

*Order Sons of Italy in America
Hanford Lodge No 1543
Hanford Fraternal Hall
March 11, 2020*

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Louise Silacci.

President Silacci thanked everyone who contributed to the wonderful soup and salad dinner.

Roll call - Roll was taken with the following officers being excused: Danny Dattola, Charles and Joyce Sant'Agata, Joan Little, George Christin and State Deputy Ralph Agnello.

Minutes: Approved as posted by unanimous vote.

Applications for new members: None at this time.

Communications: The following communications were read:

- Enrico Caruso Lodge newsletter
- Sons of Italy's, Enrico Caruso Lodge, St. Joseph's Celebration flyer

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

Treasury Report: Jackie Giacomazzi gave the report for the balance on hand.

Trustee's Report: The report has been completed for the last quarter.

Committee Reports:

- **Sunshine:** President Silacci provided an update on Charles and Joyce Sant'Agata, who are both doing okay. Mycaela Leoni reported Lisa Nardini Young is experiencing some symptoms from radiation and chemo treatments. Please keep them all in your thoughts and prayers.
- **Charities:** Next month we will have a speaker from the Kings County Commission on Aging Council to help with its Adult Day Care Center in Lemoore.
- **Refreshments:** Louise Tesoriere thanked members for helping out tonight. Next month the refreshments will be raviolis.
- **Scholarship:** Jackie Giacomazzi reported two applications for scholarship this year and read the essay submitted by Cassidy Sheldon.
- **Newsletter/Webpage:** Please send any updates and photos to Louise Silacci so she can include them in the monthly newsletter.
- **Cookbook:** There are still cookbooks to be sold, though a few more have been sold since last month.
- **Sweetheart Serenade:** Michael Leoni thanked those who attended and helped and thinks it went well overall. Unfortunately, it has been decided there will not be one next year and instead the lodge will host a spaghetti feed.

Old Business:

- **United Lodges Meeting:** President Silacci reported there is not going to be a Queen Contest.
- **Convention Ad Picture:** President Silacci proposed the lodge save money by either submitting a half ad for convention or forgoing the ad and saving that money for *Il Leone*. Jackie Giacomazzi made a motion for the half page ad, Louise Tesoriere seconded, and it passed unopposed.

New Business:

- Our State Trustee Mary Jane Cambria will be making her official visit in April.
- A guest speaker will be coming by before the meeting in April to give a presentation on Alzheimer's. Dinner will start at 5:30 p.m. and the presentation will be at 6:00 p.m. Following that, we will present Pam Chin with the donation for the Kings County Commission on Aging Council.
- The topic of delegates and going to convention amidst COVID-19. President Silacci read a letter she intends to send to President Costa asking to either make the convention accessible online or, should they choose to still hold it, not penalize lodges who will not send delegates in light of COVID-19. It was brought to a vote with five in favor and five opposed - President Silacci broke the vote in favor of sending the letter, provided it would be edited down.

Good of the Order:

- Jackie Giacomazzi gave Pat Scialo her best wishes and congratulated her on 80 years of life.

Birthdays were read by Louise Tesoriere.

The name drawn for the attendance drawing was Raymond Alvarez, who was present and claimed \$80.00. Congratulations, Raymond!

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Silacci

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President

Brittney Little
Recording Secretary