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Coming Events!

Saturday, July 9, 2022, 10am - 4pm
Cataldo Lodge

Kitsap Hand Made Bazaar, Fairgrounds
Road & Old Military Road in Bremerton
Selling cannoli at Crossroads Church
Contact: Bill Haberstock, 360-373-4341

Sunday, July 17, Noon-4:00pm

Olympic Peninsula Lodge
Annual Picnic, Lincoln Park
1900 W. Lauridsen Blvd, Port Angeles
RSVP Yvonne Schipani, 317-709-7443

Sunday, July 17, beginning at 1:35 pm

Tacoma Rainers baseball game
Cheney Stadium, Tacoma, WA
\$15.00 -Hot Dog, Chips & Bottle of Water
Tickets/Info: Tony Anderson
atony@harbornet.com

Saturday, July 23, 11am-4pm

Black Diamond Lodge Picnic
Mud Mountain Dam Chinook Shelter
30525 SE Mud Mtn Rd Enumclaw WA.
Contact: Lenny Folino 206-696-5800

Sunday, July 31, 10 AM to 4 PM

Auburn Lodge #1955, Annual Picnic,
Les Gove Park, Auburn WA
Contact: Ronnie Beyersdorf
wb7tbg@aol.com

Saturday, August 13, 2022

Festa Italiana Mass - Portland
St. Micheal's Catholic Church
424 SW Mill St., Portland, OR
Contact: Barbara Blair, 360-253-7984

Sunday, August 14, 1:00

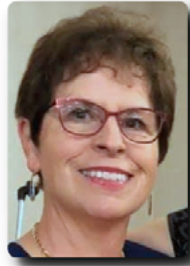
Amerigo Vespucci #1814
Potluck Picnic
Contact Joe Chicano, 360-533-4529

Sunday, August 21, 2022 12:noon

Cataldo Lodge#2280 Annual Picnic
Bremerton Elks picnic shelter
Bill Haberstock, 360-373-4341

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From the Office of State President Linda Buccini Anderson



I am excited to announce that the NEW www.glnw.org website is up and running. A big thank you to our Publisher, Patrick Jacoby. He built it from scratch, BRAVO! There is so much that has happened or going to happen, so please read your NWIN and Coming Events and now check our web site for new and updated information. Our May 21 Grand Council was a success. Thank you for your support. Check in with your lodge President for details. New things happening:

1. We have established the Mario & Dorothy Santelli Ambassador Award for Community Service. A short article is in the NWIN as well as a link to the web site to review the application as well as additional information. Please consider nominating someone who meets the criteria.
2. We are having our first fundraiser event to support this new Santelli award, Sunday Aug. 28th. There are limited number of tickets. See current events for details.

Our scholarship winners were announced at the Grand Council: Mateo Arturo (Auburn) and Brynn Widner (Yakima) are profiled. Thank you, Chairperson Francesco Ortenzo, and your committee. Graduations are happening. Consider giving a "Gift of Membership" to help your special graduate/student keep connected to their family, community, and heritage no matter where they go.

A Big thank you to Ronnie Beyersdorf with Doug Chiechi for putting together the GL Bocce tournament. The summer is full of picnics and fun events. Check the Coming Events at www.glnw.org

Be sure to get your events posted. It is great to see more groups of members driving together to support other lodges meeting &/or events. I know from experience the more you support other lodges the more your lodge will be supported by others.

We are looking for volunteers to help man membership booths at San Genero & at Seattle Italian Festa both are in Sept. You can make a difference, by volunteering a couple of hours or just come to visit, share stories and have fun. Contact me or Mike Butorac ((360)470-2267 to sign up.

Our next NWIN will not be out until the first week in September so keep in the loop by checking out our new website www.glnw.org

Have a fun and exciting summer. Get out, participate, and always have fun.

Fraternally,

Linda Buccini Anderson

buccini@rainierconnect.com

253-225-2483

The Grand Lodge of the Northwest will operate a membership booth at the upcoming Festa Italiana Seattle and San Gennaro Festival of Seattle. These two festivals provide a great opportunity to showcase the Grand Lodge and the local lodges to the thousands of people who attend these events.

Attracting new members to the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy is an important function of the Grand Lodge and all local lodges; you can help.

We need volunteers to work in the booths. The San Gennaro Festival dates are September 9-11 and Festa Seattle September 24-25.

The booths will operate two days at both festivals from 10am-4pm. If you like to meet people and are interested in helping the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy grow, this is a great opportunity to help. If interested, contact Mike Butorac at 509 674 2940

or mbutorac_cabin@hotmail.com.

Alta Monte
#2513 Eugene, OR



Alta Monte Lodge wishes everyone a great summer.

American-Italian Club
#2172 Spokane WA

Ciao a tutti, Spring “popped” in then it rained and rained and got bitter cold. The Rule of Thumb in Spokane is “You don’t plant anything until the snow is gone from the top of Mt. Spokane”. It’s a good rule to follow. After those frosty mornings, we finally hit 70 degrees last week! Getting lots of record rain, the temperature is trying to go up. Although we had weather our members showed up for General Meetings and events. The lodge has agreed on a new location and schedule for our General Meetings.

Future General Meetings through 2022, will be held at O’Malley Hall, at St Aloysius church, on the second (2nd) Wednesday of each month from 6-8:30 pm. This venue is centrally located and is on the Gonzaga University campus. Potluck Dinners after the meeting are back by popular demand!

At our June meeting, we welcomed New Club Members: Alyssa Venerable,

New!

At the Start of each lodge article there is a QR code that when used will take you to the webpage of that lodge where more pictures and information is shared.

Kathy Felice, Phillip Butler, and Julie Perry. Kathy Felice is the daughter of a Founding Member, and her uncle was a Founding Father of our lodge. Kathy, Phillip, and Julie are cousins of club member and Member Ambassador, Georgia Seeberger. Alyssa was presented with her club pin. Complimenti a tutti!

Sharing each other’s Family and Italian Histories has become a very important part of our General Meeting’s Agenda. Club member Marilyn Pitini shared with us her generational family history in Spokane. It is always interesting to hear ancestral stories linked to our hometown of Spokane. Marilyn’s family has also been involved as members and officers of our lodge’s history.

