



*Wilmington Sons and Daughters of Italy*  
**Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli Lodge**

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

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**July 2023 Newsletter**



**No Meeting this month. Hope you are enjoying the summer and hope to see you next month!**

Please sign the **attendance book** when you come to a meeting. There is no cost to sign the book and your name will be entered into the gift card raffle - free of charge. The 50/50 raffle is \$1 and is optional.

**Sons & Daughters of Italy Events**

7/5/23 - 8/30/23 - Wilmington Lodge **Bocce** on Wednesday evenings

8/1/23 - Wilmington Lodge **Clam Bake** (flyer attached)

9/9/23 - Wilmington Lodge **Yard Sale** (flyer and form attached)

9/24/23 - Grand Lodge **Bocce Tournament**

10/8/23 - **Italian Heritage Day Event** on the Paul Revere Mall - North End

10/28/23 - Wilmington Lodge & Winchester Women's lodges - **An Evening with Luciano Sandro Russo**

10/15/23 - Wilmington Lodge Dominators **Car Show**

11/4/23 - Wilmington Lodge **Calendar Party** (save the date)

11/5/23 - Wilmington Lodge **Memorial Mass** 10am at St. Dorothy Church

10/13/23 - Wilmington Lodge **Italian Heritage Golf Tournament**

11/12/23 - Wilmington Lodge - **Elvis: A Musical Revolution** at North Shore Music Theatre

11/18/23 - Wilmington Lodge **Turkey Bingo** at the Senior Center (save the date)

**Lodge Meetings** -4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month at the United Methodist Church - 87 Church St. - Wilmington, MA. **Socializing and Dinner begin at 6:15pm. Even if you are planning to eat dinner, come early and socialize with your brothers and sisters of the lodge!**

8/24/23 9/28/23 10/26/23 11/16/23 (3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs.)

**Council Meeting** -2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month 7PM at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Building.

8/9/23 9/13/23 10/11/23 11/8/23 12/13/23

Donation requests 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>

**Suggestion Box** - There will be a suggestion box at the meetings for ideas on events or activities that you would like to see happen.

### Committees

Our lodge has five Committees. Each of these has an appointed Chairperson or two but all of them need committee members. Please consider volunteering to be on one of these important committees. It is a great way to get more involved in the lodge.

**Italian Heritage Committee** - coordinates activities during October which is Italian Heritage Month. We run activities with the Library throughout the month. Co-chairs are Michele Siracusa and Lennie Malvone.

**Scholarship Committee** - reviews the scholarship by-laws and chooses recipients based on their eligibility. The chairperson is Karen Scalzi.

**By-Law Committee** - reviews the by-laws and suggests any necessary changes. Janet Engrem is the chairperson.

**Membership/Welcoming Committee** - sets up a table at our lodge activities and provides folders with information such as brochures, Calendar of Events, newsletters.

**Media/Public Relations Committee** - send information on Events and Happenings in the lodge, to local newspapers, on-line news sources. Co-chairs are Michele Siracusa and Lennie Malvone.

**Wilmington Summer Bocce** - will began on **Wednesday, July 5th**. 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. **Contact Lisa**

**Mastrorilli** [lisamastrorilli@msn.com](mailto:lisamastrorilli@msn.com) 978-604-2909 or **Dedi Pitzi** [dedipitzi@gmail.com](mailto:dedipitzi@gmail.com) 978-430-3375.



### August

**Clambake** - Our lodge is having a Clambake at Fosters Clambake - 5 Axholme Road - in York, Maine (1 hr. drive) on **Tuesday, August 1, 2023, from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm**. \$40 per person. The menu includes New England clam chowder, freshly dug Maine clams, cultivated mussels, succulent Maine Lobster, sweet corn on the cob, roasted red bliss potatoes & onions, rolls & butter, hot drawn butter, blueberry crumb cake. Hickory BBQ chicken is an alternative for Lobster and there is a vegan option.

