



*Wilmington Sons and Daughters of Italy*  
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## October 2025 Newsletter

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**October 23, 2025 meeting** will be held at the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church - 87 Church St - Wilmington, MA. Dinner at 6:30 pm and the meeting will follow at 7:30 pm. Dinner will be Chinese Food for \$10.00. **Please RSVP by Monday, 10/20/25 to [Lynne\\_martell@comcast.net](mailto:Lynne_martell@comcast.net) or 978-694-1632 or 978-729-6044(cell)**  
Please bring some yummy desserts!



### Sons & Daughters of Italy Events

10/13/25 - Columbus Day Breakfast

10/19/25 - Wilmington Lodge Car Show (flyer attached)

11/02/25 - Wilmington Lodge - The Cher Show at NSMT

11/07/25 - Wilmington Lodge Dancing Through the Decades (flyer attached)

11/11/25 - Wilmington Lodge & Methodist Church Veteran's Day Breakfast

11/16/25 - Wilmington Lodge Memorial Mass

11/23/25 - Wilmington Lodge AFTERNOON meeting

12/14/25 - Wilmington Lodge Children's Christmas Party (flyer attached)

01/29/26 - Wilmington Lodge Member's Trivia Night

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 for three tickets and is optional.

**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 6:30pm. Even if you are not planning to eat dinner, come early, and socialize with your brothers and sisters of the lodge.** Coffee and desserts are available for all members to enjoy.

**11/23/25 (afternoon meeting) no December meeting**

**Council Meetings** -2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month 7PM at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Building  
**11/13/25 12/11/25**

**Sunday, November 23, 2025 - Afternoon meeting** - A chance to celebrate our elder members! Doors open at noon, and dinner will be served at 12:30. The meeting will follow at 2:00 pm.

We will have the **Fallen Solder table** set up for the November afternoon meeting.

#### Fallen Soldier's Table Poem

The rose stands for the family with faith and love for those who serve,  
They're held with the highest respect for that's what they deserve.  
A yellow ribbon is for the loyalty waiting for those serving abroad,  
As we pray that they're watched over and kept close to God.  
An inverted glass represents that the fallen can no longer toast,  
They cannot be an honored guest or such a gracious host.  
A lemon wedge represents the bitter loss of the fallen soldier's life,  
That causes so much pain like the sharp edge of a knife.  
The salt is put in place for all the loved ones' shedding tears,  
For the soldier is no longer present to help calm our fears.  
The candle stands tall for the blood that the soldier shed,  
It holds a place of honor and represented in red.  
The empty chair symbolizes the missing comrade who isn't here,  
Now it stands alone for the voice that we can't hear.



#### October

**Columbus Day Breakfast** - - **Monday, 10/13/15** - Dante Alighieri Cultural Center - 42 Hampshire Street - Cambridge, MA. The breakfast buffet will begin at 9:00 AM. The guest speaker will be Award-winning Stephen Puleo, author of The Great Abolitionist, Voyage of Mercy, American Treasures, The Caning, A City So Grand, The Boston Italians, Due to Enemy Action, and Dark Tide.

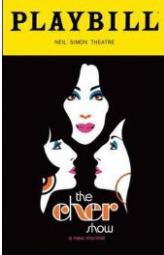
 This event is free and open to the public. If you need any information or have any questions, please call Kevin at (978) 657-7734 or (508) 633-2681

**Italian Heritage Month Raffle Fundraiser 2025** - Winners will be pulled at the Columbus Day Breakfast. Drawing for Many Fantastic Prizes! 1<sup>st</sup> prize - A week stay at Villa Mimosa - Salina, Sicily (May/October); 2<sup>nd</sup> prize - Four Seasons Boston - One Night Deluxe Stay; 3<sup>rd</sup> prize - 2 Boston Bruins Hockey Game Tickets; 4<sup>th</sup> prize - \$300.00 Nando Ristorante Gift Certificate; Also: Whole Prosciutto, Gift Cards, Specialty Baskets & more. Donation: 1 ticket for \$10.00 or 5 tickets for \$25.00. Contact Kevin Caira for tickets. (978) 657-7734 or (508) 633-2681. Tickets will be available at the event.

