



Italian Catholic Federation Branch 191

NEWSLETTER March 2019



Dates to Remember

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| March 27 | General Meeting, Essig Hall
Dinner 6 PM; Meeting 7 PM
Soup Night |
| April 1 | Open Board Meeting 7 PM
Jones' Residence
Hostess: Janice Jones |
| April 14 | Quarterly Mass/Palm Sunday
8 AM Mass
Breakfast in Essig Hall 9:30 AM
Easter Egg Hunt |
| April 24 | General Meeting, Essig Hall
Dinner 6 PM; Meeting 7 PM
Make reservation |
| May 6 | Open Board Meeting 7 pm
Parish Center
Hostess: Camille Orlando |
| May 22 | General Meeting, Essig Hall
Dinner 6 PM; Meeting 7 PM
Make reservation |
| June 3 | Open Board Meeting 7 pm
Parish Center
Hostess: Aldine Grisenti |
| June 26 | General Meeting, Essig Hall
Dinner 6 PM; Meeting 7 PM
Make reservation
(Scholarship Award) |

President's Corner March 2019

Dear Members,

Lent is the period of 40 days before Easter, not including Sundays. At the end of Lent we celebrate Jesus's resurrection. I hope you experience a prayerful Lenten Celebration.

During Lent, many Christians are encouraged to surrender a particular vice, such as a favorite food item (coffee, chocolate, wine, soda) as a reflection of Jesus's deprivation in the wilderness and test of self-discipline. I like the suggestion of take up something rather than taking away something, like being nice to someone, saying the Rosary every day during Lent, visiting someone convalescing; calling someone you haven't talked to for a while.

Our next General Meeting is Soup Night on March 27th in Essig Hall at 6:00PM and the meeting and dessert will be in Kelly Hall at 7:00PM. **Be sure to bring your own bowls, utensils, and drinks.** We will also celebrate St. Joseph's Day at the meeting.

We will have our annual Palm Sunday Mass and Breakfast in Essig Hall on April 4th with an Easter Egg Hunt and crafts for your children and grandchildren. Time-8:00AM Mass and Breakfast after Mass.

Hope to see you all at the meeting.
Jim

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POLENTA DINNER DANCE

Wow! THAT'S AMORE Polenta Dinner Dance was a huge success. The food was delicious, the decorations were outstanding, the music was terrific and the servers were very efficient. Thanks to all who supported the event.

This evening would have never happened with out the help of many members and friends who came on Friday evening and Saturday to help. Special thanks go to Jennifer Bertaccini who co- chair the dance with me. Also to Jim and Janice Jones for all the wall decorations and many other donations. To John Dahl who managed the bar and his helper Charles Schenk. To Joan Schenk who got her Religious Ed students and the Boy Scouts to serve. Pam and Dave Citrigno and Michael for their help serving and helping in the kitchen. A big thanks to Bob Basuino who was in charge of the cooks and made all the sauce. Thanks go to Tony Spagnolo, George Midwin, Larry Flocchini and Joe Roulin for all their help in preparing the chicken, ,salad and polenta. Thanks to Lonnie and Bruce Swarringin, Mary Rossetto Tillie Spagnolo, Frankie, Such, Marilyn Aguilar, Frieda, Flocchini, Amelia Moore, Tom Howden, for helping set up the hall and set all the tables. Eva Stern from Branch 47 in Mt. View helped sell tickets Thanks for your help.

A big thank you goes Aldine Grisenti and Esther Ramonda for their tireless effort they put forth to prepare the wonderful raffle baskets. Debbie Piro you deserve special thanks for all the reservations and seating the guests. You did a wonderful job which took many hours.

Thanks to all who volunteered !
God Bless,
Jo and Jennifer Bertaccini Chairmen

MARCH GENERAL MEETING

1. Our next general meeting is a **soup night** in Essig Hall on March 27th. **Be sure to bring your bowls, spoons, drinks, and any other snacks you want. Cost is a donation for Missions.**
2. We will provide the Minestrone soup and Lonnie's Chicken soup. As part of our soup night, we will be feeding our Village House Guests.
3. Bring your guests to eat soup and attend the meeting.
4. After soup night our the meeting will be held in Kelly Hall. Dessert and coffee will be provided.
5. A table will be set up to honor St. Joseph.
6. We will discuss our Palm Sunday 8AM Quarterly Mass and Breakfast (immediately following Mass) to be held in Essig Hall on April 14th. Bring your families for breakfast, crafts, and Easter Egg Hunt.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK MEMBERS

May God comfort all ICF members who are ill especially:

 Joe Antuzzi
Darrin Billings

*Thank you,
Emily Corral*

EASTER EGGS NEEDED!

Debbie Piro is in need of your assistants. Plastic eggs filled with wrapped candy are needed for the Palm Sunday Easter Egg Hunt. Debbie will collect the eggs with the goodies inside at the March meeting. If you have questions, please contact Debbie at **408-306-9244**.

