

# ROMA LODGE NEWSLETTER



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## October 2018 Issue      MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Roma Lodge Members:

The next Roma Lodge members' meeting is Friday, October 12, 7:00 pm. It is a social meeting which means all members may bring their wife or significant other. The results from our 40<sup>th</sup> annual festival will be announced. Please continue to keep in mind that Bingo can use more help, so if you have a Thursday afternoon or evening available, please stop at the Lodge and volunteer some of your time. Bingo is a vital income source to our club. Thank you to all Bingo volunteers!

Our annual Columbus Day celebration will take place Saturday evening, October 6. Tickets are \$25 which includes a very elegant dinner, entertainment provided by the Sicilian Serenaders, and the guest speaker will be our very own Deacon Russ Missureli. Ticket information and other details can be found in this newsletter.

Trunk or Treats will be held on Sunday, Oct. 21. If you haven't yet attended with your kids or grandkids, I highly recommend you do so! The kids who attend each year have so much fun, and the adults do as well. More information on this event is in this newsletter as well.

San Martino (homemade wine contest/party) is right around the corner, November 10. This is not an evening you want to miss. The members' bar and restaurant turns into one big cocktail lounge with 3 separate hors d'oeuvre stations, homemade wines to sample, The Sicilian Serenaders, and much more! This event is open to the public. Contact or stop by the RIWA Office for Tickets. Ask for Rob or Ashley 262-886-3610, Dave Chiapete 262-939-5914, or Frank Bisotti 262-914-1880 (\$20 each)

The MLB playoffs are here and the Milwaukee Brewers will be playing baseball in October! The Members' Bar will be open for all Brewer playoff games with the full bar menu, free special shots for each Brewer homerun and other drink specials. Our famous Pizza will also be on special, buy one/get one ½ off. The Roma Lodge bar menu includes hamburgers, grilled chicken and spicy Italian sandwiches, wings, pizza, appetizers, and much more!

Fall drink specials continue through November in the Members' Dining Room and Bar. Baked Cod is just \$11.95 and the Italian Combo is \$9.95. Bloody Mary's, Apple Cranberry Moscow Mule, and a Wine Float (I recommend you try it) are all on special as well.

Make sure you look for our new **Members' Dining Room Coupon** in this newsletter. The coupon is valid on Friday and Saturday evenings, and you may use a coupon each and every night you dine at Roma Lodge through November!

A few changes have been made recently in the members' dining room. The Wednesday night buffet has been permanently reduced to \$7.95 for seniors 55+ (\$8.95 regular). Bruschetta has been added as an hors d'oeuvres to our menu and warm bread is included with each meal on Friday and Saturday evenings with the opportunity to add olive oil if you so choose.

If the Packers are playing, the Members' Bar is open! Our full bar menu is always available. During all Packers games, our famous pizza will be buy one/get one ½ off! Bar opening hours are the following: Sun. Oct. 7, 11:30, Mon. Oct 15, 6:00 and will feature a Happy Hour from 6:00-7:30 which will include all rail cocktails just \$2 and a Korbel Old Fashioned for \$3. The last Packer game of the month is Oct. 28 and we will open at 3:00. Last year, so much fun was had by all those who attended, and I encourage everyone to keep Roma Lodge in mind for all Packer games. Strip cards are available for each game.

Lastly, a few other upcoming events to keep in mind are the November 10k raffle which will be held Tuesday, November 6. The annual Christmas tree lighting is Sat., November 24 and will include a special buffet dinner, the movie, "The Polar Express" to be shown in the Venetian Room for all the kids, and of course Santa will make an appearance. Something new this year is that we are also planning one big New Year's Eve Party instead of two. More details will be in next month's newsletter.

Ciao!

