

Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli Lodge

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March 23rd meeting will be held at St. Thomas' Villanova hall.

Voting will take place from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm.

Dinner will be Calzones 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.

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

10/26/16 11/16/17(2nd Thursday) 12/28/17

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

Location - 4th of July Building

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

10/12/17 11/09/17 12/14/17

Social Events

03/25/17 - Wilmington SOI 50th Anniversary

Celebration

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

04/09/17 - Wilmington Easter Bunny Breakfast (flyer attached)

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

Awards

05/13/17 - Testimonial for State President, Antonio Sestito

06/15 - 06/18/17 - *Grand Lodge* 103rd State Convention 06/29 - 07/02/17 - Wilmington 4th of July Festivities

07/15/17 - Wilmington SOI Family Outing at Salisbury State Park

08/26/17 - Wilmington SOI Car show (save the date)

09/09/17 - Wilmington SOI Yard Sale (save the date)

Elections - Elections will take place at the March 23, 2017 monthly meeting. Voting will take place from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. To vote you must have been a member for one month and have paid your dues. Social members are eligible to vote. We will be voting for four delegates and alternate delegates and four seats on the Roncalli Board. All other positions were unopposed.

Dues - The 2017 Lodge dues were due on December 31, 2016. The cost is still **\$44.00** per person. 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

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. If you are interested in helping please let Charlie or John know. Set Up and Break Down - we need everyone to break down the hall after the meeting by putting away the chairs and tables.

<u>Scholarships</u>



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 kcscalzi@gmail.com. The Deadline is April 30, 2017.

Future Events

Wilmington Sons of Italy (Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli) Lodge 50th 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

Bill McLaughlin will DJ. Ticket cost is only \$50.00 pp. If you are unable to attend, please consider having your name in the ad book by buying a jewel for only \$5.00. Ads for our ad book are \$100.00 - full page, \$60.00 - $\frac{1}{2}$ page, \$40.00 - $\frac{1}{4}$ page. This evening will be one to remember and it is our hope that you will celebrate the occasion with us! If you have any memorabilia (pictures etc.) please 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. Shoe rental and morning refreshments are included. Our lodge is sponsoring four teams. Good Luck!

Wilmington Easter Bunny Breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 09,2017 at the K of C Hall in Wilmington. There will be two seating's: 8:30 and 10:30. Volunteers are needed to help at the raffle table, to cook, serve, clean....... 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. For tickets

Contact Tara at 978-758-0405. Please share the attached flyer with family and friends and hang it up wherever you can.

Grand Lodge 4th Annual Massachusetts Education and Law Awards (MELA) – will take place on Sunday, May 7, 2017 at 9:00 am at the Double Tree by Hilton – 123 Old River Road – Andover, MA. Tickets are \$35.00 and our lodge will pay $\frac{1}{2}$ this cost for members.



Grand Lodge Testimonial for State President Antonio Sestito and First Lady Marieanne Sestito - will take place on Saturday, May 13, 2017 at 6:00 pm at the Holiday Inn - 31 Hampshire St - Mansfield, MA. Tickets are \$80.00 and our lodge will pay $\frac{1}{2}$ this cost for members.

103rd Grand Lodge Annual State Convention – will be held from Thursday, June 15, 2017 through Sunday, June 18, 2015 at the Resort and Conference Center at Hyannis – 35 Scudder Ave – Hyannis, MA 02601.

Wilmington 4^{th} of July Festivities – will be held on Thursday 6/29 (5-9pm), Friday 6/30 (5-9pm), Saturday 7/1 (noon – 10 pm Family Day and Fireworks), Sunday, 7/2. If the fireworks get rained out on Saturday they would be held on Monday 7/3 and the carnival would run that night from 5-10.



Wilmington SOI Family Outing - Saturday, 7/15/17 at Salisbury Beach State Reservation - Beach Road - Route 1A - Salisbury, MA. All Junior Lodge Members, Senior Lodge Members, Families and Friends are invited to attend the Outing. The Pavilion at the Reservation has been reserved from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. The lunch menu will include hotdogs,

hamburgers, and potato chips, soda, water and watermelon. Meal tickets are \$12 per person and children age 5 and under are free. Make checks payable to Wilmington Sons of Italy. Deadline is the June 22nd monthly meeting. There is also a parking charge of \$14.00 per car load when you enter the Reservation but Massachusetts residents, age 62 and over, can obtain a senior pass for \$10 and is good for life. The Reservation has many amenities that include a nice salt water beach for swimming with life guard stations and restrooms for changing. There is also a smaller beach for surf casting and a large grass center area for horseshoes, bocce, soccer and volleyball. There is also a new playground for smaller children. Contact Charlie DeStefano at (978-404-6777) or e-mail deltasuv@gmail.com.

Junior Lodge News

Dining for A Cause - will be held at the 99 Restaurant in Wilmington on Tuesday, March 28, 2017. From 4:00 pm - 11:00 pm. Please present the attached Flyer and the Junior Lodge will receive 15% of the total cost of your meal. Contact Kayla at a meeting or e-mail wilmingtonjrsoi@aol.com

April Calendar Raffle - will be held during the month of April 2017. \$10 per raffle. There will be one prize awarded each day of the month. Please see the attached Flyer to purchase a raffle and to see the prizes. Contact Kayla at a meeting or e-mail wilmingtonjrsoi@aol.com

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



We send our **prayers and Get Well wishes** to Maria Cota, Glenn Picone, Grace Mullens, Fred Hogan and Barbara DeStefano.

Our Deepest Sympathy

We send our condolences to Beth, Tommy and Kirsten Alfonso and their family on the death of Beth's mother, Karol McKenney.

We send our condolences to Tom Siracusa and his family on the death of his wife and our sister, Bett Siracusa.







Best Wishes to all our members with March Birthdays and Anniversaries!

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