



# Northwest Italian News

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## Coming Events!

**Saturday, February 12th from 3-5pm**  
Valentine's "To Go Dinner"  
Amerigo Vespucci #1814  
St. Mary's Parish Hall, Aberdeen, WA  
Contact: Mark Percini, 360-532-1983.

**Saturday, March 5, 2022**  
2 PM to 5 PM  
Annual GLNW Crab Dinner  
Drive up dinner, Holy Family  
Church, Auburn WA  
505 17th St SE.

**Saturday, April, 9 2022**  
Eventing event  
Auburn Lodge #1955  
Dinner Banquet 75th Year  
Anniversary Celebration.

**Saturday, April 23, 2022 5:30pm**  
The Italian Club of Seattle  
Centennial Celebration  
Contact Audrey Manzanares  
206-779-7325 or amanzanares@live.com

**Saturday, April 30, 2022**  
Friendship Tea, Vancouver USA  
#2690  
info: Linda Gibson (760)450-8057

**Saturday May 14th 2022**  
Italian Day in Black Diamond  
The Black Diamond Museum.  
1-3 pm on Mar 14, 2022.  
Lenny Folino 206-696-5800

**Spring Grand Council**  
May 21, 2022  
Embassy suites,  
Lynnwood, WA

**Sunday, August 21, 2022 12:00 noon**  
Cataldo Lodge #2280 Annual Picnic  
Bremerton Elks picnic shelter  
Please come.

Please check with event or lodge  
contact to confirm that it has not been  
cancelled or rescheduled.

## From the Office of State President Linda Buccini Anderson



**H**appy New Year's everyone. I hope the holidays have been good for you and your family. My New Year's resolution is that we all look forward to 2022 being one of reconnecting to all our members, having fun, and enjoying the experience of being Italian.

December brought many lodges having in-person meetings that allowed them to have their Christmas parties. It was great to see the love, joy, and excitement of seeing one another in person for the first time in quite a while.

Attention everyone: We have our Grand Lodge Crab dinner drive thru-Saturday March 5. I know we had hoped to have it in person, but the hall is still not available. We will make the best of it, but we need your support for this annual fundraiser.

You can get a ticket via <https://grand-lodge-of-the-northwest.square.site> or by calling Ronnie Beyersdorf (206)478-3876. Included in this event is a raffle. We are asking that each lodge donate a basket/gift/gift card etc. (please send picture and description to Gina Natucci [ginanatucci@gmail.com](mailto:ginanatucci@gmail.com) ASAP). It will be online, more details forthcoming.

As the new year begins each lodge is preparing its new slate of officers. Please get involved and help to build and strengthen your lodge. Part of building your lodge is membership. Consider giving a Gift of Membership to someone who you would like them to connect with their Italian culture, or a friend who loves everything Italian.

Remember your Dues is due in January, so please get your dues into your lodge Treasurer. On a sad note, we lost long-time member Gino Marchese. Our hearts go out to his family, Tony says there is one word that describes Gino "CLASS." Also, Gino was one of the committee members that drove all over the Northwest who helped start five new lodges. Grazie Gino!

As Italians, we know the importance of family and friends. Reach out and share your friendship and love. Here is a toast to a Happy 2022 and a return to the fun Italian activities we all have been missing.

God Bless,  
Linda Buccini Anderson  
253-225-2483 [buccini@rainierconnect.com](mailto:buccini@rainierconnect.com)

# GLNW 2022 Crab Drive-thru Dinner

Since  
we are still dealing with Covid-19  
we are not able to meet in our usual  
fashion to partake of our  
**Annual Crab Dinner**  
However, we have a  
**SOLUTION!**

**A drive-thru dinner!**

*See you there!*

Your meal will include mouth-watering Crab, pasta Aglio e Olio, salad, roll and dessert. It will come in a take-out box which will be safely delivered to your car by hardworking GLNW Officers.

Meals are pre-paid ahead of time and pick up is on March 5th, 2022, from 2 pm - 5 pm at Holy Family Church, 505 17th St SE Auburn, WA.

**To order:** visit our Square Site at:

<https://grand-lodge-of-the-northwest.square.site>

If you need assistance with ordering, please contact Ronnie Beyersdorf, 206-478-3876 or [wb7tby@aol.com](mailto:wb7tby@aol.com)



## **GLNW History Webpage Online Archive Project**

We would like photos of each lodge's founders, charter documents, and any significant events by March 25, 2022. We are looking forward to the GLNW website being redesigned soon. It will be updated to include an online archive of historical photos from each lodge. These should include: the founders with their names (as many as possible), lodge charter documents, and key events, such as 50th and 75th-year celebrations.



Currently, the only historic photo on the GLNW website's is Tacoma lodge's officers and delegates to the first state convention in 1930. No names are shown. We want to give credit to these people as well as to those in your lodge's photos.

Please submit electronic photos (no originals or paper copies) including the names of people pictured. If you or your lodge already publish these photos on Facebook or a website, please submit the link(s).

Again our deadline is March 25, 2022.

Please send your information, questions, and suggestions to me, Joanne McDaniel [bmcd27471@gmail.com](mailto:bmcd27471@gmail.com).

Thank you!

## **Alta Monte Lodge, #2513 Eugene, OR**

Best wishes to all our fellow lodge members and their families for a Happy, safe, and prosperous New Year.

“I migliori auguri a tutti i nostri compagni membri del lodge e alle loro famiglie per un felice, sicuro e proposto Anno Nuovo.”

Betty Martin-Petti, Recording Sect.

## **American- Italian Lodge, #2172, Spokane, WA**

Ciao a tutti, Spokane is wrapped in a winter white landscape with sleigh bells ringing in the New Year. Buon Anno a tutti!