*Dave Chiapete*  
*President*

#### OCTOBER 2018 EVENTS

Saturday, October 6, 2018	Columbus Day Banquet
Monday, October 8, 2018	Columbus Day Federal Holiday
Tuesday, October 9, 2018	Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, October 12, 2018	Social Meeting and Festival Report
Sunday, October 21, 2018	Halloween "Trunk or Treat"
Tuesday, October 30, 2018	Board of Directors Meeting



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](mailto:jfaraone@wi.rr.com),  
 The October Bingo Captain is Frank Bisotti Jr. 262-456-1054



September 13<sup>th</sup>



**Condolences** are extended to the family of Roma Lodge brother Mike Plantamura, age 74, who passed away



September 15<sup>th</sup>



**Condolences** are extended to the family of Roma Lodge brother Ralph Nicotera Jr., age 90, who passed away



### Funeral Service Calling Tree Schedule

The Calling Tree schedule includes those members whose names are listed on the Membership List between:  
**DeRose, Alfred - Funk, Charles**

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.

*Buon Compleanno e Tanti Auguri*

*Happy Birthday to our Roma Lodge Brothers Born in October*

### FREE BIRTHDAY DRINK!

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

Oct 1 Joel Beck James Erickson	Oct 8 David Hotchkiss	Oct 24 Joe Nemec Paul Renzoni
Oct 2 Frank Perugini Paul Costanzo	Oct 9 Dominic DaPra	Oct 25 Frank Maritato
Oct 3 Ron Ernst Dick Pelletieri	Oct 12 Tom Linden	Oct 26 Eugene Perrelle John Perugini
Oct 4 Frank Fumo Al Kosterman Howard Olson Joe Ranchel	Oct 13 Bernard Polzin	Oct 27 Jim Bilotti Randy Chiapete Richard Chiapete Jason Johnson
Oct 5 Joe Jardina	Oct 14 Bob Rivers	
Oct 7 Tom Janikian Matthew Russell	Oct 20 Dave Donaldson Richard Recupero	Oct 28 Tom Housaman
Oct 8 Frank Catrine	Oct 21 Randal Marvin	Oct 29 Alessandro Dal Vecchio
	Oct 23 Angelo Sarto Jim K Covelli	Oct 30 Charles Christiano
	Oct 24 Dominic Anzalone	Oct 31 Joe DeRose John DeFazio

List compiled from the Roma Lodge Membership List. Contact Doug Goebel [dggoebel@yahoo.com](mailto:dggoebel@yahoo.com) if corrections are needed.

## Columbus Day Dinner



**Saturday, October 6, 2018**

This event is open to Members and one guest, and VC Members only  
**DINNER WILL BE HELD IN THE MEMBERS DINING ROOM (TICKETS ARE LIMITED)**

**Tickets are \$25.00 per person**

**5:00 pm Cocktails – Members Prices – 6:00 pm – Dinner**

**For tickets, contact Ask Rob or Ashley at the RIWA Office 262-886-3610  
Dave Chiapete 262-939-5914 or Frank Bisotti 262-914-1880**



### **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 passed away or is hospitalized or ill at home, contact Jeff DeMatthew, [dematthew@ameritech.net](mailto:dematthew@ameritech.net) or by phone at (262)-880-7474.

## **October 12<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting – Social Meeting and Festival Report**

Members, please join us for the October 12th Social Membership Meeting!

You may bring your spouse or significant other and enjoy a fine buffet of Mostaccioli and Meatballs, and Italian Baked Chicken. Bar opens at 5:30 pm. A brief members meeting will be held at 7:00 pm followed by dinner and a report summarizing this year's festival.

We will be meeting in the Vittoria Colonna Hall.

### **\$10,000 Raffle and Dinner - Tuesday, November 6, 2018**

#### **PRIZES INCLUDE:**

**ONE \$4,000 CASH PRIZE, ONE \$1,500 PRIZE, THREE \$500 PRIZES, FIVE \$200 PRIZES AND TWENTY \$100 PRIZES**

**TICKETS ARE \$100 EACH, WHICH INCLUDES TWO DINNER TICKETS  
CASH BAR BEGINS AT 5:00 P.M. WITH DINNER SERVED BETWEEN 6:00 – 7:30 P.M.**

**THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.**

**NOTE: Tickets are sold on a first come-first serve basis**

## **Members' Dining Room Coupon**

Valid Friday and Saturday Evening in the Members' Dining Room

Valid for both Food and Beverages

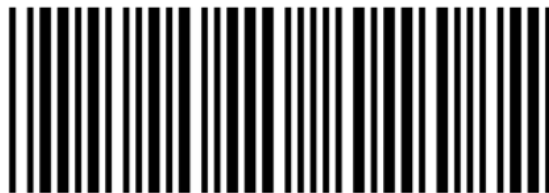
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7% OFF orders \$75 to \$99.99

