



# La Bandiera

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Newsletter of:

THE ITALIAN HERITAGE LODGE #2517  
Order Sons of Italy in America



## AGOSTO 2017 MESSAGGIO DALLA PRESIDENTESSA

*Carissimi amici,*

*With all of my daughter's wedding planning and events of the past several months finished and the wedding beautifully done, I thank you all for your best wishes for Kerri, Mac and our families. I am looking forward to more relaxation time as the summer progresses as well as giving my full attention to lodge business. Our appearance in the City of Fairfax Independence Day Parade was once again a great success. I am grateful to all who participated and worked so diligently to make us a worthy entry for parade viewers, especially for the new friends we all made that day including members of the St. Mary of Sorrows Italian Heritage Society. I congratulate Joe LaMarca for his organization in obtaining passes, working out the finer details with parade officials and then thoroughly passing on the information to all of us, extended publicity for our lodge, procurement of the truck from R. E. Lee and working with our sound man, Kevin, in obtaining the audio equipment. Joe will be passing on the mantle of organizing future parades to Roy Schender. Good Luck Roy following in Joe's footsteps....but I am sure he has put everything in place so that your job next year will be effortless. Laura and John Asiello deserve high praise for their kind hospitality as they opened up their home to all parade participants, families and guests. It was a wonderful gathering to celebrate our Nation's Birthday and our Italian friendships. An abundance of great food and desserts filled the table, John's homemade Limoncello was served, and we all sat back and enjoyed watching IHL walk the parade route to cheering crowds. Thanks to all who arrived early to help decorate the truck and parade cars. Congratulazioni per un lavoro ben fatto!*

*Keep your eyes and ears open for updates on our annual August peach picking event and dinner as well as our annual picnic in October, either in this newsletter edition or my upcoming emails. Also, this coming weekend (August 5-6) is our annual hall clean-up and I know that John Asiello would appreciate as many volunteers as possible to help clean and wax the floors and other tasks we are obligated to perform. Please contact John if you have a few hours to assist him. He can be contacted by phone – 703-321-7840 – or email – [jfasiello@aol.com](mailto:jfasiello@aol.com).*

*I hope that everyone enjoyed reading the latest edition of Il Giornale which featured many pictures and details of the June Convention along with each President's Report and especially the pictures and bios of our two Scholarship winners. The next issue will also feature IHL's two latest events, Bocce and the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade.*

*I am sending my good wishes to you all for a happy and safe summer. I wish you fun days and relaxing evenings, great meals enjoyed with family and friends, and precious memories of a wonderful summer! Sto trasmettendo i miei auguri a tutti voi per un'estate felice e sicura. Vi auguro momenti di divertimento e serate rilassanti, ottimi pasti con la famiglia e gli amici e ricordi preziosi di una splendida estate!*

*Con affetto,  
Coletta*

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SAVE THE DATES - FUTURE LODGE EVENTS

August	Lodge Meeting	None	No Meeting this month
August 5-6	K of C Hall Clean Up	TBD	Knights of Columbus Hall @ St. Leo's
August	Annual Peach Picking & Family Dinner	TBD	TBD
September 17	Grand Lodge of Virginia Quarterly Meeting	11:00 A.M.	Giuseppe Verdi Lodge
October 8	Annual Family Picnic	TBD	K of C Hall

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

John Tarlano	8/6
Joyce Taormina	8/9
Robert Reed	8/11
Renee Signorelli	8/12
Lou Moschetto	8/14
Russ DeRose	8/20
Marilyn Huffman	8/25
Dennis Lillo	8/25
Eleanor Lillo	8/28
Joan Tortorelli	8/28
Tomasso Ammazzolorso	8/31

*Buon  
Compleanno*



## AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

*Felice  
Matrimonio*

Angelo & Julie DeCecco	8/11
Frank & Dolores Marcinkowski	8/13
Carlo & Besty Mignani	8/22
Robert & Joanne Reed	8/28
Mario & Laura Sacco	8/31

\*\*\*\*\* Congratulations to the newlyweds -  
Kerri and Mac Farrell married July 28, 2017 \*\*\*\*\*

## LODGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

### AUGUST LUNCH BUNCH



The Lunch Bunch will meet on Wednesday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at Noon at Hunan West located in the Kings Park Shopping Center, Burke. Please let Dennis know if you plan to attend so he can include you in the reservation. Call him at [703-354-2454](tel:703-354-2454) or email Dennis at [delillo1@verizon.net](mailto:delillo1@verizon.net) if you will attend.

## IHL PARTICIPATES IN THE 2017 CITY OF FAIRFAX INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE



*Grazie* to all who took part in the parade fun. Not even a hint of rain! View our parade unit that day at <https://youtu.be/g4DGyRSuMIQ?t=3906>.

See photos from the parade [HERE](#).

Photos from this and all of our events are available on our [Photos page](#).

We had a good turnout at the parade, lovely weather, and fun for all, including guests from other Italian-American organizations, who promised to bring even more members next year.

After originally suggesting the parade project and serving as Parade Chairman all 11 years, Joe La Marca has decided to step down as Chairman of the Parade Committee. Anyone with suggestions for next year's parade should send ideas to the ever enthusiastic, experienced, and capable 2018 Parade Chairman, Roy Schender, at [parade@italianheritagelodge.org](mailto:parade@italianheritagelodge.org).

Our yearly “clean up” of St. Leo’s Knights of Columbus hall will take place on **Saturday and Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>**. If you are able to assist with this effort, please contact John Asiello at 703-321-7840 or by email: [jfasiello@aol.com](mailto:jfasiello@aol.com). Thank you in advance for taking time out of busy weekend schedules to give John a hand.

You may have noticed on our lodge events calendar that we have schedule the **Annual Family Picnic for Sunday, October 8 - Columbus Day Weekend**. So get this event on your calendar and we will update you with further information as the months go by and details are finalized. What better way to celebrate Italian-American Heritage Month?

## *Italian Cultural Corner*

### **Coming to Wolf Trap August 31<sup>st</sup> “Il Divo”**

Classical crossover quartet Il Divo (Urs Buhler, Sebastien Izambard, Carlos Marin and David Miller) has enjoyed unparalleled success around the world and will perform at Vienna’s Wolf Trap on August 31<sup>st</sup>. With 160 certified gold and platinum hits in 35 different countries, it pioneered the genre of operatic pop or “popera”. In 2006, the Guinness World Records listed Il Divo as the most commercially successful, classical-crossover group in international music history. Tickets are \$75. If interested in attending, RSVP to Judy on or before July 4. Call or text her at **540-660-4206**.

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