Our members had a wonderful start to the Holiday Season celebrating, (in partnership with Spokane

Sister City Association) with our Festa Italiana! It was a seasonal opener with 150+ in attendance! And a Jingle Bell Ringing Success!

The event was announced with our Leaning Tower of Pisa standing outside of David's Pizza on Malon in Spokane. Guests were greeted at the door by a welcoming committee and given information about our lodge and the day's events.



There were raffle tickets sold for baskets made by officer Tina Santorsola, and Birdhouses Built by officer Ansano Giuntini. Our officer Donna Clark



made the Most sought-after prize with her beautifully crafted centerpieces. Each piece showcased a decorative wintery scene and was very festive.

Susie and Bob Prusch hosted a wine tasting and presented a

homemade Merlot that was very popular. Susie and Bob graciously donated the entire proceeds of their sales to the lodge, and we are very grateful for their generosity.

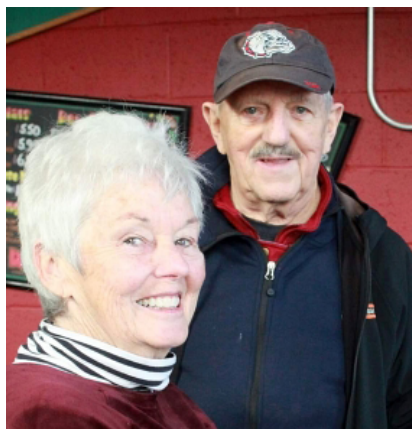


Crooner, John Caputo, warmed up the room with his lively karaoke singing. One of his renditions was sung to us in Italian!! And after a few glasses of vino others participated and had their own “drop the mic” moments.

There was “Cannoli Bar” that we partnered with Mark Starr, owner of



David’s Pizza. Guests were given a free cannoli with the presentation of a paid meal ticket. Officers Linda Marcus and Susie Prusch could not fill the tasty dessert fast enough. The demand was so popular that we ran out!! Next time More Cannoli!



The Festa along with our earlier Dedication Ceremony has reeved us up to start the New Year with more celebrating and planning. We are still conducting Zoom meetings in ardent hopes of meeting in

person very soon. We are currently working on an Election Committee for upcoming elections which are just around the corner.

Da casa nostra all atua Buon Anno. From our house to yours here’s to a “Healthier” and Happy New Year!  
Linda Marcus, Recording Secretary

### **Amerigo Vespucci Lodge, #1814, Aberdeen, WA**

“May your walls know joy, may every room hold laughter, and every window open to great possibility.” -Mary Anne Radmacher. We are looking forward to next year with our regularly scheduled meeting on the third Thursday of the month at St. Mary’s Parish Hall. Membership dues of \$40 should be mailed to Amerigo Vespucci PO Box 2247 Aberdeen, WA. We had a wonderful in-person Christmas gathering. We shared fun, food, a raffle, and friendship. Our community outreach for the holiday season was in support of Luggage of Love, a nonprofit created to provide “Comfort Bags” for foster children. We are so glad to give to children in our community.

We are looking forward to our Valentine “To Go Dinner” on Saturday, February 12th from 3-5 pm at St. Mary’s Parish Center in Aberdeen, Washington. For tickets contact Mark Percini at 360-532-1983. All tickets will be presold for this event. We look forward to seeing you there!

“Noi non potemo avere perfetta vita senza amici – We cannot have a perfect life without friends.”-Dante

#### **ALTA MONTE LODGE NO. 2513**

**Eugene, OR**

Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month

#### **ST. THOMAS CHURCH**

1465 Coburg Road, Eugene

Potluck Dinner - 6:30 PM  
General Meeting - 7:00 PM

**Scott Tommaso, President**

[altamonte2513@gmail.com](mailto:altamonte2513@gmail.com)

[www.glnw.org/altamonte.htm](http://www.glnw.org/altamonte.htm)



#### **AMERICAN-ITALIAN**

**CLUB NO. 2172**

**Spokane, WA**

Meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM

**INLAND NORTHWEST WILDLIFE COUNCIL**

6111 N. Market Street

Spokane, WA 99208

509-487-8552

**Judy Anselmo, President**

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**Linda Marcus, Recording Secretary**

509-891-0916 [smarcus2@centurylink.net](mailto:smarcus2@centurylink.net)

#### **AMERIGO VESPUCCI**

**LODGE NO. 1814**

**Aberdeen, WA**

Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month

5:30 PM Social, 6:30 Dinner,

7:00 PM Meeting

#### **ST. MARY’S PARISH CENTER**

306 East 3rd, Aberdeen, WA

**Vera Kay, President**

(360) 581-9856

[veratkay@gmail.com](mailto:veratkay@gmail.com)



## Auburn Lodge, #1955, Auburn, WA



L to R: Ronnie Beyersdorf Auburn Lodge Secretary received his 50 year membership pin at the December Christmas party/lodge meeting to his right is his wife Past State President Rosetta Stella Beyersdorf and to her right is Auburn Lodge President Francesco Ortenzo.

Here is wishing all the Auburn members and their families and the members of the OSDIA GLNW a Happy and Healthy New Year 2022.

We actually have a lot to be thankful for from 2021 as some of us survived some close health calls.

We were able to have a live December Christmas party/meeting on December 9th and we raised charity funds for the Auburn Foodbank. Thanks to the ladies who cooked the meal and the members who brought all the snacks and raffle prizes. It was fantastic.

In our one-night raffle, we made \$685.00 in donations for the Auburn Foodbank. We also brought in nearly 200 hundred pounds of food and household items. Thanks to you members and guests.

Each year we recognize the year's membership starting at 5 year anniversaries. Pins are awarded for 25 and 50 years of membership.

