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From the Office of State President Linda Buccini Anderson

Coming Events!

Saturday, April 15, 2023

Bellevue Lodge #2377 Wine Tasting
Unity of Bellevue Church
16330 NE 4th Street, Bellevue
Contact: Mary DeMatteo Sangalang
collectingroots@msn.com
Tickets also available :
<http://bellevue-sons-of-italy.square.site/>

Saturday, April 22, 2023

Tacoma Lodge #1175
"The Mother Lodge of the NW"
100 Year- Centennial Celebration
The Tacoma Yacht Club Tickets:\$60.
Contact: David Madrid 253-961-6526
dsjrmadrid@gmail.com

Saturday, April 29, 2023

Seattle-Fedele Annual Banquet
Blanchet High School, Seattle, WA
Contact: Jeff D'Amelio, jeffdamelio@live.com

Sunday, April 30, 1 pm-5pm

American-Italian Club, #2172
Festa Italiana II - Free for all ages
Wall St & Main, Downtown Spokane
Contact: John Caputo 509-220-5582
jcaputo1@mac.com,
Linda Marcus 509-7109371
linda-amarcus@hotmail.com

Sunday, May 7, 2023, 1pm - 5pm

Black Diamond Lodge #1809
Pasta Dinner Fundraiser
Black Diamond Community Center
31605 3rd Ave. (SR 169)
Contact: Janice Malvesti-Cole
360-463-4671, osdia1809@gmail.com

May 18-21, 2023 Grand Lodge Convention

Embassy Suites, Lynnwood, WA
Contact: Dot Whitney, 206-527-3235

Saturday, June 3, 2023

Auburn Lodge #1955
75th Anniversary Celebration
Auburn Community & Events Center
Les Gove Park, Auburn WA
Contact: Ronnie Beyersdorf, wb7tbg@aol.com

Tuesday June 27, 2023 6:40pm

Mariner's Italian Heritage Night
Italian Themed Apron Give-away
\$37 Main Level or \$25 View Level
mlb.com/mariners/tickets/specials/italian-heritage



Buona Pasqua to all.

Like Easter, I know so many lodges are getting excited about all that they can bring forward to their membership and their communities.

If you look at the Coming Events sections, there are so many events happening, so get out and support them. The recent Town Hall with National President Bob Bianchi held for all members was very interesting. The National Office is about to bring forward

a new membership management program to the National, Grand & Local Lodges. This program is being paid for totally by our National Office and no costs will be passed on to the membership. However, if you would like to take advantage of the Website portion there will be a small cost for it. For those who ask, "what does the National do for me?". This is a big one!!! There will be a presentation at our convention.

The convention delegate packages have gone out to all our Grand Lodge Officers, Presidents, and Delegates. Presidents, please make sure your delegates have received this package. If you are a delegate, please look it over and review the information needed. I am holding a Delegates zoom on April 11th for all those who would like to take part, this will be especially informative for those first-timers. Remember, there are Deadlines for many items noted in the delegate package. For example, your hotel room can be reserved now. We can only hold rooms at the \$119+tax rate until April 20th. If you do not reserve your room by this date your cost could be \$300.00 per night plus the taxes. Remember, anyone can attend any or all parts of the convention as a guest. Contact your lodge president for the non-delegate menu, hotel information, silent auction donation form, and a contact list, or check out glnw.org. On Saturday, May 20th our evening Banquet will be a great night to dress up, have fun, and be a part of an exciting evening. We will be installing our newly elected officers; announcing our Rosellini award winner; getting great opportunities to win at our Silent Auction and then there is the music by Michael Powers and dancing.

To make our event a major success, I am also asking that all lodges & individuals donate towards our silent auction. It will be much appreciated. My goal for this convention as well as the next two years (if I am re-elected) is to help lodges build membership, re-vitalize energy, and provide education.

I want to help us all see that we have a successful future for all of us as part of the Sons and Daughters of Italy. Any delegate/grand lodge officer wanting to run for an elected office should email Jeff D'Amelio our Elections chair. They will then be listed in the glnw.org for all to review starting March 30th.

I am asking each nominee to post a picture of themselves, what position they are running for, and in 100 words their experience and reasons they want that position. The glnw.org will update the nomination list on a regular basis. We all have a positive and successful future as members of the Sons and Daughters of Italy in America. It's time for us to embrace Tony's Motto. "Anything we accomplish in life is never accomplished alone but TOGETHER". Buona Pasqua!

Respectfully, Linda Buccini Anderson
GLNW-President

Remember our
Grand Lodge Scholarship application
deadline is April 15, 2023
See our website, www.glnw.org for an application.



Coming Events!

Saturday, July 15, 2023
 GLNW bocce tournament, Les Gove Park, Auburn
 Entry fee \$100.00 for 4 person teams.
 Ronnie Beyersdorf 206-478-3876 wb7tb@aol.com

Sunday, July 16, 2023, Time: 1:35
 Tacoma Rainiers vs. Round Rock Express
 Tickets are \$15: Admission, Hot Dog, Chips, & Bottled Water. A great gift! A great time.
 Contact: Tony "Bisceglia" Anderson 253-677-9366 atony@harbornet.com

Saturday July 22 12:00 noon to 4pm
 Black Diamond Lodge picnic
 Mud Mountain Dam, 30525 SE Mud Mountain RD.
 Contact: Lenny Folino, lennyfolino@yahoo.com

Saturday July 22
 Cataldo Lodge, Bremerton Elks
 50th Celebration Dinner
 Contact: Bill Haberstock, habpal@hotmail.com

Saturday July 22
 American-Italian Club #2172 Annual Family and Spokane/Cagli, Italy Student Exchange Picnic
 Contact: Linda Marcus linda-amarcus@hotmail.com

Sunday, July 30, 2023
 Auburn Lodge annual Picnic, Les Gove Park, Bocce Courts Auburn Free! RSVP: Ronnie Beyersdorf 206-478-3876 wb7tb@aol.com

Sunday, August 20th Italian Community Picnic
 Royal Arch Park, Maple Valley. Contact: Mike Croce michaelc@pacificfoodimporters.com

Sunday, August 20th Festa Italiana Portland & Bocce Tournament, Cedarville Park
 3800 W. Powell Loop, Gresham, OR
 Contact: Barbara Blair blairbjb@comcast.net

Sunday, August 27, 2023 12:noon
 Cataldo Lodge#2280 Annual Picnic
 Bremerton Elks picnic shelter
 Contact: Bill Haberstock 360-373-4341

Sept 8, 9, 10 2023 San Gennero Festival
 George Town, Seattle, Wa.

Sept 23-24, 2023 Italian Seattle Festival
 Seattle Center, Seattle, Wa.

