



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

LODGE 2183 – P.O. BOX 387 – WILMINGTON, MA 01887

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**January 2019 Newsletter**

**January 24<sup>th</sup> monthly meeting – Dinner will be pizza and salad for \$5.00.  
Please bring a dessert to share!**

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.

**2019 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**

01/24/19 02/28/19 (nominations) 03/28/19 (elections) 04/25/19

05/23/19 06/20/19 (3<sup>rd</sup> week) 08/22/19 09/26/19 10/24/19

11/21/19 (3<sup>rd</sup> week) 12/28/19

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

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

02/14/19 03/14/19 04/11/19 05/09/19 06/13/19 08/08/19 09/12/19

10/10/19 11/14/19 12/12/19

**Social Events**

02/01/19 - **Wilmington SOI / Band Parents Comedy Night**

03/09/19 - **Wilmington SOI Dancing Through the Decades (flyer attached)**

04/05/19 - **Wildcat Band Parent's Trivia Night**

04/14/19 - **Wilmington SOI Easter Bunny Breakfast (save the date)**

**Dues** - The 2019 Lodge dues were due on December 31, 2018. **If you have not paid, you are overdue!** The cost is **\$44.00** per person. Invoices have been mailed. Please let us know if you did not receive an invoice. Make your check payable to **Wilmington Sons of Italy** and mail, in the red envelope provided to P.O. Box 387 - Wilmington, MA 01887 or you can **pay Walter** at the 1/24 meeting.

**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>

### Lodge Officer Elections

**Nominations** for our lodge officers for a two-year term, will take place in **February**. The offices to be elected are President, Vice-President, Orator, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, (5) Trustees, (2) Master/Mistresses of Ceremony, Guard/Sentinel, (5) Arbitrators, (5) Alternate Arbitrators, (3) Delegates and Alternate Delegates. **Attached is a description of each officer's duties.**

To run for **President and Vice President**, you must have held another office. To run for **any other office**, you must have been a member for six months. To **vote** you must have been a member for one month and have **paid your dues**. Social members are eligible to vote but may not hold an office. If you are interested in running for an office, please contact **Charlie DeStefano** [deltasuv@gmail.com](mailto:deltasuv@gmail.com) or **978-404-6777**. We will also take nominations from the floor in February. There are also four seats on the Roncalli Board of Directors for which we will take nominations. Contact Kevin Caira (**978-657-7734**.) **Elections** are scheduled for March and the **Installation of Officers** will take place in April.

### Scholarships

**Wilmington Sons of Italy Scholarships** - Our lodge scholarships are available to children entering college in the fall of 2019. **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 2019. For applications and more information please contact Karen Scalzi (978-423-0960) or e-mail [kscalzi@gmail.com](mailto:kscalzi@gmail.com). Applications for this award must be received/postmarked no later than **March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019**.



**Grand Lodge** - The Scholarship Commission of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts through the Charitable and Educational Trust will award a minimum of twenty (20) scholarships, at a maximum of \$1,000.00 each to properly qualified students who anticipate entering college in the fall of 2019. Applications are available on the Grand Lodge Web site [www.osiama.org](http://www.osiama.org) or by contacting Paul Guida [pguida@osiama.org](mailto:pguida@osiama.org) or 617 489-5234. **Deadline February 1, 2019.**

**Sons of Italy Foundation** - contact the National website ([www.osia.org](http://www.osia.org)). The direct link to the scholarship information on the National website is: <http://www.osia.org/programs/scholarships/> **Deadline February 28, 2019.**

## January Events

**Grand Lodge Calendar Raffle** - is being held during January 2019 with one drawing every day in January.



Winning tickets are placed back in the drum for the next drawing. Check the Grand Lodge web site to see if you have won. <http://www.osiama.org/calendarraffle.html>

**Burlington Sons of Italy Italian Lessons** - Registration for Italian Lessons is on Wednesday 1/30/19 from 6 - 8 pm at St. Margaret's School on Winn St. in Burlington, MA. Classes start on Wednesday 2/6/19. E-mail [bsoilodge2223@aol.com](mailto:bsoilodge2223@aol.com) or call 781-272-0529 or see the web site for specific details [www.burlingtonsonsofitaly.org](http://www.burlingtonsonsofitaly.org).

## February Events

**Wilmington Sons of Italy and Band Parents Comedy Night** - will be held on **February 1, 2019** at the Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks. The comedienne will include Orlando Baxter. Tickets are **\$20.00** per person and can be bought individually or in tables of 10. Bring your own munchies. There will be a cash bar. Run in conjunction with the WHS Band Parents. There will be **raffles** and a **silent auction**. **All tickets are out but you can contact Kevin to be put on a waiting list - Kevin 978-657-7734.** Scratch Tickets Bottle of Cheer Needed for Comedy Night As we do each year, we are looking to collect **\$200 worth of scratch tickets** for the raffle for our comedy night. You can bring actual **scratch tickets** or **donate money** for us to buy the tickets. The Band Parents have already donated, so we are on our way. You can also donate bottles of cheer for the raffle as well. You can bring tickets, give money or bring **bottles of cheer** to the January 24th Lodge Meeting.



## March Events

**Dancing Through the Decades** -The Wilmington Sons of Italy is hosting a "Dancing Through the Decades" Party to benefit an organization (Gifts of Love) that supplies diapers and wipes to local families in need (these items are not supplied by federal or state funding). It will be held on **Saturday, March 9, 2019** from 7-11 PM at the Wilmington Knights of Columbus - 112 Middlesex Ave - Wilmington, MA. Cost - **\$20 pp.** There will be a DJ, raffles, door prize entry for a diaper donation, coffee and dessert. Feel free to bring food for your table. **Dancing Through the Decades will feature Swing, Jazz, Blues, Big Band, Rock 'N Roll, Country, Motown, Disco, Disco, ... You name it, we'll play it! So, put on your dancing shoes and join us!! You can also bring diapers or wipes to the January or February Lodge Meeting.** Contact Janet Engram 978-658-9324 [jknje@comcast.net](mailto:jknje@comcast.net)



## April Events

**Wildcat Band Parent's Trivia Night** - will be held on Saturday, April 5, 2019 at the Wilmington Knights of Columbus at 7:00 PM. Sign up in the book if you would like to participate.

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



We send our *Prayers and Get Well* wishes to Irene Keating and Vinnie Ruocco.

We send our *Prayers and Condolences* to Raymond Mercuri and his family on the loss of his wife and our sister, Lena Mercuri



We send our *best wishes* to our members with January birthdays and 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.