### Here are the anniversaries for our Auburn Lodge members 2021:

**5 years 2016:** David Caprara, John & Shirley Chicketti, Carolyn Dela Pozzi Jones, David Madrid\* as a dual member, Sheila Perry

**10 years 2011:** Frank Cristofaro, Claude Dacorsi, Frank & Linda Gaskill, Cindy Grinolds, Patricelli Ardis Kansanback, Maria Parente, John & Shirlee Partridge,

Mariah Sonstelie, Linda & Nick Tarbox, Eric Thorpe, Mark Wilkens

**15 years 2006:** Mary Dacorsi, Nicole Binetti Davis, Connie Martin, Teresa Turylo-Smith, Linda Valencia

**20 years 2001:** Richard Artura, Lena Binetti, Jason Cole, Martin Patricelli, Mike Sepal, Michele Simone, Dean Slaughter, Chris & Dean Warner

**30 years 1991:** Emily Jordan (now an at large member), David Lamanna

**35 years 1986:** Linda Anderson, State President, Lina Gagnon, Dan Spino

**45 years 1976:** Kathleen Massucio (1975), Rafeline & Dan McMullen (1975), Antonetta Muir (1975) Auburn Lodge

Pin Awards for 25 years membership 1996 Anniversaries some 1994 and 1995: Angie Lupo Artura (1995, Lilla and Pippo Brancato (1995), Betty Cannon (1995), Joe Feccele (1994), David Manning (1995), Annessa Paglisotti (1995), Tim Sonselie

**Pin Awards for 50 years of membership 1971:** Ronnie Beyersdorf, Auburn Lodge secretary

Honorable mention Auburn Lodge members on longest and Life Members: Theresa Venzone Payne, 1955, 61-year member former officer.

Aldo Storino, 1964, 57 years Past Lodge president and ticket seller.

Richard Aries, Past State President 54 year member 1967

Rosetta Beyersdorf, Past State President 55 year member 1966

**Yolanda Scarpelli Clark, sole surviving Charter 1947 member 75 years**

**Vincenzina Venzone Manka, Past Pres longest continuous membership 1949 73 years.**

**Mary Fantello Scoccolo, a most senior member in the OSDIA 1940 82 years.** Past lodge officer and Grand Lodge officer.

Nominations and election of officers will start with

### AUBURN LODGE NO. 1955 Auburn, WA

[www.auburnsonsofitaly.org](http://www.auburnsonsofitaly.org)

Meets the 2nd Thursday of each month  
Doors Open at 6PM for Social Hour  
Meeting at 7:00PM

Dinner and Raffle following

#### HOLY FAMILY CHURCH HALL

505 17th Street SE - Auburn, WA. 98002

**President Francesco Ortenzo**

206-769-8563 / [ortenzo@gmail.com](mailto:ortenzo@gmail.com)

**Recording Secretary Ron Beyersdorf**

206-478-3876 / [WB7tbq@aol.com](mailto:WB7tbq@aol.com)

### BELLA VITA LODGE NO. 2285 Olympia, WA

Meets the 1st Thursday of each month  
Social at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm

#### VFW POST 318

2902 Martin Way E., Olympia, WA 98506

**Sophia Risorto, President**

760-333-7964 [bellavitalodge@gmail.com](mailto:bellavitalodge@gmail.com)

**Shirley Delauranti Garrison,  
Recording Secretary**

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Sons of Italy, Bella Vita Lodge  
Olympia Washington

### BELLEVUE LODGE NO. 2377 Bellevue, WA

Meets the 1st Thursday  
of each month / Social: 5:30 PM  
Dinner at 6:30 PM / Meeting to Follow

#### UNITY CHURCH

16330 Northeast 4th Street  
Bellevue, WA 98008

**Mary DeMatteo Sangalang, President**  
(425) 649-2250 / [collectingroots@msn.com](mailto:collectingroots@msn.com)

**Michele Guerrini, Recording Sec.**  
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nominations in January 2022 the nominations committee is headed by chair Ronnie Beyersdorf, secretary. In order to vote or hold office, your dues must be paid. The nominations committee is pulling together the names of those who will run for office including the existing officers. To run for office the member must be a regular member in the lodge for more than six months. The election is in the month of February 2022. The Auburn Lodge dues are now due and dues are \$35.00 per member. Dues can be mailed to the Lodge PO Box, Auburn SOI, PO Box 1224, Auburn, WA 98071-1224, or paid at the meeting in January. Ronnie Beyersdorf, Reporter

**Bella Vita Lodge, #2285, Olympia WA**

Bella Vita Lodge #2285, Olympia WA  
 Hi everyone and greetings from Bella Vita! Our Bella Vita Christmas Party was held on December 5th at Mercato Restaurant in Olympia. Thank you to Adriane Smolen for organizing, decorating, and preparing the fine entertainment for our first live Christmas Party. Bravisimo Adriane!! Everyone was entertained in some way. It was a delightful night and the food was amazing. It was great seeing Jerry Patten and Pam Daudet enjoying the festivities. Our President, Sophia Risorto, brought 150 pizzelles which she made and wrapped in individual packets for everyone. Tony Ferrara brought wine, port, and homemade Italian cookies. It was touching to see how much our members missed each other and to watch them have such difficulties saying their goodbyes. Travis, the Mercato manager, was so impressed with our group that he plans to join Bella Vita in January. We are excited to welcome our new members who are Tony Ferrara, Vera Kay (who is a dual member coming from the Aberdeen lodge), and Terra Giannotti, wife of Tony Giannotti. Other club news: Linda and Tony Anderson enjoyed a 3-week vacation in Mazatlán Mexico, Shirley Garrison went to Maui, Hawaii with

her sister, but had to return early due to a medical emergency for her sister. Jim Vettori sold his home and now lives at Revel Assisted Living with his cat in Lacey. George and Dianne Stefanini, our pie lady, celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary on December 9th. Dianne is now on our election committee. If you are an officer or would like to be one, call or text Dianne at 360-669-9380 or email distefanini@gmail.com. We will be voting on our slate of officers at the next meeting. Just a reminder that dues (\$40) need to be in by Jan. 1, 2022. If you have not paid yet please mail checks to Matthew Williams, 3738 Kisale Lane SE, Olympia, WA 98501-9918. Linda Anderson suggested purchasing a membership to our club as a possible present to family and friends.

