

ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION

Branch 36 | Santa Rosalia Chapter



Monterey, California

Upcoming Events

Oct 4: Dinner & Branch Meeting/
Board Nominations (San Carlos
Cathedral Hall, Monterey)

Oct 5: St. Francis Retreat—San Juan
Bautista (9:30am-2pm, \$25, contact
Jane Gasperson at 831.236.5474)

Oct 23: Board Meeting (San
Carlos Cathedral Hall, Monterey)

Nov 1: Dinner & Branch Meeting
(San Carlos Cathedral Hall)

Nov 10: Central Coast District
Meeting and Luncheon (San Carlos
Cathedral Hall, Monterey)

Nov 27: Board Meeting (San
Carlos Cathedral Hall, Monterey)

Dec 8: Adult Christmas Dinner
Party (San Carlos Cathedral Hall)

Dec 11: Board Meeting (TBD)

Dec 16: Children's Christmas Party
(San Carlos Cathedral Hall)

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."

Annual Convention Highlights

SAN DIEGO, CA AUGUST 31-SEPTEMBER 3

Delegates to this year's 88th annual national convention were Robert Huffer, Joe Lomanto, JoAnn Riso, and George Leonard. The convention theme, "Our Mission of Faith", was prominent throughout. After a challenging journey (Friday traffic!!) to San Diego, it began that evening with opening session and meeting the Central Council candidates, continued on Saturday with workshops, Memorial Mass, general session, and Pope Saint John XXIII evening banquet, followed by Sunday's general session and Mass, with a few hours for fun San Diego excursions, and it ended Monday morning with a closing prayer service. During the weekend, we also met with over 60 convention visitors in our branch's hospitality suite.

Our branch was honored three times: Most new members (1st place), New family memberships (2nd place), and for Apostolic works of charity (3rd place). This recognition rewards the great work of our board, chapter members, volunteers and contributors to our branch and our events.





**NOI VOGLIAM DIO
FEDERATION ANTHEM
(INNO UFFICIALE)**

Noi vogliam Dio ch'Èi ci protegga
Ch'Egli ci guide sul buon sentier,
Se della lotta Ei ci sorregga
Sara' del male vinto il poter.

*Sorge da quest squadre-il grido della Fe'
Noi vogliam Dio ch'e nostro Padre
Noi vogliam Dio ch'e nestro Re*

In questa terra libera e forte
Portiamo il fervido nostro vigor,
Pronti a difender, nobile coorte
Di Cristo il nome che ci sta in cuor.

Sorge, ecc.

Dinanzi al nostro simbo crociato
Sparisca l'odio e la vilta':
Uniti e stretti sfidiamo l'agguato
Del mondo folle, dell'empietta'.

Sorge. ecc.

Su noi risplende santa la luce
Che vien da Roma e il Suor Pastor:
La Chiesa e' guida e Cristo il Duce
Che insegna a noi dovere e onor

Sorge, ecc.

Celebrating our 85 & Over Members!

On July 12, we celebrated and honored the 99 members who reached the age of 85+ in 2018. The cruise ship theme of "Sail The Night Away" greeted the honorees, and over 275 attended the birthday bash. This is one of our favorite events, as these members represent our cherished history and heritage, and we're delighted to celebrate with them. Thank you to event leaders Antonia Ihnot and June Serrano, and to the kitchen, bar, dining room set-up, cashiers, servers, and clean-up crews for making this such a memorable event.

Warmest HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes were extended to:

Frances DiGirolamo (101, now deceased), Ruth Flynn (100), John Flynn and Helen Miller (98), Clara Foster and Evelyn Hinckley (97), Frank Crivello and Dolores Kaelin (96), Tom DiMaggio, Betty Lucido, Josephine Rappa, Mary Russo (95), Mary Delfino (94), Jim Salomone (93), Santo Tarantino (92), Mary Benech, Lorraine Canepa, Carla Coniglio, Charles Della Sala, George DiGirolamo, Nino Palma, Ann Troia (91), Francis Aebi, Alvin Boudour, Jack Branson, Joann Branson, Emilio Cal, Marie DiMaggio, Luke Phillips, Sal Riso, Rose Tarantino, Anthony Villafranca (90), Pansy Belleci, Marie Caramazza, Frances Cefalu, Agnes D'Agui, Anita Ferrante, Janet Hanson, Natalie Palma, Phyllis Poma (89), Frank Goulart, Franck Nuovo, Paul Smith, Bettye Sollecito (88), Joseph Acquaviva, William Avila, Elizabeth Brown, Peter Bruno, Nino Campagna, Pauline Compagno, Rose Della Sala, Diane DiGirolamo, Josephine Favazza, Curtis Gorham, Marie Grindstaff, Dorothy Maceira, Jackie Phillips, Most Rev. Sylvester Ryan, Tod Sanchez, Marie Seliskar, Frances Verwold (87), Gus Aiello, Angie Cardinale, Sal Cardinale, Jackie Cerchi, Elio Chiappe, Thomas Enea, Eva Flores, Bud Johnson, Joe Lomanto, Francesco Nuovo, Dolores Rappa, Marilyn Webb (86), Rose Acquaviva, Anna Apostrofe, Vince Bruno, Sal Cardinale, Rosa Catalano, Patricia Clark, Fred Conte, Annie Ferrante, Joann Ferrante, Mitze Grillo, Peter Lecce, Ellen Moltini (now deceased), Maryann Riso, Anthony Russo, Delores San Antonio, Jean Sanchez, Anthony Venza, Natalie Whitney (85), and Gloria Avila, Ernest Bizzozero, Olga Bruno, Hope Cardinalli, Mary Ann Fraps, Teresa Petersen, Hattie Terrell, Helen Williams (85 later this year).

