

# ROMA LODGE NEWSLETTER



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## January 2019 Issue      MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Roma Lodge Members:

On behalf of the Roma Lodge Board of Directors and myself, we wish everyone a Happy New Year! We are going to work as hard as possible to make 2019 one of the best years in the history of Roma Lodge for our members and our club. Many new events were added over the past few years, and even more are yet to come in 2019!

The next Roma Lodge members' meeting is Friday, January 11, 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.

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 proved to be extremely popular, so Saturday evening, January 26, 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 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 January, our tender Rib Eye served with mushrooms or onion rings will 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 only \$9.95 and all meals come with soup, salad, and choice of potato or pasta.

Just a reminder, the Wednesday night buffet has been permanently reduced to \$7.95 for seniors 55+ (\$8.95 regular). We will continue to feature a different entrée each and every Wednesday in addition to the regular buffet.

On Saturday, January 26, 2019, “We are bringing tournament cribbage to Roma Lodge”. You do not have to be a pro cribbage player to participate, it’s all in fun. Open to all members and their guests. More details and how to register are in this newsletter!

February 3 is Super Bowl Sunday. I truly believe that Roma Lodge puts on one of the best parties in the state, if not the country! Beer, nachos, popcorn, bombers, and pizza are all included for just \$10. The raffle prizes are out of this world not to mention all the strip cards available for you to have a chance to win a few dollars. This is a party that you don’t want to miss! Details are also 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.

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.

Felice Anno Nuovo!  
(Happy New Year!)

*Dave Chiapete*  
*President*

#### JANUARY 2019 EVENTS

Tuesday, January 1, 2019  
Tuesday, January 8, 2019  
Friday, January 11, 2019  
Monday, January 21, 2019  
Saturday, January 26, 2019

New Year’s Day  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Membership Meeting  
Martin Luther King Federal Holiday  
Cribbage Tournament in Members Lounge



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 January Bingo Captain is Dennis Porcaro.



### **Funeral Service Calling Tree Schedule**

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

**Macara, Roland – Oswald, James**

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.

### ***Racine County Food Bank Donation Barrel***

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Racine County Food Bank donation barrels. Your generosity has provided much needed food to those in need in our community.

### ***Buon Compleanno e Tanti Auguri***

### ***Happy Birthday to our Roma Lodge Brothers Born in January***

#### ***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.*

<b>Jan 1</b> Randy Adamowicz Joseph Bado Eugene Presta William D Chiapete Robert DiPasquale Steve Fredriksson Jim DeMatthew Frank Matrise Jr Joe Cicero	<b>Jan 6</b> David Arval Tim Monfeli <b>Jan 7</b> Don Andreoli Emilio Infusino <b>Jan 8</b> Jack Martini Ken Hotchkiss	<b>Jan 18</b> Matt Montemurro <b>Jan 19</b> Carmelo Bruno Tim Vite <b>Jan 20</b> Donald Vena Michael Fumo <b>Jan 22</b> Michael Peratt <b>Jan 23</b> Angelo Casciaro <b>Jan 24</b> Buddy Alfano James Carravetta
<b>Jan 2</b> Richard Nygro	<b>Jan 11</b> Frank Mazzie Jr <b>Jan 12</b> Keith Redell <b>Jan 12</b> Jeff Rossi <b>Jan 14</b> Jerome Miller Ed Goebel	<b>Jan 27</b> Anthony LeRose <b>Jan 28</b> Roger DeRose Pat Diem
<b>Jan 4</b> Gary Lipor	<b>Jan 17</b> Antonio Rossi	<b>Jan 29</b> Vincent Caira Sr. <b>Jan 30</b> Mike Bishop
	<b>Jan 18</b> Bill Nurmi	

List compiled from the Roma Lodge Membership Files. Contact Doug Goebel, [dggoebel@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:dggoebel@yahoo.com) and on-line at [http://members.romalodge.com/membership\\_information.html](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 SUPER BOWL LIII PARTY  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2019  
DOORS OPEN AT 3:30 PM – KICKOFF APROX. 5:30 PM**

**PARTY INCLUDES RAFFLES WITH DOZENS OF DOOR PRIZES, SIGNED PACKER MEMORABILIA, 4K TV, AND OTHER HUGE PRIZES... PLUS ALL THE GAMBLING YOU CAN THINK OF!**

**OPEN TO MEMBERS AND GUESTS (1 MEMBER – 11 GUESTS)  
TICKETS ARE \$10.00 PER PERSON**

**INCLUDES ALL YOU CAN DRINK BEER AND SODA,  
ALL YOU CAN EAT PIZZA, NACHOS BAR, CHILI, SAUSAGE BOMBERS AND MORE!  
GAME BROADCAST IN HD AND SURROUND SOUND ON THREE 10 FOOT SCREENS**