Saturday, October. 21, 2023 Fall Grand Council
 Embassy Suites, Lynnwood, WA
 Contact: Tony Anderson atony@harbornet.com

Saturday, November 11, 2023
 Auburn Annual Veterans Day Parade
 Free lunch for marchers at the Multipurpose Building in Les Gove Park after the parade.
 Ronnie Beyersdorf, 206-478-3876 wb7tb@aol.com

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

Sorticulture

2023

Mille Cugini Lodge #2659 Marysville, WA
 Invites you to visit our Plant and Raffle Booth
 also our Italian Sausage Sandwich Booth

Sorticulture is a three-day outdoor festival that celebrates the best parts of Pacific Northwest outdoor living. Hosted in the seaside city of Everett, WA, Sorticulture is the premier festival for garden art, local plants and flowers and handmade outdoor products. Sorticulture is free to attend.

SAVE THE DATES:

When:
 * Friday, June 9, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 * Saturday, June 10, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
 * Sunday June 11, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where:
 Downtown Everett on Colby Avenue, between Everett and Pacific avenues

**American-Italian Club
#2172 Spokane WA**

Ciao Amici. It is mid-March in Spokane, and it is complete MADNESS!! The only topic in town is Basketball as everyone cheers for our Bulldogs! GO ZAGS!! Along with filling out



basketball brackets, we have been very busy. At our March meeting, we were very happy to welcome guests Diana Mancini from OSDIA Buona Fortuna Lodge of Pensacola, Florida. She was very impressed with our lodge activities and is very interested in starting a Sister City in Pensacola, Florida. Diane was joined by her cousin Edi

Young who lives in Spokane and came here from Naples, Italy 42 years ago. Also, Professor Henry Batterman joined us. Henry is a retired professor from the Gonzaga campus in Florence, Italy. It was a pleasure to welcome our guests and hear a brief personal history of their Italian experiences and lifestyles. Officers' Installation took place and was officiated by First State Deputy of the Grand Lodge, Ansano Giuntini, and assisted by Georgia Seeberger as Herald. The following officers were present and installed to continue leadership in 2023: President, Judy Anselmo, Vice President, Carr Mancini, Treasurer, Ansano Giuntini, Financial Secretary, JoAnn Giuntini, Recording Secretary, Linda Marcus, Orator, John Caputo, Trustee, Kim Asay, Trustee, Susan Riley, Mistress of Ceremony, Donna Clark, Mistress of Ceremony, Georgia Seeberger, Guard, Tina Santorsola, Sunshine Committee, Beverly

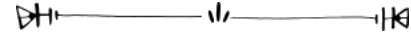


Mancini. Festa Italiana II planning is underway. As we did last year our lodge is in partnership with Spokane/Cagli, Italy Sister City Association in sponsoring the Festa. Our members are very busy and passionately committed to making this year's event another success. This year's Festa will be held on Wall Street, Downtown Spokane. April 30th from 12 noon-5 pm. It will be filled with Food, Fun, Fashion, and Film. We will have a "Sister City Brew", which is a collaboration between Spokane's own Whistle Punk Brewery and Birreficio del Catria Brewery, in Cagli, Italy, that will be served in our Beer Garden. People in medieval costumes will be wandering among the crowds, and a demonstration of the Tarrentella will be performed. In addition to vendors, there will be food trucks selling pizza, and gelato. And back by popular demand the "Holy Cannolli", t-shirts and baked goods will be sold for fundraising.

We will also have entertainment by an Italian Crooner as well as games for the children and raffles with great prizes!

We cordially invite you and your families to join our Primavera

event Festa Italian II, on April 30th, in Downtown Spokane on Wall Street from 12 noon-5pm. Respectfully submitted,
Linda Marcus, Recording Secretary #2172



**Amerigo Vespucci
#1814 Aberdeen, WA**

Spring is finally here! And Amerigo Vespucci Lodge is ready to "spring" into action with its new slate of officers for the 2023 year, which are: President, Joe Chicano; Vice President, Mary Jane



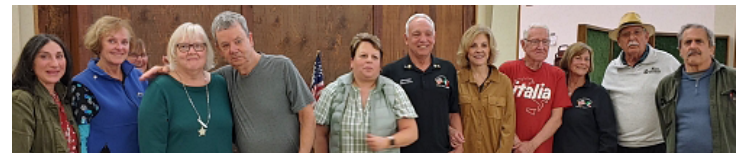
Rogers; Past President, Richard Luzzi; Orator, Judith Braddon; Secretary, Connie Chicano; Financial Secretary, Kristine Finazzo; Treasurer, Patti Percini; Sentinel, David Aldridge; Trustees: Mark Percini, Eva To,

Rena Gegen, Sylvia Percini, and Joe Cornell. Amerigo Vespucci Lodge held its March meeting on March 16, 2023. Membership voted to provide financial support for Mary Jane Rogers, Grand Lodge Trustee, for the GLNW Convention, May 18-21, 2023,



as well as delegates: President Joe Chicano and Connie Chicano. Those wanting to go to the Mariners' Italian Heritage game on, June 27, 2023, are to purchase their tickets online and then will carpool to the game. Vera Kay reported that she had let Hood to Coast know we were willing to assist at

the finish line on June 3, 2023, but had not heard back from them yet. Connie Chicano announced that scholarship applications are available now. She will be setting a committee meeting date. Installation of new officers and initiation of a new member, Tammy Lund were performed at the end of the meeting. Before the meeting, there was a potluck dinner with corned beef sliders, chicken legs, Irish potatoes, green salads, and several scrumptious desserts. Thank you to all who provided us with such a great meal! 17-year-old Ava Rector, daughter of Amerigo Vespucci Lodge members Troy and Gina Rector, won first place in the Washington State DECA high school competition at Meyden Bauer Center in Bellevue, WA. Ava, a junior from Edmonds-Woodway High School competed in a large field in the category of accounting. Contestants completed written tests and conducted case studies and oral presentations before a panel of judges. The competition wrapped up on March 3rd, and results were announced on March



4th. For her fine efforts, Ava clinched a berth to the Nationals in late April at Orlando, Florida. The competition is sponsored by the International Career Development Conference (ICDC). Amerigo Vespucci Lodge would like to thank Connie Chicano for dispersing our Lodge's Christmas donations to Friendship House and the teen shelter operated by Community Action Program. A special thank you also goes out to Joe Cornell for his distribution of school materials and clothing to the Grays Harbor schools this past fall. Past President, Richard Luzzi, thanks all the officers and general members for their support during his term as President. Buona Pasqua to all, Judith Braddon

