

Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America

Shasta Lodge #2453

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La Fratellanza JULY & AUGUST 2019



GRAND LODGE CONVENTION REPORT by Sharon Roberts

Four of us attended the 2019 Convention in Reno June 27-29. Two other members went and sat in on some of the sessions. The first day started with all of the officers and dignitaries presented and the usual beginning reports. Sharon Roberts acted as Mistress of Ceremony the first morning.

The state is divided into three districts (North, Central, and South). What's interesting is that the Northern District has the most members.

Because of the resignation of our State Financial Secretary, we were asked to approve the budget without the final figures. We did not agree to do this so the final approval was put on hold until two people continue to update the figures. A new Financial Secretary was elected for the next term and he is a CPA and hopefully will put things back in order.

Proposals:

To allow the State Trustees to hold office in their local lodges (passed). Many local lodges are struggling to get people to run for office.

To reduce the State Vice-Presidents by one (did not pass). If we have three districts, we need to have three State Vice-Presidents.

To reduce the State Trustees by half (did not pass). It was mentioned that this

is a training position for new officers and to cut the trustees from six to three would eliminate members from the opportunities. Also, it would put a burden on the remaining three to visit more lodges. To eliminate the position of Current Emeritus as a Component of the Grand Lodge (did not pass). We have only one now and the bylaws were changed a few years ago to not continue appointing people to this position so there will never be another one. The current Emeritus lives out of state so she probably would not be attending many of our conventions anyways.

Once again, no decision was made on the Grand Lodge building in San Francisco. There was a lot of discussion about the value of the building and the cost of renting another facility for offices to run the Grand Lodge. Also, they are getting more rentals to offset their expenses. The Grand Lodge had been instructed to sell the building for a \$5 million profit but the appraisal was about \$3.5 million.

The designation Grand Lodge Queen Pageant has been changed to the Royal Pageant. That allows male participants in this event.

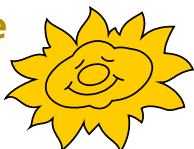
As per your direction, we donated \$800 to charities. A total of \$66,860.34 was donated from all delegates at the State Convention.

Our State President, John Costa, was reelected by one vote. He will serve another two years.

Next year's convention will be held at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Concord June 24-28.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS
AUGUST
Vincenzo Bellini Lodge (Chico)
Annual Picnic
Sunday, August 18th - 1PM
Elks Club in Chico
General Meeting & Potluck
Monday, August 19th - 6:15 PM
Paesano Days Meeting
Thursday, Aug. 22 - 6PM
Paesano Days Greeters
Thursday, Aug. 29h 7:30AM
Bocce Courts at South City Park
SEPTEMBER
Redding Community Guild
Wednesday, Sept. 4 - 9am
Asphalt Cowboys BBQ
Sunday, September 8th - 10am
PAESANO DAYS
Media Night, Thurs. Sept 12th
FRIDAY, Sept 13th
SATURDAY, SEPT 14TH
CLEANUP-SUNDAY, SEPT 15TH
General meeting and Potluck
Monday, September 22nd
Potluck 6:15PM
Meeting 7PM
Catering Event
Saturday, September 28th
OCTOBER
Western Foundation Golf
Tournament, Chico - Oct 7th
Columbus Day Celebration
Reno - Oct. 11-13
Wings of Angels
Saturday, October 19th

Sunshine Report



Our condolences once again to the family of **Joe Soltis** who passed away last June. A reception was held at our lodge on July 5th.

Lydia Reed is now living at Oakdale Heights and would appreciate cards and letters. Her address is 101 Quartz Hill Road, Apt. # 119, Redding, CA 96003

Fred Skill has been having some health issues, hope you are feeling better now, Fred.

Mitch Mandina had another surgery on his foot. He will be out of commission for a month or two.

John Tasello had another procedure done on his throat, but is feeling better again. If you have any sunshine news, please call our "Sunshine Lady" **Liz LaMarre** and let her know so she can send cards, call, etc. **515-5485** or email liz_lamarre@yahoo.com.

Shasta Lodge Golf

Allen's Golf will now have Shasta Lodge golf on Tuesday each week with tee off at 8:00AM. The cost is \$10 for 9 holes of golf plus a hot dog or beer.



President Jim's

Greetings Sisters and Brothers of Shasta Lodge,

I hope you're all having a wonderful summer enjoying summer activities, be it locally or where ever your travels may take you.

