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 **May 2022 Newsletter**

May 26, 2022 **lodge meeting and Scholarship Dinner.** Dinner will begin at 6:30 pm and the meeting will begin at 7:30 pm. **Cost is $10**

 Dinner will be tossed salad, potato salad, roast beef, imported ham and turkey breast, fresh rolls, fruit tray, meatballs with sauce, ziti with sauce and chicken broccoli and ziti.

 Please RSVP for dinner **by May 18, 2022** to **Karen Scalzi** **kcscalzi@gmail.com** **or text to 978-423-0960.**

**Sons & Daughters of Italy Events**

5/26/22 – **Scholarship dinner –** Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy

6/18/22 – **Grand Lodge Convention**

6/30/33 – 7/3/22 – **4th of July Festivities on the Common**

7/6/22 – **Summer bocce** begins – Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy

7/16/22– **Encore Casino Trip –** Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy

9/11/22 – **Bowling** begins – Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy

10/5/22 – **Blood Drive** – Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy

10/3 – 10/14 – **Italian Heritage** events at the library

10/14/22 – **After Hours Concert** at the Library

10/28/22 – Italian Heritage **Golf Tournament** – save the date

**Lodge Meetings –**4th **Thursday** of every month at Villanova Hall on Middlesex Ave. in Wilmington at 6:30 pm dinner and 7:30 pm meeting

6/23/22 8/25/22 9/22/22 10/27/22 11/17/22 (3rd week) 12/22/22

**Council Meeting** –2nd **Wednesday** of every month 7PM at the 4th of July Building. 6/8/22 8/10/22 9/7/22 \*10/19/22(new date) 11/9/22 12/7/22

The **Grand Lodge** monthly meeting minutes are available to view and download from the “news” tab on the Grand Lodge Website – [www.osiama.org](http://www.osiama.org)

**Donation request should be made using the form on the web site** so that we have all the necessary information. Just click on donation request forms on the first page at [***http://www.wilmingtonsoi.org***](http://www.wilmingtonsoi.org)

**May**

**Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy Scholarship Dinner –** will take place on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at our regular monthly meeting where we will award our lodge scholarships

**Congratulations to the following Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy Scholarship Recipients!** Kevin Stevens, Janice Steven’s son; Matthew Pupa, Brian Pupa’s son and Jerry and Ginny Pupa’s grandson; William O’Shea, Gail O’Shea’s son.

**Congratulations to the following Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy Graduate Scholarship Recipients!** Julia Rankin and Leann Otis.

**JULY**

**![MC900287390[1]]()Wilmington SOI 4th of July Festivities on the Common** – Thursday, 6/30 – Friday, 7/1, Saturday 7/2, Sunday 7/3. Family Day is Saturday, 7/2 with fireworks at 9pm and the big fireworks are Sunday, 7/3. Our booth will serve ice cream and meatball subs. Help is needed to work in the booth. An hour or two would be great! Sign up at the meeting to help or contact Sue Connors smc19thhole@comcast.net 508-527-0785.

**![MC900054991[1]]()Encore Casino Trip** – We are planning a trip to the Encore Casino in Everett on **Saturday, July 16, 2022.** The cost is $35 pp and you will receive a $20 voucher for the Casino. We will meet at the 4th of July parking lot and the bus will leave at 9:00 am. We will return to Wilmington by 4:00pm. If you would like to attend this trip, please contact Lynne Martell 978-694-1632 Lynne\_martell@comcast.net. or Lucille Clark 339-927-1447. There will also be a sign-up sheet at the meeting. Payment due June 15, 2022, check payable to Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy.



**Wilmington Summer Bocce -** will begin on **Wednesday, July 6th.** It will run for **eight weeks** throughout the summer culminating in an end of the year tournament to crown a League Champion. The games are played on Wednesday evenings at 6:15 or 7:15 at Jack Cushing’s House on Middlesex Ave in Wilmington. If you would like to play, please sign up at the meeting or **contact Karen Scalzi 978-423-0960 or e-mail** kcscalzi@gmail.com

