

ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION
BRANCH 191 NEWSLETTER
SEPTEMBER 2017

Dates to Remember

September 27, 2017	Branch Dinner Mtg. 6:30 PM —Essig Hall
October 2, 2017	Board Meeting- Parish Center 7 PM Rosemary Janis Hostess
October 6 to October 8, 2017	SFC Fiesta
<i>October 14, 2017</i>	<i>Western Wine Tast- ing/Dinner Dance Essig Hall 6 PM</i>
October 22 2017	Quarterly Mass & Breakfast Mass 11:30 AM Breakfast following TBD
October 25, 2017	Branch Dinner Mtg. 6:30 PM—Essig Hall
November 6, 2017	Closed Board Meet- ing—Jo Bertaccini's home. June Sohn Hostess
November 12, 2017	SFC Pilgrimage & Mass. Luncheon to follow 11:30 Mass in Essig Hall
November 15, 2017	<u>Dinner Mtg.</u> followed by Bingo 6:30 PM Turkey dinner. Service award.
December 4, 2017	Board Christmas Party.
December 10, 2017	Branch Christmas Party

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Shirley Catania, Debbie Piro and I are off to the convention in Sacramento August 31-September 4. When we return we will share with you all we have learned from the various workshops. We are looking forward to meeting old friends and meeting new ones.

I will receive the 2018 calendars at the convention. They will be available for sale at the September dinner meeting for \$25.00 each. The branch keeps \$5.00. This is an easy fundraiser for us.

Two big events are coming up in October and we need help from the membership. The first one is the SFC Festival October 6th-October 8th. Help is needed to prepare the strawberries for the shortcake dessert and help is needed to serve in the booth. Kindly contact Camille Orlando.

October 14, 2017 is the ICF Western Dinner Dance and Wine Tasting. Contact Jim Jones or Debbie to help. It is a fun event. Come and support it. Information is on the flyer.

Our September Dinner meeting is Wednesday the 27th. The menu is. This dinner will be catered by Tony and Alba's. Remember to BRING YOUR OWN UTENSILS.

Please remember to pray for all our sick members. Also remember those suffering from the terrible hurricane in Texas and Florida and those suffering from the earthquake in Mexico.

God Bless
Jo Bertaccini

Howdy Folks !!!!!

It is Western Dinner Dance time once again and we are very anxious to put together the raffle baskets. Of course, we can only do this with your continued generosity.

We would appreciate donations of either CASH, GIFT CARDS or ITEMS for the following themed raffle baskets:

- Italian
- Christmas
- Western (cowboy)
- Basketball
- Fall/Autumn

Please bring your raffle basket donations to the September meeting.

FYI – Your donations are the roots that make our Raffle so successful.

Thanking you in advance,

**Esther Ramonda (408) 559-4669
Aldine Grisenti (408) 559-1242**



HELP NEEDED FOR OCTOBER DINNER/DANCE

Help is needed for the Western Wine Tasting Dinner/Dance on Saturday October 14. If you can spare an hour or two, come to Essig Hall Saturday morning around 8:30 AM. Any questions, please contact Debbie Piro 408-306-9244

**October Wine Tasting/Dinner/Dance
Saturday October 14, 2017**

Tickets are now on sale for the October Western Shindig and Wine Tasting/ Dinner/Dance. Cost is \$35 per person; wine tasting 6 to 7 PM, dinner following. Come sample some wines and enjoy a scrumptious meal. Also you will have the opportunity kick up your heels as you join others on the dance floor to learn to line dance. **Contact Debbie Piro at 408-306-9244 for reservations.** Looking forward to seeing you there.

Writing A Check To The ICF?

When sending a check to the ICF please make sure you write the check to **“ICF Branch 191”**. Also, be sure to date and sign the check. This will make it easier for Aldine when she makes deposits.

Quarterly Mass and Breakfast October 22nd

The last quarterly Mass and breakfast for 2017 will be on October 22nd. Mass will be at 11:30 followed by breakfast. Contact Janice Jones 408-978-7615 if you plan to attend the breakfast.

SFC Fiesta

Yes, it's fiesta time again. This year the fun begins on October 6th. The ICF will be serving strawberry shortcake and coffee again this year. Members are needed to prepare the strawberries and to man the both Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday. If you would like to help, contact Camille Orlando at 408-559-0688.



Election of Branch Officers

October is when we elect officers for 2018. Anyone in good standing can run for an office. If you would like to run or have someone you would like to nominate, contact Mary Rossetto 408-377-3488 to let her know the name of your nominee.

BOCCE

The Thursday night gatherings at the bocce courts are still happening. All are welcome. You do not have to play bocce to attend. The evening begins with a potluck at 6 PM. Don't have time to fix a dish? Come by anyway. For more information contact Liz Donaldson, 408 266-3833

Please keep our sick members in your prayers:

- Betty and Joe Antuzzi
- Frieda Flocchini
- Elaine and Tom Davis
- Tim Ochoa
- Liz Donaldson
- Marie Antonowicz

May God comfort them. . .

2018 ICF CALENDAR

ICF 2018 CALENDARS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. JO BERTACCINI WILL HAVE THEM AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING.

DO YOU HAVE A NEW PHONE NUMBER OR ADDRESS?

Please contact Mary Rossetto at 408-377-3488 so she can update the roster.