The annual Paesano Days celebration is scheduled for September 13 and 14. Join me in thanking John Tasello for taking on the task of Chairperson and insure him that we are here to assist as needed. There will be articles in this newsletter referring to the event with information on how to get aboard. As many of you know, it is fairly work intensive and requires a considerable amount of help from our members. Most of the department chairpersons are in place and will calling for help with various activities. Let's work together and make Paesano Days a huge success once again.

There will be some work projects at the lodge in the coming weeks and months. We'll be sending out calling post messages asking for help with various things. Give us a hand if you can.

Lately we've been in a battle with the weeds in the yard, they seem to come out of nowhere and pop-up overnight. John Tasello is undaunted by these stubborn invaders and is determined to rid the yard of them. He's given a lot of time and effort in combating them. Any suggestions or secret weed killing recipes, short of

napalm, are appreciated. Until next time. CIAO! Jim Nobili



The secret to enjoying a fine wine:

- 1: *Open it and allow it to breathe;*
2. *If it doesn't look like it is breathing, slowly give it mouth to mouth.*

ASPHALT COWBOYS COMMUNITY BBQ SUNDAY, SEPT. 8TH.

Jim Lamanna is looking for a few helpers, so give him a call at 223-5024 if You can help.



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Catering - Bookings

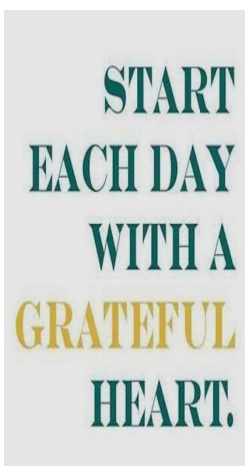
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Blood Drives

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Scholarships

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HELP SAVE A LIFE BLOOD DRIVE...

In memory of Joe Soltis, Bob Gullixson is trying to put together a blood drive at our lodge soon. We need a minimum of about 12 donors, so if you think you would be able to donate, PLEASE contact Bob and let him know. Give him a call at 222-6826 or 515-2426.

You may go to Vitalant's location at 2680 Larkspur Ln, Redding, CA 96002. Your donation of whole blood, platelets, or plasma will save a life. When you make your appointment just let them know you are from Sons of Italy so we get credit. Their number to schedule is 877-258-4825



Happy Belated Birthdays to:
 Frank Dal Porto - July 23
 Carole D. - 7/29
 Pat Karch - 7/23
 Fred Skill - 7/4

Happy Birthday to:
 Sierra Andersson - 8/16
 Carmelo Brugaletta - 8/3
 Steve Delben - 8/27
 John Durbin - 8/15
 Jim Lamanna - 8/8
 Dave McGeorge - 8/8
 Rhonda Minch - 8/1
 Lillie Minsart - 8/12
 Paul Monette - 8/19
 Mary Occasion—8/25
 Doug Piazza - 8/15
 Louann Roberts -
 Jean Russell - 8/27
 Susie Ryan - 8/11
 Mauna Stockton - 8/31
 K.C.Toombs - 8/1
 Jordan Zufall - 8/23
 Dorothy Arel - 9/2
 Gerry Carroll - 9/21
 Braden Crane - 9/29
 John DiMatteo - 9/30
 Christine Fitzpatrick - 9/15
 Bryce Giacomelli-9/5
 Harry Peppel - 9/22
 Sal Spagnuolo - 9/24
 Kristiana Zufall - 9/18



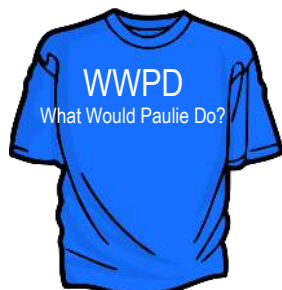
Left: Four prospective members of our lodge having dinner at the Anderson Police Department Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser in July..



BOB GULLIXSON with all his gear, getting on the bus for the SFGiants Game in July.

Happy Anniversary

Doug & Diane Piazza - 8/5
 Jim & Cathy Giacomelli - 9/9
 Ron and Teresa Zufall - 9/12



PAULIE'S APPAREL

We are happy to announce that Paulie's Apparel is back in business. Paul Monette has

agreed to order shirts for lodge members. It is now necessary to purchase your shirts from our shirt printer, so please see Paul for what you would like to have. And remember that he needs time to place your order, have printed and get it back to you. Please check with him at the general meetings, or phone him at: **PHONE 530-351-3456**

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News from the Redding Community Guild

The Redding Guild will not be meeting in August and possibly September due to summer events.