10% OFF orders \$100 or greater

**BRING THIS COUPON TO REDEEM!**



Expiration Date November 30<sup>th</sup>

## **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 applicant for membership they propose, and a \$20 Dining Room or Café Venerdi gift certificate for any additional new applicants for membership proposed in the same calendar year. The gift certificate would be provided to the proponent once the new applicant was voted in as a probationary member.

Application for Membership form along with the *Handbook for New Applicants and Proponents* is available from Doug Goebel, Membership Secretary, at 262-554-7316, [dggoebel@yahoo.com](mailto:dggoebel@yahoo.com) and on-line at [http://members.romalodge.com/membership\\_information.html](http://members.romalodge.com/membership_information.html).

## **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.

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](mailto:pjohnson@cordeck.com)

## **Saturday Night Social Bocce League to begin October 20<sup>th</sup>**

The Saturday Night Social Bocce League will begin on October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The league is open to all Roma Lodge members. Each team must consist of 3 men and 3 women and at least one Lodge member, who will serve as team captain. Other than the captain, team players may be members or non-members. Games will begin at 7:00 pm and will be held every other Saturday night through March, with the exception of holidays and evenings that club events are held. Cost is \$120 per team and will include a banquet the final league night. The league will be limited to the first eight teams to register with the possibility of adding a second league on alternate Saturday evenings, if participation warrants such. Please contact Co-chairs Jason Evitts (262) 994-1926 or Dave Silvani (262) 321-1604 to register or with any questions.



### **Welcome New Members**

#### **Voted into Membership at the September Membership Meeting:**

Frank Angelini, age 53 of Racine – Proponent: Dave Chiapete

Ryan Sorensen, age 38 of Mount Pleasant – Proponent: Dave Ruffalo



#### **Probationary Members Approved for Full Membership**

Congratulations to these members who completed their probation period and are eligible to be initiated at the March 2019 Installation Dinner:

William Smith, Salem, WI – Proponent: Charles Funk



#### **Applications for Membership to be voted on at the October 12, 2018 Membership Meeting**

Thomas J. Chiapete, age 33 of Racine – Proponent: Dave Chiapete

Jacob Heller, at 32 of Racine – Proponent: Brian Hart



#### **Applications for Membership to be voted on at the November 9, 2018 Membership Meeting**

Thomas Blise, age 56 of Kenosha – Proponent: Dave Chiapete

Thomas P. Chiapete, age 64 of Racine – Proponent: Dave Chiapete

James Germinaro, age 64 of Union Grove – Proponent: Joe Buscemi

Rev. Javier Guativa, age 37 of Racine – Proponent: Patrick Tierney

# Four of the Six Proposed By-Law Changes Passes. Results Below.

## BALLOT

### PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES – SEPT 14, 2018 – RESULTS OF VOTE

**Passage requires 2/3 majority of those voting OR 2/3 of 77 total votes OR 51 votes or higher**

**56\_\_ YES \_\_22\_\_ NO**      **By-Law Change 1 – PASSED**

Section 1: Any man may apply for adult membership in accordance with the established procedures of the organization if the following qualifications are met:

**ADD F.** He submits the results of genetic testing that show Italian ancestry

**65\_\_ YES 11 \_\_ NO**      **By-Law Change 2 - PASSED**

The President is the highest-ranking member of the lodge. As the leader of the lodge, his duties are to:

B. See that the laws of the Lodge are observed and that **ADD the By-laws** and the deliberations of the Board and the General Membership are carried out.

