



Wilmington Sons and Daughters of Italy
Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli Lodge

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May 2023 Newsletter

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May 25, 2023 Monthly Scholarship Dinner and meeting will be held at the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church - 87 Church St - Wilmington, MA. Dinner will include ziti, meatballs, chicken parm, toasted raviolis, salad and dessert. For **\$10** - Dinner will begin at **6:15 pm**. We will award our lodge scholarships at 7:00 pm. The meeting will follow.

Please RSVP to Karen Scalzi - KCScalzi@gmail.com by Friday, **5/19/23**.

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

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

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 -4th **Thursday** of every month at the United Methodist Church - 87 Church St. - Wilmington, MA. **Socializing and Dinner begin at 6:30pm. Even if you are planning to eat dinner, come early and socialize with your brothers and sisters of the lodge!**

5/25/23 6/22/23 8/24/23 9/28/23 10/26/23 11/16/23 (3rd Thurs.)

Council Meeting -2nd **Wednesday** of every month 7PM at the 4th of July Building. 6/14/23 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. We may be adding a 5th committee on Media/Public Relations - stay tuned for more info on this new committee.

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.

May

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.

The cost for an extra lobster is \$53. **Friends and Family are welcome to participate. Deadline is 7/18/23. 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 sign 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

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 are spots available for new players to join the league. If you would like to play, please sign up at the meeting or **contact Lisa**

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978-430-3375.



Happy May Birthday to Cheryl Blundell, Kenneth Caira, Marianne Caira, Maryangela DeGrazia-DiTucci, Robert DiPasquale, Lucas Garrity, Brent Johnson, Elizabeth Jones, Rebecca Kendall, Molly O'Shea, Chuck Otis, Marina Otis, Frank Puleo, Julie Sbracciamanos, Chris Simmons, Kristin Tully, Jean Jordan, Grace Mullens.

Here are some facts about this month!

It's no wonder why May babies have an extra pep their step! Those that are born in May have a lot to be joyous about. The weather is warmer, flowers are blooming, and people are thrilled to be outside after the cold winter months. But there are several other factors that show that there is a lot more for people born in May to be extra giddy about.

- May's birthstone is an emerald, which symbolizes rebirth. May's flower is the Lilly of the Valley, which symbolizes sweetness. Those born in May are either a Taurus (April 20 - May 20) or a Gemini (May 21 - June 20) and are known for being smart and passionate people.
- May is a month of races! The Kentucky Derby is held on the second Sunday of May, while the Indianapolis 500 is also held each year during this month.
- There are also several holidays during the month to increase the joy May brings, including Mother's Day, Cinco de Mayo, and Memorial Day!
- Several celebrities also have their birthdays in May, so you're in good company! These include David Beckham, Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson, Catherine the Great, Audrey Hepburn, Adele, George Clooney, Rob Gronkowski, Cher, Queen Victoria, Bob Hope, Enrique Iglesias, Bono, George Lucas, Tina Fey, Bob Dylan, and Clint Eastwood!

Hope your birthday is as special and beautiful as the blooming 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 condolences** to Barbara Intoppa and her family on the death of her husband and our brother, Lou Intoppa.



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.