**September**

**Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy Bowling –** The Sons & Daughters of Italy Candlepin Bowling league will begin on Sunday, September 11, 2022, at the Woburn Bowladrome on Montvale Ave. on Sunday evenings at 5:50 pm and the cost is $20.00 per week. No experience necessary. If you would like to play, sign up at the meeting or contact Lynne Martell Lynne\_martell@comcast.net (978-694-1632)

**October**

**Blood Drive –** will be held on October 5, 2022, at Villanova Hall. More info to follow.

**Italian Heritage Month –** Michele and Lennie are working on events for Italian Heritage Month this October.

* Monday, 10/3/22 – EJ’s food demo and tasting – chicken and eggplant parmigiana – 7:00 pm
* Thursday, 10/6/22 – Talk on Boston’s North End by Jim Paso of the Historical Society and Fr. Mike on the Italian American Experience in the North End & East Boston - 7:00 pm
* Saturday, 10/8/22 – Italian Art Exhibit – 2:30 – 4:00 pm
* Thursday, 10/13/22 – History of Italian Art – 7:00 pm
* Friday, 10/14/22 – After Hours Concert featuring Luciano Sandro Russo singing “Strictly Sinatra” for the first set and featuring other singers of Italian Heritage for the second set – Tony Bennett, Frankie Valli, Jerry Vale. (Sign up in the book)

They are also planning a photo display with old pictures of Boston’s North End and are hoping to do a comparison of then and now. They are asking members to provide **photos of the North End** for their project. If you have any you can send them to  Lennie at  MALRN1031@aol.com. You can also bring hard copies to one of the upcoming Sons & Daughters of Italy meetings. Any questions please contact Lennie MALRN1031@aol.com  617-835-2184 or Michele mnortonen@gmail.com  978-604-6437. More info to follow!

**Italian Heritage Golf Tournament –** October 28, 2022, at the Hillview Country Club in North Reading. More info to follow.



 to our members with May birthdays - Chris Appiani, Cheryl Blundell, Kenneth Caira, Marianne Caira, Shianne Carmona, Robert DiPasquale, Lucas Garrity, Brent Johnson, Elizabeth Jones, Rebecca Kendall, Molly O’Shea, Chuck Otis, Marina Otis, Frank Puleo, John Rankin IV, Julie Sbraccia-Manos, Chris Simmons, Susan Tocci, Kristin Tully, Jean Jordan, Joyce Mercer, Grace Mullens.

## April showers bring May flowers, so it’s time to go out and enjoy this beautiful month with all the May birthdays! There are also several holidays during the month to increase the joy May brings, including Mother’s Day, Cinco de Mayo, and Memorial Day!

##  Here are some more cool May birthday fun facts for all the May babies out there:

## – May’s flower is the Lily of the Valley, which is a symbol of humility.

## – The birthstone of May is the emerald, a strong symbol of success and love.

## – The two astrological signs for this month are Taurus (April 20-May 20), which is characterized as dependable and friendly, and Gemini (May 21-June20), who represents versatility and quick wit.

## – May is a month of races! The Kentucky Derby is held on the second Sunday of May, while the Indianapolis 500 is also held each year during this month.

## – Nationally recognized month-long holidays include National Bike Month and National Physical Fitness and Sports Month

## Several celebrities also have their birthdays in May, so you’re in good company! These include David Beckham, Dwayne “The Rock” Johnson, Adele, George Clooney, Enrique Iglesias, Bono, George Lucas, Tina Fey, Bob Dylan, and Clint Eastwood!

## Hope your birthday is as special and beautiful as the blooming flowers!



Please report any sunshine to Linda Tobin. Please **let Linda know if someone** is sick, has surgery, or has a death in the family. Linda’s contact information is phone 978-604-4706 or e-mail beatlefanlinda@aol.com



We send our condolences to Walter Palino and AJ Stanley and their family on the death of Walter’s Mom and AJ’s grandmother, Roberta Caruso.



We send our prayers and get well wishes to Stan Radomski.





Congratulations to Mark Iannuccillo on the birth of his baby boy, Wyatt!



Congratulations to Shianne Carmona on her marriage to Matt Lucia.

Please let me know if you have any **GOOD NEWS** that I can share with the lodge such as a promotion, birth, new house, graduation, engagement – **anything that we can celebrate**!

Please send any address or e-mail changes to Lynne\_martell@comcast.net or 978-694-1632.

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