Auburn
#1955 Auburn, WA

Our Auburn meeting was held on March 9, 2023, and included our installation of the Auburn Lodge officers. Thanks to State President Linda Anderson and National Trustee Rosetta Beyersdorf who conducted the installation. Congratulations to all the new Auburn Lodge #1955 officers who were installed. President John Partridge, VP Dan Chicketti, Immediate Past Pres Francesco Ortenzo, Orator, Barbara DeCaro, Secretary, Ronnie Beyersdorf, Fin Sec. Michelle Binetti, Treasurer, Debbie Sonsteli, Trustees: Lina Gagnon 1-2, Frank Scarsella 1-2, Joanne McDaniel 2-2, Phil Celver 2-2, Joe Ripollone -2, Master of Ceremonies, Sharon Lufkin, Mistress of Ceremonies, Carolyn Jones, Sentinel, Natale Stella, Bartender, Sam Kamphaus

The Auburn Lodge 75th Anniversary Banquet Tickets are available for sale for \$75.00 each. The event is on Sat June 3, 2023, at the Auburn Community and Events Center in Les Gove Park. We are planning on at least 150 people and need our members to support this once in a Life Time Event. The tables are all round and will hold 8 people each. Tickets can be purchased from Ronnie Beyersdorf. Contact 206-478-3876 or Wb7tbg@aol.com There will be live music and listening and dancing. We will have a raffle and event brochure to take out ads in. Let's make this a great event for the Auburn Lodge 1955. We have a brochure program for the 75th Anniversary and we selling ads to members, or anyone for support of the event. The full-page ads are \$100.00 and half-page ads are \$50.00 each. Patron ads with the name of the patron listed are \$20.00 each. The cover ad spaces are already sold. Contact Ronnie Beyersdorf, at 206-478-3876 or Wb7tbg@aol.com for ads and information.

Auburn members are reminded that your annual dues per member are due on January 1, 2023. You can pay by mail with a check payable to the Auburn Sons of Italy for \$35.00 per member. The mailing address is Auburn Sons of Italy, P.O. Box 1224, Auburn, WA. 98071-1224. Here is the link for paying the Auburn Lodge dues OSDIA #1955 for 2022 online. Dues are \$35.00 per member. Please list the full name of each member whose dues are being paid online. <https://Auburn-sons-of-Italy.square.site> If you have paid your dues thank you as many members have paid. If you did not pay your dues by April you can still reinstate your membership by simply paying your dues as noted above. The applications for the Auburn scholarships are now available with the deadline for submittal set at April 15, 2023. Please comply with the requirements noted on the application form. Applicants must be an Auburn member, son or daughter of an Auburn

member or grandsons or granddaughter of an Auburn member. Contact Ronnie for applications. I can email them or mail them to you. The CASA Italiana Scholarship application is also available to our Auburn Lodge membership to participate in that scholarship program based on our membership in the CASA Italiana, Ronnie can send a 2023 application as only the 2022 application is on the CASA website. Ronnie can be reached at wb7tbg@aol.com The City of Auburn Clean Sweep Saturday, April 22, 2023. This year the Auburn Lodge will be participating in the City of Auburn's Annual Operation Clean Sweep on Saturday, April 22, 2023. The team leader this year is President John Partridge. Secretary Ronnie is working to get the work package identified at the time of this writing. We have some volunteers already signed up however we need more. If you can participate please contact Auburn Lodge President John Partridge at 253-350-4922, jpartridge427@gmail.com. To be clear the events usually end at 12:00 noon on Saturday. Sunshine committee, Auburn member Dick Whitney is getting out of the hospital after some days with abdominal issues and thankfully UW Medicine was able to get him to mend. All the best to Dick in your recovery. Please pray for our sick and aging members and the people of Ukraine. Ronnie Beyersdorf, reporter. Wb7tbg@aol.com or 206-478-3876



Bella Vita
#2285, Olympia, WA

Happy April Bella Vita! REMINDER: April meeting has been rescheduled due to McLane Grange scheduling conflict. Our new date is: April Meeting is Wednesday April 12 at 5:30. We will be having at least 3 soup selections, please bring side dish, salad or a dessert to add to our Soup meal! Bella Vita's new officers were installed last month, officiated by Linda Anderson and Nick Digidio. Grazie to our past 2022 officers as we Welcome



our newly elected 2023 officers: President Sophia Risorto, Vice President Vera DiGiulio Kay, Secretary Shirley Delaurenti

Dear Brothers and Sisters

Any member wanting to attend any part of the convention May 19-20, 2023 is welcomed. To stay at the Embassy Suites in Lynwood call (425)775-2500 #0, mention OSDIA to get the rate \$119+tax. Deadline is April 20th. There is a non-delegate menu option available. Deadline for meals is May 5th. See your lodge president or visit www.glnw.org.

**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
509-496-0031 judyvandyke@hotmail.com
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
5:30 PM Social, 6:00 Dinner,
6:30 PM Meeting

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

Richard Luzzi, President
(360) 637-9193
Buttons575@AOL.com

Garrison, Financial Secretary Mathew Williams Trustees Ludi Cristofaro, George Stefanini, Kathy Borges and Aaron Smith, Sentinel Pam Daudet and Sargent of Arms: Jim Vettori and Gary Haney.

Mille Grazie to Amber Smith who was our chef of the month, she prepared Lasagna- molto deliziosa and Thank you to those who came early to set up and stayed late for clean up.

Our Trustees have agreed to alternate coming early to open the doors and help with set up. Clean up is also necessary so please consider staying after meeting to help. Elliott Hatfield has the job of signing members in and making sure you have your name tags. Please check in with Elliott when you arrive! Ludi continues to be in charge of the box wine. Thank you to all that are willing to cook for us! We would like to be our May cook? Tony Anderson will be our Cook for June! Sunshine Committee: Sad news this month: Pam Daudet's husband who was struggling with several medical issues, on hospice, passed away. Our deepest sympathy to Pam. Pam, your Bella Vita Famiglia is here for you! Prayers continue for Jon and Gen Powell and Jim Vettori. Seabrook Relay is approaching June 3!! Mark your Calendars, please consider participating in our ONLY fundraiser this year! Donate your Saturday June 3 date to Bella Vita! The more volunteer spots we can fill the greater our donation from Hood to Coast Relay will be! Sign up at our April Meeting or contact Vera or Sophia! Vera is chairperson of Hood to Coast Seabrook Committee! Hog Hunt Committee- Pam has donated one of her Hogs from her Endicott Farm. We are forming a Hog Committee to decide options for this Hog Fundraiser. If you have any interest to join us with this Hog Fun. Please contact President Sophia or Pam Daudet. Aaron Smith is organizing a Pool Party at El Toro Ristorante and Cantina Mexican Restaurant in Lakewood. Our first Party is March 26, more dates to be announced. Come down to share time and socialize with our members. They have reasonable Happy Hour Menu and Best Margaritas in Town! See everyone at our next Bella Vita meeting on: Wednesday April 12 at 5:30-remember April Meeting DATE change!
Buona Pasqua e Buona Primavera a Tutti!



