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

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MESSAGGIO DALLA PRESIDENTESSA

Cari amici,

At the end of this very wet, and now hot, summer of 2018, I am hoping that our members enjoyed their rest with family, friends, perhaps some travel, but either way, a full and content summer.

While preparing for the IHL Language Group “class” I was deeply reminded of my love of Italian opera, such pleasure bestowed upon me by my maternal grandmother – something wonderful to share with her during her lifetime. It is really stunning to listen, understand and enjoy the lyrics and melodies of Italian music, unlike any other written or composed. I had forgotten that we are often consumed with the ringing of office telephones, the noise of traffic, heated political debates, to let ourselves be inspired by the joy that these melodies and artists can bring to us. Whether these operas are tragic or comical, their music puts us in touch, proudly, with our Italian roots and transports us back to their times in our beloved Italy.

This weekend, Saturday, September 8th, our Meet and Greet Spaghetti Dinner will be held at the KofC Hall, starting at 6:30 p.m. Please see the flyer at the end of the Newsletter with all of the details. This event is an important one as it helps the lodge expand its membership to people interested in hearing about OSDIA/IHL. Don't forget to RSVP for yourself and family and friends attending with you.

Mi fa piacere dire.....Our member Elisabetta Lazarte is the Program Director and Instructor of the Italian Language Program of Northern Virginia. She is announcing that, through the assistance of John Asiello and the Knights of Columbus of St. Leo Church, her language program will be holding NEW BEGINNER classes at the Knights of Columbus Hall, beginning Wednesday, September 19th. The classes will be held on Wednesdays from 3:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. Please call Elisabetta at 703-887-1995 or email her at bsmile24@aol.com for more information on registering, other classes offered in the program, etc.

I vostri pensieri e preghiere per favore.....

- ♥ *Our dear Trustee, Tony Musco, has been in the hospital several times over the last month. A bit of high blood pressure but nothing conclusive at this time.*
- ♥ *Vice President Dawn suffered a terrible car accident a few weeks ago. Nothing broken, but many bruises and contusions with plenty of bed rest and advil for the lingering pain....and a totaled car.*
- ♥ *I am happy to report that judging from Roy's recent email, he is doing well and mending from his recent operation. We should be seeing him this Saturday evening at the Meet and Greet where he will resume his important lodge duties.*
- ♥ *Former La Bandiera editor, Paul Alligood is recovering from eye surgery this past week. We have not seen Paul and Rosalie in a while and hope that after Paul's full recovery they will both join us for some future events.*

Con affetto!
Coletta

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SAVE THE DATES - FUTURE LODGE EVENTS

September 8	Meet & Greet Spaghetti Dinner & Speaker	6:30 P.M.	Knights of Columbus Hall St. Leo's Church, Fairfax
September 16	GLVA Quarterly Meeting	11:00 A.M.	Giuseppe Verdi Lodge
September 19	Lunch Bunch	Noon	Eleni's Greek Taverna 6131 Backlick Rd., Springfield
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 St. Leo's Church, Fairfax
October 8	<i>Christopher Columbus Day</i>		
October 8	National Columbus Day Ceremony	10:45 A.M.	Columbus Plaza at Union Station, Washington, D.C.
October 13	Winery Tour & Tasting	Noon	Fabbioli Cellars, Leesburg
October 17	Council Meeting	7:00 P.M.	George Mason Library, Annandale

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

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Joe Cardinale	September 5
Joe La Marca	September 6
Loretta D'Amico	September 17
Nancy Perrelli	September 17
John Innello	September 20
David Asiello	September 22
Jeffrey Sciscilo	September 22
Jerry DiCerbo	September 30



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Buon Anniversario !



David & Michelle Asiello	September 13
Bruno DiConi & Marisa Scala	Sept.ember 19
Joe & Sharon Cardinale	September 20
Tony & Jane Musco	September 21
Michael & Joanne DeMarco	September 27
Jeffrey & Toby Affuso	September 28

LODGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Knights of Columbus Hall Cleaning: Each year IHL dedicates a weekend to clean the Knights Hall. This year, we received very high compliments on the job that was done by our members. It is no easy task and requires much commitment on summer weekends when life can be busy and early mornings when there can be more of a nod towards relaxing. *Grazie mille* to John Asiello and his terrific crew for your hard work, dedication and sacrifice.

SEPTEMBER LUNCH BUNCH

The Lunch Bunch will meet on Wednesday, September 19th at noon at Eleni's Greek Restaurant located at 6131 Backlick Road, Springfield. Eleni's Greek Taverna is a family-owned restaurant in Springfield. They offer authentic Greek food with generous portions for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. While the primary focus is Greek cuisine, they also serve American fare so that you can partake of the best of both worlds. 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.



