



Happy
Easter!



PFSA Newsletter

April
2026



New Members

Co. 5/36 – Hayward	5
Co. 6 – San Francisco	1
Co. 13 – Tracy	4
Co. 14 – Mountain View	4
Co. 21– Los Banos/Dos Palos	1
Co. 26 – Stevinson/Turlock/Hilmar	2
Co. 38 – Modesto	8
Co. 76 – Artesia	2
Co. 100 – Oakdale/Escalon/Riverbank	18
Co. 108 – Madera	1
Co. 118 – Elk Grove	2

Upcoming Events

April

- 4/9 – PFSA/PBBI Book Presentation
- 4/11 – Merced Golf Tournament
- 4/18 – PFSA Picnic
- 4/19 -- Co. 14 Mountain View
Co. 44 San Jose OV
- 4/24 – Wine Social Fundraiser, Tulare
- 4/26 – Co. 8 Santa Maria
Co. 84 SLO
Co. 99 Lompoc
Co. 140 Cayucos OV
- 4/30-5/3 -- Casa Dos Acores Festa

May

- 5/2 – Annual Corporate meeting
- 5/2 – PSP meeting
- 5/17– Stratford Festa
- 5/17 – Elk Grove Festa
- 5/21 – Portuguese Book Presentation
Hilmar
- 5/23 – Pentecost Memorial Day Week
- 5/23 – Festa Da Bola
- 5/24 – Modesto Pentecost Festa
- 5/30 – Co. 2 Bakersfield OV
- 5/31– Clarksburg Festa

Monthly Challenges

April

Volunteer in your community for National Volunteer Month.

Host an Easter Party for youth.

Donate to the Race for Autism for Autism Awareness Month.

May

Celebrate Mother's Day.

Take a picture of your favorite teacher to celebrate teacher appreciation week.

Donate to the Presidents' Charities.

June

Celebrate Father's Day

Post pictures of your favorite Hawaiian shirt to welcome summer.

Celebrate Dia de Portugal in San Jose, June 13, and post pics of your Portuguese flag and shirts for Portuguese Heritage Month.



Joseph Pinheiro

March 28th



Neves Pereira

April 1st



Brielle Dunavant

April 2nd



Kayleigh Gilbert

April 3rd



Junot M Oliver

April 6th



Jeanine Serpa-Barrios

April 8th



Cheryl Azevedo

April 10th



Alicia Regalo

April 19th



Tony Duarte

April 21st

**Happy Birthday to our
Members born in April!**



INFO & PROGRAMS

ANNUAL CORPORATE MEETING

You are Invited

 **May 2, 2026 3:00 PM**
1100 14th Street, Suite
E Modesto, CA 95354

RSVP 209-702-6364 or
mypfsa@mypfsa.org

Have questions? Let's talk!

Join us for a dedicated Q&A

Submit any questions or concerns to
mypfsa@mypfsa.org or by USPS mail
in advance, but not required.





LEADERSHIP & UPDATES



Leading the Way

Executive Corner

Bernice Armas-Martinez, CEO

Miriam Ramos, Interim CFMO

Jerry Escobar, CMO



Annual Report Reminder: Annual Reports were due on March 31, 2026. If you have not submitted your Annual Report, please send it ASAP. A Non-Compliant letter will be mailed soon.

Payments- Any checks that remain outstanding for more than 180 days (6mo) will be voided. If you have an outstanding check, please deposit or cash it as soon as possible.

PFSA Picnic: Join us for our Annual Picnic at Casa de Fruta in Hollister. The picnic is set for April 18th. See you there!

Membership Referral Program: PFSA members will receive a gift card for referring applicants for life or annuity policies. Contact a Sales Agent to refer a potential member.

Member Experience Survey: Coming soon, the home office will be conducting member surveys to gather input on the member experience. Further details coming soon.

Member rosters: The home office will be reaching out to council secretaries to initiate a roster review process. More details to follow.

Newsletter Publications - PFSA is excited to include birthdays and flyers in the newsletter. Please submit your **NEW** 2026 pictures, documents, and information by the 15th of each month. Email them to publishing@mypfsa.org.

Concerns: We would love to hear directly from you. Please contact the home office with any concerns or compliments at (209) 702-6364 or email mypfsa@mypfsa.org.

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Ted Pedrozo

Chairman of the Board



Dear Members of the Portuguese Fraternal Society of America,

As chairperson of your Board of Directors, I want to share my goal to attend as many Council visits as possible this year. Meeting each of you matters to me, as these visits are key opportunities for connection. During these challenging times, our fraternal society enables us to strengthen these bonds. My wife and I are committed to helping PFSA and fraternalism grow for future generations. Connecting with you and hearing your stories is a true privilege and vital for our society. I would like to share updates on recent activities, ongoing priorities, and upcoming opportunities for us to connect as a society.

I recently had the privilege of representing PFSA at the Wreath Ceremony marking the start of the 59th Annual Portuguese Immigrant Week celebration in San Leandro. Our families traveled many years ago from Portugal and the Azores to ensure that their families had a better life. They brought with them culture, faith, family, and traditions. This event helps us to honor the courage, resilience, and determination of the Portuguese immigrants who journeyed to California in search of opportunity and hope. This annual event helps us stay grounded and remember the sacrifices they made. I want to thank everyone for the warm welcome. I had the honor to meet the Consulate General of Portugal in San Francisco, Filipe Ramalheira. After the ceremony, we were hosted by the Portuguese Band of San Leandro Hall members. I believe that to truly celebrate our past we must embrace our future. We must try to continue to bring the youth into our membership.

