



La Fratellanza

Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America

Shasta Lodge #2453

4850 Cedars Rd. PO Box 994107

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January 2024

Upcoming Meetings and Events January

Redding Grange Meeting
Wednesday, Jan. 10th - 9AM

Police Explorers Dinner
Thursday, Jan. 18th

Catering- Back Country Horsemen
Saturday, Jan. 20th

Memorial for Dick Turner
Friday, Jan. 26th
Service at No. Calif. Veterans Cemetery at 11am followed by lunch at SDOI lodge.

General Meeting And Potluck Dinner
Monday, Jan. 22nd
Potluck 6:15PM
Meeting 7:00PM

February

Redding Grange Meeting
Wednesday, Feb. 7th - 9AM

Crab Feed
Friday, Feb. 9th
Saturday, Feb. 10th
See Page 3 for full details.

General Meeting And Potluck Dinner & Initiation of New Members.
Monday, February 19th
Potluck 6:15PM, Meeting 7:00PM

March

Redding Grange Meeting
Wednesday, March 6th - 9AM

St. Patrick's Dinner
Saturday, March 16th

General Meeting And Potluck Dinner
Monday, March 18th
Potluck 6:15, Meeting 7:00PM

Around the Lodge....

It has been a while since we have had a newsletter and our lodge has had a busy year.

We have initiated quite a few new members. I have tried to show them in the Il Leone so I hope each of you will greet them when you see them and welcome them to our lodge family. In October we welcomed Melanie Cich, Teresa Longworth, Michael Moore, Paul "Wayne" Facca, Gary Memeo and Eathen Watson.



In April our bocce league continued with an added day of play, a 2 man team league on Wednesday nights. It was so popular that a second night of 2 man team play will be added on 2024. Thanks to Jim Giacomelli, John Tasello and Charlotte Bailey for putting the leagues together and to many members who went down and cleaned the courts prior to play, refereed games and helped with the overall running of the leagues. Please see page 6 for more information about the 2024 leagues.

In about July, we were able to put a new roof on half of our building with plans to try to complete our Raise the Roof fund and finish the roof over the large hall this summer. The Grange is planning several fundraisers soon to help with their share of the expenses for the rest of the roof.

In September, Chair John Tasello lead us to a tidy profit and a lot of fun at Paesano Days. With help from Mike Giacomelli we had a car Show'n Shine with about 90 cars on Saturday morning. They helped draw a

large crowd and kept our food court busy.

In November we had a very large crowd at our Thanksgiving/Memorial Dinner and we raised over \$2000 for our scholarship fund.

We have lost a few very long term members this year and they are certainly missed.

On the last page of this newsletter we have a Calendar of Events for 2024. The dates are all subject to change, but please post you copy somewhere and keep track of our events. We are starting the year with a couple of catered dinners in January. Then our annual Crab Feed in February. We will be needing a lot of help, so if you can help, please give one of our chairmen a call.

We had to cancel our St. Patrick's dinner last year, so we will be deciding on whether to proceed with it this year. We will be celebrating the Lodge's February anniversary in May this year when we aren't so busy. The dinner will be held on May 4th which is Kentucky Derby day so plan on a fun Derby theme this year.

Weed Lodge will be hosting their 100th Anniversary Party on April 13th this year. We hope that some of you will be able to make the trip to attend.

We haven't had many newsletters this past year. I hope those of you that have not seen one, enjoy this one. I would also like any feedback that you would like to give me. We had a monthly newsletter for about 20 years and had many advertisers to help support the cost of mailing. There are some that would still like to advertise in our newsletters. If there is somebody that would like to help, or continue the newsletter on a more consistent basis, please let me know. Or, if there are those of you that are writers, or photographers, we could use your help, too. Thanks, Carole D.

Wishing all of you a Happy New Year and see you at the meetings.





SUNSHINE REPORT

Jim Lamanna is now staying at Sierra Oaks on Collyer Drive. If you have a minute drop Jim a card at 1520 Collyer Dr., Redding 96003.

Our condolences go out to **Jim Lamanna and Cara and Jeff Schuler** on the passing of **Tina Lamanna**. Also condolences to **Bobbie Turner, Mauna Stockton, John and Ron Zufall** on the passing of **Dick Turner**.

