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AUGUST 2016 / PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Cari amici,

I hope this message finds you all enjoying your summer months, relaxing, perhaps traveling a bit, visiting with family or old friends. These are often the months of family reunions, spending time with grandchildren during school vacation, or tackling home projects that have eluded us for most of the year. My daughter, Kerri, is participating in World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland, but first traveled to Rome, Assisi, Venice and Vienna, Austria before meeting the other pilgrims at the events in Krakow. I will be spending some time with Momma, the children and grandchildren at the New Jersey shore during August. Whatever our summer days and evenings have in store for us, I wish you all special times with family, safe and exciting travels, and memories to last a lifetime.

My husband, Jeff, was an avid reader and I have taken a few titles from his bookcase to extend to you now, lest the school-goes are the only ones with summer reading lists. He loved Italy and he loved reading biographies, so for Christmas one year I gave him *Sophia Loren Yesterday, Today Tomorrow* along with her companion book, *Sophia Loren's Recipes and Memories*. I have to admit that I made more use of the cookbook than he did, but mind you he received the delicious benefits of her authentic recipes as well. Also, I picked *Italian Lessons* by Peter Pezzelli for anyone inclined to sit back on warm summer evenings to indulge in a bestseller. If you enjoy television, we often tuned into *Two Greedy Italians* on YouTube for the adventures of Italian Chefs Antonio Carluccio and Gennaro Contaldo. Close to home, consider an afternoon trip to [The Italian Store, 5837 Washington Boulevard in Arlington](#), which is filled with fresh and shelved Italian groceries, pizzas, deli, wines and so much more....this location has outdoor seating to enjoy your gelato on a warm afternoon!

If you have not already done so, please visit our website to view the many colorful pictures and the YouTube video from the Fairfax Independence Day Parade. Our thanks to Joe LaMarca and Joseph Aubrey for getting this set up and to David Strong and Judy McCloskey (my driver) for all the great pictures – and memories – they provided us with.

PEACH PICKING – We are still unable to confirm a date for this best loved event, I am sorry to report. I will email all members as soon as we have a firm plan of the peach picking or another fun get-together.

ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC – Please make a note that the date for our family picnic has been changed to **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**. See more detailed information in this newsletter as we start preparing for this annual event. John Asiello is the man in charge and he will require many volunteers to set up and tear down. We want to see you and your families with us to share the afternoon.

Please continue to keep our members Walter Dougherty and Frank Marcinkowski, and their families, in your thoughts and prayers for healing during their illnesses. It was great to have our Vice President, John Ingargiola, and Theresa, join us at Ciao for a fun July lunch date.

Avete una grande estate!

A Presto!

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SAVE THE DATES - FUTURE LODGE EVENTS

August TBD	Peach Picking	TBD	Perfection Orchard, Delaplane, VA
August 10	Lunch Bunch	Noon	Chuy's Mexican, Springfield, VA
September 10	Annual Family Picnic	1:00 PM	St. Leo K of C Hall

LODGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST LUNCH BUNCH

The Lunch Bunch will meet at noon on Wednesday, August 10, 2016, at the Chuy's Mexican Restaurant located in the newly refurbished Springfield Town Center, the old Springfield Mall located off of Loisdale Road. Chuy's is situated next to Maggiano's and features some of the best Tex-Mex cuisine in the area. Please let Dennis know if you plan to attend so he can include you in the reservation. Call at 703 354-2454 or email Dennis at delillo1@verizon.net.

Please calendar also our upcoming summer events: August Peach Picking (TBD) at the Virginia Perfection Orchard in Delaplane, VA, with dinner following the peach picking outing. And our Annual Family Picnic, Sunday, September 10. See below for more details and information about the Picnic

Italian Language Meeting Group – Please let Carlo or Betsy Mignani (mignani@cox.net) know if you are interested in the language meetings. Carlo also tutors the Italian language and his ad is located on our advertisement page of the Newsletter.



Il Giornale – We hope that you all enjoyed reading the latest edition of *Il Giornale* which was forwarded to our members last month. Many compliments were written about our hosting the 2016 Outreach Weekend together with pictures of the event activities. Past President Dennis Lillo submitted an endearing article with pictures entitled “A Cirelli Family Tradition” which I encourage all to read. If you missed the Outreach Weekend and the opportunity to catch up on news from our fellow Virginia lodges, here is your opportunity to do so as well.

Welcome NEW MEMBERS Jack & Roni McVickar!!!

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

John Tarlano Aug 8
Renee Signorelli Aug 12
Tommaso Amazzalorso Aug 13
Louis Moschetto Aug 14
Russell DeRose Aug 20
Marilyn Huffman Aug 25
Dennis Lillo Aug 25
Eleanor Lillo Aug 28



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES



Frank and Delores Marcinkowski	Aug 13
Carlo and Betsy Mignani	Aug 22
Vincent and Karen Serafino	Aug 10

- Got a fun idea for an upcoming lodge event? Contact John Ingargiola at johni6040@gmail.com with your idea and it just might happen!

LODGE PICNIC – September 10, 2016

The lodge will hold its annual picnic on the grounds of the Knights of Columbus hall behind St. Leo's Church from 1:00 to 4:00 Saturday September 10th. This event serves as our regular lodge meeting for September. For planning purposes, John Asiello 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 jfasiello@aol.com . Come enjoy the fun, food and games (test your bocce skills etc.). Here are the details:

Date: Saturday September 10th

Time: 1:00 to 4:00 PM

Place: K of C grounds, St. Leo's Catholic Church, Fairfax

Menu: Sausage, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers with all the trimmings
Antipasto Salad
Green Bean Salad
Baked Beans
Pasta Salad



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

Dessert: Watermelon

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.

Volunteer needed:

Outside Setup: – Tents, Chairs, Tables, Bocce Court, Grill, Buffet tables, Condiment table, Coolers for beverages and Bar table.

Inside Setup: - Prep Food - Salad, Sausage with peppers and onions, Green bean Salad, Pasta Salad, and Bake Beans. Hall with some chairs and tables.

Cleanup: All who are available at the end of the picnic.

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