

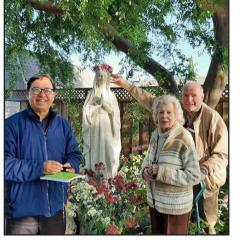
BOLLETTINO



ICF Celebrating Faith, Family and Heritage



Br. 332. The amazing kitchen crew of Branch 332. We are so grateful!



Br. 368, Fr. George, Lorraine & Bill Nunziata crowning Mary

So Cal Region
Golf Tournament
Rescheduled for
Saturday, Oct. 28.
Read Bollettino for details.





Br. 445 May Crowning



Br. 374 event at the La Canada Country Club

Grand President's Monthly Message

I his weekend was bittersweet for me, and it was my final Central Council meeting as the Grand President. Hard to believe that two years have gone by, and at our National Convention, I will be turning over the



position to a new Grand President. I have enjoyed my time as your Grand President and want to thank all the Districts, Branches, Central Council Members, members, and individuals who have supported me during this time and throughout my time on the Central Council.

The Convention Committee has been busy finalizing everything for this year's convention at Costa Mesa. We are looking forward to seeing all the branches in attendance. Don't forget to send in your registration information, any additional reservations for the many events, the memory, and sponsor names. Heritage and Apostolate committees are waiting to receive your reports, so don't forget to send

them, no matter how small or large they are. If you head down to the convention early, consider going to the dinner dance being hosted by the Orange District, it should be a great time

At this past Central Council meeting, we voted to decrease the number of Central Council members from 20 to 16. Therefore, there will be 8 elected and 8 Life Members on the Central Council. So, at the convention this year, you will be voting 8 people into Central Council. The number of Life Members will decrease by two when the next two Life Members term out; they will not be replaced. If you are wondering why we have done this, the cost of doing business has increased over the years, our membership has slowly been decreasing, our annual budget has been in a deficit and our General Funds have greatly decreased. We have been reviewing all aspects of our operation and are making adjustments wherever possible, this included the number of Central Council members.

Let's Rebuild Membership

Perry Shurko

Membership Chairperson

Hello, fellow members, and welcome to July.

I hope that the summer has been good to you so far. With summer in full



swing, many of you are on vacation, or will be traveling and taking time off. However, one area that never takes time off is keeping focused on our membership. Membership numbers are slipping, and one of the reasons for that is we are losing more members than we are gaining. Over this last fiscal year — July 1, 2022 through June 2023, we lost over 700 members from cancellations. Either

the members just cancelled on their own, were dropped for nonpayment or branches closed down.

So, what can I do about that you may ask. Or what should I do? The answer is: let's see if we can get some of those lost members back into the fold. I'm asking every branch that's had a decline in membership to try and contact cancelled members and see if we can lure them back. You never know, maybe they just might say *yes*. This is our task over the next few months, or you might say your homework for the summer, getting back our members who have strayed away.

I wish you all a great summer and Happy Independence Day. Stay safe and healthy and we will see you in Costa Mesa for the convention.

Perry Shurko, Membership Chair.

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Limit photos to 3 or 4 and include captions. Not all photos are able to be used due to possible limitations in space. Prioritize photos if possible. To insure photos are always linked to branch, include branch number when naming photos such as:

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Include photo captions with your article submission.

Please keep your submission positive and informative.

Deadline for the August/September Convention issue is August 1, 2023

Include district name, branch number and branch name in all submissions.

Thank you!

Message from our Spiritual Director

Dear Friends of the Italian Catholic Federation:

Most of this generation of Italian immigrants took their first steps on U.S. soil in a place that has now become a legend—Ellis Island. In the 1880s, they numbered 300,000; in the 1890s, 600,000; in the decade after that, more than two million. By 1920, when immigration began to taper off, more than 4 million Italians had come to the United States and represented more than 10 percent of the nation's foreign-born population. As we celebrate July 4th, my thoughts are drawn to a poem that is inscribed in bronze on the pedestal of the Statue of Liberty. It is a heartfelt invitation and welcome to all the aliens and strangers who arrive on our shores seeking both freedom and opportunity. Speaking for all of us, Lady Liberty says, 'Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe

Our Independence Day is about celebrating the gift of our freedom and the sacrifices made to earn and keep it. The Founding Fathers believed in Christian principles and wanted a country that not just reflected those principles but lived those principles.

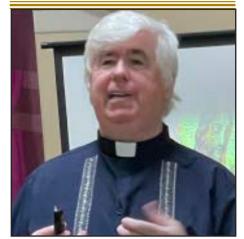
We are born with the ultimate gift of freedom from God. The gift of free will. God gives us freedom. He let us make choices. The question with free will is how we will use it? Will we use our free will to give glory to ourselves? Or will we use our free will to give glory to God?

Let us take some time to think about our freedom. To thank God for the sacrifices people have made to earn and preserve this precious gift. To thank God for the gift of freedom so we can freely choose to love Him and one another.

Let us remember that when we gather for the Eucharist we are gathering as the Body of Christ and gather at our Branch meetings we are to be for the stranger in our midst the presence of Christ. And we are to see in the stranger the presence of the resurrected Lord, for that is where he promised us, he would be – in the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the stranger, the prisoner, the ill. Let us not just celebrate the freedoms we have in the United States but let us remember the more profound gifts we have received from God. Let us commit to being a church community that knows and follows what Jesus teaches. As we receive the Eucharist, let us truly become the Body of Christ for our church community, for our Branches and our country.

Remembering the Declaration of Independence was written by thirteen different colonies, but within the document, they are called *we*. "We hold these truths to be self-evident..." Jesus set you and me free as individuals, but we live out this freedom as His Church. One body with many parts (1 Corinthians 12:1-27).

As we embark on marking the 100th anniversary of the Italian Catholic Federation, 2024, we are grateful that the Holy Spirit has guided this



Father Christopher Bennett ICF Spiritual Director

faith-filled community. Our Parish Branches are going strong, our works of charity are alive and active. We are blessed and foresee a bright future ahead. Remember, when your "I" becomes "We," it's amazing what we can accomplish.

I pray for you sisters and brothers in Christ, for your Branches, in gratitude for your faithful, creative, and generous service to the parish communities that you serve.

May you and our faith family of the Italian Catholic Federation, be filled with the gift of the Holy Spirit. I promise to remember you in my prayers, even as I would be grateful for a place in yours. May God bless you and those that you love.

Fr. Chris



Birthplace of Jesus *

Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus-Under the Spiritual Direction of: Fr. Christopher Bennett, ICF Spiritual Director St. Christopher Catholic Church in San Jose, CA 12-Days: September 10 to 21, 2023 Pricing, itinerary and registration available. For more information, please contact: Rev. Christopher Bennett (408) 269-2226 revbennett@sbcglobal.net

2023 2nd - 4th Year Scholarship Program

The 2nd - 4th Year Scholarship Applications have been mailed 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, 2023.

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.

If you have any questions, please call the ICF office toll-free at 1-888-423-1924.

Heritage -- Happy Independence Day

Louise Vento

The 4th of July is the anniversary of the day the Declaration of Independence was signed by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. The founders consid-



ered it as an important event, rejoicing and celebrating. The Liberty Bell rung on July 4th along with church bells to announce the adoption of the Declaration of Independence. The Liberty Bell is inscribed with the words: proclaim Liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof.

John Adams said, "I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as a great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by acts of devotion to God Almighty. It should be celebrated with parades, shows, games, bell ringing, bonfires and great illumination in the sky from one end of the continent to the other from this time forward and for evermore."

Through the years many people have been injured or killed by guns and fireworks while celebrating Independence Day. Today, many states forbid the sale of fireworks and stress a safe 4th of July with community celebrations of a safer patriotic nature. Enjoy your independence.

Italy celebrates a similar anniversary on April 25th, their Liberation Day. In April 1945 the allies advanced into Italy and put an end to the German invasion. On April 25, 1945, all the cities of Italy rose up together and the Italian Republic under Benito Mus-

solini collapsed. Mussolini was no longer in power. People took to the streets and celebrated their liberation. The war ended and a new Constitution of States was drafted. On that same day, a referendum was held to let the people of Italy choose the Monarchy or a Republic. In Italy and Sicily, everyone stays home to celebrate Liberation Day. Italy and America have much in common as they both celebrate Independence or Liberation.

Happy Independence Day!



Heritage events from various parts of the ICF



Santa Clara Valley District's display of heritage events



Heritage events through the first 100 years of ICF

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May 27 was the 22nd Annual Bishop Dinner for the San Bernardino Diocese, in which the San Bernardino District of the Italian Catholic Federation was one of the 3 Amar Es Entregarse honorees for 2023. From the Central Council Denise Antonowicz, Lisa Crudo, Perry Shurko and Pat Mages joined me in attending this event. Those of you that are baseball fans will recognize the name of the EMCC Steve Garvey, former Dodger. The event was interesting, well-planned, and orchestrated. The food was amazing, and the company was wonderful. I am SO proud of the San Bernardino District for receiving this award. They prove to the Federation that you do not have to be large to do great things.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Also, congratulations to our 2023 Convention Awardees:

St. Pope John XXIII-John and Dorothy

St.Teresa of Calcutta - Father John Hardin and Sister Margaret Keaveney

Grand President - Ritamarie Downey from Branch 443 Simi Valley

Family of the Year - Angelo and Antionette Pecora from Branch308 Fresno

Young Adult – Katherine LaCorte from Branch 218 Arcadia.

You will be reading more about them in the next issue of the Bollettino. Thank you to all that sent in nominations for these awards. They were all deserving. Unfortunately, we could only select one for each category.

The American Saints

Rosemary Cook – Apostolate-Charity Committee

In July, we observe Independence Day and celebrate the founding of the United States of America as a stand-alone nation. Part of our patriotism this month can include celebrating American saints! The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bish-



ops recognizes eleven American saints who exemplified Catholicism and performed extraordinary service in this country.

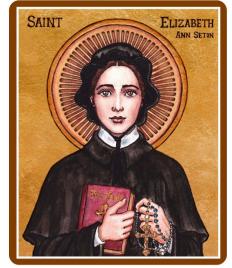
Three of the eleven were orn in the

United States. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton of New York became the first American-born saint when she was canonized in 1975. She established the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph and is considered the founder of the U.S. Catholic School system. St. Katharine Drexel from Philadelphia started a religious order of sisters to serve Native and African Americans and founded Xavier University in New Orleans, the only Catholic historically black college in the U.S. And, St. Kateri Tekakwitha was canonized in 2012 as the first indigenous American saint. She was raised in New York and is remembered for her chaste and devout life and as the patroness of ecology and the environment.

The other eight were immigrants who came to serve people in

America. In 1977, St. John Neumann was the first male U.S. citizen canonized. Originally from modern-day Czech Republic, he was ordained a priest in New York and was instrumental in beginning diocesan Catholic education. St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, St. Isaac Jogues, and St. Anne-Therese Guérin were all French missionaries who opened schools in Louisiana, New York, and Indiana/ Illinois respectively. St. Damien de Veuster from Belgium and St. Marianne Cope from Germany dedicated their lives to serving those with leprosy who were quarantined on the island of Molokai, Hawaii. Originally from Spain, St. Junípero Serra started the Spanish missions in California, opening nine of the twenty-one missions in the state. And, St. Francis Xavier Cabrini, the ICF's co-patroness, founded orphanages, convents, and schools upon her arrival in New York which served Italian immigrants like herself. Canonized in 1946, she was the first American citizen to become a saint.

As we decorate with red, white, and blue this month, we can also celebrate the many holy men and women who have shared our American nationality and shaped this country with their faith-filled contributions. And, we look forward to more American saints among us!







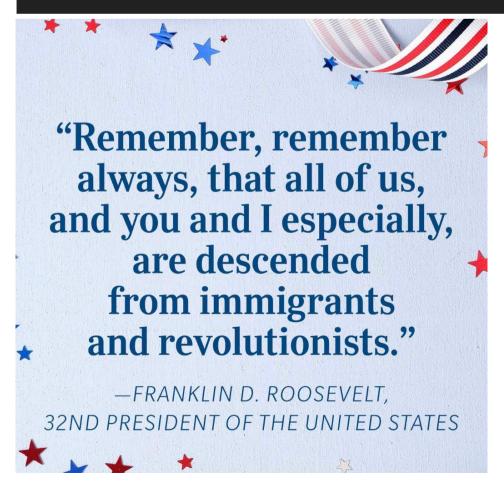




Cooley's Anemia Donations

(Report as of June 9, 2023)

Branch 115 Branch 209 Branch 449 Terry Giannetto



Gifts of Love Donations (Received as of June 9 2023)

Branch 209 Joan and Jerry Delfino In Memory of Mike Curulla Joan and Jerry Delfino Get Well Wishes for Patty Smith

Officers/Members of Br. 213 In Memory of Henry Goulden ICF Spouses' and Family Assoc.

In Memory of Joseph Ornelaz Harold and Virginia Fuentes

Thinking of Both of You Wishes for Elaine & Bob Osorio

Bob and Elaine Osorio In Honor of the Birthday of Anna Arnaudo

Bob and Elaine Osorio In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

Sir Luigi & Lady Augusta Providenza Seminary Scholarship Fund Donations*

Received as of June 9, 2023:

IN MEMORY OF:

Joseph Ornelaz Most Reverend Patrick J. McGrath Giovanni Cormier

Lina Ponzo and Chinza Ponzo

Most Reverend Patrick J. McGrath Most Reverend Patrick J. McGrath

Michael Vincent Curulla Robert Pesce

Marie Locatelli

GET WELL WISHES:

Bryan Stow

Franklyn Lopes, Jr.

Association

DONATED BY:

Denise Antonowicz

Denise Antonowicz

Officers/Members of Br. 191

Officers/Members of Br. 191

Lorraine and Mike Nunziata

Officers/Members of Br. 21

Officers/Members of Br. 21

ICF Spouses' and Family

Officers/Members of Central Council

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

Rose Arnaudo The Antonowicz Family Lucy and Richard Amico Rose Arnaudo

THANK YOU FOR YOUR MANY YEARS OF HELP AND ADVICE:

Karen Rossi - Br. 285 Mentor

Officers/Members of Br. 285

IN SUPPORT OF THE PROVIDENZA FUND:

A donation was made to the Providenza Fund by Perry Shurko of Branch 362 - Downey.

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

"Freedom is never more than one generation away 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." --Ronald Reagan

ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS! So Cal Region Golf Tournament Rescheduled for Saturday, October 28th.

We are moving the date of the tournament from July 28th to October 28th for the So Cal Region Golf Tournament. This is to allow us more time to get golfers to sign up, and also to avoid the summer heat of Temecula. We've also moved it from a Friday to a Saturday.

Again, we feel more golfers will sign up to play on a Saturday instead of taking the day off on a Friday. Some people also stated that they will be on vacation in July.

We hope you will still come out and support us by either playing golf, sponsoring a hole and / or joining us for the Italian buffet lunch and raffle.

If you still want to play on July 28th, go to Bennett Valley in Santa Rosa. Shotgun in Santa Rosa at 8:30 a.m. Checkout flyers in Bollettino for more information.

Thank you for understanding.

