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Coming Events!

Festa Italiana! Seattle Center

Sept. 28 & 29, 2024

Dennis C. (206) 282-0627

Fall Grand Council

Saturday Oct. 5, 2024

Embassy Suites, Lynnwood, Wa.

Tony Anderson, Osdia1957@gmail.com

Vancouver USA Lodge Annual Spaghetti Dinner Sunday, October 20, 2024

American Legion Post #176

14011 NE 20th Avenue,

Vancouver, WA

Info: Mike Cherney (360)903-812

Crab Feed and Dance

Tacoma Lodge

Saturday November 2, 2024

with the Mary Marchese Band

David Madrid, 253-961-6526

Saturday, Nov 9, 2024

Veterans Parade in Auburn

Free lunch for marchers at the

Multipurpose Building in

Les Gove Park after the parade.

Please RSVP to

Michael Sepal

253-863-5216 sepalmj@aol.com

Grand Lodge Northwest Annual Crab Dinner

Sat. Feb 15, 2025, 7:00 PM

Holy Family Church Hall,

Auburn, WA

Rosetta 206-478-3895

From the Office of the Grand Lodge of the NW Linda Buccini Anderson, President



Buongiorno: The summer fun is ending. Tony, Rosetta & I attended the National Plenary meeting in St. Louis, MO. The organization is going through a rebranding process. Be on the lookout for our NEW LOGO's, as well as added information. So many lodge picnics, bocce games, fundraisers, and opportunities to get together with small groups of

friends or a big crowd. Italians look for any reason to get together



and have FUN. More fun events to come: The San Gennaro festival and then the Seattle Festa. (see current events). Tony and I held the Santelli Award event at our home. I want to thank the Santelli family again for their continued support by donating \$2,000. Also, to all who came and supported the

event. It was fantastic. Diana Sciola Warczak and Lenny Folino are well deserving recipients for all they do and have done for the order. Diana and Lenny take pride in their Italian heritage and share that message as we all should. Yes, Sept. is also the time



we get back to our lodge meetings, seeing friends, enjoying their company and food. ATTN: November money calendars: Please be sure to connect with your lodge president or Grand Lodge officers to get one or more.

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From the Office of the Grand Lodge of the NW, Linda Buccini Anderson, President
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Remember, if your name is drawn any day in November, your name goes back in to win again, believe me it does happen. Anyone can purchase the calendar & we encourage each lodge to participate. Our Grand Council will meet Saturday Oct. 5 at the Lynwood Embassy Suites. All lodge presidents, GL officers and deputies will be attending. Guests are always welcome too. The menu and registration fee are inside this newsletter. Please use the QR code posted. Please contact GL Treasurer Janet Fritz (fritz.janet@gmail.com) for any questions. Deadline for registration/ordering meal is Sept. 23, 2024. COOKBOOKS are back: Thank you to our Charities committee, the famous SOUL OF ITALY has been reprinted in limited quantity and is available to all. Please check inside for contact info. Jackie Habershtock (habpal@hotmail.com) (360)373-4341 or use the QR code posted. We are taking pre-orders to deliver to lodge presidents at our Grand council Oct 5.

Nov. 9th is the Veterans Parade held in Auburn. It is the largest parade west of the Mississippi. This parade is for all members not just Auburn. Please come, walk with the Sons and Daughters of Italy, and support our Veterans. Contact Mike Sepal sepalmj@aol.com or (253) 863-5216 for details. The Auburn lodge will be providing a great lunch for those that participate.

Sharing your stories via Italian at Heart Submission Form, and recipe collection and sharing Italian at Heart <https://wkf.ms/3zXTbtu> Recipes, <https://wkf.ms/3YjL3xG> is all happening via our National committees. Please check it out, get involved be a part of our future opportunities to connect with each other. Please talk to everyone about the Sons & Daughters of Italy in America..."Come together as Friends(Amici), but leave as Family(Famiglia)" Looking forward to the fun and exciting times we create together!

Linda Buccini Anderson, OSDIA – GLNW President.
253-225-2483 linda@glnw.org

From the desk of Mary Jane Rogers, GLNW Financial Secretary:

Most of you know this already, but for those who are newer officers...this is just a reminder that each time your lodge has an event, you should request "Proof of Insurance" also known as "Certification of Insurance" from the Grand Lodge. Many church halls as well as other city halls require some proof of insurance before we can use their facilities. Each lodge pays an annual installment based on their membership to pay for this insurance. The insurance includes \$1,000,000 in property and personal liabilities and \$10,000 in medical expenses in case someone gets injured at your event or because of your event.

When your lodge is having an event, please contact me, Mary Jane, 3 to 4 weeks prior ahead of your event by email with the following information and a certification of insurance will be emailed back to you. I will need the following: Lodge Name and number, date of the event, Place / Address, and the event name.

