

ROMA LODGE NEWSLETTER



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February 2019 Issue MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Roma Lodge Members:

The next Roma Lodge members' meeting is Friday, February 8, 7:00 pm. If you attend 6 membership meetings during the year, you will be entered into a drawing where someone will win FREE membership dues for 2020! The drawing will once again be held at the December meeting. For each meeting attended over 6, you receive an added chance in the raffle. So if you attend all 12 meetings, you would have 7 tickets in the drum.

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. On behalf of all Roma Lodge members, thank you to all Bingo volunteers!

The Holiday Buffets held on Saturday evenings in the members' dining room have proven to be extremely popular, so Saturday evening, February 23, we will once again hold a special buffet night. Kids 9-under are FREE, and ages 10-15 are just \$5.95. In place of the normal menu will be the full salad bar including pudding, a pasta station, kid's station, a chef carving station, a chili bar, and much more! Reservations are recommended, 262-886-8850.

During the month of February, our tender Rib Eye served with mushrooms or onion rings will continue to be just \$19.95! Other specials in the Roma Lodge members' dining room that continue through February are Eggplant Parmesan for \$8.95 and 10oz. Chop Sirloin with a choice of mushrooms or peppers and onions for only \$9.95. All meals come with soup, salad, and choice of potato or pasta.

On Friday and Saturday evenings, February 15 & 16, we will be celebrating Valentine's Day in the members' dining room. Specials include our tender Black Angus Fillet for only \$23.95, Orange Roughy for just \$19.95, and we will feature a "Feel the Love" Martini and a "Sweet Nothings" ice cream drink as well. The full menu will also be available. Reservations are highly recommended by calling 262-886-8850.

If you play cribbage, and you missed our first tournament, I urge you to give our tournament a try. Everyone who participated in January really enjoyed it, so we have decided to have a few more. There are two tournaments currently scheduled. The first is Saturday, February 23, at noon, and the second on Sunday, March 24, which begins at 1:00. You do not have to be a pro-cribbage player to participate - it's all in fun. Cost is just \$10 and includes a drink or soda at the bar. Open to all members and their guests. More details and how to register are in this newsletter!

Children's bocce begins Sunday, February 10, and is held each Sunday through March 24. It's open to members' children and grandchildren and is always a fun time for everyone. Hot dogs, soda, etc are made available to purchase at a minimal cost. Come one week or come each week, it doesn't matter. The only thing we care about is seeing all the kids having fun at Roma Lodge! More information is in this newsletter.

In March of this coming year, the members' bar will once again be open for the entire NCAA basketball tournament. We will have food and drink specials and our own Roma Lodge NCAA basketball tournament pool! More information will be available in next month's newsletter. For all the bocce players, the winter Round Robin Bocce Tournament will be Saturday, March 9. Registration forms will be available in the bocce courts.

This year's installation dinner will be held Sunday, March 17. Along with the installation of the newly elected officers and directors is the initiation of members who have fulfilled their probationary requirement to become Roma Lodge Members. The evening begins at 5:00 and more information will be available in next month's newsletter.

Then mark Saturday, May 4, on your calendars. It's Kentucky Derby Day at Roma Lodge! It's not too early for women to start looking for your Kentucky Derby hat, and plan to come watch "The Greatest Two Minutes in Sports" at the Lodge! More details will follow.

Ciao!

Dave Chiapete

President

FEBRUARY 2019 EVENTS

Sunday, February 3, 2019
Tuesday, February 5, 2019
Friday, February 8, 2019
Sunday, February 10, 2019
Monday, February 18, 2019

Super Bowl Party
Board of Directors Meeting
Membership Meeting/ Nomination of Officers
Children's Bocce Begins
President's Day Federal Holiday



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 February Bingo Captain is Ken Scolaro.



Funeral Service Calling Tree Schedule

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

Paar, Donald – Purdy, David

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 February

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.

Feb 1 John Passarelli	Feb 7 Peter Phillips	Feb 24 Arthur Simmons
Michael Gabbey	Frank Molinaro	
Jordon Gardina	Jason Evitts	Feb 26 Frank Cucunato
Feb 2 Arthur Chiapetta	Joe DeMatthew	
Frank Caira	Feb 8 Ronald Guarascio	Feb 28 David Chiapete
Feb 3 Peter Flex	Feb 14 Martin Sturino	
Alan Tripp	Feb 19 David Ricchio	Feb 29 Frank Sullivan
Feb 4 Bill Gullo	Michael Kroes	
Vincent Caira, Jr		
Feb 5 John Grycowski	Feb 20 Jerome Draeger	
Feb 6 Richard Mura	Charles Zupfer	
Gary Anzalone	Feb 21 Benjamin Cupertino	
Jeff D'Acquisto	Feb 22 Gerald Nosotti	

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



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 or by phone at (262)-880-7474.