Please keep Genny Powell in your prayers, she recently had surgery and is still in the hospital recuperating. In addition, Pam Daudet's husband, Tom, is recovering from a broken hip, while Shirley Garrison's sister is on the mend after coming back from Hawaii. And Donna Cristofaro is still recuperating from back surgery. We are hoping to have monthly in-person meetings at the VFW starting January 6, 2022. Keep your fingers crossed we can do it this time. An email notification will go out before the meeting. Our meetings are on the first Thursday of every month and January 6th is Epiphany, which is a national holiday in Italy. How many of you celebrate La Befana on Epiphany Eve? In Italian folklore, La Befana is an old woman who delivers gifts to children. The children hang their stockings by the fireplace or by a window, with treats such as panettone for La Befana. If the children have been good they receive sweets but if they have misbehaved they only get lumps of coal. La Befana is known for sweeping up the house with her broomstick before hopping on it and leaving. Felice Anno Novo 2022  
 Donna Cristofaro and Dianne Stefanini

**BLACK DIAMOND LODGE NO. 1809**  
**Black Diamond, WA**  
 Meets the 2nd Friday of each month  
 Social Hour 6:30 p.m. • Dinner 7 p.m.  
 Meeting 8 p.m. and Raffle following  
**BLACK DIAMOND COMMUNITY CENTER**  
 31605 Third Ave (SR 169)  
 Black Diamond, WA 98010  
**Marlene Palazzo, President**  
 (253) 631-3659  
[marlene.palazzo@seattlecolleges.edu](mailto:marlene.palazzo@seattlecolleges.edu)

**CATALDO LODGE NO. 2280**  
**Bremerton, WA**  
 Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month — Social-5:30 p.m./ Potluck-6:30 p.m./Meeting-7:30 p.m.  
**VFW HALL**  
 190 S. Dora, Bremerton, WA  
**MAILING ADDRESS:**  
 P.O. Box 4243  
 Bremerton, WA 98312-0243  
**Bill Haberstock, President**  
 (360) 373-4341 / [habpal@hotmail.com](mailto:habpal@hotmail.com)

**CLE ELUM LODGE NO. 1968**  
 Meets the 2nd Sunday of Each Month  
 Potluck Dinner 5:00 p.m.  
 Meeting follows  
**CLE ELUM COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 201 East 3rd Street  
 Cle Elum, WA  
**Cheryl Ficele, President**  
 (509) 674-5318 / [ficelec@hotmail.com](mailto:ficelec@hotmail.com)  
 Mailing Address: PO Box 361  
 South Cle Elum, WA 98943-0361

## **Bellevue Lodge, #2377, Bellevue, WA**

Hello Friends,

For forty-five years the Bellevue Lodge has gathered for a Holiday gathering where we have shared the spirit of Christmas with members, family, and guests. This year was no different; although this year, like last year, we gathered via Zoom on December 2nd. Like most years past, we made the gathering a time for us to visit, enjoy each other's company, and share our Christmas traditions. Our President Mary DeMatteo Sangalang worked hard to ensure that we continued the tradition. As she did last year, Mary prepared an Italian Trivia contest, it was different from last year's, so if you remembered all of the answers from before it would not have helped this year. Mary said that the trivia was a little bit easier this year, and I would have to agree: one of the questions was who painted the Mona Lisa. If anyone got that one wrong it would be a serious disgrace to our Lodge. Although the trivia was easier than last year, I don't think I did any better. Rosetta Beyersdorf got the most correct answers, which if my memory serves me correctly; Rosetta got the most correct answers last year. I think she has a bit of an unfair advantage having been born in Italy. After trivia, we talked about the Christmas traditions we had growing up, which we found varied some, but at the heart of all our traditions is the love we share for family and friends.

We had two guests at our meeting Jerry Nonis and Barbara Bartosik. Jerry was referred to our Lodge by Bill Oakes. Jerry is a former member of the Sons of Italy who is planning on rejoining. He said he decided he wants to join our Lodge because the Seattle Lodge is too old: sorry Seattle Lodge, I just report the news. Barbara is a foreign language teacher at Central Washington University who teaches Italian, German and Polish, and says she has a great love for Italy. On behalf

of the Lodge, I would like to say it was a great pleasure to have you join our Christmas gathering. Jerry, I think you'll enjoy our Lodge and you'll fit right in. Barbara, you're well come to join our meetings anytime, we hope we see you again and that you will consider joining our Lodge.

In sunshine news, our Lodge deputy, Rosetta Beyersdorf, reports that she is feeling better after her surgery. We're glad to hear you're feeling better and wish you a speedy recovery to full health. Past-President Paul Osgood went to the hospital on December 12th with bilateral pneumonia. He's feeling better but is still in the hospital recovering.

Our next meeting will be our Lodge Christmas party on Thursday, January 6th at 7:00 pm via Zoom.

Buon Cannoli!

Greg Osgood

## **Black Diamond Lodge, #1809. Black Diamond, WA**

With great pleasure, we share with you the Black Diamond Lodge 1809 display presented at the Enumclaw Hometown Holiday Drive-Thru on December 10, 11, and 12. Innumerable hours of collaboration, creation, enjoyment, and camaraderie were dedicated to representing our historical "Village with a View" Black Diamond Lodge in this festive event.

