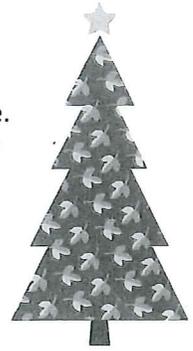


# 2014 MORELLI-VENTURA FAMILY NEWSLETTER



Dec 2013 – Our 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Party was held with a great turnout. Everyone had a great time. Thanks to Andrea Pantos, Tiffany Ventura and Committee for a wonderful celebration and all their hard work.

Dec 27- Aunt Rosie and Grandma Anna went to Mesquite for the winter season.

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Feb 13-18 Cute little Grandma Anna Mancuso (Rosie's mom) turned 110 years YOUNG on *February 18*. Many of her nieces and nephews from Colorado and grandson Mike Morelli came to help her celebrate. Parties were given at the Virgin River by the General Manager, by her family, Aunt Rosie at her condo, and even her hairdresser. She was featured on the marquee from 4:00-9:00pm at the Virgin River. She was also interviewed and featured in an article in the Mesquite newspaper. She is a true celebrity.

Feb 17 – Jayme Morelli started her therapy for breast cancer, being diagnosed earlier in the month. Everything turned out fine and she is doing great.

Feb 28 – Jeffrey Morelli left to travel to study in Germany through the U of U program. He traveled a lot while in Europe. He turned 21 on June 6<sup>th</sup> and celebrated in Monte Carlo and returned home July 31<sup>st</sup>.

May 1 - Billy Ventura (Sr.) had shoulder surgery to replace the metal that had been installed earlier and they will remove the plate November 6<sup>th</sup>. You are in our thoughts and prayers, Billy.

May 2 – Brittany Miles graduated from the University of Utah with a bachelor's degree in Biology. We are all so proud of you, Brittany! A lovely party was held in her honor by her parents.

Karlla Ramirez (Austin's girlfriend) also graduated from the University with a bachelor's degree in International Studies/Business. Way to go, Karlla. A lovely party was given by her family. Both Brittany and Karlla celebrated together!

May 6 – Dale Mark passed away at the young age of 53. Our sympathy is extended to his children Amber, Aubrey, and Brock and to his mother Kitty, father David and grandkids. A lovely funeral and tribute by his children was held on May 12.

May 12 – Ernie Cairo, a close friend of the family, passed away. His funeral was held May 16<sup>th</sup>.

May - Our lovely cousin, Antonella Guida, and her beautiful daughter Alessia, came to visit from Italy. Antonella is Silvano Ventura's daughter (*look on our Ventura Family Chart to see how exactly related*). They spent a few weeks with Dennis and Karyn who took them all around California and then came to Utah where Tony and Carol Ventura hosted them and took them to see the Salt Lake sights. Tony and Carol had a party at their house for all the family to meet Antonella and Alessia, and they were a little overwhelmed with the large size of our family.

Jane Morelli was in a car accident and got bruised all over but there were no serious injuries. Jane has been having some serious health problems. Guy retired and is home taking care of Jane. You are all in our prayers. Jane is doing better now.

May 27 – Kitty Mark and her daughter and son-in-law, Jackie and Dennis, moved to Mesquite, Nevada, to a beautiful new home they had built. We will certainly miss them. Ronnie's son, Joe and wife Adrienne, bought Margie's home to reside in.

May 28 – Alex Pantos graduated from Wasatch High School and plans to become a pilot. He is attending Utah Valley College. Congratulations Alex, we are all real proud of you, especially dad, Nick Pantos!

May 31 – a bridal shower was given for Demi Miles at Suzanne's house, a beautiful event that was enjoyed by all.

June 5 – Cameron Hoogveldt graduated from Riverton High School and plans on joining his father in his business. Congratulations, Cameron – we are proud of you (especially parents John and Sharee Hoogveldt)!

June 20 – Demi Miles and Raffi Kureghian were married in Park City and had a beautiful outdoor wedding ceremony in Park City with a lovely dinner reception enjoyed by many. It was especially fun to ride up in the Gondola to get to the outdoor wedding spot and be served champagne. It was indeed beautiful.

June 22 – Reverend David Morelli retired from his Ministry after reaching age 65 on June 2<sup>nd</sup> & will stay in Oregon.

July 2 – A beautiful baby boy (Jack) was born to Cassie and Darrell Catmull and big sister, Ella Rae. Proud as can be are Grandma Jackie Morelli, and Great-Grandma Rosie Morelli.

July 4<sup>th</sup> – Joe and Martha hosted their annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July party. This was the largest turnout for the party as Martha's sister, Eleanor, and all her family came. Approximately 40 members of Martha's extended family attended and slept and camped on Joe's property in motor homes, trailers, and tents, etc. and had a great time.

Aug 10 - Dewey (DeWayne) Newman passed away August 10, 2014 at the age of 93 after a short illness. His wife, Ida, passed away in March 2013 at age 88. Our sympathy goes to son, DeWayne, Tony, Carol Ventura and family.

Aug 20 – Dorothy Ventura's sister, Sharon Lee Smink, passed away in Denver. Our sympathy is extended to her family, Vicki, Vince and all the family. Vicki was in Colorado for a while taking care of her Aunt.

Aug 30 – The annual birthday party for the large group who have August/September birthdays was held in Carol Jean and Morris's home. A large group, fantastic food, and good visits with family we don't see a lot!

Sept 8 – Marrielle Morelli fell and fractured her hip and femur, and the doctors were unable to do surgery.

Sept 18 – Our dear Marrielle Morelli passed away at the age of 94. Our hearts are heavy. She was very special lady as sweet and kind as they come. A beautiful funeral full of wonderful tributes was held September 22. All her grandchildren came from afar to honor their Grandmother. Dennis and Colleen and families hosted a lovely luncheon in honor of Marrielle after the funeral. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Dennis, Colleen, their families and all the grandkids.

Sept 19 – Our little cousin Marge Ventura Category passed away in Las Vegas at the age of 89. She had been so ill the past few years. Services were held May 28<sup>th</sup> in Salt Lake City, where she was buried. Our deepest sympathy goes to Frank, Tony, Jim, and families.

Sept 20 – DaNise Barney has been diagnosed with cancer again and is in treatment and is doing well. You are in our thoughts and prayers, DaNise – we love you.

Sept 20 – Hayden Scoffield and Preslee Ballard were married and had a lovely wedding and reception. Congratulations, Hayden and Preslee. May you have a long life of happiness together. Happy Mom and Grandparents are Elizabeth Bronson and Becky and Bill Bronson.

Sept 30 – A beautiful baby boy (Xander) was born to Mike and Julie Ventura. Congratulations to you both and little sister Anastasia. Proud grandparents are Tony & Carol Ventura. Our family doesn't make ugly babies!

Oct 26 – A lovely baby shower was held for Mallory Miles at her Mom, Suzanne's home and was well attended by the family. Mallory is expecting a little girl in December. Congratulations, Mallory.

Nov 14 – James Hallman and Ali Dyson are the parents of a beautiful little baby boy, Noah Ray, weighing 5 lbs 12 oz, 19 inches long. Congratulations to first time Grandma, Tara Hallman, and Great-Grandma Mary Pantos Kuta!

Nov 28-29 – We are excited to attend the 45<sup>th</sup> annual Morelli-Ventura Party with activities on Friday and the Family Party on Saturday. Thanks to Carla, Sherri, and the Committee for all their hard work.

Dec 12 – Michelle Hoogveldt will graduate from Salt Lake Community College as a Registered Nurse (RN). Way to go, Michelle, we are all proud of you indeed!

*With Love, Aunt Rosie*