Larry Cissney had pneumonia recently but is better now. **Bobbe Vincent** will be having surgery on her leg.

Sharon Pember and Chris Whitmore were quite sick for several weeks as was **Bob Whitmore**

Congratulations to our former junior member **Blake Zufall**. In the past month or so he became Redding's 4th Dr. Zufall. He will be back in Redding doing his internship at Shasta Community Health. He also got married a month ago.

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**.



Tina Lamanna (81) passed away peacefully on December 3, 2023. She is survived by her husband Jim, daughter Cara and son-in-law Jeff Schuler. She was a woman of great class and concern for others. We will miss her love and kindness always, but know she is with us in spirit and reunited with loved ones in heaven. To honor her wishes, there will be no service. I invite you to please celebrate my Mom's memory in your own way.

Shown above is Tina with her Mom Ruth and Daughter Cara. Shown below is Tina with Jim at Paesano Days in 2018.



Richard "Dick" Turner, beloved husband, father and grandfather passed away with his family at his side on December 19th. Dick was born on April 15, 1930 in French Camp, California to Floyd and Edith Turner. He served in the U. S. Marine Corp in Guam and China during World War II.

Dick was an Electrical and General Contractor. He owned Turner Electric. He was a member of the Sons and Daughters of Italy.

He leaves behind his wife Bobbie Turner, daughters, Diana Hanly and Mauna Stockton of Redding, Valerie (Ken) Grames of Stockton, Cathy Turner of Jackson, son Brad (Kim) of Mokelumne Hill, stepsons, Dr. Ron (Teresa) Zufall and John (Becky) Zufall of Redding. Twelve grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Services will be held at the Veterans Cemetery on January 26th at 11AM followed by a lunch at the Sons and Daughters of Italy hall.



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306-6134

Bocce

Jim Giacomelli - 223-9316

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Paesano Days

John Tasello - 365-5978

Catering

Carole Dellaragione -
241-4342

START
EACH DAY
WITH A
GRATEFUL
HEART.

Sons and Daughters of Italy, Shasta Lodge #2453
CRAB AND CLAM CHOWDER FEED 2024

Friday & Saturday, February 9th & 10th 2024

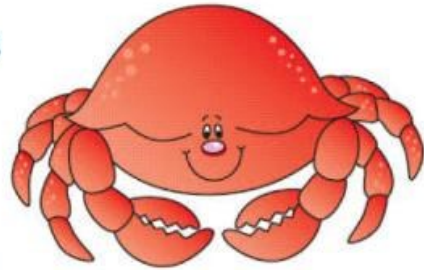
Door Open - 5:30PM

Antipasto - 6:30PM Dinner - 7PM

\$75 per person

Antipasto, Bread, Salad, Chowder, and CRAB

All you can eat*



Great Raffle with lots of prizes and baskets.

Tickets are going fast. Please call John or Cheryl at 215-1333

(please leave a message and they will return your call)

Sons and Daughters of Italy Hall, 4850 Cedars Rd., Redding, CA

*Please note, no ice chests, large bags, backpacks, containers
or outside Alcoholic Beverages will be permitted at this event.

2024 CRAB AND CLAM CHOWDER FEED February 9th & 10th, 2024

Our annual Crab and Clam Chowder Feed will be held on Friday February 9th and Saturday, February 10th, We are hoping that all members will step up to help at least one night. We need help with setting tables, making appetizer plates, preparing salads, bread and cleanup.

If you can help set tables and decorate the hall on Friday morning, please call Sharon at 221-0720. Sharon could also use gift certificates for things like meals, haircuts, car washes, etc. for the raffle each night. If you can help with serving on Friday and Saturday evenings, please call Carole at 241-4342. She will also need some help with appetizer plates on Friday and Saturday mornings from 9-10AM. We will also need help with clean-up both nights.

We will be utilizing the Redding Police Explorers for Parking Assistance both nights. All of our helpers will need to park next door in the 49ers parking lot. We will have a worker's dinner each day starting at 4pm sharp until 5pm. We will need to do clean up promptly at 5 pm due to our doors opening to the public at 5:30pm!