Bellevue
#2377, Bellevue, WA

Hello Friends, Our Bellevue Lodge meeting on February 2nd wasn't one of our usual Lodge meetings. Our President, Mary DeMatteo Sangalang, was not able to attend the meeting, so our Vice-President, Greg Osgood, lead the meeting. We were able

to get through the meeting without Mary, but it wasn't the same without her. Now I don't mean to knock Greg, but let's face it he's no Mary. Without Mary, we had to scramble to organize the meal. Laura Cosacchi stepped up and brought lasagna, and boy did she bring it. She brought two trays which were enough for everyone, but just barely. It was so good, many people who don't normally have seconds were going back for seconds. Some people got so full from the lasagna that they couldn't eat dessert, which was unfortunate for them because Linda Jacobin brought cupcakes and heart-shaped macarons, which were delicious. Linda Jacobin also made salad. It was a pretty incredible meal, perfect to celebrate Valentine's day and as our last meeting before Lent to share in some indulgences. We held the election of officers for the Lodge and we filled all the officer positions, which is something we've struggled to do in the past. Most of the current Lodge officers will remain in their current positions: Mary DeMatteo Sangalang as President, Greg Osgood as Vice-President, Peter Edgar as Orator, Linda Jacobin as Treasure, Michele Guerrini as Secretary, Linda Caputo, Sally Leitem-Pierotti, Laura Cosacchi and Roger Faso as Trustees, and Ron Sangalang as Master of Ceremony. New to the board are Michael Brewer as Trustee, Nick Wheeler as Master of Ceremony, and Nick Montecalvo as Sentinel.

On behalf of the Lodge, I would like to thank everyone who volunteered to be Lodge Officers. The Lodge Officers are the engine that drives the Lodge and without them, the Lodge wouldn't be able to go. The Bellevue Lodge is really lucky to have had the officers that we've had because they not only made the Lodge run but have made the Lodge thrive. Over the last few years the Lodge has grown, our financial situation has improved, and in my completely biased opinion has become the best Lodge to belong to. To all the new Lodge Offices I would like to say welcome aboard. I think you will really enjoy being Lodge Officers, and I think you'll find you'll get more out of your time in the Lodge.

Since our Lodge has actually grown to over 40 members, we are now allotted 2 delegates to the Grand Lodge Convention. Nick Wheeler was nominated to be a delegate and was approved by the Lodge. We still have one more delegate and an alternate to choose from, which we will do at our next Lodge meeting. In sunshine news, our President, Mary DeMatteo Sangalang suffered a concussion at work when she opened a cupboard and some technical equipment fell and hit her. Mary's doing better now, but the concussion caused her to miss the Lodge meeting.

The whole Lodge wishes Mary a speedy recovery. The Bellevue

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 / WB7tbq@aol.com

BELLA VITA LODGE NO. 2285
Olympia, WA

Meets the 1st Thursday of each month
Social at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:00 pm

Meeting starts at 6:30pm
MCLANE GRANGE

931 Delphi Rd SW, Olympia 98512

Sophia Risorto, President

760-333-7964 bellavitalodge@gmail.com

Vera DiGiulio Kay, Vice President

(360) 581-9856

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

Lodge showed up in force for the Grand Lodge Crab Dinner on February 18th. We filled two tables, Nick Wheeler brought his family and they filled an entire table by themselves. It tells you something about the Bellevue Lodge: we are active in events beyond just our own Lodge and we love crab. I think I ate my body weight in crab and salad. The servers kept bringing salad and I kept putting it away. Plus I sat across from Ron Roletto which meant I got to drink some good wine because Ron likes to share his wine, and he always has some might fine wine. Now I'm about to break out singing Three Dog Night music, but I'll stop there and just say that everyone who went ate some really good food and had a really good time. I would like to give another reminder that the Bellevue Lodge Wine Tasting and Raffle is coming up on Saturday, April 15, 6:30-8:30 pm at Unity Church, 16330 NE 4th Street, Bellevue WA. There will be lots of great food, some really good wines to try, and a chance to win a raffle prize. The cost is \$25, everyone is welcome, so invite all your Italian friends and family, but get your tickets early because they will be going fast. Our next Lodge meeting will be March 2nd at Unity Church, 16330 NE 4th Street, Bellevue WA: 5:30 Social Hour with wine and appetizers, 6:30 Dinner (\$10), 7:15 Meeting, and Raffle (please bring something to donate for the raffle table if you can) Tickets 6/\$5 or \$1 each. We will be installing Lodge Officers. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Buon Cannoli!
Greg Osgood



**Black Diamond
#1809, Black Diamond, WA**

Our March meeting was graced with a deliziosa cena di polenta e salsiccia prepared by our past GLNW President and current OSDIA National Trustee Rosetta Stella Beyersdorf, an exemplary Italian matriarch and genuine leader. We sincerely appreciate the Auburn Lodge members who consistently support our meetings and activities. March 20 marked the return of spring season, and May 7 marks the return of our popular Black Diamond Pasta



Dinner fundraiser between 1-5 pm at the Black Diamond Community Center. The three-year Coronavirus delay will make our family-and friend-oriented event even more

tantalizing at \$15 per adult (\$7 for children 6-12 and under 6 free). Buona Pasqua sul 9 Aprile (Happy Easter on April 9) to all our families and friends. Easter is observed in Italy with a week



of processions and rituals, followed by feasting and celebrations on Sunday and the holiday of La Pasquetta (little Easter) on Monday. We encourage you to search the Internet (keywords: Italian Easter Processions) to view the solemn processions that often include special statues of the Madonna and Christ carried through town by people dressed in a multitude of significant costumes. Prayers are with our members and friends as they heal from injuries, surgeries, and health conditions so that God may grant them the strength and endurance to recover. It is an honor to introduce you to the following family story presented by our



current State Deputy Janet Rosi Fritz, a member of Tacoma Lodge (the Mother Lodge of the GLNW that installed our Black Diamond Lodge in 1937).