In Memory of

Frances Di Girolamo
(1917-2018)



ICF Board Members 2018

- Chaplain ...Rev. Ron Shirley
- President... Robert Huffer
- 1st Vice President... Joseph Lomanto
- Second Vice President...Turie Cavaliere
- Recording Secretary...Suzanne Menendez-Herbst
- Correspondence Secretary... Josephine Favazza
- Financial Secretary... Elaine Valentine
- Co-Treasurer... JoAnn Riso
- Co-Treasurer... Barbara Lucido
- Orator... Jane Gasperson
- Trustee/Past President... Elizabeth Grammatico
- Sentinel...Antonia Ihnot



Why become an ICF member?

- F**riends for friendship,
- F**riendship for community,
- C**ommunity for connection -
- W**hile we support our beliefs.

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FESTA ITALIA

**SANTA ROSALIA FESTIVAL
HONORS PATRON SAINT OF
SICILIAN FISHERMEN**

On Friday September 7 through Sunday September 9, the ICF manned the Calamari booth at the annual Festa Italia / Santa Rosalia event. It was a very busy but fun 3 days! We had an amazing team, a total of 7 shifts, 80 volunteers, 281 hours were worked, and we sold over \$17,000 of calamari to benefit this local tradition and charitable activity. Some of us don't want to see another piece of squid until next year, but despite a lot of work, a great time was had by all. Thank you to chairperson Liz Grammatico for organizing everything from A-Z again this year, it really runs very well. Please consider volunteering next year!

**B-I-N-G-O AND PANCAKE BREAKFAST / BAKE SALE
FUNDRAISERS BENEFIT BRANCH SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The BINGO luncheon event was held at the Moose Lodge on May 20 and was attended by 79 people. Thanks to JoAnn Riso's leadership, and the help of our volunteers and the wonderful staff at the Moose, we raised \$1,900 for our scholarship fund and had a great time doing it. On June 24, our Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale took place after the 7:30-9:00-10:30am masses. We sold 103 pancake breakfasts and together with donated bake sale items, netted over \$1,181 for the scholarship fund. Thanks to our volunteers and generous contributors, we'll surely host and another one of these soon.



Did You Know ?

Membership update

685 members as of 8/28/18.

Hospitalization Plan

The best-kept secret in the ICF is our hospitalization plan!

Available to paid-up members under age 70, inexpensive, and benefits are paid directly to you.

“Open enrollment” for those 70 & older will occur in 2019 only.

Contact Elaine Valentine (831.394.8224) for details.

ICF Website - Coming Soon!

Elizabeth Panetta has graciously volunteered to update our Branch 36 website. We look forward to benefitting from her technical talents and more. Stay tuned!

THANK YOU TELEPHONE SUPPORT TEAM!

These ICF volunteers are an invaluable part of preparing for our branch events. Every month, they are tasked with calling their assigned members to inform them of upcoming events and to take their reservations. Without their support, we’d never know how many members to prepare for, so thank you once again for getting back to the telephone team as promptly as possible when you plan to attend. Our sincere thanks to Elaine Valentine for leading this effort with the help of team leaders Lucy Huffer and Phyllis Briggs.

Telephone support team members:

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| 1. Antonia Ihnot | 2. Bruna Weiland | 3. Elaine Valentine |
| 4. Elizabeth Yeo | 5. Florence Cavaliere | 6. Katherine Seeders |
| 7. Kim Pinheiro | 8. Marie Ruiz | 9. Patricia Walton |
| 10. Susan Fehlman | 11. Barbara Lucido | 12. Catherine Grajeck |
| 13. Josephine Schielke | 14. Josie Ursino | 15. Lil Mika |
| 16. Lucy Huffer | 17. Mary Ellen Ryan | 18. Mary Manuguerra |
| 19. Maryann Riso | 20. Pat Venza | 21. Sherry Garcia |
| 22. Vivian Selby | 23. Alice Flores | 24. Bill Anderson |
| 25. Fran Aliotti | 26. Hope Cardinalli | 27. Kathleen Ciolino |
| 28. Lorry Canepa | 29. Mary Benech | 30. Nadine Evans |
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