

ROMA LODGE NEWSLETTER



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April 2017 Issue

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Roma Lodge Members:

It is truly an honor to have been elected as the 28th President of Roma Lodge. I am looking forward to working for you, the members of Roma Lodge, these next two years. I encourage all members to attend our monthly membership meetings, the next one being Friday, April 14 at 7:00. It is so important to have members involved in all that we do. I promise that meetings will be efficient and not be any longer than necessary, and of course, we will enjoy another dinner cooked by Zuddy afterwards.

I believe it is so important to have our members kids involved here at the lodge. They are the future of Roma Lodge, and it's more important now than ever to rebuild and strengthen our membership. Without Roma Lodge members, there is no Roma Lodge. A few ideas that I am hoping to get off the ground this summer are a summer camp for kids and a bags league, possibly on Thursday nights.

The Board of Directors, Zuddy, Rob (RIWA manager), and myself will all be looking for ways to revitalize the members' dining room. I remember when an average night in the members' dining room was 200 on a Wednesday night and 125 on a Friday and Saturday night. We can and will get back to those numbers once again with the help of everyone!

Buona Pasqua (Happy Easter)!

Dave Chiapete

APRIL 2017 EVENTS

Sunday, April 2, 2017	Children's Bocce Banquet
Tuesday, April 4, 2017	Wisconsin Spring General Election
Tuesday, April 11, 2017	Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, April 14, 2017	Membership Meeting
Sunday, April 16, 2017	Easter Sunday
Monday, April 17, 2017	Men's Golf League Meeting



Condolences are extended to the family of Arthur J. Greco, age 89, who passed away on February 11th, and to the family of Anthony Lipari, age 93, who passed away on March 15th.



Arthur Greco Anthony Lipari



Funeral Service Calling Tree Schedule

The Calling Tree schedule includes those members whose names are listed on the Membership List between:

Infusino, Egidio – Lucas Ron

If you are notified of a funeral during your scheduled month you are expected to attend to represent the Lodge. Other members are also encouraged to attend. There will be a special Roma Lodge sign in book at the service for members who attend to verify that they are fulfilling their obligation.



Volunteers are always needed.

Sign up for a date, time, and work assignment by telephoning Jim Faraone at 262- 657-1244 or jfaraone@wi.rr.com,

The April Bingo Captain is Jason Evitts 262-994-1926



Sick and Shut-ins –

On behalf of the members of Roma Lodge, the Sick and Shut-ins Committee sends flowers to the funeral of deceased members as well as Get Well Cards to members who are hospitalized or ailing at home. If you know of a Roma Lodge brother who died or is hospitalized or ill at home, contact Jim Faraone, 262-657-1244 or email jfaraone@wi.rr.com.

New Membership Incentive for Current Members

Any current Roma Lodge member who recruits a new member will be provided a \$30 Dining Room or Café Venerdi gift certificate for the first new member they propose, and a \$20 Dining Room or Café Venerdi gift certificate for any additional new members proposed in the same calendar year. The gift certificates would be provided upon the new member's successful election as a probationary member.

Applications for Membership and the Handbook for *New Applicants and Proponents* are available from Doug Goebel, Membership Secretary, at 262-554-7316, dggoebel@yahoo.com and on-line at http://members.romalodge.com/membership_information.html.

Roma Lodge Reservations

For **Members Dining Room** reservations, the **telephone number is 262-886-8850**. When making reservations for the Members Dining Room, please telephone the Members Dining Room number only. Leave your name, day and date you want the reservation, your phone number, number of people in your party, and estimated time of arrival. You will only receive a call back if there is a problem or a question about your reservation. **NOTE:** *The Members Dining Room is always closed on Membership Meeting nights, which are usually the second Friday of the month. It is also closed on Wednesday and weekend nights when events for members or members and guests are scheduled.* To reserve the Venetian Room and for Roma-to-Go, telephone the RIWA Office at 262-886-3610. For the Members Card Room telephone is 262-886-2557.



Attention Snow Birds and Others Who Have A Change of Address and/or Phone number

Whether you have a temporary or permanent change of address and/or phone number, please remember to notify Doug Goebel, Membership Secretary, 554-7316 dggoebel@yahoo.com of these changes of address. This will help insure an up-to-date membership list so that you will continue to receive Lodge mailings.