Unfortunately, our display was one of several that experienced severe Enumclaw Plateau winds. Many visitors were able to enjoy our display on Friday evening, however, before incurring the damage. At this time, our sincerest prayers are with the innumerable victims who suffered losses and extreme devastation from the multiple tornados that ravished towns throughout the mid and southern states. In our Black Diamond October 2021 article, Richard Pierotti mentioned Abramo Pennacchi. Paul Pioli, also, mentioned the Pennacchi clan in his family story in the December issue. Many Northwest Italian family

### **MILLE CUGINI LODGE NO. 2659**

**Marysville, WA**

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**MARYSVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM**  
6805 Armar Rd, Marysville, WA 98270

**Patrick Jacoby, President**  
(425) 478-0757

**Rebecca Helling, Recording Secretary**  
(425) 892-5441

Meets the 3rd **Friday** of each Month  
6:30 Social, 7:00 Meeting  
Potluck Dinner following meeting

### **OLYMPIC PENINSULA LODGE NO. 2733**

**Port Angeles/Sequim, WA**

Meets the 3rd Sunday  
of each month at 1:30 PM

**METHODIST CHURCH**  
110 East 7th Street Street  
Port Angeles, WA 98362

**Sal D'Amico, President**  
(360) 457-9005

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### **SEATTLE FEDELE LODGE NO. 1390**

**Seattle, WA**

Meets the 3rd Thursday  
of each Month  
Dinner at 6:15 PM

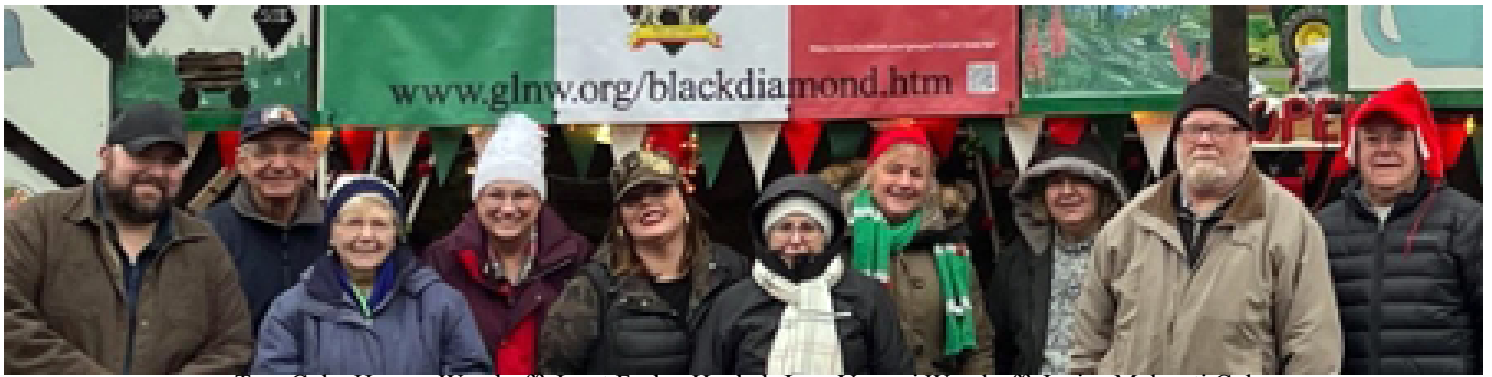
Meeting Follows at 7:00 PM

**OUR LADY OF MT. VIRGIN CHURCH HALL**  
2800 S Massachusetts St  
Seattle, WA 98144

**Joe Megale, President**  
(206) 276-4498

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Tom Cole, Harvey Woodruff, Janet Furlan Henkel, Joan Verzani Woodruff, Janice Malvesti Cole, Mary Ann Webb, Jan D'Agosto Gill, Barb Cloud, Mitch Gill, Jay Newton, and Martin Sauer (not pictured)



connections originated in Black Diamond. The following is a family story shared by Bonnie Birch, granddaughter of Abramo Pennacchi, to begin the New Year 2022 with more information on the Pennacchi clan.

Abramo Pennacchi (my grandfather) was born in Pianacchi di Garfagnana in 1881. In 1903, he came to the U.S. with his brother Dario and settled in Black Diamond, Washington. Abramo returned to Italy to bring his wife Adele Giannotti Pennacchi, their daughter Fernanda, and his brother's wife Amelia to Black Diamond.

Abramo and Adele had four children, three of whom were born in Black Diamond. First was Fernanda (Fern born in Italy) who married Domenic Muscolo, then Natale (Nat) who married Mary Pallecchio, Elisabetta (Betty) married to Lindo Garbini, and Esther (my mother) married to Donald Birch.

My grandfather was an extremely talented man. He first worked in the mine but never went back after they went on strike. He made a living as a builder of homes and was a master craftsman working with terrazzo. His work can be seen in the Black Diamond cemetery where he built many of the gravesites including the one for him and his wife. He built the family home in Morganville (a suburb of Black Diamond). The family story we all love to tell is that Abramo made wine during the prohibition. He was, of course, very much in demand but unfortunately, the law found out and put a stop to it.

In 1932, his wife Adele passed away. Abramo later married Maria Pierotti who had three children from her previous marriage. One of her children, Meg Pierotti, is Richard Pierotti's father. Richard's uncle "Boots" Pierotti and his father Meg started the popular Boot's Tavern located on Highway 169 in Black Diamond.