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 and on-line at http://members.romalodge.com/membership_information.html.

Children's Bocce League Begins February 10th

The start date for the Children's Bocce league is Sunday, February 10th. The league will meet Sundays from 1PM to 3PM through March 24th. This is an informal league open to members' children and grandchildren ages six and older. The league will teach bocce fundamentals for all skill levels. The banquet will be held Sunday, March 24th.

Roma Lodge Calendar of Events – 2019



The 2019 Roma Lodge Calendar of Events is featured at the end of this newsletter. It includes dates identified thus far for Board of Director meetings, Membership meetings, events sponsored by Roma Lodge, RIWA events open to the public. The calendar will be updated throughout the year as other dates are identified. The Roma Lodge Calendar of Events will be available on the Roma Lodge Membership web page. <http://members.romalodge.com/calendar.html>.



2019 Board of Directors Election

Nominations will be made at the February 8, 2019 Membership Meeting for all officers and four director positions for the 2019-2021 term. The Offices of President, Vice-president, Recording Secretary, Membership Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian will be open along with Directors whose regular terms expire in March 2019. The election will be held on Friday, March 8, 2019. To be a nominee, a prospective candidate must:

- Be a member in good standing as of February 2019
- Have been a member of the Lodge for at least two years and completed his probationary period
- Accept the nomination at the time it is presented at the February meeting. If he is unable to be present, he must have a representative deliver his written acceptance of the nomination at the meeting.
- Not be a purveyor to the Lodge
- Not work in a paid position for the Lodge or receive a salary or hourly wage from the Lodge, except for those positions on the Board that are salaried.

Those interested in being candidates for these positions should contact Jason Evitts jebenefits@hotmail.com or Chip Mazurek kelchipmaz@gmail.com. Those who accept nominations must submit a candidate's statement to Tony Povkovich, tjpovkovich@gmail.com, by **Wednesday, February 20, 2019** highlighting their history with the Lodge and why they wish to serve as a Roma Lodge Board member. These statements will be published in the March *Newsletter*.



Applications for Membership - to be voted on at the February 8, 2019 Membership Meeting:

Ervin Titzkowski, age 72 of Racine. Was born in Iola, Wisconsin and is employed as a tool and model maker at Andis Company. His proponent is Randy Evitts,

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019 INSTALLATION DINNER

CELEBRATE THE INSTALLATION OF BOARD MEMBERS FOR

ROMA LODGE AND VITTORIA COLONNA LODGE

And The INITIATION of NEW ROMA LODGE MEMBERS

5:00 P.M. COCKTAILS (Cash bar) 6:00 P.M. DINNER

ROMA LODGE MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2019

WHAT IS THE SCHOLARSHIP

Each year, Roma Lodge makes scholarships available to children of Roma Lodge members. The top-rated applicant will be awarded a \$4000 Scholarship, payable in \$1000 increments at the beginning of each of four academic years. A maximum of three one-time \$500 scholarships will be awarded to the second, third, and fourth place rated scholarship applicants. The scholarships can be applied to any course of study leading to a recognized baccalaureate degree at any accredited United States college or university of the recipient's choice.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

All graduating high school seniors, who are biological or adopted children of Roma Lodge members, are eligible to apply for the scholarship. An applicant's father must be a member in good standing as of January 31st of the calendar year that application for the scholarship is made. The recipient's father must continue to be a member in good standing for the duration of the scholarship academic year. Applicants must be planning to pursue a full-time program of study (12 credits or more) at a college or university in the United States. A recipient of a Roma Lodge Merit Scholarship will not be eligible to receive any other scholarships offered through Roma Lodge.

RUSSEL AND HELEN MISSURLI SCHOLARSHIP 2019

WHAT IS THE SCHOLARSHIP: The Russell and Helen Missureli Scholarship was created in 2010 to recognize the service they gave over many years to Roma Lodge, the church, and the community at large. The funds were donated by the family and friends of Russell and Helen Missureli on the occasion of Russell's ninetieth birthday. In addition to community service, scholastic achievement will also serve as the basis for selection of a recipient. The scholarship awards a one-time payment of \$1000 to a graduating high school senior who is the child of a Roma Lodge member. The scholarship can be applied to any course of study leading to a recognized associate or baccalaureate degree at any accredited United States college or university of the recipient's choice. The application, selection, and award process for the scholarship is administered by Roma Lodge.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE: All graduating high school seniors, who are biological or adopted children of Roma Lodge members, are eligible to apply for the scholarship. An applicant's father must be a member in good standing as of January 31st of the calendar year that application for the scholarship is made. The recipient's father must continue to be a member in good standing for the duration of the scholarship academic year. Applicants must be planning to pursue a part-time or full-time program of study at a college or university in the United States. The recipient of the Missureli Scholarship will not be eligible to receive any other scholarships offered through Roma Lodge.

