

*Order Sons of Italy in America
Hanford Lodge No 1543
Hanford Sons of Italy Youth Group
Hanford Fraternal Hall
September 11, 2019*

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by President Louise Silacci.

President Silacci thanked everyone who contributed to the wonderful dinner.

Out of respect for those we lost during the attacks on September 11, 2001, and for Bob Counter, who recently passed, a moment of silence was observed.

Roll call - Roll was taken with the following officers being excused: Michael Leoni, Vicki Tos, and George Christin.

Introduction of Guests: We welcomed guests Janine Brighton and Dan and Vincent Belezzuoli.

Minutes: The minutes were approved as posted.

Applications for new members: We received an application for Tony and Louise Tesoriere's great-grandson, Levi Tesoriere.

Communications: The following communication was read:

- Columbo-Stella Lodge Pasta Sausage Dinner

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 gave the report for the balance on hand.

Trustee's Report: Head Trustee Pat Scialo gave the August report and the books checked out.

Committee Reports:

- **Sunshine:** Debbie Nardini reported Janis Hansen broke her arm, Richard Martella had minor surgery and is recovering well, and Debbie herself is carcinoma-free. HazelAnn Christin is in the hospital and now been put on a morphine drip. Please keep all of them in your thoughts and prayers.
- **Charities:** Nothing new at this time.
- **Refreshments:** Louise Tesoriere thanked everyone for the potluck dinner. As next month is Italian Heritage Month, please bring a favorite Italian dish to share, maybe even one from the cookbook.
- **Scholarship:** Janis Hansen spoke with Joann Counter, who requested people give donations to the scholarship or charity fund in memory of Bob Counter.
- **Newsletter/Webpage:** Please send any updates and photos to Jim Venturino or Janis Hansen so they can include them in the monthly newsletter.

- **Cookbook:** The books are printed and ready for sale at \$20 per book.
- **90th Anniversary Dinner September 21, 2019:** President Silacci looks forward to seeing everyone at the anniversary dinner, and it can become a talk-in if people like.

Old Business:

- Congratulations to Pauline Richmond for winning the office of State Second Vice President!
- **Movie Night and Games:** President Silacci suggested the idea of a movie night in November and will talk with Dino Giacomazzi to see how it can be done. Bingo will come back at the next meeting.
- **United Lodges:** Jackie Giacomazzi reported a big crowd on Sunday at Marie Callender's. Every lodge has decided to donate \$200 per year to Valley Children's Hospital.

New Business:

- The larger October window displays were given to Hanford FFA. The lodge will still have smaller window displays that can be seen at both the Hanford and Lemoore libraries.
- **Motion to remove HazelAnn Christin, Officer and Donald "Don" Giacomazzi, Officer (deceased) as check Signers on the Sons of Italy Youth Group checking account at Union Bank in Hanford. Motion and nominations voted on and unanimously passed for Debbie Nardini and Mycaela Leoni to both be check Signers as they are already Board Members.**

Good of the Order:

- Jackie Giacomazzi congratulated Immediate Past-President Charles Sant'Agata for receiving the Top Dog Award from Fresno State, honoring him for his contributions to the college.

Birthdays were read by Louise Tesoriere

The name drawn for the attendance drawing was Mary Ann Christin. As she was not present the amount will be \$45.00 next month.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Silacci

Brittney Little
Recording Secretary

Louise Silacci
President