Abramo's first wife Adele Giannotti had a brother Pete Giannotti who lived in Ravensdale. Pete married Armida Angeli who had children from her previous marriage. Her daughter Anita married Pete Pioli and they are the

**TACOMA LODGE NO. 1175**

*"The Mother Lodge of the Northwest"*

**Tacoma, WA**

Meets the 1st Wednesday  
Social 5:30, Meeting 6:30  
Dinner Follows ~7:15

**AMVETS POST #1**

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Tacoma, WA 98409

**David Madrid, President**

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**TRE CITTÀ LODGE #2881**

**TRI-CITIES, WA**

Meets the 1st Tuesday of the month  
Social/Dinner 5:30 pm  
Meeting follows at 7:00 pm  
Bella Italia Restaurant

7000 W. Okanogan Pl., Kennewick, WA

Al Pardini, President

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John Cacioppo, Recording Secretary

360-509-8287

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**VANCOUVER LODGE NO. 2690**

**Vancouver, WA**

Meets the 2nd Thursday  
of each month

**FAMILY OF CHRIST  
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

3500 N.W. 129th Street  
Vancouver, WA 98685

6:30 p.m. Dinner

Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**Michael Cherney, President**

(360) 903-8121 [lakeshore.mc@gmail.com](mailto:lakeshore.mc@gmail.com)





parents of Paul Pioli.

After Abramo was widowed for a second time, he moved to Seattle and lived across the street from his family, Fern and Domenic Muscolo. I remember sitting on his lap as a little girl and trying to make conversation, as Abramo never really mastered the English language. I



also remember the smell of homemade wine coming up from the basement.

As many of us Pennacchi relatives as possible meet every Memorial Weekend at the Black Diamond cemetery to honor our relatives buried there. This tradition has been going on for at least 60 years.

Respectfully shared with Black Diamond  
By Bonnie Birch, Seattle Lodge Member

**Cataldo Lodge, #2280, Bremerton, WA**

Good day, all.

We hope everyone is doing well. We miss our fellow Lodge members and guests.

Cataldo Lodge held their December meeting at the

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VFW here in Bremerton. The number of folks present was on the low side so we held an abbreviated meeting. During the social hour, we played a new game of the Christmas game. It is sort of like musical chairs but with wrapping paper removal t the stopping of music. Joe Clementi worked the music. Roberta Karosich was the winner of that game. We also played several rounds of Tombola as we had done in November. Prizes were won at each level of the game. We all enjoyed the fun from this thanks to Darleen, Joseph and Alivia Haberstock, and Bill Haberstock.

After our social hour, we had a lovely dinner with prime rib and the fixings, baked potatoes, and lots of side dishes and desserts. Thank you to Steve Haberstock for his donation of the prime rib and to Jack Fortner for his donation of the potatoes for baking. Even our raffle was a good one with lots of really nice prizes. I'm sorry for those who could not make it to the meeting, we all missed you and hope to see you again in January. Roberta Karosich has graciously agreed to preside as our Chaplin starting in January. Thank you, Roberta. Cataldo Lodge brought many things for our annual food drive and filled a large box. We also received a nice thank you note from South Kitsap Helpline for our charitable donation.

Happy birthday to members Don Giammona and Steve Lebida this December.

Let's do lunch is still on hold but we are planning on opening this up again, hopefully soon.

Thank you once again to Don Gimmona for his generous donation to fill our jug with coins.

A reminder for all, dues are due in January. And nominations for officers begin in January with elections in February. Guests included Darleen, Joseph, and Alivia Haberstock, and Jim Karosich. Thank you for coming.

A huge thank you goes out to Bill and Jackie Haberstock for all of the work they do setting up, taking down, planning, and providing for all of us. They both deserve a pat on the back and a thank you Boun Anno A Tutti!

Diane Clementi

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## Cle Elum Lodge, #1968, Cle Elum, WA

On Sunday, December 12th Cle Elum Lodge Members and Guests met at the Sunset Café in Cle Elum to share Christmas Greetings and enjoy a fine meal. We had a large turnout including guests



Craig and Char Savio of Lake Cle Elum, Virginia Depicolzuane, spouse of lodge member Lou, Victor Scarpelli, brother of lodge member Michael, and Bob Bullock, spouse of lodge member Linda. Lodge President Cheryl Ficele started off the evening by welcoming everyone to our annual Christmas Dinner



and then gave a few items of business which included directions for our Christmas Gift Exchange. Dinner was full of conversation with talk of food, travel, family, and friends. Everyone wanted to know what the other person was having for dinner so this writer will share that I ordered the Sunset Fisherman's Stew, an item I had not tried before and found it to be excellent.

Closing with our Gift Exchange, the action was lively as the finely wrapped and bagged packages were distributed. Many of the gifts were thoughtful

or funny and all will find useful purpose. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our brothers and sisters of the Grand Lodge of the Northwest. Respectfully submitted,  
Rich Grillo, grillo1@msn.com

## Mille Cugini Lodge, #2659, Marysville, WA



Happy New Year from Mille Cugini to all our OSDIA famiglia. Our Christmas party was a big success thanks to our members and having six guests in attendance! Joe & Linda Jacobin, Mark & Chris Gerling, Joanne Ricci, and Angela Barbariol joined us and participated in the Dessert Auction as well as a ham dinner with many side dishes and gift exchange. We raised a nice amount of money to help cover the cost of the donations we made during the Holiday Season.



Thank you to everyone for all the baking and buying of so many nice desserts and gifts. It was a very festive night. Ti aguro pace, amore nel anno nuovo. Wishing you peace, love in the New Year.

Amore a tutti

Paula Jacoby, Reporter, Mille Cugini



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## Seattle Fedele Lodge, #1390, Seattle, WA

Buon Anno a tutti! May this be the year we get to dispose of our masks and join together at live gatherings with our families and lodge brothers and sisters.

I hope everyone read the story of our own Croce family and Big John's PFI. This story was on the front page of The Seattle Times on December 5, 2021. Congratulations on their 50th year in business.

We had a live meeting/Christmas Party in December. The food was delicious, a great raffle and lots of music from Bonnie Burch, Lennie Luzzi, and Tom Falcone. It was so good to see everyone.

We also bid a fond farewell to brother Gino Marchese. Jeff D'Amelio led the Lodge memorial ritual. Lisa and Gianna Marchese paid very loving tributes to their father/grandfather. The kitchen will not be the same without Gino's smiling face.