ROMA LODGE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

March 2017 – February 2018

Officers Term 2017-2019

President	Dave Chiapete	262-939-5914	davidchiapete@hotmail.com
Vice-president	Frank Bisotti	262-456-1054	fbisotti@ameritech.net
Parliamentarian	Jeff DeMatthew	262-880-7474	demattthew@ameritech.net
Treasurer	Patrick Diem	262-514-4460	pdiem@wi.rr.com
Recording Secretary	Anthony Povkovich	262-880-5945	tjpovkovich@gmail.com
Membership Secretary	Doug Goebel	262-554-7316	dggoebel@yahoo.com
Past President	Rick Bonanno	262-914-1509	ricokeno@yahoo.com

Directors

2016 –2018	Don Cicero	262-884-8941	cheech@wi.rr.com
2017 –2019	Kevin Elrod	262-551-7565	pizzakevin@yahoo.com
2017 –2019	Randy Evitts	262-554-9354	
2017 –2019	Jim Faraone	262-657-1244	jfaraone@wi.rr.com
2016 –2018	Ed Habel	262-945-0911	ed@rusticbrewing.com
2016 –2018	Pat Johnson	262-620-0366	pjohnson@cordeck.com
2016 –2018	Mike Peratt	262-942-1212	mperatt22@yahoo.com
2017 –2019	Dave Silvani	262-321-1604	dsilvani@ringdu.com



ROMA LODGE CARES COMMITTEE

In order to meet Roma Lodge's mission to carry on human relations activities on a charitable basis for the purpose of showing the community the positive force of Italian-American citizens, the CARES Committee, with the approval of the Roma Lodge Board of Directors, recently made a donation of \$200 to Neighborhood Watch.

For more information on the CARES Committee, contact Ed Habel, ed@rusticbrewing.com.



Men's Golf League – Meeting April 17th @ 6:00pm

Members interested in participating in the Men's Golf League should attend the April 17th meeting. The meeting will be held at 6:00pm in the Members Lounge and will discuss the season's dates, rules, and fees. League veterans and first-timers alike are encouraged to attend. The league is a two-man team format, however, if you do not have a partner we can help place you on a team. Any questions please contact Dennis Porcaro at [262-884-9121](tel:262-884-9121).

Join us for our **3RD ANNUAL EASTER BUFFET AND EASTER EGG HUNT**

Saturday April 15th

Breakfast Buffet Served from 8:30 to 10:30

Easter Egg Hunt starts at 10:45

Our Easter Buffet will feature:

- Chef Carved Ham • Scrambled Eggs
- Sausage/Bacon • Hashbrowns
- Pancakes • Assorted Juices

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Easter Bunny in Attendance

**Please call
for Reservations**

\$9.95 Adults

**\$5.95 12
& Under**

**4 & under
Free**



4th ANNUAL (SINGLES) BOCCE TOURNNEY

SATURDAY, APRIL 29 (Pool Play-Elimination Rounds-24 Players)
Games Start 9:00am – 4:00pm (Breakfast 8:15, Pizza/fruit, and Pasta & Meatballs)
OR

SUNDAY, APRIL 30 (Pool Play-Elimination Rounds-24 Players)
Games Start 9:00am – 4:00pm (Breakfast 8:15, Pizza/fruit, and Pasta & Meatballs)

SUNDAY, MAY 7 (Finals-16 Player Field)

Games Start 1:00pm – 6:00pm (Bombers to be available, same as league nights (\$3) & FREE BEER FOR PLAYERS AS WELL AS EVERYONE ELSE THERE TO WATCH!!!!!!)

Limited to 48 Roma Lodge Members Only

Player Entry Fee \$25.00 (Includes Food)

Food Ticket \$10.00 (Non-Players)

Projected Cash Prizes

(Based on 48 Players)

1 st	Place	\$ 400	Green Jacket
2 nd	Place	\$ 200	
3 rd	Place	\$ 100	
4 th	Place	\$ 50	

RULES AND REGULATIONS: Randomly selected pool play elimination rounds. 8 pools with 6 players per pool. Each player will play 5 games minimum (based on 48 players) and will throw 4 balls per frame. Pool games to 10 points. Top 2 players in each pool will be seeded and advance to the Single Elimination Tournament. 1st Round of Single Elimination games to 12 points. Quarter, semi and finals to 16 points. Championship Game will be played on Court #1

