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JULY MEETING

Date: **July 11, 2018**

Time: 5:00 pm

Location: Board Meeting July 11th at 5:00pm at Draxler/Silacci home. Regular meeting to follow at 6:00 pm. Sandwiches and salads will be provided by our hosts. Please bring your favorite beverage and any other snacks you would like to share



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Please attend the July 11th Board and Membership Meeting at the home of Immediate Past President, Louise Silacci Draxler at 13579 Francisco Drive, Hanford, CA 93230. Our Vice President, Tony Tesoriere will conduct the meetings in my absence since Joyce and I will be on Vacation.

Don't forget, August 5th is our Annual Hot Dog Roast at the home of Lilia Giacomazzi. Our August Board Meeting and Swim Party will be next door to Lilia's at the Jackie Giacomazzi home. The Swim Party starts at 3 p.m., The Board Meeting is at 5 p.m., and the Hot Dog Roast and Bocce Ball game begins at 6 p.m. Come and bring your whole family for an afternoon of FUN!!

Have a Wonderful Summer!

President Charles "Chuck" Sant'Agata

SUNSHINE



by Vicki Tos

Get well wishes go out to Karli Draxler as her broken ankle did not heal well and is going to require surgery.

QUEEN REPORT



Our beautiful Lodge Queen **Annamarie Tesoriere** and her family and lodge family are looking forward to the Grand Lodge Convention and seeing her crowned as Miss America at the Grand Lodge Convention. We are so proud of you Annamarie! You will make a not only a beautiful Miss America but a gifted one as well.

CONGRATULATIONS



A big congratulation goes out to Lilia, Jackie, Dino, Julie, Miro and Gio on being named the Dairy Family of the Year. They are celebrating 125 years of continuous milk production this year. Dino is the 4th generation to operate the Dairy. Congratulations to Lilia Giacomazzi as well who was chosen as Dairywoman of the year. There was a very nice write up in the Hanford Sentinel about the family.

HOTDOG ROAST AT THE GIACOMAZZIS SAVE THE DATE!!! AUGUST 5TH



By Jackie G.

Again, this year the Tesoriere Family will team up with the Giacomazzis to host a Hotdog Roast and Swim Party. **Sunday, August 5th** is the date. If you are a swimmer, come take a dip at 3:00 p.m. If you just want to enjoy a hotdog, bring your

favorite salad or dessert and arrive about 5:30 p.m. We hope to be ready to eat at 6:00 p.m. If you are a member of the Board, we will have a meeting at Jackie's house at 5:00 p.m. Please put this event on your calendar, as there will not be a newsletter in August. **HAVE A HAPPY SUMMER. P.S. It may be hot, so be prepared!!!!**

SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

By Jackie G

REMEMBER!! In order to claim your scholarship, you must send proof of enrollment from your college to Jackie



Giacomazzi: jackiegiacomazzi@gmail.com. Buona fortuna!! Thanks, also, to Danny Dattola who donated to our Sons of Italy Scholarship Fund in honor of Lilia's 105th birthday. Mille grazie!!



SPOTLIGHT ON OUR YOUTH

Success Stories Awards & Honors Headlines



Cloe Scialo danced her 10th year dance recital on June 21st and June 22nd for Dancer's Edge.



Blake Scialo and his Springer, Miami placed 3rd in the Replacement Class on June 7th at The Kings County Fair. Don't let the blue ribbon fool you, the fair ran out of third place ribbons.

Congratulations to **Jarilyn Weaver** who earned a 4.0 GPA as a Sophomore at Hanford West.

Congratulations to **Ashlyn Weaver** who earned the Super Student Award for attendance and exceeding expectations in all areas of academics and reading. She earned a gold medal in reading.

UNITED LODGES OF THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

By Jackie Giacomazzi, Secretary

The meeting of the United Lodges was hosted by the Roma Lodge in Tulare, California at Vejar's Mexican Restaurant on Sunday, June 10, 2018. About 30 members and guests were present. Our Queen, Annamarie Tesoriere, was in attendance and applauded for being named Miss America (2nd place) in the Royal Contest. Visalia's



Queen Brianna Simon placed 1st and Tulare's Queen Gianna Benedetti got 4th place as Miss California. A plated Mexican luncheon was served. In May, a representative from each Lodge (Clovis, Fresno, Hanford, Tulare, and Visalia) met at the Valley Children's Hospital and donated a total of \$11,470.00. The United Lodges gave \$850.00, which was money raised from raffles held last year. Following the meeting a raffle was held to start raising money for our next year's donation. \$330.00 was collected. (**Another donation of \$50.00 was made following the meeting).