The Fraternal Committee and the Governors conducted their first meeting on February 28th and they're off to a great start. The committee continues to prepare and support our councils through these important members. The committee is confident that these members will assist the Governors as they meet with councils in their regions. As PFSA, we need to support this group as they work to achieve their goals. Under the leadership of Antonette Duarte, committee members have dedicated considerable time to providing support.

Your Board of Directors remains committed to ensuring fiscal success. We encourage all members to reach out with questions or concerns and to actively participate in events and initiatives. Together, let us each support and contribute to the financial and fraternal strength of the Portuguese Fraternal Society of America. The Board of Directors is prioritizing the revision of our rules of Procedure and Bylaws to ensure alignment, continuity, and long-term stability for our society.

I want to invite you and your families to our Annual Family Picnic on Saturday, April 18th, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Casa de Fruta, 10021 Pacheco Pass Hwy, Hollister, CA 95023. This event offers a wonderful opportunity to enjoy good food, planned activities, and meaningful connections. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

March is also Women's History Month, a time to honor the women of our culture and all women who have contributed to our society. I want to thank all women who have sacrificed for their families. They traveled many years ago to this country to make a better life for their families. I truly believe they have helped to mold our society into what we have today.

Fraternally Yours,

Ted A. Pedrozo

Chairman of the Board of Directors



PFSA Supreme President Donald Costa



Northern California

Monthly Newsletter for April 2026

The month of February 2026, continues with lots of activities. I continued to meet with several members to update their policies. It is very nice to experience the hospitality of our members who was making changes to their policies. I always get a Portuguese treat or chocolate chip cookies, which never make it home.

On the 16th and 17th of February, I attended the funeral services of Past First Lady, Leopoldina Teixeira, just 32 days after her husband, Past Supreme President, George Teixeira from Santa Maria. As I was driving, I kept in mind on the accident and was quite nervous, but slowly and carefully drove over the bridge. It was quite a stormy and rainy day. I also met several of my family members who were in attendance.

On the 18th of February, I attended the Pismo Beach Catholic Church for Ash Wednesday and saw a couple of PFSA members from Tulare in attendance, along with Past Supreme President Ron Graham and Past First Lady Maria.

On the 22nd of February, I attended the Official Visit of Council 5/36 Hayward. It was so enjoyable to see so many friends and families. I felt like I was at home since I spent so much time there with the former IDES office a few blocks away and we were invited to their for lunches and dances. Past Supreme President Joanne Camara who did an outstanding job as Mistress of Ceremonies. A special treat was when Connie Ferreira, who made my cake 36 years ago when I was Supreme President with the former IDES, who made this cake special for us. It was so tasty and beautiful. Thank you to the Supreme 20/30s President, Miriam Work and Supreme Youth President, Joey Reyes for your excellent speeches. Thank you all the officers, past and present for your attendance, I truly appreciate so much. Thank you for all the kindness shown to me, your donations to our charities and new members

On the 23rd of February, I attended PFSA Council #46 meeting and the first Convention Committee meeting. We made several decisions regarding the November 2026 convention in Visalia.

On the 24th of February, I attended PFSA Council #108, Madera meeting. It was so nice to see friends and members. I helped update a couple policies and signed a new member. Thank you Raymond. Very nice to see several Supreme Officers. Food was delicious.

On the 28th of February, I attended the Fraternal Committee meeting with the new Regional Governors. I am very excited for all the plans made to help our councils grow and prosper.

Thank you Richard for the use of the Castro Hotel!!

Please update your policies: PFSA, former societies: IDES, SES, UPEC, and UPPEC. Contact any agent, the office, or call me.

Fraternaly yours,

Donald J. Costa

PFSA Supreme President 2025-2026

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PFSA Supreme President's Charity 2025-2026



2025 ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE FACTS AND FIGURES

Over **7 MILLION** Americans are living with Alzheimer's



1 IN 3 older adults dies with Alzheimer's or another dementia



Between 2000 and 2022 deaths from heart disease have decreased

2.1%



while deaths from Alzheimer's disease have increased

142%

IT KILLS MORE THAN

breast cancer



prostate cancer

COMBINED

In 2025, Alzheimer's and other dementias will cost the nation

\$384 BILLION

By 2050, these costs could rise to nearly

\$1 TRILLION

The lifetime risk for Alzheimer's at age 45 is

1 IN 5

for women

1 IN 10

for men



NEARLY 12 MILLION

Americans provide unpaid care for people with Alzheimer's or other dementias

These caregivers provided more than 19 billion hours valued at nearly

\$413 BILLION



UP TO 4 IN 5

Americans feel optimistic about new Alzheimer's treatments in the next decade



92%

of Americans would want a medication to slow the progression of Alzheimer's following a diagnosis

Together, we can end Alzheimer's Disease

Donations

Can be made to:



Alzheimer's Association of Northern California

Attn: Modesto Walk Alz

2710 Gateway Oaks Dr Suite 200S

Sacramento, CA 95833



PFSA Supreme
20-30s President
Miriam Work



Dear PFSA members, officers, and friends,

Hard to believe it's already been five months since convention and since we were installed into our stations. Time truly flies when you're enjoying the journey.

