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## **JUNE MEETING**

Date: **June 12, 2019**

Time: 6:00 pm

Agenda: Come watch the **Italian Heritage movie** at 5:00 p.m. – no Bingo this month. Regular Meeting

Dinner: Potato bar will be provided. Carol Todd is making chili beans and Debbie Nardini is making a green salad. Members are asked to bring Jell-O salad, fruit or fruit salad etc. or a dessert.

Chair: Nancy Allen

Officer Meeting: June 5<sup>th</sup>, President Silacci's home.



[Last Month Meeting Minutes](#)



## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Presidents' Message:

Ciao fratelli e sorelle (Hello Brothers & Sisters):

As Summer draws closer, our schedules get fuller and fuller. Graduations, fairs, etc., etc. I understand. It's also nice to get home from the meeting before dark. For this reason, I am working on showing a movie prior to dinner. It is from PBS about the Italians moving to America. So, this month, we will not be playing bingo, but for those interested in seeing the movie (at least part of it), we will start at 5 PM. Dinner will begin at 6 PM and meeting to follow at 6:30 PM.

Congratulations to our scholarship recipients, as well as our members for supporting them at our meeting with another full house. Grazie mille. Also, a major thank-you to our Lodge for their hard work in securing over \$2,000 to give to the Valley Children's' Birth Defects Library. As a group, the United Lodges of San Joaquin and its 'individual lodges were able to give over \$10,500 on May 14th. It was very touching.

As you know, Grand Council has their meeting in June prior to convention. Should you have any issues or concerns, please be sure to let me know prior to the 15th of June so I may voice your concerns. Another great option would be to attend the United Lodges meeting, June 9th and hear what our brothers and sisters from around the valley have to say. They may have some of your same questions.

“Heritage is the history, unique knowledge, values and traditions that have developed by a combination of genes and environment

over time.” Our Italian heritage is our history. It is responsible for why we belong to Hanford Lodge No. 1543. It is a part of who and what we are. The sense of identity that you gain from the study of your heritage will help to explain to others who you are, but more so it will help to explain who you are — to yourself. There are approximately 45 Sons and Daughters of Italy Lodges throughout California, Nevada and Oregon. Each one takes a different spin on how they run their meetings and what is important to them, but we all agree that our heritage is IMPORTANT. That is why we all became members. Membership is declining and we cannot count on anyone for help other than ourselves. Please come to our June meeting prepared with ideas about how to increase membership and keep our heritage as a goal, one to learn more about.

<https://mccartyheritage.wordpress.com/2012/10/25/why-your-heritage-is-important/>

Arrivederci (see you soon).  
Cordiali saluti (Sincerely),

Louise Silacci, - President

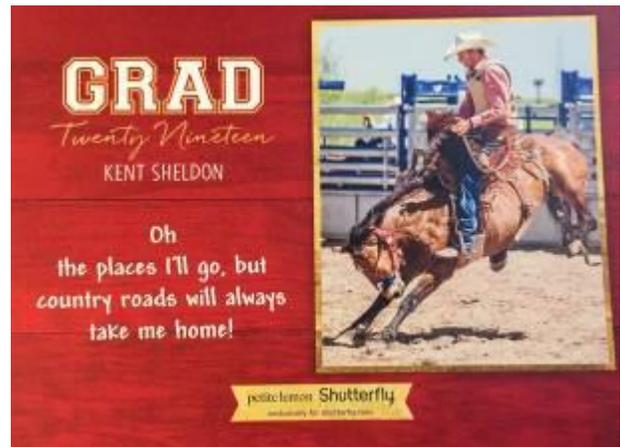
## SCHOLARSHIP

*By Jackie Giacomazzi*



SCHOLARSHIP: I was very pleased with the turnout at the last potluck meeting to honor the scholarship recipients. **Kent Sheldon** was awarded the Hanford Lodge