Our Italian Wine Tasting event and fundraiser were held on June 4th. Treasurer, Chairperson, and in-house sommelier, Ansano Giuntini presented six (6) different pours. Three (3) red wines, three (3) whites, and a Prosecco. Club Member and Trustee, Kim Asssay, produced stunning meat, cheese, and fruit charcuterie boards for guests to nibble on. Officer Tina Santorsola made a spectacular array of Gift Baskets, twenty (20), that we raffled away along with Door Prizes and donated items for the silent auction. This event was a tremendous success. Members and their guests enjoyed a lovely evening and went home with lots of goodies tucked under their arms.

Our next upcoming event will be our scheduled Annual Family Picnic, on August 27th, at Franklin Park from noon to four (12-4 PM). The club will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, water, and soda. Members will bring a dish to share with other members and their families. Along with the great food and good conversations, there will be games for the children to play, and Bocce games to be won. Good times are in store for all. We will not be having any General Meetings in July and August. Our next General Meeting will be on Wednesday, September 14th. Our only scheduled event for the summer is the picnic.

Wishing everyone an incredibly happy, healthy, and safe, summer. As you enjoy your summer sunsets with your favorite glass of vino, I raise a glass to toast you....“Altro il vino non e se non la luce del sole mescolata con l’umido della vite”.

Wine is nothing but sunlight mixed with the grapevine. ~ Salute!

Linda Marcus

Recording Secretary #2172

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Amerigo Vespucci
#1814 Aberdeen, WA

Well, Summer is upon us, and Spring ended with several events and activities for Amerigo Vespucci Lodge. We had our May meeting on the 19th at St. Mary’s Parish Hall in Aberdeen. Pizza was the entrée, provided by the Lodge, with many delicious salads, sides and desserts brought by the members for our dinner prior to the meeting. It was good to see some of our members who attended for the first time since we started our in-person meetings again.

At the Grand Council Meeting in Lynwood, WA., May 21, 2022, President, Richard Luzzi, received the Grand Lodge November raffle calendars. If you are interested in purchasing any, you can

contact Richard Luzzi at 360-637-9193, or Buttons752@aol.com. Raffle calendars are \$20 per calendar.



A very memorable Hood to Coast Relay was held at Seabrook, WA on Saturday, June 4, 2022. The Amerigo Vespucci Lodge assisted at the finish line from 3 pm to 7 pm, and neither rain nor wind detoured us from our appointed tasks. Truly admired all the runners and walkers who persevered to the end, despite the weather! A huge "Thank you." To all the members of our lodge who were there to help. In lieu of a June meeting, Amerigo Vespucci member attended Italian Heritage Night at the Mariners baseball game on June 16, 2022. We met and greeted many other Italians and their families from other lodges in the Great Northwest. The weather was perfect for the game, unfortunately, the Mariners did not win.



Amerigo Vespucci Lodge will be having a potluck picnic at Joe and Connie Chicano's home on, Sunday, August 14, 2022, starting at 1:00 pm. Hope all members will join in on the fellowship, fun, food, and games. The address is: 909 Park Road, Aberdeen, WA 98520-7112. Please RSVP to Joe at 360-533-4529. We will also celebrate Martha Carr's 90th birthday. A big thank you to Joe Chicano for getting the word out about our meetings via media, as well as our Sunshine Committee for all the reminder calls and emails to our membership. A special thanks also, to everyone that helped gather articles, photos, etc. for Amerigo Vespucci Lodge history. Grazie tante, especially to Tony Giannotti, from Belle Vita Lodge, who has graciously worked on photographing and recording everything to share with the Grand Lodge. We are looking forward to seeing the final product and sharing it with our members. Our next meeting will be September 3, 2022, Thursday, at St.

Mary's Parish Hall, Aberdeen, WA. Social at 5:30 pm, Potluck 6:00 pm and meeting at 6:30pm. Raffle items appreciated. Until then, wishing all of you a great summer!

A te e all atua famiglia una fantastica estate.

Submitted by Judith Braddon

Auburn

#1955 Auburn, WA

Happy Summer and enjoy your vacations! Our June 9th Auburn Lodge meeting was the last meeting before the summer July and August break. The next regular meeting will be on the second Thursday of which is September 8, 2022, at Holy Family Church Hall (barring a change of schedule to accommodate the Holy Family School agenda).



Auburn member Mateo Artura has presented the Auburn Lodge Scholarship award for 2022. Mateo has also presented the award certificates for the GLNW scholarship and the CASA scholarship all at the same time. President Francesco Ortenzo presented the Auburn and GLNW scholarships and CASA Secretary Lenny Folino brought the CASA scholarship award. Although Mateo is himself a member of the Auburn Lodge so are his parents Richard and Angie Artura and his grandmother Grace Lupo who were all there to enjoy the presentation. Mateo is going to Arizona State University.

The other Auburn scholarship awardee Makayla Boarder is still in Canada attending high school and could not be at the meeting. Congratulations, Maykala who is the granddaughter of Auburn Members Bill and Margie Garner. Makayla will be attending York University in Toronto Ontario Canada for studies and to play on the hockey team.

Congratulations to the seven (7) new Auburn Lodge members who joined the Auburn Lodge in June. Regular member, applying as a plural member Ron Roletto. Regular members Joe and Linda Jacobin applying as plural members, and Regular former member Tony Roletto applying to be reinstated in the Auburn Lodge.

New regular David Gessner, new social member Cherie Killilea and new regular member Karen Smart. Welcome all the new Auburn Lodge members

The Auburn Lodge picnic this year is set for Sunday, July 31, 2022. The picnic will be at Les Gove Park at the bocce court site. We have access the indoor attended rest rooms for our attendees in the parks and recreation building only a little distance from the bocce courts.

The lodge provides fried chicken, the picnic food, utensils,

beverages. Potluck by our members will support with the need for salads, side dishes and snacks. Times are 11:00am to 5:00pm. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed in Auburn City Parks

Grand Lodge November Daily Calendar drawing
Rosetta has the daily November calendar drawing raffle tickets. They are the same as last year \$20.00 per ticket. There are only 300. There is a drawing everyday of the week in the month of November. Monday thru Friday the winners get \$25. Saturdays are \$50 and Sundays are \$100. Veterans Day is \$150 and Thanksgiving day is \$500. All winning tickets go back in to have a chance to be drawn again and that does happen.