In Loving Memory (Report as of June 9, 2023)

Jeanne Macchello	Branch 001	Angelina R Bruno	Branch 036
Annamaria Uccelli	Branch 007	Ellie Costanzo-Wooten	Branch 039
Pauline Cardoza	Branch 014	Katherine Stefani	Branch 045
Lena Mc Crossen	Branch 014	Mario J Migliardi	Branch 198
Marie Locatelli	Branch 021	Antonio Amato	Branch 391
Robert R Pesce	Branch 021	Anthony R Hole	Branch 391
Roy F Frontani	Branch 025	Maryann Kenyon	Branch 443
Mario C Fiorio	Branch 028		



Live to Give Blood Donations (Received as of June 9 2023)

Carol Fuhrman

Mary Ann Maggio

Duane Simpfenderfer

Pat and Lou Mages

Get Well Wishes for Laurice Levine

Anonymous

Get Well Wishes for Kerstin Ellsworth

Rick Castelanelli

In Honor of the Birthday of Liz

Castelanelli

Patty Litts

In Honor of the Birthday of Kathy D'Alessandro

Lisa M. Fugazi

In Memory of Carmella

Giacoma

Kathryn Kirkendall

In Memory of Richard Morris

Scholarship Donations (Received as of June 9 2023)

1st Year Scholarships:

Mr. and Mrs. John Lochner In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Jaramillo In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pinkston In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

Mrs. Lydia Norcia In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

2nd - 4th Year Scholarships:

Shirley Catania

In Memory of Mary Kay Awalt

Donna and Richard Pfaff In Memory of John Sellarole

Mr. and Mrs. John Bond In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

H.T. Rehbock and A.P. Hiraki In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Fiorentino In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

Elke Johnson

In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Knopf In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bambas In Honor of the Birthday of Rose

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Blackstock In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Sorich In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

Anonymous Donation In Honor of the Birthday of Rose Arnaudo

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kilcullen In Memory of Jeanette DeMartini

Richard and Valerie Vote Get Well Wishes for Marie Mungai

Officers/Members of Br. 435 In Memory of Helen Justino

Bob and Elaine Oosrio In Honor of the Birthday of Jerry Delfino

Officers/Members of Br. 237

In Memory of Gloria Castaneda





RESERVATIONS FORM

Nov. 4, 2023

FOR THE TESTIMONIAL DINNER FOR PAST GRAND PRESIDENT DEBORAH RODONDI

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Italian Catholic Federation 8393 Capwell Drive, Suite 110 Oakland, California 94621

Branches will be seated together unless notified differently.

Book Review: When the Stars Were Still Visible

Vince Piro, Past Grand President

When the Stars Were Still Visible By Maria Mazzioti Gillan Stephen F. Austin University Press, 2021

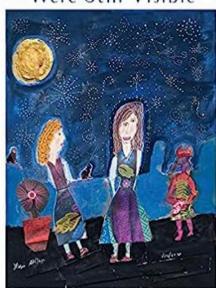
In When the Stars Were Still Visible, Maria Mazzioti Gillan looks back at her long life, remembering and reflecting on the people and places that give it meaning. And while such a book of poems could turn to nostalgia with an overly sentimental longing for a return to the past, Mazzioti Gillan is an honest enough of a poet to remember that our lives are filled with both joy and pain.

The book starts with *Where the Stars* Were Still Visible, in which the word "remember" appears prominently seven times as it evokes the author's past. It is through her memories that she chronicles her life as a child of Italian immigrants living in Paterson to her life as an aging and accomplished writer. However, Mazzioti Gillan fights against nostalgia to a club debating with friends and playing more truthful reflection of her life. Certainly, this is a book of very personal memories - as could only be written by someone who has lived a long life - but it is an attempt to meld together - perhaps one could say "wrestle together" - both the hap-piness and suffering one feels looking back. And while there are many sentimental moments, there are also memories of the alienation, awkwardness, and distress that we all feel at moments in our lives.

In these poems, we find Mazzioti Gillan remembering her childhood in New Jersey where Italian immigrants were "Carrying Their Hometowns to Paterson." As she writes, "it was as though these new immigrants / carried their hometowns to Paterson, / carrying their dialects, and mores / and the pungent cheeses their relatives sent to them / so they'd have a piece of home / to remind them of the past.' And this theme of remembering the past carries throughout the book as the author remembers the people, places and things that were important to her life. She also does an excellent job of describing the lives of these Italian immigrants in Paterson.

She lovingly remembers her mother who was "always the stone platform on which we stood." The author lovingly remembers her mother as the person who made everyone feel welcome in her home, as the mother who "wanted [her children] to be close and the mother who made her feel loved in a world where the author often felt marginalized. In addition, she recalls her father, whom she remembers as "political, radical," a man who liked to spend his time at the Italian social

When the Stars Were Still Visible



Maria Mazziotti Gillan

cards. However, she also describes him as the father who - like the other immigrants - "worked hard in America where the streets / were not paved with gold, but where they knew / they could give their children better lives.

Mazzioti Gillan remembers the familial love of her childhood, but she also recounts feeling marginalized as dreamy, shy, a child afraid of everything / always afraid that I'd make a mistake, speaking Italian instead of English, / my long thin face, my sausage curls, / my huge dark eyes."
This contrasted with the idealized image of beauty in America: blonde, thin, "athletic." These feelings of alienation and inadequacy follow the poet throughout her childhood and even into adulthood. The author writes towards the end of book, "How many years have I spent / trying to appease the child who still / cowers inside me - that being / who did not know how to find the words to free it / from the prison of her circumstances... She must come to grabble with these feelings.

The author also remembers her loving husband who died a painful death and for whom she longs for daily as "loneliness" becomes part of aging without him. She remembers her sister and brother with whom she stayed close. She remembers relatives, friends, and enemies. As she writes, "Ghost voices surround me like fog / all my dead still live inside me." Moreover, she remembers "...My First Car, " "The Houses I Have Lived In, "The Beds I Slept In." She remembers feeling love and accomplishment, but she also remembers embarrassment, shame, and grief. She remembers and remembers

and remembers.

And as the book progresses, the reader can see the person who developed "to claim my true name..." The final poems in the book illustrate a person who finally embraces her own self. Through her memories, Mazzioti Gillan comes to a place where she can honestly look back and claim a life and an identity that is only hers. This is what one can do when one unflinchingly looks at the past and forgoes nostalgia for something more honest and true.

Mazziito Gillan is an artist, poet and professor. She is a recipient of the 2011 Barnes & Noble Writers for Writers Award from Poets & Writers, and the 2008 American Book Award for her book, All That Lies Between Us (Guernica Edi-

tions). She is the Founder and Executive Director of the Poetry Center at Passaic County Community College in Paterson, NJ, and editor of the Paterson Literary Review.

Vince



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http://eepurl.com/ **bLaMFb**

Welcome New Members (Report as of June 9, 2023)

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	Branch 005	Laura Perez	
	Branch 014	Deana Rabbach	Renee Ratterree
	Branch 028	Peter Lucente	
	Branch 036	Denise A Antonowicz	Germaine Z Antonowicz
		Marie A Antonowicz	Michelle Antonowicz
		Andreana Bernardino	August Bernardino
		Carlo R Bernardino	Trevor Bernardino
		Andrew Obeso	
	Branch 039	Sharon Slown	
	Branch 052	Lily Zichichi	Matthew Zichichi
		Nicholas Zichichi	
	Branch 179	Hilda Sabbagh	Jalal (Joe) Sabbagh
	Branch 209	Erica R Alsbury	
	Branch 218	Stephen R Melli	
	Branch 291	Catherine Carter	Maxim Carter
		Owen Carter	Cynthia Owen
		Jim M Rallis	Tricia L Rallis
	Branch 308	Julie Areias	
	Branch 332	Frank P Bondanza	Jacqueline Bondanza
		Paul Cerruti	
	Branch 351	Mary C Mc Linden	Richard T Mc Linden
	Branch 374	Arlene J Massimino	Gary L Massimino
	Branch 390	Genevieve Hunt	George Hunt
	Branch 438	Alma Cortez	Virginia A Wedding
	Branch 446	Rosanna Hartman	Frank A Smiderele
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Italian Catholic Federation 2023 Convention Event Reservations and Name Badges

Branch #:

City: District:

Please use additional sheets, if needed. Also include names of guests not buying event tickets to ensure a nametag is prepared.

	Print First Name	Print Last Name	Friday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Total
			Bingo \$25	Dinner \$75	Dinner \$75	Lunch \$45	
				Children \$30	Children \$30	Children \$25	
Delegate 1				included	included	included	
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Delegate 3				included	included	included	
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Children's meals are for ages 10 and younger. Make note of child's entrée above. Outside food and beverage is not permitted in the event space.

Clergy: Diocesan Chaplains' - Friday and Saturday's dinners are included as well as Sunday's Lunch. Please write included for the meals attending. Branch and District Chaplains are a Branch/District expense.

Clergy Title	Print First Name	Print Last Name	Friday Bingo \$25	Friday Dinner \$75	Saturday Dinner \$75	Sunday Lunch \$45	Total

- -Submit this form by August 15 to ensure your members are seated together.
- -Refunds will not be issued after headcounts are provided to the venues.

Total Check

payable to ICF Central Council:

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Mother Cabrini Chapel & Library

by Carmelo Sabatella

On June 11th Mother Cabrini Open House was held during the annual St. Francis Xavier Church Fiesta. Several parishioners visited the Cabrini Chapel and Open House hosted by Andrea Linn of the ICF San Gabriel Valley Region.

Mother Cabrini Chapel and Library Open House schedule is below. Additional dates will be scheduled during the year. If you or your branches would like to visit the Chapel and Library, group visits can be arranged by email: cas1810@aol.com or telephone: 626-372-7812. If you would like to make a donation to help maintain the Chapel facility and to continue

with programs such as the annual Mother Cabrini Pilgrimage event in Burbank, please call 626 372-7812 or visit the Mother Cabrini Shrine at www.icf.org.

- July 9th ICF LAADC Cooley's Anemia BBQ in Connolly Hall at Holy Family Church South Pasadena from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm.
- Sept. 10th Open House 10:00 am to 2:00 pm host Santa Bar- Your support is greatly apprecibara/Ventura Region.
- Nov. 12th Open House 9:30 to 10:30 am hosted by the San Fernando Valley Region;

Cabrini Pilgrimage, Mass and Luncheon at

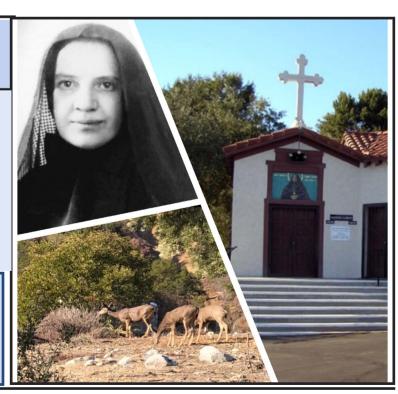
Saint Francis Xavier Church 3801 Scott Road, Burbank, CA 91504 from 12:30 pm.

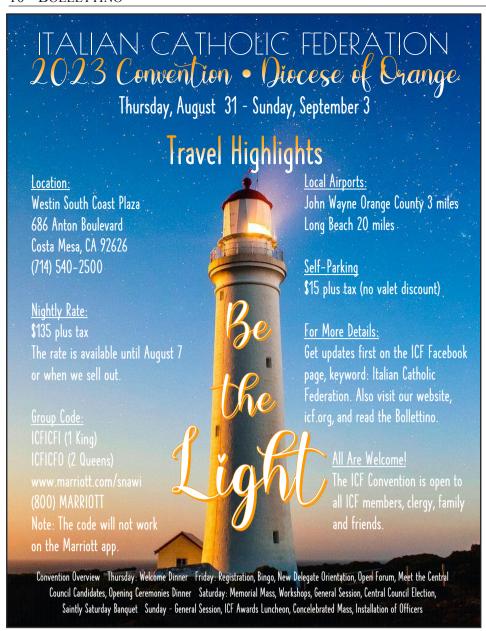
Chapel Store: DVDs on the Life of Mother Cabrini by Lucia Mauro now available. Call 626-372-7812 or email at cas1810@aol.com.

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- Carmelo Sabatella, AIA, President, ICF, LAADC
- -- Mother Cabrini Chapel Committee

- December 3rd - Annual Mother E: cas1810@aol.com; C 626-





Convention Thursday Night Dinner/Dance



Orange District invites you to

A Taste of Italy

featuring The Sicilian Band

Thursday, August 31, 2023

6:00 p.m. Wine & Soft Drinks

7:00 p.m. Dinner

Antipasto and Salad Chicken Pasta Primavera Baked Pasta Dessert and Coffee Three-Course Dinner Raffle Live Music Dancing

\$45 per person

Saints Simon & Jude Catholic Church

20444 Magnolia St., Huntington Beach, CA 92646 (7 miles from the Convention Hotel)

...Carpools, Uber/Lyft, or Taxi... Recommended for transportation to/from the venue.

Let's celebrate together as one big ICF family!

Check Memo Line: Thursday Dinner

RSVP and payment due by August 10, 2023

Guest Name Guest Name Guest Name Guest Name		Branch #	
Contact Perso	on Phone Number	and Email	



Mail RSVP and payment to: Make payment to: Italian Catholic Federation Branch 379 Mail to: Jane Wescott 16072 Jereva Circle, Huntington Beach, CA 92647













Sign up to <mark>Save-A-Life</mark> 12th Annual ICF Convention

Blood Drive

Friday, September 1st
Time: 7:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.
Convention Hotel - The Westin South Coast Plaza
Laguna/Capistrano Rooms
Snacks~~Prizes~~Raffle

Sponsored by:

The ICF Live to Give Committee

To Reserve a spot please Contact:

Laurice Levine

LLevine430@aol.com or 360-860-2023









"Consult not your fears, but your hopes & your dreams." -Saint Pope Fohn 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: Spinach and Frisee Salad with blackberries and balsamic vinaigrette

Slow Braised Short rib with fresh seasonal vegetables and rice pilaf

> Cheesecake with fresh berries Coffee and Tea

(Other beverages available at the no-host bar)

September 2, 2023 6:30 PM No-host Cocktails 7:00 PM Dinner Westin South Coast Plaza

Please use the branch headcount form to make your reservation.

Delegates
Included in Registration

\$75 Non-Delegates

\$30 Children 10 and younger

Suggested Attire: Semi-formal





AWards Lancheon Italian Catholic Federation

Honoring the recipients of the Grand President's, Family of the Year and Young Adult Leadership Awards

Sunday, September 3

12 noon

Westin South Coast Plaza

Delegates included with registration

\$45 non-delegates \$25 children 10 and younger (menu TBA)

Please RSVP by August 15 on the branch reservation form.

Traditional Cesar Salad
Stuffed Breast of Chicken with
Feta & Sundried Tomato
Fresh Seasonal Vegetables
Pesto Risotto
Apple Tart with Caramel Sauce
Coffee and Tea

(additional beverages available at the no-host bar)

Suggested Attire: Business Casual

Branch Reports

SAN FRANCISCO

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

Dear Members:

We are sad that Jeanne Macchello, our member of 59 years passed away. Jeanne was the secretary of Immaculate Conception School for approximately 50 years. Our heartfelt sympathy to her family.

Please return the ICF Raffle tickets. Thank you.

Happy 4th of July and enjoy the summer!

Cordiali Saluti Diana Cresci

San Francisco St. Elizabeth, Br. 258

Happy 4th of July to all of our members.

Please mark your calendars that our Anniversary Luncheon will be held on Friday, September 8th, at the Basque Cultural Center. More details will follow.

Please remember our ill and deceased members in your prayers.

To those members who have returned their raffle stubs and sent in their checks - thank you very much. Grazie!!

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

Please stay well. We all love you and miss all of you!! *Ciao*,

Eva Perata, President

SAN MATEO District Council

Happy Fourth of July!

We have a large number of branches that have not paid their District dues. Please send your check payable to San Mateo District to Bea Tomasello, 1348 Paloma Avenue, Burlingame, CA 94010.

Don't forget to elect your Convention delegates and make your reservations early. Also please be sure to sell the convention raffle tickets. It is a good way for your branch to have a fundraiser.

Our July meeting will be in person at Our Lady of Angels, Burlingame, at 7:00 p.m. in the small hall.

Ciao, Barbara

Burlingame Br. 173, Our Lady of Angels

We are looking forward at the end of June - June 25, 2023 (4-5 No Host cocktails - 5:00 p.m. Dinner) to our Ravioli dinner as this is our only major fundraiser of the year. Please contact Bea Tomasello by June 19, 2023, and RSVP if you have not bought your tickets yet.