Dave Chiapete (262) 939-5914

Dave Silvani (262)321-1604 Tony Povkovich (262) 880-5945

2017 Winter Bocce Co-Champions – Bosco Garage



Back (l – r) Captain Jim Silvani, Joe Povkovich, Cesare Bosco, Joe Buscemi
Front (l to r) Dave Silvani and Tony Povkovich

Lighthouse Run, Saturday, June 17th

Roma Lodge and the Racine Area Running Club will be co-sponsoring teams in the Lighthouse Run 4 and 10 mile competitive team divisions this year. **Non-members are welcome to sign up on either team. So, please pass this information on to any family and friends that may be interested.** Team members will have both the Roma Lodge and the RARC logos added to the back of their Lighthouse Run t-shirt.

Prior to May 1st, the fee is \$22/person for both 4 and 10 mile team members. After May 1st, the fee goes up to \$24. **Also, the deadline to enter and have the logos added to the back of the race-shirt is May 15th.** Last year our combined "Racine Area Running Club/Roma Lodge 10 Mile and 4 Mile teams both took 3rd place in their respective Open Competitive team divisions. We also had a number of Roma Lodge members that received individual age-group awards. We are looking to do even better this year.

Remember: The deadline to enter as a team member is May 15th.

For more information or to sign-up for one of the teams, please contact Jeff DeMatthew at: dematthew@ameritech.net or by phone at (262)-880-7474.



Celebrazione Italiana

Friday, April 28, 2017

UW-Parkside Student Center | University Ballroom

5:00 p.m. Cocktails

6:00 p.m. Dinner and Program

Special Guest Speaker: Paul Ryan

Join us to celebrate Italian-American heritage in our community!

All proceeds benefit cultural and educational exchange between the University of Wisconsin-Parkside and the University of Calabria, Italy.

The entry price is \$75. Roma Lodge will subsidize \$25 of the entry price for up to 20 people on a first come first serve base. Please contact Rick Bonnano at 262-914-1509.

Zuddy's Shrimp Capri Special



The Shrimp Capri Special consists of Zuddy's famous mixture of shrimp and roasted red peppers sautéed in olive oil and served over a very generous helping of pasta. The special includes the salad bar, bread, butter and a complimentary glass of red wine. Price is \$11.95

Zuddy's New York Strip Special



The New York Strip Special consists of Zuddy's sautéed mushrooms over a perfectly seasoned and cooked New York Strip. The side dish is a baked potato or a very generous helping of pasta. The special includes the salad bar, bread, butter and a complimentary glass of red wine. Price is \$15.99

Buon Compleanno e Tanti Auguri

Happy Birthday to our Roma Lodge Brothers Born in April

FREE BIRTHDAY DRINK!

Members Bar will provide one free drink during a member's birthday month on Friday or Saturday night when the kitchen is open. See the bartender for details.

April 1 William Chiapetta
John LeRose III

April 2 David Pagliaroni

April 3 Thomas Vena

April 4 Mario Passarelli

April 5 Robert DeRose

Aldo Fallico

Victor Pettavino

April 6 Kyle Perroni

April 8 Ronald Gardina

April 9 Jeffrey Ciaramita

Ronald Lucas

April 10 Frank Caruso

Nicholas Pitts

April 11 Joseph DeRose Jr.

Noah Guida

April 12 Lester Salerno

April 13 Noel Johnson

April 14 Keith Bouterse

April 15 Michael Tenuta

April 16 Brian Hart

April 17 Robert Aceto

Tom Garbo

Ronald Ruffalo

April 19 John Anzalone Jr.

April 19 David Purdy

April 20 Jeffrey Collova

April 21 Richard P. Sarto

April 22 Jon Cuccio

April 23 Jim Silvani

April 24 Louis Falaschi

William Hasley

Thomas Wood

April 26 Darel Suokko

April 28 Edward Staconis

James Venturini

April 30 Donald Pfaff

List compiled from the Roma Lodge Membership Files. Contact Doug Goebel, dggoebel@yahoo.com if corrections are needed

**The following By-law Amendment was voted on, and was successfully passed,
at the at the March 2017 Membership Meeting**

Article VI – Organization, Section 9H

Previous By-Law:

(The President shall) appoint and serve as Chair of the Roma Lodge/RIWA Advisory Committee which monitors and makes recommendations on RIWA operations to the Board of Directors.

