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*Newsletter of
The Italian Heritage Lodge of Fairfax #2517
Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America*

AGOSTO 2018

MESSAGGIO DALLA PRESIDENTESSA

Cari amici,

The City of Fairfax Independence Day Parade – July 4th

Under the dictate of “The Parade Must Go On!” Publicity Chairman Joe La Marca and wife, June, managed a last minute vehicle to transport our members and friends wishing to ride the parade route. Along with Roy’s two sports cars, ably driven by the Schender children, J & Sons Landscaping donated a truck fit with trailer enough to carry our non-walking paraders. All in all we had about 30 participants, including members of St. Mary of Sorrows Italian Society and Italian friends Dennis and Gioia, who displayed pride in their Italian-American heritage. Thank you to all who arrived early to decorate and to all of us who stayed in good spirits despite the hot weather, waiting our turn to step off, to José and family for readying their vehicle in short notice and arriving early to join in the fun, to Marianne and Joe for leading as they proudly carried our IHL banner, the Asiello and Michaelangelo families for filling out the ranks, Judy McCloskey who took charge with decorating and, lastly, to Joe La Marca who stepped in when Roy took ill and worked diligently to bring the event to a festive conclusion. If you wish to view our parade unit in photos and video, go to <https://italianheritagelodge.org/parade%202018/index.html> and also <https://youtu.be/hWLECrNKqlc?t=5656>

This month we welcome new members:

Kathleen Caggiano

Stephen Balducci

Joanne Cooke

Benvenuto ai nostri nuovi membri e amici!

We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events and getting to know you and your families.

Due to a three-hour emergency surgery (diverticulitis) on July 2nd, Roy Schender, our Master of Ceremonies and Parade Chairman, was unable to oversee the July 4th Parade coordination. His wife, Sandy, who was able to cheer us on from the sidelines, posted this very recent update on Roy’s recovery: “Roy is doing well, each day more active with the ability to do more things himself. He is planning on heading back to work and is now driving. Please continue to keep him in prayer as he continues to get healthier and ready for his second surgery in a few months. Thank you for your friendship and prayers, they mean so much to us.”

*Con affetto!
Coletta*

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SAVE THE DATES - FUTURE LODGE EVENTS

August 3	<i>Rigoletto</i>	8:15 P.M.	Wolf Trap Farm Park Vienna, VA
August 3-4	Hall Cleaning	All Day	Knights of Columbus Hall
August 8	Lunch Bunch	Noon	Olive Garden, Falls Church
August 15	<i>Buon Ferragosto</i>		
August TBD	Annual Peach Picking & Lunch	TBD	Hartland Orchard, Markham Ciao Osteria, Centerville
August 25	IHL Language Group	6:00 P.M.	Home of Coletta Sciscilo
September 8	Meet & Greet Spaghetti Dinner & Speaker	6:00 P.M.	Knights of Columbus Hall
September 16	GLVA Quarterly Meeting	11:00 A.M.	Giuseppe Verdi Lodge
September 19	Council Meeting	7:00 P.M.	George Mason Library, Annandale
September 30	Annual Family Picnic	1:00 – 4:00 P.M.	Knights of Columbus Hall

October 8

Christopher Columbus Day

October 13

Winery Tour & Tasting

Noon

Fabbioli Cellars, Leesburg

November 10

Pizza & Movie Night

6:30 P.M.

Knights of Columbus Hall

December 9

GLVA Quarterly Meeting

11:00 A.M.

Giuseppe Verdi Lodge

December 15

Festa di Natale

6:00 P.M.

Knights of Columbus Hall

Buon Compleanno

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Joyce Taormina	August 9
Robert Reed	August 11
Renee Signorelli	August 12
Tommaso Ammazalorso	August 12
Lou Moschetto	August 14
Russ DeRose	August 20
Dennis Lillo	August 25
Eleanor Lillo	August 28
Joan Tortorelli	August 28
Joanne Cooke	August 28



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Buon Anniversario !



Frank & Dolores Marcinkowski	August 13
Carlos & Betsy Mignani	August 22
Robert & Joanne Reed	August 28
Mario & Laura Sacco	August 31

LODGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our member, Sharon Strauchs, has organized a night at the Opera, *Rigoletto* by Giuseppe Verdi, on Friday, **August 3** at Wolf Trap Farm Park. Please contact Sharon at 703-464-0034 or by email at sharon@tlc-NV.com for information and last minute availability.