Anyone wishing to attend convention festivities over Labor Day weekend, please let President Dorene know. The Convention will be held in Anaheim near Disneyland.

Summer is almost here, and we have some club events planned:

JULY 13 - Hot Dog dinner where our Scholarship winners will be in attendance. Chaired by Bob and Bea Tomasello

AUGUST 10 - Members Appreciation – Appetizers & Dessert - chaired by Mary Ann Camacho and Roz Emery - no charge

SEPTEMBER 14 - Pizza/Salad – Convention Reports

Note: Dorene will be attending the "Eucharistic Congress" at the San Francisco Archdiocese on June 10 and will report at our July meeting.

Convention 2023 Drawing tickets were given out. They are \$20.00 per book but the branch gets to keep \$10. Please leave the staple in when returning to Lori Clyne at 30 Mounds Rd. #401, San Mateo, CA 94402.

WISHING ALL A SAFE AND HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!

PLEASE KEEP THE ILL OF OUR BRANCH and OTHERS IN OUR PRAYERS: Mary Bodisco, Anita Cecena, Carmela Gigliotti and Melanie Yeager along with Kathy Traviso and Jackie Barnes from Branch 19.

God Bless, Roz Emery fundraiser of the year

South San Francisco Br. 213, St. Augustine

Pizza was enjoyed by all at our June 13 meeting. Unfortunately, our scholarship recipient was unable to attend.

Best wishes and good luck to Halena Hill! She will be attending University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Also, our other scholarship recipient from San Mateo District, Nikolaus Ketchem will be attending University of Notre Dame in Indiana. Congratulations to both of you!

At our officers meeting on May 23, we discussed the following proposed future events:

Cypress Lawn Cemetery Trolley Tour: We have 18 people signed up, just waiting for a date.

We are looking into a future Red Hawk Casino Bus Trip and will give details when we get the information.

We will invite guest speakers regarding senior scams and "looking for a new place to live".

Horse races at Golden Gate Fields, next year.

Please note: Our dinner meetings start at 4:30 p.m. for socializing and 5:00 p.m. dinner served. We voted to have members sign up to bring dinner each month, as we did in the past.

SUNSHINE: Member Carolyn Ternullo is recovering at Vanessa Care Home in San Mateo. Let her know you are thinking of her; please send a card to her home and her son will see that she receives them.

There will be NO meetings in July and August, as many members are away during summer.

Next regular meeting: September 12 - Convention report.

See you in September.

Menlo Park Br. 351, St. Patrick

Happy Fourth of July!!

Thanks to all of our cooks for the June meeting. We had hotdogs and all of the trimmings. It was delicious and everyone had an enjoyable evening. The desserts were also yummy! Thank you!

No meeting in July

Our August 3, 6:30 p.m. meeting and dinner will be lasagna with all the trimmings. Please let me know if you would like to attend 650-444-6999.

Sylvia Row will be our delegate for the Convention in Orange County. Thank you, Sylvia, we look forward to hearing your report.

Please sell or purchase your convention raffle tickets. The branch will keep \$10 from each book sold. It is an easy fundraiser. If you didn't receive your tickets at the June meeting, you will receive them in the mail.

Thank you to Bob Tomasello, our District Mentor who was able to attend our meeting.

Please keep our sick and deceased members in your prayers

Hope to see you in August. Be well.

Ciao, Barbara

Millbrae Br. 403, St. Dunstan

Ciao a Tutti! I hope you all had a wonderful Father's Day. Our Mexican-themed dinner in May was great fun and it also turned out to be member Pete Passagno's birthday. So, his wife, Tina, baked two lemon cakes for the occasion! Thanks to all our volunteers for helping in the kitchen and for serving others. Our June 6th meeting was dessert & coffee only. We were able to further discuss our plans for our Polenta Dinner fundraiser, tentatively scheduled for Sunday, September 17th. We are still finalizing a commitment from the Millbrae Lions & Leos. This has always been a wonderful event so we hope we can pull it all together. Save the date!!

We have no branch meeting in July due to vacations.

Our next branch dinner meeting is on Tuesday, August 1st. This will be our Giant Hot Dog meal, including Eunice's Chili, coleslaw, wine & soda, and dessert & coffee. The social begins at 5 p.m. with dinner at 5:30 and the meeting to follow. The cost is \$15. Members should send their check (payable to "Br. 403") to Eunice Danli, 4 Spring Valley Lane, Millbrae, CA 94030. The cut-off date is Friday, July 28th.

Have a fun and safe Fourth of July! Adonna Amoroso Corresponding Secretary

MARIN

Novato Br. 332, Our Lady of Loretto

Looking back at last month, we are happy to report that our Family Picnic was a wonderful day of great food and fun, blessed with the joy of seeing grandparents, parents, and children enjoying time together. Thank you to the organizers, the chefs, and the many who decorated, took reservations, and oversaw the activities. We are grateful for your spirit of generosity.

As we have been doing over the past few months, we would like to acknowledge another important group of volunteers. A huge thank-you to Angela Mc Duffee and her team, who provide our Branch with delicious meals each month. We've lost count of exactly the number of years that the Salvestrin and Raccanello families have been cooking for the Branch, but we know it's close to 30 years. We are so grateful for their long dedication, and in true Italian style, for bringing us to the table, to share food, laughter, and friendship.

August is our vacation month, so there will be no meeting in August. We look forward to seeing everyone again September 12. Don't forget to mark your calendars and sharpen your pencils. September will be back to school time for us, and that means another Italian lesson.

Thank you to all the Branch delegates attending the Convention. We hope that there is rich discussion, contributing to new ideas, to help grow and invigorate our wonderful ICF.

LOS ANGELES ARCHDIOCESE District

Br. 67, National Branch, St. Peter

On June 17, 2023, President Carmelo S. Joined National Branch 67 members in person and via Zoom in a branch meeting that included Fr. Gianantonio Pastor of St. Peters Italian National Church.

ICF National Branch 67 is a virtual branch that reaches out to members and nonmembers who do not have an ICF in their area and would like to 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 opportunity to understand what is important in each of our lives. ICF may be just the place for you as we are multi culture-based 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 ICF National Branch 67 C 626 372-7812. E Cas1810@aol.org

SAVE THE DATE

- Next ICF N Branch 67 Committee Meeting on July 15, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in person and via zoom. Contact us at email: cas1810@ aol.com if you would like to Join us at this meeting. ICF Members and Visitors welcome. Zoom link will be forwarded one week prior to meeting. Questions? Call: 626-372-7812.

South Pasadena Br. 108, Holy Family

On June 11th ICF Branch 108 held its annual Picnic at Holy Family Church Connolly Hall. Members enjoyed lunch and playing Bean Bag Bocce indoors along with fellow members. A short meeting brought members up-to-date with upcoming events for Branch

On June 9, ICF Branch 108 Board Trustee Jackie Ficht gave ICF Branch

108 Frank Bratta high school scholarships to eight grade Holy Family School graduates Laura Wong (Mayfield High School) and Nathan Trotter

(St. Francis High School).

Members also celebrated June Birthdays of members Elain P, Linda S, Dante S, and Lisa S, and Wedding Anniversary of Bill and Aggie D (28 yrs.).

SAVE THE DATES

- July 9th ICF LAADC Cooley's Anemia BBQ in Connolly Hall Holy Family Church in South Pasadena CA from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Aug 31 to Sept 3rd ICF Annual Convention at Westin South Coast Plaza in Costa Mesa.
- Sept. 10th Mother Cabrini Chapel Burbank Open House 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

We continue to pray for the speedy Resolution of the present crisis and to keep our sick members in your prayers for a speedy recovery; and to our former Branch members and friends of ICF who recently have gone to their eternal reward. May they rest in peace.

Keep safe and stay healthy, Carmelo Sabatella, AIA Past President, ICF Branch 108 C 626 372-7812 E cas1810@aol.com

Montebello Br. 111, St. Benedict

Ciao a Tutti. A warm hello to everyone. As you may know, we will not a have a general meeting during the month of July. The Branch will have a Picnic on Sunday, July 30, at Sanchez Adobe Park in Montebello. We will be sending everyone a Picnic Flyer with all the details. Come and join us for lots of fun, delicious foods, bocce games, and socializing.

We are happy to report that based on our review of the ICF Phillip & Phyllis Pace Scholarship applications and essays we received from graduating St. Benedict School students, the two winners of the \$500 Phillip & Phyllis Pace Scholarships are Ziggy Hernandez and Rafael Romero. Zyggy Hernandez plans to attend Saint Joseph High School and Rafael Romero plans to attend Cantwell Sacred Heart of Mary High School. Congratulations to Zyggy and Rafael!

Additionally, we are happy to report that based on our review of the ICF Phillip Pace Jr. and Salvator "Sam" Pace Scholarship applications and essays we received from graduating Cantwell Sacred Heart of Mary High School students, the winner of the \$500 Phillip Pace, Jr. Scholarship is Maria Tadian. Maria will be attending Cal State University, Long Beach. The winner of the \$500 Salvator "Sam" Pace Scholarship is Elijah Huerta. Elijah will be attending Cal State University, Northridge. Congratulations to Maria and Elijah!

Our August General Meeting, will be on Thursday, August 17, 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 the following members who have birthdays in the months of July and August: Chiara Sorce, Manuel Rodriguez, Carmelo Palmeri, Rose Mary Brougher, Paul Adragna, Terry Saracho, Barbara Garcia, Giuseppe Veneziano, and Ruben Valdez. Congratulations and Happy Birthday to everyone!! Buon Compleanno a tutti!!

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

God Bless! Frank Salomone, President ICF 111 - St. Benedict, Montebello

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

It's parish fiesta time! This year we will be celebrating the 75th anniversary of the fiesta. Fiesta will take place on July 21st thru the 23rd. Our branch will host the meatball/sausage and pizza booth. Help will be needed on Thursday July 20th to prepare meatballs and sausages. Volunteers will also be needed to man the booth all 3 days of the fiesta. Please call Pauline Iacono for information or to sign up to help: 310- 832 0563. It is such a worthy cause and lots of fun! All help is appreciated.

Since we will be making meatballs on July 20th Our monthly July meeting will be held a week earlier July 13th at 730pm in parish center. We would love to see more members attend meetings. Joining together makes us all stronger! Please plan on attending.

Up for discussion will be the Mass and dinner dance in honor of St. John Joseph of the Cross on August 19th.

Please purchase or sell the convention raffle tickets that were mailed out. Our branch will receive half of the sale which helps to defray the cost of sending delegates to the Convention.

A very special Happy 95th birthday to long time member Tony Dibernando Warmest wishes for a beautiful day.

Thank you to all who attended and supported our American Cancer Society Relay for Life fundraiser. Our team the Gioiello Jewels appreciates the support the branch has shown us over the years. With your help San Pedro raised a little over \$82,000.00!

A Happy Fourth of July to all and safe travels to all! Anita Trujillo

Arcadia Br. 218, Holy Angels

Backing up a bit, we had a wonderful turnout for our Mother's Day celebration at Don Ricardo's Restaurant. Father's Day celebration was well attended also, thank you to Scott and Jerry for putting on a great Hawaiian cookout. The branch has given scholarship awards to two persons, Mia Cuevas and Dillon Vazquez. Congratulations to these well deserving students.

There will be no meetings in July and August. The branch has been discussing some very interesting projects and we look forward to starting up again in September with some fresh ideas.

Everyone have a great summer and hope to see all of you in September. *Lolly M*.

Gardena Br. 237, St. Anthony of Padua

Dear members.

The month of June was an exciting one for our graduates. We were especially pleased to award several deserving students scholarships.

Audrianna Bellotti from South High received the college award in memory of charter member, Angie Publico.

From our neighborhood parish, St Catherine Laboure, attending Bishop Montgomery High in the fall is Mia Farges-Fierros.

Receiving scholarships from our Parish, St. Anthony of Padua School are essay winners, Sofia Layug and Franklin Patel. Sofia will be attending St. Pius X-St. Matthias Academy and Franklin will be moving on to Bishop Montgomery High.

We again honored our outstanding altar servers for their dedication to this ministry. Aileen Galicia will attend St. St. Pius X-St. Matthias Academy and Chiedozie Onyejiji, he will join Franklin at Bishop Montgomery HS.

We pray for their future successes and God 's blessings for health and happiness.

These scholarships are made possible by generosity of our parishioners. We thank them for the many years of support.

Speaking of support, we are now planning for our annual Columbus Day dinner/dance. This is our major fund raiser and we are so blessed for our many benefactors!

A prayer for healing in the world "O God.

the need for healing in the world is great and the difficulties our nations face are many.

We ask for your help and healing presence in all world concerns.

Guide our thoughts, words and actions towards one another so that each nation might find peaceful, just and ethical solutions. Amen"

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Downey Br. 362, St. Raymond

Happy Birthday America! 247 years old. July is here and summer is rolling right along.

Last month our branch held its annual awards and recognition night by honoring our parish, some of our 8th grade students, ministries, ICF charities, previous Pope St John XXIII award winners, Sisters of the Holy Faith, and community nonprofits with donations made possible by all of our hard-working officers and members of our branch and the parishioners of St Raymond. We also bid farewell to the principal, Mrs. Rodarte, as she moves on to be the principal of St Pius X / St Matthias Academy just down the street from us, and we welcomed Ms. Pacheco as our new principal.

As summertime is here with us, let's not become too relaxed, as we still have lots prepare for. On the 16th of this month, we will hold our summer Bingo luncheon with a BBQ pulled pork sandwich and watermelon. Tickets are \$20.

In case you haven't heard, the Southern California Region golf tournament has been pushed back a few months and will now be held on October 28th. This will allow us more time to sign up golfers and get us out of the Temecula Valley summer heat. It will still be held at the Temecula Creek Inn. Branch 362 is sponsoring a hole and we hope you can come out and support the ICF by joining us for lunch. Remember, you don't have to be a member to play in the tournament.

St Raymond has been blessed with another newly ordained priest – Fr. Cesar, who joins our parish as an associate pastor and chaplain at St Francis hospital. We look forward to his presence at our parish.

In a couple of months, we will be gathering in Costa Mesa for our annual convention. The Orange district will be our hosts for that weekend, and we always look forward to gathering with all of our friends and fellow members. I will once again be running for a seat on the Central Council. Wish me luck.

I wish you all a very safe and fun filled summertime. Enjoy your Independence Day holiday. If you're traveling this summer, have a great vacation.

God bless you all, and God bless the United States of America. Perry Shurko, branch president.

La Canada Flintridge Br. 374, St. Bede the Venerable

Our branch held a beautiful event in June at the La Canada Country Club. A private Mass presided by our Pastor and Chaplain, Fr. Jim Bevacqua, was attended by 37 members and parishioners and was followed by a lavish lunch. Members assisted at Mass as lectors (Joel Wynton and David Capurso), Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist (Fiora Murphy and Lori Caruso), and altar server Lila Nastro. President Phyllis Harb led us in the Prayer of the Faithful. Thank you, Robert DePietro for arranging the venue and Al Restivo for planning and coordinating the Mass.

Another special event is coming up on the evening of August 13th. It will be held at the home of Robert and Jo Barbera and will include live musical entertainment. You won't want to miss it! Be on the lookout for details and respond quickly as space is limited

Italian classes have ended and have netted our branch over \$3,000 dollars! Thank you, Raul Acevedo for coordinating the classes. These funds plus our very successful St. Joseph event will allow an increase in our future donations to charities and scholarships.

Wow! Nine new numbers so far this year and still counting. Our strength is in numbers, so please encourage your friends to join our branch. Remember: the more the merrier!

Perry Shurko, President of the ICF Los Angeles District and member of the Central Council spoke at our June meeting about upcoming events and answered questions about ICF sponsored charities. We also met our St. Bede School Scholarship Recipients.