The cost for an extra lobster is \$53. **Deadline was 7/18/23**. Contact Maria Graffeo - 617-645-6827 or e-mail [mjgraffeo@yahoo.com](mailto:mjgraffeo@yahoo.com)



## September

**Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy and Wilmington Wild Cat Band Parents Yard Sale** - will be



held on **Saturday, September 9, 2023, from 8AM to 2PM at the Wilmington Town Common Parking Lot.** You can purchase a space for \$20.00. Fill out the attached form and mail with a check made out to the Wilmington SOI and mail to the address on the form.

Please see attached flier and share with your friends, family and neighbors or post on facebook to help advertise the event. You will receive a space the size of 2 parking spots. You must bring your own tables/chairs to sell from. You are also responsible for removing all of your trash from the site when you leave. We are planning on having coffee and donuts/muffins on sale in the morning as well as a BBQ and cold drinks for lunch. You keep all the money that you make from the sale. The proceeds from the food and sale of the space rental goes to the SOI and Band Parents. Contact John [jromano45@gmail.com](mailto:jromano45@gmail.com) or call 617-750-9749.

**Grand Lodge Bocce Tournament - Sunday, September 24, 2023 at the Watertown Sons of Italy -**



**520 Pleasant Street - Watertown, Ma beginning at 8:45 AM.** Teams will consist of Men, Women and mixed. Deadline to sign up is September 15, 2023. Sign up in the book at the meeting or contact Lynne Martell [Lynne\\_martell@comcast.net](mailto:Lynne_martell@comcast.net) 978-729-6044

## October

**Italian Heritage Month** - Michele and Lennie are working with the Wilmington Memorial Library on other events for Italian Heritage Month this October.



**Italian Heritage Day Event** - Sunday, 10/8/23 on Boston's Paul Revere mall in the North End.

**Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy Dominators Car Show** - Our lodge will be hosting a car show



with the Dominators Hot Rod Club on **Sunday, October 15th** at the Town Common/4<sup>th</sup> of July Building Parking Lot on Middlesex Ave. in Wilmington from, 8am to 3pm. Spectators are Free. **Volunteers are needed** to set up, clean up and run the BBQ. You can volunteer in 1 2,4-hour shifts if you would like. Contact John Romano

[jromano45@gmail.com](mailto:jromano45@gmail.com) or 617-750-9749.



**An Evening with Luciano Sandro Russo** - In celebration of Italian Heritage Month, Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy and Winchester Women's Lodge proudly present **an Evening with Luciano Sandro Russo for your listening & dancing pleasure.**

**Saturday, October 28, 2023** at the Winchester Sons of Italy Hall - 117 Swanton St. - Winchester, MA. Doors open at 6:30PM - Show time 7:00PM - 11:00PM. Donation: \$20.00 - Cash Bar. \*Bring your own munchies\*. Sign up in the book. 978-604-6437 or e mail **Tickets are limited. Please call or text Michele (978.604.6437) or Lennie (617.835.2184) to reserve yours.**



## 13th Annual Italian Heritage Golf Classic

Hosted by the Italian Heritage Month Committee  
Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli Lodge #2183, Sons & Daughters of  
Italy, Wilmington, MA



**Friday, October 13, 2023 - Hillview Golf Course - 149 North Street,  
North Reading, MA**

Registration Begins at 7:30AM. Tee Time 9:00 AM, Shotgun Start. Scramble Format  
Donation \$150.00 per player - Includes: Continental Breakfast, Driving Range 7:30 AM to 8:45 AM  
Hotdog, Chips, Soda/Beer at the turn, Greens Fee/Golf Cart/Gift, Contests on Course, 50/50 Raffle -  
Raffle Table, Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Teams, Buffet Luncheon. Additional Tickets for Buffet  
Luncheon only, are available for a donation of \$35.00 p.p.

Proceeds to Benefit the Italian Heritage Scholarship Fund, Cooley's Anemia Foundation and the  
Alzheimer's Association.