Another timely reminder is that of filing lodge taxes with the IRS. A few years back, there were several lodges who repeatedly failed to file and after a few years, the IRS stripped them of their non-profit status. When this happens, back taxes need to be filed and a request needs to be sent to the IRS to be reinstated. This can be an arduous and costly thing to accomplish.

You should receive a postcard in the mail from the IRS no later than June of each year. If you do not receive this postcard, please contact the IRS immediately. Please send a copy to me, Janet, so that I have a record of the filing. If you have any questions, please contact us.

Respectfully and fraternally, Janet Rosi Fritz (fritz.janet@gmail.com) State Treasurer, and Mary Jane Rogers (maryjanerogers80@gmail.com) State Financial Secretary

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Veterans Parade on Saturday, November 9, 2024



Come to the Veterans Parade being held on Saturday, November 9, 2024, starting at 11:00 am on Main Street in downtown Auburn. The City of Auburn has honored our Veterans since 1965. The parade typically commences with a military flyover by a C-17, followed by a UH-1H Huey helicopter flyover.

All lodge members, and guests, of the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America are invited, no matter where you live! Come

support our Veterans, current and past. It is a very moving experience, that will make you glad that you were part of the parade. All ages are welcome.

A lunch will be provided for marchers at the Multipurpose Building in Auburn's Les Gove Park following the parade. RSVP Mike Sepal at: 253-863-5216 sepalmj@aol.com

Back by Popular Demand!

"THE SOUL OF ITALY" Our Favorite Recipes



Sons and Daughters of Italy in America
Grand Lodge of the Northwest

As requested by our members (new and old) we have reprinted a select number of copies of our cookbook, *"The Soul of Italy" Our Favorite Recipes*. Preordering is encouraged so we will have all copies ready for delivery at the Oct 5th Grand Council meeting. The preorder deadline is Sept. 30th. We will also have copies available for purchase at the San Gennaro Festival and Festa Italiana in Seattle.

The cost is \$20.00 per copy, check or cash. Credit orders via the Square app are \$21 ([glnw.square.site](https://square.site)). All pre-orders will be picked up at the Grand Council meeting by your lodge representative. **To place your order:** contact your lodge president or call Jackie Haberstock. We are attempting to avoid the cost of postage for members. This is a great cookbook that has been enjoyed by many - don't miss out!

The Charities Committee appreciates your support and "mangia!! mangia!!" Barbara Blair-

Co-chair, Kathi Butorac, Linda Marcus, Linda Buccini Anderson, Bill Haberstock, Mary Jane Rogers

Jackie Haberstock- Co-Chair habpal@hotmail.com (360) 373-4341

OSDIA-Grand Lodge of the Northwest Autumn Grand Council Meeting



Oct.5, 2024 (10am -4pm)

Grand Council will be meeting at the Embassy Suites in Lynnwood, WA
20610 44th Ave West, Lynnwood, WA 98036

Entree Choices: Price- \$35.00 - Pick only one menu choice.

1. Maple Bourbon Glazed Chicken
2. Foraged local Mushroom Meatloaf
3. Tofu & Eggplant Stir-Fry



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Seattle salad and Deconstructed Strawberry Shortcake with each entree

Meal Order Deadline to submit is Sept. 23, 2024

Payment: Send a Check made out to GLNW (Grand Lodge of Northwest) Mail to Treasurer Janet Fritz 5418 142nd St. NW Gig Harbor 98332 OR ONLINE PAYMENT USE QR LINK

Hotel Room Option: As a courtesy, for those who want to stay at the Embassy Suite Friday night Oct. 4, 2024- The cost of a room is \$134.00+tax etc. The deadline to reserve your room is Sept. 6. You will need to call directly to the Embassy Suites in Lynwood (425) 775-2500 and ask for the Sons and Daughters of Italy room block. There are only a small number of rooms set aside to get this special rate.

Deadline to reserve a room is Sept. 6, 2024

Notice: The Grand Lodge of the NW Director of Publications is stepping down after the next GLNW Convention, May 16-18, 2025. This position provides a vital function and helps keep our membership connected. If you feel this is something in which you might be interested, **email** Patrick Jacoby at patrick@glnw.org to find out more. If you are elected, you will be provided with the tools you need to be a publisher.



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

Time flies when you're having fun! And this summer we've been busy in the community having fun, fun, fun! We started with our participation in EXPO'50TH



