



Wilmington Sons and Daughters of Italy
Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli Lodge
LODGE 2183 – P.O. BOX 387 – WILMINGTON, MA 01887

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July 2024 Newsletter

President

John Romano

There is no July Meeting. Enjoy the Summer!

Vice-President

Janet Ingram

Sons & Daughters of Italy Events

Past President

Sue Connors

07/10 - 09/04/24 - Wilmington Lodge Bocce

07/18/24 - Wilmington Lodge Jewelry Making Night

08/08/24 - Wilmington Lodge Clam Bake (flyer attached)

09/07/24 - Wilmington Lodge and Band Parents Yard Sale (flyer and form attached)

09/14/24 - Wilmington Lodge Bocce End of Year Tournament

09/27/24 - OIHMC Gala Celebration

10/11/24 - Italian Heritage Golf Tournament - Hillview Golf Course

10/20/24 - Wilmington Lodge monthly meeting on Sunday afternoon

11/17/24 - Wilmington Lodge Memorial Mass 10:00 am at St. Dorothy's Church

Orator

Lennie Malvone

Recording

Secretary

Lynne Martell

Financial

Secretary

Walter Palino

Treasurer

Cheryl Cairra

Trustees

Lisa Tedescucci

Lyons

Anna Vitale

Kerkorian

Patricia Romano

Paul Tivnan

Maria Graffeo

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 not planning to eat dinner, come early and socialize with your brothers and sisters of the lodge**

(no July meeting) 8/22/24 9/26/24 10/20/24 1PM 11/21/24 (3rd Thursday) (no December meeting)

Council Meetings -2nd Thursday of every month 7PM at the 4th of July Building.

(no July meeting) 8/15/24 (new date) 9/12/24 10/10/24 11/14/24 12/12/24

Mistresses of

Ceremony

Julie Sbraccia

Manos

Mary Kiesinger

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>

Sentinel

Cheryl Licciardi

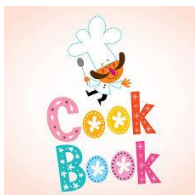
Deputy

Betty Sandquist

Committees

Our lodge still needs members for a couple of committees. **Please consider volunteering to be on one of these important committees.** It is a great way to get more involved in the lodge. Sign up in the book.

By-Law Committee and Hospitality Committee - will plan and provide meals at the lodge meetings and also help with the set-up and cleanup of the meal as well. 3-6 people needed



Cookbook – Judy Agnes has volunteered to take over the planning of the cookbook. So please send your recipes to her. Even if you already sent recipes to John, please send them again to Judy. jagnes3@verizon.net You can also bring them to a meeting. Judy encourages you to send a recipe that has some meaning to you and take a picture of it, if you can. Judy also has forms if you prefer to fill out your recipe on them.

Lodge T-shirts – Janet is able to get Lodge T-shirts for \$25.00. Sizes 2XL or 3XL may be a few dollars more. They are red with our lodge logo on the front and the Italian and American flags on the back. If you would like a T-shirt contact Janet. jknje@comcast.net 617-957-2460.



Plastic cap collection – Paul and Debbie Cipriani have a granddaughter in Michigan who is a Girl Scout and is collecting plastic caps to be recycled into benches. They can be any plastic caps, any color from water bottles, pill bottles, etc. We would like to help her by collecting caps. Contact Janet Engrem for pickup of caps. jkje@comcast.net 617-957-2460



Outreach Committee needed to assist Women and Children – Lisa Duffy would like to form a Committee to raise funds to assist women and children in need. A few organizations they would like to support are "Healthy Families Organization" for women, children and babies or "Safe House" in Andover, to save children from trafficking. If you are interested in being on this committee, please contact Lisa Duffy 617-233-3515 or e-mail lisachristopherduffy@gmail.com or sign up at a meeting.



July



Wilmington Lodge Summer Bocce – will run from July 10th through September 4th with the End of Year Tournament to crown a League Champion on September 14th. The games are played on Wednesday evenings at 6:15 or 7:15 at Jack Cushing's House - 72 Middlesex Ave in Wilmington. (Members only) Any questions contact Lisa Mastrorilli lisamastrorilli@msn.com 978-604-2909 or Dedi Pitz 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 **Thursday, August 8, 2024, from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. \$43 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. If you want 2 lobsters the cost is \$55. Contact Maria Graffeo - 617-645-6827 or e-mail mjgraffeo@yahoo.com (See flyer attached)



September

Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy and Wilmington Wild Cat Band Parents Yard Sale - will be held on **Saturday, September 7th** from 8am to 2pm on the Town Common parking lot. Spaces will be \$20. Volunteers to help with putting up signs the weekend before, set up, cooking, clean-up will be needed. Sign up in the book. If you want to buy a space to sell, contact John at jromano45@gmail.com or 617-750-9749. (See flyers attached)