Members are not pleased with the Building Committee's report. David DePaoli will read the findings from the original committee at the Convention. (This report was not given at last year's Convention).

Larry Dutto from the Roma Lodge read a Resolution created by his Lodge members and others asking for several changes in the operation of the Grand Lodge which will help with the financial deficit of the organization. State Trustee Central, Louise Silacci, will present this document to the Grand Council before the Convention begins in June. Several of the local Lodges have signed this document.

Also, on the agenda was a discussion of a bylaw change proposed by the Hanford Lodge that will allow expenses to be **paid only** to the **Immediate Past President** (eliminating expenses for all the other Past Presidents) for attendance at the Grand Convention. We were told that it was against the bylaws of the National Lodge. We are awaiting clarification from the National via State President, John Costa.

Elections for the United Lodges will be held in March 2019. Anyone wishing to serve as an officer should contact President Chuck Sant'Agata. Upcoming: September 9th meeting will be hosted by Visalia; December 9th meeting will be hosted by Clovis. (The Italian Consulate will be the guest speaker).



RECYCLING FOR CHILDREN'S STORYBOOK GARDEN & MUSEUM

Thanks go out to Jackie Giacomazzi for her donation of plastic bottles to the Youth Recycling Program. Please bring your recyclable bottles to a meeting or call HazelAnn at 309-3597 to arrange for pick up.



NO AUGUST NEWSLETTER

Remember – No August newsletter. Don't forget to come to the Hot Dog Roast, swim party and bocce ball tournament. Mark your calendar for August 5th. Remember we would like to hear about your vacations and accomplishments of our youth. We will include them in the September newsletter. Email me the pictures with brief articles to jahansen@sbcglobal.net



LODGE WINNERS

Hanford Lodge won \$25.00 from the 365 Fundraiser. **Frances Dias** was the membership name drawn. As she was not present the amount will be \$20.00 in September. Just a note: Frances tells me she reads every word of the newsletter and enjoys it very much.

CONVENTION CONTEST

These are the two aprons that are being entered in a contest at the Convention. \$1.00 per vote. This one with the hands is entered for our youth group. All the names of our junior members are on the tie and the edges.



The other one is entered by Lulu. Brittney Little did the drawings of Lulu and historic pictures of her parents. Britt always did the youth group one too.



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Jayce DeRuiter, Madeleine and Wyatt Jackson and Jackson Virgadamo all sponsored by their Great Grandmother - Joan Little; Gianna Gomes sponsored by Nonnie Debbie Nardini, and Kixton Meeks sponsored by Nonno Michael Leoni. It will be fun to have another all kids' initiation.

BLASTS FROM THE PAST

By Louise Silacci



Your Delegates hard at work in 1985: Janis Hansen, Eleanor Madruga, Tony Tesoriere and Lilia Giacomazzi. Beside Lilia is her beloved sister Alvera Ghigo from Roma Lodge.



Gina Giacomazzi. Hanford Queen speaks at Convention.



BIRTHDAYS

Raymond S.	Alvarez	7/6
Alec	Tesoriere	7/8
Anthony (Tony)	Tesoriere	7/8
Nancy	Allen	7/10
Dolores	Scopel	7/10
Yvette	Tesoriere	7/10

Tyler	Webb	7/20
Lilia	Giacomazzi	7/23
Cheryl	Lehn	7/23
Dino	Giacomazzi	7/27
Bill	Hatfield	7/28
Richard	Martella	7/28
Kassidy	Sheldon	7/31
Pam	Crispi Foster	8/11
Danny	Sheldon	8/14
Miro	Giacomazzi	8/17
Rochelle	Lourenco	8/21
Shirley	Woods	8/24
Mason	Christin	8/26

Did we miss your birthday?
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PICTURES FROM JUNE LODGE MEETING



*Order Sons of Italy in America
Hanford Lodge No 1543
Hanford Fraternal Hall
June 13, 2018*

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. by President Chuck Sant'Agata.,

A gift was presented to our Queen (Miss America) by her family.

Chuck thanked Nancy Allen and committee as well as lodge members for the dinner. The Frito boats with homemade chili were excellent!

Roll call - Roll was taken with the following officers excused: Mark Nardini and Matt Tesoriere.

Introduction of Guests: None.

Minutes: The minutes were approved as posted.

Applications for new members: None

Communications: The following communications received were read.