Over the past few months, I've had the privilege of traveling with my family and taking part in a number of official visits and events. I was graciously welcomed by the councils of San Leandro, Oakland, Los Baños/Dos Palos, Elk Grove, Freeport/Clarksburg, Sacramento, Hayward, Tracy, Stockton, San Diego, and Salinas.

At every stop, council members greeted me with genuine hospitality. It has been a joy to reconnect with familiar faces and to meet so many new ones along the way. I left each visit feeling truly energized and humbled by the trust and openness people shared, and these moments have only strengthened my excitement for the work ahead and the partnerships we'll continue to build together.

The 20's-30's group is developing several upcoming events for all members to participate in. Each gathering is being crafted to strengthen connections and create meaningful opportunities for our community to come together. We look forward to finalizing the plans and sharing the details through the newsletter and our Mypfsa Modesto Facebook page.

Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter. I look forward to seeing you in the near future. Please join us for our upcoming golf tournament, the PFSA annual picnic, and the many events we have planned.

Miriam Work

PFSA 20-30s Supreme President



PFSA Supreme Youth President Joseph Reyes

These first few months serving as your PFSA Supreme Youth President have truly flown by. It feels like just yesterday I was installed, and already this journey has been filled with incredible experiences, meaningful service, and unforgettable moments. Every visit, event, and conversation reminds me how special our PFSA family truly is.

Since the start of my term, I've had the privilege of attending council visits in San Leandro, Oakland, Los Banos/Dos Palos, Freeport/Clarksburg, Sacramento, Elk Grove, Hayward, Tracy, and Stockton. Each council welcomed us with warmth and enthusiasm, showcasing the pride, faith, and traditions that unite our organization. Traveling across the state and connecting with members of all ages has reinforced why PFSA means so much — it's built on fraternity, faith, heritage, and lifelong friendships.

Back in December, I enjoyed the Grinchmas Christmas Party for Council #20 in Merced, a fun way to celebrate the season. At the same time, the Youth Board participated in a Members in Action project, assembling essential bags for individuals experiencing homelessness. Socks and blankets were donated to the D Street Shelter in Merced and Our Father's House Outreach in Rescue, California. Service is central to our mission, and we continue tracking volunteer hours and collecting pop tops for the Ronald McDonald House.

One of the most humbling moments was standing Honor Guard at the funeral of our Honorary Supreme Officer, Jack Perry, alongside Supreme President Don Costa, past leadership, and members of other fraternal organizations. Jack inspired my involvement with PFSA, and honoring his life and legacy was unforgettable.

In March, I participated in several events celebrating Portuguese Immigrant Week. On March 13, 2026, I had the opportunity to attend the fireside talk "Three Generations, One Community: Past, Present and Future of the Portuguese in California" at the Consulate General of Portugal in San Francisco, reflecting on the history, culture, and future of our community. I also attended the Wreath Ceremony and reception in San Leandro, honoring the courage and sacrifices of Portuguese immigrants. That same month, I enjoyed the crab feed at Council 5/36 Hayward, an evening of fellowship, hospitality, and delicious food, showcasing the generosity PFSA is known for.

Working alongside Supreme Presidents Don and Miriam has been another highlight. Their teamwork, friendship, and shared I am deeply grateful for the support of my charity this year, Parents Helping Parents. Thanks to your generosity, we've already raised over \$1,000 to provide resources and guidance to families. Seeing the PFSA community unite for such meaningful causes is truly inspiring.

Looking ahead, my home council, Council #44 of San Jose, will soon host a Members in Action event, a great opportunity to serve our community and live out PFSA's core values.

A sincere thank you to my Supreme Youth Board for their dedication, enthusiasm, and support. From attending events to organizing activities, their involvement strengthens the youth program and our organization. We've also been active on Instagram, so follow along as we share our experiences throughout the year.

The past few months have been incredible, and I'm excited for what lies ahead, more council visits, service opportunities, friendships, and moments celebrating our shared faith and Portuguese heritage.

And one more thing, Save the Date! My Testimonial will be on Sunday, October 18, 2026, and I look forward to celebrating with all of you.

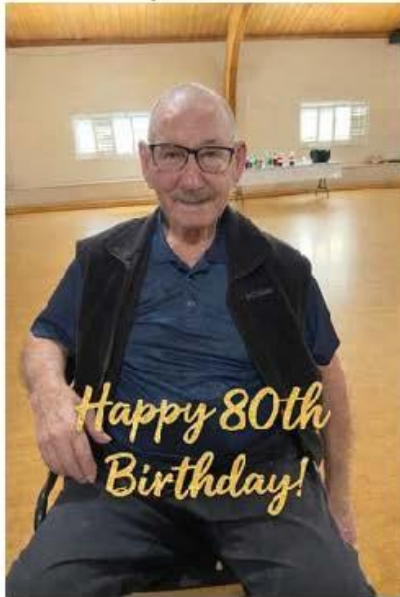
PFSA is more than an organization, it is a family. Thank you for your support and for the honor of allowing me to serve and represent the youth of this incredible organization.

In fraternity and friendship,

Joseph A. Reyes Jr.
PFSA Supreme Youth President

Past Presidents and Spouses Association

Congratulation Tony Duarte
on your 80th Birthday
April 21st



Happy 54th Wedding Anniversary
Tony & Antoinette Duarte
April 22nd





Newsletter improvements are here!