If you've sold tickets, please remind all ticket holders that no outside liquor is allowed and there will be no boxes for leftover food allowed..

We'll inventory any remaining clam chowder both nights to see if we have any for sale to the public. Any remaining crab on Saturday night only will be considered for sale at that time. If you have any questions, please give our chairs a call.

Please mark your calendars for this event!

Thank you, Paul

The Redding Grange will have football pools available to make money for our Raise the Roof fund. See page 7.

GO FOR THE GREEN!!

Since February 2007, we have had all members names in a drawing held at each general meeting. In September Dean Clark's name was drawn, he was there and won \$25. In October, Rita Mandina's name was drawn and she was there and won \$25. In November Mary Ellen Maddox's name was drawn, she was there and won \$25. In December, Sam Spagnoulo's name was drawn. He was there and won \$25. Drawing in January will be for \$25.



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 10:30 am WEATHER PERMITTING. The cost is \$10 for 9 holes of golf.



Shown top right: Leslie and Bob Gullixson share a plate of pasta at the "Raise the Roof" Fundraiser.



Lower right: Dawn Hume and Lois Morgan helping with Christmas decorations for our lodge.



Sharon Pember and Rose Nobili raising money for the Salvation Army inside Sprouts Market. They were unable to ring the bells inside the store.

RECYCLE PROGRAM

John DiMatteo has been recycling our cans and bottles since August 2009. Following Paesano Days John reached another plateau at \$12000. The last load of recycles netted \$93.18. We are now at \$703.59 for Jan-Nov. 2023 and \$12,438.41 from August 2009 to present. That's a great amount for 13+ 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!!





Chaplains Corner

Hello Everyone,

I pray that each of you had a wonderful Christmas - a time of celebrating the birth of our dear Savior, Jesus, and a time of spending some wonderful family time as well. Did we all eat too much? I dare say I surely did! But, oh those Christmas goodies are just so good, so tempting, so tasty.

But, as we end this year of 2023, and we look back and reflect on all the blessings and memories that were ours in 2023, we can look forward to 2024 with hope and expectations, and prayers for a better world.

May each one of us enjoy our blessings and be thankful that we have a Father who loves and cares for each of us - in 2023, 2024 and always!

Blessings,
Charlotte

Scholarship Information

There are many lodge events coming up which need your assistance and provides lodge service hours towards the in-house scholarship requirements. This includes the upcoming spring catered dinners and our annual Crab Feed. Shasta Lodge #2453 of the Order of the Sons of Italy has in-house scholarships with the following requirements;

- *an immediate family connection with Shasta Lodge;
- *excellent grades;
- *written responses regarding their Italian ancestry;
- * verified volunteer activities totaling 50 hours, including 20 hours with Shasta Lodge (from April 1st through March 31st);
- *2 letters of recommendation;
- *acceptance into an accredited college or vocational training program

The application and materials are due by March 31st of each year. For more information, please check our website or contact our Scholarship Committee Chairman, Jeanne-Marie Carr.



Agenda

GENERAL MEETING & POTLUCK DINNER January 15, 2024

Potluck Dinner - 6:15PM Meeting - 7:00PM

There will be a potluck dinner at 6:15PM. Rose Gandy and Pat Deem will be serving soup and request finger foods and desserts. Please give Rose Gandy a call at 530-222-8470 to see what else she might need for the potluck.

Tickets for the Crab Feed will be available to purchase. We will be hearing about the upcoming lodge events and catering events for the next few months. We will have SuperBowl boards available to purchase your squares. This year some of the board proceeds will go to the Raise the Roof project for our building.

As always there are squares available on our project board. Get you square and a chance to win one of 2 - \$125 prizes. At the October meeting we drew two winners of \$125, Ryan Prins and Jim Nobili. Congrats to both of them.

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



Shown above are Liz LaMarre, Nancy Wright and Charlotte Bailey who worked fluffing the wreaths at the Northern California Veterans Cemetery, as part of the Holiday Wreaths for Heroes program. On Wednesday, January 3rd they will be taking down the approximately 4300 wreaths. If you would like to help, please show up at the cemetery at 9AM. All help is appreciated.