Our annual *Peach Picking and Lunch*, was held on Sunday, August 19th at Hollin Farms Orchard followed by lunch at Ciao Osteria in Centreville. Thank you to those who attended and picked some very delicious peaches. I hope that you were able to use them in a variety of great recipes from Peach Crisps to Peach Bellinis! I know that the Sciscilo grandchildren ate many of them right out of the fruit bowl on their kitchen table! Lunch at Ciao was *perfetto* and everyone enjoyed the fun of being together in a warm atmosphere eating delicious food. Tony and Sal greeted our group and took wonderful care of us.....as they usually do....proprio come una famiglia. We also welcomed our newest member, Steve Balducci, who truly enjoyed meeting the members in attendance. For a few members, it was their first time at Ciao Osteria and will not be their last!

The IHL Italian Language Group monthly meet-up is currently scheduled for Saturday, September 22nd and still in the planning stages. The August meeting took place at the home of *La Casa di Sciscilo* in Manassas! Everyone took the long drive out to a far away land, but the evening was enjoyed by all. Coletta prepared a lesson in *la bella musica d'Italia* featuring the beautiful arias of Puccini and Verdi and all were encouraged to sing! A homemade CD of some of the most beautiful Italian music was presented to each member to take home. *Grazie* to all who made such delicious and authentic food for the evening. What a treat! 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.

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

***Please read the flyer at the end of this Newsletter
for details, costs, and volunteering.***



A look ahead....

To honor "La Vendemmia" the Italian Heritage Lodge October event will take place at the beautiful Fabboli Cellars in Leesburg, Saturday, October 13th at noon.

The visit will include a tour of the winery given by the award winning wine maker and owner, Doug Fabboli. After the tour, we will have a wine tasting. A standard tasting consists of 7 fine wines paired with small gourmet food bites. Tastings are seated, and conducted by a dedicated wine server who provides an educational overview of the wines over the course of 15-20 minutes. The cost is \$25 per person and we have a cap of 15 people. Please send an email to Joe Cardinale at wsolboy@gmail.com to get your name on the list. We will be finalizing the reservations with the winery on September 14th. Even if you do not plan to participate in the wine tasting, please consider joining us for the tour, then enjoying a glass or bottle of wine, or just relaxing in a beautiful setting for the afternoon.

A link to the winery is: <http://www.fabbioliwines.com/>

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*“Meet and Greet”
Spaghetti Dinner
Saturday, September 8, 2018
6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Knights of Columbus Hall
St. Leo Church, 3700 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax*

*Meet the Officers and Members of our Lodge
While enjoying a traditional Spaghetti Dinner*

***Greet** Professor Emeritus and author, Signore Carmine Vittoria,
who will make a short presentation of his childhood growing up
in Naples, Italy during WW II from a child’s point of view.*

*He will be signing copies of his book,
“Bitter Chicory to Sweet Espresso”*

Cost \$5.00

RSVP to: RSVP@italianheritagelodge.org

Buon Appetito e Mangia Bene!



OSDIA - ITALIAN HERITAGE LODGE
ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2018
*** RAIN OR SHINE ***

The lodge will hold its Annual Family Picnic on the grounds of the Knights of Columbus Hall behind St. Leo's Church from 1:00 to 4:00 on *Sunday, September 30th*. This event serves as our regular lodge meeting for September so be sure to come out and enjoy the event. For planning purposes, we would like a head count in advance of those coming and some VOLUNTEERS to help set up starting at 9:00 AM. If you can help, RSVP to John at 703-321-7840 or email him at jfasiello@outlook.com Come enjoy the fun, food and games (why not test your bocce skills?). Here are the details:

Date: Sunday, September 30th

Time: 1:00 to 4:00 PM

Place: Knights of Columbus Hall grounds
Behind St. Leo's Catholic Church, Fairfax

Menu:

Italian Sausage & Peppers
Grilled Hot Dogs and Hamburgers
with all the trimmings
Potato Salad
Baked Beans
Caesar Salad



Beverages: Beer, Wine, Iced Tea, Soda and Bottled Water

Dessert: Italian Cookies, Apple Crisp, and Ice Cream Cones

Cost: \$15 per adult, \$5 per child ages 6 to 12
Not to exceed \$35 per family in the same household

Note: Extended Family, Friends and Guests are welcome and encouraged to attend.
The "Same Household" rule (not to exceed \$35 per family) applies to them as well.

[RSVP: John Asiello - 703-321-7840 / jfasiello@outlook.com](mailto:jfasiello@outlook.com)

**** Volunteers Are Needed ******

Outside Setup:

Tents, Chairs, Tables, Grill,
Buffet Tables, Condiment Table,
Coolers for Beverages, Bar
Table, Bocce Court

Inside Setup:


Food Prep - Salad, Sausage with
Peppers and Onions, Baked Beans,
Trimmings
Hall - Chairs and Tables

Cleanup:

All who are available
at the end of the
picnic

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