Dates to remember:

Sunday, August 13th- Dinner and live musical entertainment at the Barbera's

Tuesday, Sept. 19th - 6:00 General Meeting: Convention Report by President Phyllis

Tuesday, October 17th- 6:00 General Meeting: Special Columbus Program Sunday, Nov. 12th- Cabrini Mass,

Pilgrimage, and Luncheon Have a Happy, Healthy, and Renew-

Diane Restivo

ing Summer.

Deadline for
August/September Convention Issue of
the Bollettino is Aug. 1.
Send your articles & photos:
editor@icf.org

Be sure to include branch name and number.

Thousand Oaks Br. 380, St. Paschal Baylon

Branch 380 got together for our June general meeting at the home of Pat and Lou Mages. It was great to socialize and share good food and memories of our fathers. We brought photos to share and everyone enjoyed hearing the stories.

We discussed the upcoming ICF convention and future events. We will take July off and meet up again in August. Our thoughts and prayers are with all our branch members and we wish everyone a happy start to the summer.

Simi Valley Br. 443, St. Rose of Lima

Again, our members will be volunteering at the go-to event of Simi Valley:

the Knights of Columbus CHILI COOK OFF, CAR SHOW&MUSIC FESTIVAL.

We help in the food booth: selling drinks, snow cones and ice cream.

The 34th event is June 24, 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at St Rose of Lima school grounds, 1305 Royal Ave 93065.

In the past, thousands of people have attended- sampling plenty of chili, playing in the Kids Zone, looking at over 130 vintage cars, shopping at vendor booths, listening to great music- all for \$20.

The Cook Off is an annual event where people from various communities come together to vote for the favorite chili. Live remote with local Radio and TV will be there. Awards will be given for 16 categories of cars including Classic, Custom, Muscle, Trucks, etc

The event includes music performers: Vinyl Gypsies, Caught Red Handed and Checkered Past.

Proceeds benefit KC charitable good works. Come and join us.

Peace and Blessings, Josephine M. Perini

Rancho Palos Verdes Br. 444, St. John Fisher

Gina Albi, brought her wood carved, exquisite 4 ft Statue of our Lady, to our Post Mother's Day celebration. The statue has passed from one generation to the other it now resides in her home by her fireplace. Bouquets of Red Roses honoring our Lady set the stage for the evening ahead.

Hany Francis, our president led us in prayer before we began dinner. From stuffed mushrooms, chicken marsala, eggplant salad to dessert, every dish was delicious. After dinner, each member shared the memory of their mother. Everyone listened quietly to the stories of our mother's love. Each memory was dearer than the next one. Jesus loved his Mother Mary and performed his first miracle in Cana at her request. The Holy Family is still the prime example of everyday love. Our meeting was full of memories, sharing and love that evening.

We can share our love and kindness wherever we go, like our mothers did before.

Ciao, Patty Longo Hansen

Oakland

East Bay District Council

Well, the "Cat is out of the Bag", the District is planning a testimonial to honor Lisa Crudo for her many years of service as President of the East Bay District on June 24th. She still does not know where, but we do!

Branch #285 has completed plans for our District Communion which will be on Sunday, July 30th at St. Augustine's Church in Pleasanton at the noon Mass. There will be a light luncheon to follow in the hall next to the Church.

There is still time to see the A's as part of Italian Night on Friday, July 21st, tickets are \$33.00.

We are sad to report that our dear Chaplain, Fr. Mario has been laid up with his leg in a cast/boot. On the plus side Sentinel, Carolyn Cardinelli had surgery on May 11th and is doing well and into rehabilitation. Something for Father to look forward in joining her.

We are asking all Branches to send delegates to the convention. Also, try to sell those raffle tickets, the seller is also a winner. We also hope that you got your pictures to Lisa for the Yearbook.

Here's hoping that all have a safe and sane 4th of July.

Pat Grasso, Dist. Sec.



Alameda Br. 10, Nostra Signora Delle Grazie

Lots of news!

You are all invited to our annual barbecue scheduled for Saturday, July 22. The event begins at 6:00 p.m. in the schoolyard of Saint Philip Neri School, High Street at Van Buren Street, Alameda. Prices are: children under five, free; children 5 to 12, \$5.00; adult members, \$15.00, and adult non-members, \$20.00. The menu includes hamburger, corn, watermelon, bottled water, soda, beer, wine and dessert. We will be accepting contributions for Birthright and will also conduct a raffle.

For reservations, please contact John Zugnoni, (510) 326-3474 or john@ zugnoni.net, by 9:00 p.m. on Monday, July 17. Payment in advance by check made payable to ICF Branch 10 and sent to the Saint Philip Neri-Saint Albert the Great Parish Office, Attn. ICF Br. 10, 3101 Van Buren Street, Alameda, CA 94501.

Fifty satisfied guests joined us for our 97th Anniversary Dinner on Saturday evening, May 20. Redoubtable chef Ben Ratto prepared a fabulous meal of salad, roast pork, risotto and corn. ICF Grand Parliamentarian Leonard Rossi, who doubles—fittingly--as a high-level softball and baseball umpire, initiated four new members, including Father Paul Kannampilly, mf., associate pastor of our sponsoring parish.

The winners of our four \$500.00 Dave Rose Memorial Scholarships have been selected. The awardees are Sophia Ceja and Savannah Gray of Saint Joseph Elementary School and Olivia Pembroke and Wyatt Sacco of Saint Philip Neri School. Wyatt and Savannah will be entering Saint Joseph Notre Dame High School in Alameda in August, while Sophia and Olivia will be attending Bishop O'Dowd High School in Oakland. The scholarships are presented to graduates of Alameda's two Catholic elementary schools who will be going on to a Catholic high school.

You will see our number as you begin the back nine at the ICF Charity Golf Tournament in Santa Rosa on Friday, July 28. We are again sponsoring the 10th hole.

Enjoy your summer! John Zugnoni Branch 10 publicity



Oakland Br. 91, St. Lawrence O'Toole/Divine Mercy

Our annual fundraiser for Branch #91 is now on until the end of July---July 29, 2023, to be exact!

The proceeds will be used to support our charities including Cooley's Anemia, scholarships & more.

As jewelers, John & I have created a unique piece that any member can be proud to wear!

This cross necklace is sterling silver and 14 kt. yellow gold -a true one of

It has a golden ICF logo on the front side. It will have one diamond that weighs appx. 0.07cts. It hangs on a 24"silver chain.

It measures 2 1/2" long by 1 1/4" wide. We value this donation at \$300.00.

So, for each \$5.00 donation, you get one chance to win. The more you donate, the better your chances! So, for a special \$20.00 = 5 tickets this time.

We will run this raffle during July. The winner will be chosen by July

I can text or email a copy of your ticket stubs so you can see your tickets.

For those who can, a Zoom of the drawing will be set and I can give you the code when we are closer to the drawing day.

You can buy tickets by check and make it to: ICF Branch #91. Include name, address, phone number and email address, if possible, in a note. OR PayPal me and earmark for ICF Raffle: donivanandmaggiora-com@ vahoo.com

Please send your check to me: Jo-Ann Maggiora Donivan 3350 Wisconsin St. Oakland, CA 94602 Rispettosamente,



Br. 91, sample of 2022 necklace

Fremont Br. 215, St. Francis of Assisi

Happy July! God bless America!

July 16th is our Taste of Sicily Summer Luncheon, August 12th is our Tortellini Dinner, and September 21st is our Fall Bingo Dessert event! More info to follow...

As you know, we need members! Please make an extra effort to recruit at least one friend or relative to join the ICF!

And, please check out our Branch 215 webpage at:

https://sites.google.com/view/italian-catholic-fed-branch215/home

Have a wonderful July with our glorious summer weather!

Dio ti benedica, James Francis McGee Vice President



Livermore Br. 285, St. Filomena

Happy 4th of July

July is a fiscal beginning for ICF, and Branch 285 is also planning for the year ahead. Our members will enjoy bingo, wine tasting, local jaunts, and fellowship. July is also the month our country celebrates its beginning. Just as our founders worked to develop a successful country based on Judeo-Christian values, so too our Board is holding meetings to decide the best way to create an active year. This month, July 30th, will be the District Communion at St. Augustine's Church in Pleasanton. Noon Mass will be followed by lunch in the Hall. Future months will feature heritage talks, travel to local places of interest, wine tasting of Italian wines and our annual Mass of Remembrance. It is our hope that sound planning will bring together our members for an enjoyable and productive year.

Past president, Carolyn Cardinalli, underwent successful back surgery in May. She is now recovering at Creekview Skilled Nursing in Pleasanton. She would appreciate prayer, a card, or a visit.

This month we are saying goodbye to Branch 285's Chaplain, Father Fili Barrera, who will be transferred to a parish in Concord. He has inspired us for several years, especially at the Mass of Remembrance. He will be greatly missed, but we hope to invite him to a future get together.

Enjoy your summer and celebrate the 4th with family and friends. Ciao, Elaine Meier

Castro Valley Br. 343, Our Lady of Grace

We had a most wonderful dinner of Lasagna and Salad with many of our "old timers" returning. Nice to see them back again. Next month we may be able to have our hot dogs outdoors!

Our Pastor, Fr. Ray has invited ICF members to speak from the pulpit, in order to introduce the ICF to the parishioners and to see if they may like to join us. We are also planning a BINGO that begins with food to also introduce us to more people. Now to set the dates and try to bring in more from both parishes.

We are encouraged to sell those raffle books and increase our Branch coffers. Remember, some of that money stays with us, easy fund raising.

We still have time to join the Italian Night at the A's. It's on Friday, July 21st, tickets are \$33.00.

Here's hoping that you have a safe and sane 4th of July. Pat Grasso, Branch Sec.

90th Festa Italia to Return Sept. 8-10 to Custom House Plaza, Monterey State Historic Park, Downtown Monterey

Come celebrate Monterey's Italian heritage and cultural traditions. This special festival honors the local fishermen of Monterey, both past and present.

The family friendly free event shares the sights, sounds, food and culture that make the Italian experience so special. Enjoy three days of authentic Italian cuisine, great music, dancing, fun and friendship. The delicious flavors of Italy include Calamari, Steak and Sausage Sandwiches, Pasta, Arancini, Cannoli and more. There is also an array of Italian and Festa Italia-themed merchandise and craft vendors.

The first Festa Italia in Monterey was celebrated in 1933 when a statue of Santa Rosalia, the patron saint of Sicilian fishermen, was donated to the San Carlos Cathedral. Sicilian fishermen prayed to their patron saint for a safe journey and bountiful harvest. Remember our cultural heritage to pass on to future generations. Festa Italia celebrates these traditions and keeps our stories, old and new, alive to ensure that our heritage is never lost. Everyone is welcome to join in at this fun, festive event!

At a Glance:

What: 90th Festa Italia held by the Festa Italia Foundation, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization

Festival Entry Cost: Free

Where: Custom House Plaza - Monterey State Historic Park, Downtown **Monterey**

When: Friday - Sunday, Sept. 8-10 Friday, Sept. 8th - 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The Money Band

Saturday, Sept. 9th – 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Opening Ceremonies and Procession to Old Fisherman's Wharf for the traditional blessing of the fishing fleet followed by entertainment and all event activities.

- Mike Marotta Band including Dave Marzetti, Erasmo Aiello, Rachel Marotta, vocalists, and Dennis Murphy and Paul Tarantino
- Tarantella Dancers
- Anthony Lane Band
- Pasquale Esposito

Sunday, Sept. 10th – 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

- Mike Marotta Band and friends
- Anthony Lane Band
- Pasquale Esposito

Bocce Tournament – Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 9th and 10th at the bocce courts at the Custom House Plaza -

Tickets are sold for raffles for a variety of prizes (need not be present to win) **Information**: (831) 594-1500 or email mail@FestaItaliaMonterey.org; www.FestaItaliaMonterey.org



Festa Italia Tarantella Dancer





Calamari!

CONTRA COSTA DISTRICT



Br. 352 at Eataly

Br. 352, Eataly Cannoli Lesson

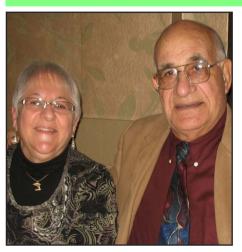


MARIN AREA



Br. 332. It's social hour at Br. 332...Always a good time!

FRESNO DISTRICT



Br. 308, Antionette & Angelo Pecora



Br. 308, Anita Pinasco Marciochi

SANTA CLARA VALLEY DISTRICT



Br. 368, Barbara & Bill Ruffner Family at Brick Dedication



Br. 435, George and Jan Guglielmo with granddaughter Isabella Marilyn Maggetti.



Br. 184, Marie Antonowicz asked Richard Amico to dance with her to an Elvis Presley tune at Rose Arnaudo's birthday party!



Br. 445, Happy 90th Birthday Barbara!





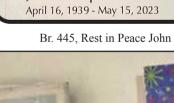




Br. 28 – Scholarship winner Will Anderson with grandmother and ICF Br. 28 member Betty Angelino.



Br. 28 – Scholarship winner Bridget Reynolds with her parents Paula and Dave Reynolds.



John Philip Sellarole



Branch 191 Saint Frances Cabrini

Br. 445 May Celebration!



Br. 28 – Diana Berry, Branch President introducing scholarship winners Will Anderson and Bridget Reynolds.

SANTA CLARA VALLEY DISTRICT (continued)



Br. 408, 2023 Scholarship Evelyn DeAnda and Dave O'Hara



Br. 408, 2023 Scholarship Family Leanne, Felix and Evelyn

CENTRAL COAST DISTRICT



Br. 36, Annie Ferrante



Br. 36, Gary & Helen Plummer



Br. 36, Dante Galeazzi & Josephine Favazza



Marie & Denise Antonowicz



Br. 354 Kitchen Crew, Joan Ryder, Michael Pepo, Rosanna Pepo, David Zanini, Marianne Cates All Prepared Lunch for District Meeting



Attending District Meeting From Arroyo Grande - Joe Franco, Theresa Aston, Laura Vopatek, Abby Gallagher, Joanna Van Blaricom, Throc Scudder (right side)



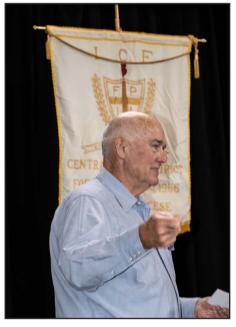
Left, Monica Crowley, Br. 21, Cindy Stefani, Br. 51, Franklyn Lopes, Br. 227



Central Coast District President Roseanne



Angelina Rose Bruno - 1936 to 2023 Branch 36



Pete Gallagher



Saint Rose Catholic Church Pastor, Fr. Rodolfo Contreras

SAN DIEGO DISTRICT



Br. 246, members at Million Meal Project



Br. 246 members at Knights of Columbus breakfast



BLESSED SACRAMENT DISTRICT



Br. 438 Cinco de Mayo Dinner





Br. 45, Francesca Schroeder, 8th Grade Scholarship recipient from Br. 45, St. Mary, Sacramento. Congratulations!



Br. 438 Cinco de Mayo Dinner



Br. 438 Seminarian Matt Grehm



Br. 45, Siena Mazza, UC Berkeley graduate and scholarship recipient from Br. 45, St. Mary, Sacramento. Congratulations!

Br. 45, Audrey Bashore, 8th Grade scholarship recipient from Br. 45, St. Mary, Sacramento. Congratulations!

LOS ANGELES ARCHDIOCESE DISTRICT



ICF 115, San Pedro Cancer Survivors Relay for Life



Branch 362 Awards Night



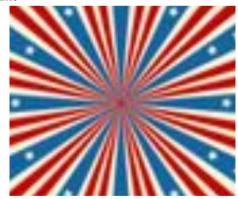
Br 115 and Gioiello Family attending San Pedro Cancer Survivors Relay for Life



ICF 115, San Pedro Cancer Survivors Relay for Life



Celebrating branch 115 members Nancy Ventimiglia and Pauline Iacono at San Pedro's Relay for Life



Aileen Galicia and Chiedozie Onyejiji altar servers and Sofia Layug with Frankin Patel essay winners, congratulations to all.