- The Enrico Caruso Newsletter
- Thank you from the Western Foundation for our donation to the Il Leone and Youth Program.
- Thank you from Chelsea Lourenco for the graduation gift to the Lodge
- Thank you from Chelsea Lourenco to the Youth Group for the graduation gift.

Financial Secretary: Carol Todd read the bills to be paid. Hearing no objections, the bills were ordered to be paid. She also reported the members who were being dropped.

Treasurer's Report: Jackie Giacomazzi gave the May Treasurers report.

Committee reports were given.

Sunshine: Vicki Tos reported a sympathy card was sent to Bonnie Strutz and her family on the loss of Bonnie's dad – Kelly Quinn.

Refreshments: Louise Tesoriere thanked Nancy Allen and the lodge for the Frito boat and chili dinner.

Scholarship: Jackie Giacomazzi reported she received a gift to the Scholarship Fund from Danny Dattola in celebration of Lilia Giacomazzi's 105th birthday.

Newsletter/Webpage – Jim Venturino wanted all the information and pictures of the graduates sent in, so we may feature them in newsletter.

Heritage and Culture – Louise Tesoriere read a letter from her cousin Monica Antonietta, from Italy right after the 2nd World War. It was interesting to hear first-hand how their family was impacted.

Old Business:

- Birth Defects Chair – HazelAnn Christin thanked everyone for the largest donation to date by the United Lodges. \$11,470 was given by the United Lodges and \$5,095 by Hanford Lodge which included the Sweetheart Serenade which was supported by our fellow United Lodge members.
- Chuck Sant'Agata reported on the United Lodges meeting hosted by Tulare. About 27 members were in attendance. The raffle raised \$330.00. Hopefully more money will be given as the opportunity boards are being completed. The next meeting will be hosted by the Enrico Caruso Lodge (Visalia) on September 9th. Also mark your calendars for the meeting to be held on December 9th hosted by the Rodolfo Valentino Lodge (Clovis) at the Andiamo Restaurant. Our Italian Consul for the San Joaquin Valley, Edward Fanucchi Jr. will be our guest speaker.
- Mycaela Leoni reported the October 28th Spaghetti Dinner and Sauce Sale is set to go. Tickets will be available at the September meeting.
- Michael Leoni reported they are still working on the menu for the Sweetheart Serenade. They are also looking for entertainment.
- HazelAnn Christin reported the 90th Anniversary venue has been changed from the Tachi Palace to the Wyndham Hotel. It will be coordinated with the September Grand Counsel meeting.
- Tony Tesoriere reported the storage alternatives he was looking at were cost prohibited and will not be pursued.
- Grand Lodge Convention was discussed. We are looking forward to the Queen Contest and the crowning of our own Annamarie Tesoriere as Grand Lodge Miss America.

New Business:

- Louise Silacci reported she will be hosting the July 11th Lodge meeting at her home at 6:00. The officers meeting will be held prior to the meeting at 5:00. Tony Tesoriere will be presiding as President Chuck will be on vacation. Louise and Chuck will provide sandwiches and salads. Members are asked to bring their drinks and anything else they would like to share.
- Jackie Giacomazzi reported the hotdog roast held at Jackie and Lilia Giacomazzi homes is set to go for August 5th. The Tesoriere family agreed to do the barbecue. Officers meeting will be held at Jackie's home at 5:00.
- Louise Silacci gave a report about issues happening with the Grand Lodge building.

Good of the Order:

- A congratulation card was given to Chuck and Joyce Sant'Agata who will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary June 29th at Convention.
- Danny Dattola stated he was very proud of Annamarie and proud to be a part of the Hanford Lodge. He stated we should check out Facebook as Vickie posted pictures of her old home.

The name drawn for the attendance drawing was Frances Dias. As she was not present the amount will be \$20.00 next month.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janis Hansen
Secretary

Chuck Sant'Agata
President.

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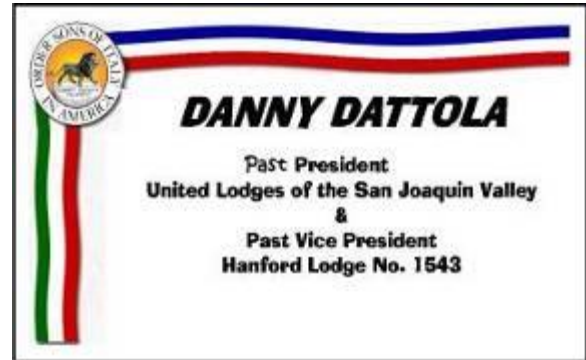
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