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**March 2022 Newsletter**

March 24, 2022 **lodge meeting.** Dinner will begin at 6:30 pm and the meeting will begin at 7:30 pm. Dinner will Corned Beef sandwiches or Ham & Cheese,Turkey or Italian from LaRosa’s for $5.00.

Please bring a dessert to share.

**Please RSVP if you will be joining us for dinner by 3/21/22**

[**Lynne\_martell@comcast.net**](mailto:Lynne_martell@comcast.net) **or 978-694-1632**

**Sons & Daughters of Italy Events**

4/02/22 – **Beatles Tribute Show –** *Grand Lodge of MA*

*4/09 +4/10/22 –* **Diaper Drive –** Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy

04+05/22 – **Calendar Raffle** – WHS Band Parents

4/19/22 – **Scholarship Auction –** Wakefield Sons & Daughters of Italy

4/29/22 **- Comedy Night –** Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy and WHS Band parents

5/01/22 – **MELA AWARDS** – *Grand Lodge of MA*

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**

**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

4/28/22 5/26/22 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 at the 4th of July Building. 4/13/22 5/11/22 6/8/22 8/10/22 9/7/22 10/12/22 11/9/22 12/7/22

**2022 Dues** - This is a reminder that the 2022 Lodge **Dues were due** by January 1, 2022. The cost is still $44.00 per person per year.

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)

**Italian Heritage Month -** Do you have any Pictures of Boston's North End? Michele and Lennie are working with the Wilmington Memorial Library to prepare some events for October's Italian Heritage Month. One of the things they are planning is a photo display with old pictures of Boston's North End.  They 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](mailto: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](mailto:MALRN1031@aol.com)  617-835-2184 or

Michele [mnortonen@gmail.com](mailto:mnortonen@gmail.com)  978-604-6437

**APRIL**

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Tickets have been priced at $30.00 per person and **our lodge will pay 1/2 this price** **for members.** **Deadline is March 11, 2022.** Contact Lynne Martell [Lynne\_martell@comcast.net](mailto:Lynne_martell@comcast.net) or call 978-694-1632.

**Diaper Drive –** The Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy is hoping to sponsor a diaper drive (**PENDING A PERMIT**)to help support Paula Stalker and **PAULA’S PANTRY** by providing diapers and wipes to local mothers in need. We will be collecting diapers and wipes up until the drive-by Diaper Drop off to be held on **April 9th and April 10th** at the 4th of July Building Parking lot. There will be a visit from the Easter Bunny, Cookie Monster, and balloon animals. Contact Janet (617) 958-2460 or e-mail [**jknje@comcast.net**](mailto:jknje@comcast.net) **More details to follow.**

**Wilmington Band Parents Calendar Raffle –** will run for the months of **April and May**. Two drawings each day. Tickets are one for $5.00 or three for $10.00. Visit wilmingtonbandparents.org for more info. Or e-mail [WHSWildcatbandparents@gmail.com](mailto:WHSWildcatbandparents@gmail.com). John also has tickets. You can purchase them at the meeting or contact John at [JRomano45@gmail.com](mailto:JRomano45@gmail.com)

**or call him at 617-**750-9749. **Please see last page attachment for prizes.**

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Description automatically generated**Wakefield Sons & Daughters of Italy Charity & Scholarship Auction** – will be held on **Tuesday, April 19, 2022,** at St. Joseph’s Church Hall – 173 Albion St. Wakefield, MA. Dinner 6:30. Tickets $12 with Harrows pie dinner and $6 with no dinner. Contact Paula Sasso – 781-799-6203 [pscrusader78@gmail.com](mailto:pscrusader78@gmail.com) Contact Cheryl Caira if you’d like to attend and she will reserve a table – [cal0701@yahoo.com](mailto:cal0701@yahoo.com). 508-633-2779. **See flyer attached.**

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Description automatically generatedComedy Night** – Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy and WHS Band Parents –

**The Annual Comedy Night has been changed to Friday, April 29th.** Doors will open at **7:30pm,** show will start at **9pm.**  Tickets will remain at **$20** again this year. Tables of 10 are available or you can purchase individual tickets. Tickets are available from Kevin Caira, we are limiting seating to 200, tickets are going fast, please contact Kevin at (508) 633-2681 for tickets.

**MAY**

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**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](mailto:smc19thhole@comcast.net) 508-527-0785.



to our members with March Birthdays – Becky Anthony, Kayla Boebel, Christian Bolanos, Christian Bolanos Jr., Michael Bozzella, Mary Buscone, Mia Buscone, Brian Caira, David Caira, Maryangela DeGrazia-Ditucci, Gino DiVecchia, Louis DiRupo, Marie’Anne Durst, Rob Durst, Bob Fino, Emma Garrity, John Horak, Kylie McGilvray, Cynthia Rankin, JoAnn Roberto, Kaitlin Robinson, Tom Siracusa, Patricia Tivnan, Maureen O’Brien, Clayton Wentzell.

Happy birthday to all the March babies! Whether a boisterous and vibrant Aries (March 21-April 19) or an easygoing and friendly Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20), you’re sure to have a wonderful month welcoming in a new spring.

**Here are some other great facts for anyone born this month!**

March’s flower is the daffodil, which represents hope

* The birthstone of March is the aquamarine, which symbolizes courage and bravery
* March comes from the name of the Roman god of war, Mars
* Spring officially begins in March! It starts anywhere from March 19 to March 21 every year
* Celebrity Birthdays this month include Jon Bon Jovi (3/2), Jessica Biel (3/3), Chuck Norris (3/10), Albert Einstein (3/14), Adam Levine (3/18), William Shatner (3/22), Reese Witherspoon (3/22), Lady Gaga (3/28), and Celine Dion (3/30).

Here’s to hoping that this month also brings you a little luck o’ the Irish as we celebrate Saint Patrick’s Day, along with your very special March birthday!

**Best wishes for the upcoming year as well, we hope it is great!**

**Member’s Talents and Skills Information** – Please let us know if you have a talent or skill that you think would be useful to our members and would like to share with the membership. It could be cake decorating, computer skills, car repair, home repair, sewing, etc. or send me a business card if you have one and I will advertise your skill in the newsletters for our members.



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)

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We send our prayers and get well wishes to Joan Foresteire, Betty Aprile, Aldo Caira, Jr., Dawn Horak.

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We send our condolences to Walter Palino on the death of his aunt.



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**!

Lisa Lyons’s daughter got married this month. We wish the newlyweds a wonderful life!



Shout out to Judy Agnes for volunteering to taxes for seniors at the Wilmington Senior Center. She has been doing this for many years!



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