Contact Rosetta at 206-478-3895 if you want to buy a calendar from Auburn otherwise, St 2nd VP Lenny Folino is tracking all the calendars and he can be contacted at 206-696-5800 or lennyfolino@yahoo.com

All Italian Community picnic, Royal Arch Park, Maple Valley WA

Sunday, August 21st, 10:00 -5:00

Sports report -Congratulations to Ty Brunner star Forward Soccer player who was awarded the Tacoma Athletic Commission Athlete of the year for soccer. Ty was also placed on the South Puget Sound League 4A 1st team All-League soccer team as a forward. Ty also made the ALL AREA News Tribune soccer team on the second team as a forward. Ty also received a number of other individual awards for scoring and outstanding play. Ty is the son of members Eric and Lisa Brunner and the grandson of member Lina Gagnon and the great-grandson of the late Ottavio and Carmela Stella.

Have a wonderful safe and happy summer.

Ronnie Beyersdorf, reporter 206-478-3876, Wb7tbg@aol.com

Bella Vita
#2285, Olympia, WA

Welcome summer!! Festivals and local events are happening everywhere. In Italy, it is high tourist season with patron saint feast days, outdoor concerts, glorious beach days, and piazzas full of people. We welcome guests to our beautiful Pacific Northwest, inviting them to join our unique summer pastimes. Bella Vita members are all looking forward to warmer temps and outdoor activities so bring a friend and share a few of our Italian-style adventures. Various club activities can be found

in the NWIN Coming Events column – choose a picnic or a festival and join in! Here are a few suggestions: on July 17 the Tacoma lodge may still have a few tickets left for the Rainiers game at Cheney Stadium (\$15 includes entrance, hot dog, and chips). The Aberdeen lodge will have its annual picnic on Aug. 14 and you are invited to attend. It will be at Joe Chicano's home in Aberdeen so bring a dish and enjoy some Italian-style fun. Sunday, Aug. 28th there is a fundraiser for a scholarship being set up to honor deceased long-time members Mario and Maria Santelli. It will be \$40 per person in Tacoma, location to be announced (Sophia will email details when she has more info). A Bocce Tournament was held on June 25 in Auburn. We are interested to hear from Linda Buccini Anderson and Adriane Smolen how our Bella Vita Team did! We welcome home recent travelers Shirley Garrison (Africa), Maria Marabella (Hawaii), and Tony and Linda Anderson (Mexico) and look forward to hearing about their trips. Our Sunshine Committee sends healing thoughts and prayers to Jim Vettori, Vera Kay, Tony Anderson, Daniela Cristofaro, Maria Marabella, Gary Haney, Pam Daudet, and her husband Tom. Sympathy and prayers for comfort are extended to Kathy Borges in the recent loss of her mother and Adriane Smolen for the recent loss of her companion animals. We keep all of our Bella Vita members



close to our hearts in fraternal love.

We had great participation at our May and June meetings including several guests from other lodges. In May our cooks were Tony and Terra

Giannotti who prepared salavari and shared their recipes. Delizioso! Grazie!! Ludi Cristofaro brought and told about his sugo maker which was made in Bologna, Italy, and belonged to his grandmother and mother. The business included passing our budget and discussing fundraisers. Vera Kay will be the new chairperson for the spring Remlinger Pie Sale, the date to be announced. For our June meeting, Tony Anderson cooked his special pasta with vodka sauce and sausage which was delivered via his special messenger Linda. Another great meal – how lucky we are to have such talented cooks in our lodge! Sophia reported that she attended the Grand Council Meeting on May 21st and commented on what a great job State President Linda Buccini Anderson is doing. There is a newly updated website:

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
www.glnw.org/altamonte.htm

AMERICAN-ITALIAN
CLUB NO. 2172

Spokane, WA

Meets the 2nd Wednesday
of each month at 6:00 PM
ST ALOYSIUS CHURCH, O'MALLEY HALL
330 E Boone Ave
Spokane, WA 99202
509-487-8552

Judy Anselmo, President
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Linda Marcus, Recording Secretary
509-891-0916 linda-amarcus@hotmail.com

AMERIGO VESPUCCI
LODGE NO. 1814
Aberdeen, WA

Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month
6:00 PM Social, 6:30 Dinner,
7:00 PM Meeting

ST. MARY'S PARISH CENTER
306 East 3rd, Aberdeen, WA

Richard Luzzi, President
(360) 637-9193

Buttons575@AOL.com

GLNW.org so check it out! Gina Natucci shared details of her upcoming 9-day trip (Oct 4-13 2022) to Tuscany. Some highlights include Montecatini, Pistoia, a thermal spa, Lucca, wine tasting, and Florence. Cost is \$2000 with air and accommodations in 2-3 star hotels. This is an exciting trip at a great price and Gina may still have some openings so contact her directly if you are interested. A big thank you to all our June 4th Hood to Coast Relay event volunteers: Linda Buccini Anderson and friend Cathy Pearsall-Stipek, Ludi Cristofaro, Linda Nielson, Sophia Risorto, and George and Dianne Stefanini. Grazie mille



for the helping hands of Vera Kay and Mary Jane Rodgers and the leadership of President Sophia (plus she brought 4 friends who volunteered). We

helped guide the race route, cheered on athletes, handed out water, and assisted traffic control with umbrellas in hand and smiling faces. It was a profitable and rewarding fundraiser! Linda Buccini Anderson is considering another possible fundraiser.



If you are interested in helping Linda with a Ladies' Tea this fall please let her know. She will need workers and some supplies and is looking for a suitable event site.

There are no scheduled meetings during July or August so our next lodge meeting will be Sept 1st at McLane Grange, 931 Delphi Rd SW, Olympia. Plan ahead and invite a guest! Social hour starts at 5:30 followed by dinner and a business meeting. Please consider sharing in our cultural discussion at the end of each meeting. It's just a 5 to 10-minute talk about anything

cultural: a trip you took, a book you read, an item you have in your home to share, a picture, a game to teach us, an experience, a recipe, a saying or song in Italian, a family tradition... whatever you like to chat about, we want to hear about! The November Calendar Fundraiser is here again and if you would like to purchase a raffle calendar let Sophia know (she will have the calendars at the next meeting). Also, we need a volunteer to write this monthly newsletter. Donna Cristofaro and I have been sharing this duty but we both have health concerns and other plans for next year. The newsletter is a fun way to really get involved with our club and I hope one of you will consider helping out with this important task that keeps us all informed. Thank you!

