



MARZO 2017
MESSAGGIO DAL PRESIDENTE

Carissimi amici,

*IHL will install its new slate of officers at a ceremony and catered dinner ~ by Ciao Osteria ~ on Saturday, March 11, 2017 beginning at 4:00 p.m. This yearly event will take place at the St. Leo Knights of Columbus Hall and will be co-hosted with the George Washington Lodge. Again this year, Grand Lodge of Virginia President Bob Amante will preside over the ceremonies to install the new officers. Bob and his wife, Beverly, graciously accepted our invitation to attend. Our Master of Ceremonies for the evening will be Grand Lodge of Virginia Trustee and Special IHL Events Chairman John Asiello. **The dinner reservation deadline is Saturday, March 4th as we would like to turn our numbers in to Ciao at that time.** Call in or email your reservation to **Eleanor Lillo at 703- 354-2454 / delillo1@verizon.net.** I invite and encourage all members to attend the installation to personally thank our out-going officers as well as welcome our new officers. If you are unable to attend, I know you join me in thanking all who generously gave their time and efforts this past year for the betterment of our lodge and hopefully in the future you will meet and get to know our new officers. All necessary information is located at the end of this Newsletter, but please call or email if you have any questions.*

Casino Night Fundraiser ~ I am told that last month's Casino Night Fundraiser was the most successful we have had, drawing a large crowd of poker players and high rollers, but more importantly, where once again IHL had the opportunity of raising a substantial amount of money and will contribute 100% of the evening's proceeds to our three charities, Alzheimer's, Cooley's Anemia and Autism. All players were winners at the end of the evening and were able to view a large selection of prizes from which to pick. These prizes were collected by our members and donated by our sponsors, who are local businesses and services. In this Newsletter you will find the rather large list of contributors to the event as well as a "Thank You" letter for them. Please patronize them and let them know how much their kindness was appreciated by our charities, lodge and its members. Not only was the evening successful, I think we can agree that fun was had by all. It was especially nice to welcome guests and new members and to *welcome back* Frank and Dolores Marcinkowski whom we have truly missed! A special thank you goes to our wonderful council members who worked so hard to plan the evening and to all of our players for the delicious food.

Con affetto!
Coletta

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SAVE THE DATES - FUTURE LODGE EVENTS

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| March 8 | Lunch Bunch | Noon | Delia's Pizzeria & Grille 6515 Backlick Rd/Springfield |
| March 11 | Installation Dinner And Ceremony | 4:00 p.m. | St. Leo K of C Hall |
| March 15 | Council Meeting | 7:00 p.m. | George Mason Library |
| April 8 | Spring Cleaning Auction | 6:30 p.m. | St. Leo K of C Hall |
| April 19 | Council Meeting | 7:00 p.m. | George Mason Library |
| May 13 | Cooking with Lino Laudiero | 6:30 p.m. | St. Leo K of C Hall |
| May 17 | Council Meeting | 7:00 p.m. | George Mason Library |
| June 2-3 | 35 th Biennial Convention | ----- | Hilton Richmond Hotel |
| June 10 | Bocce at the Lillo's | TBD | 5104 Colebrook Place Alexandria, VA |
| July 4 | City of Fairfax Independence Day Parade | TBD | City of Fairfax |

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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| Judy McCloskey | March 4 |
| Carol Goldstone | March 5 |
| David Di Quollo | March 6 |
| Rosalie Alligood | March 13 |
| Dolores Marcinkowski | March 18 |
| Carol La Colla | March 20 |

*Buon
Compleanno*



LODGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARCH LUNCH BUNCH

The Lunch Bunch will meet on Wednesday, March 8, 2017, at Noon at Delia's Pizzeria and Grille, 6515 Backlick Road, Springfield VA 22150. Delia's serves excellent Greek cuisine and is one of our long-time supporters of our Casino Night events. Please come and join your fellow IHL members for lunch to show our appreciation for that support. Call Dennis at [703-354-2454](tel:703-354-2454) or email at delillo1@verizon.net if you plan to attend.

White Elephant Sale -- Our yearly White Elephant Sale scheduled for Saturday, January 14th, was unfortunately postponed due to bad weather. It has been rescheduled for **April 8th** as a "Spring Cleaning" auction. All items are appreciated as the spirit of giving continues into the new year. Items that you no longer need or want, have been replaced by the latest model, or things you are just happy to pass on to others, will be auctioned off to benefit the lodge. Please start gathering anything unwanted - no need to price items as our auctioneers do a fantastic job of personalizing each item to make a sure sale!