John Tasello

President Redding Community Guild



Joe Marsiano looking good at 90 years old

Joe's friends and family surprised him with a birthday party at the Elks Lodge on Sunday, July 28. Joe was surprised and humbled by the turn out of well wishers. His sons Rocky and Mike and daughter Deana were on hand and, of course, his wife Deanie. They had prepared a nice buffet and cakes but the highlight for me was all of the pictures of Joe and his family especially all of the black and white photos of Joe and Dean from the 1950's. Handsome couple and Joe was buff! He looked like he was ready to spare with THE Rocky Marsiano.

Those of you that know Joe, know that he continues to be "looking good". While he may not be up for the boxing ring anymore, he is certainly a strong contender on the bocce courts. Many stories were shared of Joe and his boys putting on a bocce exhibition while playing at our Paesano Days bocce tournaments. I recalled and told the story of Joe and his "National Rollers" playing against another very talented team in the finals, Incredible bocce with a lot of ooohs and aaaahs from the spectators. The other team's best shooter would make a just a crazy good shot and Joe would come up take it away. The guy watched this happen, time and time again and tell his partner "did you see that? that's why they're here".

Happy 90th Birthday Joe Marsiano, founding member of Sons and Daughters of Italy, Shasta Lodge, Bocce Master and great father and friend.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION. PLEASE SEND YOUR ARTICLES OR PHOTOS TO ME AT mscturner@aol.com. Or you may phone me with information to 241-4342 or 604-7626. thank you, Carole D.

Agenda

**GENERAL MEETING & Potluck Dinner
Monday, July 15th, 2019**

Potluck at 6:15PM Meeting 7PM

At our general meeting in August it will probably be pretty warm. So Sharon and Gerry are requesting that you bring Sandwiches, Salads, Sides and Desserts. If you have any questions, give Sharon a call at 221-0720.

We will spend some time discussing plans for Paesano Days, and other events that are on the agenda for August, September, and October. If you have sold the tickets that were mailed to you, please bring the cash or checks and turn them in to Carole D.

Sharon still needs gift certificates for haircuts, car service, etc. We will also be sending around sign up sheets for different areas of Paesano Days where we still need volunteer help. Please help us make this a successful event.

Please be sure to purchase your square on our Project board. We drew names at the July meeting and Bob Gullixson/Jim Nobili won \$125 and

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There is a group of lodge members and friends meeting every Monday at our courts at South City Park for a couple of games of bocce. Start time is 8:30 AM and play ends after two games. All are welcome to come, you don't need to bring a team.

There will be a fall bocce league through the City of Redding. Play will begin on Wednesday, September 4th, skip the 11th and resume on the 18th. I just checked online and they do not have the dates or registration available yet, so watch for it.



ABOVE LEFT: Rose Nobili with Liz LaMarre working a Redding Colt 45s baseball game with mascot Homer.

ABOVE RIGHT: McKinley Toombs is the great granddaughter of Liz LaMarre and the granddaughter of Gina Toombs. What a cutie!!



Shown above; Our Treasurer Joe Rodola spends a lot of time on the weekends on Shasta Lake or other lakes, fishing. He catches and releases. Nice fish Joe!!



JIM AND ROSE NOBILI ENJOYING A BEER ON THEIR FAMILY TRIP TO ITALY IN JUNE/JULY.

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GO FOR THE GREEN!!

Since February 2007, we have had all members names in a drawing held at each general meeting.

In June, Jessica Toombs name was drawn and she was not there and did not win the \$40. In July John DiMatteo's name was drawn and he won 45. John donated the money to our scholarship fund. We will draw for \$25 in August.

If your name is drawn and you are there, you get the money, so "be there" or miss your chance to win.

RECYCLE PROGRAM

John DiMatteo has been recycling our cans and bottles since August 2009 . We have raised \$9,043.01 to date. That's a great amount for 10 years.

Congrats and Thank You to John.

John is now saving the pull tabs from aluminum cans, too. These include soft drinks, pet food, etc. Please help by saving these too. They are easy to remove, just put in a small plastic bag and bring to a meeting. Also the plastic caps from water bottles to give the a school in Red Bluff for a "Buddy Bench."

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BIBLE EMERGENCY NUMBERS-

Quick Reference Guide

- Upset-John 14
- Weak-Psalm 18:1-29
- Lonely-Psalm 233
- Sinned-Psalm 51
- Worried-Matthew 8:19-31
- Anxious-Phillippians 4:4-9
- Unhappy-Colossians 3:12-17
- In Danger-Psalm91
- Depressed-Psalm27
- Lack of Faith-Exodus 14
- Need Courage-Joshua 1
- Need Direction-Psalm 73:21-26
- Seeking Peace-Matthew 11:25-30
- Leaving on a trip-Psalm 121
- Struggling with loss-Luke 15
- Struggling Financially-Psalm 37
- Discouraged with work-Psalm 126



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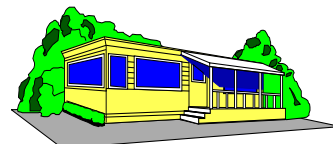
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Left: Steve Delben, John DiMatteo, and Alan Wolochuk present wreath at the Northern California Veterans Cemetery on Memorial Day.