Dianne Stefanini



Hello Friends, in my last column, I said that the Bellevue Lodge would soon be meeting in person again. Well, that didn't happen. Our Lodge meeting on May 5th was via Zoom meeting because our Lodge President saw that only a handful of people RSVP'd that they would attend a live meeting and that it didn't make sense to meet in person just yet.

And before our June 2nd meeting our Lodge President put to a vote whether or not the meeting should be in person and the Lodge decided that it too should be held via Zoom. It's been a very long time since we have been together and everyone had been looking forward to seeing each other in person, but not everyone felt comfortable doing so at that time, so we put to vote and let the Lodge decide. I look forward to when we will meet in person again when we all feel safe to do so.

I'm happy to report that at the May 5th meeting, Nick and Anna Montecalvo decided to join our Lodge. The Lodge voted to accept their membership, but we decided to wait to initiate them into the Lodge when we meet in person. On behalf of the Lodge, I would like to welcome Nick and Anna. If you enjoyed our Zoom meetings then you're really good to enjoy it when we meet again in person.

In sunshine news, it was reported at our May meeting that Pete Edgar was run into by a vendor cart while shopping at his local Safeway and broke his kneecap so he had to have surgery. The entire Lodge wishes Pete a speedy recovery. Also, Lisa Spe-

AUBURN LODGE NO. 1955
Auburn, WA
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
Recording Secretary Ron Beyersdorf
 206-478-3876 / WB7tbj@aol.com

BELLA VITA LODGE NO. 2285
Olympia, WA
 Meets the 1st Thursday of each month
 Social at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:00 pm
Meeting starts at 6:30pm
MCLANE GRANGE
 931 Delphi Rd SW, Olympia 98512
Sophia Risorto, President
 760-333-7964 bellavitalodge@gmail.com
Shirley Delauranti Garrison,
Recording Secretary
 253-677-8420 shirleygarrison46@gmail.com

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
Michele Guerrini, Recording Sec.
 (425) 746-2487 / guerrini@aol.com

no had to travel from her home in Tenakee Springs Alaska to Juneau, which is a 30-minute flight by seaplane to have a tooth extracted, so she was not able to attend the May 5th meeting. It was reported at our June meeting that Ron Sangalang got COVID and had to cancel his trip to Israel with his mother who also got COVID. I behalf of the Lodge I would like to wish Ron and his mother a speedy recovery, especially since Ron and Mary's son Paul is getting married on June 11th and we hope that Ron and his mom are able to attend the wedding. It was also reported that Nick Montecalvo is undergoing cancer treatment. Nick is new to our Lodge, having joined in our May 5th meeting. The Lodge wishes Nick a speedy recovery. Michele Guerrini reported that her dog Oscar had passed away. For the entire Lodge, I would like to extend our deepest sympathies to Michele. Oscar was like an unofficial mascot for our Lodge. Everyone was always so excited to see him when Michele brought him to our Lodge meetings and when he appeared during the Zoom meetings. After losing Oscar, Michele wasn't looking for another dog, but Oscar's had a nephew, Bacchus, who needed a new home so Michele took him in. We'll all miss Oscar, but look forward to meeting Bacchus. Finally, I'm saddened to report that on May 27th there was a fire at the Borracchini's bakery in Rainier Valley. The bakery had been closed since 2021, but it's still so sad to see the destruction of a place that was such an integral part of so many of our lives. So many birthdays, weddings, and family gatherings wouldn't have been complete without cakes and other baked goods from Borracchini's. As sweet as the cakes and other baked goods were, none were as sweet as the Borracchini family themselves.

A bit of Lodge business to report; on May 22nd a quorum of Lodge trustees conducted an audit of the Lodge accounts, and I'm sorry to announce that audit passed with flying colors. If the audit passed, why am I sorry? Because it's just so boring. It would be a lot more interesting if there was a huge scandal, but that never happens because our lodge finances are run so well by our Treasurer, Linda Jacobin. Thanks, Linda, we're happy that the Lodge's finances are so well overseen by you.

The Bellevue will be entering a team in the bocce tournament in Auburn on June 25th. Most of our team is new, and some have never played bocce before. Do we plan on winning? No, not really. Do we plan on having fun? Absolutely. We look forward to competing, seeing a bunch of old friends, meeting some new friends, and having a lot of fun.

We won't be having another Lodge meeting until Sept. 1st. At this point, I don't know if we will be meeting in person or via Zoom. We'll just have to wait and see how things are at that time and decide. But in the meantime, we've decided that we will continue to have informal/unofficial Zoom meetings over the summer as we have done for the last two years.

Buon Cannoli!
Greg Osgood

Black Diamond
#1809, Black Diamond, WA

Several of the 15 communities in which our members reside can identify with the coal mining tragedy of West Virginia in 1908. The Fairmont Coal Company in Monongah lost 362 men, and a one-time commemoration sermon was conducted to honor their memory. Sonora Smart Dodd of Spokane, Washington, successfully established an official equivalent to Mother's



L-R: Andrew Benedetti Jr. with grandson Blake Benedetti, Robert Benedetti, Lisa Guerrini Shelton, Andrea Iles Foster (daughter of Barbara Benedetti Newton), Barbara Benedetti Newton, Steven Malesis (son of Patricia Benedetti Martin), LeAnn Anderson (daughter of Bettina Benedetti Waddle) Benedetti Linster (great-grandson of Bettina Benedetti Waddle), Patricia Benedetti Martin and Bettina Benedetti Waddle

Day for male parents. She went to local churches, the YMCA, shopkeepers, and government officials to drum up support for her idea. Washington State celebrated the nation's first statewide Father's Day on June 19, 1910. Although the idea was backed by President Woodrow Wilson in 1916 and President Calvin Coolidge in 1924, Father's Day did not become a federal holiday

**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

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CATALDO LODGE NO. 2280
Bremerton, WA

Meets the 3rd Wednesday
of each month — Social-5:30 p.m./
Potluck-6:00 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
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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