We are pleased to announce changes to our newsletter to better support our PFSA Mission & Vision, and highlight the great efforts of our youth, members, councils, and leaders. Below are some of the changes we will introduce this month. Also please see then next page for our new Council Spotlight.

Jerry Escobar, CMO

PFSA Mission:

PFSA offers FINANCIAL SERVICES to PROTECT MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES, and provides CULTURAL, SOCIAL, EDUCATIONAL, AND CHARITBLE ACTIVITIES

PFSA Vision:

Protection, Fraternalism, Sociability, Assistance



NEW CHAPTER SECTIONS TO SHOWCASE ALL WE DO



LEADERSHIP & UPDATES



Leading the Way



YOUTH & FUTURE LEADERS



Get Ahead



Learn Portuguese



Ask your family for a few more words



COUNCILS IN ACTION



Fraternalism—Sociability



CULTURE & COMMUNITY



Celebrate Culture



MEMBERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE



Assistance—Give Back



EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



Have Fun – Celebrate Together



INFO & PROGRAMS



2025 Family Schedule Form



PROTECT FAMILY



Agents, providing Assistance



COUNCIL SPOTLIGHT!

Share your great moments with us!

Please contact jerry.escobar@mypfsa.org if you have questions.

Submit Your Content to PFSA!

Help us keep the content flowing! Email your submissions to publishing@mypfsa.org by the 15th of each month.

- Event Photos
- Activity Highlights
- Volunteer Projects
- Youth Activities

Submission Guidelines:

- Council Name
- Event Description (1–2 sentences)
- 3–5 Photos



Share on Social Media!

POST ON FACEBOOK & TAG US!

Tag [@mypfsa-modesto](https://www.facebook.com/mypfsa-modesto) so we can see all your great activities!



Let's Stay Connected!

Tag us on Facebook and share your council's events!



YOUTH & FUTURE LEADERS



Get Ahead

PFSA Youth

Empowering youth • Building leaders • Serving our community • Join us • Grow with us • Make an impact

Huge shoutout to Mia, our Supreme Youth Vice President, who helped pass out bread and soup with energy, a smile, and so much heart after Stations of the Cross at Holy Rosary Catholic Church!

Her dedication and leadership show us all how much fun it can be to give back and make a difference.

PFSA youth are showing up, stepping up, and making our community stronger!



Such a wonderful Official Visit with PFSA Council #5/36 of Hayward!

Thank you for the warm hospitality, the delicious food, and the amazing company. It's always a blessing to come together in the spirit of fraternalism, unity, and service.

We truly appreciate the kindness and generosity shown, days like this are what make our PFSA family so special.



PFSA Youth

Empowering youth • Building leaders • Serving our community • Join us • Grow with us • Make an impact

Youth President Joey Reyes and Master of Ceremonies Kaden Kross had an incredible week celebrating Portuguese Immigrant Week. On March 7, 2026, Joey attended the Wreath Ceremony and Reception in San Leandro as well as Council 5/36 of Hayward's Crab Feed, while Kaden attended the wreath ceremony and volunteered at the crab feed. Later, on March 13, 2026, Joey had the opportunity to attend the fireside talk "Three Generations, One Community: Past, Present and Future of the Portuguese in California" at the Consulate General of Portugal in San Francisco.



