



# La Fratellanza

*Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America*

*Shasta Lodge #2453*

*4850 Cedars Rd. PO Box 994107 Redding, CA 96099*

**SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2022**

## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS OCTOBER

**Wings of Angels Fundraiser**  
Saturday, October 15th  
4PM - 7:30PM

**General Meeting  
And Potluck Dinner**  
Monday, October 17th -  
Potluck - 6:15PM Meeting - 7PM  
First round of nominations for  
2023-2024 Officers will be held

## NOVEMBER THANKSGIVING MEMORIAL DINNER

Saturday, November 12  
Memorial Service 6:30PM  
Dinner 7:00PM  
(See page 5)

**General Meeting  
And Potluck Dinner**  
Monday, November 21st  
Potluck - 6:15PM Meeting - 7PM  
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2023-2024 Officers will be held

## DECEMBER

**Redding Grange Meeting**  
Wednesday, December 7th - 9am

**CATERING EVENTS**  
RPOA CHRISTMAS PARTY - 12/10  
SIRS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON - 12/14  
SHERIFF'S CHRISTMAS PARTY -  
12/17

**General Meeting and Annual Cookie  
Exchange Monday, Dec. 19th - 7pm**  
Election of 2023-2025 Officers

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**

## PAESANO DAYS 2022

Thanks to some really good weather and the hard work of many of you, we had a very successful event. Our ticket presales were good and contributed to our serving 900 dinners on Friday night. The food court was busy on Saturday, too.

As you know, we moved all our operations into one area and while we can make some adjustments, this new set-up was a hit with both staff and our customers. Hats off to those folks involved with ticket sales, cooking, and serving of food and beverages, the bocce tournament, the raffle, and souvenir sales. Prior to Friday's opening there was a whole lot of work being done at the park, on the courts and at the lodge. Members obtained raffle prizes, worked at the park and on the bocce courts, flyers and postcards were distributed, equipment was inventoried and made ready for transport, supplies were ordered, vendors were signed up, raffle baskets were created, and cannoli were made. I want to express appreciation to all of you that sold dinner tickets in advance. That is so helpful in our ordering of supplies and to our bottom line.

I have been giving thank yous, on behalf of the Sons and Daughters of Italy, to those people and organizations that support our event. The Asphalt Cowboys deliver their tables and chairs for our use. Helping them at the Pancake Breakfast and their annual BBQ would be a great way to say thanks. Anderson's Fine Jewelry once again made a very large donation to our event. Thank them when you visit their store. Rick and Patti Bosetti gave us access to the Colt 45's facilities includ-

ing their freezers, refrigerators, ice machine, bathrooms and lighting. Lulu's displays our banner and sells dinner tickets for us. The Veteran's Cemetery allowed us the use of their shuttle carts and members of the California State Militia provided drivers. The Shasta County Sheriff's Office provides volunteers to help with a lot of the "heavy lifting". The Redding Recreation is always very helpful in providing our permits as well as helping us run our bocce league, while the Parks crew go the extra mile in preparing the park for us. And Chef James Leedy and the students from his culinary classes were helping with the cooking both Friday and Saturday.

Our friends from Vincenzo Bellini Lodge showed support by entering a bocce team and it was very nice to have our State Deputy John Jefsen and his wife Lorna join in the festivities.

As chair of Paesano Days 2022, I want to express my sincere appreciation and my satisfaction to a job well done.

John Tasello  
Paesano Days Chair



# SUNSHINE REPORT



Our sincere sympathies go out to the family of **Dominic DiNino** who passed away on October 6th. There will be no services right away.

**John Zufall** was in the hospital for about a week recently with an infection in his leg. **Jason Toombs**, Gina's husband and Liz LaMarre's son-in-law, had surgery recently. **Donna Brown** had a broken wrist, the a shoulder surgery, and then Covid.

**Jeanne Brown** had ankle and foot surgery about a week ago and will be at home for a few weeks or more.

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](mailto:liz_lamarre@yahoo.com).



## President Jim's Message



Greetings to all the Sisters and Brothers of Shasta Lodge,

Allow me to begin by thanking you all for a successful Paesano Days. There was a major change in the set-up this year and we realize that there will be some minor adjustments to be made, but overall, we are happy to hear the positive comments about the new layout. As always, we welcome any ideas and criticism as well. The most heard complaint from almost everyone is/was the sound system, and we agree one hundred percent. We are currently working to improve the system and we will be ready for the next park event, whatever it may be. Improvements in alignment are being considered in other areas as well.