scholarship as well as the Grand Lodge scholarship in memory of Lilia Giacomazzi. **Ashley Waymire** from the Enrico Caruso Lodge of Visalia also was a recipient of a Grand Lodge scholarship in memory of Lilia Giacomazzi. Both students gave impressive talks telling of their Italian heritages, what they have done in the past and what they plan to do in the future. Kent received monetary gifts from the Hanford Lodge and the Youth Group. Both students were accompanied by members of their families. Jackie Giacomazzi presented each of them with an Italian phrase book and a cup from the Giacomazzi Dairy filled with candy, which represented some of the byproducts of their dairy’s milk. (Hershey’s and M& M’s) President Louise Silacci will present our certificate to Kent on May 21 at Sierra Pacific High School.



## SUNSHINE

*Debbie Nardini*

It looks like the Michael and Stace Leoni Family Tree is about to grow! Daughter & past Hanford Lodge Queen, **Alyssa Leoni** recently became engaged to marry Anthony Flores. Anthony is no stranger to the Hanford Lodge as he

has helped with our sweetheart serenade dinner in the past.

Daughter, **Heather Rathwick Wilson** and her husband, Isaac, are expecting their first child sometime in December & what a special holiday treat that will be on the island of Oahu, Hawaii!

Congratulations to everyone!

Update on **HazelAnn and George Christin**: George is doing good and continues recovering at home. HazelAnn's appointments went well. She is back on chemotherapy and is feeling much better. George and HazelAnn we miss you. You continue to be in our thoughts and prayers. They wish to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and well wishes.



## DRAWINGS

Congratulations to the following 365 State Fund Raiser Winners

2/24	Janis Hansen	\$25.00
3/14	Hanford Lodge #1543	\$25.00
3/25	Charles Sant'Agata	\$25.00

The name drawn for the attendance drawing was Mia Giacomazzi. As she was not present the amount will be \$35.00 next month.

## COOKING CORNER



Please ensure you get your recipes to me ([silaccilu@gmail.com](mailto:silaccilu@gmail.com)) prior to June 1<sup>st</sup>, in order to get into our Anniversary Edition of Hanford No. 1543 Cookbook. It will be going to press shortly after to ensure we

have them ready to sell in September. In our research, the committee found so many interesting facts, but we could not include all of them. During a trip to Italy, the Giacomazzi's came back with a 2-ton cookbook that you just must see in person. You just want to eat the pictures. I would like to share one little section with you: "Salumi" ...

Italy boasts a proud collection of salumi. This general term – in which the word salare, to salt, can be found – covers all kinds of ham and Italian sausage. Here is a little Salumi lesson:

**Coppa** – Specialty made from port neck-end muscle. The meat is cured wrapped in a cloth which has been soaked in white wine.

**Bresaola** – Air dried beef, like Switzerland's "Bundner Fleisch"

**Mortadella** – Pork sausage

**Zampone** – Filled pig's trotters, a specialty from Modena. The filling is made from finely-ground, well-seasoned pork knuckle and shoulder.

**Soppressa veneta** – Pressed, coarsely-grained sausage from Veneto, air-dried for up to six months in dark stores.

**Bondiola** – Sausage from Veneto

**Soppressata** – brown sausage with a spicy taste, lightly smoked, then pressed and air-dried.

**Salame** – Best known of all, this is cured for three to six months. Northern salami has a milder taste; in the south, it is hotter and spicier.

## SPOTLIGHT ON OUR YOUTH

Don't forget graduation is coming up. Please send pictures of your graduate along with a brief story as to their accomplishments to [jahansen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jahansen@sbcglobal.net). We will feature them in our July/August edition. Thank you.



Congratulations to **Kent Sheldon** who was awarded the following awards at the Hanford FFA Chapter Awards Banquet: Graduate of Distinction Cord, Agriculture Proficiency

Award in Agriculture Services Placement and was the All-Around Proficiency Winner, Star Chapter Ag Placement, Job Interview medal. Kent also received the teachers top pick for “Most Spirited”, as well as a Hanford FFA Parent Booster Scholarship.