PFSA Youth

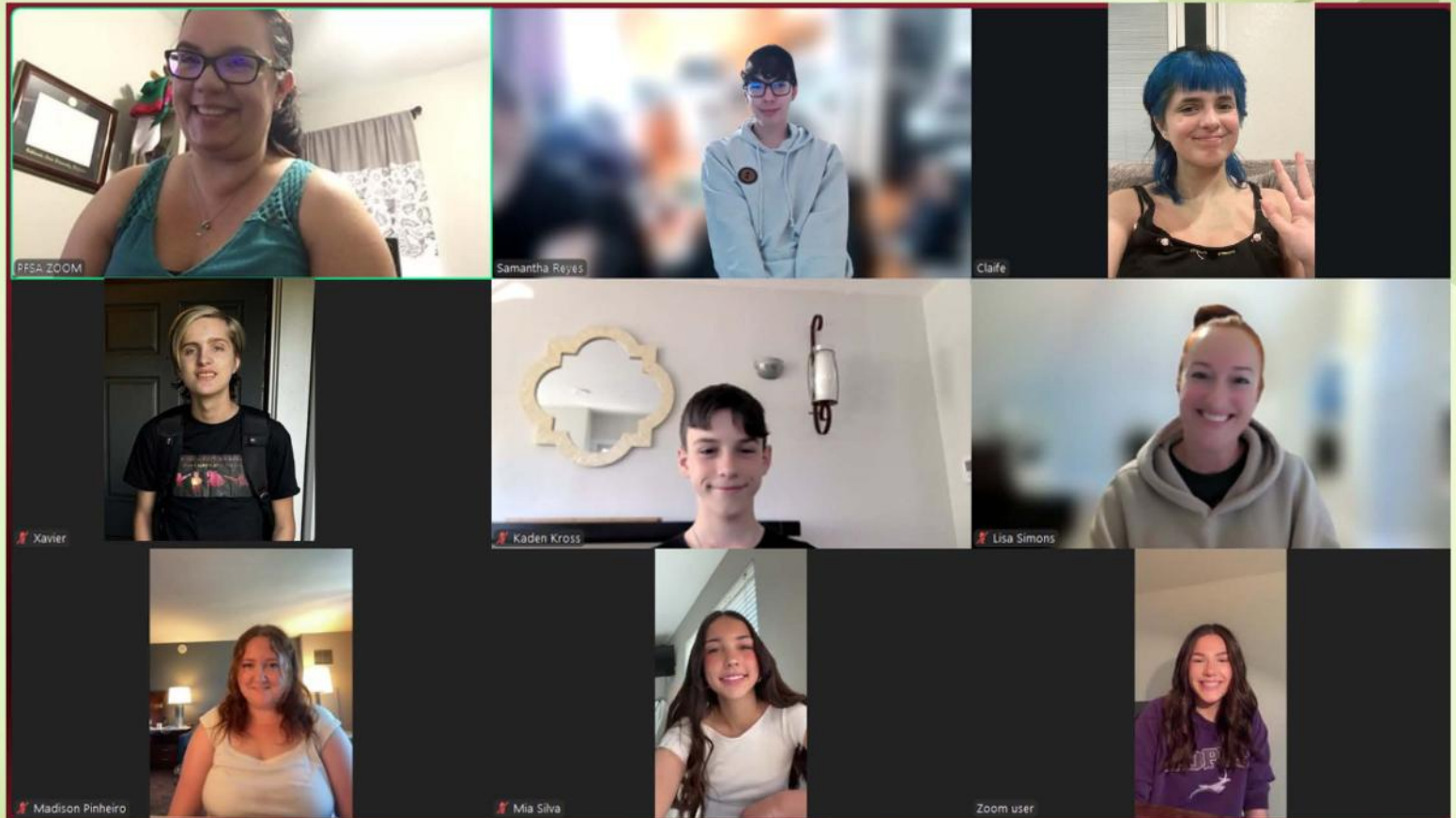
Empowering youth • Building leaders • Serving our community • Join us • Grow with us • Make an impact

During Portuguese Immigrant Week, the PFSA Supreme Youth Board celebrated their roots by connecting with the community through their ancestors. By sharing family stories, photos, and memories, they honored the journeys of Portuguese immigrants while sparking conversations about heritage, culture, and pride. Through events and social media, these young leaders showed how the past inspires the present—and how traditions continue to shape the future of the Portuguese community.



PFSA Youth

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The Supreme Youth Board gathered for an engaging and productive meeting on March 14, 2026, connecting virtually via Zoom. Board members came together from across the state to discuss upcoming events, share updates on ongoing initiatives, and brainstorm new ways to serve the community.

The meeting was filled with collaboration, energy, and fresh ideas, as the youth leaders worked to strengthen their programs, support their peers, and continue celebrating Portuguese heritage and culture. Even through a virtual platform, the passion and dedication of the board shone through, proving that distance can never slow down the commitment of these young leaders.

It was another inspiring session of teamwork, leadership, and vision for the future of the PFSA Youth Board!

PFSA Youth

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On March 15, 2026, the Official Visit for Council #18 of Stockton and Council #13 of Tracy was a wonderful and memorable afternoon, bringing together members in a spirit of fellowship, pride, and community. Gatherings like these are always a meaningful opportunity to celebrate the strength of our PFSA family, honor the traditions that connect us, and recognize the dedication of those who continue to help our organization thrive.

It was especially great to have Claire, Xavier, and Mia in attendance, along with Joey, proudly representing our outstanding Youth Board. Their presence brought so much energy and enthusiasm to the afternoon and served as a reminder of the bright future of our organization. The Youth Board continues to reflect leadership, service, and commitment, and it was inspiring to see them represent the program so well during this special visit.

Overall, the afternoon was a beautiful celebration of connection, tradition, and PFSA pride. Moments like these remind us how meaningful it is to come together across councils, support one another, and continue strengthening the foundation of our organization for generations to come.



Learn Portuguese

Common Phrases

- ★ **Olá** – Hello
- ★ **Por favor** – Please
- ★ **Obrigado / Obrigada** – Thank you (m/f)
- ★ **Desculpe** – Excuse me / Sorry
- ★ **Sim / Não** – Yes / No
- ★ **Como estás?** – How are you?

Numbers

- 1. **Um** – One
- 2. **Dois** – Two
- 3. **Três** – Three
- 4. **Quatro** – Four
- 5. **Cinco** – Five
- 6. **Seis** – Six
- 7. **Sete** – Seven
- 8. **Oito** – Eight
- 9. **Nove** – Nine
- 10. **Dez** – Ten