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South Cle Elum, WA 98943-0361



until 1972. In Italy the 19th of March is the equivalent of Father's Day, celebrating San Giuseppe (Saint Joseph) the Virgin Mary's spouse. This festivity is very ancient and was first celebrated around 1030 A.D. Black Diamond

successfully implemented a hybrid meeting status (in-person and virtual) for the May and June meetings. You are receiving this June/July edition with a timely invitation to our lodge picnic at Mud Mountain Dam Park (30525 SE Mud Mountain Road in Enumclaw) on July 23. Our Lodge is proudly honoring the 85th year since our ancestors chartered Lodge 1809 in 1937. On May 14 we collaborated with the Black Diamond Museum to conduct an Italian Day, which was an invigorating opportunity to share our history with guests (and members) after the two-year Coronavirus hiatus. You are encouraged to visit our blog <https://soiblack-diamond1809.blogspot.com> which was designed and created by Barbara Benedetti Newton and is currently maintained by Tommaso (Tom) Cole. The following is a brief introduction to the Benedetti and Guerrini family members whose ancestors grace our framed charter that you can visualize in our blog. Eighty-five years ago, on an early day in May of 1937, Frederick Benedetti, Sr. along with his wife Rose Stella Benedetti, son Frederick Jr. and daughter Juanita Benedetti Sibillia joined Loggia Suprema - Ordine Figli d'Italia in America, Inc. On that day, Fred Sr. was 70 years old, Rose was 55 and they had nine children. Juanita was 30 years old with one daughter, Patricia (as shown in the photo). Fred Jr. was single and remained so all his life. Another child, Andrew was married and had one child at that time, Bettina, shown in the photo. Andrew and his wife Ethel went on to have more children, Barbara, Robert, and Andrew Jr (all shown in the photo). See the caption below the photo. With sincere ancestral esteem

Dr. Marlene M. Palazzo
Immediate Past President
Past National Trustee

85th Anniversary Raffle Prize
(won by Tony Bisceglia Anderson)



Cataldo

#2280, Bremerton, WA

Welcome back to Bill Haberstock and his Wife Jackie Haberstock. Jackie and Bill had a well-earned vacation on a cruise to Alaska and enjoyed themselves very much. Also a welcome back to Rowena Lozada for becoming a lodge member once again. Rowena rejoined to honor Marilisa Herndon in appreciation for how she had supported and encouraged Rowena. Work continues with our Lodge History in time for the GLNW meeting on May 21st. Jackie Haberstock is working on this diligently. Michael Lebeda has made an application to become a Cataldo Lodge member. Michael graduated from high school in Shelton. We're excited to have him join our lodge. Roberta Karosich is doing well and we are in hope of seeing her once more in June. Nick Wancowicz has also dealt with some issues as well and will join us once again at our next meeting. Bill Haberstock and his wife Jackie were our chefs of the month for May. They provided cabbage rolls and mashed potatoes. Members who were not at our lodge meeting missed out on a really great meal of the best cabbage rolls with a great sauce. It was a treat for all. Members filled in with salads and appetizers, and watermelon desserts. Of note also is the fact that Cataldo Lodge has been vigilantly providing gluten-free and vegetarian main courses available as well.

Ahead of us are some interesting events. Our lodge's 50th anniversary is coming up in July of 2023, June 16th is a Mariners game, June 25th is a bocce ball contest, the 17th of July is Tacoma Rainiers and a meal deal for \$15.00 per person." State President Linda Buccini Anderson encouraged everyone to go to visit other lodges when they can. Linda also brought a friend to our meeting, Cathy Pearsall-Stipek a very lovely lady who was a pleasure to meet. Steve Lebeda shared 2 Italian Books to read: Home to Italy by Peter Pezzelli and Francesca's Kitchen also by Peter Pezzelli. Steve recommends them as he has read and enjoyed them both. It is one more opportunity to learn more about our Italian Heritage.

Cataldo members' birthdays for May are as follows: Jake Lebeda, Mary Ann Freeman, Jack Fortner, and Rowena Lozada. Buon Compleanno a Tutti!! Sincerely,
Diane Clementi

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Cle Elum

#1968, Cle Elum, WA

As time flies, and we race through spring into summer, Mother Nature is slow to warm things up. In Kittitas County, we have seen plenty of sun, but the recent wind chill has been in the low forties Fahrenheit.



Members of Cle Elum Lodge have been busy serving our community. Joe and Dee Saldin, Craig and Quannee Eilers, and Mike and Kathi Butorac on May 14th helped with the annual Roslyn Historical Cemetery clean-up. Held every year before Memorial Day the Upper Kittitas County community comes together to mow the grass, pick up downed tree limbs, and rake pine needles to make the grounds safer and more accessible for the hundreds of visitors that frequent the cemetery this time of year. Our lodge had an impromptu get-together at the Italian Memorial in the Roslyn Cemetery.



It was about a year ago that we dedicated the memorial, and it was our way of commemorating our founder Vincenzo Sellaro on our first annual Founder's Day. We had a glass of wine, snacks, and a raffle with proceeds going towards the fundraiser. We enjoyed the visiting until the cold "breeze"

blew us out of there.

The Lodge scholarship committee made up of Quannee Eilers, Char Savio, Tony Marinich, and Bonnie Christian selected three senior students from Cle Elum/Roslyn High School and one senior student from Easton High School to receive scholarships of \$2000 each. Cle Elum Lodge Vice-President Mike Butorac reported on a Zoom meeting with officers of the National, Grand, and Local Lodges to improve communication, financial accountability, and preservation of our history. Also, Mike reported on a new internet site at the National Lodge where members can make donations to Ukraine to help them financially in their time of need.

On June 11th the Lodge held its annual picnic at the City of Cle Elum River Park. The weather cooperated by not raining and everyone attending had a good time.

Grill Master Ron Dalle manned the BBQ turning burgers with fried onions and bacon, plus Italian Kolbasa from Glondo's Sausage Company. Upcoming and ongoing events and projects include the Lodge Mushroom contest. The winner will be announced at the Pioneer Days Coronation Event on June 25th, and the Lodge plans on participating in the Pioneer Days Annual Parade on July 2nd.

Ciao! Respectfully submitted,

Rich Grillo, grillo1@msn.com

Mille Cugini

#2659, Marysville, WA

Our June meeting guests were Chris Volpone Gerling, and her sister, Elaine Volpone. We enjoyed Patrick's lasagna. There were many desserts to sample and other dishes to enjoy.



