



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

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**April 2018 Newsletter**

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Dinner for the **April 26<sup>th</sup>** will be macaroni and meatballs for \$5.00. Thank you, Bob! Please bring dessert to share.

**2018 Monthly Meetings - Fourth Thursday** of the month (*unless otherwise noted*). Dinner is at 6:30 pm. Meeting is at 7:30 pm.

**Location - St. Thomas' Villanova Hall**

04/26/18 05/24/18 06/28/18

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

**Location - 4<sup>th</sup> of July Building (unless otherwise noted)**

04/12/18 05/10/18 **06/14/18 (Panera's)**

**Social Events**

04/21/18 - **Wilmington SOI** Foxwoods Casino Bus Trip

04/27/18 - Wilmington Education Foundation Lip Sync Battle

04/28/18 - **Wilmington SOI** Motown Dance

05/06/18 - *Grand Lodge* Massachusetts Education & Law Awards

05/19/18 - **Wilmington SOI** Bingo Night

05/19/18 - Methuen Night at the Races

05/24/18 - **Wilmington SOI** Scholarship Dinner

06/16/18 - *Grand Lodge* State Convention

06/29 - 07/02/18 - **Wilmington** 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festivities (save the dates)

07/11/18 - **Wilmington SOI** Summer bocce begins

07/21/18 - **Wilmington SOI** Family Outing (save the date)

08/18/18 - **Wilmington SOI** Car Show (save the date)

08/27/18 - *Grand Lodge* Golf Tournament

09/08/18 - **Wilmington SOI** and Band Parents Yard Sale (save the date)

09/16/18 - *Grand Lodge* Bocce Tournament (save the date)

09/28/18 - **Wilmington SOI** Italian Heritage Golf Tournament (save the date)

10/21/18 - **Wilmington SOI** Memorial Mass (save the date)

11/04/18 - **Wilmington SOI** Blood Drive (save the date)

**Dues** - The 2018 Lodge dues (\$44.00) were due on December 31, 2017. Members who are in default have been notified and have been removed from the rolls of our Lodge. Questions may be directed to the Financial Secretary, Walter Palino - [wpalino@comcast.net](mailto:wpalino@comcast.net) or 978-453-3015. The membership cards will be available at the monthly meeting and others will be mailed out after the meeting.

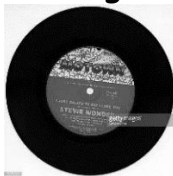
## April Events

**Wilmington Sons of Italy Foxwoods Trip** - will be held on **Saturday, April 21, 2018**. The bus will leave the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parking lot at 7:30 am will leave Foxwoods at 4:30pm. You may leave your car in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parking lot in the back near the Senior Center. **Cost is \$35.00 pp** which includes transportation, \$15 food voucher and \$15 slot play and driver gratuity. **Contact Lucille Clark 978-658-2650 or e-mail [lmclark9999@comcast.net](mailto:lmclark9999@comcast.net).**



**Wilmington Education Foundation Lip Sync Battle** - will be held on **April 27, 2018** from 7:00 - 11:00 pm at the Tewksbury Wilmington Elks. Cost is \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. For tickets contact [wilmingtonedfoundation.org](http://wilmingtonedfoundation.org).

**Wilmington Sons of Italy Motown Dance Party** - will be held on **Saturday, April 28, 2018** at the **Wilmington-Tewksbury Elks - 777 South St - Tewksbury, Ma** from 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm. This event will support an organization called **Gifts of Love** which supplies diapers and wipes to families in need. These items are **not funded** by state or local governments. There will be a DJ, raffles, door prize and contests. A door prize entry will be given to anyone bringing a diaper donation. There will also be a dessert and coffee table. Feel free to bring your own food and a **donation to the dessert table**. You can **support this worthy cause** by **attending the function**, donating a **raffle item**, or donating **diapers or wipes**. Raffles and diapers can be brought to the April 26th meeting. Cost is \$15 pp. **SO PLEASE PUT ON YOUR DANCE SHOES AND JOIN US!** **Contact Alicia Johnson 978-758-0876 or [amjohnson22@comcast.net](mailto:amjohnson22@comcast.net).**



## May Events

**Grand Lodge Massachusetts Education and Law Awards (MELA)** - will take place on **Sunday, May 6, 2018** at the **Doubletree - 123 Old River Road - Andover, MA**. Beginning at 9:00 AM. \$35.00 pp. (Our lodge will pay  $\frac{1}{2}$  this cost for members) Deadline for tickets was April 13, 2018.