Grand Lodge of Virginia 35th Biennial Convention, Richmond, June 2-3, 2017.

IHL should be represented with 10 Delegates to the Convention. Information regarding hotel registration, meal registration forms, program booklet advertising and memorials, and signature pages were sent as attachments in January's newsletter. IHL will take out a program ad and I encourage others to do so, if you have a business, or want to place a personal memorial in the program booklet. These ads cost \$100.00/full page; \$50.00/half page; \$25.00/quarter page; and \$10 for a patron or memorial advertisement. The deadline for the program booklet advertising is **April 28, 2017**. Also, GLVA offers members the opportunity to be "Signature Sponsors" to support the success of the Convention. Each signature is \$1.00 and these sheets will be available at our meetings and events over the next few months. Please contact your President if you have any questions about Convention details or if you would like her to resend the forms.

Italian Culture Corner

Contributions from John Ingargiola & Dawn Falsinotti

Italians in DC
Il punto d'incontro degli italiani a Washington, DC
Your Italian Connection in Washington, DC

Cari Italians, Dear Friends,

Last call and update to the upcoming special evening at the Italian Embassy, on Friday, March 10th, 6:30-9:30 PM, to celebrate "**International Women's Day**".

'Festa della donna' - cocktail party with buffet dinner and live jazz music. We are thrilled to confirm that **award winning Italian singer, songwriter Chiara Izzi**, described by Jazz Times as "a talent to be heard, admired and anticipated", will be performing a jazz concert for the first time in Washington, DC in honor of International Women's Day. Straight from **New York City with her quartet**, this is promising to be a night to remember for all jazz and music lovers.

As the registration **deadline of Thursday, March 2 (tomorrow) at midnight** is approaching fast, make sure to register right away. Being hosted at the embassy we will not be able to accept sales e deadline.

Registration Process:

1. **RSVP by March 2nd** to: info-dive@ledive.org
2. **Pay \$30 per person.** You can pay **online**: <http://bit.ly/2mtfhwV>

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Smithsonian Lecture Series on Regions of Italy: Abruzzo and Molise Monday, March 6, 6:45pm-9:00pm. The Smithsonian in Washington, DC is having a lecture series on various regions of Italy. On Monday, March 6, 2017 from 6:45 to 9 p.m., the lecture will be on Abruzzo and Molise. Cost is \$35 for Smithsonian members and \$45 for non-members. The CODE you need to order tickets is: 1M2-882B. The lecture will take place at the Ripley Center that is located 1 block from the entrance of the Smithsonian Metro Station on the Blue Line. Note: you need not buy the entire series of lectures; rather, you can just attend this one or any other individual region. For tickets: call (202) 633-3030.

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"FREE" IL CINEMA RITROVATO ITALIANO: FROM VAULT TO SCREEN @ NGA
PIAZZA ITALIA-WASHINGTON, DC ITALIAN LANGUAGE & CULTURE GROUP
Sunday, March 12, 2017
4:00 PM
National Gallery of Art
4th and Constitution Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20565

*Gift Certificates and Prizes Collected
For Casino Night Fundraiser*

Domino's – Five Free Pizza Certificates
Giardino's - \$25 Gift Card
Milano's - Dinner for Two (Val. \$40)
Maggiano's - Two \$25 Gift Cards
Outback - Two \$20 Gift Cards
Bertucci's - \$25 Gift Card
Szechuan Star - Two \$10 Gift Cards
Sfize Café - \$50 Gift Card
Esposito's - \$40 Gift Card
St. Elmo's Pub - \$25 Gift Card
Nails a la Mode - \$40 Gift Card

Hunan West - \$25 Gift Card
Kilroy's - Two \$25 Gift Cards
Austin Grill - \$25 Gift Card
Chuy's - Dinner for Two (Val. \$50)
Delia's - \$30 Gift Card
Ciao - Two \$25 Gift Cards
Olive Garden - Five Gift Cards (Val. \$25)
Brion's Grill - \$25 Gift Card
Regal Cinema - \$30 Gift Card
Spartan's - Four \$25 Gift Cards
Carrabba's - \$25 Gift Card

Chuy's – Gift Basket (Value \$100)

Springfield Country Club – Round of Golf for Four with Cart

Fort Belvoir Country Club – Round of Golf for Four with Cart

Golf Lesson – Linda Gaudi, Director Of Instruction, Country Club of

Fairfax Annandale Golf – Certificate for Equipment Fitting or Swing Video Analyze, (Value \$60)

Andrew Gause's Martial Arts Party for Ten Guests, includes Pizza, Games and Martial Arts Class (Value \$150)

And these other tasty, delicious and fine donations.....

