



## *Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli Lodge*

LODGE 2183 – P.O. BOX 387 – WILMINGTON, MA 01887

<http://www.wilmingtonsoi.org>

### January 2017 Newsletter

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The new **Venue** for our meetings is **St. Thomas' Villanova Hall**.  
126 Middlesex Ave, Wilmington, MA.

January's meeting is on **Thursday** 01/26/17. Dinner will be pizza for \$5.00. Desserts are most welcome!

#### 2017 Monthly Meetings

**FOURTH THURSDAY** of the month (*unless otherwise noted*).

Dinner is at 6:30 pm. Meeting is at 7:30 pm.

01/26/17 02/23/17 03/23/17 04/27/16 05/25/17 06/22/17  
08/24/17 09/28/17

Council Meetings - Every **2nd Thursday** of the month at 7:00 pm

Location - 4<sup>th</sup> of July Building

02/09/17 03/09/17 04/13/17 05/11/17 06/08/17  
08/10/17 09/14/17

#### Social Events

02/03/17 - **Wilmington SOI** Comedy Night

01/29/17 - **Grand Lodge** Quadrathlon of Games

03/25/17 - **Wilmington SOI** 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

03/26/17 - **Grand Lodge** Bowling Tournament

04/09/17 - **Wilmington** Easter Bunny Breakfast at the K of C in Wilmington

05/07/17 - **Grand Lodge** 4th Annual Massachusetts Education and Law Awards

**Dues** - The 2017 Lodge dues were due on December 31, 2016. The cost is still \$44.00 per person. Invoices have been mailed. This is an election year and we will be voting for a new council on March 23, 2017. In order to vote your dues must be paid. Please make your check payable to **Wilmington Sons of Italy** and mail to P.O. Box 387 - Wilmington, MA 01887 or you can pay Cheryl at a meeting.

**AGR Store** - for sale: Sons of Italy **Sweatshirts** (full-zip) \$27.00, Sweatshirts (pull-over) \$25.00 & **T-shirts** \$10.00; New **purple polo shirts** with lodge logo \$25.00 both men and women styles; New **fleece jackets** (full-zip) with logo \$35.00 both men and women styles. For sizes XXL and up please add \$2.00. Jackets can be personalized for an additional \$7.00. Contact Cheryl (978-657-7734) or e-mail [cal0701@yahoo.com](mailto:cal0701@yahoo.com)

### **HELP NEEDED**

**Monthly Suppers** - Our lodge needs someone to chair the committee to arrange dinner for our monthly meetings. The lodge will provide funds for this. Please contact Charlie if you are interested in helping. Charlie's phone number is (978-404-6777) or e-mail [deltasuv@gmail.com](mailto:deltasuv@gmail.com).

**Hall Set Up and Break Down** - we need everyone to break down the hall after the meeting by putting away the chairs and tables.

### **Elections**

**Elections - Nominations** for our lodge officers, delegates, alternate delegates, arbitration committee and alternate arbitration committee for a two year term, will take place in **February**. Elections are scheduled for March and the installation of officers will take place in April. To run for **President and Vice President**, you must have held another office. To run for **any other office**, you must have been a member for six months. To **vote** you must have been a member for one month and have paid your dues. Social members are now eligible to vote but may not hold an office. If you are interested in running for an office, please contact **Aldo Caira (978-657-8572)** or e-mail [aldocaira@yahoo.com](mailto:aldocaira@yahoo.com). We will also take nominations from the floor in February. There are also four seats on the Board of Directors for which we will take nominations. Contact Kevin Caira (978-657-7734.)

### **Scholarships**

**Wilmington Sons of Italy Scholarships** - Our lodge scholarship are available to children entering college in the fall of 2017. Parents of these children must have been members of our lodge for 4 years. Our Graduate scholarships are available to any member who has been a member for 5 years and entering Graduate school in the fall of 2017. For applications and more information please contact Karen Scalzi (978-423-0960) or e-mail [kscalzi@gmail.com](mailto:kscalzi@gmail.com).

**Grand Lodge** - The Scholarship Commission of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts through the Charitable and Educational Trust will award a minimum of twenty (20) scholarships, at a maximum of \$1,000.00 each to properly qualified students who anticipate entering college in the fall of 2017. Visit the **Grand Lodge website** and download application [http://www.osiama.org/scholarship\\_application.pdf](http://www.osiama.org/scholarship_application.pdf) or contact Paul Guida [pguida@osiama.org](mailto:pguida@osiama.org) or 617 489-5234. Deadline February 1, 2017.



