

Order Sons of Italy in America – Grand Lodge of the Northwest



Washington, Oregon and Idaho

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5th ANNUAL ITALIAN HERITAGE FAIR

A Day of Learning – July 10, 2004

KENT, WA – Everyone can be Italian for a day! Those who love excellent Italian food and want to learn more about ethnic cooking and Italian customs will be attending the 5th Annual Italian Heritage Fair, July 10, 2004, at the Kent Senior Activity Center, 600 E. Smith Street, from 10 am to 6:30 pm. The fair coincides with Kent's annual Cornucopia Days.

Throughout the one-day event attendees can learn to prepare and sample a multitude of Italian specialties – from appetizers to main courses to desserts – with live demonstrations. They can learn Italian card games, gain genealogy techniques and create authentic pasta sauces. There will even be an open bocce tournament. All events are free and open to the public.

Other scheduled classes include: Cheese making, Italian cookies and pastries, egg plant, fried *polpette*, *gnocchi* (potato pasta), sausage, *polenta*, ravioli, roasted peppers, zucchini squash (cooking the flowers), and more! Classes are staged with ample time to get to many of the classes during this event. Taste something you like? Take a recipe home with you!

The Order Sons of Italy in America (OSIA) has more than 700 chapters and more than 575,000 members in all 50 states, and two U.S. territories. OSIA members have been dedicated to providing educational opportunities, improving the lives of all Americans, and preserving the Italian heritage since the organization's founding in 1905.

The Grand Lodge of the Northwest (GLNW) is comprised of 24 lodges in Washington and Oregon. For more information on this event, contact Jim Severino, Imm. Past State President, 206-243-7215 (sevejim@aol.com); or visit the website at <http://www.osiaglnw.org>.

Fun – the Italian Way!

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For Calendars:

Saturday, July 10, 2004, 5th Annual Italian Heritage Fair, Kent (WA) Senior Center: On-hands demonstrations, recipes and samples of Italian foods and craft items. No admission charge. Open to public.

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