**Gift Basket of Cookies, Chocolates & Jam – Gift Bag of Wine and Chocolates –
Mary Kay Gift Basket - \$30 Ham - \$30 Mary Kay Gift Certificate – Cavit Pino
Grigio – Beringer White Zinfandel - Ferrero Rocher Chocolates – Gift
Certificate for 1 pound of See's Candies – Heart Shaped Picture Frame**

***Italian Heritage Lodge #2517
Order Sons of Italy in America
Fairfax County, Virginia***

March 1, 2017

**John F. Asiello Jr. Chairman,
Italian Heritage Lodge - Special Events
5306 Inverchapel Road
Springfield, Virginia 22151**

**(Name of Sponsoring Activity)
(Street Address)
(City, State, Zip Code)**

Dear Management,

On behalf of the Officers and members of the Italian Heritage Lodge #2517 Order Sons of Italy in America, we want to thank you for your support of our recent fundraising event for charity.

Our annual “Casino Night” fundraising event, held on February 11, 2017, was a huge success and your generous Gift Certificate was a popular one among our members and guests which helped this to be a major financially rewarding charitable venture.

Our targeted charities for this year were Alzheimer’s disease, Cooley’s Anemia, Autism and Local Scholarships. It will be rewarding for you to know that 100% of all monies collected will go directly to these charities.

Support from our sponsors is the major reason for our organization’s financial ability to give generously to these charities and our members have been asked to patronize our sponsors, both verbally and in our published Newsletter “La Bandiera.”

Again, we thank you sincerely for your generosity,

**Nicolette Sciscilo
President
Italian Heritage Lodge**

**John F. Asiello Jr.
Chairman, Special Events
Italian Heritage Lodge**

*2017 Joint Installation of Officers Ceremony & Dinner
George Washington Lodge & Italian Heritage Lodge*

Date: Saturday, March 11, 2017

Location: St. Leo the Great Catholic Church
3700 Old Lee Highway
Fairfax, Virginia
Knights of Columbus Hall (behind the Church)

Time: 4:00 PM – Arrival and Social Begins
4:45 PM - Introductions, Pledge of Allegiance,
Blessing before Dinner,
5:00 PM – Dinner (Buffet Line open)
6:30 PM – Installation of Officers Ceremony Begins
7:30 PM – Conclusion of Ceremony

Menu: Catered by Executive Chef Antonino Di Nicola
Ciao Osteria, Centreville, VA
Eggplant Parmigiana ~ Lasagna
Chicken Marsala ~ Insalata
Pane e burro

Desserts: Éclairs and Cream Puffs

Beverages: Coffee, Tea, Sodas, Vino

Cost: \$20.00 per adult; \$10 for children ages 6 – 12;
free for children ages 5 and under

RSVP: Reservations must be made by March 4th.

George Washington Lodge Members:

Alice Ess - (703) 360-8853

Italian Heritage Lodge Members:

Eleanor Lillo - (703) 354-2454 / delillo1@verizon.net

Mail check to Eleanor at : 5104 Colebrook Place

Alexandria, Virginia 22312



Please join us in wishing our new officers "Buona Fortuna"!

George Washington Lodge #2038
and
Italian Heritage Lodge of Fairfax #2517
Joint Installation of Officers
Dinner & Ceremony



Saturday, March 11, 2017
Knights of Columbus Hall
St. Leo's Catholic Church
3700 Old Lee Highway
Fairfax, Virginia

4:00 PM – Arrival and Social Begins
5:00 PM – Dinner Catered by Ciao Osteria
6:30 PM – Joint Installation of Officers Ceremony
Robert Amante, President, Grand Lodge of Virginia, Presiding
7:30 PM – Conclusion of Ceremony


Event Cost: \$20.00 per person,
\$10.00 Children 6-12; Free to children 5 and under

RSVP: George Washington Lodge Members: Alice Ess (703) 360-8853
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