Knights of Columbus Hall Cleaning: Each year IHL dedicates a weekend to clean the Knights Hall which includes cleaning, stripping and waxing the floor. John Asiello has requested assistance as follows: Friday, August 3rd (a.m.) – clean floor, remove furniture, prepare floor for stripping and waxing. Needed: two or three volunteers for not more than two hours. The equipment will arrive Friday evening ready for the next day's use. Saturday, August 4th at 7:00 a.m. – stripping, rinsing and when dry, waxing of floor with three coats of wax, buffing and tacking the floor between each coat. Needed: volunteers are not expected to stay all day, can come and go as necessary, any amount of time you can volunteer is appreciated. You can reach John by telephone: 703-321-7840 or email: jfasiello@outlook.com

AUGUST LUNCH BUNCH

The Lunch Bunch will meet on Wednesday, August 8th at noon at Olive Garden, 3552-48 S. Jefferson Street, Falls Church. Entrees come with either soup or salad and they are currently holding a special buy-one-get-one free. Please come and join your fellow IHL members for lunch. Call Dennis at 703-354-2454 or email him at delillo1@verizon.net if you plan to attend.

It is not too early to mark your calendars for our annual *Peach Picking and Lunch*, but it is always held on a Sunday in August, and because of the favorable response to last year's event we plan to visit the Hartland Orchard in Markham, VA again, with lunch at Ciao Osteria in Centreville. By all accounts, the peaches were terrific and in abundance, and there are also many other delicious fruits and vegetables available. Look for upcoming emails to announce the date the peaches are ready for harvesting !



The IHL Italian Language Group will hold their next meet-up on Saturday, August 25th and will be hosted by Coletta Sciscilo. We are always looking for new members with some knowledge of Italian language to join us at our monthly Language Group meeting, enjoy the camaraderie, the food, the value of vocabulary building and the practice of conversing in Italian. Contact joe.lamarca@italianheritagelodge.org for more information about becoming part of our language group. Contact Coletta at colette.sciscilo@gmail.com for details of the upcoming meet-up group.

Sandy Schender offers this article she found in the Burke Connection Newspaper

Recently which is excerpted here:

The Northern Virginia Senior Olympics (NVSO) is gearing up with a free Bocce Picnic and Play event on Thursday, August 2 at the host site for the 2018 bocce competition at Green Acres Center in the City of Fairfax. Medalists from past competitions are expected to be present at the picnic offering tips on bocce moves. The year's NVSO event is scheduled to begin on September 15 and conclude September 25 **with the bocce competition on Thursday, September 20 at Green Acres**. Registration for the NVSO events began in June and will end August 24. To register for the event, contact volunteer specialist Carly Hubicki at 703-403-5360 or www.rsvpnova.org.

You may have noticed a new event on our calendar –

Meet & Greet Spaghetti Dinner!

*IHL is hosting a meet and greet for anyone interested in learning more about the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America and the Italian Heritage Lodge of Fairfax. It will take place on Saturday evening, **September 8th** at the Knights of Columbus Hall, St. Leo Church. IHL will host Professor Emeritus Carmine Vittoria who will give a special presentation of his book,*

Bitter Chicory to Sweet Espresso

along with a book signing. Signore Vittoria's website is www.cvittoria.com and his book recounts "a child's perspective of WWII taking place in Naples, Italy, unique because the book talks about the consequences of war on people rather than military strategies written by a former soldier." Signore Vittoria is looking forward to making his presentation and believes it will be of great interest to our members and guests. The cost for dinner is \$5.00 so plan on attending to meet IHL council members, learn more about our lodge events and fraternal activities and meet Signore Vittoria. A flyer will be emailed in the next few weeks.

***Our Annual Family Picnic will be held on
Sunday, September 30th
Knights of Columbus Grounds***



A look ahead....

To honor "La Vendemmia" the Italian Heritage Lodge will tour Fabboli vineyards with a wine tasting at Fabboli Cellars in Leesburg, Saturday, October 13th. Details will be forthcoming at a later date.


There are two vacancies on our council! If anyone is interested in volunteering for positions of Education Chairperson or Membership Chairperson, please contact President Coletta Sciscilo (703-795-2231). If you have the desire and expertise to help IHL in these areas, the lodge could use your assistance and it would be most appreciated.

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