ANNIVERSARY SPOKANE, at RIVERFRONT PARK. We marched in the EXPO Opening Ceremony and continued our involvement throughout the nine-week event. We had three Bake sales that allowed us to present ourselves to the community and invite them to join our club. We found many people who never knew we existed in Spokane!! Our club enjoyed our collaboration with Spokane-Cagli Sister City Association, in their program at EXPO; "A Celebration of our Sister Cities: Building Bridges Around the World". It was a very exciting event! The day's program started with a parade led by bagpipes, bringing us to the Welcoming Sake Barrel Opening Ceremony with Sake toast! The program continued with a performance in the Connecting Gardens featuring Taiko Drums. It was a beautiful and moving experience. The day included dancing and food sampling from the five Sister Cities, along with a pasta eating contest, free cannoli, and Marco Polo! After the EXPO, we took some needed time to rest and refuel. We had to prepare for our Annual Family Club Picnic in July, hosting our exchange students from Cagli, Italy. Unfortunately, the day we scheduled for our picnic was forecasted to reach 106 degrees. These extreme temperatures forced us to cancel and reschedule the picnic. Regrettably, the students were only here for ten days. With their full schedule, we were unable to connect with them during their



visit. Next year's picnic will be extra special to make up for this year's loss. We did have our picnic in August. Despite the club being off in August, club members came and enjoyed themselves in milder weather. There were bar-b-que hamburgers, hot dogs, and tables of sides and desserts provided by our club members. It was a lovely relaxing day in Manito Park full of good food, fabulous friends, and great conversation. Our lodge will reconvene on September 11th, at O'Malley Hall, bringing in the season of pumpkin cinnamon lattes, fire pits, and smores. Ciao a tutti

Linda Marcus, Assistant Recording Secretary



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

Hoping everyone had a wonderful summer! A fun time was had by all the Amerigo Vespucci members who attended the Mariner's Italian Heritage Night ballgame. It was a great time both on the way up in the van and at the game. The Mariners topped it off by winning the game, too!



Ava and Alaina Rector attended our June 20th meeting and received their Scholarship checks. Congratulations to you both. The Lodge wishes you well in your educational endeavors. A big "Grazie" Joe and Connie Chicano for all your work preparing for the annual Amerigo Vespucci picnic. President Joe Chicano thanks everyone who brought the delicious side dishes and



desserts, and Ted as the hot dog and hamburger chef. There was a great turnout of members and families. It was good to see the kids and grandkids having such a good time together. The Amerigo Vespucci Lodge will donate to the charity, Back to School Market Place, in remembrance of past member Joe Cornell. Kristine



Finazzio's grandson and Nicole Evanson's son, Calvin Evanson earned the honor of participating in the SkillsUSA competition and placed 2nd in Rehearsed Speech category. Calvin is a 7th grade student at Miller High School in Aberdeen, Washington. A reminder that the GLNW November raffle calendars are available from Joe Chicano for \$20. They can be purchased at our Thursday, September 19, 2024, meeting at St. Mary's Parish Hall. Social time begins at 5:30 pm, dinner at 6:00 pm, followed by a Lodge meeting. As always, raffle items for the scholarship fund are appreciated

Alla prossima, Judith Braddon. reporter


Auburn
#1955 Auburn, WA



June's meeting was a short one. (We focused mainly on camaraderie and barbecue.) Vice President Dave Manning ran the meeting, as President John

Partridge was kayaking with the grizzlies in Alaska. Nick DeGidio reported on our wine-tasting event. It was tons of fun and we raised over \$5,000! Congrats to Nick and Tony Anderson, who won the homemade wine competition. At the meeting, we also celebrated our scholarship recipients: Ella Podeszwa, Michaela Slaughter, and Ty Brunner. \$700 awards were presented to each young scholar. We are so proud of them!



A note from President John Partridge: Saturday, July 27th, Auburn Lodge members gathered by the Bocce Courts in Auburn's Les Gove Park. A twenty-foot table with a variety of picnic food fed the attendees. The weather was gorgeous, members got caught up on each other's summer adventures and the Bocce Courts simmered with competition. It was nice to have this gathering reestablished and we will plan on it again next year. Grazie to everyone who helped in planning, setup, equipment, and food preparation. A reminder that the September meeting has been moved to Friday, September 13th! I trust you all had a wonderful, relaxing summer, and we want to hear all about it in September. Salute! Sincerely,

Francesco Ortenzo, Immediate Past President


Bella Vita
#2285, Olympia, WA



Ciao amici! Bella Vita continues to celebrate the beautiful life! It was brought to my attention that even some church members didn't know that "BellaVita" is Italian for "a beautiful life." It's not just our lodge name but our way of life. June 4th, we met for our last



pre-summer festa-themed “Bella Vita Goes Hog Wild.” Members wore fun western shirts, cowboy boots, & hats, and we enjoyed Vera Kay’s delicious pulled pork & Diane Stefanini’s fantastic chicken & white bean chili. There was food in plenty as other members contributed appetizers, sides, salads, & desserts. VP Shirley Garrison caught the spirit & led some brave members, including GLNW President Linda Buccini Anderson, in a spontaneous line dance. You can check out the video on Facebook. Great time had by all!