Fall has finally arrived and although it is still warm in the daytime hours, the morning and evening weather is as close to perfect as can be. It is a blessing to be able to open the windows and doors to allow the cool, fresh air to enter the house instead of that air conditioning unit running all day and night.

As we enter the final quarter of

the year, we begin our busy Holiday season with catering events and our annual Crab and Chowder Feed in February. We will certainly need help with coming events. I'm certain many of you will step up and join in the fun. This is a great way to share time and get to know you fellow members.

Before closing, I will remind you all that this is an election year. We will begin nomination of officers at the October meeting for round one and conclude the nomination process at the November meeting.

I have asked our newsletter editor, Carole D., to post the nomination process in this edition of the newsletter. Please take a moment to read it. We will try to keep the process simple and moving quickly while maintaining some semblance of order. We hope to have a good turnout for the meetings as this is important to all members. You will be selecting the next administration for Shasta Lodge.

I hope to see you all very soon. Until then Ciao!

Jim Nobili  
President

## Committee Chairs Bar Manager

Jim Nobili - 243-4127

### Building Maintenance

John Tasello - 365-5978

### Recycle

John DiMatteo - 215-1333

### Sunshine

Liz LaMarre - 515-5485

### T-Shirts & Hats

Paul Monette - 351-3456

### Web Mistress

Sharon Roberts - 221-0720

## Scholarships

Jeanne-Marie Carr -  
306-6134

## Bocce

Jim Giacomelli - 223-9316  
John Tasello - 365-5978

## Paesano Days

John Tasello - 365-5978

## Catering

Carole Dellaragione - 241-4342

Thanksgiving Memorial  
Dinner

## Shasta Lodge Officers

### President

Jim Nobili - 243-4127

### Vice President

John DiMatteo - 215-1333

### Past President

Carole Dellaragione - 241-4342

### Orator

Jim Giacomelli - 223-9316

### Recording Secretary

Sharon Roberts - 221-0720

### Financial Secretary

Carole Dellaragione - 241-4342

### Treasurer

Joe Rodola - 941-3021

### Sentinel

## Master & Mistress of Ceremonies

Diane Piazza - 229-9389

Gerry Carroll - 243-5527

### Trustees

Steve Delben - 224-9524

Leonard Duz - 241-3068

Bob Gullixson - 222-6826

Paul Monette - 351-3456

### Historian

## Membership & Heritage

Frank Rose - 247-3844

### Chaplain

Charlotte Bailey - 244-1607

START  
EACH DAY  
WITH A  
GRATEFUL  
HEART.



## NOMINATION OF OFFICERS – SHASTA LODGE #2453

The nomination of officers is an important process in our lodge and will be held in a calm and respectful manner. Members seeking an office on the Shasta Lodge Council, should ask a member in good standing to nominate them. All nominations should come from the floor to keep the members involved in the process. This would not allow current officers to nominate one another. Once a member has been nominated for an office, the President will ask the nominee if he/she accepts the nomination for the stated position. If the response is yes, the Recording Secretary will record the name in the file and the Electoral Chairperson will write the nominee's name on the display board specifying the position.

A person seeking office may self-nominate if so desired. There is no reference in the bylaws saying that members may not do so; however, being nominated by a fellow member is preferred.

Do NOT nominate someone who has NOT asked or given permission to do so. This is unfair to a fellow member who may not be expecting to be nominated and a poor use of time.

Apart from the Historian and Chaplain, all positions require a nomination. The positions of Historian and Chaplain are each appointed at the discretion of the incoming President. The Immediate Past President position on the Council is automatic if he/she wants to serve in that role. In the event the Immediate Past President ceases to take part in the Council, for any reason, the previous Past President shall succeed to the office as a matter of right.

Those members or current officers wishing to be nominated must be present during the nomination process. In the event a member seeking an office cannot be present, a letter of intent must be sent to the Lodge President prior to the meeting commencement time of 7:00 PM of the October and/or November meetings. Letters received after 7:00 PM of the November meeting will NOT be accepted.