What would you do if you had the chance to meet your oldest sister at 66 years old? My dad Reno Rosi, his wife Helen, and oldest brother Les had that chance in 1984. They traveled to the Tuscany region of Italy with the ultimate destination of Altopascio near Florence. This trip of a lifetime lasted three weeks with only brief day trips



away from the farm. My Dad's sister Rina said my brother stays only with me and so that's where they resided for the duration. Fast forward to my desire to visit Italy for a milestone birthday in 2012, where we visited from Rome to Milan and several cities in between. A stop in Lucca to visit our cousins was the main focus of our trip. There we were greeted like we knew each other all our lives. Brother Ronnie and I traded family history with cousins Ricardo and Marco. Established as a Roman colony in 180 BC, Lucca is a city well known for its Renaissance walls encircling the historic city and the birthplace of

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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
Janice Malvesti-Cole, President
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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
(360) 373-4341 / 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**
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composer Giacomo Puccini et al. Florence is the area our Italian grandparents lived before emigrating to Washington in 1916. Our nonno Guido and nonna Irma entered the USA in 1917 where they started a family-owned Italian restaurant with our great uncle Attilio called the Tuscano in the 1920s. It thrived through both world wars and supported its families throughout. Then in 1948, our dad Reno was lured away to Tacoma for work. Our great uncle Vittorio hired him to work as a chef in his Italian restaurant called Bimbos (1921-2001). Dad purchased the restaurant in 1965 and brother Jerry became a partner in 1969. My siblings and I grew up with Italian influence and maintain those traditions with our families to this day. We hope our Italian history and traditions will continue for many generations to come. What's next on our travel agenda? We are renting an Italian villa in 2024 for one month, and the whole family is planning to go. Arrivederci, Janet!



Cataldo
#2280, Bremerton, WA

Ciao to everyone from the Cataldo Lodge. We had a wonderful celebration of St. Patrick's day a couple of days early. Tony Anderson and Linda Anderson donated the Corned Beef.. thank you so much' Bill Haberstock did the cooking which was a lot of cooking with the corned beef, fried cabbage, and soup with multiple vegetables. Members and guests added to the menu with salads, desserts, and hors-d'oeuvres as well.

We are all getting excited because we are going to celebrate Cataldo Lodge's 50th anniversary. It will be held at the Elks Lodge in Bremerton on July 22, 2023. This is open to members and nonmembers. There will be a charcuterie, your choices of meals, entertainment, etc. Steve Lebeda, Bill Haberstock, and Steve Haberstock have been working on this for quite



some time. Others have assisted also. There will be raffle items as well as music, and dancing. Ticket price to be determined. We hope to see everyone there to celebrate with us. We had our installation of officers at our March meeting as well. Also Bill and Jackie Haberstock surprised us with a gift for each of our officers which is very useful and nice looking as well. A big thank you to Bill and Jackie for their surprise gifts. Jackie Haberstock set up an information display which included information and literature to share about some of our donations to HOMH (HELP

OUR MILITARY LEADERS), The Doug Flutie, Jr. Foundation for Autism, Cooley's Anemia and St. Joseph foundation. All of our proceeds from donations will be given to the GLNW at the upcoming Grand Lodge Council meeting. Additionally, the lodge voted to add another \$300,00 for the National Charities.

The VFW, in collaboration with Cataldo Lodge, will be serving meals for \$10.00 per person every 5th Friday this year. The 5th Fridays this year, are March 31, June 30, and September 29. This is open to everyone and will be presented by volunteer lodge members. The meal menus are as follows: Fish Dinner with 2 pieces of fried battered fish, coleslaw, a bag of Tim's Chips, and Tartar sauce. Meatball Hoagie which includes a Roll, 2 slices of Provolone, 4 meatballs, sauce, green salad, and chips. Sausage Hoagie that includes Roll, 2 slices provolone, Italian Sausage Link, sautéed onions & peppers, bean salad with red onion, and chips. The dinners will be available from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Volunteers to assist with prep, clean up, etc. are very much appreciated. Information was provided to our lodge members from Harrison Francisco Health for items that are needed including toiletries, puzzles, and books for children. They are not accepting any stuffed animal toys. We have been unable to provide these items previously and are looking forward to donations being collected in April. We are also hosting a speaker in April. to enlighten us about the Vulca Market in Bremerton. The address is 4th and Pacific, open Wednesdays through Saturdays. The market contains Greek and Italian food. Guests at our lodge meeting included Joseph, Alivia and Darleen Haberstock, and Gina Natucci. Gina volunteered to send some info via the internet. Thank you again to Tony Bisceglia Anderson and Linda Buccini Anderson for the donations and for being members of our lodge as well. Birthdays are as follows: Mark Lebeda for March, and April's birthdays for James Freeman, Bill Haberstock, Roberta Karosich, and Barbara Kurlinski. BUON COMPLEANNO !!!!! Sincerely, Diane Clementi



Cle Elum
#1968, Cle Elum, WA

Members and guest of Cle Elum Lodge met on Sunday, March 12th in friendship and fraternity and following a potluck dinner, hit the ground running to make sure everything and everyone was ready and in place for the Cle Elum Lodge Spaghetti Dinner and Scholarship Auction, one of the most celebrated yearly events held in Upper Kittitas County. President Cheryl Ficele opened the business meeting starting with the installation of the new officers.

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Our guest this evening Doug Chiechi, State 1st Vice-President of GLNW and member of Seattle Fedele Lodge helped administer the installation. New President Mike Butorac continued with the business of the lodge with all details for the Spaghetti Dinner being covered. On Wednesday, March 15th, lodge members met



at the home of Kathi and Mike Butorac to prepare the meatballs for the Spaghetti Dinner. This gathering is a lot of fun and



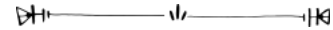
has become a kind of pre-party in preparation for the spaghetti dinner. The evening of Saturday, March 18th arrived, and the



Putnam Centennial Center was ready with fully decorated tables and all the auction and raffle items on display for the 270 guests we were expecting. Lodge members and helpers were in place and ready to start filling the plates with lodge member made spaghetti sauce and noodles, meatballs, garlic butter French bread, Italian dressing salad with antipasto, and a dessert of spumoni ice cream

and pizzelles. Students from Walter Strom Middle School and Cle Elum-Roslyn High School work with us as servers and are an integral element in the enjoyment that the community members at our dinner receive. Music was provided by Braven Bendzak and his accordion, a local favorite. Our auctioneer extraordinaire David Sandona has worked with us for several years and has never failed to open up the wallets and purse strings that support our student scholarships. Members of Cle Elum Lodge send our thanks to our community and our brothers and sisters in the Grand Lodge for supporting our event.

