

ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION

Monterey Branch 36 | Santa Rosalia



Monterey, California

Upcoming Events

At the time of printing, all of our events are temporarily suspended.

Locally, the state has approved a move to Stage 2.5 for reopening of more businesses. Bishop Garcia recently announced that plans are in development for the resumption of some church activities and celebrations, with limitations. So the near future is looking brighter! We send prayers to all for your continued health and safety.

Visit our Website to stay current on potential upcoming events:
www.MontereyICF.org

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2020 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS to this year's high school graduates, selected by our Scholarship Committee to receive \$1,000 scholarships for outstanding achievements. In a misty parking lot ceremony at San Carlos Cathedral Hall on Saturday, May 30, **Jaycie Campbell** (Notre Dame-GPA 3.50, daughter of member Linda Casey), **Juliana Cardinale** (Carmel High-GPA 3.77, daughter of members Vince & Jennifer Cardinale), **Amanda Cusenza** (Monterey High-GPA 4.0, granddaughter of members Sal & Nella Cusenza), **Joseph Grammatico** (Monterey High-GPA 3.95, son of members Joe & Stephanie Grammatico), **Dezi Green** (Pacific Grove High-GPA 3.60, grandson of members Joe & Sharon LoManto), **Adam Hidas** (Stevenson School-GPA 3.69, grandson of members Salvatore & Cathy Rucello), and **Luke Rosenblum** (York School-GPA 4.10, grandson of members Adam & Bruna Weiland) received their ICF checks and gift bags, plus \$750 scholarships from the Italian Heritage Society of the Monterey Peninsula.

In addition, we also presented **Jaden Soliz** and **Izzabella Tredo-Cardenas**, 8th grade graduates of San Carlos School, with \$500 Achievement Awards for their scholastic accomplishments and community service.

Our branch made a \$500 donation to the ICF Central Council Scholarship Program as well. **Nicholas James Slater**, a 2020 graduate of Palma High School, received a \$400 first-year scholarship, and the remaining \$100 was applied to 2nd-3rd-4th year program awards.

We offer sincere thanks and appreciation to the Scholarship Committee, chaired by Sandie Russo, as well as to chaplain Fr. Ron Shirley, pastor Fr. Jerry Maher, ICF Orator Jane Gasperson, IHS President Annamarie Della Sala Stanton, and other volunteers, for setting up, leading the presentation ceremony, and offering prayerful words of encouragement to the students and their families. We appreciate the support of our Scholarship Fund by members and attendees of our events, and hope you'll consider giving generously over the next year so that we may continue with this wonderful tradition. (Pictures of all the students will be posted on our website soon.)



2019 Donations

San Carlos Cathedral:	\$26,510
Scholarships:	\$7,500
Seminarians:	\$2,200
San Carlos Priests:	\$2,100
ICF Apostolate Fund:	\$2,008
Cooley's Anemia:	\$2,000
ICF CC Gifts of Love:	\$1,200
Loaves & Fishes Ministry:	\$1,025
San Carlos School:	\$1,000
Carmelite Monastery:	\$700
Monterey High Softball:	\$450
Pony Baseball/Softball:	\$450
ICF Central Council:	\$425
Diocese of Monterey:	\$250
Salvation Army:	\$250
Monterey High Sober Grad:	\$250
Carmel Mission Basilica:	\$250
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel:	\$250
St. Angela Merici Church:	\$250
St. Francis Xavier Church:	\$250
St. Joseph's Church-Spreckles:	\$250
St. Jude's Church-Marina:	\$250
Festa Italia Foundation Float:	\$82
TOTAL:	\$ 49,900

Why become an ICF member?

Friends for friendship,
Friendship for community,
Community for connection
While we support our beliefs

Membership inquiries:

info.icf36@gmail.com , or call
Elaine Valentine - 831.394.8224

653 Members as of 5/30/20

Thank you to our Volunteers, Members and Supporters!

2019 was a very rewarding year for our branch. The spirit of generosity, camaraderie, and volunteerism was present throughout our many events and fundraisers last year. Our volunteers, members, and supporters contribute in countless ways to our branch; we honor and thank them for all they do.

We served over 7,580 fund-raising meals at our monthly meetings, events and Lent dinners, volunteered to raise funds for Festa Italia Santa Rosalia and San Carlos School, and paid out a record amount of donations, scholarships and achievement awards, almost \$50,000! Our board of directors, members, priests, families, students and volunteers made this possible with their event participation, hard work, and prayers. Without everyone working together, it wouldn't be possible - but together, we did it!

