

# Cuore d'Italia

**Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America**

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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



**Dear Brothers and Sisters,**

First off, I'd like to congratulate our Scholarship winner, Valentina Vannini. This year's candidates were many, and all very qualified. I have to commend our Scholarship Committee once again, for an outstanding job on their selection.

We had a wonderful turnout for the May luncheon at Jersey Diner. I encourage all our members to participate. Thanks to Sister Maddie for this month's restaurant selection.

We have several committees that require your support. The most important program is a membership drive for new members. With your participation we can make this lodge great. We have a special request for a member to take on the monthly COFFEE.

Palm Beach State College has provided us with their winter concert series. There are 6

different concerts starting in January -April. Price is \$38 to \$43 dollars pp.

- The Boss Project Jan. 27, 2025
    - A Bruce Springsteen Tribute
  - The Lovin' Spoonful Feb 14, 2025
    - The 60's music
  - Turnstiles Feb 26, 2025
    - Tribute to Billy Joel
  - The Kenny Rogers Band March 10, 2025
- Good job for our Events Coordinator. They sell out quickly, if you are interested in going as a group, please let me know.
- Any volunteers?

Finally, Sister Angela still has calendars for sale. They are now half price starting in July. Please reach out to her and support the lodge fundraising.

I am looking forward to attending my first Tri-Annual State meeting later this month in Melbourne. Looking forward to bring lots of news to share with you.

I'd like to wish all our members a safe and wonderful summer vacation, where ever you travel to. Looking forward to September.

Fraternally,  
*Donald A. Maule*

## **ITALIAN CULTURE CORNER**

### **THE FOUNDING OF THE ORDER SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ITALY IN AMERICA- JUNE 22, 1905 New York**

PARTS OF INAUGURAL ADDRESS BY FOUNDER  
VINCENZO SELLARO, M.D.

“We must educate ourselves and insist that our children receive the best education possible. Only through education will we understand the ways and beliefs of this marvelous adopted country of ours, and be treated as equal and worthy American citizens.”

“The majority of us have come to these shores as the poorest of all Italians and the least educated of most of Europe. But we are also the most courageous for having made the decision to come here. We left behind our motherland and our families in the hope, not to find a new life, but to earn a better one.”

“It is because of this that today I have a dream and a hope that someday, even if it takes a hundred more years before we are fully accepted, our children and their children’s children, even if they carry a single drop of Italian blood will be able and proud to continue to carry on our traditions, our

culture, and our language. It is up to us, and what we do today.”

## **ITALIAN TRIVIA**

On June 2, 1896, Italian engineer and inventor Guglielmo Marconi applies for the first ever patent for a system of wireless telegraphy in the United Kingdom.

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## **SUMMER DRINK RECIPE**

CROWD PLEASING TROPICAL COOLER

1- 32 oz Cranberry Juice

1 Litter Ginger Ale

1 Cup Tropical Fruit Punch

1 Cup Orange Juice

Mix and enjoy with friends.

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## **JULY BIRTHDAYS:**

- 1 TOM RUGGIERO
- 19 ANNELIESE CARBONE
- 21 JOAN TENEDINE
- 26 ROSALINDA TAMKKE
- 26 ANNE MARIE COOK
- 29 DAVID LICATA

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**NEXT LODGE MEETING—**

**SEPTEMBER 4 @ 6:30**

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## 2024 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER



Valentina Vannini 4/3/24 Italian Heritage Scholarship

For as long as I can remember, My Italian heritage was something to be proud of. Being raised by an Italian father, and a mother who likewise had a father from Italy, there was a universal appreciation for Italian culture that existed within my family. The older I got the more I realized that my identity and own characteristics directly result from where in the world my family is from—for instance, my confidence and passion I owe to being Italian. It is because of how I was raised that I have such an open mindset to learn and try new things. I am extremely grateful to my parents for prioritizing traveling to Italy over materialistic possessions. They always viewed that nothing would be more valuable to my brother and me

than to be exposed to various ways of life. It is because of this exposure that a lifelong dream of mine has been to study abroad in Italy. My entire High School career I took challenging, vigorous courses with the goal of studying abroad motivating me. I was lucky enough to have the opportunity to tour the Florida State University campus in Florence 2 summers ago, and have not been able to forget it ever since. Thankfully my course load and school involvement were not in vain as the instance I was accepted into FSU I

applied for their first-year-abroad program and was accepted. At the end of August, I will be moving to Florence for my freshman year of college. With my Italian citizenship, I have always known that there would be a period of my life when I would live there, and finally, this moment has come. The financial responsibility that comes with this opportunity is immense, and I owe it to my parents to obtain as much external funding as possible. Now living in a single-income household, the only realistic way I can fulfill this lifelong dream of mine is with the help of scholarships much like this one. I know that my hard work in and out of school has brought me to this point and will continue to carry me through this next chapter of my life. I am nothing but appreciative of my heritage and cannot wait to explore it more in the coming months. Thank you for your consideration.

**BEST WISHES IN YOUR  
FUTURE ENDEAVORS**

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