Ciao! Respectfully submitted;
Rich Grillo, grillo1@msn.com



Mille Cugini
#2659, Marysville, WA

Spring is here, and it's time to start planting a garden! They say to sow seeds when the "danger of frost is passed". It's hard to say when that will be, so we'll just have to see how it goes. We had our officer installation and we now have a new Financial Secretary, Marcella Maile and a new Trustee. Thank you to ALL the volunteers in our lodge who are assuming a new office and to



those who are maintaining their past duties. Our delegates for the convention this year are Mary Dellino and Paula (Dellino) Jacoby. Rebecca (Jacoby) Helling will be the stand-in for Patrick Jacoby as President. All are honored and happy to serve. Mary Dellino is looking forward to reconnecting with some old friends and doing her duty as a delegate. Let's pray it will be a fun and productive time for everyone! This month we are featuring some history from Larry Pirone's family. He has been our faithful and diligent Treasurer for many years. Happy Spring! Mille Cugini Reporter, Paula Jacoby

Spotlight on our Treasurer, Larry Pirone's Family History:

"My grandfather, on my dad's side of the family, was named Angelo Raffaele Pirone. He was born in Mirabella Italy which is in the province of Avellino in the region of Cambria in southern Italy. He married Maria Giuseppa Sorentino who was also from Mirabella. Together they had four sons, Dominico, Attilio, Nunzio, and my father Luigi. They lived in the small town of Passo

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Eclano which is located about 40 miles northeast of Naples. Passo Eclano is a suburb of the larger city of Mirabella Eclano. My father told me that his mother told him she could often see the smoke rising from Mt. Vesuvius from their home. My grandfather was a stone mason and came to America looking for work and a better life for himself and his family. He came through Ellis Island two times, the last being on April 6, 1905. He made his way to Seattle and help to build the YMCA. My grandmother came to America through Ellis Island on October 12, 1920. She came with her sons (my uncles) Attilio and Nunzio. My uncle Domenico, the oldest son, stayed in Italy with the house and property. When they were older, the other three brothers relinquished their share of the property to him. After Maria arrived in America she and Angelo settled in Worcester Mass. My father was born there in 1923 and thus became the first of his family to be born in



America. They lived in an all-Italian neighborhood where Italian was the first language, even in public schools. My father did not learn to speak English until high school. My father was an altar boy and was considering joining the priesthood. He told me

that every Sunday the local Don would be seated in the front row dressed in his finest clothes. If you ever saw the street scenes in the movie Godfather II then you can imagine what it was like for him growing up. He said those scenes with the street vendors, burn barrels and religious processions were quite accurate to what he experienced. My dad came to the west coast courtesy of the U.S. Army and WWII. Because he spoke fluent Italian, one of his assignments was at Fort Lawton as an MP in charge of guarding Italian POWs. The POWs were not Fascists but instead were everyday farmers and merchants. The POWs were considered low risk. They were allowed out on work details, could receive visitors, and could go to the PX. One POW made a model P-51 Mustang airplane out of tin cans. My father said it was beautiful and offered to buy it from him. He wanted \$10 which was too much for my father, so he passed on buying it. He often told me he really regretted not buying that airplane. My father was later stationed at Paine Field assigned to guard the aviation fuel tanks in Mukilteo. It was while he was at Paine Field he met my mother at the Everett Roller Rink. The idea of being a priest was gone forever. I have the original passports of my grandfather and grandmother. They are

well worn but they mean a lot to me.

I would say that if you have any long-lost relatives living in Italy and know in which city they are living, I encourage you to try and get in touch with them using the Pronto. It's a phonebook and an online translator if needed. Hopefully, they have a Facebook or email account which would make communicating faster and easier to cut and paste into a translator. I am sure they would be thrilled to hear from you. I say that because when I first contacted my relatives in 2005 I did not tell them of Nancy and my upcoming trip to Italy because I did not want them to feel any obligations toward hosting us. After we got back I told them we visited Italy and found it to be a beautiful place. My cousin Michele was disappointed we did not drop by. He told me that the next time we get to Naples we are to call him, and he will come to get us." -Larry Pirone

Olympic Peninsula
#2733, Port Angeles, WA

Hello from the beautiful Olympic Peninsula. Easter and Spring greetings. Thank you to all our special guests at our March meeting. We were pleased to have National 5th Vice President Tony Anderson join us, along with Grand Lodge President Linda Buccini Anderson and past Grand Lodge President Rosetta



Beyersdorf. And Bill Haberstock, President of the Cataldo Lodge joined us as usual – always a pleasure to have Bill. All of these dedicated officers showed great interest and support in our lodge. We appreciate their time to come and visit us. Linda assisted our State Deputy Jackie Haberstock in our ceremony for the installations of officers. What do you call a group of OSDIA



officers and trustees like in the attached picture? I don't know either, but it's quite a number of folks giving their time, talents, and experience for the lodge. A big thank

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you to all of them. We also had the pleasure of initiating a new member. Sandy Mangino was excited to take the oath and join the lodge. Sandy is a long-time resident of Port Angeles and a local business owner. She recently applied for dual citizenship, embracing her Italian roots. Her dream is to move to Italy in the not-too-distant future, and she is making great strides in turning that dream into a reality. We hope to hang on to her for a little while longer though but wish her all the success in achieving this dream. She and her children, Zoe and Jake have been a pleasure to get to know. Tony and Linda separately addressed the lodge members and presented merit pins to a few folks. Linda gave Judy



D'Amico a pin on behalf of the many contributions to this lodge and the Grand Lodge by her husband Sal. She also presented our State Deputy Jackie Haberstock with a well-deserved merit pin. Jackie has been the rudder of our lodge meetings, keeping us on track and letting us stray a

bit, but not too far. She is very committed to her role and works diligently to make us a better lodge. Tony thanked all members for their contributions and stressed how all members, new and veteran members are equally important. He presented one of our past presidents, and current trustee, John Andriolo with a merit pin for his efforts in his years as president. And, speaking of John Andriolo, we aren't quite sure at each meeting if he and his wife Rose will be joining us. Sadly for us, they are in the throes of moving and leaving Washington state. Depending on when they sell their home, they will be leaving the area. Anyone looking for a large home, here in the beautiful peninsula, they are your go-to folk. It was also a joy to see Ray Barbieri at the meeting. Ray, one of our trustees, and a longtime member hasn't been able to join us for a while. Before this closes out, there is one more shout-out that is probably long overdue. We want to thank Bill Haberstock for his efforts at each and every meeting. He is like a ninja, just working in the background to help us in any way needed. He helps get our meal set up, pulls things from the oven, and just does whatever he sees needing to be done. He even played janitor this past meeting which was way beyond anything expected. So, Cataldo Lodge – you are truly blessed to have Bill and Jackie working on your behalf – but you probably already know that. Oh, by the way, “the bridge” will have closures this summer over a few weekends, so when you plan your trip up to see us, keep that in mind – and hey, do come up and see us sometime. Ciao for now. Yvonne Schipani, Recording Secretary Lodge 2733