In June, it was announced that Marina Foster has agreed to be our new chaplain. Thank you Marina! Pam Daudet is still recovering from surgery & was missed at our festa. On Tuesday, June 11th, a few Bella

Vita members, including Aaron & I, were able to join Aberdeen’s Amerigo Vespucci members in attending Italian Heritage Night at the Mariners game. It was a great game with the Mariners winning 4-3! On Friday, June 14th, Aaron & I joined members Angelo Fazio & Jim Vettori for the City of Lacey’s Flag Day

Ceremony. Afterward, at Applebee’s, Jim, 91 years old, informed us that he’s been attending that ceremony for over 50 years! Thank you, Angelo, for bringing Jim & for regularly visiting him. He appreciates all the support from his Bella Vita famiglia! On July 26th, several members got together to lend muscle & help Sergeant at



Arms, Gary Haney move. What is family for? Members got together in smaller groups this summer & enjoyed being together. We will continue to foster & encourage this in our Italian famiglia! On July 27th, we had a



BBQ at our home in Olympia & members did what they always do: ate good food, had a little wine, & enjoyed being together! It was also our opportunity to say “Buon Viaggio” to Former President Sophia Risorto as she flew to Calabria, Italy the following morning to visit family &

**AMERICAN-ITALIAN
CLUB NO. 2172
Spokane, WA**

Meets the 2nd Wednesday
of each month at 6:00 PM
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**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
President Joe “Chiacchieri” Chicano
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**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 John Partridge
jpartridge427@gmail.com
253-350-4922



friends. We look forward to some great pictures & stories at our next Festa on September 5th, when we will all be celebrating "Back to Italy" with pasta & Vodka sauce prepared by Tony Anderson. Can't wait to see everyone together again! Bella Vita...a beautiful life!

Amber Dahl, Recording Secretary



**Bellevue
#2377, Bellevue, WA**

Hello Friends, It's been a wonderful summer, but the Bellevue Lodge is ready to eager to get back to our regular meeting. We've resigned our contract with the Bellevue Unity Church for meetings on the first Thursday of the month. We've already booked our Lodge Christmas Party, which we will have again at Enzo's in Issaquah. This year will be having the party on December 8th from noon until 3:30 pm. Cost and menu are to be determined. We did have a discussion about potentially having the Christmas party elsewhere or having the party catered, but after Doug Warne looked into other options we found that the other options were not feasible. One difference this year is that we are reserving only one room so we will be limited to only 40 attendees.

In Sunshine News, Linda Jacobin had knee replacement surgery. Linda is doing well but is still recovering so she's been using a wheelchair. Michele Guerrini went

to Italy with some of her cousins to visit relatives. She said the highlight was seeing her family and that she realized that she probably should have accepted the rental agent's suggestion to rent a smaller car as she was driving around the narrow roads and streets of Italy. Several members of the Bellevue Lodge attended the All-Italian Picnic at Royal Arch Park in Maple Valley. Of course, we brought food and drinks to share before the pasta and meatballs were served and everyone had a great time. Our next Lodge meeting will be September 5th 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. Buon Cannoli!

Greg Osgood



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



President Janice welcomed Black Diamond members and friends to the annual Lodge picnic at Mud Mountain Dam Park in Enumclaw on July 20. A multitude of delicious potluck offerings filled the tables, including a beautiful cake designed by Barbara Cloud with a heartfelt message for the 56th wedding anniversary of Michele and Marlene Palazzo on the same day as the picnic. The Board of Officers is striving to generate projects that will inspire enthusiasm, interest, and participative interactions to enhance and maintain the

**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

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Shirley Delauranti Garrison, Vice President
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Amber Dahl, Recording Secretary

**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

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**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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Italian culture. We encourage you to bring your family and friends to San Genaro where we will have a refreshing beverage booth to raise funds to benefit the 16 communities in which our members reside. You will remember the introduction of our new member Diane



DiLuck in the June-July edition. It is our great pleasure to share the origins of her family with you in this issue.

Nonna Persia left the Comune di Martignacco, a small town near Udine in Northeastern Italy in 1900. They spoke Friulian (which is now a recognized language in

Italy). Like many before her, she wanted to come to the "New World" to start a new chapter in life. She was a farm girl, one of 13, with brothers Ferro, Forte, Volcano, and Guerra all strong names for strong people. Looking back at the family tree for generations, they stayed in the same place and married people from the same little village as was common back then. Not knowing the language and coming to America to get married had to be a great adventure into the unknown. Seeing the Statue of Liberty for the first time must

have been an epic moment. She married her sweetheart and started a family in the Georgetown area of Seattle. Being resourceful as she was, she financed a trip back to the "Old Country" to visit family by selling Grappa from her still in the basement. Can you imagine how much grappa she had to sell to get back to Italy? She had two children, Eva and my father Lido, who is Janet Henkel's cousin.



Nonna Catarina (front row, second from left) was born in Sarajevo in the Austria-Hungary Empire. When she was two, they moved to Fumie, Italy. Her roots are a Slavic-Austrian mixture, as was the region at that time. She married my grandfather and had four children. Eleonora, the only girl, was my mother. After World War II, they became displaced



citizens in Italy and waited for documents to reunite the family. They had the opportunity to come to the United States, as my great-grandmother was already in Philadelphia. She said goodbye to her dear

friends in Italy for the last time. They were going to Philadelphia and the friends were going to parts unknown. Imagine my mother and Nonna's surprise

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

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CLE ELUM LODGE NO. 1968

Meets the 2nd Sunday
of Each Month
Potluck Dinner 5:00 p.m.
Meeting and Raffle follows

CLE ELUM COMMUNITY CHURCH

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MILLE CUGINI LODGE NO. 2659 Marysville, WA

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Meets the 2nd **Thursday** of each Month
Doors open at 6:00, Dinner is at 6:30
7:00 Meeting

when they happened to run into each other at the Pike Place Market in Seattle! She said that she knew an Italian lady who had a son. The rest is history. This is my story. This is everyone's story. Someone in the past was brave enough to make the journey from the "Old Country" to the "New Country" to start a new life full of opportunities. We need to honor and keep the traditions, language, and food alive for future generations.
Diane DiLuck



Cataldo

#2280, Bremerton, WA

Chef of the Month at the June meeting was Joe Clementi who made a delicious Seafood Paella. Linda



Buccini Anderson, State President, and Tony Bisceglia Anderson, National 4th Vice-President, attended.

President, Bill Haberstock announced our new Recording Secretary, Vicki Hartson, and Italian News Reporter, Joyia Rubens. We had fun playing Tombola (the Italian version of Bingo). The winner with her card filled was Nicole Davis. We always look forward to the raffle drawing for items conducted by Michael Lebeda-- assisted by Sophia Davis.

Bill and Jackie Haberstock's Cannoli is proving to be a very popular fundraiser. They set up a booth on two dates this summer-- July 13 and August 10 at the Crossroads Neighborhood Church's Kitsap Hand Made Bazaar. We were sad to hear that Matti Maggi, a member of over twenty-eight years, passed away on June 26. Our condolences go to her husband, Joe. July Birthdays are remembered for Tony Anderson, Nicole Davis, Al Yanity, and Liz Motter; August: Mary Desantis, John Lembo, and Jackie Haberstock, and September: Joseph Clementi and Diane Mahoney. Maria Marsales started a Facebook Page for the Lodge in December 2022. She has built it up to 143 guests now and gets inquiries from all over the country-- recently someone from Minnesota. She helps connect them with a club in their area and has brought in six new members for the Cataldo Lodge. Our annual picnic is coming August 25 Noon to 4 PM, at the Elks Picnic Shelter, 4131 Pine Rd, in Bremerton. Italian Sausage, Hamburgers, and hot dogs are provided with side dishes and dessert brought by members. Games of Bocce Ball, Corn Hole, Horseshoes, and Ladder Ball will be played... and the Famous White Elephant Auction will be held.

Joyia (Migliorini) Rubens, New Reporter



Cle Elum

#1968, Cle Elum, WA

Happy Summer Days, from Lodge 1968. President Mike Butorac has been busy keeping us all engaged

OLYMPIC PENINSULA LODGE NO. 2733

Port Angeles/Sequim, WA

Meets 3rd Sunday of each Month

Social begins at 12:30pm

Meeting begins at 1:00pm

Bethany Pentecostal Church
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WA 98362

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SEATTLE FEDELE LODGE NO. 1390

Seattle, WA

Meets 3rd Thursday of each Month

Dinner at 6:15 PM

Meeting Follows at 7:00 PM

OUR LADY OF MT. VIRGIN CHURCH HALL

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TACOMA LODGE NO. 1175

"The Mother Lodge of the Northwest"

Tacoma, WA

Meets the 1st Wednesday

Social 5:30, Meeting 6:30

Dinner Follows ~7:15

TOTEM YACHT CLUB

5045 Highlands St
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David Madrid, President

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with many volunteering opportunities this season. Our Lodge supported the annual Bocce Tournament on August 2, in Cle Elum with the finest in Referees and participants on a beautiful sunny day. The Tournament is sponsored by the Roslyn & Ronald Heritage Club.



While we didn't get to take home a gold medal, we added to the fun and rituals of participants. Below our Lodge members, Victor Scarpelli helps prepare the hamburgers with a keen eye on the

quality of the browning of the onions and smooth melt of the cheese with Rich Girillo on Team Sicilly, tossing an exceptional shot to push a point.

Mike Butoric our honorable President, provided an overview of Italy including the areas that his family is from and a historical perspective on the people, history, and foods of the region. Mike and Kathi, his wife, brought homemade regional cuisine of Bagna, Biscotti, & homemade bread to soak up the Savory sauce of Bagna & a little wine. They also included Maps of the regions and personal insights into their travels to the areas. The event was held at the Carpenter Museum Home in Cle Elum. The venue held 50 people and extra chairs had to be brought in. Well done Mike and Kathi! Our Lodge Annual BBQ Picnic was another great success with hamburgers, hot dogs and so many side dishes made by our members. There is no way to choose the best, as every item brought, was simply the best. Ciao! Sincerely and respectfully submitted, Dee Saldin

Deesaldin@gmail.com

Mille Cugini #2659, Marysville, WA

Our June meeting was a packed house. Our chef, Mark



Sferas, debuted the new Chicago-style sausage for our fundraiser. It was a big hit! Thank you, Mark, for all your efforts. Thank you to everyone who invited our guests: Iris and Cy Smith, Carol Jerauld, Sharon Graze, also a



group from 1390, Seattle Lodge, consisting of Kenny and Daniel Volpone, Steve Fontana, Mike Croce, and Laura Salle. Iris is now our newest member! Welcome Iris Fisher-Smith, author of the book "Never Alone". It talks about growing up in Italian culture in the Boston area. She will soon be working on a television series that will be adapted from the book! Visit irisfishersmith.com to learn more. It's exciting to see so many people interested in growing our lodge. Our fundraiser last June, Sorti-

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culture-Everett's Garden Arts Festival, was a successful event. It was a lot of hard work, but we learned a lot, exceeded our financial goal, and most importantly, we had a lot of fun! Thank you to everyone who supported us



in so many different ways behind the scenes. We know who you are and you are very much appreciated. Judy Price and Al Favre donated proceeds from many hours of face painting, bringing smiles and joy to so many children and parents. Cheryl Petruccelli hosted another wonderful picnic at her lovely home. Thank you, Pat Dama, for



helping her with many aspects of the gathering, especially cooking for us. We are looking forward to another picnic hosted by Judy Price and Al Favre later in August. Judy has invited one of her musician friends to play the accordion and some handmade instruments. She will play for us as well. I'll share photos of the fun in next month's article. Happy Summer and Fall to everyone! Buona Estate e Autunno a tutti!
Reporter, Paula (Dellino) Jacoby



Olympic Peninsula #2733, Port Angeles, WA

Hello from the beautiful Olympic Peninsula. Here we



go, put on the thinking cap, and try to recall the past few months. Did the summer go fast? It was another



memory-making summer with Lodge family and friends. Our Lodge last met in June, when we had quite a few first-time visitors. We are pleased to have met the grandchildren of our long-time Trustees Ray Barbieri, Daniel Barbieri, and Sophia Miller. How thoughtful and giving of them to escort and



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stay with Ray so he could attend the meeting. We also welcomed Tinamarie Villani, a friend of member Peni Cenedella. Tinamarie has previously joined us for our Scopa card game events. Additionally, we met seasonal Peninsula residents, Carol Odee – Ippolito and Anne Quake. They live in California during the biggest part of the year but call Sequim home in the summer months. We got to know them a little better when they attended the Lodge picnic in July. Maybe we can convince them to move here full-time! In July we gathered at a local park for good food and fun at our Lodge picnic. And again, this year, we enjoyed the company of quite a few friends from the local Sons of Norway Lodge. We do not have a Lodge meeting in August, but we did participate in a festival in Joyce, WA during their annual Blackberry Festival. We set up our canopy and decorations



all things Italian and sold cannoli. We had a surprise visit from State Deputy Jackie Habershtock and hubby, Bill (President of the Cataldo Lodge). We thank them for braving the weekend traffic across the Hood Canal Bridge and into the Peninsula. The cannoli peddlers consisted of Armando and Claire

Muggia, Don Zanon, Tim Atchinson, Sandy Mangino,

and daughter Zoey Howe, and Joe and Yvonne Schipani. Paula Muggia popped in to lend moral support and snap a few photos. We appreciate all the help in any capacity. So, we here are at the end of another summer. We will start meeting again in September sharing stories of summer adventures and to be sure - a wonderful buffet meal. Sending good wishes and cheer to all our fellow Lodge members, and hope you reflect on the memories made this summer and of course remember - ...Life is Beautiful. Ciao for now!

Yvonne Schipani, Recording Secretary

Seattle Fedele

#1390, Seattle, WA

Ciao after a few months! I have had help with this article again this time. So, from member, Frances Rossi, she sent this to me for the last newsletter, but it came a bit late to submit, so here is her contribution for the article: Frances and Amadeo Rossi recently returned from three weeks in Italy. The trip started out with them spoiling their middle son Matthew in Rome for four days including a cooking class with their chef friend who runs a cooking school. When they left Rome, they were lucky enough to have the rental firm give them an Alfa Romeo. The highlight of the trip was our youngest of three boys, Brian getting married to Chanel. The wedding was at a villa in Tuoro a small town near lake Trasimeno, in



an area where English is not spoken. It was a magical wedding of dreams. All of our three sons were there, 43 people came from the USA plus Amadeo's Italian relatives. The wedding occurred on a Tuesday, with the villa available the entire week. Following the wedding,



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thanks to recommendation from Holly, they went to San Benedetto, an Italian beach town and walked the Lido for five days. The beach season was just getting started so few people were there, and again no English spoken. They also

visited Ascoli Piceno. Frances and Amadeo wish the Brian and Chanel a lifetime full of God's love, happiness, and adventures. Can't wait to return to Italy! Thank you Frances! I wish them happiness!

Now, for my contribution: The Fava Bean Dinner held in July was a smash hit! I want to thank all the volunteers who shucked all the beans and all the cooks who cooked. Right now my mind is mush and I can't remember who did all of this, but you all know who you are! Also a big thanks to Geno Rosso for all the lovely plants and to all the others who brought wine, candies, and other things (didn't see all of them, so I can't recall all of the things) for the raffle.

The All Italian Picnic held at Royal Arc Park in Maple Valley was well attended and from what I could see, everyone was having a good time visiting with friends that have not been seen for a while and sharing in the great meal provided. Thanks for all the volunteers for the good work they did. If not for volunteers, things like this event would not be possible. So please volunteer, if you can, for any of the events your Lodge and the Grand Lodge put on. It's a lot of work, but it is also a lot of fun! I'm not sure if this newsletter comes out before our September meeting, which is on September 19, 2024, but we are having a wonderful dinner of Sausage and Peppers, Salad, Rolls, and some kind of dessert (I never know what they will come up with - they just tell me to put it in the article! LOL). Please come and join us!

I think that is all for now. I can put it in next newsletter if I forgot anything - I'm sure someone will tell me. Enjoy!
Sorelle Pазze Elaine and Christina



Tacoma

#1175, Tacoma, WA

We here in Tacoma have all enjoyed our summer and now it's time to start the fall season off. First off I know quite a few members are looking forward to the local Italian Festivals, Mainly San Gennaro in Georgetown and Festa Italiano in Seattle. I know some folks going to the Reno Festival and if you haven't been to any of these I promise you will have a blast. We had a booth here in Tacoma for "Art on the Ave" where we served Italian meatballs and sausage sandwiches, along with Italian Sodas we had a ball. It was so fun because we had so many wonderful members turn out to volunteer, it was a party. We had our Tacoma Lodge Picnic and it was so much fun, food, music, and bocce with over 100 folks there it was just great. The lodge provided rigatoni with sausage and meatballs, and whoever made the sauce it was delicious, thank you. WE ARE MOVING, yes we grew out of our location and our first meeting is September 5th at Holy Cross Church Hall located at 5510 N 44 Tacoma. This is a fantastic hall that can seat over 200 people and a commercial kitchen that our cooks can't wait to use. All are welcome to our meetings, with the new location comes a new day we meet it will now be the first Thursday of the month. We will have tickets available for our Crab Feed and Dance by the end of September, the date of the party is November 2nd. This will be an epic event as we have Mary Marchese Band and she has promised a dazzling show. Feel free to call me to reserve your tickets or tables, as many folks have already. For those that don't know me

My name is David Madrid call for details. 253-961-6526

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least the weather has been hot. We have had weeks of temperatures over 100 degrees. Hopefully that has now passed. We have had two social events at Layered Cake Artistry which is a fantastic bakery in downtown Kennewick. These events featured delicious Italian pastries as well as time to meet and greet. Individuals interested in joining the Lodge were identified. Jackie Valentino was responsible for setting these events up. Jackie has also set up another social at the Whitehead Brewing in Kennewick on August 22nd.

September 15th is the date for our second Bocce Ball Social of the year. The event will be at the Bookwalter Winery in Richland and will start around noon. Right now all efforts are underway for our annual Taste of Italy fundraising dinner which will be held on November the 9th at the Richland Community Center. This provides funds for the scholarships the Lodge awards every year. Finally, six of our members are off on a two-week trip to Italy. I am sure that Nadine & Leonardo Luzi, Michele & Gregg Lumetta, and Marianne & Tom Banta will return with great memories, many pictures, and tales that may or may not be believed. Since this is Tom's first trip to Italy, he better have been initiated with the grappa soaked with red peppers.

Jack Barnaby



Vancouver USA

#2690, Vancouver, WA

OUR ANNUAL LABOR DAY PICNIC is on Monday, September 2nd at Lewisville Park in Battle Ground, WA (26411 NE Lewisville Hwy) 11:00 AM to about 4:00 PM. Same pavilion as in the past "OAK". The club will provide the Italian sausages and hot dogs. You should have already notified Linda Gibson of number of people attending, especially any kids under age 12 and your selection of a side dish. We will have bocce, White Elephant Bingo, and a pinata for the kids. Please stay to clean up and let's have some fun!!

We will be having "JUST DESSERT" at our meeting on Thursday, September 12th at Family of Christ Lutheran Church, 3500 NW 129th St., Vancouver WA 98685

starting at 6:30 PM. The owner of Sorridi Gelato in Hazel Dell will come and speak with us about her business. She will bring with her "pre-scooped" cups of gelato for purchase. We will be able to order ahead of time for pick-up at the meeting. A separate order menu will be forwarded to you all before the meeting. Our Annual Spaghetti Dinner is getting close and please remember to bring any ticket sales you have so we can get a head count. Final money/ticket turn in is at the October meeting (10th). Also, tickets will be available at the door. Nanette Walker, Kathryn Salverda, and Patti Borden have graciously volunteered to set up and work our booth at the Multicultural Festival in Ridgefield Washington on Saturday September 7th from 9AM to 3PM. Event is outside Overlook Park (113 S Main Avenue). If you are available to help, please let one of them know. OUR LOCAL CHARITY is Clark County Veterans Assistance Center in downtown Vancouver. We help them throughout the year. In September, we will be accepting "cash donations" for bus passes for the vets. This is



strictly voluntary. If you wish to participate, please bring your donation to our meeting. ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER is scheduled for Sunday, October 20th at our

new location, the American Legion Post #176, 14011 NE 20th Avenue in the Salmon Creek area of Vancouver. Mike Cherney has sent out the sign up sheet and flyer. PLEASE check your time slot to work. You should have received tickets to presell. Our dinner prices have not changed this year, so get out there and move those tickets!! Presales of tickets must be turned in no later than our October meeting. Tickets will still be available at the door. DON'T FORGET to bring items for the scholarship baskets to the September meeting. Deanna Peters has scheduled a Basket Assembly Party at her house on Friday, October 11th starting at 10:30

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AM. Snacks and a light lunch will be served. Please let Deanna know if you will be able to help. Email her at dpeters@peak.org or call (503)568-6672. Her address is: 10203 NE 160th Avenue, Vancouver 98682. A separate email is being forwarded to you with all the basket ideas!! BOCCE CONTINUES!! Paul Zanobelli and friends have been playing bocce at our courts at the Vancouver Elks Lodge #823, 11605 SE McGillivray Blvd. Vancouver. Every Wednesday at 5:30 PM weather permitting. The courts are behind the main building. Invite your friends and come join the fun!! Any questions, please contact Paul at (360)521-5584.

WHITE ELEPHANT BINGO no bingo this month. Come join us at our Labor Day Picnic if you desire to play bingo!!! ITALIAN BOOK CLUB Book selection for September is *The Little Italian Hotel* by author Phaedra Patrick. We will meet on Monday, September 16th at Starbucks in Barnes & Noble, 7700 E Fourth Plain Blvd at 2:00 PM for discussion. The book is available at Barnes & Noble and Amazon. Many years ago, our first lodge's dine-out was because someone wanted to go to an Indian restaurant. So here we go again. A new Indian Restaurant in Vancouver will be our DINE OUT on Thursday, September 26th at 6:00 PM at Daawat A Ishq Indian Restaurant, 10820 NE Coxley Drive, Vancouver 98663, (360)984-5450. Check out the menu on their website. RSVP to Barbara Blair at (360)253-7984 or blairbjb@comcast.net no later than Sunday, September 23rd. CLUB NEWS: Barbara Blair and Dianne Slac will be volunteering at the San Gennaro Festival in Seattle on September 6 – 8. Dee Newbern and Kathleen O'Brien will be celebrating Dee's September birthday in California. It was good to see member Filomena Forsyth "looking good" and her son at our July meeting. Buon compleanno to our September birthdays!! Portland's FESTA ITALIANA is scheduled for Sunday, September 29th at Oaks Park in Portland Oregon. Enjoy Oaks Parks facilities and rides and join in the fun at the Festa. The cost to enter Festa will be \$5.00 for entertainment, etc. and food will be available. For more updated information check out www.festa-italiana.org.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE: Dorrie Palandrani continues to recover. All our members benefit from your kind thoughts and prayers.

Looking forward to Fall!!

Barbara Blair



Yakima

#2732, Yakima, WA

Happy End of Summer Everyone! We are looking forward to seeing all of you on Thursday, September 19 at the Harmon Center. Dinner will start at 5:30 PM with a meeting to follow. Please come with a summer adventure story to share. Some of us have been traveling, some had family come visit from far away. Maybe you went to a Mariners game. Pick your favorite adventure to share for our September get-together! More information will come in Ama's wonderful email so watch your email. We always ask for an RSVP and some of you are so good about replying. Others, perhaps explaining our



reason will help. :)

The reason we ask for a response varies, sometimes we are planning a special dish or dessert and need a head count so there is enough.

Occasionally a mem-

ber needs a ride and knowing who is a possible provider saves the last-minute calling of multiple members. A response really is helpful. Come RSVP or not, but please try to let one of the officers know your plans if possible. See you Sept 19. Remember that summer adventure and if you have pictures, bring those too! Come expecting a good meal and some fun. If you need a ride, let an officer know. Jeanne is starting the round of pictures out with a picture of great-granddaughter JayeCey and member Grandson Cameren. Bragging on families is absolutely encouraged!

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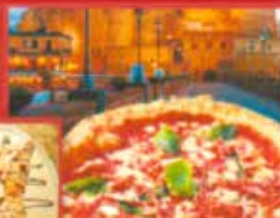
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