

# Cuore d'Italia

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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

To begin, I'd like to thank our executive council for the daunting task they were given during this transitional period. Just like any business, change can be difficult. Thank you for accepting it with grace and understanding.

Special thanks to Sister Teddy and Sister Marion for their excellent work coordinating and selecting our scholarship candidate. We will be awarding the lodge scholarship at June 5 meeting to Valentina Vannini.

Brother Bob has undertaken the difficult task of merging the lodge website with the state ([imembersdb.com](http://imembersdb.com)). This will significantly reduce our overall cost of web and newsletter expenses.

May's meeting was very busy. We were honored with two great speakers. Thanks to Sister Barbara for inviting Dr. Iliana Serra and to Brother Nick for inviting Mr. Mike Durkee. Both speakers were well received.

We have several committees that require your support. The most important program is recruiting new members. Please let me know if you're interested in the following: membership, entertainment/social events, and budget/finance committee.

Finally, Sister Angela still has calendars for sale at half price. Please reach out to her and support the lodge fundraising.

Looking forward to seeing you at the June meeting.

Fraternally,

*Donald A. Maule*

**MOTHERS DAY MAY 12**—hope you celebrated with your loved ones. Did you or your mother say this? My mother's menu consisted of two choices. "Take it or leave it."

## Guest Speaker



In recognition of Armed Forces Day, May 18, we were pleased to welcome Mike Durkee. Mike is Chief of the Wounded Veterans Relief Fund. They provide urgent financial assistance and critical dental care to Florida's veterans. They are located at 300 Prosperity Farms Rd., To learn more or to donate, please call 561-855-4207 or contact [www.wvrf.org](http://www.wvrf.org).

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**MEMORIAL DAY TRIBUTE MAY 27--The**

holiday was originally called Decoration Day and was established primarily to honor those who died in the American Civil War. Did you know the poppy flower is called the "flower of remembrance". The red color reminds us of the blood that was spilled by those who died for our country. On Memorial Day the flag should be at half- staff until noon only, then raised.

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**GOOD AND WELFARE**

Our Sister Carol Betty is in the hospital and Brother Anthony Mazzeo has been ill. Please keep them in your prayers, and if you can reach out to them.

## Guest Speaker



**ITALIAN CULTURE SPEAKER--We had the** pleasure of hosting Dr. Ilaria Serra. She is the Professor of Studies from Florida Atlantic University (FAU). Ilaria gave an informative review of the FAU Italian program where she combines Italian literature and studies abroad.  
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In May we celebrated two special 90's birthdays of Maria Massarella and Larry Bonsignore.

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**JUNE BIRTHDAYS:**

- 8 Robert Galiano
- 12 Guy Maio and Paul Scire
- 14 Maria Mazzarella
- 30 Peter Masullo

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**NEXT LODGE MEETING--JUNE 5 @ 6:30**

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Scholarship award presentation  
Light refreshments will be served