Seattle

#1390, Seattle, WA

We celebrated the installation of our new officers at our March Meeting. Congratulations to a great group. President Laura Salle, Vice President, Holly Cochran, Secretary Laura Cochran, Treasurer Chris Gerling. Financial Secretary Karen Hudler, Orator Joanne Marchese, Trustees: Steve Fontana, Susan Norwood, Kenny Volpone, Linda Madrid and Joe Megale, Mistress and Master of Ceremonies Sharon and Bruce Leone, Sentinel Paul Pioli, Past President Jeff D'Amelio. We would also like to thank our officers that are stepping down this year: Trustee, Lola Fontana, Mistress and Master of Ceremonies Amadeo and Frances Rossi. We appreciate all of the work you have done for our lodge. Our installation dinner was prepared by the best cooks around: Phil Lembo, Joe Salle, Al Carlson, Chris Alferi, Kenny Volpone, and Joe Megale. We enjoyed Pasta a la Bolognese, meatballs, salad, rolls and delicious cream filled cakes. We also celebrated St. Patrick's day with a wee bit of Jameson.

So happy to have Jeff D'Amelio back at our meeting. He looks great and is feeling a lot better. Please keep Sharon Pioli and Dick Whitney in your prayers as they are recovering from recent health issues. By the time you read this article we would have enjoyed our 50th Annual Seattle Fedele/John Croce Homemade Wine Festival. Thanks for joining in the fun! We will report the winners next month. Seattle Fedele's Book Club's last meeting was held at Linda Madrid's home. We shared recipes from Stanley Tucci's cookbook. The food was only outmatched by the great company. Our next book club discussion will be on Sunday, June 4th at 1:00 PM. We will be discussing the book, Street Boys by Lorenzo Carcaterra. Always looking for new members!

Seattle Fedele is busy planning our 95th Annual Banquet. The banquet will be held on April 29th at Blanchet High School. Hope you can join us for great food, wine, music, an incredible raffle and a chance to enjoy family and friends while we celebrate our Italian American Heritage. Tickets are \$50.00. Contact Karen Hudler kmidge@live.com or Chris Gerling volponeja@hotmail.com to order your tickets.

The Grand Lodge Convention will be held May 19 – 20 at the Lynnwood Embassy Suites in Lynnwood. We are sending 11 delegates. Laura Salle, Jeff D'Amelio, Joanne Marchese, Joe Megale, Karen Hudler, Steve Fontana, Florence Carlson, Chris Gerling, Diana Warczak, Joe Salle and Dick Whitney, in addition to the GLNW delegates from 1390, Doug Chiechi, Dorothy Whitney, Diane Scillo, and Paul Pioli. Remember all members are welcome to join in all the activities of the convention. Wishing everyone a Happy Easter. See you all at our next meeting on April 20th at Mt. Virgin School Hall.



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Tacoma
#1175, Tacoma, WA

Greetings to you all from the lovely and scenic City of Destiny. Spring is here and time to clean those yards up. We at the Tacoma lodge are very busy getting ready for our 100-year celebration. It promises to be the event of the year, with lots of great people, good food, interesting history, serenading, fantastic band, singing, and dancing. We will be at an incredible venue, The Tacoma Yacht Club. Tony Camorodo as co-chair has done an incredible job, we sure appreciate all he has done and continues to do. Thank you, Tony. At our March meeting, we celebrated the Famous Italian St Patrick. Festive decorations and folks wearing fun



outfits with plenty of green. We were thankful to our member Marshall Jet who has just opened "A Pizza Little Italy" restaurant, and who donated many different types of pizzas, really was fun. We installed a wonderful new member, Maria Fiorino, and her cute baby. Maria is the daughter of Dan and Paula Fiorino. WELCOME MARIA! Speaking of installing, we installed our new officers for the coming year. First of all, we are going to miss a few who are no longer going to be able to serve, a big thank you to trustee Rose Reeve, and orator Tony Camorodo both have served for the last 3+ years. As I said they will be truly missed. Our new orator will be none other than Mr. Thomas Huff, who has served as a trustee for the last three years and has already done some work for the lodge. It is looking like he is the right man for the job. Thanks to Thomas for volunteering! We are so looking forward to working with two of our new trustees, Vicky Zink and Laura Macaluso. Thanks to both of you, we know you will be a welcome addition to our team.

We were all very sad to hear of our longtime member and bartender for our meetings, Leonard Laudadio passing. Rest In Peace Brother. Please join us at our next meeting on Wednesday, April 5th. Social hour begins at 5:30 with dinner following at 6:30. Don't forget to bring your favorite appetizer or dessert!

Respectfully
 David Madrid

Tre Città
#2881, Tri-Cities, WA

On March 7th, 2023, our Lodge held its third meeting of this year at Bella Italia restaurant in Kennewick. We had a total of twenty-four members and visitors in attendance. We had visitors Mike Butoric from the Cle Elum Lodge and Doug Chiechi with his wife, Mary from E. Wenatchee at our meeting. Our membership so far for this year has grown to thirty-eight members.

We had a report from Jack Barnaby of our Scholarship committee. Scholarship materials have been distributed to local schools in our area. Scholarships applications are due to our Lodge by March 15th. This year, we will be giving out scholarships for \$1,500 each for 3 worthy recipients. As of March 18th, we have received a total of five applications so far for this year.

We also discussed our next social event which will be a Sunday afternoon of bocce, lunch, and vino at Book Walter Winery in Richland sometime in May. At the end of our meeting, we had our 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 \$204 at our meeting. That was a record single raffle donation for our Lodge ever. Our charity fund has grown to just well over \$940 and, at our meeting, we donated \$500 to Grace Kitchen, a worthy local cause in our community. Grace Kitchen is a nonprofit bistro and store that sells pasta and other food products in Pasco that offers hope and opportunity for change to women survivors of trafficking, addiction, homelessness, and poverty. They do this by fostering a community of grace where women learn job and life skills in the bistro and store that enable them to gain sustainable employment and a secure future for themselves and their children. We continue to be delighted that our members and the public can now follow us on Facebook. Many thanks go to Jackie Valentino, one of our dedicated members, for feeding wonderful content on Italian food, culture, people, travel destinations, holidays, and other topics on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/OSDIAtrecitta>. We schedule our monthly meetings for the first Tuesday of each month. Our next regular monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 4th, 2023, 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, President



Vancouver USA
#2690, Vancouver, WA

We had to postpone our Installation of new officers until Thursday, April 13th. Dinner will take place beginning at 6:30

