



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

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**June 2023 Newsletter**

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**June 22, 2023** Monthly Dinner and meeting will be held at the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church - 87 Church St - Wilmington, MA. Dinner will include sandwiches from McKinnon's, salad and chips for **\$5** - Dinner will begin at **6:30 pm**. The Meeting will follow at 7:15 pm. Please bring some yummy desserts!

**Please RSVP** to [Lynne\\_martell@comcast.net](mailto:Lynne_martell@comcast.net) or 978-694-1632 or 978-729-6044 by June 19, 2023.

**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**

7/5/23 - Wilmington Lodge **Bocce** begins

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

8/29/23 - Night at the **Red Sox**

9/9/23 - Wilmington Lodge **Yard Sale** (save the date)

10/8/23 - **Columbus Day Event** in Boston's North End (save the date)

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

6/22/23 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 four 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 begin 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. There is one spot available along with subs for new players to join the league. If you would like to play, please 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. **Friends and Family are welcome to participate. Deadline is 7/18/23.** Please bring payment to the June meeting since we don't have a July meeting. (see flyer attached) Contact Maria Graffeo - 617-645-6827 or e-mail [mjgraffeo@yahoo.com](mailto: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. Contact Alicia - [amjohnson22@comcast.net](mailto:amjohnson22@comcast.net) 978-758-0876 or Andrea -

[gillis\\_5@verizon.net](mailto:gillis_5@verizon.net) 978-257-7787



**Happy June Birthday** to Anna Amatucci, Matthew Botte, Michael Caira, Jr., Ann Carideo, Paul Cipriani, Lucille Clark, Kevin Engrem, Nickolas Gorham, Thomas Gorham, Frank Leverone, Patricia Lyon, Katelyn Otis, Joe Peluso, Anna Rainone, Karen Scalzi, Carolyn Sullivan, Paul Tivnan, Anthony Tocci, Betty Aprile, Charlie Eddy.

## Here are some facts about this month!

- June's Birthstone is Pearl. June Birth Flowers are Rose and Honeysuckle. Astrology Zodiac Signs of June are Gemini (May 21st - June 21<sup>st</sup>) and Cancer (June 22<sup>nd</sup> - July 22<sup>nd</sup> ) Gemini's are said to be passionate, adaptable, and smart. Those born under the Cancer sign are said to be loyal friends with great emotional depth.
- More Nobel prize winners are born in June, than in any other month. Some of the famous people throughout history or today with June birthdays are Anne Frank, Che Guevara, George H. W. Bush, Morgan Freeman, Johnny Depp, Nicole Kidman, Angelina Jolie, Neil Patrick Harris, Marilyn Monroe, Elon Musk, George Orwell, Chris Pratt, Ariana Grande, and Donald Trump.
- Several celebrations take place throughout June in the USA. The largest of these is LGBTQI+ Pride month, which takes place in June to commemorate the Stonewall Riots of 1969. Today, it celebrates diversity and our freedom to enjoy our own gender and sexuality without judgment or persecution.
- June 14 is Flag Day.
- June 17 The Battle of Bunker Hill, a famous battle in the American Revolutionary War, took place on June 17, 1775. The battle was fought between the British army and colonial forces, and it was one of the first major battles of the war.
- June 18 is Father's Day this year.
- June 19 is **Juneteenth** (also known as **Freedom Day** or **Emancipation Day**). On this day in 1865, Union General Gordon Granger read the Emancipation Proclamation aloud in Galveston, Texas, effectively liberating enslaved people in the state, which had thus far been beyond control of the Union Army
- The longest baseball game in history was played in June 1984, between the Milwaukee Brewers and the Chicago White Sox. The game lasted 8 hours and 6 minutes and spanned over two days due to a suspension caused by darkness. The game featured a total of 48 players and 1,740 pitches, and the final score was 7-6 in favor of the Brewers.



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 our congratulations to Joyce Mercer who welcomed her new grandson, Parker!



Congratulations to the Rotary Trivia players from our Lodge! The Team, Lennie and the Jets came in 4<sup>th</sup> place out of 30 teams. WIT came in 13<sup>th</sup> place; Holy Cannoli came in 22<sup>nd</sup> place and the Italian Cookies came in 27<sup>th</sup> place.



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

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