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## JANUARY MEETING

Date: **JANUARY 10, 2018**

Time: 6:00 PM

Agenda: POLENTA DINNER

Chairperson: Leoni and Nardini Families

**Officer's Meeting:** January 3, 2018 at 5:30 pm; at the home of Jackie Giacomazzi.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Now that Christmas has past and the New Year is upon us, I wish all my Brothers and Sisters of the Hanford Lodge of the Order Sons & Daughters of Italy a healthy and prosperous New Year.

On December 13<sup>th</sup> our Lodge had its annual Christmas Party. What an occasion! Over 60 attended, and a phenomenal Santa came with gifts, and hugs for every child attending. Jackie Giacomazzi decorated the Hall with Christmas Cheer and candy galore, and Louise & Tony Tesoriere made sure the room was ready and the food provided by Danny Dattola was on the table. In addition, many of our members brought desserts. It was a wonderful evening that will long be

remembered. Thank you to all who made this event possible.

On December 10<sup>th</sup>, the United Lodges of the San Joaquin Valley had its quarterly meeting at the Old Spaghetti Factory in Fresno, hosted by Fresno's Colombo Stella Lodge. Lodge President Olivia Gallegos welcomed us and a delicious luncheon was served. Our own Hazel Ann Christin brought her famous Board of Squares to raise money for the Birth Defects Library at Valley Children's Hospital. The \$100.00 Winner was Jackie Giacomazzi, who donated it to Queen AnnaMarie toward her ticket sales.

Among the dignitary's present were Past State President, Ralph Agnello and his wife Susan; Pauline Richmond, Our Head State Trustee Central, and, Louise Silacci, State Trustee Central and HazelAnn Christin, State Birth Defects Chair. Everyone had a great time and was informed of the upcoming activities of each lodge in our area.

Fraternally,  
Charles "Chuck" Sant'Agata, President



## LODGE QUEEN ANNAMARIE TESORIERE YARD SALE FUNDRAISER

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## CHRISTMAS PARTY

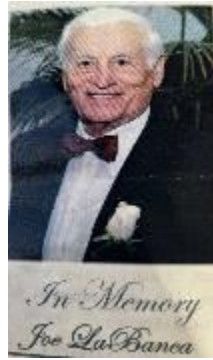
The Lodge Christmas Party was a wonderful success and fun was had by all!



## THANK YOU

*By Louise Silacci*

As 2017 ends and we begin 2018, I would like to thank my Lodge, Hanford #1543 for their support. As you know, at our convention in June, I became one of two state trustees for the central area. Since that date, I have traveled over 2,719 miles (mostly this month), attending celebrations,



and meetings and sadly enough, even the funeral of our beloved **Joe Le Banca**, a past State President.

I personally want to thank Mike Leoni for stepping up and taking my place during our Lodge meetings when I could not be there. This little message would not be complete without thanking my DEAR HUSBAND, who canceled our credit card, due to fraudulent charges while I was on the road. It was so fun sleeping in my car on my birthday. Thank you honey, I love you too! *There is more to this story but now is not the time or place.*



Virgilio Lodge #1586 and Beatrice Portinari Lodge #1626 had a wonderful dinner honoring State President John Costa. Now John, don't get mad at me but

the best part of your party was listening to the Sparks Sisters. If you want to hear them, I will be playing their CD at our next meeting.



Monterey Lodge #2553 had a lovely 'Meet & Greet' dinner and meeting, welcoming at least 3 new members.



Incoming President Ken Cuneo gave a short talk about the founding of the first Lodge in NYC in 1905 and spoke about how Italy was among the first countries to

open their borders to all. There were service pins awarded to members of 25 years and more. Thank you for a great dinner Monterey.

John Nardi, the President of Columbia Lodge #1940, also had a delicious dinner meeting as well as many outstanding gifts for door prizes. Being the active club that they are, they had several tables overflowing with “toys for tots”. Brother Joe Simoni was busy planning the Christmas Caroling activity, and it goes on and on.



Edna Esposito, President of C. Colombo Lodge #1315 runs a tight ship at her meetings. It was wonderful to see a youth

member as Chaplin and did an outstanding job. Their youth are very active and make beautiful table arrangements for the meeting. I was in awe of all the activities they do from Bunco Bruch, Spooky Soup Night, Cucidati Cookie Making Class, and collecting cans for Cooley’s Anemia, etc.



To round up my adventures for December, I was invited to the Diablo Valley Lodge #

2167 meeting, which was held at Back Forty Restaurant in Walnut Creek. President Linda Parent Tasca was a very gracious hostess and thank you for dinner also. They are fun group and can’t wait to go back for another visit.

As for our neighbors down the road, I plan to make my official visit to Enrico Caruso Lodge #1463 in January and if you want to know about Roma Lodge #1573, just read their outstanding newsletters (well, informative newsletters...ours is outstanding) ...Thank you Jim, Janis, Hazel Ann, Jackie and Vickie.

Auguri di Buno Natale e Felice anno Nuovo!

Wishing you a very joyous and peaceful holiday season.



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OCTOBER 13 – 27, 2018  
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295 Days to go! Our Grand Tour of Italy trip is just around the corner. Due to the lack of participation (*we only needed 2 more people*), we had to change a few plans. It's not too late for others to sign up and join us on this adventure, but here is our new Itinerary:

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## LODGE CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 13, 2017



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Lisa	Cattuzzo	1/4
Nicki	Garrone	1/4
Jessica	Aguirre	1/6
Chaya	Gomes	1/8
Christina	Hageboeck	1/8
Serena	Alvarez	1/10
Kelsi	Counter	1/10
Ernest	Bertaina	1/13
Lisa	Webb	1/15
Vicki	Tos	1/17
JoAnne	Savicki	1/20
Paul	Christin	1/21
Gino	Cattuzzo	1/27
Bodhi	Cuddalore Patta	1/27
Tyler	Lourenco	1/27
Makenzie	Kelly	1/30

Did we miss your birthday?

Let Janis Hansen know at 582-4731 or  
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**Happy  
New  
Year!**



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