Ask your family for a few more words



Escola
School



Rapaz
+ Boy



Praia
Beach



Azul
Blue



Bola
+ Ball

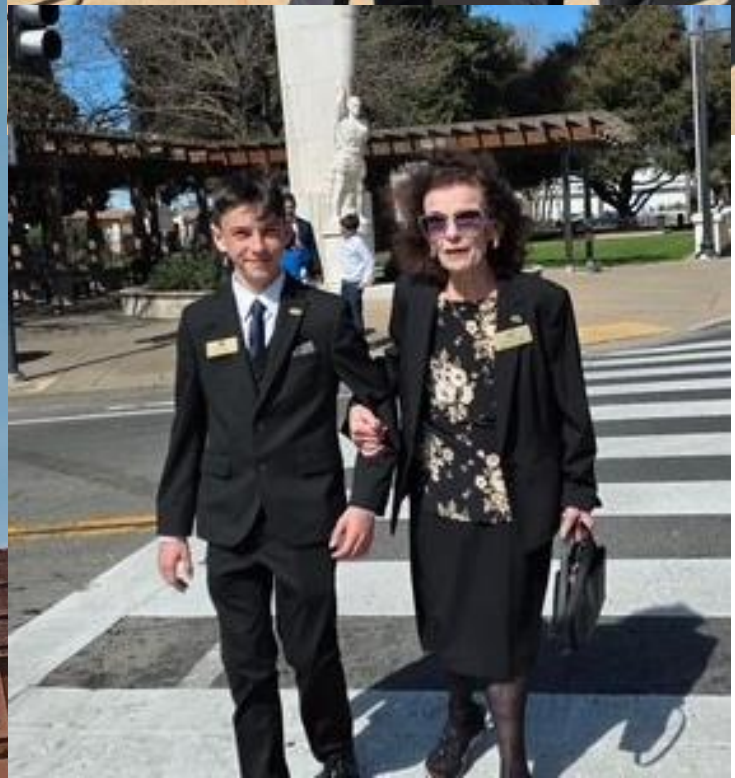


CULTURE & COMMUNITY



Celebrate Culture

Portuguese Immigrant Week 2026



59th Annual Portuguese Immigrant Week Ceremony and Reception



Statue of the Portuguese Immigrant
Root Park, San Leandro



59th Annual Portuguese Immigrant Week Ceremony and Reception

March 7, 2026. San Leandro



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59th Annual Portuguese Immigrant Week Reception

March 7, 2026. San Leandro Band Hall



PFSA Supreme President Don Costa Celebrating Portuguese Immigrant week at Revel Lodi. Thank you to Gerry Perry for hosting this wonderful event!



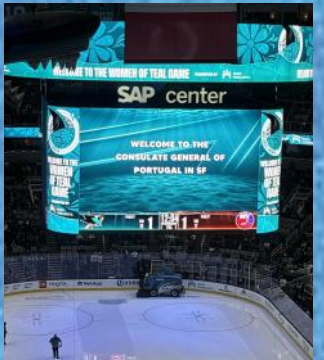
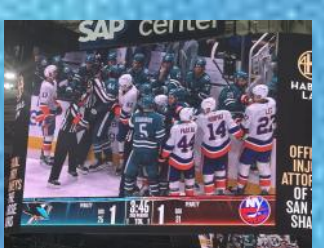
Noite De Conjuntos

Newark Pavillion

March 7, 2026



Portuguese Heritage Game with the San Jose Sharks. March 7



Past, Present, and Future of the Portuguese in California

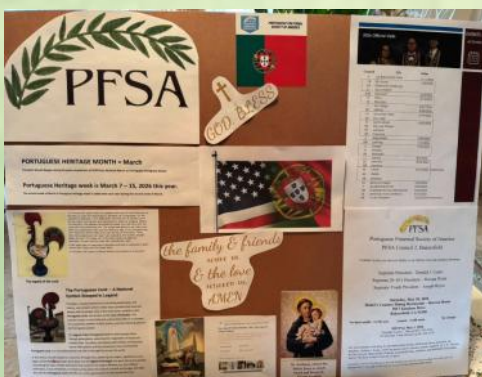
Consul General of Portugal in San Francisco, March 13



PFSA Council 2 of Bakersfield — Portuguese Immigrant Week Celebration



PFSA Council 2 of Bakersfield would like to thank our Supreme President Don Costa for attending the celebration of Portuguese heritage week, March 8, 2026. Don Costa also enjoyed having a visit with Past Supreme President Gary Dias with the Longhorn bull he raised.



Council 3, Eureka and Council 4, Arcata Portuguese Social Portuguese Immigrant Week Celebration



Joseph Reyes attended the Council 5/36 Hayward crab feed in celebration of Portuguese Immigrant week.



PFSA had a wonderful time attending the Portuguese Organization for Social Services & Opportunities dinner.





COUNCILS IN ACTION



Co. 24 San Leandro celebrating
Portuguese Immigrant Week

Fraternalism—Sociability

PFSA Council 18 Stockton and 13 Tracy held a wonderful official visit



Happy 54th Wedding Anniversary
Tony & Antoinette Duarte
April 22nd



PFSA Co. 1, San Diego Official Visit



PFSA Co. 90 Salinas Official Visit St. Patrick's Day Fun!



Happy 90th Birthday Tony Freitas!



PFSA Home Office Celebrating St. Patrick's Day With a Potluck!



**PFSA Council 7 Gustine/Newman celebrating
St. Patrick's Day!**



Council 8 Santa Maria, celebrating St. Patrick's Day in green!



Co. 44 San Jose celebrated St. Patrick's Day



PFSA Council 100 Oakdale/Escalon/Riverbank celebrated St. Patrick's Day



PFSA Council 66, Visalia Celebrating St. Patrick's Day



PFSA Council 84, San Luis Obispo St. Patrick's Day



PFSA Council 26 Stevinson, Turlock, Hilmar
Celebrating Portuguese Immigrant Week and St. Patrick's Day



PFSA Council 100 Oakdale/Escalon/Riverbank had a full house of Bingo!!!





MEMBERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE



Another fun day at PFSA Co. 66 Visalia. They held their March meeting, wore green in honor of St Patrick's Day and collected canned goods for Bethlehem Catholic services center. Thank you all!

Assistance—Give Back

PFSA Youth Officer Marissa Geston helped makeup Easter bag treats to go with the PFSA Co 66, Visalia Easter Basket and delivered with food and hams to Bethlehem Catholic Social Services center in Visalia.



Thank you Council 26 Stevinson/Turlock/Hilmar for providing the soup after the Stations of the Cross at Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Thank you to all the members and Supreme Youth Vice-President, Mia Silva, for your help!



**Council 3, Eureka and Council 4, Arcata Portuguese Social
Portuguese Immigrant Week St. Vincent De Paul Glove, Sock, Hat
collection**





EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



2026 Official Visits

Council	City	Dates
21	Los Banos/Dos Palos	1/11/2026
118	Elk Grove	1/25/2026
34	Freeport/Clarksburg	
51	Sacramento	
5/36	Hayward	2/22/2026
13	Tracy	3/15/2026
18	Stockton	
1	San Diego	3/21/2026
90	Salinas	3/28/2026
14	Mountain View	4/19/2026
44	San Jose	
8	Santa Maria	4/26/2026
84	San Luis Obispo	
99	Lompoc	
140	Cayucos	
2	Bakersfield	5/30/2026
200	Lathrop	7/12/2026
3	Eureka	7/25/2026
4	Arcata	
98	Ferndale	
11	Turlock	8/9/2026
20	Merced	8/23/2026
108	Madera	
46	Tulare	9/12/2026
66	Visalia	Testimonial
138	Stratford	
54	Benicia/Vallejo	9/20/2026
7	Gustine/Newman	9/25/2026
100	Oakdale/Escalon/ Riverbank	9/26/2026
26	Stevinson/Turlock/ Hilmar	9/27/2026
44	Youth President	10/18/2026
	Testimonial	

Have Fun – Celebrate Together

Book Presentation

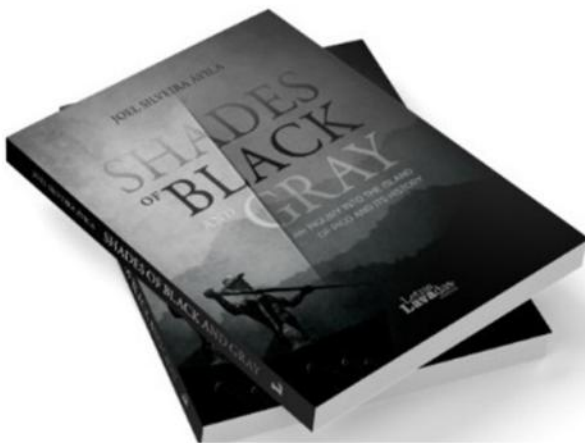
SHADES OF BLACK AND GRAY
Presented by Author, Joel Ávila
and Diniz Borges of PBBI

April 9
5 pm

Join us for a wonderful evening with Author Joel Ávila
exploring his new book



Please RSVP
by April 5
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Shades of Black and Gray is the first comprehensive history of Pico Island written in English, offering an accessible and engaging exploration of one of the Azores' most storied islands. Joel Silveira Avila combines meticulous archival research with personal insight to illuminate Pico's volcanic origins, its intertwined relationship with Faial and much more.



Location: PFSA Office, 1100 14th St. Suite E.
Modesto, CA, 5 pm

RSVP by April 2: mypfsa@mypfsa.org
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Join us for a
great day of
golf!



SATURDAY
APRIL 11

Check-in: 8:30 am
Shotgun starts 9:00 am

GOLF
TOURNAMENT
2026

4 PLAYER SCRAMBLE

Cart and lunch provided with fee
Prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place finishers

.....
\$125 - Per Player
.....

Player Registration

Player 1:
Player 2:
Player 3:
Player 4:
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Merced, CA 95351

PLEASE RSVP
FOURSOME
BY 4/4

Rancho Del Rey Golf Club
5250 Green Sands Ave, Atwater, CA



Hold the Date: Annual PFSA Picnic – “April 18, 2026”

RV sites must be booked by March 15th, 2026

RV sites available from April 15 – 19, 2026

At Casa de Fruta, Hollister

Rate: 30amp @ \$49.00 + tax per night

Reservation and Payment procedure:

Call direct to Casa deFruta

RV/Inn Office for your reservation.

Call 1-408-842-9316 no later than March 15th

Let (Traci) know you are calling for a PFSA RV site – give them your date of arrival, a site will be booked.

Your reservation will be confirmed through Casa.

Any changes or a cancellation will also need to be done directly.

**If you have any questions please email
Linda Mateus at lmateus2001@yahoo.com**



Hope to see you there!

**P.S. Reservations for the Inn must be made
by March 1, 2026**

2026 Theme
Honoring Our
Roots, Shaping our
Future



Wear your
Portuguese or
American Gear!

