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## APRIL MEETING

Date: **APRIL 11, 2018**

Time: 6:00 pm

**Regular Meeting:** Chairperson, Tony and Louise Tesoriere will be making sausage sandwiches. Members are welcome to bring a dessert.

**Officer's Meeting:** Home of Jackie Giacomazzi; April 4, 2018 at 5:30 pm.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our Lodge's 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will be on July 27, 2019, and, I've appointed a 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee to prepare for this special event. Hazel Ann Christin has agreed to Chair the event, and Jackie Giacomazzi and Janis Hansen will be her Co-Chairs. We look forward to your participation in this very special occasion and will be announcing details including the actual date time and place for the Anniversary Dinner soon.

Easter is just around the corner and I know all of you are getting ready for this important religious holiday. It's that time when family and friends gather for prayer, food and fun – Holy Week, Easter Sunday Services, Easter egg hunts, and delicious food. Joyce and I wish you all Buona Pasqua.

Don't forget our Sauce Sale Drive - Thru on Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at the Hanford Fraternal

Hall from 3-6 p.m., to raise funds for our Queen, Annamarie Tesoriere's quest to be Grand Lodge Queen. Get tickets now for delicious Tomato Sauce at \$6.00 a quart by calling Louise Tesoriere before April 6<sup>th</sup>.

Our next Lodge Meeting will be on April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m., and we'll see you there!

Charles "Chuck" Sant'Agata,  
SDOI Lodge President

## FUNDRAISERS FOR OUR QUEEN

In a final push, if members would like to donate aluminum cans, plastic bottles, etc. to help Annamarie please call Annamarie @ 707-2971 or Louise 584-7664 for pickup. A final yard sale is set for Saturday, April 14. If you have articles that you would like to contribute call the above numbers.



Queen Annamarie is with the beautiful afghan titled, "Hearts Aplenty". It is 46" by 61" and tickets are being sold for \$5 each. The drawing will be held at our Lodge Meeting on April 11, 2018. Proceeds to benefit Annamarie for Grand Lodge Queen.

## CHARITIES FUND



Joan Little is presenting Tony Tesoriere with a donation to the Kings County Historical Society Church Restoration Fund. This donation is from our Charities Fund



## SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

By Jackie Giacomazzi

We are proud to announce that Chelsea Lourenco has applied for our Hanford Sons of Italy Scholarship. After reviewing her application, we find that she meets all the qualifications to be awarded our \$500.00 scholarship for 2018/19. We hope that Chelsea can be present at our April meeting to meet all of us.



## NEWSLETTER ADS

If we have not received your check in the amount of \$40.00 for your ad in the Newsletter, *Il Giornaletto* by April 15, your ad will no longer be printed. Many thanks to all of you who have renewed your sponsorship. The money will be put to good use sending out our newsletters each month.

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## SAUCE SALE

FRIDAY, APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup>

3:00 – 6:00 pm

Contact Louise Tesoriere 584-7664 for tickets. Proceeds to benefit Queen Annamarie.



## BIRTHDAYS

Robert (Bob)	Counter	4/5
Richard	Tesoriere	4/10
Jimmy	Cattuzzo	4/11
Chelsea	Lourenco	4/12
Marilyn	Miguel	4/15
Chloe	Scialo	4/17
Karolina (Karli)	Draxler	4/18
Jeremiah	Capozzi	4/19
Caitlyn	Schales	4/20
Heather	Rathwick	4/29

Did we miss your birthday?

Let Janis Hansen know at 582-4731 or [jahansen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jahansen@sbcglobal.net)



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## PICTURES FROM MARCH 2018 MEETING



*Order Sons of Italy in America  
Hanford Lodge No 1543  
Hanford Fraternal Hall  
March 14, 2018*

The meeting was called to order at 6:38 by President Chuck Sant'Agata

Chucks thanked chair Louise Tesoriere and all the wonderful Lodge cooks who provided the meal.

**Roll call** - Roll was taken with the following officers excused: Mark Nardini, George and HazelAnn Christin. Absent was our State Deputy Ralph Agnello.

**Introduction of Guests:** Matthew Tesoriere's wife Nayeli.

**Minutes:** There were no minutes posted as we had no meeting in February due to the Sweetheart Serenade

**Applications for new members:** None

**Communications:** The following communications received were read.

- The Enrico Caruso Newsletter
- Anaheim Lodge save the date for their 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner
- Thank you note from Richard & Terri Martella for the wedding gift.
- Thank you from Annamarie Tesoriere for the garage sale donations, raffles, and our personal and financial support throughout her bid for Grand Lodge Queen.
- Request for a donation from Mary's Mercy Center, Inc in San Bernardino
- Thank you from Kaylee Searcy Youth Chair, and the 4-H Discussion meet participants for our support.
- Thank you from Gino and Lisa Cattuzzo to the Lodge for their support during the time of the loss of Gino's father – Frank Cattuzzo. Special thanks to Tony Tesoriere and HazelAnn Christin who performed the Sons of Italy ritual at the service for Brother Frank.

