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The M&M Show!

The M&M boys, *Matt Watkins* and *Michael DePaoli* took over the leadership of the Roma Lodge annual Columbus Day Celebration and hit a homerun like the Yankees Mantle and Maris did in the old days.

Over 80 Roma Lodge members and guests attended the event at the farm show park. We had perfect weather, great food, terrific raffle and championship bocce tournament.



Columbus Day Celebration co-chairs Michael DePaoli and Matt Watkins

For those who attended we all need to thank *Charlie Pitigliano* for getting the facilities prepared and ready to go. *Ben Curti* for organizing and conducting the bocce tournament. Historian *Elisabeth Curti* for taking pictures and *Melissa Watkins and Leslie DePaoli* for organizing the judging of the various cooking entrees and conducting the raffle. We also need to thank everyone who brought side dishes and desserts for everyone to enjoy.

Special thanks goes to the Hanford Lodge for having a large contingent of attendees from their lodge.

Great Food!



If you missed the October meeting you missed out on some great food. Lorraine Cleek, Maryann and Amanda Luis look over the spread with president David DePaoli and recording secretary Giovanna DePaoli. The menu featured croissant sandwiches, homemade pink popcorn, salads and a variety of great decorations. Special thanks to these members for providing a great meal for the October meeting. November's meeting Nick and Kathy Canata will be chairing the annual polenta and stew feed.

Polenta Dinner and Meeting Monday, November 2nd, 2015 Agri-Center Social Hall

Last Month's Drawing Selection Was Jeanette Freitas Who Was Not Present



2015 Columbus Day Bocce Champs!

The perpetual winning bocce trophy was awarded by *President David DePaoli* to 2015 champions Larry Dutto, Ben Curti, Sal Chiaramonte and Ken Bertorelli. The second place team was Matt and Melissa Watkins and Michael and Leslie DePaoli.



Dessert Queens!

Winners in the dessert contest were (I-r) Janis Hansen, Elisabeth Curti, Kathy Briano, Jackie Giacomazzi and Amie Pitigliano.



Ben Curti did another great job of conducting the bocce tournament and was on the winning team!



Grandpa!

Philip Curti reads a story about Christopher Columbus to his granddaughter and newest member of the lodge *Domenica* Curti.



Hanford Lodge Rocks

Hanford Lodge members Front row: Lilia Giacomazzi, Louise Tesoriere Back row: Janis Hansen, President Louise Silacci, Jackie Giacomazzi Tony Tesoriere Jr, and Tony Tesoriere were on hand to support the Roma Lodge Columbus Day Celebration at the WAE park on October 11th. Thanks for your support.

GOT NEWS!

If you have news, pictures, family milestones or other information you would like to share with lodge members email to larrydutto@yahoo.com by the 20th of each month.

All Hail The Queen!

Gabrielle Benedetti has graciously agreed

to serve as the Roma Lodge Queen. She follows in her sister Isabella's footsteps by taking on the challenge.

She is already selling raffle tickets and will be having other fundraisers. As a starter we are asking members to bring their plastic bottles and alumi-



num cans to the monthly lodge meetings so they can be recycled and the proceeds will go toward the fundraising efforts.

New Babies

Camden Christopher
Taylor was born on September 25 at 7:11 am at
Kaweah Delta Hospital.
Weighed 7 lbs 12 oz and
was 20 inches long. Parents
are Brian Taylor and Nicole
Pedroncelli Taylor. Grandparents are Ronnie and Karen Pedroncelli. Great
Grandparents are Lawrence
and Lillian Cotta.



Harper Olivia DePaoli arrived at 4:17 p.m. on October 18, 2015 at Kaweah Delta Hospital. She weighed 8lbs, 4 oz and measured 20 inches long. Her proud parents are Roma Lodge members Michael and Leslie DePaoli. Grandparents are David and Giovanna DePaoli.



President's Award!

Roma Lodge Grand Deputy, *Lilia Giacomazzi* was recently honored by the Kings County Farm Bureau with the Presidents Award at their annu-



al meeting in Hanford on October 13th. Lilia's grandson *Dino Giacomazzi* presented the award while completing his term as the KCFB president. Dino has been an advocate for many instrumental dairy, farming and conservation issues in Kings County.

New Members

Domenica Lilia Curti and her mother
Navin Curti were initiated into Roma Lodge at the October meeting.
She is the daughter of Navin and Justin Curti and granddaughter of Janis and Phillip Curti.



UC Merced Chancellor's Honor

Roma Lodge member John McLafferty of Goleta, California was honored by Dorothy Leland, Chancellor of UC Merced as part of the Chancellor's Honors Recognition Celebration. The honor is bestowed on students who have been on the Dean's Honor List for two semesters and have a grade point average of 3.5 or



higher. John is pictured with his mother *Carol McLafferty* at the celebration.



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Sunshine Committee

Roma Lodge members have had recent health issues and have been undergoing medical treatment. Best get well wishes go out to *Anna Dutto*, *Michael Saltzman*, and *Taylor Dutto* who recently broke her arm.



New Lodge Email

We are updating our email addresses for lodge members who receive the *Le-Notizie* by email. Your email newsletter will come from:

<u>larrydutto@yahoo.com</u> So make sure your system will not block it.

Your Roma Lodge Officers

President David DePaoli (804-5443) Vice President Michael DePaoli(730-1168) Treasurer Karen Pedroncelli (732-1591) Recording Sec. Giovanna DePaoli (361-0640) Financial Sec. Cathy Mederos (687-1112) Orator Gary Dutto (686-6201) Elisabeth Curti (553-3151) Historian Guard Ken Bertorelli (788-8496) Past President Nick Canata (661-978-9331)

Trustees

Danny Dutto	(686-1348)
Mike Saltzman	(686-4340)
Matt Watkins-Chair	(635-1699)
Dominic Pitigliano	(359-1907)
Rob Pinkerton	(331-3183)

Mistress of Ceremony

Frances Della	(784-7653)
Kathy Canata	(281-5294)

Polenta Dinner Monday, November 2nd, 2015 6:30 PM-World Ag Expo Social Hall Nick and Kathy Canata Refreshment Chairs