There will be two rounds of nominations. The first round will take place during the October membership meeting. Once the nomination process is over, the Lodge President will ask for a motion to close the nomination of officers for

the current meeting and to continue at the November membership meeting.

Round two will take place during the November membership meeting. When the nomination process is completed, the Lodge President will ask for a motion to close the nominations. Once the motion has been made, seconded, and approved, the nomination process is officially closed. Nominations will no longer be accepted.

The December membership meeting will include the election of officers. The Recording Secretary will have ballots prepared with names of the candidates and the position they seek. The candidates that are unopposed will NOT appear on the ballot; they will assume the responsibility of office by acclamation.

The Lodge President will select an Electoral Board to dispense the ballots and count the votes after the ballots have been completed. The Electoral Board will be composed of a chairperson and two examiners. Any member who is a candidate for office will not be appointed to the Electoral Board.

In a recent decision by OSDIA National Headquarters, Social Members are now eligible to hold office in a local lodge. The exception being, President, Vice President, and State Delegate.

Jim Nobili, President  
Shasta Lodge #2453  
Updated April 7, 2022



## NOVEMBER

Renee Bishop - 11/2  
Joni Branstetter - 11/25  
MaryEllen Maddox - 11/20  
Fran Mazet - 11/1  
Jim Nobili - 11/9  
Rose Nobili - 11/14  
Don Porter - 11/21  
Frank Rose - 11/10  
Tony Thomasy - 11/19  
John Zufall - 11/30  
**DECEMBER**  
Greg Agresta - 12/27  
Cole Anderson - 12/1  
Tina Lamanna - 12/27  
Mitch Mandina - 12/2  
Rob Rose - 12/31  
Rosemarie Shuman - 12/21



## RECYCLE PROGRAM

John DiMatteo has been recycling our cans and bottles since August 2009. Following Paesano Days John reached another plateau. The last load of recycles netted \$87.37. We are now at \$11,069.59 That's a great amount for 12+ years.

Be sure to bring you plastic bottles and aluminum cans to the lodge to be recycled. John sorts all this at his home. Would be helpful if you would take caps off plastic bottle and separate them from the aluminum cans and glass bottles. No wine bottles, please!!

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION. PLEASE SEND YOUR ARTICLES OR PHOTOS TO ME AT [mscturner@aol.com](mailto:mscturner@aol.com). Or you may phone me with information to 241-4342 or 604-7626. thank you, Cut off date for November/December newsletter will be November 30th..

**GO FOR THE GREEN!!**

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

In September Joni Branstetter's name was drawn and she was not present and did not win the \$25. In October the drawing will be for \$30.

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

**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.

**Thought for the Day!!**

The Monday after Paesano Days our bocce courts were a Bocce Lake. Glad the rain held off for the finals.



The Zufall boys are at it again. Andrew, Blake and their friend Landon competed in the Mt. Shasta Tin Man Triathlon Relay at Lake Siskiyou Resort and Camp the first weekend of September. They came in first in their division. Landon swam, Andrew rode bike, and Blake ran.



Beersagna, the winners of the Paesano Days Bocce Tournament.

**Chaplain's Corner**

Greetings Everyone -

Well, it's kind of wind-down time here in October - a very successful Paesano Days are behind us, and we're looking forward to fall, the season that brings us vibrant autumn colors and blessed cooler weather (I know I'm looking forward to soup!!).

It's a season for thankfulness and gratefulness - so many things for which to be grateful and thankful. Let's name a few -and I'm sure you have many more. We'll start with family - bound together with love and forgiveness, food on our table, clothes on our backs, wonderful friendships, health, the ability to go and do what we wish and last, but surely not least, that we are living here in the United States of America!!

My prayer for our autumn/fall season is that we continue to thank our Lord for His many blessings to us, and may each of you continue to be blessed beyond measure in this autumn season.

Blessings,  
Charlotte Bailey, Chaplain

**BS by the River by Ken Pereira**

There has been some mention recently, of articles that Ken Pereira wrote in his column "BS by the River"

As I looked for an Info Sport article for this month's newsletter, I found one Ken had written. Here is an

Excerpt written for the August 2009 newsletter:

To answer our President Jim Nobili's question in regards to the thought of Italian Carabinieri running code 3 to a local hangout for a cup of espresso ever crossing my mind...no Brother Jim, it hasn't. Now running code 3 for a glass of vino by the Italian Stradals (Italian Traffic Police) I might have thought of.