Everyone who was eligible received their 5, 10, and 25 year commemorative pins. After 60 years, Mary Dellino finally received her 50-year pin. Thank you, Patrick, for providing this opportunity for recognition. Our newest member, Diana Favre was installed at her first meeting. We welcome her to our family. She brings a rich Italian heritage from Avellino, in the region of Campania. She has a friend, Beverly Riter, who is already

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Caroline Masters in Mt Vernon on June 25. Congratulations! Our first fundraiser at the Marysville Strawberry Festival was a



success. We may not have made a lot of money, but we learned a lot and had fun. The sausage sandwich and meatball sandwich were enjoyed by many. Cheryl Petrucelli and Dick Nanni baked hundreds of cookies for us to sell. Frances Turner, owner of NW biscotti also donated 100 cookies.

Let's just say the weather was not in our favor for much of the time. Sunshine on Father's Day was a nice way to end our 3-day fundraiser.

We hope everyone's summer is filled with fun times and family.

Paula Jacoby, Mille Cugini Reporter

Olympic Peninsula
#2733, Port Angeles, WA

Hello from the beautiful Olympic Peninsula. The calendar says summer, but it sure doesn't feel like it. Despite the too often cloudy days, a lot has been going on with lodge activities. In mid-May, we had our first post-COVID fundraiser. We sold cannoli at the local Farmers Market in Port Angeles. With solid marketing efforts ahead of time, this was a greatly anticipated event among regular market go-ers. The weather was quite cooperative that day, and it turned out to be a very successful event. We didn't quite sell out and sold the remaining goodies the following day at our Lodge meeting. We are planning a second cannoli sale on July 16. It was a great event to get members

together outside of lodge meetings, and we made some very happy customers. We even acquired new members in the process.

During the May meeting, we held an initiation ceremony for 3 new members (photos to come later!) We were happy to welcome Armando and Paula Muggia, and Paul Giordano. Both the Muggia family and Giordano family moved to the area from California.

Also in May, we added a segment unofficially called "story time"; I'll let you know when we have an official name for it! During our meal, which by the way always has loads of options, many being Italian dishes, mmmm. I got side-tracked thinking of the food. Anyway, during mealtime, volunteer members talk about a topic of their choosing relating to their Italian connection. Peni Cenedella was our first member-guest for this sharing time. She entertained us with stories of her grandparents, her Italian father, and very non-Italian mother, she shared photos and passed out treats relating to her story. All this was tied to her influences from her Italian background and how she came to know family is so important.

I asked Peni about her philosophy on life. She said: "Live by the 3 W's. Whenever someone enters your presence, i.e. your home, your business or any time, make them feel Ware, Welcome and Wanted." Great words to remember and practice. A big thanks to Peni for breaking the seal on this new, and hopefully, the lasting segment of our meetings. We won't be meeting in July or August; but here's a reminder of our annual picnic on July 17, noon-4:00.

If you come up a day early, you can get in on the cannoli sale. The picnic will be at Lincoln Park, Port Angeles. Let us know you are coming, and we'll bring out the "good china."

Best wishes to one and all from our lodge to yours. Enjoy the summer and hey... come up and see us sometime.

Ciao..for now

Yvonne Schipani, Recording Secretary

Seattle

#1390, Seattle, WA

Our calendars say summer has arrived but I don't think Mother Nature has gotten the message. Hopefully we will soon have warmer and sunny days.

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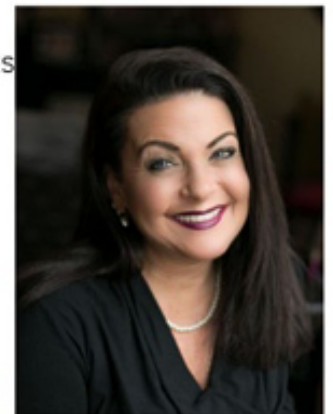
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Congratulations to our recent new members ,Danny Volpone and Gianna Marchese. Welcome to OSDIA. I know your parents, grandparents and the rest of your family members are very proud of you. Be sure to mark your calendar for August 21st, the All Italian Picnic at Royal Arch Park. Many lodges will be hosting their own picnics; be sure to check the Coming Events Column in the NWIN.

Following our annual tradition our ladies cooked the June dinner for all of the Fathers in our Lodge. The men just relaxed and enjoyed the evening. We hope they all enjoyed a wonderful Father's Day with their families.

We are not sure where our July Fava Bean Dinner be held. Be sure to watch your email for any messages about this event. Mt. Virgin will be closing July 1st but we may be able to rent it for meetings. That is yet to be determined.

School is out and vacation times has started. President Jeff and the Board wish you all a safe and happy vacation. Congratulations to all of our recent graduates. May you succeed in reaching all of your goals. This is a very short column because no one called or sent me any news. I can be reached by phone at 206-361-7566 or by email at dscillo@comcast.net. Ciao, Diane Scillo, Reporter

Tacoma
#1175, Tacoma, WA

“The Mother Lodge of the Northwest”

Summer is finally here, can you believe it? Get out and enjoy every minute of it, even in the rain!

President David Madrid held the Tacoma Lodge Board meeting on May 18th. Tony Anderson was present to discuss the Lodge's 100th Anniversary plans. Tony and Gina Natucci are working closely together on the program for the event. Member Jeff Ma-

caluso, who is also the president of the Christopher Columbus Society, was present to discuss plans for an upcoming Italian festival event in Tacoma.

The event will happen later in the summer. The Board also discussed the upcoming June meeting.



Our Lodge's June dinner/meeting, with its Western theme, was held on Wednesday, June 1st at the Totem Yacht Club. Many officers and members wore their favorite western attire. Guests included our Grand Lodge President, Linda Buccini Ander-



son. Members enjoyed delicious barbequed pork and chicken sandwiches, thanks to our fabulous cooks! We also had a variety of salads and desserts thanks to many of our members.

Four individuals applied for membership and were initiated

during our meeting by President, David and State Deputy, Bill Haberstock. The new members are: Lisa and Steve Tucker, Robert Bendetti and Carolyn Schuur.

Welcome to the Tacoma Lodge!



Deputy Bill Habersock and President David Madrid. Initiating as honorary member -exchange high school student Manny Giordano from Vignola, Italy



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Jeff Macaluso spoke to the group about the festival taking place on MLK Way on Tacoma's Hilltop. FYI, the Hilltop was home to many Italians who immigrated to Tacoma back in the 1920's. Both the Christopher Columbus Society and our Lodge will be participating at the event. Our Lodge will be selling Italian sodas at the Festival.