ICF 111 May Meeting



ICF 111 Meeting--Amiche



ICF 111 Meeting--Amichi



ICF 111-May Birthdays-Carmelita, Filomena, Salvatore & Alfred

LOS ANGELES ARCHDIOCESE DISTRICT (continued)



Br. 374 Chaplain Father Jim Beveacqua saying Mass at La Canada Country Club for our 374 Mass yesterday





Br. 374



Br. 444, Guido Frassinelli



Br. 444, Guido Frassinelli





Br. 374



Br. 67, St. Peter's Italian National Church



Br. 444, Bottom Row, Kathleen, Patty, Gina, Cristina, Tonia; Back Row, Hany, Karis, Guest, Dolly, Bruno, Don



Br. 444, Dolly, Cristina, Carol and Kathleen.



Br. 444, Cristina and Patty



Br. 374



Br. 380, Monthly meeting enjoyed at the Mages' home



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CONTRA COSTA District Council

Greetings from the Contra Costa District!

Our last meeting was held on June 8. We are looking forward to our next outing on July 21. We will enjoy the festivities at the Italian Heritage Night Game of the Oakland A's. It's always a fun evening with Italian entertainment and baseball! We thank our Vice President, Bruce Pedrotti for chairing this event and hope many will plan to attend.

Many of us will attend the convention in Costa Mesa, California over Labor Day weekend. The convention director, Rose Mc Neal joined us at our June district meeting and updated us on the Convention progress. Best wishes to Rosemary Cook from Branch 13 Martinez who is running for re-election to the Central Council. Thanks also to Mary Cook for designing our yearbook ad.

We voted to have a District Evening of Recollection with dinner at 6:30 p.m. at Christ the King Church Hall. It is tentatively scheduled for Thursday evening, October 26. It will be conducted by our district orator and president of Branch 432 Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Brentwood, Deacon John Kortuem. We encourage all members of our seven branches to participate in this opportunity to deepen our relationship with God and share our faith with one another.

Presidents and Branch Representatives should plan to attend our next district meeting which will be held September 14 at 7:00 p.m. We will again meet at Christ the King Parish Hall in Pleasant Hill. Please appoint an alternate member to attend if you are unable to be there. Each branch should have two delegates in addition to district officers and branch mentors. Guests are welcome.

A reminder to all branches to send your raffle ticket stubs and payments to the Office no later than August 15.

Have a happy and safe Fourth of July. That's all for this report. Have a great month!

Patty Jarrett Past President and District Mentor

Martinez Br. 13, San Martino

In June, we marked the birthday of the Church on Pentecost. That was the beginning of the Catholic church and the start of its mission to the world. On June 9, Branch #13 marked its 96th year in the Federation established in 1927. Members, families, and friends celebrated with a birthday party in the church yard!

In June, we also honored our fathers on earth, all fathers, Godfathers, father

figures, and our Father who art in heaven. Just like our heavenly Father, every father should remember one day his children will follow his example, though maybe not his advice. He is the first man in his children's life, and probably the most influential. Let's remember, then, to walk in a manner worthy of God!

Moving into ordinary time on the liturgical calendar and into a somewhat relaxed unencumbered summer, we take a rest from work and relax our bones. Branch #13 takes a two-month hiatus on meetings and gathers again in August. We celebrate the federal holiday in America on July 4 commemorating the Declaration of Independence of the United States in 1776 with extended daylight. We never, though, take a break from God. When travelling, consult MassTimes.com to find a Catholic Mass near you. Visit a new church and meet others in the community you find yourselves vacationing.

Our prayers are welcomed and needed. Several members of Branch #13 attended holy hours offered during the Diocesan Eucharistic Revival week; participated in the Diocesan 24-hours for the Lord in St. Catherine church; and have begun a "Total Consecration to Jesus Through Mary" to coincide with the dates of the Diocese's consecration journey ending on the feast of the Queenship of Mary in August.

Our branch has joined the district in lending its support to member, Rosemary Cook, in her campaign for Central Council. We admire her dedication to the ICF and her desire to lend her strengths to the Federation at its core. Please 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.

Pray for our graduates, parents, priests, and each other. Enjoy a peaceful summer. Be restored, renewed, and revived. "Now learn the parable from the fig tree: when its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near." Matthew 24:32

Arrivederci, Mary Cook

Concord Br. 214, Todos Santos

My message from last month wasn't put in the June issue because of an error on my part. I apologize and want to include some things I wanted to post last month.

Four members from our branch attended the funeral for Anna Raefield on April 24th. She was 97 years old. A member of our branch for 48 years. We looked forward to her saying the blessings of our food in Italian. She was a wonderful lady and had 4 wonderful children and 8 grandchildren. She loved sharing her Italian culture, food, and language with those around her and taught Italian lessons. She loved spending time with her family

and friends. She will be missed by all.

We are looking forward to our members appreciating barbecue at the lovely home of Diane Hasty. It will be a western theme.

Remember the A's baseball game on July 21st. Our branch has members going.

On September 9th we are hosting a pasta/bingo event at Cauche hall. More information to follow. This is a fun fundraiser with good food, bingo cash prizes, and raffle prizes and numbers called by Ed McGuirk with his funny? jokes. Lol.

Also, we are planning to go to the Italian Festa in Reno on October 6-8th. Make your reservations at the Silver Legacy. Fun times.

We wish Frank and Marie Ascatigno health and happiness in their home in Napa. We miss them.

I wish all fathers a very happy Father's Day and wish all a healthy, safe summer.

Ciao Ciao Norene Deluca Concord Branch #214

Danville Br. 352, San Isidore

If you're craving all-things-Italian and can't make it to Italy, try visiting Eataly! Our Branch organized a three-course lunch at La Pizza & La Pasta in the Silicon Valley location. The food was outstanding (we even stuffed our own cannoli!) – and so was the service! We squeezed in time for shopping at the 3rd floor Italian grocery and the 2nd floor of Italian wine & liqueur. And we did not miss the coffee, pastries, & gelato on the 1st floor - we'll be back!

Our May dinner meeting celebrated a belated Cinco de Mayo. Our member chefs had a break as we enjoyed Tortilleria El Molino's Mexican dishes of chicken, steak, cheese enchiladas, rice & beans, along with their homemade tortillas, chips & salsa. No one left hungry. We also enjoyed the motivational messages from our guest speaker, award-winning Coach Frank Allocco, Sr. The stories of his life from New Jersey to Norte Dame, successfully coaching basketball at Northgate & De La Salle High Schools and the relationships built along the way were remarkable. Thank you, Coach!

June found us honoring our high school scholarship recipients & their families at our monthly dinner meeting. This included graduates Helen Rago from Carondelet High School and Gian Ciapponi from San Ramon Valley High School. Thanks again to Chef Russ & crew (Patty, Kyle, Marsha) & our member volunteers for the outstanding pasta & meatball dinner, enjoyed by all!

We will be on vacation for the month of July, so our next dinner meeting

will be held Monday, August 7th at 6pm in the St. Isidore Room. Watch your email for the Evite - and invite a friend!

Happy summer to all! Ciao, Branch 352

BLESSED SACRAMENT District

Sacramento Br. 45, St. Mary

SAVE THE DATE for our next dinner event on Sunday, July 23, at 6:00 p.m. At this writing, plans for renovations in the Church may prevent us from having the event in Giovanni Hall on this date. Please contact me for more information at (916) 508-1199.

Congratulations to our 8th grade scholarship winners. FRANCESCA SCHROEDER won the \$500 Leda Pasquini Memorial Scholarship and AUDREY BASHORE won the \$500 Shirley Pasquini Bennett Memorial Scholarship. We commend them on their accomplishments at St. Mary's School and wish them much success in High School. Congratulations to SIENA MAZZA who graduated from UC Berkeley in May. Siena has been a recipient of an ICF scholarship all four years of college and has an amazing resume. She has accepted a position with the Dallas Museum of Art, and we wish her much continued success! Siena and her family are branch members and very supportive of our events. Wishing all our graduates the very best! (Photos shown under "Blessed Sacrament District")

Buon Complianno to Branch members with July birthdays: Antonette Bonanno, Mariann Isola, Melissa Keller, Marie Leonard, and Donald Pasquini. Have a blessed and joyous day!

Happy 4th of July Ciao, Janine

Deadline for
August/September
Convention Issue of the
Bollettino is Aug. 1.
Send your articles &
photos:
editor@icf.org
Be sure to include branch
name and number.

Roseville Br. 438, St. Clare of Assisi

The Blessed Sacrament District and Br. 438 hosted a joint Bingo fundraiser here at St. Clare on May 20th. What a fun way to raise money for our many charities! We played 10 games of Bingo and enjoyed a delicious lunch of spaghetti and meatballs. Were you one of the lucky Bingo winners? If not, maybe you went home with one of the many beautiful raffle prizes. Thank you to all the Branches who donated to the raffle. Mark your calendars for our next joint Bingo fundraiser here at St. Clare on August 19th. You won't want to miss it!

Pat Brown and Irene Perez will be representing Br. 438 at the annual ICF Convention in Costa Mesa this September. They are looking forward to meeting and sharing ideas with members of our extended ICF family.

Come join us at our next Branch meeting on June 16th. Not only will you hear all about the many projects coming up, but you'll be treated to a delicious Pizza dinner, and who doesn't like Pizza?

Some of the events we'll be discussing are the bus trip to Apple Hill and Red Hawk Casino on Oct. 9th and our ever-popular Harvest Bake Sale Oct. 28th and 29th. Stay tuned for details.

Summer is here! We hope everyone enjoys this wonderful time of year with friends and family. We ask the Lord to bless us and keep us happy and safe.

Ciao! Anne Finn

SANTA ROSA District

Healdsburg Br. 52, San Francesco Di Sales

We thank Fr. Sean and Sharon Cowley for the very interesting and uplifting presentation at the Day of Recollection. Everyone enjoyed learning more about the Holy Land.

Upcoming events:

There is no branch meeting in July. ICF Monthly Masses: Sunday, July 9 at 10:00 a.m. Mass and Sunday, August 20 at 10:00 a.m. Mass.

ICF Golf Tournament: Friday, July 28: Calling all golfers! At Bennett Valley Golf Course. 8:30 a.m. Shotgun start. Please see information in the *Bollettino* or call me at 707-595-3111. \$180 for golfers including BBQ Buffet. \$50.00 for BBQ only. Hole sponsorships for \$100.00 are available also.

ICF Meeting: Tuesday, August 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Rectory.

Harvest Potluck: Tuesday, September 12: Mark the date on your calendar for a fun evening with delicious food.

I have sent out the ICF Raffle tickets, please purchase your book of tickets by August 1. We keep half of the proceeds, which helps our charities.

Happy Independence Day! Lauren

Cloverdale Br. 75, L'Annunciata

ICF Scholarship recipient, Marissa Arreguin with grandparents, Kathi and Raul Arreguin, received our award and several others at Cloverdale High School's Award Night. Marissa will be attending Cal Poly in the fall.

Five members of our branch attended a Day of Recollection in Healdsburg last Sunday. Father Sean spoke about his Sabbatical in The Holy Land. He plans to organize trips for other interested parties every other year.

We're excited about our June 25th Wine and Food Pairing presented by MJ Dell'Aquila. The event is limited to 50 participants and is expected to sell out at its very affordable ticket price of \$25

A few of us will be zooming in on leadership trainings given by Central Council this week.

Have a wonderful summer! We will take a break in the months of July and August and reconvene in the fall.

Petaluma Br. 127, St. Vincent

Dear members,

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our chicken cacciatore dinner. It was a great success. A special thank you to all those who helped with prep, set up etc. we especially want to send a big thank you to our cooks, Giaco and Angelo. They always do a great job. They take a lot of time and effort in order to ensure that everything is always excellent.

Lucy sent out the raffle tickets for the convention. They are due back to her by July 15 so please if you have not already done so send them back now. Thank you.

Your continued support is much appreciated! Would love to see more of you at our monthly meetings. Joining together makes all of us stronger!

With with love and prayers for all of us and for our families.

Dennice DiGirolamo

Arcata Br. 144, St. Mary

Branch #144 June meeting was called to order by Vice President Alfred Eanni who wielded the gavel with finesse, thanks in part to having served as president of branch #145 in years past.

He, and wife Anne, had just returned from 16 days in Italy after a three-year hiatus. They enjoy visiting the Molise region but also spent a few days down in Bari (Puglia). They did attempt to keep the tradition of eating gelato every day! (see photo) They did bring the Humboldt County weather with them (rain) but it felt like home. Alas, some of the heavy rain days kept the gelato shop closed!

Meeting up with old friends was a real treat. The fish seller (venditore de pesce) was first met in 2018, again in 2019, and then 2023 and he remembered the Eanni's! (see photo).

I had hoped to have a photo of Tony Gonsalves wood decoy carving that will be submitted to the Pacific Decoy Flyway Association, which is being held in Sacramento this summer. However, Tony was busy setting up for the Holy Ghost Festival at the Portuguese Hall.

St. Mary's Church is starting up the after Masses refreshments and our branch will host the second Sunday of the month. Anne motioned that we also serve as greeters for the Masses and evangelize membership in ICF. :-)

Joe Bonino (#145) shared an article for Heritage re: the first married couple to be beatified together (2001). Blessed Luigi and Maria (Corsini) Beltrame Quattrochi were from Italy.

Our bi-annual Chicken and Polenta take-out dinner has been rescheduled for Sunday, Sept 17th.

We will not be having a regular meeting in July but instead have a backyard bbq at Alfred and Anne Eanni's home later in July. Date to be determined.

Congratulations to all the graduates and happy travels to all taking a summer vacation.

Santa Rosa Br. 198, St. Eugene

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

At our June meeting, President Doreen O'Rourke announced that Gail Bongi Azevedo had resigned her office of Recording Secretary and *Bollettino* Correspondent for health reasons.

For many years, Gail had provided us with excellent minutes and gave us many positive ideas to improve our Branch. Her articles in the *Bollettino* not only gave recognition to the past events but always looked ahead to future events.

Gail will really be missed by all our members. Pray for Gail and Steve as they meet the challenges ahead.

Don't forget our Scholarship Dinner at 6:00 p.m. in the Brinker Room on Saturday, July 15th. Make reservations with Doreen at (707) 889-4726. Please RSVP by July 8th.

Fraternally, Robert Acquistapace

Sebastopol Br. 209, St. Michael

Hello Members of Branch 209, Sebastopol!

We had a great time at our annual bocce tournament. The friendly competition between members, friends, and family made it fun!

First place winners: Gene, Lorraine, Ricky, and Kyle Vannetti.

Second place winners: Ron and Julie Misani, Dave and Cathy Goodwin. Third place Winners: Dave and Tammy Sereni, Joe Ocacio, and Bill Segale. Good Job Everyone! Thank you to the kitchen crew, Roy and Leona Spadoni. Gene Vannetti and Bill Segale for running the bar.

Special thanks to Ricky Vannetti for being our grounds keeper, weeding around the back of the hall. Most importantly for the impeccable bocce courts to play on! An EXTRA special thank you to Debbi Wallin, for volunteering to be the chairperson for this event. She was well organized and put a lot of time into this. It was greatly appreciated! It was a very enjoyable day for everyone!

At our June meeting we served a special Mexican themed dinner, with ice cream for dessert. It was a great way to honor our fathers! Good food, being with our members, and family is always fun!

Our branch acknowledged Fr. Mario for his 13th Anniversary, at his surprise party, with a card and \$50.00. A potluck dinner was served by the members of the parish. Also, there was a cake that looked like Fr. Mario! Congratulations!

We have living and deceased masses scheduled for our members,

June 13th, August 23rd, September 19th, October 19th, November 23rd,

and December 15th. Our quarterly communion is July 30th.

We are halfway through 2023! Wow, how time goes fast!

Remember we are on Vacation for the month July!

We resume on August 8th at 6:00pm.

Enjoy your summer break and hope to see you soon.!