For your info Brother Jim, us Chippies (C.H.P.) knowing when and where and what time the donuts were being fried, approached the donut shop in a leisurely manner obeying all traffic laws.

And thank you Brother Jim for giving for giving me an opportunity to answer your question.





## THANKSGIVING-MEMORIAL DINNER

SATURDAY, NOV. 12th 2022

Social Hour 5PM

Memorial Service 6:00PM

Dinner 6:30PM



Our annual Thanksgiving-Memorial dinner is a dinner to honor our deceased members. It is a traditional turkey dinner prepared by the officers of the lodge for the members. We will have a social hour from 5:00-6:00PM. Prior to dinner we will have a memorial service to remember our deceased members. Dinner will be served at 6:30PM.

This year the dinner will be \$17 for member adults and \$10 for children.

The money raised from this dinner goes directly into our scholarship fund. Last year we raised about \$1000 which helped with the scholarships presented in May.

Dinner is by reservation only. No reservations will be taken after November 8th. If you make a reservation and cannot come, please call to cancel. Please call Carole D. at 241-4342 or as soon as possible to make your reservations.

**DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 7TH** Don't miss this Great dinner!

## Agenda

### GENERAL MEETING & POTLUCK DINNER

October 17th

Dinner 6:15PM Meeting 7PM

We will have a potluck dinner at 6:15pm and the meeting at 7pm. Rose Nobili will be in charge of the potluck. Rose said no theme, make it a real potluck. **Please** call her at 530-243-4127, or Chris Whitmore at 530-243-0941, and let her know what you will be bringing, or see what she needs.

We will have our first round of Nominations for the Officers for 2023-2024. If you plan to run for office, please have somebody prepared to nominate you.

You can also buy squares on our Project Board. We drew the winners at our general meeting in September and Nancy Wright and Terri Watson each won \$125. The other \$250 goes for a lodge project to be determined. Let's get another board filled so we can draw the names at our meeting before Christmas.

And speaking of Christmas, we will be decorating the hall for the Holiday Catered Parties. If you would like to help, please come down around 9AM on December 4th to help put up the trees, etc.

**IT'S YOUR LODGE,  
COME JOIN THE FUN!!**



Shown right is "Louie's Bread Crew" from many years ago. Shown above are three of the original team, Jim Giacomelli, Bernardo DiRuzza and Paul Monette. Bernardo lives in Clearwater Florida but flew into Sacramento on the Friday of Paesano Days to see family, then drove up for a very short visit. It was nice to see the three of them together. We all wish Sam King had been there, too. Paul was still wearing the bread crew shirt.



Gino Curto, Steve Delben and John DiMatteo preparing for the Friday Night Spaghetti Dinner at Paesano Days.





## IN MEMORY OF ANGIE MASSA

### 1923-2023

\*Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. (John 15:3) This is my mom's life story

Born February 24, 1924, to Italian immigrants, my mom was the second child, the first girl. Some of her earliest memories are of her mother keeping the children—7 of them—away from her father while he worked. He was a baker, and supplied the neighborhood with bread. On Sundays he took the older children to one of Chicago's parks. And then, as they grew up more, to the opera.

Mom spent her childhood days going to school like other children, but she had a special mission - to learn English and come home to teach her family. Consequently, she was forbidden from speaking Italian and does not remember her Italian. She escaped her busy family by climbing trees and losing herself in books.

The depression brought hard times. Mom's older brother, William was killed in an accident while delivering bread; mob bosses demanded "protection" money, and when her dad refused to oblige them they poured gas on the bread in his delivery truck, causing him to go bankrupt and lose his business. Her family moved neighborhoods, and now as Mom was older she continued to help her younger siblings navigate school. She also snuck out of the window to hide under the porch to try smoking. And one summer she met a dashing young army man on leave to visit his family who had a car and would spend the days driving car-fuls of neighborhood kids - herself included - to the local beach. After graduating from high school she worked to help her family financially. She was a store clerk, typist, an elevator operator. And she stayed in touch with the dashing young man through letters.