As we all know, 2020 will be quite different than last year. As the country focuses on recovery from the pandemic, we know there will be countless opportunities for us to be of service in our parish community. Thank you for all you've done to support the ICF - and thank you for all you'll continue to do to support our good work. God bless you all.

NEW MEMBER INITIATION



On February 6, we initiated 33 new members to the ICF, with a brief ceremony led by our chaplain Fr. Ron Shirley in the Cathedral Hall, followed by a delicious dinner. Please welcome our newest members: *Madeline Abramonte, Charlene Beckett, Scott Clark, Maria & Brianna DiGirolamo, Travis Elder, Samantha Gomez, Brock Gurunian, Charles Higuera, Terry Linebarger, Bella Lofaso, Elaine Luke, Fr. Jerry Maher, Roselyn & Vincent Malfitano, Karen McCay, the McDonald family (Aimee, Courtney, Drew, Norah, & Paige), Fr. Efrain Medina, Richard & Cynthia Monroe, Richard & Linda Radley, Nancy Rice, John J. Ruccello, Anthony J. Russo, Janet Russo, Melinda & Robert Scardina, and Rose Stinnette.* Thank you to Elaine Valentine and the membership team and all of the volunteers for their work in putting this celebration together.

2020 Lent P&L

INCOME:	\$25,590
EXPENSES:	- \$18,869
NET PROFIT:	\$ 6,721



In Memoriam (2020)

FRANK CRIVELLO
 DOMINIC F. MINEO
 JOANN BRANSON
 ERNEST BIZZOZERO
 ANGELA CARDINALLI
 CARLA CONIGLIO
 "REST IN PEACE"

ICF Salute

"As members of the Italian Catholic Federation, we promise fidelity and obedience to our Church. As citizens or residents of this country, we promise loyalty and respect to the American flag. We also promise to love and honor the land of our ancestors. May God help us to maintain our promises."

LENT DINNERS 2020: Fun, delicious, but cut short



Well, they sure were fun, and it was great to see the 1,455 people who attended our first 2 Lenten dinners this year! As you know, we unfortunately had to cancel the 3rd-4th-5th-6th dinners this season, due to the coronavirus pandemic; it was sad but necessary for all involved.

However, once again our volunteers in the kitchen, dining room, bar, desserts, and ticket sales did us proud, hosting 789 dinners on February 28, and another 666 dinners on March 6. The smiles on everyone's faces, the jovial conversations, the wonderful smell of garlic bread, the delicious pasta and fish dinners, and those fantastic donated desserts were a pleasure to behold. No one does Lenten Dinners quite like Branch #36! We hear it often from our many members and those in our local community, as well as from the many out-of-town guests who visit Monterey to attend our events. It's especially great to see current and former members and Officers of the ICF Central Council, as well as the many friends and relatives from Pittsburg, joining in on the fun and enjoying the food and drink. While so much planning and effort goes into producing these events, the satisfaction and generosity of our guests makes it all worthwhile. We held our Lent Raffle drawing after the last event was cancelled, and the lucky winner was Sally Davison of Monterey (\$215 plus dinner for 2 at a future ICF event). We can't wait to get back to it again next year!



Did You Know ?

You can attend Mass via Website

Click on sancarloscathedral.org to attend daily or Sunday Mass. You'll be glad you did.

Hospitalization Plan

It shouldn't be a secret! The ICF has a great hospitalization plan! Available to paid-up members under age 70, inexpensive, with benefits paid directly to you. Contact Elaine Valentine (831.394.8224) for more details and application - or visit our website: www.MontereyICF.org to apply and pay online.

Convention Raffle Fundraiser offers great prizes

Please support our branch and ICF Central Council by purchasing convention raffle tickets. These are a great fundraiser, especially during this time of sheltering-in-place when we cannot host events. Be on the lookout for the yellow ticket booklets, with 12 tickets selling for a \$20 donation. Include your name, address, area code & phone number, and Branch #36 on the stubs, and please don't remove the staples. Cash prizes range from \$100-\$2,500, with drawing to be held on September 6. If you'd like to purchase more convention raffle coupon books, please drop us a line at info.icf36@gmail.com or send a note to us at P.O. Box 2286, Monterey, CA 93942, and we'll send you more, while supplies last. The raffle drawing continues *even though the convention has been canceled and will be held virtually*, you do not need to be present to win, and we sincerely appreciate your donation! Thank you for participating.

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