Forms for each scholarship are available on Roma Lodge's webpage,
<https://www.romalodge.com/members/scholarships>
or by contacting Frank Bisotti at fbisotti@ameritech.net

Applications along with all supporting documentation must be received by
Friday, **March 22, 2019**. Mail or deliver the applications to:

Roma Lodge Scholarship Committee

Attn: Frank Bisotti, Chair

7130 Spring St

Racine, WI 53406



LOVE IS IN THE AIR



**Valentine's Day Weekend
In the Roma Lodge
Members' Dining Room**



**Friday, February 15th
&
Saturday, February 16th
5:00pm – 9:00pm**

Dinner Specials

Black Angus Filet Served w/Mushrooms ***** \$23.95

Orange Roughy ***** \$19.95

All dinners include **"The Full Salad Bar"**

Featured Bar Drinks

**"Feel the Love" Martini
"Sweet Nothings" Ice Cream Drink**



♥ *Happy Valentines Day* ♥

Reservations Recommended 262-886-8850



Winter Drinks Available in the Members Lounge

Hot Chocolate-----\$1.00

Spiked Hot Chocolate-----Rail \$3.00

-----Call \$4.00

(Rail Brandy, Whiskey, Vodka Etc)

(Call Brandy, Whiskey, Bourbon, Caramel Vodka Etc)

Poinsettia-----\$4.00

(Vodka, Cranberry Juice & Prosecco)

Caramel White Russian-----\$5.00

(White Russian made w/Caramel Vodka)

Rumchata White Russian-----\$5.00

(White Russian made w/Rumchata)

Successful First Roma Lodge Cribbage Tournament

Roma Lodge conducted its first single-person cribbage tournament on Saturday, January 26th. 24 players played 6 games against 6 different opponents.

JEFF CHIAPETE – 1st Place

TERRY KUEKER – 3rd Place

MATT BOWEN – 5th Place

JIM MAY – 2nd Place

NANCY LITRENTA – 4th Place

Thank you to Mark Mano and Pam Lopez for all their work organizing the tournament.

Thank you Frank Bisotti for volunteering as the bartender for the event.

If you missed out on the fun of the first cribbage tournament, don't miss the next two scheduled tournament dates! Saturday, February 23rd at Noon and Sunday, March 24th at 1:00pm. More information is available on the next page in the newsletter.





MORE

Roma Lodge



Cribbage Tournaments.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 23

Start time is 12 NOON

SUNDAY MARCH 24

START TIME IS 1PM

Registration 30 minutes prior to start

Cost \$10 per Person

Format: 6 games against 6 different individual opponents

Cost: \$10 per person.

CASH drawing at start of tournament!

You are also entitled to a drink up to \$3.00

The remaining paid out to the high score cards. In addition there will be two optional side pools \$5 and \$15

TOURNAMENTS OPEN TO MEMBERS, SPOUSES AND THEIR GUESTS

**To Sign Up call or text to Mark Mano 813 523-7052
or Dave Chiapete 262 939-5914. See Newsletter
for complete details and look for sign up sheets
at the lodge.**

Come have fun and enjoy the competition.



Members Lounge NCAA Tournament Hours

2nd Annual Roma Lodge NCAA Basketball Tournament Bracket Pool

Round One

Thursday, March 21st
Open @ 11:00am

Friday, March 22nd
Open @ 11:00am

Round Two

Saturday, March 23rd
Open @ 11:00am

Sunday, March 24th
Open @ 11:00am

Sweet 16

Thursday March 28th
Open @ 6:00pm

Friday March 29th
Open @ 5:00pm

Elite 8

Saturday, Mar 30th
Open @ 4:00pm

Sunday Mar 31st
Open @ 1:00pm

Final Four

Saturday, April 6th
Open @ 4:00pm

Championship Game

Monday, April 8th Open @ 6:00pm



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**10th ANNUAL ROMA LODGE WINTER BOCCE
24 TEAM TOURNAMENT
FIRST PLACE PRIZE OF \$1,000**

Come and join the day of fun planned for the Winter Bocce Tournament to be held

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2019

8:00 am – Check-in/Breakfast – 9:00 am - Play Begins

Entry Fee: \$175 per 5 Person Team; \$35 per person (including alternates)
Proceeds go towards the renovation of the Roma Lodge Bocce Courts

Fee includes:	8:00 am	Breakfast
		Krinkle, Donuts, Coffee, Juice,
	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch
		Pizza, Fried Meatballs, Soup
	3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Dinner
		Fettuccine, Meatballs, Italian Sausage, Salad, and Bread

Cash Bar

[Non-players may purchase a day's food ticket for \$25]

Projected Cash Prizes

(Based on 24 teams)

1 st	Place	\$1000
2 nd	Place	\$500
3 rd	Place	\$250

RULES AND REGULATIONS: Round Robin/Single Elimination Tournament

All Round Robin games will be 10-12 points. Single Elimination games will be played to 16 points.