October Italian Heritage Month Committee Gala Celebration - in honor of the 25th Anniversary of the OIHMC there will be a Gala Celebration dinner dance on Friday, **September 27, 2024** at Teresa's Prime Steakhouse in North Reading. Donation is \$100.00 pp. (our lodge will pay $\frac{1}{2}$ this price for members). Contact Kevin Caira kevincaira57@gmail.com 508-633-2681

October



14th Annual Italian Heritage Golf Classic - Hosted by the Italian Heritage Month Committee and the Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli Lodge #2183, Sons & Daughters of Italy, Wilmington, MA



Friday, October 11, 2024 - Hillview Golf Course - 149 North Street, North Reading, MA Registration Begins at 7:30AM. Tee Time 9:00 AM,

Shotgun Start. Scramble Format

Donation \$150.00 per player - Includes: Continental Breakfast, Driving Range 7:30 AM to 8:45 AM. Hotdog, Chips, Soda/Beer at the turn, Greens Fee/Golf Cart/Gift, Contests on Course, 50/50 Raffle - Raffle Table, Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Teams, Buffet Luncheon. Additional Tickets for Buffet Luncheon only, are available for a donation of \$35.00 p.p.

Proceeds to Benefit the Italian Heritage Scholarship Fund, Cooley's Anemia Foundation and the Alzheimer's Association. Checks payable to: Sons of Italy, P.O. Box 387, Wilmington, MA 01887

For information, please call Kevin Caira at (978) 657-7734 or (508) 633-2681

Volunteers are needed. Sign up in the book.

October 20th: Italian American Heritage Month Celebration & Afternoon Monthly Meeting

A chance to celebrate our heritage and our elder members!

12:30pm Doors Open

1:00 - 2:30pm Dinner & Entertainment

2:30 pm Monthly Meeting

3:30 pm Coffee & Dessert





Happy July Birthday to - Anne Ball, Amy Caira, Cheryl Caira, Michael Caira, Jr., Charles DeStefano, Janet Engrem, Linda Matte, William O'Shea, Brian Pupa, John Romano, Anthony Saragosa, Jessica Scalzi, Anthony Siracusa, Barbara Gillespie.

July is a month that brings about a great deal of excitement as it marks the official start of summer, providing ample opportunities for outdoor fun in the sun. It is commonly associated with hot weather, fireworks, and patriotic holidays, making it a time for festive celebrations with family and friends

- **July's Birthstone: Ruby** - regarded as the most stunning gemstone and represents success, love, passion, and vitality.
- **July Birth Flower: Larkspur** (signifies the carefree nature of the soul) and **Water Lily** (is considered to symbolize purity of heart)
- **Astrology Zodiac Signs of July: Cancer** (June 22nd - July 22nd) - project a protective exterior, but within lies a nurturing and caring soul. This emotional depth can lead to mood swings, but their compassion and strong bonds with loved ones make them fiercely loyal friends and family members. **Leo** (July 23rd - August 22nd) - dramatic, creative, self-confident, dominant and extremely difficult to resist, able to achieve anything they want to in any area of life they commit to.
- **July 4th** is a significant day in the history of the United States, as it marks the country's declaration of independence from Great Britain in 1776. On July 4th, 1776, the Continental Congress approved the Declaration of Independence, which declared the thirteen American colonies as independent states and no longer under British rule.
- The **Declaration of Independence** was written primarily by Thomas Jefferson, who was just 33 years old at the time. It outlined the colonists' grievances against the British crown and asserted their right to self-governance.
- **Louis Pasteur** provided the first rabies vaccination on July 6th, 1885 to a nine-year-old boy called Joseph Meister. After learning that the infant had been bitten by a rabid dog, Pasteur opted to attempt the vaccine despite his concerns about its efficacy. Luckily, the vaccine worked, and the boy was saved from this deadly disease .
- **Neil Armstrong** made history on July 29, 1969, by taking the first steps on the moon. His famous declaration "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind!"
- **Famous people born in July** include Princess Diana, Tom Hanks, Dan Aykroyd, Edie Falco, Ernest Hemingway, Kevin Bacon, Liv Tyler, Margot Robbie, Nelson Mandela, Pamela Anderson, Ringo Starr, Sylvester Stallone, Tom Cruise, Arnold Schwarzenegger.
- July is recognized as National Watermelon Month, National Ice Cream Month, and National Hot Dog Month, in the United States



Please report any sunshine to Linda Tobin. Please **let Linda know if someone** is sick, has surgery, or has a death in the family. Also good news such as births, weddings, etc. Linda's contact information is 978-604-4706 or e-mail beatlefanlinda@aol.com



We send our "PRAYERS AND GET WELL" wishes to Vinnie Ruocco, Alicia Johnson and Joe Martell.



We send our condolences to Judy Agnes and her family on the death of her brother, Hugh O'Connor!



Congratulations to Cheryl Caira on her election to the Grand Lodge Council as a State Trustee!

Congratulations to Arnie and Betty Aprile on their 70th Wedding Anniversary!



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 978-729-6044 (cell) 978-694-1632 (home).