Agosto Roma Lodge Newsletter

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Message from the President

Roma Lodge Brothers:

The 46th Annual Roma Lodge Italian Festival has come to a close. After a year of thorough planning and preparation, the event passed quickly. Special thanks go to Pat Diem and his committee for their unwavering dedication and hard work in ensuring the festival's success. Pat's commitment to the club—as Treasurer, Festival Chair, Investment Committee Chair, and in many other roles—cannot be overstated.

We also extend our appreciation to the Vittoria Colonna officers and members for their contributions, as well as to the outside organizations that supported the festival.

This past month, we lost several long-time members. Our heartfelt condolences go out to the families of Joseph Cuccio Jr., Dr. Mark DeCheck, and Anthony Ferraro. A service to celebrate Anthony's life will be held at Draeger-Langendorf Funeral Home on Friday, August 1st, with the Roma Lodge Service at 6:00 PM. Please attend if you are able.

The members restaurant is open on Wednesday evenings for the buffet, and Friday and Saturday nights with a full menu and new specials each weekend. For groups of six or more on Fridays and Saturdays, we request that you no longer request separate checks; a 19% gratuity will be added to these bills. Please check your emails weekly for the Wednesday buffet menu and weekend specials.

Reservations are encouraged to help us plan staffing and food preparation. The reservation line is 262-886-8850.

Wednesday buffet pricing:

- \$14.00 for adults
- \$13.00 for seniors 55 and older
- \$8.00 for children

Volunteers for the Wednesday buffet are always welcome—please reach out if you are interested.

BINGO! attendance remains excellent, with many new participants joining Roma Lodge BINGO!. This important club function relies on numerous volunteers. If you can help, please contact Dennis Porcaro or Mike Peratt.

Roma Lodge continues to be a cornerstone of the community, thanks to the enthusiasm and dedication of our members.
Whether through volunteering, participating in events, or simply

fostering our camaraderie, each member contributes to our ongoing legacy.

If you would like to get more involved, consider joining one of our many committees or helping to organize and run social events throughout the year. For social events, contact Dave or Bri Silvani. In cooperation with the Vittoria Colonna, we have formed a joint social committee.

For any area of interest, you may contact me or any of our board members. Member involvement and participation remain key to our continued success.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 5th, at 6:30 PM. The next Roma Lodge Membership meeting will be held on Friday, August 8th, at 7:00 PM.

All members are welcome at the board meeting. If you wish to speak, please request permission ahead of time by contacting me. Thank you to all our members and families, it is because of you that I decided to serve our great lodge,

Jon Morelli

President

46 Years of Festa

A Celebration of Heritage and Community

Roma Lodge members, families, and guests came together July 25th, 26th, and 27th to celebrate one of our community's most cherished traditions. Now that the festival and clean-up are behind us, we wanted to share a glimpse of the photos and memories captured over the weekend. From laughter-filled tables to packed tents at sunset, these moments reflect the heart of who we are and what we hope to share with our members and the community.





Shown above is a photo of six (6) past presidents and our current president of Roma Lodge. Names from Left to Right: Frank Bisotti (2021-2024), John Lapetina (1971-1972), Rick Bonanno (2013-2016), Don Cicero (2005-2008), Pete Ciaramita (1999-2000), Jon Morelli (2025-Current), David Chiapete (2017-2020).



Committee Roster

Pat Diem
Bob Basil
Adam Britten
Joe DeMatthew
Jason Evitts
Tom Garbo
Bill Gullo
Jon Morelli
Dennis Porcaro
Ken Scolaro

Raffle Ticket Sales Rick Tringali



Pat Diem Chair Festival Committee

Behind every great festival is a team of dedicated individuals who give their time, talents, and energy to make it all possible. The Roma Lodge Festival Committee works throughout the year planning every detail, from entertainment and food vendors to signage, parking, and logistics. Their behind-the-scenes efforts ensure that the traditions we cherish continue to be shared with our families, friends, and the wider community.

Under the leadership of Chair Pat Diem, the committee puts in countless hours to create a festival that is seamless, welcoming, and true to our heritage. A special thank-you goes to Rick Tringali and his family for their continued dedication to managing raffle ticket sales each year. Their commitment plays a vital role in the festival's success and fundraising impact. We are deeply grateful to the entire committee and volunteers who help bring this celebration to life for thousands of guests.

Faces of The Festival



Moments of joy, tradition and community throughout the weekend.





Here are some of the Vittoria Colonna members who help make the bakery a success each year.

Thank you for being a part of the festival, for the cannoli, the cream puffs, and the cherished traditions you continue to share.



Freshly filled and festival famous, these cream puffs are a crowd favorite year after year. Thanks to the hard work and care of the Vittoria Colonna members, the bakery continues to deliver the classic flavors everyone looks forward to.



Meet the Tringali family. Rick leads the way on raffle ticket sales each year, with his family by his side helping make it all possible.



From the grills to the grounds, dedicated hands keep the festival running and spirits high. Whether serving food or shaping tradition, their pride in Roma Lodge shines through every smile.



