
Include your branch number and identifying information.

ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION 2021 CONVENTION EVENT RESERVATIONS

Please use
additional sheets,
if needed.

Branch #:	City:	District:				
	Print First Name	Print Last Name	Bingo \$25 per pack (\$30 after 8/15)	Friday Reception \$60	Saturday Dinner \$60	Total
Delegate 1				included	included	
Delegate 2				included	included	
Delegate 3				included	included	
Delegate 4				included	included	
Member/Gst						
Member/Gst						
Member/Gst						
Member/Gst						
Member/Gst						

Children's meals are \$30 each. Make note of child's entrée above.

Clergy: Saturday's lunch is included for all Clergy. Diocesan Chaplains Saturday Dinner is included as well. Please indicate attendance below. Bishops will reply directly with the office.

Clergy Title	Print First Name	Print Last Name	Bingo \$25 (\$30 after 8/15)	Friday Reception \$60	Saturday Clergy Luncheon -included- Hosted by CC	Saturday Dinner \$60	Total

-Make check payable to ICF Central Council.

-In the event local regulations prevent the convention from being held, refunds will be issued.

-If the above meals are held and the attendee chooses to cancel, refunds will be issued so long as the final headcount has not been submitted (5 days prior to the meal).

Total Check: