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Coming Events!

Raffle Date: October 2023

Bella Vita Hog Raffle - 4 Lucky Winners 50 lbs Berkshire pork. Tickets are \$25ea or 5 for \$100 Contact Vera Kay 360-581-9856 Pam Daudet -Farmer of Bella Vita's Hogs- blkcws@yahoo.com Sophia Risorto 760-333-7964.

Sunday, Oct. 15th, 4 - 7 PM

Vancouver USA #2690, Annual Spaghetti Dinner 40 et 8 Chateau, 7607 NE 26th Ave., Vancouver WA info: Frank (360)576-0453

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. Please RSVP to Michael Sepal 253-863-5216 sepalmj@aol.com

Sunday, December 10, 2023

Bellevue Lodge Christmas Party Noon - 3:30 Optional Gift exchange Cost and Menu TBD Linda Jacobin to reserve lindalkitten@gmail.com

Saturday, February 10, 2024

Amerigo Vespucci Valentine Day Spaghetti Dinner Contact: **Joe "Chiacchieri" Chicano** 360-581-1072 cjchicano@comcast.com

From the Office of State President Linda Buccini Anderson



October is one of my favorite months....1. My birthday, 2. Fall is in the air, & leaves are changing 3. Halloween.....4. And most importantly as a member of the Sons and Daughters of Italy.... COLUMBUS DAY. Please take a minute to go to glnw.org and read Facts vs. Fiction about Columbus. While you are at our website... Look to see what else is happening, look over the Members Resource area, etc. The website is for you to

know what is happening and share with our community.

As I mentioned, the National Convention was recently held in Florida. Along with a new National President-Michael Polo; Our own Tony Bisceglia Anderson was elected to 4th National Vice President. I think we take this for granted, no big deal. Let me tell you IT IS a BIG DEAL. Tony is the first person from the Northwest to be able to become our National President. that was impressive was the 21–35-year-old guests who came, and spoke about their interest in their Italian heritage and wanting to be a part of the Sons and Daughters of Italy. I want to thank Gianna Marchese, Granddaughter of Joanne Marchese. Gianna did a wonderful job representing GLNW (BRAVA Gianna).

The key point these young members noted is that they want to be actively involved. They want to be a part of a lodge that focuses on the Italian language, culture, stories, food, activities, etc. What was interesting, isn't this what we all want?

The more we make out lodge meetings, activities, and experiences in Italian the more people want to be a part of who we are.

Our Grand Council will be held Oct. 21 at 10 am at the Embassy Suites in Lynnwood. All members are welcome to observe. I know this in-person meeting is a great opportunity to share, learn, and connect and know we are there for each other. No matter how far away you are, you are still family.

You have a few more days to purchase your November Money Calendar...I'm looking forward to Nov. 1 when we start drawing winners. Please support GLNW by either your lodge, you, or a friend purchasing this fundraiser.

Please remember to contact Mike Sepal (253) 863-5216 or sepalmj@aol.com to let him know you want to be a part of the Veterans Parade on Nov. 11, 2023. He can give you the meeting location and time. This parade is a very moving and an opportunity to show respect to all our Veterans, especially this year in Honor of our Brother Ronnie Beyersdorf.

Please make note of my NEW EMAIL Address - linda@glnw.org
Respectfully

Linda Buccini Anderson
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***American-Italian Club
#2172 Spokane WA***

Spokane is beautiful in the Fall, the trees changing colors and dotting our hillsides and the cold crispness in the air, sweater weather at its finest. On September 13th, our club members donned their sweaters, packed their potluck dinners, and headed out to O'Malley Hall for our General Meeting. Much to everyone's surprise and disappointment the hall was closed due to maintenance – floor resurfacing. We stood outside prepared food in hand unable to come up with a Plan B on where to conduct our meeting; so, we went home. Therefore, I have no news to share at this time. I can report that the club will be focusing on future fundraising and preparing for the upcoming election. We have no upcoming events on the calendar at this time. Our next General Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 11th, 6:00 pm-8:30pm, at 330 E. Boone, O'Malley Hall. A potluck dinner will follow the meeting. An October social night is being planned. Leaves are Falling, Autumn is Calling, Happy Fall- Felice l'autunn

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Marcus, Recording Secretary #2172

**Auburn's Annual Veterans Parade
Saturday, November 11, 2023**

11:00 am parade

Auburn's 59th annual Veterans Parade – the largest parade of its kind West of the Mississippi! Free lunch for marchers at the Multipurpose Building in Auburn's Les Gove Park after the parade. Please RSVP to Michael Sepal, 253-863-5216 sepalmj@aol.com

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

Well, Fall is starting to show its colors, and we will be holding our September meeting on September 21, 2023. President, Joe Chicano will bring summer to a close with hot dogs and hamburgers as the dinner entrée.



Appetizers, salads, and desserts will be provided by Lodge members. As always, the meeting will end with a raffle. GLNW November raffle calendars will be available for purchase at the meeting for \$20. Past President, Richard Luzzi and Judie attended Shasta Lodge's Pisano Days in Redding, CA, on September 15

&16. It was a great time meeting with old California Lodge members. Congratulations to Mary Jane and Dennis Rogers on the birth of their new granddaughter, Brinley Michel, born September 16, 2023. Congratulations to Joe and Connie Chicano on their 47th anniversary. And "Happy birthday" greetings to Martha Carr on her 91st and Rena Gegen on her 94th birthday. Joe and Connie Chicano thank everyone who helped and attended our annual picnic in August. Amerigo Vespucci Lodge will hold its October meeting on October 19, 2023. Dinner will be a soup and salad potluck. Social time will begin at 5:30 pm at St. Mary's Parish Hall followed by dinner and a meeting. Appetizers and raffle items are appreciated. Fino alla prossima volta, ciao.
Judith Braddon. Reporter.

"By staying united and helping one another we will realize everything and anything we wish to achieve."

- Dr. Vincenzo Sellaro, 1905

Auburn
#1955 Auburn, WA

Auburn Lodge welcomed members back with a great meeting in September! Roughly 70 folks gathered to share stories from their summers, eat good food, and have a good time. We also welcomed a new member, Brandy Ryals! A special thank you to our wonderful kitchen crew who served up handmade meatballs with our dinner. I also wanted to thank everyone who generously donated to the Auburn Scholarship Fund in Ronnie's name. Rosetta reported that donations totaled over \$3,000.

Thank you all so much! Here's the latest scoop to keep you in the loop: Auburn's next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 12th at Holy Family. As always, doors at 6, meeting at 7, followed by dinner and the raffle.

Due to a short staffed kitchen next month, our October meeting will be a dinner potluck. Please bring a hot dish to share! (A good rule of thumb is to bring more food than you intend to eat, so there's plenty to go around.) Our November and December meetings will each be held a day early to avoid schedule conflicts with the hall. We will meet on Wednesday, November 8th and Wednesday, December 13th. Saturday, Nov 11th, the Auburn Lodge will march in the annual Auburn Veterans Day parade. Our own Michael Sepal has stepped up to organize us this year, and we thank him.

Afterward, those who march will gather for warm drinks and a meal. Please come join us!

•Interested in bocce? Come to Les Gove Park Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3pm and learn from the best!

•This January, the Auburn Lodge is taking a field trip to see the Seattle Thunderbirds at the Showare Center in Kent. What a great opportunity to gather the family, have some fun and enjoy time together! Tickets are a steal at \$20, and make for great Christmas gifts. Why get someone stuff when you can give the gift of time spent together and memories made! A special thank you to Joe Ripollone for putting this all together.

In closing, I wanted to personally thank all Auburn members as well as our extended family and friends in the Grand Lodge for your support and grace as we rebuild and ensure that our lodge stays strong and continues to be a place where friends can gather to celebrate our heritage and each other.

Sincerely, Francesco Ortenzo, Immediate Past President

Bella Vita
#2285, Olympia, WA

Fall is Here! L'autunno e' qui! Glad to see everyone back from our summer break! September Bella Vita Lodge Meeting was so much Fun! Thanks to all who joined this evening. Vera DiGulio Kay shared her Italian Pot roast dinner with us, thanks to all who shared a side dish or dessert. It was great to see everyone again and wonderful

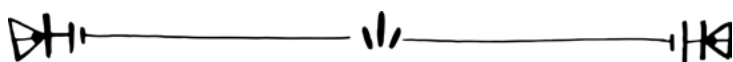


hearing about their summer adventures! Next month Dianne Stefanini will be preparing one of her favorite dishes...polenta! We welcome anyone who would like to be our cook of the month to contact President Sophia. For our "Notizia Culturale" Vera DiGulio Kay shared a short story behind a beautiful portrait of her family. We encourage everyone to participate by sharing an Italian item, picture, story, trip, or book that has an Italian flair. Sharing an Italian item speaks without speaking!!



Last call for Hog Tickets! Our Hog Fundraiser ends in October. The 4 Lucky Winners will have the opportunity to customize their winnings of approximately 50 lbs of pork meat. The meat of this hog is of superior quality not comparable to your supermarket pork. Please consider

selling tickets to your friends, and family, at work, church, and community. And buy some yourself!! Tickets are \$25, or 4 Tickets for \$100. Any questions please contact Vera Kay at 360-581-9856, Pam Daudet -Farmer of Bella Vita's Hog- blkcws@yahoo.com, or Sophia Risorto at 760-333-7964. Paw Chella Fest is happening or happened on September 30 at the Chehalis Veterans Museum-100 SW Veterans Way in Chehalis. Thank you to all who baked and/or volunteered at this event! Shirley Garrison starred in a concert at the Jubilee! We were proud to listen and attend her beautiful performance! Thanks for your invitation! Attenzione: Bill Haberstock from Cataldo Lodge will be joining Bella Vita at our December meeting. He will be selling his homemade cannoli. Further information will be shared soon! Keep dreaming about cannolis and how many you wish to buy for yourself, as a gift, for the holidays! Grand Lodge Calendars are still available to purchase, winners start winning on November 1. You can win several times with just one purchase of a calendar. We are sending our well wishes to Tony Anderson and Joe Marmo, we hope you are both doing well and hope to see you at our next Lodge meeting! We continue to request volunteers to help open, clean the lodge, and set up on our meeting day. We also need someone to write our monthly newsletter for NWIN! In the meantime... Remember our Lodge meets on the First Thursday of each month! Bring yourself, a friend, a family member, a side dish, a cultural idea, a Raffle prize, and especially your smile to our next lodge meeting! Great to celebrate each one of you at Bella Vita! Ciao e Felice Autunno!



**Bellevue
#2377, Bellevue, WA**

Hello Friends, before the Bellevue Lodge meeting on September 7th, Tessa Floreano gave a presentation about

the most recent book that she has written: Italians in the Pacific Northwest, a book about the history of Italian immigrants in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho from 1880 to 1950.

Tessa will have a book launch event at Casa Italian on Sept 30th from 6-8 pm. For a full list of talks about the book and book signings that Tessa will be having, see her website (<https://www.tessafloreano.com>). I look forward to getting the book (it comes out on September 25th). At the meeting, we had dinner of Pagliacci pizza and salad, which is what we had at our first meeting back last September, so we may be starting a new tradition. For dessert, we had ginger cookies, pumpkin spice cake, and vanilla ice cream. Although I prefer the meals that we make in-house, Pagliacci and dessert is a good second choice. In Lodge business, the Lodge elected Joan Carson to fill an empty trustee position. The Lodge voted to give \$100 to the Auburn Lodge's scholarship fund in Ronny Beyersdorf's name. We also voted that the proceeds from our November and May raffles would be designated to go to the National Lodge Charities. We had a discussion about where we would like to have our Lodge Christmas party this year.

Maggiano's in Bellevue where we had the last couple of Christmas parties is no more, so the Lodge decided to have this year's Christmas party at Enzo's in Issaquah. After our meeting, our President Mary DeMatteo Sangalang made reservations for December 10, from noon to 3:30 pm. Cost and menu are to be determined and you can send reservations to Linda Jacobin at lindakitten@gmail.com. I'm sure everyone is looking forward to our Christmas party.

In Sunshine News, Rosetta Beyersdorf had the flu and didn't attend our meeting. Mary Sangalang caught COVID at the end of a cruise to Alaska she and her husband Ron had taken to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary. Not

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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
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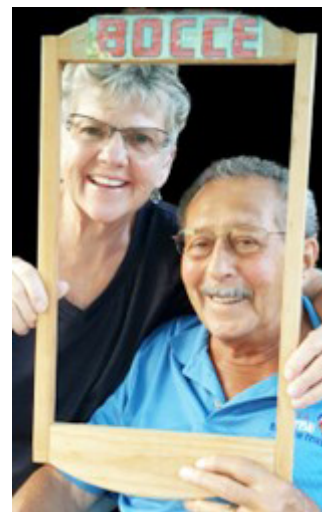
a very good way to finish the cruise, but overall it sounded like a really exciting trip. Joe and Linda Jacobin celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary. Congratulations Joe and Linda. As I reported previously Laura Cosacchi decided to live in Italy for a year. She has been blogging about her travels and adventures and posting videos. Her blog is located at <https://sunnywondermedia.com/author/laura/>. Our next Lodge meeting will be October 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

Auburn, David Hamrick from Enumclaw, Cary Inman from Federal Way, and Barb and Ken Murdoch from Maple Valley. Please anticipate our second Thanksgiving Dessert Raffle fundraiser. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. We encourage you to support our fundraiser by purchasing tickets and/or donating a dessert, please contact President Janice at email jmalvesticole@gmail.com. She will notify you where to deliver the desserts on Tuesday, November 21, and where the drawing will be electronically conducted. Delivery to the winners will be on Wednesday, November 22 . . . fresh for your Thanksgiving Family Feast. In this Fall issue, we would like to share the following story by Kathy Herrin-DiNicola whose family enriched Renton with their Italian heritage in the 1800s.



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

The color variations to the Northwest foliage denote that fall is arriving, and the celebration for All Saints Day, commonly known as Halloween, is nearing. We send an enthusiastic invitation to all our Grand Lodge brothers, sisters, and friends to don your costume of choice and join us at our October 13 meeting at the Black Diamond Community Center. We guarantee an eager welcome and accolades for your festive costume. In addition to Leonardo Folino's excellent work as our Black Diamond Recording Secretary, he is congratulated for his qualifications as the GLNW Second Vice President and GLNW National Delegate. We are honored that our Treasurer Tom Cole has been requested and agreed to fill a GLNW Trustee position. We are pleased that three Lodge 1809 officers, including our President Janice Malvesti-Cole, will be serving on the GLNW Board at the upcoming Grand Council meeting. Please welcome six new members who are expanding our Black Diamond nucleus: Corina and Nick DeFillipi from



I met my husband Fred DiNicola in Alaska. He was working on the pipeline, and I was teaching in Valdez. Fred was raised in Northern Minnesota. Both his Mom and Dad came from Italy; his Dad from the Rome area and his Mom from the Naples area. They were an arranged marriage. Fred's Dad joined the U.S. military to earn his citizenship. The Herrin

Family came to the U.S. from Aosta, Italy, in about 1879. Great Uncle Louis bought 40 acres in Maple Valley in 1893. My Grandfather Joe came to the U.S. sometime after his brother Louis. Our current home rests on part of that property, including a specially built bocce court. The original home where I was raised still sits on the property. Grandpa Joe worked in the Black Diamond coal mine until he was run over by a full coal car, causing him to lose his leg. The brothers had sent back to Italy

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Auburn, WA
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Meets the 2nd Thursday of each month
Doors Open at 6PM for Social Hour
Meeting at 7:00PM
Dinner and Raffle following
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Olympia, WA
Meets the 1st Thursday of each month
Social at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:00 pm
Meeting starts at 6:30pm
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Meets the 1st Thursday
of each month / Social: 5:30 PM
Dinner at 6:30 PM / Meeting to Follow
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for their wives to come to the U.S. After his accident, Grandpa moved his family from Black Diamond to a property near Shadow Lake—he did not want his sons to work in the mines! When my Great Aunt and Uncle passed, the original property was left

to the nephews as they had no children. My Dad Louie Herrin and Mom Ione Erickson-Herrin joined the Black Diamond Lodge in December 1967 and when my Dad was president, Fred and I became members while we were living in Alaska.

Kathy Herrin-DiNicola



Cataldo

#2280, Bremerton, WA

Hello everyone. We seem to be still having a bit of summer but fall is really on its way. Chef of the month for our upcoming meeting will be Jim and Roberta Karosich and they will be providing roasted chicken and mashed potatoes for our meal. Other members are encouraged to bring salads, side dishes, vegetables, and desserts to share. Our lodge encourages everyone to bring a raffle gift. This allows us to keep our dues low and also provide for our local charities.

The cannoli fundraiser continues to do well. Our next event is on November the 4th. Also on December 29th will be a fifth Friday dinner. That will be held at Cataldo Lodge, This is a really good deal!!!!. Remember Monday, October 9th is Columbus Day. I noticed on my calendar that this was omitted from one of our local banks. What a pity. It seems like Columbus Day and Indigenous People's Day

could be celebrated concurrently.

There are still Wind Socks and Calendars available for purchase. Calendars are \$20.00 each. Prizes will be announced in November. Remember also that even if you have won a prize it is returned for another win perhaps. Matti Maggi has been experiencing a great deal of pain and has been hospitalized. She went to the hospital on August 27th. At this time Matti will be in a local nursing facility for approximately 15 days more. Currently, she is in room #6 at Belmont Terrace, 560 Lebo Blvd., Bremerton, 98310. Cards may also be sent to the home address of P.O. box 728, Belfair, 98528. Please keep her in your prayers.

October's Birthdays are Joseph Davis, Maria Marsala, Water Harvy, and Diane Clementi. There are no birthdays to celebrate in November. This is also when we host our soup meals for November which are always great fun and great food. Please come and visit us and see what wonderful soups we have! Sincerely
Diane Clementi.



Cle Elum

#1968, Cle Elum, WA

Members and guests of Cle Elum Lodge met on Sunday, September 10th in friendship and fraternity and enjoyed Italian dishes including vegetable and pasta salads, and homemade, heavenly-tasting lasagna. Guests included Jace Andler (age 6) and Jaxon Andler (age 4), from Kennewick. The boys are grandchildren of Lodge members Bridget and Mike Andler. Also joining us was frequent visitor Bob Bullock, spouse of Lodge member Linda. Since our last meeting in June, the Lodge has participated in a number of events. On Saturday, June 24th the 53rd Annual Celebration of the Coronation of the Pioneer Days Queen was held at the Putnam Centennial

**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

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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.

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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

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Center in Cle Elum. Lodge member Jeannie Precious was crowned the 2023 Pioneer Days Queen. 2022 Reigning Queen Julienne Breznikar, also a member of Cle Elum Lodge, past the throne on to Queen Jeannie. Also, at this event, the 2023 Pioneer Days Mushroom Queen/King Contest, sponsored by Cle Elum Lodge and Gondo's



Sausage Company and Italian Market, winners were announced. 1st place winner was "King" Karter Cresto of Cle Elum with a 1.91 pound Boletus mushroom, 2nd place was Jerri Pardini of Wenatchee, spouse of Lodge member

Robert, with a 1.83 pound Boletus, and 3rd place was Kirk Cresto of Cle Elum with a 1.56 pound Boletus. On Sunday, June 25th the Lodge held our annual Summer Picnic at the Cle Elum Firemen's Park. We had a beautiful sunny day, not too hot no rain, and a good turnout. Everyone

enjoyed burgers and hotdogs cooked to perfection by grill master Rich. Members and guests provided side dishes and desserts; all delicious. Many of those attending practiced and competed in rounds of Bocce. The game of the day was Bocce on Saturday, August 12th at the South Cle Elum City Park as the Roslyn, Ronald, Cle Elum Heritage Club partnered with Cle Elum Lodge #1968 to sponsor a Bocce Tournament that could well become an annual event. Years back Yakima Lodge partnered with Cle Elum Lodge to hold a Bocce Ball Tournament in South Cle Elum. The event was a "Forest Condition" type of event due to the well-manicured yet unforgiving lawn it was held on. There were 14 teams of two competitors each this year and feedback was positive, so watch this space for plans for next year. Respectfully submitted Rich Grillo, grillo1@msn.com



**Mille Cugini
#2659, Marysville, WA**

Our first meeting was a nice reunion of many of our members. We truly missed those who could not be there.



We were joined by 6 guests: Mark and Chris Gerling, Dot O'Brien, Anne Wendt & Nate Pioli, and Judy Price. Hopefully, our guests enjoyed their evening and will

MILLE CUGINI LODGE NO. 2659
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6:30 Social, 7:00 Meeting
Potluck Dinner following meeting

**OLYMPIC PENINSULA
LODGE NO. 2733**
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Meets 3rd Sunday of each Month
Social begins at 12:30pm
Meeting begins at 1:00pm
Bethany Pentecostal Church
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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
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soon become new members, as several have already expressed a desire to do so. Summertime activities included Brock's oldest granddaughter, Paisley. For the second time this year, she was awarded the Champion Showman for the Junior division of 4-H, pictured with her trophy, also receiving 10 rosettes and blue ribbons for first place in various dairy competitions, including 2 demonstrations, and photography. When Robert Jacoby & family saw Brock at the Evergreen Fair, he was

the emcee for the dairy show, which he has done for well over 10 years! He has also been a project leader for 4-H for almost 30 years, and an FFA advisor for 40 years. He's President of the Snohomish County Dairy Shrine on display at the Evergreen State Fair. Brock loaded his pickup truck with very fresh corn, pumpkins, and zucchini to share with everyone at the meeting! I've never tasted such sweet corn. Pat Dama brought homegrown tomatoes for the raffle. Our picnic-themed menu also included Pat Dama's New York-style caramelized onions, Dick Nanni's homemade peach cobbler, and Mary DeFilippo's fresh sliced tomatoes, seasoned just like our mom used to serve. And lastly, spaghetti and marinara, just for fun. There were other Italian dishes and desserts; everyone was well-fed and happy. We are excited about the growth we see in our lodge. New members bring renewed life. We've already resumed our giving to charities and plan to continue to help needy families during the holidays. Pat

Dama will soon be returning to his warm-weather home in Arizona. He made a cash donation during the meeting to help us with more giving while he was away. We will miss him and his yummy food. Thank you to everyone, near and far, for your continued financial and moral support of our fundraising efforts.

Mille Cugini Reporter Paula Dellino Jacoby



**Olympic Peninsula
#2733, Port Angeles, WA**

Hello from the beautiful Olympic Peninsula. The snow on the mountains is back – it might not stay for long, but what a beautiful scene it makes. It was quite a time catching up with everyone at the September meeting. With the picnic in July, and the dog days of August no meeting month, it had been quite a while since we saw each other. Let's catch up on a few Lodge 2733 members for the rest of you.

Two of our long-time members, John and Rose Andriolo made a big decision and relocated out of state at the end of August. It was a whirlwind of activity for them between the time their house sold and them seeing the Port Angeles city limits sign in their rearview mirror. They will be relocating to the deep south – somewhere near Mobile, Alabama and hope to join the OSDIA Lodge in Pensacola FL. We look forward to hearing a progress report from them soon. The Mangino family took a trip to Sicily in August. Their pictures and big smiles say they had a wonderful time. We look forward to hearing more about their trip during the upcoming meetings. They returned with some wonderful items for our raffle table – State Deputy Jackie Haberstock wished to capture the pistachio candy, and her positive energy paid off – her ticket was the first one pulled. It looked delicious. Our dancing duo Ana Marie Willms and Luigi Nicoloso had both been under

TACOMA LODGE NO. 1175
"The Mother Lodge of the Northwest"
Tacoma, WA
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 Social 5:30, Meeting 6:30
 Dinner Follows ~7:15
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 Social/Dinner 5:30 pm
 Meeting follows at 7:00 pm
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the weather for quite some time, but apparently sunshine and a positive spirit brought them better health – they are dancing again. Our cannoli sales this summer were very successful; the lodge members appreciate the support and work of those involved – the Mangino, Schipani, and Muggia families. Don and Geri Zanon took a trip to the mid-west to visit with one of their sons and family. They were back where their roots were for a bit. If you are tinkering with the idea of moving to the Peninsula, Judy D'Amico is selling her house and property. Of course, by the time this goes to print, it may be sold. It's in a lovely area between Sequim and Port Angeles. We have a new Sunshine Committee director.

Claire Muggia had been assisting Judy D'Amico with spreading kindness and well wishes to our members, but she is now taking on the program full-time. Judy performed this role for a very long time and did a great job. We cannot thank Judy enough for her contributions. Best wishes to Claire in this new and important outreach role. We also have modified our meetings just a bit and will now be including both the Italian national anthem and our own national anthem at the beginning of our meetings – thanks to Peni Cenedella for suggesting it and making it happen. And the big news from our end is – we have a Lodge President again. John Andriolo had been acting president, however, with his move, we needed to fill the position. Armando Muggia willingly stepped up and will take on that role.

We are grateful to and thankful for Armando (and no doubt supported by “first lady” Paula).

There were a few members who couldn't make the September meeting; we look forward to catching up with them in October. We will be recognizing the Lodge's 25th anniversary during our October meeting. We aren't sure how we'll be doing that, but it is indeed a milestone worth acknowledging. Armando's information is listed

in the lodge information in the newsletter if you need to contact him or wish to send a note of encouragement. (muggiaac@gmail.com) – so hey - come up and meet him sometime. Ciao ... for now!

Yvonne Schipani, Recording Secretary



Seattle

#1390, Seattle, WA

Hello! This month you have both of the Crazy Sorelle! At our meeting on the 21st of September, we had our annual zucchini contest! And the winners are, drumroll please, Kathy and Earl Frank took home the awards for 2nd and 3rd Place, and Brook Ricci, a member of Mille Cugini Lodge, won 1st Place! Congratulations to all of you! Ken Volpone, Holly Croce Cochran, and Dennis Caldirola want to thank you all who attended the Festa Italian Mass at Our Lady of Mt. Virgin Church. Thank you to the volunteers who helped prepare the Italian-style snacks and fruit (provided by PFI). Everyone enjoyed the gathering. Thank you also to Fr. Paul for celebrating mass in Italian for all. We will be doing this again next year, so we will put the word out as soon as we get the date! Hope to see you all there! Our member, Marylouise Barbieri Peacock, celebrated her 80th Birthday on August 10th. Happy birthday! She celebrated with her classmates from the Class of 1961! It was during her class reunion (sorry, forgot to ask which High School!) that she and her friends sat around drinking wine, eating, and laughing until their sides ached! We will be working the Meatball Sub Sandwich booth at Festa, hope you all came by and tasted our wares. We will have more information in next month's article. Well, that is all we can come up with for now. Please let us know if you have anything you wish us to report about.

Ciao, Elaine Volpone and Christina Volpone Gerling

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Happy Fall from The Mother Lodge Well, we had our first monthly dinner meeting and it was an unbelievable showing of generosity. First Jeff and Laura Macaluso donated Three Thousand Dollars to our dinner meetings fund. and we can't thank them



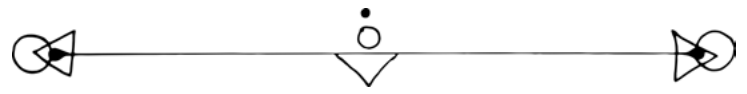
enough. They not only work their tails off in everything when it comes to volunteering, Laura is a trustee and Jeff is a past trustee, we are very fortunate to have you both as members. The generosity did not stop there. The Lodge decided we needed a PA system we decided we would buy the Rosetta Beyersdorff system and before we could our Member Mr. Don Gulden, stood up and said "No need to vote I will pay for it" How fantastic was



that, The Tacoma Lodge is blessed to have members that give and volunteer. Then to top it all off we had FIVE NEW MEMBERS. You can see in the pictures below our

Mistress of Ceremony Julie Garitone and new members Charlotte D'Onofino Robert D'Ofino and Lucia Genovesi, and Mark Surfer both born in Italy along with Marie Vaccarino, a BIG Tacoma LODGE WELCOME. We were fortunate to have President Sophia Risotto from the Bella Vita lodge, and she brought an incredible lady Bella Vita member Pam Guzzo Daudet. She is having a raffle to give away quarter-pound cuts of fresh pork from her farm. We are so happy to announce Tacoma Lodge's first "Member Ambassador" Tisha York. She has so much enthusiasm and a positive attitude we know she is the perfect person for the position. All in all, we are off to a great start. It was a very upbeat, spirited meeting, and it was so fun to get together.

Reported by the President, David Madrid



Tre Città
#2881, Tri-Cities, WA

Our Lodge held our ninth meeting of this year on Sept. 5th at Bella Italia restaurant in Kennewick. We had a total of twenty-two members and visitors in attendance. Our membership so far for this year has grown to fifty-two members. The planning for our Annual Pasta Dinner and Basket Raffle led by Julianne and Jack Barnaby has continued. This important fundraising will be held at the Richland Community Center on Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023. We have continued with our ticket sales for our members and their guests at our September meeting. If anyone is interested in attending this event, please give me a call at (509) 554-4924 for more information. Our last social gathering was an afternoon of bocce, wine tasting, and lunch at Bookwalter Estate Winery in Richland on Sunday, Sept. 17th, 2023. It was a lovely afternoon, and everyone enjoyed themselves.

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



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to raise \$140 from the raffle at our September meeting. Our charity fund has continued to grow. This summer we donated \$500 to a worthy local cause in our community called Therapeutic Riding of Tri-Cities (TROT). TROT promotes the physical, psychological, and social well-being of people with special needs by providing animal-assisted therapies and activities in the Tri-Cities area. We continue to be delighted that our members and the public can 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, Oct. 3rd, 2023, at the Bella Italia restaurant located at 7000 W. Okanogan Place in Kennewick, WA. If you ever find yourselves in the Tri-Cities at 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

TANTE GRAZIE to Linda Cherney, chairperson, and her group for another great Labor Day Picnic. Molte Grazie to the Friendship Tea Committee and workers for a great afternoon!! Chairperson and table hostess, Rosann

Grzesiowski, table hostess: Barbara Blair, Linda Cherney, Linda Gibson, Patti Borden, Kathryn Salverda; wait staff: Jim Borden, Frank Palandrani, Frank Piperno, Mike Cherney; kitchen staff: Louise Ramunno-Johnson, Deanna Peters and greeter Donna Covi. We couldn't have done it without everyone working together. October meeting will be on Thursday, October 12th Dinner will begin at 6:30 PM. Meeting to begin at 7:00 PM. We will be serving pizza; salad and dessert. We need three members to bring salads, and one for dessert. Please let Louise know if you can help in this way. Bring your receipts and you will be reimbursed. We need a correct head count to know how many pizzas to order. So please RSVP to Louise Ramunno-Johnson at her email alamunno@gmail.com Subject Line: October Dinner or (360) 281-0915 no later than Monday, October 9th. The cost for dinner is \$10.00 per person. We will be collecting "can and packaged soups" for the Clark County Veterans Assistance Center in October.. Please bring your donation to the meeting. This is strictly voluntary.

CLUB BOARD MEETING on Friday, September 29th at 2:00 PM at Barbara Blair's home. All members and board members are welcome to attend. RSVP to President Rosann Grzesiowski concerning your attendance and any items you would like to put on the agenda to discuss. Her phone is: (360)601-8410 or email ro_gar@comcast.net ITALIAN BOOK CLUB will meet on Monday, November 13th at Starbucks in Barnes & Noble, 4500 E. Fourth Plain Blvd at 2 pm to discuss our book selection, Eternal by author Lisa Scottolinie. This book is available at Barnes & Noble and Amazon. WHITE ELEPHANT BINGO will be Tuesday, October 3rd at 7:00 PM at Barbara Blair's house. You can RSVP at (360)253-7984 or blairbjb@comcast.net. Please bring a white elephant prize in a paper bag and a \$1.00 to participate Our DINE OUT October will be our Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, October 15th, a flier is attached to this newsletter. If you haven't attended an OSDIA event for a while, make an effort to come out and share dinner with some friends. We look

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forward to seeing you!! Our SCHOLARSHIP BASKET RAFFLE is the only event to raise money for our yearly scholarship. A basket-making party will be at noon at Dee Newbern's home on Tuesday, October 10th. If you plan on making a basket or have items for a basket, please let Dee know. RSVP to her at (360)546-5708 or kathsmom@comcast.net. SPAGHETTI DINNER & SCHOLARSHIP BASKET RAFFLE is on Sunday, October 15th at 40 & 8 Chateau, the same venue as last year (2809 NE 78th St., Vancouver WA). If you need presale tickets, contact Linda Cherney (360)903-0227 or you can purchase at the door (we can now take credit cards). Ticket prices are: Adults \$15.00; Kids 6-12 \$8.00; and kids under 5 are free. Mark your calendars for our ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY to take place on Friday, December 8th at Family of Christ Lutheran Church. Details will follow!!!

CLUB NEWS: We appreciate State President Linda Anderson and guests driving down and attending our Friendship Tea. President Rosann Grzesiowski will be taking a much-deserved vacation at the end of October to visit her son in Southern California. It was great to meet new member KAZ at our September meeting. He plays drums with a local band. Buon compleanno to our October birthdays!!

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE: Keep Judy Johnson in your prayers as she faces health challenges. Louise Rammuno-Johnson is scheduled for knee replacement surgery on September 29th. Prayers for a quick recovery!! Please keep all our members in your thoughts and prayers. Ciao!!

Barbara Blair



Yakima

#2732, Yakima, WA

The Yakima Lodge is back from summer break with an indoor picnic! A good turnout is expected for sausage dogs, with all the fixings, side dishes, and desserts that

hungry Italians could desire! It will be so good to see everyone!

This month will be a time to catch up on what everyone has done this summer. We know Jan Fancuillo is just back from Europe with several countries visited. President Robin Miller requests a brainstorming meeting for the October meeting. PLEASE come with your ideas for the coming year's activities. Building a budget for the year is only possible with at least a general idea of where we will need to spend money, and having the kind of Lodge we want takes planning. Any ideas for fundraising would also be very welcome. A new program has started in a number of Lodges and hopefully soon in ours. It is called the Ambassador program and consists of a way to make sure that everyone especially visitors and new members feels welcome and wanted.

You will hear more about it in October. Also in October is the Grand Council meeting at the Embassy Suites in Lynnwood on October 21st. Jeanne and Matt will be attending and all are welcome to attend.

I had an interesting experience this month. I play cards at the Harman Center a couple of times a week and I have played with a lady named Connie for about a year. Her last name is not Italian and the topic had never come up until recently when she mentioned a dish she had made. I commented that sounded Italian and she replied that she was Italian! That led to further discussion and hopefully, you soon meet her at a meeting! Actually, she probably knows some of you.

The October meeting will be on Oct 21st at the Harman Center at 5:30. A dish to pass and if possible a rent raffle item would be appreciated along with your thoughts for a brainstorming session. PLEASE try to be in attendance. This meeting will be very important in the coming year. Watch for Ama's email for more meeting details. Looking forward to seeing everyone!

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