Sending a big HELLO and HOPE YOU ARE FEELING BETTER to all of our Brothers and Sisters who have been ill. Notices have been sent out so don't forget to pay your dues. Be sure to inform your children and grandchildren of the Scholarships we will be awarded on March 1, 2022. The Therese Bianchi Scholarship is for \$2000.00 and we have 2 scholarships for \$1000.00 each. We just need qualified applicants for these awards. Reporter, Diane Scillo

## Tacoma Lodge, #1175, Tacoma, WA

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Saluti a tutti! Buon Anno! We hope you all enjoyed the holidays with your family and friends and had a wonderful Christmas!

Tacoma's December dinner/meeting was held on Wednesday, December 1st. It was great to see so many of you at the meeting all decked out in your holiday attire! Once again we had a delicious dinner, prepared and served by officers; David Madrid, Tony Camoroda, Cindy Anderson, Rose Reeves, Thomas Huff, and Egidio Fuoco. President, David thanked everyone who helped prepare and serve the dinner. He also thanked everyone who helped to decorate the hall with all of the beautiful

Christmas decorations. We want to thank all of you who donated gifts for Santa's Castle. Member, Mary Mangione-Lambie had a car filled with gifts to deliver to military charity after the meeting!

Guests at our meeting included the 5th National Vice



President, Tony Anderson, and Grand Lodge President, Linda Buccini Anderson. Tony and Linda each spoke to the group and wished everyone a very Merry Christmas. Three individuals applied for Lodge membership. Their initiation was conducted at the meeting and was presided by President, David, and State Deputy, Bill Haberstock. The new members are Marshall Jett, Marina Dobbie, and David Dobbie. Welcome to the Tacoma Lodge!! David awarded three of our long-time officers with a Sons and Daughters of Italy pin of Merit for their



many years of service and dedication to the Tacoma Lodge. These officers are; Financial Secretary, Gail Messina, Treasurer, Judi Bambini, and (...continued pg 13)

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## Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America Grand Lodge of the Northwest 2022 Scholarship Application

### Eligibility

- Applicant must be a member or the child, grandchild, niece or nephew of a member of the OSIA GLNW.
- Member or sponsoring member must be in good standing and have been a member for at least a year.
- Applicant must be a graduating high school senior or enrolled in a post-secondary course of study.
- Applicants are limited to one high school and one post-secondary scholarship.

### Application Requirements

- Applicant's full name, address, phone and email.
- Sponsoring OSIA member's name, Lodge and relationship to applicant.
- Letter of recommendation from sponsor (or if applicant is self-sponsored, from another OSIA member)
- Letter of recommendation from a teacher, administrator, coach or community leader.
- A recent photo of applicant for the *Northwest Italian News*
- One copy of applicant's most recent transcript
- A personal statement in three parts (each should be fewer than 150 words):
  - 1) How has Italian culture, community or heritage shaped who you are today?
  - 2) What drives you? Who are you now and who would you like to be?
  - 3) How have you given back to your community? How will you give back after your studies?
- A copy of the signed Acknowledgement at the bottom of this form
- Finalists will be asked to participate in an interview via Zoom prior to selection.

**Two (2) \$1500 scholarships will be awarded.**  
**Scholarship applications must be received no later than April 15th, 2022.**  
**Recipients will be notified by May 15th, 2022.**

Scholarship applications should be emailed to [glnwscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:glnwscholarship@gmail.com).

Attachments must be in Word, Google Docs, or PDF formats.

*Applications may also be physically mailed to:*

*Francesco Ortenzo, GLNW Scholarship Chair, 10277 Sentinel Loop, Gig Harbor, WA 98332*

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Master of Ceremony/Cook, Egidio Fuoco. All three of these individuals are very dedicated and work very hard in their positions. Grazie di tutto!!

Orator, Tony Camoroda spoke to the group about upcoming elections. The elections will take place in February. If you are interested in running for an office please let Tony know. Guest, Franco Marchio (Franco the Tailor), a well-known Tacoma Italian briefly spoke to the group. He said he is excited because he is going to join our Lodge. Also, members, Jeff and Laura Macaluso attended the meeting with their Italian exchange student Manuel Giordano. Manuel recited the closing prayer in Italian for the group. Manuel good luck with your studies here in Tacoma! Member News: Lodge member Rose Reeve and husband Dennis welcomed their first great-granddaughter. Oaklee Raine was born on October 28th. The happy parents are Rose and Dennis' grandson Hunter and his wife Emilee.

January Birthdays: The following members have birthdays this month: Tony DeRosa-10th, Gary Errigo-3rd, Clara Greer-4th, Ed Greer-29th, Gina Natucci-17th, Linda Pearn-8th, Theresa Reda-15th, Ron Rossi-17th, Paul Spadoni-26th, Roger Spadoni-12th. Buon Compleanno a tutti!!

Please note: Our next Lodge dinner/meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 12, 2022, at the Amvets hall in Tacoma. Social hour begins at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm. Also, since it's the beginning of the year it's time to pay annual dues.

Dues are now \$40.00 per year. The 65/25 (65 years of age and 25 years as a member) dues are now \$30.00 per year. Please bring your dues to the meeting or mail them to: Tacoma Lodge #1175, Sons & Daughters of Italy, PO Box 64905, University Place, WA 98464

Buon Anno A Tutti!  
Ciao! Julie Garitone

### **Tri-Citta Lodge, #2881, Tri-Cities, WA**

On December 12, 2021, Jack and Julianne Barnaby hosted our annual Sons and Daughters of Italy Christmas party. There were at least 23 members and guests in attendance. The event was special this year



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because we were unable to have the Christmas party last year because of COVID. The food was wonderful and there was a chance to quickly discuss how successful our Fall fundraiser was. The Fall fundraiser "A Taste of Italy" and basket raffle netted the Lodge enough money to support another three \$1000 scholarships next year if all members support this wonderful cause. We also discussed our upcoming slate of officers who will be nominated in the upcoming new year. Our next regular monthly meeting will be held on January 4th at Bella Italia restaurant. The Tre Città Lodge meetings are scheduled for the first Tuesday of each month at Bella Italia restaurant, 7000 W. Okanogan Pl, Kennewick, WA.