Checks payable to: Sons of Italy, P.O. Box 387, Wilmington, MA 01887

For information, please call Kevin Caira at (978) 657-7734 or (508) 633-2681

## November

**ELVIS: A MUSICAL REVOLUTION** - His singular name still evokes  
immediate recognition from people all over the world! This official Elvis  
Presley bio-musical takes a closer look at the rock star and cultural icon  
whose impact shaped the history of music and culture. This new musical  
explores the pivotal moments in Elvis's life through the perspectives of  
those who knew him best. Using different lenses to dig deeper into fact vs.  
fiction, **ELVIS: A MUSICAL REVOLUTION** spans from his impoverished  
childhood in Tupelo, Mississippi to his triumphant 1968 "Comeback Special,"  
and his ascent to be "The King." **Sunday, November 12th at 2pm.** Tickets  
are \$65 or \$56 depending on the Row. Sign Up in the Book. Deadline for Money is September 28<sup>th</sup>  
Monthly Meeting. Contact Lennie Malvone 617-835-2184.





**Happy July Birthday** to Michael Anthony, Anne Ball, Amy Caira, Cheryl Caira, Michael Caira, Jr., Charles DeStefano, Janet Engram, Linda Matte, William O'Shea, Brian Pupa, John Romano, Anthony Saragosa, Jessica Scalzi, Anthony Siracusa, Barbara Gillespie.

## Here are some facts about this month!

**July Zodiac Astrological Signs:** **Cancer (Jun 21-Jul 22):** Cancers are nurturing and protective of their loved ones. They are also tenacious and resourceful, able to overcome any obstacle in their path. **Leo (Jul 23-Aug 22):** Leos are strong, confident, and loyal. They enjoy being in the spotlight and are natural leaders.

**July Birthstones:** The **July birthstones** are ruby and sapphire. Rubies are associated with passion, love, and power, while sapphires are associated with wisdom, strength, and faith.

**July Flower:** The **July birth flower** is the water lily. Water lilies are associated with purity and beauty.

- While there is a lot to be happy about during the summer season, some research suggests that there are even more reasons to be enthused if you are born in July. Apparently, July babies tend to be more optimistic compared to those that are born outside of summer months. They also tend to be in good health and appear to be at lower risk for certain diseases.
- The entire month of **July** is a celebration of America's independence from Great Britain. The **Fourth of July**, or Independence Day, is the most well-known holiday in July. It commemorates the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4th, 1776. This federal holiday is celebrated with barbecues, picnics, parades, and of course, fireworks. Families and friends gather together to enjoy food and fun, and to remember the sacrifice of those who fought for our independence.
- Neil Armstrong made history on July 29, 1969, by taking the first steps on the moon. His famous declaration "That's one small step for man, one giant leap
- Some famous people born in July include Princess Diana, Julius Caesar, Tom Cruise, Ringo Starr, John D Rockefeller, Tom Hanks, Nikola Tesla, E.B. White, Henry David Thoreau, Harrison Ford, Will Ferrell, Nelson Mandela, Alexander the Great, Ernest Hemingway, Robin Williams, Amelia Earhart, Jennifer Lopez, Stanley Kubrick, Sandra Bullock, Beatrix Potter, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, Henry Ford, Arnold Schwarzenegger, J.K. Rowling



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](mailto:beatlefanlinda@aol.com)



We send out "**PRAYERS AND GET WELL**" wishes to Lucille Malvone, Ginny Pupa, Marianne Caira and Christian Bolanos.



Congratulations to Kevin Caira on being elected a National Delegate!



Please let me know if you have any **GOOD NEWS** that I can share with the lodge - **anything that we can celebrate!**

Please send any address or e-mail changes to [Lynne\\_martell@comcast.net](mailto:Lynne_martell@comcast.net) or 978-729-6044 (cell) 978-694-1632 (home).