**Financial Secretary:** Carol Todd read the bills to be paid. Hearing no objections, the bills were ordered to be paid.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jackie Giacomazzi reviewed the February Treasurer's report.

**Trustee Report:** Head Trustee Pat Scialo reported the books were audited for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2017. Everything was in order.

**Committee reports were given.**

**Sunshine:**

Vickie Tos reported Linda Hatfield had been ill and she will be sending her a card.

**Charities:** Tony Tesoriere reported on the progress the Kings County Historical Society is making in restoring the oldest church in Kings County. The original church was built in 1879 and was the United Methodist Episcopal Church. They are doing a fundraiser to replace the old windows with double pane windows. The cost was \$30,000. Joan Little presented Tony with a \$1,000 check from our Lodge to help with this fundraiser.

**Refreshments:** Louise Tesoriere thanked all the cooks for their help. She stated we were celebrating a combination of Saint Patrick's Day and Saint Joseph Table. Next month the Tesoriere family will host the dinner and it will be a sausage and pasta dinner.

**Scholarship:** Jackie Giacomazzi reported she has received one scholarship application from Chelsea Lourenco. It was a very impressive application. She will have Chelsea come to our next meeting. They will honor her accomplishment at the May meeting.

**Newsletter/Webpage** – Jim reported all is going well. He encouraged us to check out the newsletter on the webpage.

**Travel:** There is still one opening for the trip to Italy. They are awaiting their flight confirmation information.

**Heritage and Culture** – Louise Tesoriere presented a very informative program regarding the tradition of the Saint Joseph Table. Saint Joseph's Day is March 19<sup>th</sup>. The custom originated in Sicily after a drought so that the poor would be fed. The use of sesame seeds on cookies were representative of tear drops. It is said Saint Joseph's staff blossomed into lilies. President Chuck told us how the Saint Joseph table was celebrated at Jackie and his grandmother's house.

#### **Old Business:**

- Chuck gave a report on the Sweetheart Serenade. It was very success and the hall was beautifully decorated. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. They especially loved the cookies. Jackie reported the profit for the evening was \$1,900. There were donations from Lodge members for various items which helped defray some of the cost of the event. We sold 162 tickets. The raffle netted \$1860.00 which was one of our best raffles. We will be donating over \$4,000 to Valley Children's Hospital this year.
- Chuck reported the United Lodges luncheon went very well. The food was delicious. Thanks to the Tesoriere, Nardini and Leoni families, Jackie Giacomazzi, Louise Silacci and Jim Venturino for all their hard work. All of the San Joaquin United Lodges were represented. We were honored to have State President John Costa and his wife Donna Lee at our meeting. John gave an update as to what is happening at the Grand Lodge.

#### **New Business:**

- Janis Hansen stated the Calendar of Events was complete, however Louise Tesoriere could use some help chairing some of the months. Mycaela Leoni agreed to chair the September meeting.
- Queen report – Queen Annamarie reported she is having a sauce sale on Friday April 6<sup>th</sup>. She had tickets to purchase tonight. She also has tickets for sale for the beautiful handmade afghan. She may have another yard sale before the Queen contest deadline but that hasn't been decided yet. She thanked everyone for their support.
- Jackie Giacomazzi gave a report on the Sweetheart Serenade. We will be donating \$4,320 to Valley Children's. State Birth Defects chair HazelAnn Christin is waiting to hear back from Dr Winter from Valley Children's to see what date we may take our donations to them. Chuck stated we will be having a raffle at the June United Lodges meeting in Tulare for next year's Valley Children's donation. Each lodge is to bring three prizes for the raffle. We hope to have a good turnout to support this event.
- October Spaghetti & Meatball take out dinner date will be October 28, 2018. Michael and Mycaela Leoni will chair the event. They will also chair next year's Sweetheart Serenade. Jim Venturino volunteered to cook. More details to come.

- Chuck reported plans are in the works for our 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dinner next year. HazelAnn volunteered to be the chair. More details to come.
- Louise Silacci reported she found a great deal on Italian placemats. She could purchase 1,000 for \$25.00. There were two different patterns. Another Lodge is going to purchase \$1,000 of the other pattern and we will split them. Tony Tesoriere moved, and Jackie Giacomazzi seconded the motion to purchase the placemats and split them. The motion carried.
- We are in the beginning planning stages for our 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party to be held in 2019. HazelAnn will chair the event. More details to come.