In 1942, a misunderstanding due to letters crossing in the mail, caused my mom to decide she should take a train from her hometown of Chicago to Texas where her sweetheart was stationed. Her father was in disagreement, but she went anyway with her dad's parting words on her mind: "If you go, you better come back married."

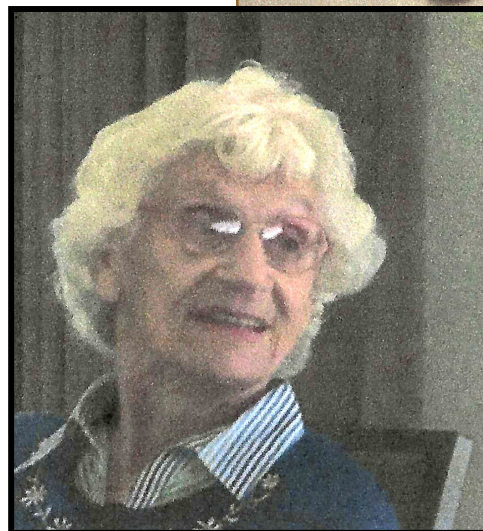
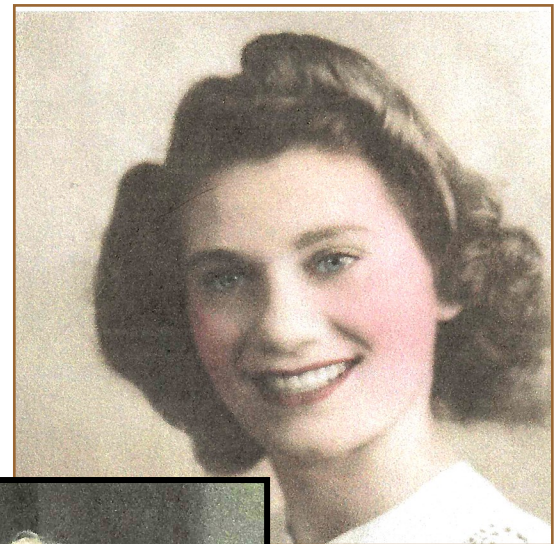
Mom and Dad eloped September 16, 1942, shortly after she arrived in Texas. Dad fenegled a short leave, and they honeymooned in Texas. My mom left behind the securities and oldest child responsibilities of her Italian home to join my dad in serving others by being an army wife. She made her home wherever he went - Texas, Georgia, Indiana, Maryland, Japan, Germany - sometimes with him, but oftentimes left behind as he was called to active duty throughout World War II and the

Korean War. She raised four children, oftentimes being both Mom and Dad. She moved frequently, leaving behind anything she thought could help someone else, and took with her instead many friendships that have lasted a lifetime.

My mom is the epitome of the Greatest Generation. She gave more than she took. She served without complaining in whatever capacity she needed to, she was faithful in her commitment to my dad for 76 years of marriage even if she disagreed with him. In serving God, she served others. She looked for those who seemed disconnected and became friends.

Recently, my mom said these things to me, "Take care of each other; help as many people as you can; let your light shine...I hope mine has." Let me share what Mom was referring to: "You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven (Matthew 5: 14-16)

**Mom, your light has been shining.**







Left: Pasta cooking at lodge on Thursday

Right: Filling Cannoli on Thursday before Paesano Days



Michael DiMatteo & Tim Mapes with Sausage Sands



Charlotte & Fran the Pesto Team

Below, the Girls making Mimosas



Below: Lynette Porter, Rita and Mitch Mandina working at the beer booth.



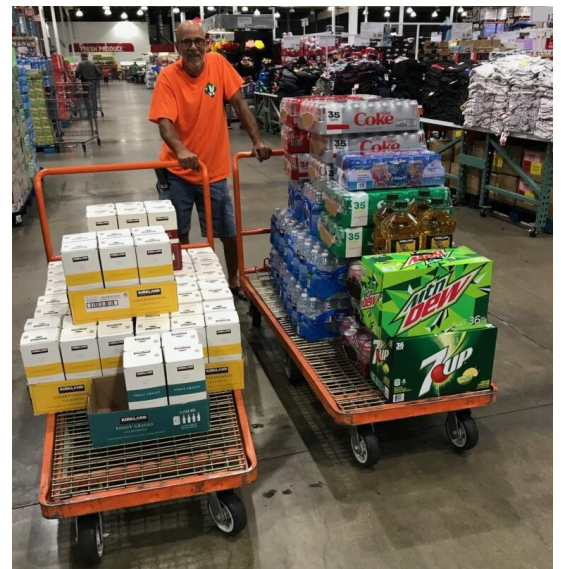
Left: John DiMatteo, Paul Monette and Jim Nobili setting up the pasta serving line.