JANUARY 2024

- Randy Brix - 1/12
- Jim Caporusso - 1/24
- Larry Cissney - 1/16
- Jim Giacomelli - 1/12
- Sharlien Harrington - 1/20
- Rita Mandina - 1/6
- Rob Paoletti - 1/11
- John Roberts - 1/9
- Lori Rossi - 1/29
- Larry Shuman - 1/29
- Craig Turner - 1/23

FEBRUARY

- Charlotte Bailey - 2/15
- Marilynn Camerlo - 2/2
- Angi Caporusso - 2/23
- Pat Deem - 2/18
- Leonard Duz - 2/13
- Taryn Giacomelli - 2/14
- Missy McArthur - 2/6
- Dino Pereira - 2/18
- Lynette Porter - 2/22
- Barbara Sherman - 2/12
- Gina Toombs - 2/14
- Terri Watson - 2/6
- Chris Whitmore - 2/27
- Alan Wolochuk - 2/26

MARCH

- Cinde Belcastor - 3/17
- Jeanne Brown - 3/8
- Jeanne-Marie Carr - 3/16
- Mary Clark - 3/28
- Don Gallino - 3/9
- Liz LaMarre - 3/20
- Cara Schuler - 3/2
- Nancy Wolochuk - 3/12



City of Redding Spring Bocce League starts April 25, 2024. Contact City of Redding to register 530-225-4095 or info@reddingrecreation.org

- 4 person league Thursday Night
- 2 person league Wed Night
- 2 person Senior League Wed morning
- 2 person league Tues Night

The Tuesday night league has been added to the Spring Bocce League due to the popularity of the 2 person Wed. Night league.

Don't delay Register today!

Jim Giacomelli
Bocce Co-Chair



2023 Thanksgiving Memorial Dinner.

Right is Chaplain Charlotte Bailey and President Jim Nobili preparing to read names and ring bell for deceased members. They also honored our Veterans.



Below is some of the kitchen crew with the Turkeys that were prepared for our Thanksgiving dinner.

Steve Delben was Part of cooking crew but was taking the photo



"IF WE COULD TURN BACK TIME..."

Christmas 2008. Sons of Italy float in Redding's annual Christmas parade. Sharon Roberts and Gerry Carroll as bunches of grapes, Ken Carroll as the Gondolier in the Gondola. Left is Sharon Roberts at council dinner this year playing the music and dancing to "Dominick the Donkey" that was part of the float theme in 2008.



Thought for the Day

"The lord gave us two ends:
One to sit on and the other to think with. Success depends on which one we use the most."

—Ann Landers



Redding Grange Supports the Affordable Connectivity Program or ACP

This is a benefit program established by the Federal Communications Commission to assist those in need to obtain broadband service also known as high-speed internet. The benefit provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service and a one-time discount of \$100 towards the purchase of a laptop, desktop, tablet, or computer. Intended to assist low-income households and other qualified individuals, including many veterans, seniors, and individuals with disabilities, this is an opportunity to reach out to our community and help people to obtain this service.

With the encouragement and support of both the National Grange and the California State Grange, Redding Grange has decided to participate in the ACP outreach. We will be making available all manner of materials explaining the ACP and how to enroll. These efforts align well with our desire to be an active and positive influence in our community. We will have these materials at our Grange Hall and at our meetings and events.

We are inviting our brothers and sisters of Sons and Daughters of Italy Shasta Lodge to join us in this effort. Let us team up again as we have so many times over the last 40 years. Maybe you qualify or you know others that may.

Finally, let us communicate this to you, we hope that you have plenty to be thankful for and that you can share those feelings with family and friends during the holiday season.

Sincerely, John Tasello
President, Redding Grange

REDDING GRANGE #446 NEWS

Whenever there is a major project to be done at the Grange Hall, the SDOI splits the cost as this is also the home of Shasta Lodge. Our last endeavor was the replacement of the entire roof. The project was limited to the roof covering the "small hall" because Redding Grange did not have enough funds for a complete replacement. Our goal is to generate sufficient funds to have the rest of the roof replaced this year.