Other events happening this summer include the Grand Lodge Tacoma Rainiers game on July 17th at Cheney Stadium and Vespa Fest at Casa Italiana on June 25th along with a car show on July 23rd.

Birthdays: Members with birthdays in June include; Lori Aiello, Pietro Aiello, Karen Andersen, Derek Bonaldo, Leo Cacioppo, Franca Fuoco, Julie Garitone, Elaine Hilton, Francie Jordan, Don Kajans, Don Martelli, Frank Messina, Marilyn Morrone, Ted Ochsenhirt, Marcia Pirnie, Judith Quillici and Janice Cimino Stauffer.

Members with July Birthdays include: Daniel Andersen, Denise DeRosa, Shirley Dilger, Egidio Fuoco, Steve Harlow, Laura Pezzola-Kajans, Teresa Lamarca, Diana Gasparetti Martin, Julie Trygstadt and Jana Tucci. Buon Compleanno a Tutti!!

Sunshine Report: Our Lodge Sunshine person, Sharon Knezhovich reports that flowers and cards were brought to the following members: Paula Fiorino who had knee surgery and Mary Garitone who had shoulder surgery. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Our next dinner/meeting will be on Wednesday, September 7th at the Totem Yacht Club. Please join us!

Enjoy your summer!

Ciao! Julie Garitone

Tre Città

#2881, Tri-Cities, WA

On June 7th, 2022, our Lodge held its six meeting of the new year at Bella Italia restaurant in Kennewick with a total of twenty-two members and visitors in attendance.

One of two highlights of the meeting was the opportunity to host Mr. Jerome Zito of Hanford High School in Richland, WA at our dinner and meeting. Jerome is one of our three \$1,000 scholarship winners for this year. Jerome had his mom, dad, and brother in attendance with him. Jerome is planning to attend Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, AZ this fall.

The other highlight of the meeting was the opportunity to host Kenna Harrington of Kamiakin High School in Kennewick, WA, one of our three \$1,000 scholarship winners for this year. Kenna had her mom and dad in attendance with her. Kenna is planning to attend University of Arizona in Tucson AZ in the

fall.

We also had an update from our Pasta Dinner Chairperson, Julianne Barnaby, about our next Fall Dinner and Basket Raffle that will held at the Richland Community Center on Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022. This dinner and raffle are our major annual fund raiser which has allowed us to fund three \$1,000 scholarships each year for several years, including the last two years of the pandemic. Our initial kickoff planning for the this Fall Dinner and Basket Raffle is being held on Monday, June 13, 2022 at Julianne's home in Kennewick.

We also discussed our first social get together of the year involving a social meeting and barbeque at the one of our member's homes that we hope to have later this summer. We are also hoping to have a Sunday afternoon of bocce play and social outing at one our local wineries in the September-October timeframe.

At the end of our meeting, we had a monthly raffle, as we usually do, for items of various kinds donated by lodge members. With the generosity of members, we were able to raise \$104 at our meeting. We typically raise enough raffle proceeds at each meeting during the year that allow us to donate up to \$500 to one or two local organizations and worthy causes each year. We donated \$500 this past month to Washington Operation Thank You, a local veteran's support group here in the Tri-Cities.

We schedule our monthly meetings for the first Tuesday of each month. Our next regular monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 5th, 2022, at the Bella Italia restaurant located at 7000 W. Okanogan Place in Kennewick, WA.

If you ever find yourselves in the Tri-Cities on that time of the month, please come and join us. We would love to have you. Ciao for now!

Marcel P. Bergeron

Vancouver USA

#2690, Vancouver, WA

Tante Grazie to everyone who made our Annual Spaghetti Dinner such a huge success. Our basket raffle raised over \$1,000 for our Leonard Simeone Scholarship Fund. It was nice to see some returning patrons saying that they were glad to see us again. Bravo to the Young Marines and members' grandkids and their friends who helped serve and bus tables. It was so great to be back in our community. Our July dinner and the regular meeting will be on Thursday, July 14th at 6:30 PM. We will be having a potluck. The following people have signed up to bring: Main Course: Barbara Blair, Patti Borden, Dee Newberg, Louise Ramunno-Johnson; Salads: Judy Johnson, Linda

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Cherney, Frank Palandrani; Desserts: Donna Covi (biscotti), Linda Gibson (scones), Dorri Palandrani, Leanore Olmstead, Dolores Tarsi; Bread: Paul Zanobelli. There is no cost for dinner this evening. If you have not signed up to bring anything, RSVP to Louise Ramunno-Johnson at alamunno@gmail.com ATTN: July 14th Dinner or (360)281-0915 and let her know what you plan on bringing. Many of you asked to play Zombola (Italian bingò) again. So plan to bring your quarters to participate.

Any updates to this newsletter will be sent out to our members by email. Your next NWIN will arrive around September 1st combining the months of August and September.

In July, we will be collecting "snack packs" for our local charity, Clark County Veterans Assistance Center. Please bring your donation to the meeting. This is strictly voluntary.

ITALIAN BOOK CLUB will meet on Monday, July 18th at 7:00 to discuss our book selection, One Italian Summer by author Rebecca Serle. As of the date of this publication, Barnes & Noble is still not open to groups. But we will check again in July to see the status. This book is available at Barnes & Noble and on Amazon. Any questions, please call Barbara Blair at (360)253-7984.

Brynn Widner celebrating Grandmother Ama Widner birthday with Great Auntie Shirley Gulotta

BOCCE IS BACK!! Our bocce courts behind the Elks Lodge are ready to go. Play bocce every Tuesday, weather permitting, at 6:00 PM. The Elks Lodge address is 11605 SE McGillivray Blvd., courts are behind the main building. All ages are invited to learn and play. Any questions, contact Paul Zanobelli at

(360)521-5584

Game Nite will be on Saturday, July 16th at Bruce and Barbara Blair's home at 7:00 PM. RSVP to them at (360)253-7984 if you plan on attending and having some serious fun!!

White Elephant Bingo will be on Tuesday, July 5th at 7:00 PM at Barbara Blair's home. Bring a white elephant gift and \$1.00 to join in. RSVP if you plan to attend at (360)253-7984 or blairbjb@comcast.net or if you need directions.

All hardcore "italani" braved the cold and rain for our YARD SALE. Thank you to everyone who brought items for sale, and volunteered to set up, greet people, and clean up. We raised several hundred dollars. Tante Grazie to everyone who made this an enjoyable success!!