**62\_\_ YES 16 \_\_ NO**      **Article VI: Section 11: Parliamentary - PASSED**

The Parliamentary gives opinions concerning the application and interpretation of the By-laws and rules of the Lodge **DELETE: ~~and sees that they are observed and properly applied.~~**

**ADD: He shall be responsible for compiling and maintaining the most current By-laws of Roma Lodge and the Rules of the Lodge. He will make them available to members upon request.**

**43\_\_ YES 35 --- NO**      **Article VI Section 12 - FAILED**

A. To take and record the minutes of all meetings of the Board and the General Membership.

i) *The minutes of the Board of Directors shall be read for approval and corrections at the next successive Board of Directors meeting.*

ii) *The minutes of the General Membership Meeting will be available to the Membership at the next successive Membership meeting and approved upon a motion requested by the President, but Minutes will read only upon a motion made by a member and passed by the membership in attendance.*

**36\_\_ YES 42\_\_ NO**      **By-Law Change 4**

**Article V: Membership Regulations - FAILED**

Section 17: In the event an officer or director is absent from three (3) Board meetings **ADD or Membership Meetings** between March 1<sup>st</sup> and February 28<sup>th</sup> of the next calendar year, the Board must decide whether that officer or director should be removed from office.

**62\_\_ YES 16 --- NO**      **By-Law Change 5 - PASSED**

**Article VI: Organization**

**Section 9: Board Committees**

The President is the highest-ranking officer of the lodge. As the leader of the Lodge, his duties are to:

E. Subject to majority approval of the Board, appoint the members of the Board as chairmen of the Lodge Standing Committees:

Bar / Beverage

Bingo

Building and Grounds

Cares

~~Food Services~~

Membership

~~Planning and~~ By-laws and Rules

Scholarship

Social

as well as chairmen of all committees of the Lodge (unless the laws of the Lodge provide otherwise). He shall be an *ex-officio* member of all such committees, except the Nominations and Elections Committee. (Amended December 4, 2009)

Note: This change will bring by-laws in line with current practices.





# Members Dining Room & Bar

## Fall Specials



September ---November

**Hot Apple Cider** \*\*\*\*\*\$1.50  
(Seasonal)

Add a shot of Rail \*\*\*\*\*\$3.50

Add a shot of Call (Caramel Vodka, Captain, Fireball Etc) \*\*\*\*\*\$4.00

**Blood Mary** (Single) \*\*\*\*\*\$3.00  
(Rail Only) (Double) \*\*\*\*\*\$5.00

**Apple Cranberry  
Moscow Mule** \*\*\*\*\*\$4.00

**Wine Float** \*\*\*\*\*\$4.00

**Italian Combo** \*\*\*\*\*\$9.95  
(Meat or Cheese Ravioli, Tortellini, and Gnocchi)  
\*\*Served over Roma's Famous Red Sauce

**Baked Cod** \*\*\*\*\*\$11.95  
(2-6oz Filets Served over Rice and Vegetables)



# Season Opening Tailgating Party!!

The Packers season started with great weather, great food, & great music in the Roma Lodge parking lot.

The Members Lounge will be open for ALL Packers games this season!





The fourth, and final, “Coffee and Cars” of the 2018 season was held on Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. Approximately 36 vehicles participated and experienced another great Saturday morning at Roma Lodge. Many thanks to all of our wonderful volunteers and participants.



Joe Nemec, left, with his 2011 Challenger R/T Classic and Tom Matter, right, with his 2014 Challenger R/T enjoy a nice morning.



Todd Feehrer, left, and Rudy Moherek, right, look over Rudy's 1931 Ford Model A.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, October 30, 2018  
 Tuesday, November 6, 2018  
 Friday, November 9, 2018  
 Saturday, November 10, 2018  
 Wednesday, November 22, 2018  
 Thursday, November 23, 2018

Board of Directors Meeting  
 \$10,000 Raffle and Dinner  
 Membership Meeting  
 Veterans Day/4<sup>th</sup> Annual Wine Tasting  
 Holiday Lighting and Pizza Buffet  
 Thanksgiving Day

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**Prizes! Come for Dinner- Doors Open at 4:00**  
**Games Start at 6:30 pm**

**Deadline for information for November 2018 News/letter is October 20, 2018.** Comments and suggestions and articles of interest to our members are welcome at [tjpovkovich@gmail.com](mailto:tjpovkovich@gmail.com).

*Tony Povkovich*

Tony Povkovich, Roma Lodge Secretary