Below: John DiMatteo shopping for wine, soft drinks and water at Costco.



Above: Bobby Gullixson and Ellie in the golf cart.

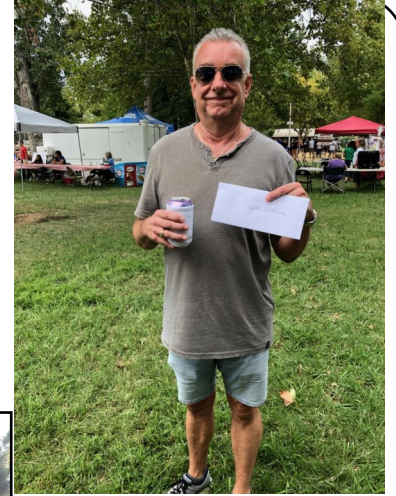
Left: Takes Lotsa Pots to keep the sauce and pasta ready to serve.







Mike Giacomelli and Bob G. Strategizing for there Bocce game.



Member Doug Phelps won the Grand Prize of \$500.



Paul Monette & Leonard Duz stirring the sauce.

## PAESANO DAYS 2022



Nobili girls bocce team.



Bob Gullixson, John DiMatteo, John Tasello working on bocce courts prior to Paesano Days.



Leslie Gullixson, Lynda Tasello and Gail Grimantini selling Cannoli and Ice Cream

Great Italian Festival in Reno Oct. 7th and 8th. Columbus Day Celebration



Above: Liz Lamarre and Jim and Rose Nobili in Reno. Left: Julie Warren, Rose Nobili and Sharon Roberts in Reno. Below: Gerry Carroll in Reno





# 20th Annual Alyssa's Wings of Angels

# Pasta

*Feed*  Angels

Fund-Raiser presented  
by Wings of Angels and  
Sons of Italy

*When:*

Saturday, October 15th, 2022  
4pm - 7:30pm

*Where:*

Sons of Italy Lodge  
4850 Cedars Rd, Redding

*Tickets:*

\$15 Adults

\$8 Children 12 and under

Tickets available at the door or online at [aawoa.com](http://aawoa.com)

**Take out available!**



[www.aawoa.com](http://www.aawoa.com)



**This year Wings of Angels is honoring**

## Rylee Homan



Rylee is a 16 year old Cottonwood girl and only child of Mike and Kelly Homan. She was diagnosed on December 28, 2021 with B-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. She has been going through intense chemotherapy treatment. Her port was infected shortly after diagnosis with a very rare infection which led to a 40 day inpatient hospital stay and IV antibiotics she's still on 7 months later.

## Lizzie Grant



Elizabeth "Lizzie" Grant is a four years old Cottonwood girl who just started preschool. Lizzie was diagnosed in February with leukemia. She is the daughter of Iliana & Chris Grant and little sister to Maisie & Jason Grant.

## Contact

**Donna Araiza @530-941-9932**  
**Dan Araiza @530-941-2763**  
**Wings of Angels @ 530-378-2373**



The Alyssa Araiza  
Organization Dedicated to  
Children with Cancer and  
Serious Illness



## Smith & Wesson Model: M&P 9 Shield Compact Slim 9mm Pistol



Smith & Wesson Model: M&P Shield Compact Slim 9mm Pistol. Green fiber optic front sight with red fiber optic rear sight. Stainless steel-Armornite barrel & side finished. Donation \$20 per ticket or 6 for \$100 Winner need not be present to win.



## Henry H004 Golden Boy Lever Action 22 Long Rifle



Henry H004 Golden Boy Lever Action 22 Long Rifle. 20" Blued Octagonal barrel, American walnut stock. Brass buttplate and gleaming Brasslite receiver. Adjustable Semi-Buckhorn rear sight/Diamond Insert, Drilled & Tapped Donation \$20 per ticket or 6 for \$100 Winner need not be present to win.