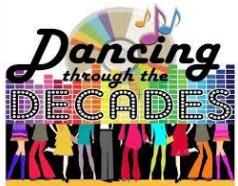
**Dominators Car Show** - Our lodge will be hosting a car show with the Dominators Hot Rod Club on **Sunday, October 19th** at the Town Common/4<sup>th</sup> of July Building Parking Lot on Middlesex Ave. in Wilmington from, 8am to 3pm. Spectators are Free. **Volunteers are needed**. Contact John Romano [jromano45@gmail.com](mailto:jromano45@gmail.com) or 617-750-9749. See flyer attached!



## November



**The Cher Show at NSMT** - Lennie has planned a trip to North Shore Music Theater on Sunday, November 2nd at 2:00 pm. Sign up in the book (you can contact me (Lynne) and I'll put your name in the book) or contact Lennie [malrn1031@aol.com](mailto:malrn1031@aol.com) or 617-835-2184. **All money is due at October 23<sup>rd</sup> monthly meeting.** Ticket prices will be available soon.



**Dancing through the Decades** - Friday, November 7, 2025 - Wilmington Knights of Columbus Lodge. To benefit our Lodge. \$25 pp. BYO snacks. Contact Janet Engrem 978-658-9324 e-mail [jknje@comcast.net](mailto:jknje@comcast.net). Please see flyer attached!



**Veteran's Day Breakfast** - The Wilmington Sons & Daughters of Italy, along with the Methodist Church will have a Veteran's Day Breakfast on **Tuesday, November 11, 2025**. To help with set up and clean up sign up in the book or Contact John Romano [jromano45@gmail.com](mailto:jromano45@gmail.com) or 617-750-9749.



**Memorial Mass** - We celebrate a Memorial Mass in honor of our lodge's deceased members. It will be held on **Sunday, November 16th at 10:00 am** at St. Dorothy's Church on Main Street in Wilmington. Coffee and donuts will be available downstairs after mass.

## December

**Children's Christmas Party** - will be held on **Sunday, December 14, 2025** from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm, at the Wilmington United Methodist Church - 87 Church St. - Wilmington, MA. This event is for children and grandchildren of members in grades 5 and under. Food and a visit and a present from Santa, and crafts will be available. Contact Anna Kerkorian [amvk77@gmail.com](mailto:amvk77@gmail.com) 617-605-4662 or Lisa Lyons [skilee206@gmail.com](mailto:skilee206@gmail.com) 617 957-8157 or Lynne Martell [Lynne\\_martell@comcast.net](mailto:Lynne_martell@comcast.net) 978-729-6044. **Deadline to sign up is November 15, 2025.** Please see flyer attached!



**We still need a Santa for 1 hour!!!!!!**

Please ask family and friends! We have a Santa suit. Requirements include a "HO HO HO" and giving children a gift.



Please report any sunshine to Anna Kerkorian. Please let Anna know if someone is sick, has surgery, or has a death in the family. Also good news such as births, weddings, etc. Anna's contact information is 617-605-4662 or e-mail [amvk77@gmail.com](mailto:amvk77@gmail.com)



We send our prayers and "get well wishes" to Michele Goss, Joe Martell, and Patricia Romano.



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Congratulations to the 2025 Bocce Champions - Alicia Johnson and Cheryl Caira



**Happy October Birthday to -** Judy Agnes, Donna Botte, Linda Caruso, Theresa Christopher, Leonard Ciaccio, Raffaele Ciaramella, Edi-Jo Cooper, Barbara DiVecchia, R. Lee Farrar, Barbara Intoppa, John LaFauci, Robert Littlefield, Robert Littlefield, Lennie Malvone, Joseph Martell, Patrick Mastrorilli, Vincent Oliva, Vincent Ruocco, Elizabeth Roberts, Joan Foresteire, .

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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