



Wilmington Sons and Daughters of Italy
Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli Lodge

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April 2023 Newsletter

April 27, 2023 Monthly meeting will be held at the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church - 87 Church St - Wilmington, MA. Dinner will be from AJ's Kitchen and will include sausage-peppers-onion, chicken-broccoli-ziti, stuffed shells and salad for **\$10** - Dessert included. Dinner will begin at 6:15. The Meeting will begin at 7:15 pm. **We will install our new officers!** Please **RSVP** to Lynne_martell@comcast.net 978-729-6044 (cell), 978-694-1632 (home) by **4/24/23**.

WE NEED HELP SETTING UP THE TABLES AT 5:30 PM.

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

4/28/23 - Wilmington Lodge/Band Parents **Comedy Night**

5/25/23 - Wilmington Lodge **Scholarship Dinner**

6/2-6/4/23 - Grand Lodge State **Convention**

6/29 - 7/2/23 - Wilmington's Fun on the Fourth

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

8/29/23 - Night at the Red Sox

Lodge Meetings -4th **Thursday** of every month at 7:15 at the United Methodist Church - 87 Church St. - Wilmington, MA

5/25/23 6/22/23 8/24/23 9/28/23 10/26/23

Council Meeting -2nd **Wednesday** of every month 7PM at the 4th of July Building. **5/10/23 6:00 pm** 6/14/23 8/9/23 9/13/23 10/11/23

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>

DUES - Dues are \$50 for the year and were due January 1, 2023. Please contact Walter - 978-453-3015 wpalino@comcast.net

April

Installation of new Officers - The Installation of new lodge Officers will take place at the April 27th Lodge meeting. The new Officers to be installed are:

President	John Romano
Vice-President	Janet Engrem
Immediate Past President	Sue Connors
Orator	Lennie Malvone
Recording Secretary	Lynne Martell
Financial Secretary	Walter Palino
Treasurer	Cheryl Caira
Trustee	Lisa Tedescucci Lyons
Trustee	Anna Vitale Kekorian
Trustee	Patricia Romano
Trustee	Paul Tivnan
Trustee	Maria Graffeo
Mistress of Ceremony	Julie Sbraccia Manos
Mistress of Ceremony	Mary Kiesinger
Guard/Sentinel	Cheryl Licciardi

Comedy Night - Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy and WHS Band Parents will host this year's



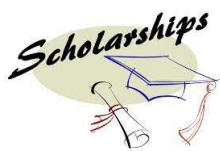
Annual Comedy Night on **Friday, April 28, 2023**, at the Wilmington/Tewksbury Elks. **BYO food but buy drinks at the bar.** Doors will open at **7:30pm**, and the show will start at **9pm**. Tickets will remain at **\$20** again this year. **Ticket sales are slow! Tickets can be bought at the April 27th Lodge Meeting.** There will be raffles and a silent auction.

Please bring a bottle of cheer for a raffle basket. The Comedians will be Mike Koutrobis, Carolyn Plumber and Pat Collins.

Contact Kevin kevincaira57@gmail.com 508-633-2681 or John jromano45@gmail.com 617-750-9749.

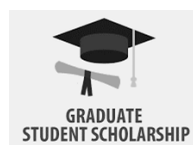
May

Congratulations to Allison Bolanos on receiving a **Grand Lodge Scholarship** to be awarded at the Massachusetts Education and Law Awards on May 7, 2023, at the Burlington Marriott. **Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy Scholarship Dinner** - will take place on Thursday, May 25, 2023, at our regular monthly meeting where we will award our lodge scholarships.



Congratulations to the following Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy Scholarship Recipients! Lucas Gorham, Nathan Petrone, Allison Bolanos.

Congratulations to Emma Garrity who will receive the Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy Graduate Scholarship which this year is named in honor of Stan Radomski.



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.



Clambake

The cost for an extra lobster is \$53. **Sign up in the book.** (see flyer attached)

Contact Maria Graffeo - 617-645-6827 or e-mail mjgraffeo@yahoo.com



Night at the Red Sox - Alicia Johnson and Andrea Gillis are hoping to plan a Night at the Red Sox game on Tuesday, **August 29, 2023**. Please let them know if you are interested in attending. There will be a sing up sheet in the book at the meeting.

Contact Alicia - amjohnson22@comcast.net 978-758-0876 or Andrea - gillis_5@verizon.net 978-257-7787

Diaper Drive - Congratulations on another hugely successful Diaper Drive!

Thank you to our resident Easter Bunny (Alicia Johnson). Not only did she take pictures with children, adults and pets at the Diaper Drive, but she also visited Nursing homes and had pictures taken with children at the Jr. WOW Easter egg hunt!





Happy April Birthday to Ron Aprile, Frank Asimakopoulos, Brianne Caira, Jane Caira, Susan Cattalo, Andrea Gillis, Maria Graffeo, John Harding, Tony Hogan, Lisa Tedescucci Lyons, Anthony Martiniello, Wendy Martiniello, Ginamarie Mastroilli, Julianna Mastroilli, Ray Mercuri, Walter Palino, Frank Silveira, Evelyn Olivari.

Here are some facts about this month!

- The zodiac signs of this month are Aries (March 21-April 19), which is characterized as being adventurous and lively, and Taurus (April 20-May 20), which is characterized by generosity and dependability
- April's birthstone is diamond, and the birth flowers are daisy and sweet pea
- It is thought that the name April comes from the Latin word "to open", and is believed to have been used to describe the opening of the trees that happens during springtime
- April is Humor Month so laugh it up!
- The professional baseball season begins in the United States
- National monthly observances this month include National Humor Month, Mathematics Awareness Month, National Poetry Month, and National Jazz Appreciation Month
- Famous birthdays this month: Marvin Gaye (4/2), Jane Goodall (4/3), Pharrell Williams (4/5), Jacki Chan (4/7), David Letterman (4/12), Emma Watson and Leonardo da Vinci (4/15), Charlie Chaplin (4/16), James Franco (4/19), Jack Nicholson (4/22), William Shakespeare (4/23), Kelly Clarkson (4/24), Channing Tatum (4/26), Jet Li (4/26), Jerry Seinfeld (4/29), and Penelope Cruz (4/28)!
- On April 30, 1789, George Washington, the first President of the US was inaugurated.
- On April 26, 1986, the Chernobyl nuclear power plant in Ukraine exploded and created a radioactive cloud that covered over 300 miles radius forcing everyone there to be evacuated.
- On April 15, 1912, the Titanic sank after hitting an iceberg in the Atlantic Ocean.

Across a large part of the world, April means spring is just beginning. The days get longer and hotter, and for many it means we can officially say goodbye to winter. Generous amounts of rain tend to fall in April ushering in the new growth of spring. "April showers bring May 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 **prayers and "Get Well" wishes** to Priscilla Cipriani, Charlie DeStefano and Julie Sbraccia-Manos.



Congratulations to Tom Siracusa and Michele Caira on their marriage!



Congratulations to Mary Kiesinger on the birth of her great-grandson, Jackson Nicholas!



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 or 978-694-1632.