**TABLE RESERVATIONS ARE *STRONGLY* ADVISED.  
VERY LIMITED SEATING/VIEWING CHOICES WITHOUT RESERVATIONS.  
PLEASE CALL OR TEXT FRANK CARUSO (262) 914-1026 OR DAVE CHIAPETE (262) 939-5914  
ALL ENTRANCE TICKETS WILL BE PAID FOR AT THE DOOR.**

**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>.

**Thank You Christmas Party Committees!**

**Thank you to Tony and Sarah Povkovich and Dennis Porcaro for organizing the Children's Christmas Party on December 9<sup>th</sup>, and thank you to Pat and Katie Johnson, Jason Evitts, and Brooke Smith for organizing the Members Christmas Party on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Both parties were a great time had by all!**



**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](mailto:jebenefits@hotmail.com) or Chip Mazurek [kelchipmaz@gmail.com](mailto:kelchipmaz@gmail.com). Those who accept nominations must submit a candidate's statement to Tony Povkovich, [tjpovkovich@gmail.com](mailto: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*.





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

Congratulations to these members who completed their probation period and are eligible to be initiated at the March 2018 Installation Dinner

Scott Lippold, age 37 of Racine – Proponent: Al Kosterman

Chris Kosterman of Racine – Proponent: Al Kosterman



### **Applications for Membership - to be voted on at the February 12, 2019 Membership**

#### **Meeting**

Ervin Titzkowski, age 72, of Racine, born in Iola, Wisconsin, employed as a tool and model maker by Andis Company; married (Jayne Pettavino) with three children. Proponent is Randy Evitts

## **Members Christmas Party 2018**

### **Thank you to everyone who attended!**



# Merry Christmas

## Roma Lodge's Annual Children's Christmas Party

Over 130 adults and 120 children attended Roma Lodge's Annual Children's Christmas Party on Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. The children watched a magic show, enjoyed having their faces painted, got a temporary Christmas tattoo, built an ornament, wrote a letter to Santa, decorated a Christmas cookie, and got a picture taken with the Jolly Old Elf himself! This event would not be possible without all the wonderful volunteers who helped stuff the stockings the day prior, and run all the stations the day of the event. Special thank you to Frank Mazzie for donating the coloring books and Golden Books for the Stockings



Pictures with Santa



Balloon Animal Fun



Tattoo and Face Painting fun!



Decorate a cookie for Santa!



# Winter Drink Menu

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*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)

*Winter Blues*-----\$5.00

(Rumchata & Caramel Vodka w/Blue Curacao)

*Dirty Snowman*-----\$5.00

(Bailey's, Hot Chocolate & Ice Cream)

*Pecan Pie Martini*-----\$5.00

(Blend of Bourbon, Rumchata, & Crème de Cocoa)



## **We are bringing tournament cribbage to the Roma Lodge.**



**Saturday 26 January 2019 in the Members lounge  
Start time is 12 noon.**

Event will run through 2PM. Registration is from 11AM  
to 11:45. Orientation from 11:45 to noon

Format: 6 games against 6 different individual opponents

**Cost: \$10 per person. \$1 of that sum will go to a drawing to  
be held at noon. You are also entitled to a drink up to \$3.00  
The remaining entry fee is paid out to the high score cards.  
In addition there will be two optional side pools \$5 and \$15**

### **Some helpful hints to playing**

1. A game should be played within 20 minutes
2. Scorecards will be provided. A win is 2 points, a skunk is 3 points and a loss counts 0. Spread points are important and will be recorded. There are no double skunks
3. First deal is determined by cutting of the deck. Low card deals first. Thereafter each time a player is about to deal his opponent will cut the cards after they have been shuffled. A normal shuffle is 3 to 4 times After the hands have been dealt the remaining cards are placed on the dealers side of the board not on top of the board
4. During play all cards remain face up even after a Go has been called
5. Mistakenly picking up your front peg to peg a score constitutes that peg becoming your back peg.
6. Always peg out to hole 121
7. Should any disputes arise or rulings be needed a judge with a rule book will be on hand

**The tournament is open to members and their guests. We would  
appreciate a call or text to Mark Mano 813 523-7052 or Dave Chiapete  
262 939-5914 so we have enough boards and playing cards.**

This is about having fun and yet enjoying some competition. There  
are lots of ways to play cribbage and that is why we are using the  
format indicated. It will help to ensure that happens,

**Come join us!**



## UPCOMING 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

<p>Free Estimates</p>  <p>Attilio J. Cicchini Vice President</p> <p>4700 - 52nd Avenue Kenosha, WI 53144</p> <p>Phone (262) 654-1929              Fax (262) 654-8002              e-mail: jimcicchini@wi.rr.com</p>	 <p><b>ROMA LODGE</b>  <b>Racine's Most Prestigious Banquet Facility</b>  <b>Receptions, Meetings, Parties</b>  <b>262-886-6286</b></p>
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**Deadline for information for February 2018 Newsletter is January 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

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 Ash Wednesday
- 6 Board of Directors Meeting
- 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