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PM at Family of Christ Lutheran Church, 3500 NW 129th Street, Vancouver. We will be celebrating with lasagna, salad, bread, and dessert. The cost is \$10.00 per person. RSVP to Louise Ramunno-Johnson at (360)281-0915 or email her at alamunno@gmail.com Subject Line: April Dinner. RSVP no later than Monday, April 10th. Since we canceled our March meeting, you may bring your "personal hygiene for women" items and any April donation (can goods) to the meeting on April 13 for the Clark County Veterans Assistance Center. This is strictly voluntary. The Leonard Simeone Scholarship is taking applications from graduating high school seniors of Clark County. Check out the information on WashBoard.org web page. The application deadline is April 30th. ITALIAN BOOK CLUB will meet at Star Bucks in Barnes and Noble, 4500 E. Fourth Plain Blvd on Monday, May 15th at 2 pm to discuss A Postcard from Italy BY author Alex Brown. Our book selection for July is The Venice Sketchbook by Rhys Bowen. Barnes and Noble and Amazon have these books. Any questions call Barbara Blair at (360)253-7984. White Elephant Bingo is the first Tuesday of the month, April 4th. We will be meeting at Barbara Blair's home at 7:00 PM. RSVP to her at (360) 253-7984. Bring a white elephant gift and \$1.00 to have some fun. Game Nite is on Saturday, April 15th at 7:00 PM at Bruce & Barbara Blair's home. Please let them know if you plan to attend at blairbjb@comcast.net or (360)253-7984. Our next DINE OUT will be on Wednesday, April 26th at 6:00 PM at Los Jalapenos Mexican Restaurant at 11711 NE 99th St., #940, Vancouver WA (360) 883-6588. RSVP to Barbara Blair at (360)253-7984 or blairbjb@comcast.net no later than Sunday, April 23rd if you plan to attend. If you have any suggestions for a place for a dine-out, please let Barbara know. At this time, we have postponed our ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER until fall. We will announce the date when it has been selected. Also, our SCHOLARSHIP BASKET RAFFLE will take place at our Spaghetti Dinner at that time. Please continue to collect any items you may have to make a basket for this important event. CLUB NEWS: Donna Covi is heading to Mesa, Arizona for a visit with family this month. Buon compleanno to our April birthdays!! Interested in taking a limoncello class with Lucia Galazia??? Let me know and I will get the details for us. Contact Barbara Blair at (360)253-7984 or blairbjb@comcast.net. THE HATS FOR HEADSTART GROUP are still meeting on the first and third Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3:30 pm at Liz Haught's house. Any questions, contact her at 360-673-1320 or haughtde@yahoo.com Andrea Scasso hosts The Italian Hour every other Sunday (April 9th & 23rd) 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: It seems that many of our members have been having a run of cataract

surgery. Patti Borden, Candis Hurlbut, and Cathy Rafanelli are recovering from this surgery and Bruce Blair is looking forward to his. Special thoughts to all members who came down with covid during the last month. Hope you all have recovered by now. Please keep all our members in your thoughts and prayers. Buona Pasqua!!
Barbara Blair



Yakima
#2732, Yakima, WA

The Yakima Lodge met at the Harman Center on March 16th at our new time of 5:30 PM for a soup and salad dinner and meeting. Janice Picatti and Sarah Judd each made a pot of Minestrone, each with a different spin, Nancy Carle brought Zappa Toscana, and Jeanne Fasano Chicken Gnocchi. Elenore Ficele provided a beautiful salad. All delicious! We were honored to have the Grand Lodge 1st VP Douglas Chiechi and his lovely wife Mary join us



for the evening. Travelers last month were Don and Cathy Guintoli who went to Hawaii, Katherine Miller just back from Ireland, and Nancy Carle fresh from a cruise to Mexico.

Katherine's 9-day trip to Ireland included one area of particular interest to her as a science teacher. The Giants Causeway contains basalt columns that are very much like the ones in the Yakima area. She was surprised to learn that many of the cities in Ireland had large Italian sections. She reminded us that St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, was Italian. We also learned from Doug Chiechi that Corned Beef is an American tradition for St Patrick's Day not an Irish tradition. Nancy particularly enjoyed the cruise part of her trip to Mexico and the food on board the ship. She went ashore to visit several cities including Puerto Vallarta. Ask her about her bus trip while in that city, she had quite the experience! We



are looking forward to hearing about Don and Cathy's trip to Hawaii at a future meeting. We celebrated the dual holidays of St Patricks Day and Joe Ficele's birthday. Joe provided a St Patties day cake for our meeting. Thank you, Joe, it was delicious. The Grand Lodge meeting will be from May 19 to 21 this year. Sarah Judd and Jeanne Fasano will represent the

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Lodge this year. A list of those members that have passed away in the past 2 years needs to turn in for the memorial service at the Grand Lodge meeting very soon. The election of officers was held. Officers for 2023 are: President Robin Costanzo Miller; Vice President Ama Widner; Co-treasurers Sarah Judd and Jeanne Fasano; Secretary Nancy Carle; Mistress of Ceremonies; Beverly Arralde; Master of Ceremonies/Chaplain Pete Fadish Trustees:

Don Guintoli; Marty Borello; Stephen Fancuillo; Matthew Fasano is new to the position. Thank you Matt for volunteering. We are still in need of one more trustee. We will attempt to fill that position at the April meeting. Anyone willing to take a co-president or Co-Vice President position to take some of those tasks from Robin and Ama would be very appreciated. The membership list was laid out for the meeting to update phone numbers, addresses, and email addresses. If you have had a change of any of these and were not there to update the list please let Ama know. We will continue to make phone calls to anyone not having email and will make calls to anyone else that would

like a reminder call. Katherine Miller has volunteered to make those calls. Thank you Katherine taking on that very helpful role. Ama Widner has suggested we explore doing a raffle fundraiser. Don Picatti suggested that we check the rules for such a raffle. Ama will check on rules for legality. Several other Lodges have had successful on line raffles. Our Italian language phrase this month in keeping with St Patrick's Day and provided by Katherine Miller was "Buon giorno di San Patrizio", thank you Katherine and Happy St Patrick's to you! Sarah Judd gave her Master Gardner tips on what we can be doing to prepare for gardening this month. Seeds such as peppers, cauliflower, egg plant, and broccoli can be started inside now. Out door planting should wait until mid May. Sarah was asked about arsenic in the ground from orchards. It is Sarah's experience that plants that take up the arsenic don't grow at all. Our next meeting is April 20. Watch for more information by email or by a call for more information. Raffle items are always appreciated. The raffle nearly always pays the months rent. We will continue to have a basket for items to donate to the shelter for the abused. Some of the items needed are shampoo, conditioner, towels, wash clothes, soap, sheets, blankets, deodorant, and other hygiene items. Thank you for your generosity. See you April 20th at our NEW TIME of 5:30PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jeanne Fasano

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