ALL GAMES WILL BE PLAYED WITH ROMA LODGE BALLS ONLY!

Championship Game will be played on Court #1

This tournament will be limited to 24 teams and filled on a first come – first serve basis. Entries should be made early to ensure a place.

Come and join the fun filled day of bocce, food, drinks, and camaraderie at Roma Lodge

Dave Chiapete (262) 939-5914 Tony Povkovich (262) 880-5945

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, March 5, 2019
 Wednesday, March 6, 2019
 Friday, March 8, 2019
 Saturday, March 9, 2019
 Sunday, March 10, 2019
 Sunday, March 17, 2019
 Wednesday, March 20, 2019
 Friday, March 22, 2019
 Sunday, March 24, 2019

Board of Directors Meeting
 Ash Wednesday
 Membership Meeting/ Election of Officers
 Winter Invitational Bocce Tournament
 Daylight Savings Time Begins
 Installation Dinner
 First Day of Spring
 Scholarship Application Deadline
 Children's Bocce Banquet

Free Estimates



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Games Start at 6:30 pm

Deadline for information for March 2019 Newsletter is February 20, 2019. Comments and suggestions and articles of interest to our members are welcome at tjpovkovich@gmail.com.

Tony Povkovich

Tony Povkovich, Roma Lodge Secretary

PLEASE SEE NEXT PAGE FOR FULL 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



ROMA LODGE CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019

January

- 1 New Year's Day
- 8 Board of Directors Meeting
- 11 Membership Meeting
- 21 Martin Luther King Federal Holiday
- 26 Cribbage Tournament in Members Lounge

February

- 3 Super Bowl Party
- 5 Board of Directors Meeting
- 8 Membership Meeting/Nomination of Officers
- 10 Children's Bocce Begins
- 18 President's Day Federal Holiday

March

- 5 Board of Directors Meeting
- 6 Ash Wednesday
- 8 Membership Meeting/Election of Officers
- 9 Winter Invitational Bocce Tournament
- 10 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 17 Installation Dinner
- 20 First Day of Spring
- 22 Scholarship Application Deadline
- 24 Children's Bocce Banquet

April

- 2 Wisconsin Spring General Election
- 9 Board of Directors Meeting
- 12 Membership Meeting
- 21 Easter Sunday

May

- 7 \$10,000 Raffle and Dinner
- 7 Board of Directors Meeting
- 10 Scholarship Recipients Announced
- 12 Mother's Day Brunch (RIWA)
- 13 Men's Golf League Begins
- 14 Roma Lodge President's Dinner
- 27 Memorial Day
- TBD Membership Meeting

June

- 8 Coffee and Cars
- 11 Board of Directors Meeting
- 14 Social Meeting and Early Bird Drawing
- 14 Flag Day
- 16 Father's Day
- 21 First Day of Summer

July

- 4 Independence Day
- 9 Board of Directors Meeting
- 12 Membership Meeting
- 13 Coffee and Cars
- 16 Roma Lodge Festival \$10,000 Raffle and Dinner
- 26 Roma Lodge Italian Festival
- 27 Roma Lodge Italian Festival
- 28 Roma Lodge Italian Festival

August

- 6 Board of Directors Meeting
- 9 Membership Meeting
- 10 Coffee and Cars
- 11 Roma Lodge Invitational Bocce Tournament
- 12 Fall Men's Bocce Organizational Meeting
- 18 Roma Lodge Golf Outing
- 25 Roma Lodge Family Picnic
- TBA Packers Gold Package Game

September

- 2 Labor Day
- 10 Board of Directors Meeting
- 13 Membership Meeting
- 14 Coffee and Cars
- 22 First Day of Autumn

October

- 8 Board of Directors Meeting
- 11 Social Meeting and Festival Report
- 12 Columbus Day Banquet
- 14 Columbus Day Federal Holiday
- TBD Halloween "Trunk or Treat"
- TBD Packers Gold Package Game

November

- 3 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 5 Board of Directors Meeting
- 8 Membership Meeting
- 9 San Martino 6th Annual Wine Tasting Event
- 11 Veterans Day
- 12 \$10,000 Raffle and Dinner
- 28 Thanksgiving
- 30 Holiday Lighting and Special Buffet
- TBD Packers Gold Package Game

December

- 8 Children's Christmas Party
- 10 Board of Directors Meeting
- 13 Membership Meeting
- 14 Members Christmas Party
- 21 First Day of Winter
- 25 Christmas Day
- 31 New Year's Eve Party