**Good of the Order:**

- Happy birthday was sung in Italian to our members with February and March birthdays.
- The name drawn for the attendance drawing was Suzann Counter. As she was not present the prize will be \$30.00 next month.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Janis Hansen  
Secretary

Chuck Sant'Agata  
President

**2018 Calendar of Events for Hanford Lodge #1543**

<p align="center"><b>JANUARY</b> <i>(Gennaio)</i></p> <p><b>3rd</b> 5:30 p.m. Board Meeting</p> <p><b>10<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 p.m. Polenta Dinner Co-Chairs: Leoni &amp; Nardini Family</p>	<p align="center"><b>FEBRUARY</b> <i>(Febbraio)</i></p> <p><b>7<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 p.m. Sweetheart Serenade Fundraiser Co-Chairs: HazelAnn Christin Jackie Giacomazzi Louise Silacci</p>	<p align="center"><b>MARCH</b> <i>(Marzo)</i></p> <p><b>7<sup>th</sup></b> 5:30 p.m. Board Meeting</p> <p><b>11<sup>th</sup></b> 11:30 p.m. United Lodges Hanford</p> <p><b>14<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting Chair: Louise Tesoriere Potluck</p>	<p align="center"><b>APRIL</b> <i>(Aprile)</i></p> <p><b>4<sup>th</sup></b> 5:30 p.m. Board Meeting</p> <p><b>6<sup>th</sup></b> Queen Sauce Sale Takeout Chair – Tesoriere Family 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>11<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 pm Regular Meeting Co-Chairs: Tony and Louise Tesoriere</p>
<p align="center"><b>MAY</b> <i>(Maggio)</i></p> <p><b>2<sup>nd</sup></b> 5:30 p.m. Board Meeting</p> <p><b>9<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting Chair: Men to cook for Women for Mother’s Day</p> <p>United Lodges Presentation at Valley Children’s Hospital no date yet</p>	<p align="center"><b>JUNE</b> <i>(Giugno)</i></p> <p><b>6<sup>th</sup></b> 5:30 p.m. Board Meeting</p> <p><b>10<sup>th</sup></b> 11:30 p.m. United Lodges Tulare Valley Children’s Raffle</p> <p><b>13<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting Chair: Women to cook for Men for Father’s Day</p> <p>Grand Lodge Convention</p>	<p align="center"><b>JULY</b> <i>(Luglio)</i></p> <p><b>11<sup>th</sup></b> 6 p.m. To be held at the Draxlers More details to come</p> <p>Tony Tesoriere will be presiding as President</p>	<p align="center"><b>AUGUST</b> <i>(Agosto)</i></p> <p><b>No Regular Meeting</b></p> <p>Board meeting prior to Hot Dog Roast</p> <p><b>5<sup>th</sup></b> Hot Dog Roast Chairpersons: The Giacomazzi Families Cooks – Tesoriere Family</p>
<p align="center"><b>SEPTEMBER</b> <i>(Settembre)</i></p> <p><b>5<sup>th</sup></b> 5:30 p.m. Board meeting</p> <p><b>9<sup>th</sup></b> 11:30 p.m. United Lodges Visalia</p> <p><b>12<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 pm Regular Meeting Chair: Mycaela Leoni</p>	<p align="center"><b>OCTOBER</b> <i>(Ottobre)</i></p> <p align="center"><b>Italian Heritage Month</b></p> <p><b>3<sup>rd</sup></b> 5:30 p.m. Board Meeting</p> <p><b>8<sup>th</sup></b> Columbus Day</p> <p><b>10<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting Co-Chairs: Pat Scialo Carol Todd Vickie Tos</p> <p><b>28<sup>th</sup></b> Spaghetti &amp; Meatball Dinner &amp; Sauce Sale Co-Chairs Michael &amp; Mycaela Leoni</p>	<p align="center"><b>NOVEMBER</b> <i>(Novembre)</i></p> <p><b>7<sup>th</sup></b> 5:30 p.m. Board Meeting</p> <p><b>14<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 pm Thanksgiving Dinner Chair: Joan Little</p>	<p align="center"><b>DECEMBER</b> <i>(Dicembre)</i></p> <p><b>5<sup>th</sup></b> 5:30 p.m. Board Meeting</p> <p><b>9<sup>th</sup></b> 11:30 p.m. United Lodges Clovis</p> <p><b>12<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 pm Christmas Party Co-Chairs Gifts – Jackie Pizza – Louise Tesoriere Train - Tony Tesoriere</p>

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