We will continue to pray for our sick members and remember those that have passed.

Thank You, Pam McAlvainPresident

FRESNO District

Madera Br. 27, Santissimo Crocifisso

Greetings to all Members,

We are continuing to meet for a monthly dinner meeting on the second Tuesday of the month. Our meetings have included potluck dinners as well as meeting in a room in a local restaurant, at the direction of the chairperson for each meeting. While our group is a bit smaller than past days, we continue to look for ways to carry out the mission of the Italian Catholic Federation. Please encourage anyone who may be interested to attend a meeting to find out what we are about.

On June 13, we will present a scholarship to Morgan Sweet. Morgan is the daughter of Melissa Favini-Sweet, and a St. Joachim School graduate. A pizza dinner is planned.

Wishing all a wonderful summer season. There is no July meeting.

Ciao, Mary Keitz

Merced Br. 39, St. Cecilia

All are invited to our annual summer Wiener Roast at Lake Yosemite in Merced on July 12 at 5:30 p.m.

Bakersfield Br. 281, Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Summer is in full swing, and we are very grateful for Jeff and Jan Lemucchi for hosting our annual salad social/June meeting at their home. Our members have always enjoyed the casual outdoor atmosphere for this event. We've begun our raffle ticket sale which is a great easy way for our branch to earn money and possibly win some for ourselves. Also, in the near future is our annual ice cream social/July meeting. Looking ahead to September, Diane Riley has been chosen to represent our branch at the convention which will be held Labor Day weekend in Costa Mesa. We wish all our members a happy and safe summer. God bless!

Theresa Amarante



Fresno Br. 308, St. Anthony of

Hello members.

Our June meeting was held on the 14th. Bernie and Russ prepared a delicious tri-tip dinner. Jo Soligian made her galaxy wide favorite butter and rice pilaf. So much butter. Members supplied many tasty side dishes. I will have photos of the evening for the August *Bollettino*.

As you may already know Angelo and Antoinette Pecora have been awarded ICF "Family of the Year" for their many years of service and dedication to the Club. The award will be presented in Costa Mesa at the ICF Convention over the Labor Day weekend. I encourage everyone to attend. If you have not been to a Convention, you are missing a good time. Registration materials are in the *Bollettino*.

Our beloved member Anita Pinasco Marciochi passed away at 100 in May. She was an active member of our Branch for many years. She will be missed

We do not meet in July. Our next meeting will be August 9th (second Wednesday of the month)

Remember: Our meetings are the second Wednesday of the month.

Enjoy the summer break. Jay Newsome President

CENTRAL COAST District

Santa Cruz Br. 21, N.S. Del Soccorso

Buon giorno, Tutti. Hopefully you are enjoying a nice summer so far; spending time in your garden, or maybe 'catching a few rays' at the beach, as the kids would say.

We had another great general meeting in June; there was a delicious pasta and meatball dinner with yummy desserts. Business was also taken care of and this year's No Bake Sale monies of \$1700 were disbursed. Funds were donated Holy Cross Church, Holy Cross Food Pantry, Jesus, Mary, and Joseph Home, St. Francis Food Kitchen, Siena House, Grey Bears, and the Thalassemia Foundation. We thank all of you who donated monies to this important Branch fundraiser. All monies donated go to those charities chosen by the contributors.

In May, Father Francisco Garcia celebrated his first mass at Holy Cross Hall. The ceremony was conducted in English and Spanish; the mass and music were beautiful, and the church was packed to overflowing. A reception followed at Holy Cross Hall and

Branch 21 helped with the celebration. Thank you to those who helped.

Convention time is fast approaching, and delegates were chosen at our last meeting. President Monica Crowley and her husband Bill will represent our Branch during this Labor Day weekend. We know our delegates who will do a great job at this busy event.

Finally, remember that there is no July General Meeting. The next meeting will be August 1st. We hope to see you there.

Patty Morelli Trustee- Branch 21

Monterey Br. 36, Santa Rosalia

Happy 4th of July

On Independence Day, let us take the time to remember our freedoms and thank God for them.

May 25: Branch 36 celebrated our 92nd Anniversary at the Moose Lodge. All enjoyed a New York Steak dinner, with entertainment, photo booth. We recognized members that had over 17 or more years of membership. We honored Josephine Favazza with 40 years, Jack Flores with 39 years, Jackie Cerchi with 37 years of membership and others. (John Botsch; 49 years, Josephine Mercurio; 46 years, Anna Apostrofe; 40 years were not present.)

June 22: We all enjoyed a Polynesian Luau Feast (Teriyaki Chicken, Lumpia, Pancit, Rice, salad, and fruit. Thank you, Moose Lodge, (Mark) for making this a special evening for all of us, especially the Hawaiian dancers.

July 20. Summer BarBQ Theme: Red-White-Blue Location: Moose Lodge - Monterey Door open: 5:00 p.m. Dinner served: 6:00 p.m. All reservations must be prepaid. \$25.00 members - \$30.00 non-members. Montereyicf.org

Or can be Mail in: PO Box 2286; Monterey, CA 93942

We welcome four new members, Denise Antonowicz, ICF Grand 1st President, Marie, Germaine and Michelle Antonowicz. We are honored to have them joining our Branch 36 family.

We are saddened to report that Angie Rose Bruno recently passed away. She was a dear friend to many of our members and volunteered for many years during our Lenten dinners. Angie will surely be missed. May she Rest in Peace.

Please continue to pray for many of our members that are ill and are homebound. May God bless you.

God Bless America, Elaine Valentine President Branch 36

Aptos Br. 227, St. Joseph

We hope to see you all at the Annual Picnic on July 22 at Forty Thieves Park. The cost is \$15 for members, \$15 for guests and \$5 for children under 12. The deadline for reservations is July 14. Contact Dottie Smith to RSVP.

Bruce and Jean Dunn have been selected as delegates to the Convention.

At the May meeting, members voted to donate \$500 from the Fish Dinner proceeds to the Aptos Resurrection Church Building Fund.

Also, at the May meeting members enjoyed a Heritage Program in which Dottie Smith and Mary Lou Weidlich gave a series of Italian phrases and asked for the translation. There were plenty of responses--some right, some wrong, but mostly right. It was lots of fun. The following scholarships have been awarded:

Soquel High student Ashley Renda received the \$1,000 Carl and Barbara Schaarschmidt Memorial Scholarship

Patrick Morrissey of Aptos High got the \$400 First Year Scholarship. He was at the May meeting where he discussed his future plans.

The \$400 Otto Ambiel Memorial Scholarship went to Danny Casagrande of Naples, Florida.

The \$400 Michael and Anthony Ponza Memorial Scholarship was given to Madison Casagrande Fragola, who attends school in Pennsylvania. Madison and Danny are Dan Casagrande's grandchildren.

Get well wishes go Sentinel Bryan Stow who broke his hand while exercising at the gym.

Remember to bring canned goods to the next meeting for the Resurrection Church Food Pantry

Happy Birthday to the United States of America.

Deanna Musler, Secretary



Paso Robles Br. 354, Saint Rose of Lima

Thankfully, Branch 354 continues to welcome new members. Amy Edney has submitted her Membership Application, and Russ and Marikay Pannone are considering theirs. We celebrate all of our "old" members and are grateful for those who are newly joining us.

Our Creative Angels, Joan, Roseanne, Irma and Mary Ann have been busy presenting their handmade tray favors to patients recovering at the Vineyard Rehabilitation Center. These four angels with their creative imaginations and big doses of love and joy provide Vineyard's patients with a little sunshine at mealtime.

A check in the amount of \$400 was submitted for scholarships from Br. 354 to the ICF Central Council. Congratulations to Elijah Marsalek, grandson of Abby and Pete Gallagher, Br. 291. Through the ICF scholarship program, Elijah was awarded a first-year college scholarship.

The Arroyo Grande and Paso Robles Chapters recently co-hosted the District Meeting at Saint Rose Catholic Church. Twenty-eight attendees enjoyed a traditional Italian lunch, with desserts provided by our new members.

A successful, well-attended fundraising event, our semi-annual "almost famous" Pasta Dinner, was held in the Parish Hall May 20. Proceeds are earmarked for ICF scholarships for students at St. Rose Catholic School, local high schools and colleges. Branch 354 is proud or their commitment to support and promote education throughout our area. THANK YOU to all who helped, especially to the students who received many compliments from attendees regarding their friendly and polite service.

Yvonne Maddalena Recording Secretaary

SANTA CLARA VALLEY District

Gilroy Br. 28, Santa Maria Ausiliatrice

At our May 15th dinner meeting, members enjoyed a "potluck" with member provided hot dishes, salads, and desserts. Recognized at the dinner meeting were Branch 28 - 2023 First Year College Scholarship award winners Will Anderson and Bridget Reynolds. They expressed their appreciation to ICF Branch 28 for their awarded scholarship and each spoke about their future education and goals.

Will Anderson is the grandson of ICF Branch 28 members Betty and Frank Angelino and Rosemary Anderson. Bridget Reynolds is the granddaughter of ICF Branch 28 President Diana Berry.

With the new fiscal year beginning in July, we are confirming our meeting dates, fundraisers, and other events for our branch. Once the dates are finalized, these dates will be shared with members. Included in our calendar of events presented to the Parish will be our polenta fundraising dinner and our shrimp and ravioli fundraiser.

The 2023 Convention Raffle tickets have been distributed to members and we are pleased with the response of the sold tickets. Remember that half the proceeds sold by Branch 28 stays with our branch. Winners need not be present to win, and the seven drawn winning tickets range from \$500 to \$2500. Sellers of the seven winning tickets will receive an award ranging from \$100 to \$250. Our delegates for the upcoming ICF convention in Costa Mesa, CA will be Diana Berry, Kim Filice and Siria Pappani. In 2024 the Convention will be held in San Francisco to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of this Italian Catholic Federation.

Peace and God Bless, Kim M. Filice

Los Gatos Br. 184, St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

The next Quarterly Mass for our branch will be July 23 at 11 a.m. We will be honored to have Perry Schurko, Membership Chairman from Central Council, attend and speak to us. Coffee and doughnuts will be served in the Courtyard after Mass. Welcome new member, Richard Geruson. Hope to see you at our gatherings.

The ICF 2023 Convention will take place in the Diocese of Orange County, Costa Mesa, California, from August 31 to September 3. The theme is "Be the Light," appropriate for our families and for our Country. Michelle Antonowicz will represent our branch.

Our next regular meeting is June 24. At 4 p.m. in the St. Mary Conference Room. Hope to see you there.

Be safe in your summer travels, Ciao for now, Lucy Amico



San Jose Br. 191, Saint Frances Cabrini

Seems like the days of summer are upon us. Let us see what lies ahead for our branch.

By the time this article goes to the printer, our branch will have hosted Central Council for their quarterly meeting. Lunch will be an array of toppings and fixins for our tacos. The evening dinner meal will be, BBQ chicken, sides, and make your own Sundays. A productive and enjoyable day for all.

Don't forget our Quarterly Mass/ Breakfast on Sunday July 16th at SFC, 11:30 a.m. Mass, followed by breakfast at Effie's. Please plan to attend for a nice Sunday breakfast outing.

In May, our general meeting was all about our mothers. A crowning of Mary was performed, officiating by Father Paolo. In June, we plan to honor our fathers as well, with a sausage/pepper sandwich lunch. Both our Fathers and Mothers shaped our lives. Let us honor them for all they have sacrificed.

July is fast approaching. Our chicken BBQ on July 22 is our fundraiser for the summer. Don't cook on these hot evenings. Come join our branch at the Bocce Court, and enjoy BBQ chicken, side dishes, and dessert for \$35 per person. The flyer will be out shortly. Can't go wrong with a BBQ!

Convention will be happening shortly. (Aug 31 - Sept 3). in Costa Mesa. Please buy your raffle tickets and turn your stubs/money into George, our chairperson. Also, names for our Memorial Page is due July 1st. Please see Camille to add your family names to our page. Let us honor and remember our loved ones through the ICF.

The 4th of July is upon us. Be safe. Have a Happy Celebration.

Ciao, Shirley Catania Sentinel

San Jose Br. 368, Santa Teresa de Avila

A sad start for BR 368 in the month of May with the death of Mike Curulla. Mike Curulla's Funeral was on Saturday, May 27th with a mass officiated by Father George and reception sponsored by ICF in Avila Hall. ICF provided the ICF Rose Tribute for Mike and his family. Also, as part of grieving ICF BR 368 remembered Barbra Reffner, by placing a brick with Barbra's name, in Santa Teresa's Memory area in front of Avila Hall. Eleven members of Barbra's family came to our meeting as we all blessed the brick and had a potluck dinner

with Sloppy Joe's.

Tina Sousa-Dutra and Maria Greco were accepted as delegates to ICF convention in South Coast Plaza Hotel, Costa Mesa, California, Friday September 1st.

Our June 14th meeting was held at Almaden Lake in the Bocce area. The branch provided water and soda and all that attended had a wonderful time.

On October 28th, we have scheduled Monte Carlo Night. More information to come at our next meeting.

40th Anniversary Celebration has been rescheduled for Sunday, October 1st. We will have Mass at 11:30 a.m. with a reception to follow in Avila Hall. Please Save The Date. You can now get the *Bollettino* online at https://www.icf.org/about/news/bollettino/ You can make the print as big as you want. If you have photos or articles that you would like to put in the *Bollettino*, send them to me in a text. 408-826-1043, or email at myers. tr@gmail.com

Thank you, Have a wonderful 4th of July. Tom Myers.

Sunnyvale Br. 408, Resurrection

Congratulations to our Graduates!

Patricia Look presented the Br 408 ICF Service Awards to two members of the Resurrection School 8th Grade Graduating Class Ethan Rumohr and Nathan Gelke who were chosen by the School Principal Mrs. Wright at the School Graduation Ceremony.

We had over 43 Generous Donors show up at our last Blood Drive. Stanford was very pleased with these Donations at a time of Critical Blood Shortage.

Our next ICF Blood Drive will be held Sunday 17th September 2023 in the Farana Center.

Remember to sign up for the ICF Picnic @ Vasona Park in Los Gatos Sunday August 6th. Please contact Patricia for Details.

Patricia will be our Delegate to the Annual ICF Convention which will be held in Anaheim, CA this Labor Day.

Please Pray for our Members who need our Prayers: Laurice Levine, Donna Richey, Al Chantelope, and Dori Blefari.



Morgan Hill Br. 435, Santa Caterina D'Alessandria

Hello Folks,

We are looking forward to our annual barbecue at the beautiful Guglielmo Winery on Thursday, June 22. We plan for many to attend this wonderful event.

The news on our Scholarship program is that it is happily reinstated at our branch, Yet another recipient. Grace Gallego our President Giulia's grand-daughter has received a First Year Scholarship for UCLA. She graduated from Presentation High School in San Jose.

We have several other members with relatives receiving this honor over the years Rosalie Doyle's niece, Bella Conti, is another graduate of Presentation and will be attending West Valley College.

George and Jan Guglielmo's grand-daughter, Isabella Marilyn Maggetti is receiving her Scholarship from St. Norbert's Branch 406 in Southern California. She is planning a degree in Youth Ministry or Phycology. John B and Maryann Sorci's granddaughter, Samantha Lee received a Scholarship from ICF when she graduated in 2019 from Notre Dame high School. She will be graduating from Johns Hopkins in Baltimore and aspiring for Medical School.

We are very proud of our Italian Catholic Federation Scholarship's program. We thank everyone for your support.

Hopefully each one of us will be having a Safe and Sane Fourth of July celebration!

God Bless Respectfully submitted, Sylvia Sorci

San Jose Br. 445, Transfiguration

The month of May brought joys and sadness to Br. 445. The month started with the celebration of the Crowning of Mary. Members gathered in Transfiguration's vestibule for prayer and songs after Sunday mass, while ICF member Joan Lang assisted Fr. Tito with the crowning of Mary.