Right: Jim and Rose Nobili present our wreath at the Veterans Grove ceremony on the original Memorial Day.



July 6th Cathy and Jim Giacomelli spent the day at Lassen Park today. Picture of the snow level at the main parking lot at the base of Lassen. We had a great lunch at Childs Meadows Highlands Ranch Resort. It's a great way to spend a day in our own area. Its worth the trip



"On Saturday, July 13, 2019, members of SOI Shasta Lodge attended the "Annual Blessing of the Grapes" ceremony at New Clairvaux Vineyard in Vina, CA. Attending were members: Alan & Nancy Wolochuk, Bob & Stephany Checchi, Bob Gullixson and Jim Giacomelli."



Shown Left: A group of us from Shasta Lodge with Yvonne Vanoni, Joy Bruno & Fiance Rod, Arlene Nunziati, and in front is K.C.Toombs girlfriend

Below: Joy Bruno with her Fiance Rod at the San Francisco Giants Game in July.

Day at the Giants with Shasta Lodge

Over fifty members, and friends, of the Shasta Lodge traveled to San Francisco's Oracle Park to watch the San Francisco Giants beat the New York Mets on a gorgeous Sunday afternoon. I took the train and met up with them and had a terrific day. We saw three rookies start their first game and won the game in extra innings. Our new pitcher Connor Metz did a terrific job and his grandfather comes from Redding and was also in attendance to cheer him on. A very exciting day for all of us.

The Vanoni's and Joy Bruno were also with the group and we all congratulated Joy Bruno and her fiancé Rod. Congratulations to a great couple.

On the way home, the bus stopped for dinner and the weary travelers arrived home late but happy. As we all know from past experience, this group knows how to have fun! Thanks Shasta Lodge for letting me tag along!

Arlene Nunziati, Past 1st Vice President., Grand Lodge of Calif.



LEFT: Our friends, Past State President Roy Vanoni, and our past State Deputy Yvonne Vanoni.

ABOVE: Sharon Roberts and Gerry Carroll at the San Francisco Giants game in July

PAESANO DAYS 2019 BOCCE TOURNAMENT

Friday September 13 and Saturday September 14

Presented by

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at South City Park next to Tiger Field - \$140 team entry fee

Hello all of you bocce enthusiasts. We are ready to sign up 32 teams for our tournament, so if you have a team, get me your application and check by the Friday, August 30th deadline. Cash prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams. The prize amounts will be announced after we determine the exact amount of teams entered. All players, on registered teams, will receive a ticket good for a meal from our food court on Saturday. You can select a pasta bowl or one of our fine sandwiches. We are encouraging you to have substitutes available in the event that one or more of your players cannot make a game.

Entry Form

Team Name: _____

Team Captain: _____

Player: _____

Player: _____

Player: _____

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Substitute _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Make checks payable to the Sons and Daughters of Italy Shasta Lodge. Mail entry form and check to: John Tasello, 3358 Riverside Drive, Anderson CA, 96007.

If you have questions or concerns call me at 365-5978 or email me at jt@shasta.com

Shasta Lodge #2453,
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Paesano Days 2019

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Saturday, September 14th 10am-9pm
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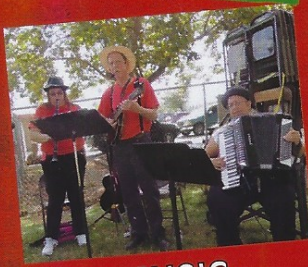
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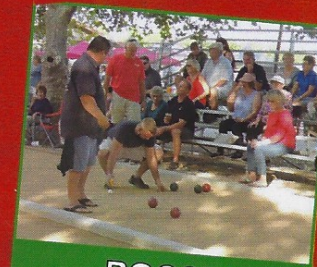
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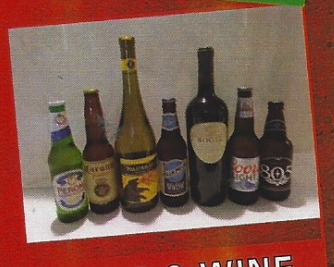
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