Newly Amended By-Law:

(The President shall) appoint and serve as Chair of an advisory committee to the Board of Directors concerning the Roma Lodge business known as the Racine Italian Welfare Association. (The committee will be known as the "RIWA Advisory Committee" and the business will be referred to herein as the "RIWA".) The RIWA is responsible for operation of the Roma Lodge banquet halls which are open to the public and the Roma Lodge Members' Lounge (both bar and restaurant). The RIWA Advisory Committee shall monitor and make recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding general operations and procedures of the RIWA.

1. The RIWA Advisory Committee shall:

- a. Consist of the President, the General Manager of the RIWA and at least 3, but not more than 5, other members. Committee members are appointed by the president with approval of the Board of Directors,
- b. Monitor the financial and overall operational aspects of the RIWA business and make recommendations to the Board of Directors concerning RIWA operations,
- c. Ensure that the RIWA organization has a clear mission, that the mission is carried out, and that the mission is promoted widely throughout Roma Lodge and the community
- d. Conduct mandatory quarterly meetings, or more often as conditions dictate,
- e. Make recommendations to the Board, as necessary, to assure that a General Manager for the RIWA is in place to autonomously manage the day to day operations of the banquet halls and Members' Lounge,
- f. By November 1st of each year, submit for approval by the Board of Directors an annual operating budget for the RIWA to be prepared by the General Manager in consultation with, and advice from, the RIWA Committee

On Sale Now

Zuddy's famous sauce is now on sale in the members dining room. Enjoy the great taste of Zuddy's sauce anytime you desire in the convenience of your own home. See Zuddy to purchase or ask your waitress during your next visit to the member's dining room. Zuddy's sauce comes frozen and packaged in a very generous 32 oz container.

\$4.00 each or 3 containers for \$10.00

Buy a Brick in the Patio Brick Program

Roma Lodge Sponsors the "Patio Brick Program" for members of both Roma Lodge and Vittoria Colonna Lodge. By purchasing a brick, you and your family will not only benefit from maintaining the beautiful patio located on the west side of the building, but it will also provide for a lasting memorial to family and/or friends for years to come. Each brick serves as a testimony of your support and commitment to the Lodge, as well as serving to keep our Italian heritage alive.

A 4" x 8" brick consisting of two lines of type, 12 characters per line is \$50.00.

A 12" x 12" brick consisting of six lines of type, 15 characters per line is \$250.00.

To purchase a brick please contact:

Pat Johnson, 2621 Wynfield Drive, Racine, WI 53406

Phone 262-620-0366 Email pjohnson@cordeck.com

A 4" by 8" brick consisting of two lines of type, 12 characters per line is \$50.00 Check must accompany order.

NOTE: Spaces count as letters.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

A 12" x 12" brick consisting of six lines of type, 15 characters per line is \$250.00

NOTE: Spaces count as letters. A Check payable to Roma Lodge must accompany order.

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New Newsletter Article! Children's Drawings

Any member's child or grandchild that would like to make a drawing of what Roma Lodge or their Italian Heritage means to them will be published in the newsletter. Please submit the drawing to tjpovkovich@gmail.com with the child's name and member's name.

Below is a picture from Graham Gostisha, grandson of Mike and Linda Galovits, and great-grandson of Carl Catrine, depicting a person playing bocce.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, May 2, 2017
Sunday, May 7, 2017
Tuesday, May 9, 2017
Friday, May 12, 2017
Sunday, May 14, 2017
Monday, May 15, 2017
Tuesday, May 16, 2017
Wednesday, May 24, 2017
Monday, May 29, 2017

\$10,000 Raffle and Dinner
Singles Bocce Tournament Finals
Board of Directors Meeting
Membership Meeting
Mother's Day Brunch (RIWA)
Men's Golf League Begins
Roma Lodge President's Dinner
Zuddy's Special Wednesday Night Buffet
Memorial Day



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Deadline for information for May 2017 Newsletter is April 20, 2017. Comments and suggestions and articles of interest to our members are welcome at tjovkovich@gmail.com.

Tony Povkovich

Tony Povkovich, Roma Lodge Secretary