Besides our fundraiser, scheduled for April 7, we are seeking out grants and we will be running a Super Bowl pool. Squares will be sold at \$20. Payoffs will be \$400 per quarter and the Grange will make \$400 to go to the "Raise the Roof" project.

We also have an agreement that donations can be made to the California State Grange Foundation utilizing their 501(c)3 nonprofit status. The Foundation will then send funds to the Redding Grange with no fees being charged. This is a big deal for us and a great way for all our members to help out.

Wishing you all the best in 2024.

John Tasello
President, Redding Grange #446

New Years Resolutions

(Taken from article by Past Pres. Ken Pereira in January 2010 newsletter.)

More truth than fiction.

Son to his elderly mother. "Happy New Year, Mom." Mom answers, "I've seen them come and I've seen them go. There's nothing new or happy about them." Now if that ain't a good example of someone whose cup is always half empty? Me, I'm looking on the positive side this year, in other words, counting my blessings.

February is a good time to look back and see how you are doing on your resolutions. Taking my own advice I was not surprised when I found I didn't make any.

(This was for you Dino!! Ctd)



SALVATION ARMY'S "STUFF THE BUS"

John and Cheryl DiMatteo's car stuffed with toys from Shasta Lodge members to put on the Bus. Ladies from Radio Station helping.

Many members also went out to ring bells for the Salvation Army this season. John DiMatteo had help from Bobby Gullixson, John Tasello and Don Porter when he rang the bells at Walmart from 8-5 one day. He doesn't know yet how much the total was for all the days ringing bells by our lodge members, but that one day alone, they raised \$853. Good work John and all of you who helped.



Kids Christmas party 2007. Top: the young girl is our own Sierra Anderson and it looks like Santa (aka Ken Carroll) is afraid she is going to swing that baton at him. Bottom: Lacy King with Dad Sam, licking peanut butter off her fingers. Both now beautiful young women.

SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ITALY - 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**JANUARY**

2 Council Meeting
 10 Grange Meeting
 15 General Meeting & Potluck Dinner
 18 Police Explorers Dinner
 21 Back Country Horsemen Dinner
 26 Memorial Luncheon for Richard "Dick" Turner

FEBRUARY

6 Council Meeting
 7 Grange Meeting
 9 & 10 Crab Feed
 19 General Meeting & Initiation New Members

MARCH

5 Council Meeting
 6 Grange Meeting
 16 St. Patrick's Dinner
 18 General Meeting
 30 Welcome Home Viet Nam Vets Lunch

APRIL

2 Council Meeting
 3 Grange Meeting
 7 Grange Fundraiser
13 Weed Lodge 100th Anniversary Party
 15 General Meeting
 25 Bocce League First Nights

MAY

1 Grange Meeting
4 Anniversary Party
 7 Council Meeting
 17 Asphalt Cowboys Pancake Breakfast
 20 General Meeting & Initiation New Members

JUNE

4 Council Meeting
 5 Grange Meeting
 17 General Meeting, BBQ Potluck,
 & Presentation of Scholarships
 26-29 Grand Lodge Convention -Burlingame

JULY

2 Council Meeting
 3 Grange Meeting
 15 General Meeting, Potluck Dinner

AUGUST

6 Council Meeting
 7 Grange Meeting
 19 General Meeting, Potluck Dinner, Initiation New Members

SEPTEMBER

3 Council Meeting
 4 Grange Meeting
 8 Asphalt Cowboys Community BBQ
13, 14 PAESANO DAYS
 23 General Meeting, resch. 1 week later because of Pdays

OCTOBER

1 Council Meeting
 2 Grange Meeting
 12 & 13 Columbus Day Celebration in Reno
 19 WINGS OF ANGELS
 21 General Meeting, Initiation of New Memers
 26 Weed Polenta Feed

NOVEMBER

5 Council Meeting
 6 Grange Meeting
9 Thanksgiving Memorial Dinner
 18 General Meeting, Potluck

DECEMBER

2 Council Meeting & Christmas Dinner
 4 Grange Meeting
 12 SIRS Christmas Lunch
 14 RPOA Christmas Party
 16 General Meeting, Annual Cookie exchange

*Dates are subject to change