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Buon Natale, Al Pardini

### **Vancouver USA Lodge, #2690, Vancouver, WA**

Felice Anno Nouvo a tutti!!!

Tante Grazie to Rosann Grzesiowski and her committee: Mike & Linda Cherney, Jim & Patti Borden, Louise Ramunno-Johnson, Dee Newbern, and Linda Gibson for making our Christmas Nutcracker Celebration so memorable. She would also like to thank everyone who brought door prizes. It was great to see some long-time members attend this event. We appreciate Linda and Tony Anderson attending our event. It was great to see everyone!!

Our next regular meeting and dinner will be on Thursday, January 13th at Family of Christ Lutheran Church, 3500 NW 129th Street in Vancouver. Dinner at 6:30 PM with a meeting to follow at 7:00 PM. Please remember that the church has requested that you wear a mask except when eating. We will have to sanitize all tables, chairs, and areas that we have used after our meeting is finished. We will be serving lasagna, salad, bread, and dessert. If you are able to provide a salad (we need 4); a dessert (we need 4); and bread (2), please let Louise Ramunno-Johnson know. The cost for dinner is \$10.00 per person. Please RSVP to Louiseno

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later than Monday, January 10th at [alramunno@gmail.com](mailto:alramunno@gmail.com) with SUBJECT LINE: OSDIA DINNER January 13, 2022, or call her at (360)281-0915.

January is the time to pay our dues for the club. Yearly dues are \$38.00 per member. You can pay at the January meeting or mail it to our PO Box 823295, Vancouver WA 98682. Please make check payable to "OSDIA". Nominations for the election of officers in February will take place at our January meeting. Please let Mike Cherney know if you can help our club in this way. In January, we asked everyone to bring "gloves and socks" for our local charity, Clark County Veterans Assistance Center. You can bring your donation to the meeting. This is strictly voluntary.

ITALIAN BOOK CLUB book selection for Monday, January 17th at 7:00 PM is *The Story of the Lost Child*. This is Book Four, we will be completing the series of Neapolitan Novels by author Elena Ferrante. I will check with Barnes & Noble staff before our January meeting to see if they are scheduling group meetings and will let you know. This book is available at Barnes & Noble and on Amazon. Please bring any future book selections to this meeting. Any questions, please call Barbara Blair at (360)253-7984.

No Dine Out in January.

If you are interested in meeting for Game Nite on Saturday, January 22nd, please let Barbara Blair know at [blairbjb@comcast.net](mailto:blairbjb@comcast.net) or (360)253-7984.

White Elephant Bingo will be on Tuesday, January 4th at 7:00 PM at Barbara Blair's home. Bring a white elephant gift and \$1.00 to join in. Wear a mask if you have not been vaccinated. RSVP if you plan to attend at [blairbjb@comcast.net](mailto:blairbjb@comcast.net) or (360)253-7984.

Our Friendship Tea has been scheduled for Saturday, April 30, 2022. Please let Chairperson Linda Gibson know if you can host a table. We really need more participation from members to make this a successful event. You can contact Linda at (760)450-8057 or [legogibson@gmail.com](mailto:legogibson@gmail.com).

CLUB NEWS: We found out that Donna Covi did some traveling in Sicily and Iceland this past fall. Vickie Marino will be heading to Lake Havasu to catch the great weather for a couple of months this winter. Buon Compleanno to our January birthdays!!

HATS FOR HEADSTART – Please join Liz Haught and the group on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month from 1:30 – 3:30 PM in Kalama for a fun creative shared afternoon at Liz's home to knit/crochet/peg loom hats for the Columbia River Headstart Program or you can work on your own craft project! All yarn is donated for

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the hats; instruction is available on how to make them. Our collective goal is 500 hats. Contact Liz at (360)673-1320 or haughtde@yahoo.com if interested. (NOTE: occasionally on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month 2:00 -4:00 PM, we also meet at Chuck's Produce Market in Salmon Creek, Vancouver. Contact person is Erin Winters (360) 562-6852.)

Andrea Scasso hosts The Italian Hour every other Sunday (January 2nd, 16th, and 30th ) from 9 to 10 AM on KBOO FM 90.7. Listen to new and old Italian music and updates on what is happening in the local Italian Community. SUNSHINE COMMITTEE: Barbara Blair will be having toe surgery on January 6th. Please keep all our members in your thoughts and prayers. But please remember some members are not comfortable being in a group setting at this time so make an effort to check on your fellow members and friends to see how they are doing and if they need anything. Upcoming Events for January: Tuesday, January 4th White Elephant Bingo, Thursday, January 13th Dinner and Regular meeting, Monday, January 17th Book Club, Saturday, January 22nd Game Nite. Blessings for a wonderful 2022!!  
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Ralph Capccio - Grand Lodge of New Jersey  
Dick Whitney- Seattle Fedele  
Chase Brunner  
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Roger Faso- BSOI  
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Paige Madrid  
Ron & Mary Sangalang - BSOI  
Susan Norwood - Seattle Fedele

Barabra Thompson - Tacoma Lodge-Thanksgiving Day  
Lenny Folino - Black Diamond  
Jane Knight - Seattle Fedele

### **Multiple Winners**

Emiel Kandi - Bella Vita  
Ronnie Beyersdorf - Auburn  
Kenny Beyersdorf - Auburn  
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