**Wilmington Sons of Italy Bingo Night** - There will be a Bingo Night for **members** at the Wilmington Senior Center on School Street on **Saturday, May 19, 2018** from 6:30 - 8:30. There will be pizza, coffee and dessert. Prizes will be gift cards. **The cost is \$10**. Sign up at the meeting or contact Lynne Martell 978-694-1632 or [Lynne\\_martell@comcast.net](mailto:Lynne_martell@comcast.net).



**Methuen Sons of Italy Night at the Races** - will be held on **Saturday, May 19, 2018** at the Methuen Sons of Italy - 459 Merrimack Street - Methuen, MA. Doors open at 6:30 and races begin at 7:30. \$10 pp entry ticket, "Funny Money" on sale for wagering, snacks coffee and biscotti and cash bar. **Contact Bob DeFrancesco - 978-886-1760.**



**Wilmington Sons of Italy Scholarship Dinner** - Our lodge scholarships will be awarded at the **May 24<sup>th</sup>** monthly meeting. Dinner will be catered by **Texas Roadhouse** and will include BBQ Chicken, steak kabobs, salad, corn and potato. **Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM.** At 7:00 pm the scholarships will be awarded. Our meeting will begin at 7:30 pm. Please **sign up** in the book so that we may have a head count for dinner or contact Lynne Martell 978-694-1621 or [Lynne\\_martell@comcast.net](mailto:Lynne_martell@comcast.net). Cost is \$5.00 per person.



### June Events

**104<sup>nd</sup> Annual State Convention** - will be held on Saturday, June 16, 2018 at the Holiday Inn - 31 Hampshire Street - Mansfield, MA. There will be a **Pot of Gold Raffle**. Tickets are \$100.00 each. Tickets can be purchased individually or with a group of friends. 1<sup>st</sup> prize = \$10,000.00; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize = \$1,000.00; 3<sup>rd</sup> prize = \$500.00; 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> prize = \$250.00. Tickets may be obtained by contacting the Grand Lodge at 617-489-5234. Deadline is June 1, 2018.



### July Events

**Wilmington 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festivities** - will be held on Friday 6/29 (5-9pm), Saturday 6/30 (noon - 10 pm Family Day), Sunday 7/1 (5-9), Monday 7/2 (10am - 10pm fireworks).



**Help is needed to work in the booth.** **Sign up** at the meeting to help or contact Paul Tivnan at 978-694-4027 or e-mail [ptiv@comcast.net](mailto:ptiv@comcast.net). We will be selling raffle tickets, starting at the April meeting, at a cost of \$2.00. We must sell 200.

**Wilmington Summer Bocce** - will begin on **Wednesday, July 11<sup>th</sup>**. 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 **contact Sue Connors** 978-447-1343 or e-mail [smc19thhole@comcast.net](mailto:smc19thhole@comcast.net).



**Wilmington SOI Family Outing** - **Saturday, 7/21/18 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 28<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto:deltasuv@gmail.com).

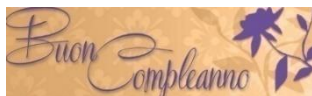


**Sunshine** - Report sunshine information to Joan Foresteire (978-658-6284)



We send our prayers and *Get Well Wishes* to Evelyn Olivari, Sheryl Farrar and Lee Farrar.

We send our condolences to Robert Oliviera and his family on the death of his wife and our sister, Rosemarie Oliviera.



**We send our best wishes to our members with April birthdays or anniversaries!!**

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