Mother's Day was enjoyed with our families after completing our successful second annual Mother's Day Cookie Fundraiser! Mid May we gathered for our general meeting and celebrated the 90th Birthday of member Barbara Howell!! Gina Farro baked and decorated two delicious cakes for the celebration. We are blessed and proud to have four active nonagenarians in our branch: Barbara and Bill Howell, Larry Farro and Chic Cannon!

We were all very saddened by the passing of our member John Sellarole who courageously faced a health challenge over the last few months. We want to thank all of you who joined us in prayers for him. John was always a caring and vibrant participant in our branch events. He will truly be missed. Our love and heartfelt condolences to his family. Rest in God's Love and Peace dear friend.

The Italian American Heritage Foundation's Annual Festa will be happening the first weekend in August at the San Jose History Park. Their Festa Community Awareness Committee chairperson reached out to one of our members about ICF participation. The idea was brought forward to our local SCV District. Our ICF District accepted the invitation and will head an ICF information booth on August 5th!

Happy July 6th Birthday wishes to member Lorraine Sellarole! Buon Compleanno e

Tanti Auguri! Wishing all a Happy and Safe Fourth of July! Until next month-stay safe and well ;-) Jan Marianelli Stumhoffer

STOCKTON District

District Bishop's Day Report for June 10, 2023 Event

After a concelebration of mass with the Most Reverend Bishop Myron J. Cotta Bishop Cotta, guests proceeded to St.Anne's Hall where, during dinner, they had the pleasure of listening to the Italian accordion tunes of Bruno Cerri. With Central Council, Lifetime member, and Master of Ceremonies, Dante Galeazzi's guidance, the evening flowed smoothly. Guest Speaker, Deacon Porfi Cisneros of St. Anne's Parish, father of Fr. Adrian Cisneros, pastor of St. Stanislaus Parish in Modesto, shared their family's experience of having a seminarian in the household. Central Council, Stockton District, and branches presented gifts to the Bishop's Burse. Afterward, Bishop Cotta relayed the need for prayer to increase interest in vocations and the need to take the initiative to promote vocations. He urged to allow the Holy Spirit to guide our hearts to plant a seed in a young man's mind that could lead to a seminarian's journey of discernment.

Deadline for August/ September Convention issue of the *Bollettino* is August 1. Send articles & photos: editor@icf.org

Modesto Br. 48, St. Stanislaus

Our Bake Sale was successful even we were short of bakers. We usually sell at the Saturday 5:00 pm mass and the Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. masses but we sold out after the 8:00 a.m. mass.

Branch 48 will not have a meeting in July or August, but we are looking forward to the District Picnic August 20, 2023. We bring horseshoes and a cornhole games. There is always a lot of good food, games to play and friends to visit. Several members of our parish join us for the picnic and always enjoy the afternoon.

We wish everyone a happy and fun filled Summer.

Upcoming events.

Stockton district Picnic on August 20, 2023

Convention September 1-3, 2023 Br. 48 meeting September 13, 2023 Cecelia McGhee

Lodi Br. 82, St. Anne's

Summer is here!! Time for outdoor family or friend gatherings, traveling or staycations, being quite contrary watching your flower or vegetable garden grow, relaxing with a good book or movie, and...getting together with your ICF famiglia Wed., June 28th at the Italian Athletic Club to share a meal and get your bocce on! After hosting the Bishop's Burse Dinner, we deserve some 'chill' time! Details to come in the branch newsletter.

Our Bishop's Burse event for the District was quite the success! We are so fortunate to have had Bishop Cotta address the Eucharist Revival during his homily at mass. His excitement permeated the church as he shared a deep love for the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of our Lord, Jesus Christ. In an elegant atmosphere, background tunes from accordionist, Bruno Cerri, were perfect to enjoy a delicious meal catered by Hollywood Café. Deacon Porfi, in his usual humorous form, relayed many interesting anecdotes of life raising Fr. Ace. After being presented gifts totaling \$7500 for the Bishop's Burse and the Spiritual Bouquet of intentions, Bishop Cotta urged us to continue prayer for our seminarians as they journey through their discernment. A big shout out of appreciation to the committee and, especially, Margaret as chair, for giving so much of her time and talents to make this a grand affair!

Our next meeting is an ice cream social on Aug. 22nd. Mark that on your calendar, as well as Aug. 26th for our Games & BBQ event.

Passa una buona estate! Patty Litts, President

Manteca Br. 139, Nostra Signora del Buon Viaggio

Our active membership numbers are improving as Jay Jones, son of President Birdie Nieri, is a new member—and guest Ron Agostini received a membership application.

Ron told us how his father, Mauricio, a member of Mussolini's Youth, came to this country from Trento, Italy when he was six years old.

Jack Cunial, a Sierra High School senior in Manteca, received an ICF scholarship. He plans to begin his college studies at Modesto Junior College.

Hogan Park in Escalon will be the site of the Stockton District's picnic on August 20. Our branch will provide the potato and macaroni salads.

Central Council member Dante Galeazzi announced that Branch 343 will be hosting an "Italian Night" at the Oakland Athletics baseball game on July 25. He also had an ICF picture from 1939 that he shared with us.

The Cunial family graciously announced that they will host the annual Bocce/BBQ again this year, in September.

For our dinner, Capocuoco Tony Queirolo served his specialty, ovenbaked chicken, with pasta, green beans, salad and dessert.

As always, our meeting was adjourned with the singing of the Federation Anthem.

Multi grazie to Segretaria Anna Mello for her assistance in the preparation of this report.

Ciao, Mariano



Tracy Br. 390, St. Bernard

Branch 390 board members and friends got their hands in the thick of it to prepare for the Thursday June 22nd dinner - mixing, shaping and delivering homemade Italian meatloaf, and all the trimmings. No store-bought stuff for our faithful dinner attendees - oh yes, the gooey meatloaf mixed by hands that know what they are doing with ingredients only Mike Bacchetti and his crew of helpers know. They truly make the best meatloaf in these parts as all will attest!

First year \$400 scholarship has been awarded to Caiva Sims from Kimball High School in Tracy. Congratulations to all the graduates, including the St. Bernard's 8th graders who will now be heading out to their high school adventures. Before you know it, they too will be applying for the ICF scholarship dollars that we have been raising without monthly dinners.

We appreciate all the dinner folks that have been coming every month and can't say that enough! Scholarship granted to these worthy students wouldn't be possible without your loving support, so keep on coming everyone!

We are looking forward to attending "Be the Light" convention this year - should be a great event.

Our condolences to the family of ICF member Louis Avilla who died recently - may he rest in peace.

Steve Ridolfi, continues to post the life of our branch though pictures and stories on our Website. Check out the Heritage section and please submit yours to Steve.

www.icfbranch390.org

Stay healthy, happy and safe. Ciao, Betty

Stockton Br. 395, Presentation of the RVM

Happy Summer ICF Members! Branch 395 hosted the Stockton District meeting and luncheon on May 21. We had a wonderful meal and a productive meeting with a great attendance of 32 attendees. At our May meeting we chose delegates to the 2023 Convention, and they are Gena and Allen Sturtevant. Gena is our Treasurer/Financial Secretary and Allen is our 2nd Vice President. Both are very active members of our branch. We hashed out ideas for fundraisers and set a date for our annual Polenta and Chicken and Sausage Cacciatore dinner to be held February 15, 2024. On July 9, our branch will attend mass as a group at 8.45 AM mass for what will become a quarterly gathering. Afterwards we will socialize in our Parish's coffee shop, the Holy Grounds coffee shop.

By the time you read this it will have already been Father's Day. I hope all the fathers and father figures had a wonderful, blessed day. Our branch is taking off the month of July. So happy summer and great vacations! We will resume our meetings on August 10. On August 20, we will be participating in the Stockton District picnic at Escalon Community Park in Escalon. It is always a fun day.

Upcoming Events:

July 9; Branch group mass attendance and social

August 10 – Branch Meeting

August 20 – Stockton District picnic

Tanti Aguri, Josephine Weber, President Branch 395

SAN BERNARDINO DISTRICT



Br. 446 members listening to author Mr. Jim Left discuss his book.



Br. 446, Jim Impastato with cannoli orders



Br. 446, Scholarship recipient and family with President Tony Santorufo: Mr. & Mrs. Ries, Justin Ries, grandparents Marge and Greg Ruffalo.



Br. 446, At the Bishop's dinner: Oliver Garcia-Tirado, Steve Garvey, Tony Santorufo



Br. 446, Cannoli workers: Jessica Thom, Joe Scortino, Tony Santorufo, Virginia Impastato, Amy Pasquarelli, Geraldine Keirns, Jim Impastato, Gina and Dominico Ricci.

Angels Camp Br. 413, St. Patrick

On June 4th we held our annual Baccalaureate Mass for all graduating seniors. It was held on Sunday, at 10:15 a.m. The ICF supplied a cake from the local SaveMart bakery for the graduates, their families and the parish. It was a beautiful event. Branch 413 was able to send our graduates out into the world with a blessing of the Mass. May they all bring Christ's light to this darkening world.

I would like to thank Monsignor John Armistead, Fr. John Paul Pasala, Suzanne Bakke, and all those who helped in the background to make the celebration happen. God bless you all.

The Bishop's Burse for the Stockton District was held on June 10th. St. Anne's Branch 82 hosted the event. Bishop Myron Cotta celebrated Mass before the dinner.

We pray for all of our ICF members and families. Thank you and may God bless you abundantly.

Ciao, Annette Pachinger Correspondence Secretary



SAN DIEGO District

San Diego Br. 246, St. Charles Borromeo

Eleven members of Branch 246 volunteered their Saturday to help pack food for the Diocese of San Diego's Million Meals Project. The goal of the Project for 2023 was to pack 1.5 million meals to be distributed to families in need across the border in Mexico and in other countries around the world. Branch 246 members were able to pack enough food to fill a total of 51 boxes. We also attended Mass at St. Charles as a group and gathered afterwards in the Parish Hall to enjoy the Knights of Columbus Breakfast Fundraiser. Branch 246 Group Masses will occur at the 10:00 am Mass on the second Sunday of each month. Come join us!

Ciao – Joe Fontana, Branch President

SAN BERNARDINO District Council

On May 27, 2023, the San Bernardino District of the ICF was honored at the 22nd Annual Bishop's Dinner and received the "Amar Es Entregarse award conferred by the Most Reverend Alberto Rojas, D.D., Bishop of

the Diocese of San Bernardino. The award is conferred to an individual or organization that truly exemplifies the self-giving spirit of the Diocese. The award, established 20 years ago, recognizes those who lived out the Bishop's Episcopal Moto, which means "love is the total giving of oneself." The Italian Catholic Federation was one among three apostolic groups to receive the award, including The Knights of Columbus and Serra International. The San Bernardino District of the ICF consists of Branches 210, 217 and 446.

Upland Br. 446, Saint Anthony

Thanks to the meticulous planning from our Second Vice-President, Jim Impastato, our cannoli sale was extremely successful. Jim organized a production line and streamlined the order processing system. Many of our members participated in creating the cannoli in a fun and friendly atmosphere of shared work. Many parishioners commented about the creamy texture and taste of our luscious flavors. They were also especially grateful for the beautiful holy card of Our Lady of Fatima that we gave them with every order. We planned our sale to honor the feast day weekend. We look forward to planning for another successful sale in the future.

We were proud to learn that the ICF for the Diocese of San Bernardino received the Amar es Entregarse (Love

is the total giving of oneself) from Bishop Rojas at a gala awards banquet. Representing our branch were Amy and Danny Centurioni, Mary O'Neil along with President Tony Santorufo. Fr. Jerry Ochetti, District Chaplin, accepted the award on behalf of the district. Special guests were all the seminarians in formation at Serra House. A longtime friend of President Tony Santorufo is Oliver Garcia-Tirado. He has completed his 5th year at Serra House and will be going to Chicago to start Theology seminary.

In June we also had our traditional Ice Cream Social in the park for our summer closing activities. This was a fun-filled day with 95% of our membership in attendance. A special guest was one of our scholarship recipients, Justin Ries and his family. Justin is the grandson of our trustee Greg Ruffalo. The highlight of our afternoon was seeing the Amar ed Entregarse award which Fr. Ochetti brought to our meeting. We had a presentation by a local author, Jim Left, who spoke about his recent publication. We also enjoyed a violinist, Carolyn Lee, who played Italian music for a sing-along lead by our branch Historian, Joyce Tesoro. District President John Guerin also attended our meeting in the park. Afterwards, we played bocce and Scopa and enjoyed a potluck of treats brought by our members as well as ice cream and toppings brought by the officers. Our branch is blessed to keep growing in membership, which directly impacts our service to faith and family.

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.





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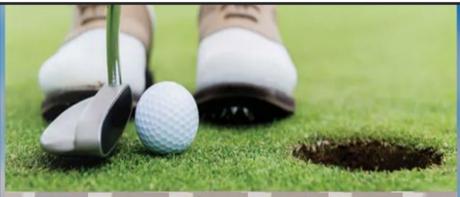
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6/3	JoAnn Pulone		Downey, CA	\$30
6/4	Faviola Jimenez		Watsonville, CA	\$30
6/5	Carmen De Guara	403	Millbrae, CA	\$30
6/6	Holly Bernal		Sparks, NV	\$30
6/7	Stacey Rosati		Saratoga Springs, UT	\$30
6/8	Steve & Rebecca Candelario	48	Modesto, CA	\$30
6/9	Anthony Leary	281	Bakersfield, CA	\$30
6/10	Rich Della Maggiore	435	San Martin, CA	\$30
6/11	Sharleen Hedgpeth	227	Scotts Valley, CA	\$30
6/12	Loraine Terra	390	Tracy, CA	\$30
6/13	Amy Stacke		Sunnyvale, CA	\$30
6/14	Al Proietti	343	Castro Valley, CA	\$30
6/15	Sidney Berry		Gilroy, CA	\$50
6/16	Maria Molina		Fresno, CA	\$30
6/17	Robert Delpippo	73	Roseville, CA	\$30
6/18	Gary N. Brougher	111	Montebello, CA	\$50
6/19	Frank Rando	191	San Jose, CA	\$30
6/20	Catherine Cervelli	10	Alameda, CA	\$30
6/21	Marlynn Keith		Concord, CA	\$30
6/22	Most Reverend Alberto Rojas		San Bernardino, CA	\$30
6/23	Lorraine Iavarone		Mill Valley, CA	\$30
6/24	Louise Vento	391	San Jose, CA	\$30
6/25	Judy Segale	209	Forestville, CA	\$30
6/26	Anita Martin		Lake Almanor, CA	\$30
6/27	Beatrice Tomasello	173	Burlingame, CA	\$30
6/28	Marc Medefind		Merced, CA	\$30
6/29	Trish Putkey	342	Lincoln, CA	\$30
6/30	Karen Andresen		Salinas, CA	\$30

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Italian Catholic Federation Annual Central Council Election

The Central Council is the governing body of the organization.

Members keep the Catholic spirit intact and assure the integrity and continuance of the Federation.



Expand your commitment to the ICF as a Central Council Member. Candidacy is open to Members in all Branches. The age cap has been eliminated and it is no longer required to be a Convention Delegate to run.

Campaign Process:

- *Submit your candidate application, Bollettino entry and a headshot photo to the ICF office by August 1. (Firm deadline)
- •Optional full page yearbook ad is due to the office by July 1. (See yearbook information).
- *One poster (maximum size 24 X 36) may be displayed in the designated area.
- *Each candidate will be provided with one table at "Meet the Candidates." In lieu of hospitality rooms, this is your sole campaign area at the hotel to utilize if you wish to distribute flyers and campaign favors. Food and beverage related favors (including candy) are not permitted in our hotel contract. You may decorate your table avoiding balloons or confetti. Candidates are responsible for table cleanup following the Friday night festivities.
- •To maintain fairness, campaigning is not permitted during registration, sessions, activities, on the ICF Facebook page, or in the Bollettino (other than your candidate entry).
- •Campaign speeches will be held during the Saturday session - two minutes per candidate.