SNOWFLAKE QUILT RAFFLE. Member Linda Gibson has made a beautiful quilt to be raffled off. The Snowflake Quilt is 80"x 80". Medium Green with white snowflake, grey and black accents. Tickets are \$2.00 each. Contact Linda Gibson at (760)450-8057 or legogibson@gmail.com if you would like to see a color photo or are interested in purchasing tickets. Drawing to take place in the Fall of 2022. Look for a photo of the quilt in this NWIN.

CLUB NEWS: Dolores Tarsi and her family traveled to Texas for her grandson, Graziano Tarsi's high school graduation. Dina Rizzo's grandson Marius Sicard graduated from Liberty High School in Hillsboro. Dina Rizzo and her family will be spending part of August in Florence and Naples. Linda and Sean Gibson are taking a road trip to Alaska. Buon compleanno to our June and August birthdays!! Our club plans to have a booth at Festa Italiana on Sunday, August 21st from 11 AM to 8 PM at

Cedarville Park, 3800 W. Powell Loop in Gresham, OR. We will be selling greeting cards for the Grand Lodge. We will be offering raffle tickets for the fantastic quilt that Linda Gibson made. Do you have any ideas of anything else we might sell???? Suggestions have been "used" Italian Books (from our Book Club), pasta, Italian colored beads, etc. Please let Barbara Blair know of anything. We will also have a sign-up sheet to volunteer. It is a great time to be Italian!!!

FESTA ITALIANA is back on August 21st, from 11 AM to 8 PM at Cedarville Park, 3800 W. Powell Loop in Gresham OR. Come join us in celebrating Italian heritage with food, dance, music, and the enjoyment of life!! A small admission

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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. All yarn is donated for 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.

Andrea Scasso hosts The Italian Hour every other Sunday (July 3rd, July 17th) 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: Continue to keep Rosann Grezowski in your prayers as she recovers from complications of her surgery. Please keep all our members in your thoughts and

prayers. Stay safe this summer!!

Upcoming Events for July:

Tuesday, July 5th – White Elephant Bingo

Thursday, July 14th – Dinner and regular meeting

Saturday, July 16th – Game Nite

Celebrate the Red, White & Blue!!

Barbara Blair

Yakima

#2732, Yakima, WA

The Yakima Lodge had a terrific turnout and pot luck dinner for our June meeting. Lots of pizza thanks to the Picatti's and Pete Fadich as well as wonderful side dishes from members. Dessert was birthday cake from Nancy Carle to celebrate Ama Widner's birthday. Happy Birthday Ama! Special guest was Ama's granddaughter Brynn Widner who was a recipient of a Grand Lodge scholarship. Ama and Brynn attended the Grand Lodge meeting where she accepted her scholarship. We have loved following her basketball success at Zillah for the last couple years so it was such a treat to meet this lovely young lady. We will be following her as she plays Volleyball at Yakima Valley College where she has signed a letter



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of intent. Come back to visit us and have a good Italian dinner anytime Brynn!



The decision was made at the May meeting to not try to do the Indian John Hill coffee stand fundraiser this year. Hopefully we will be able to do this fun event next year.

Sara Judd did a Master Gardener presentation in May and gave out free seeds as well as answering questions again in June. She

told us that there are free 1 hour gardening classes given by the Master Gardeners on Saturdays this summer. They are rotated between the Ahtanum Park in Union Gap and the Master Gardeners greenhouse off 18 Abe. Check the Master Gardener website for locations and times.

The Memorial Plaque will be updated again by fall. There are approximately 14 names to add.



There was a discussion at the May meeting of going to visit the Italian Memorial in Roslyn. A date has not been set yet. Don Guintoli is traveling to Seattle every 2 weeks for treatment. Please remember him in your thoughts and prayers and perhaps drop a card of encouragement. Robin suggest a funny joke for him as well!

Up coming events: a memorial for Darlene Lust on Aug 6. Watch your email for time and location.

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Pete and Siri Fadich have again invited us to a pizza party, pot luck, and bocce games at their lovely home at 1PM on Saturday August 27th. More details to come by email. This was so much fun last year, you will not want to miss it! This will be our summer picnic.

The Grand Lodge Calendars have arrived and are for sale for \$20. Remember this is the calendar that won MaryKay Anabta-wi \$500 on Thanksgiving 2 years ago! There are cash prizes every day of the month in November with each of them being at least \$20. Let Robin or Sarah know if you would like one. We have 6 to sell.

Robin is still wanting lists of items being stored for the lodge by each of us. Don Piccati has generously offered to store a pallet of supplies for us in his business warehouse.

Our next meeting will be Sept 15th. Have a wonderful summer and remember the August 27th picnic!

Respectfully,
Jeanne Fasano

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All-Italian Picnic, Royal Arch Park
Contact: Mike Croce, 253-631-2643

August 21, 2022
Festa Italiana - Portland, Cedarville Park
3800 W. Powell Loop, Gresham OR
Contact: Barbara Blair, 360-253-7984

Saturday, August 27
Annual Club Family Picnic
Italian-American Club #2172
Franklin Park, Spokane, WA
Contact: Linda Marcus
smarcus2@centurylink.net 509-891-0916

Sunday, August 28, 2022
Dorothy & Mario Santelli, Ambassador event
August 28, 2022, \$40.00 per person
Limited to 60 people, More details to come
Contact: Tony Anderson
253-677-9366, atony@harbornet.com

Monday, September 5
Vancouver USA #2690 Labor Day Picnic
Lewisville Park, Battle Ground, WA
Linda Cherney(360)903-0227 or
Linda Gibson (760)450-8057

Friday September 9th: 6:00pm - 10:00pm
Saturday September 10th: 10:00am - 10:00pm
Sunday September 11th: 11:00 am - 4:00 pm
San Gennaro Festival of Seattle
1225 South Angelo Street, Seattle, WA
Contact: info@sangennarofestivalseattle.org

Sept 16 Festa Luncheon, Seattle Yacht Club
Festa Mass (TBD ~Sept 17)??
Contact: Joanne Marchese, 206-284-6938

September 24 & 25
Festa @ Seattle Center
Seattle Center, Fisher Pavilion

October 1, 2022
Fall Grand Council
Embassy Suites, Lynnwood, WA
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