PICNIC

AT CASA DE FRUTA

Saturday, April 18
11 a m

Make your reservation for our PFSA Picnic

\$5.00 per adult & youth 13 and over | Youth 12 and under FREE

Please make your check payable to: PFSA

Name: _____

Telephone No. _____

Email: _____

Mail Reservation To: PFSA HOME OFFICE

1100 14th Street, Suite E Modesto, CA 95354

Telephone: 866-687-7372 or 209-702-6364

mypfsa@mypfsa.org

of Adults _____ x \$5 = _____

Youth 13 & over _____ x \$5 = _____

Youth 12 & under _____ Free

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Please RSVP by April 10

Casa de Fruta Grass Area

10021 Pacheco Pass Hwy,
Hollister, CA 95023

Bring your
Umbrellas & Chairs



Councils
44 San Jose &
14 Mt. View
Official Visit



SUNDAY
APRIL 19

1 PM SOCIAL
1:30 PM LUNCH

Please RSVP by
April 12th
Ron Graham 415.710.7482
Maria Graham: 650.279.0292

Official Visit

Co. 44, San Jose & Co. 14, Mt. View

cordially invites you to welcome
PFSA Supreme President Don Costa
Supreme 20-30s President Miriam Work
& Supreme Youth President Joseph Reyes

Auction
Items to
support
Youth
President's
Charity
welcome!

Come enjoy an afternoon with PFSA friends and family.

IES Hall

1401 E. Santa Clara St
San Jose, CA 95116
\$20.00 Per Person





WINE SOCIAL Convention Fundraiser

April 24, 2026 5:30 pm

**Join us for an evening of
Wine, Appetizers, and Fellowship
in Support of Our Convention**

*Honoring our Roots
Shaping our Future*

**\$30/person.
Check payable to PFSA Council 46**

Everyone is welcome.
Please RSVP by April 20

Mary Anne Whiteside 559.805.2320
Stella Camara 559.799.1976
Donald Costa 559.972.4693

1818 W Prosperity Ave, Tulare, CA 93274





Portuguese Fraternal Society of America

Official Visit

Hosted by Councils

140 Cayucos, 84 San Luis Obispo, 8 Santa Maria & 99 Lompoc

We Cordially invite you to welcome
PFSA Supreme President Donald Costa
PFSA Supreme 20-30s President Miriam Work
PFSA Supreme Youth President Joseph Reyes

Sunday, April 26th 11:30am - 2:00pm

MADONNA INN “Garden Room”

100 Madonna Rd. San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

Santa Maria Buffet

(tri-tip, chicken, beans, green salad, potato salad, garlic bread & dessert)

Cost: \$35.00 per person (cash or check)

Please RSVP by Tuesday, April 14th

Pearl Perry (805) 296-3614 or Emilie Platz (805) 712-7334
“Please call or leave a voicemail”



Portuguese Fraternal Society of America
PFSA Council 2, Bakersfield

Cordially invites you and your family to our Official Visit and Luncheon Honoring:

Supreme President – Donald J. Costa
Supreme 20-30's President – Miriam Work
Supreme Youth President – Joseph Reyes

Saturday, May 30, 2026
Hodel's Country Dining Restaurant – Harvest Room
5917 Knudsen Drive
Bakersfield, CA 93308

No-host social: 11:30 a.m. Lunch: 12:00 noon No Charge

RSVP by May 1, 2026
President Caron C. Dias @ (661) 201-8140
Or Secretary Trudy Mooney @ 661-428-1428

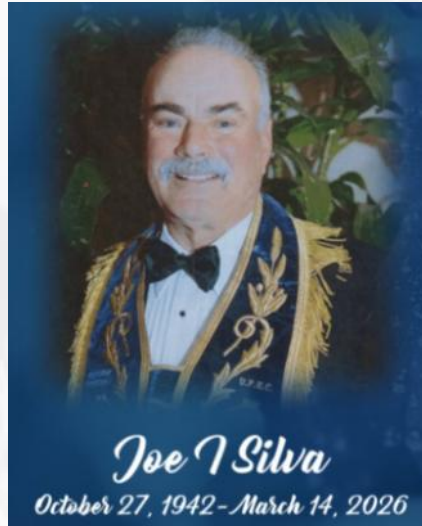
We will continue collecting for the Bakersfield Ronald McDonald House (pop tabs, lap blankets, children's books, small lap games and/or puzzles, laundry supplies, etc.), St. Vincent de Paul Society Bakersfield (clothing, household items, toiletries, non-perishable food items) and/or The Kern Autism Network (Legos).

Directions: Hwy 99 Northbound or Hwy 99 Southbound; exit Olive Drive heading west; Olive Drive to Knudsen Drive; turn right (north) and it is on your left just passed the Shell station.

In Memoriam

Though they may be gone, their light continues to guide us, their love remains in our hearts, and their memory becomes the treasure we carry forward.

Past Supreme
President



Council

Co. 5/36 Hayward
Co. 8 Santa Maria
Co. 8 Santa Maria
Co. 12 Oakland
Co. 12 Oakland
Co. 18 Stockton
Co. 20 Merced
Co. 104 Yerington

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One of the best parts of being a life insurance agent is helping families protect what matters most. Today I had the privilege of writing a policy for my own parents. That peace of mind is everything. ❤️

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Agents providing Assistance



  @MYPFSA

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Contact a PFSA Sales
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6.5%*

***2026 Promotional Annuity**

\$10K—\$500K

2.5% Minimum Guaranteed Rate



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