**Sons of Italy Foundation - National Scholarships** must be postmarked by **February 28<sup>th</sup>**. The direct link to the scholarship information on the National website is: <http://www.osia.org/students/scholarships.php>

## Future Events

**Comedy Night** - will be held on Friday, **February 3, 2017** at the Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks. Tickets are **\$20.00** per person and can be bought individually or in tables of 10. Bring your own munchies. There will be a cash bar. Run in conjunction with the WHS Band Parents. There will be raffles and a silent auction. **Bottles of cheer are always welcome** to make a raffle **Basket!** This is always a sell out and only 300 tickets are available so get your tickets early.



Contact Kevin at 978-657-7734.



**Grand Lodge Quadrathlon of Games** - will be held on Sunday, January 29, 2017 at 10:00 AM at the Quincy Sons of Italy - 120 Quarry St - Quincy, MA.

Participate in tournaments of Darts, Cribbage, Gin, and SCRABBLE. Bracket-Style tournaments will take place throughout the day. Meal tickets are \$10.00.

Sign up at the meeting.

**Wilmington Sons of Italy (Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli) Lodge 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** - will be held on Saturday, **March 25, 2017** at the Wilmington/Tewksbury Elks - 777 South St. - Tewksbury, MA. The evening will start at **6:30 pm** with a cocktail hour and hot/cold hors d'oeuvres, followed by a **sumptuous five-course dinner including dessert**, at 7:30 pm. Bottles of **Wine** will be on the tables. Lori and



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Bill McLaughlin will DJ. Ticket cost is only \$50.00 pp which is 1/2 the actual cost. **Ads for our ad book are \$100.00 - full page, \$60.00 - 1/2 page, \$40.00 - 1/4 page. Jewels are \$5.00 per name. This evening will be one to remember and it is our hope that you will celebrate the occasion with us!** Contact Kevin 978-657-7734 or Michele 978-604-6437.

**Grand Lodge Bowling Tournament** - will be held on Sunday, March 26, 2017 at 8:30 AM at the Woburn Bowladrome - 32 Montvale Ave - Woburn, MA. Four-person teams welcome in Men's A (Team average of 400+), Men's B (Team average of 399 or less), Women's and Junior Divisions. \$75.00 includes bowling fee, shoe rental and morning refreshments. Deadline is March 25, 2017. Sign up at the meeting.



**Wilmington Easter Bunny Breakfast** will be held on **Sunday, April 09, 2017** from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon at the K of C Hall in Wilmington. There will be two seating's: 8:30 and 10:30. **A volunteer** is needed to run the **raffle table** and **volunteers** are needed to cook, serve, clean etc. Sign up at the meeting. **Raffle baskets are also needed.** Menu includes scrambled eggs, hash browns, bacon, sausage, waffles, coffee, juice and assorted muffins. Donation is \$8.00 and children under 3 years are free. **Contact Kevin at 978-657-7734.**



**Grand Lodge Massachusetts Education and Law Awards (MELA)** - will take place on Sunday, May 7, 2017. Nominations are now being accepted. One award will be given in each category - Judiciary, Law Enforcement and Public Service. Deadline is February 1, 2017.

**National Sons of Italy Visa Rewards Card fundraiser** - available to members, families and friends and includes a rewards program and no annual fee. Please visit [www.commercebank.dom/rewards](http://www.commercebank.dom/rewards) for details or call 1-800-645-2103.

**The Sons of Italy in Massachusetts - 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book** - is now available for purchase - \$21.99 + \$5.00 shipping and handling. Visit the Grand Lodge online store at [shop.osiama.org](http://shop.osiama.org).

**Sunshine** - Report sunshine information to Joan Foresteire (978-658-6284)

We send our *prayers and get well* wishes to Lennie Ciaccio, Doug Clark, Mary Kiesinger, Connie Walker, Maria Cota and Barbara DeStefano.



**Best Wishes to all our members with January Birthdays and Anniversaries!**

**\*\*\*\*\* Note from the Recording Secretary** - Please **remember** to send e-mail or address **changes** to [Lynne\\_martell@comcast.net](mailto:Lynne_martell@comcast.net) or call me (978-694-1632) with any address changes if you do not have e-mail.