Responsibilities of Central Council Members:

- •Honor the ICF By-laws, Rituals and Central Council Statutes.
- •Attend Central Council meetings and the annual convention. Travel is reimbursed.
- •Serve and participate on the Central Council committees to which you are appointed by the Grand President.
- •Support and promote all ICF programs.
- •Inform the ICF office of any serious problem pertaining to the Branches and Districts throughout the Federation.
- Serve as a Special Representative at events at the request of the Grand President.
- *Attend your Branch and District meetings, providing leadership as needed and assisting with ICF protocol.
- •Keep lines of communication open between Branches, Districts and the Central Council.

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CENTRAL COUNCIL CANDIDATE NOMINATION APPLICATON

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Name C	ity/State
wish to be a Candidate for Membership	to the Central Council.
I have been nominated by Branch No.	
Signature of Candidate	Date
Signature of Branch President (or alternate) submitting the name of the above Candidate for nomination.	Date

This nomination application is to be postmarked by August 1st of the election year. Email and fax are also acceptable submission methods.

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 ICF Office and the Bollettino Editor by **August 1**st. Email admin@icf.org and editor@icf.org. Submissions should include a clear photo.

Note:

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

For additional information, or for clarification on the campaign process, please contact the ICF Convention Director.

2023 First Year Scholarship Winners

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NAME	IN MEMORY OF	BRANCH/DISTRICT/INDIVIDUAL
	IN MEMORI OF	
Siri Panetta		Central Coast District
Nicolas Arcangeli		Br. 21
Christine Gastello		Br. 25
Grace Gastello		Br. 25
Eva Rossi		Br. 26
Anna Gorman		Br. 36
Lauren Bronfeld		Br. 51
Danny Casagrande	Otto Ambiel	Br. 227
Madison R. Casagrande-Fragola	Michael and Anthony Ponza	Br. 227
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Patrick Morrissey		Br. 227
Elijah Marsalek		Br. 354
		Contra Costa District
William Hayr	Marina Ellis and Sheila Grilli	Br. 13
•	David Botta	Br. 14
Delaney Dusi		
Tanna Peters	David Botta	Br. 14
Gina Sorbi		Br. 154
Gian Ciapponi		Br. 352
		Br. 352
Helen Rago		
Ava Hawkinson		Br. 432
Mason Hill		Br. 442
Mikayla Parker		Br. 442
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Sophia Raridan		East Bay District
Antonio Arevalo		Br. 10
Erin Banchieri		Br. 215
Anna Bernhard		Br. 285
Marina Stiger		Br. 285
Serena Bond		Br. 343
Leila Zarate		Fresno District
		Br. 27
Morgan Marie Sweet		
Juliet K. Hallier		Br. 32
Thomas Abbate		Br. 39
Kassidy Taylor		Br. 39
Garrett Clements		Br. 54
Sienna Crawford		Br. 54
Valerie Grimaldo		Br. 54
Tylee Erickson		Br. 250
•		Br. 281
Jacob Rasmussen		
Joseph Andrew Cantelmi		Br. 308
		Los Angeles Archdiocese District
Alexandra Isabelle Giese		Br. 108
Caroline Beerbower		Br. 111
Mia Faith Castillo		Br. 115
Jack DiBernardo		Br. 115
Luca H. Romero		Br. 179
Katharine A. La Corte		Br. 218
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Audrianna M. Bellotti	Angie Publico	Br. 237
Blake Collins		Br. 362
Jason Alietti		Br. 374
Jocelyn Vach		Br. 380
Arrianna Funiciello		Br. 444
Jenna La Monica Johnson		Scholarship Fund
Sadie La Monica Johnson		Scholarship Fund
		Marin Area
Inchalla Cina Disais		
Isabella Gina Riccio		Br. 332
		Orange District
Catherine Sophia Mastroni		Br. 379
_		Br. 406
Isabella Maggetti		
Steven Rubly		Scholarship Fund
		Reno Area
Rachel Lee		Br. 135
	Magn Virgil Cabrielli	
Alyssa Rizzardo	Msgr. Virgil Gabrielli	Blessed Sacrament District
Carina Consolini		Br. 45
Emma Larson		Br. 73
Lucia Dizon		Br. 342
Ellagrace Sockman		Br. 342
Marissa Laucirica		Br. 438

2023 First Year Scholarship Winners

IN MEMORY OF BRANCH/DISTRICT/INDIVIDUAL **NAME** Justin Ries San Bernardino District Sarah Valdivia Scholarship Fund San Diego District Br. 229 Annalisa Antenore Br 449 Giuliano Santos San Mateo District Nicklaus Ketcham Joseph Gracia Carlo Giusti Br. 7 Carina Lucia DeRanieri Betty Wuestefeld Br. 173 Alena Gagnon Joe and Elena Malta Br. 173 Halena Franziska Hill Br. 213 Julian Regan Anabella Conti Papa Joe Marsalli Santa Clara Valley District Hannah Miller Antoinette Sunseri Santa Clara Valley District Franco Caruso-Commisso Br 5 William Anderson Rosie Mammini Br. 28 **Bridget Reynolds** Shirley Silva Br. 28 Anna O'Neil Yeh Br. 184 Melina Lynn Guardino Br. 191 Joseph Silacci Br. 368 Jeff Abbott Br. 391 Eleanor Crema John Rossi Br. 391 Br. 391 Megan Lawrence Evelyn DeAnda Br. 408 Grace Gallego Br. 435 Jake D. Herreria Br. 445 Mateya Short Bill Scinto Santa Rosa District Jose Luis Lopez, Jr. Br. 52 Paul Munsell Br. 52 Marissa Arreguin Br. 75 Kyle Ghisletta Deceased Members of Br. 127 Br. 127 Lily Anne Roberts Holly G. Windsor Br. 127 Gianna Scafani Deceased Officers of Br. 127 Br. 127 Raven Alvarez Br. 144 Madison Ammirati Norman and Roseanne Sikes Br. 198 Mia Andrilla Peter and Juliette Barbieri Br. 198 Br. 198 Romie and Helen Barbieri Michael Geloso Adelina Heath Richard Carrera Br. 198 Hayden Leardini Br. 198 Nancy Azevedo Joseph, Irene and Jerre Paolini William Gerard Liu Br. 198 Marco Vanoni Wilma and Bert Royeton Br. 198 **Stockton District** Isabella Israel Jack Cunial Br. 139 Caiya Alexandria Sims Br. 390 **Individuals** The Antonowicz Family - Br. 5/Br. 36/Br. 184 Sophia Clark Sarah A. Skenfield David Botta The Botta Family - Br. 14 Samuel Douglas Whitt Alice Providenza Bottino and Kimberley Bottino Chris and Virginia Bottino - Br. 432 The Albert and Rina Brocchini Family Foundation Jenna Poncini Albert and Rina Brocchini Margaret Laborde Lagrave Donald DeTomasi Louise DeTomasi - Br. 14 Reverend William Pegnam Joan and Jerry Delfino - Br. 368 Anthony Jariett Keira Dooley James Dooley The Dooley Family - Br. 14 Kaitlin Dores Frank and Helen Scesa Kathleen Scesa Dorr and Tom Scesa - Br. 54 Abigail Pikas Frank and Helen Scesa Kathleen Scesa Dorr and Tom Scesa - Br. 54 Gabriel Alegre Robert Grassilli, Jr. Robert Grassilli Gianna Jean Marie Grassilli Robert Grassilli, Jr. Jillian Sawadski Robert Grassilli, Jr. Anna Oliva Lucas Lipari Sal Lipari Family and Friends - Br. 391 Virginia Coe Orlando - Br. 21 Ryan Lansdowne John Orlando Nello and Cookie Rossi Anabella Pedretti Leonard and Karen Rossi - Br. 343 Gina La Brie Robert and Theresa Dianda Michael and Donna Santich - Br. 91 Michael Mussari Lou Segale Jean and Bob Segale Brooklyn Passama Lola and Sam J. Parrinello Jean and Bob Segale Judy and Bill Segale Sabrina Alessia Lazzarato William Segale Amelia Wielt Mary Segale Judy and Bill Segale

SANTA ROSA DISTRICT



Br. 144. members



Br. 144, Gelato In Bari



Br. 209, Second Place Bocce Tournament Winners, Julie & Ron Misasi, Dave & Cathy Goodwin.

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

Convention Game: Contra Costa District: The Talbott Family - In Memory of Pauline Cardoza; East Bay District: Br. 91, John and Carolyn Cardinalli (Br. 285) - Convention Bowl-A-Thon, Jo-Ann Maggiora Donivan (Br. 91) - Convention Bowl-A-Thon, Jo-Ann and John Donivan - In Memory of Bob Anello, Jo-Ann and John Donivan - In Honor of the 99th Birthday of Marie Antonowicz, Jo-Ann and John Donivan - In Honor of the 40th Wedding Anniversary of Bob and Judy Felan, Jo-Ann and John Donivan - In Honor of the 90th Birthday of Annette Maggiora, Roger and JoAnn Dorn (Br. 10) - In Memory of Holly Raineri, John and Jeanette Zugnoni (Br. 10) - Convention Bowl-A-Thon; Fresno District: Br. 417, Antoinette and Angelo Pecora (Br. 308) - In Memory of Rose Cerbo and Antoinette and Angelo Pecora - In Memory of James Alfred Landry; Los Angeles Archdiocese District: Officers/Members of Los Angeles Archdiocese District - Thank You to Lauren Kilcullen for Los Angeles Archdiocese District Installation, Officers/Members of Br. 362 - In Honor of Perry Shurko, Mary Ann Brewer-Nolan (Br. 179) - Convention Bowl-A-Thon, Pat and Lou Mages (Br. 380) - In Honor of the 99th Birthday of Marie Antonowicz; Blessed Sacrament District: Mark Neuburger and Arianna Smith - Merry Christmas Wishes for Mary Perata and Eva Perata; San Mateo District: Br. 130, Dorene Campanile (Br. 173) - In Memory of Adolfo Del Carlo, Dorene Campanile - In Memory of Barbara Landucci, Dorene Campanile - In Memory of Deanna O'Regan, Dorene Campanile - In Memory of Tony Rivellini and Dorene Campanile - In Memory of Grazia Aloise Valdetara; Santa Clara Valley District: Officers/Members of Br. 5 - In Memory of Angie Souza, Officers/Members of Br. 184 - Get Well Wishes for Denise Antonowicz, Bob Basuino (Br. 191) - In Honor of the 90th Birthday of Bob Acquistapace, Bob Basuino - In Memory of Ed Bertaccini, Robert J. Basuino - In Memory of Bob Cowden, Diana Berry (Br. 28) - Thank You to Frank Angelino, Diana Berry - Thank You to Marianne Peoples, Sal and Denise Campagna (Br. 28/Br. 184/Br. 435) - In Memory of Janice Jones, Giulia Gallego (Br. 435) - In Memory of Edward Bertaccini, Giulia Gallego - With Gratitude to Craig Noah, Giulia Gallego - In Honor of Eva Stern, Amelia Moore (Br. 191) - In Memory of Ed Bertaccini and Richard and Donna Pfaff (Br. 184/Br. 445) - Get Well Wishes for Denise Antonowicz; **Santa Rosa District:** Br. 145, Br. 209, Larry and Carmen Kilcullen (Br. 52) -In Honor of the 99th Birthday of Marie Antonowicz and Lauren Kilcullen (Br. 52) - In Honor of the 99th Birthday of Marie Antonowicz; Stockton District: Br. 48 and Br. 413.



Br. 75, ICF Scholarship recipient, Marissa Arreguin flanked by grandparents, Kathi and Raul Arreguin at Cloverdale High School's Award Night.



Br. 198 member Loan Reiland winner of our June attendance money.



Br. 209, First Place Bocce Tournament Winners: Kyle, Ricky, Lorraine and Gene Vannetti. Great Job!



Br. 209, Third Place Bocce Tournament Winners, Dave & Tammy Sereni, Bill Segale, not pictured Joe Ocacio.



Br. 52, Healdsburg honored our 6th grade heritage essay winners at our Mother's and Father's Day Dinner. Pictured are the winners with their teacher and Marie Butler a member of the essay committee.

STOCKTON DISTRICT



All the Branch 395 members who helped put on the District Meeting.



Allen Sturtevant and Bernice Nickols from Br. 395 Stockton, with Ida Queirolo Br. 139, Manteca in the background



Dante Galeazzi Central Council representative, from Br. 139 Manteca and Br. 395 member, Diana Rojo with past District President Robert Pachinger Br. 413, Angels Camp.



Tom and Mary Kingshill, Br. 413 Angels Camp and Pat Beglau Br. 395, Stockton, digging into lunch.



Br. 390, Chuck & Marilyn Tuso with Roseann and Craig Miller



ICF Branch 413 Baccalaureate Mass Graduates and Msgr. Armistead



Elisa Moberly Br. 82 Lodi and Robert Pachinger Br. 413, Angels Camp



Grace Puccinelli & Chris Whiting, Br. 82, Lodi



Br. 390, Celeste Koster, Amy Foster, Marie, Nicole and Tracy Mifsud...Some of our newest



Br. 390, Carole Thoming, Jim Thoming, Allen & Nancy Cossey, & Renee Reece



Br. 390, Art Dykzeul serving up a drink to guest Leroy Rickman with Frank Arnaudo waiting his turn.

STOCKTON DISTRICT (continued)



Branch 395 Members attending the Stockton District's Bishop Burse on June 10. Attendees: Kathy and Dean Janssen, Carol Quijada, Karen Rosson, Josephine Weber, Virginia Larsen, Mary Ann Piana Chapman, Allen and Gena Sturtevant.



Stockton District's Bishop Burse, Br. 390 members St. Bernard's Tracy



Stockton District's Bishop Burse, Br. 413 members St. Patrick's, Angel's Camp



Br. 82, Pat Pierano & family, Brick House Fundraiser



Br 139, St Anthony members enjoying a fantastic evening and feast with Robert Sequeira, Dan Amoral, Bill Bianchi, Dante Galeazzi and lovely Marilyn Amoral.



Br. 395, President Josephine Weber presenting a check to Bishop Cotta for the Seminarians Education Fund at the Bishop's Burse.



Stockton District's Bishop's Day Guest Speaker, Deacon Porfi Cisneros



Stockton's District Bishop's Burse, Dante Galeazzi, Bishop Cotta, Steve Ridolfi



Br. 82, John, Inez, Sylvia, Glen, Nancy Jo, Brick House Fundraiser



Br. 82, Patty & Bishop Cotta, Bishop's Burse Dinner



Br 139, Father Cesar Martinez Vocation Director of the Stockton Diocese celebrating his 8th Anniversary of Ordination and newly assigned to St Anthony's Church



Br 82, Annette & Steve Ridolfi, Brick House Fundraiser



Master Chef Tony Queirolo instructs his intern Life Member Dante Galeazzi to stir left to right



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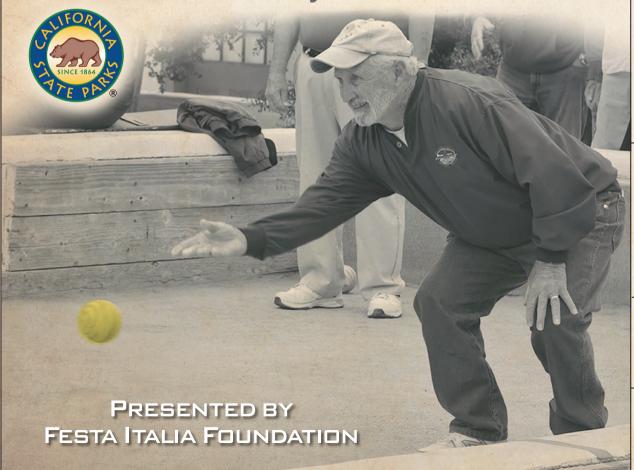








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