Congratulations to **Kassidy Sheldon** who received a Dairy Evaluation Judging Team Pin and a certificate for completing the FARMS Advanced Leadership Program at the Hanford FFA Chapter awards.



Congratulations to **Jarilyn Weaver** who was awarded “Best Weapon” and “Best Guardsman” at the Hanford West Band Banquet.

## UNITED LODGES OF THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

*By Jackie Giacomazzi*



Members from the five Lodges of the United Lodges of the San Joaquin Valley (Clovis, Fresno, Hanford, Tulare and Visalia), met on May 14, 2019, with representatives of the Medical Genetics Metabolic Clinic (MGM) at the Valley Children’s Healthcare. Jessica Duarte from the External Development Foundation met us in the lobby of the facility and took us to a meeting area where the Staff was waiting for us. About 15 Sons of Italy members listened to the group of genetic counselors and a dietitian. They presented a video showing their latest research with genomes. The group is very excited about their work!!



Altogether, we were able to donate \$10,530.00. This donation was made possible through the many fundraising activities of the Lodges as well as the United Lodges. They were very appreciative of our efforts to help them!! The marketing theme of the Hospital this year is “Everyone has a Story,” and they invite patients to share their stories. It was a very enlightening experience for me, and I was very happy to be among the donors.



## QUEEN REPORT

Annamarie is in finals this week. She will have a report in the July/August issue.



## PHOTOS LODGE MEETING MAY, 2019





## BIRTHDAYS

Hanna	Hageboeck	6/13
Adysin	Pineda	6/17
Louise	Tesoriere	6/17
Henry (Howie)	Howison	6/19
Brittney	Little	6/21
Vincent	Scialo	6/23
Bonnie	Strutz	6/23
Raymond	Tesoriere	6/24
Michael	Leoni	6/29

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[ITALIAN WORD OF THE DAY](#)



UNITED LODGES OF THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Clovis-Fresno-Hanford-Tulare-Visalia

**MEETING NOTICE**

The next meeting of the United Lodges will be hosted by  
**HANFORD LODGE #1543**

**Sunday, June 9, 2019**

**Place: Kings County Historical Society Meeting Hall**  
14060 Hackett St. Hanford, CA (near 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Grangeville Blvd)  
Cost: \$20.00

**Time: 11:30 a.m.**

**\*RSVP by: June 5, 2019 to:**

**President Louise Silacci**  
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**An Opportunity Drawing will be available for Valley Children's Birth Defects**

**DID YOU PAY YOUR DUES OF \$25.00 (EACH LODGE)?**

**ITEMS TO BE BROUGHT UP AT THE CONVENTION WILL BE DISCUSSED.**

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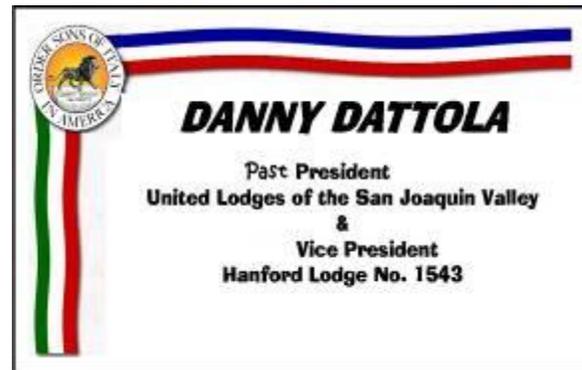
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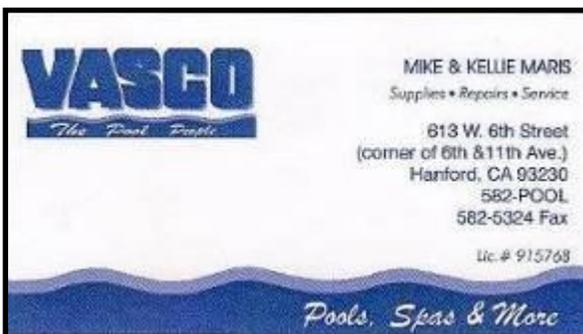
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