"Tradition You Can Taste - Memories You Can Share"

Faces of The Festival

Moments of joy, tradition and community throughout the weekend.



Smiles, sunshine, and good company make for a perfect afternoon at the festival, where every table is filled with laughter and the spirit of community shines as brightly as the summer sky.



One happy attendee laughs with family and friends while enjoying the live music from the band.



Dancing, laughter, and a moment shared across generations capture the true spirit of the festival.



As the sun began to set on the first night, the next band lined up to play while the crowd settled in for an evening filled with music, food, and celebration.



AUGUST MEMBERSHIP MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The next Membership meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 8th at 7pm.



August 8

Jeffrey Chiapete

August 12 Nicholas Rossi

DOORS OPEN – 4:00 PM FOOD SERVICE – 4:45 PM BINGO! START – 6:00 PM



If you would like to volunteer your time, please contact one of the following:

Jon Morelli: 262-994-2861 – roma.secretary.jam@gmail.com
Dennis Porcaro: 262-884-9121 – apprlservices@netscape.net

At the right is a table of BINGO! Captains for 2025. We need people interested in being captains to volunteer. The empty months in the table need captains.

Each captain is required to secure volunteers to sell cards on the floor.

In addition to captains, we need volunteers to step up to learn the role of selling game cards (this job requires you to be at BINGO! from $4:00\ PM-6:00\ PM$ at a minimum). We can also use others to learn the other jobs of BINGO!.

Please consider giving your time on a Thursday afternoon and/or evening. BINGO! is an important source of income for Roma Lodge.

| BINGO C | CAPTIANS |
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| JANUARY | Ed Morelli |
| FEBRUARY | Ken Scolaro |
| MARCH | Don Vena |
| APRIL | Jason Evitts |
| MAY | |
| JUNE | Rich Nygro |
| JULY | 9801- |
| AUGUST | |
| SEPTEMBER | Jon Morelli |
| OCTOBER | |
| NOVEMBER | Frank Bisotti |
| DECEMBER | Jon Morelli |

Buon Compleanno e Tanti Auguri! Happy Birthday to our Roma Lodge Brothers Born in August

| August I | Cesare Bosco | August 14 | Barry Fries | August 23 | Daniel Marani |
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| | Mark Osmundsen | August 15 | Jeffrey Drettwan | August 24 | Daniel DeMatthew |
| August 2 | David Buhler | August 16 | Thomas Lorenzini | August 25 | Nicholas Bilello |
| _ | William Greco | August 17 | Louis Ferraro | August 26 | Frank Bisotti, Jr |
| | Dale Landree | _ | Josh Kosmala | August 3 I | John Gehring |
| | Dennis Porcaro | | Steve Rawlinko | _ | |
| August 4 | Derek Anzalone | August 20 | Vince Morelli | | |

August 21

August 22

List compiled from the Roma Lodge Membership Files. Contact Pat Tierney, <u>teamtierney@sbcglobal.net</u> if corrections are needed.

Ryan Burch

Anthony Porcaro



Funeral Service Representation – July through September

Lodge members whose names are within the range **Kroes, Michael – Piraino, Damiano** are expected to attend deceased members' funeral services, to represent the Lodge, during the calendar quarter listed above..

You are not required to attend every funeral; however, you are encouraged to attend at least one, if the occasion arises, during the quarter. All Roma Lodge members are encouraged to attend the funeral services of their deceased brothers. A special Roma Lodge sign-in book will be on hand at the service for members to log their attendance.



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, is hospitalized or ill at home, contact Steve Rawlinko, srawlinko@wi.rr.com or by phone at (262) 308-7997.

ROMA LODGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WEEKEND DUTY SCHEDULE

| August 2025 | | | | | | | |
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| Friday Saturday | | | | | | | |
| 1st | Mike Garbo | 2nd | Mike Garbo | | | | |
| 8th | Pat Tierney | 9th | Pat Tierney | | | | |
| 15th | Pat Diem | 16th | Pat Diem | | | | |
| 22nd | Carmelo Bruno | 23rd | Carmelo Bruno | | | | |
| 29th | Jon Morelli | 30th | Jon Morelli | | | | |



Bocce Schedules

To view Bocce Schedules, click the following link:

https://www.romalodge.com/members/league-schedulesroster-sheetbocce-rules

*** ROMA LODGE GOLF OUTING CANCELLED***

Due to the lack of a member-captain for this event, the Roma Lodge Golf Outing, originally schedule for August 17th, has been <u>CANCELLED</u>.

AUGUST 2025 EVENTS

Tuesday, August 5 Board of Directors Meeting - 6:30pm

Friday, August 8 Membership Meeting – 7:00pm

Sunday, August 10 Summer Bocce Tournament – 8:00am

Sunday, August 17 (CANCELLED) Roma Lodge Golf Outing - Ives Grove GC

SEPTEMBER 2025 EVENTS

Monday, September I Labor Day

Tuesday, September 9 Board of Directors Meeting - 6:30pm

Friday, September 12 Members Meeting - 7:00pm

Saturday, September 13 Vittoria Colonna 100 Year Anniversary Celebration

2025 ROMA LODGE SOCIAL EVENTS

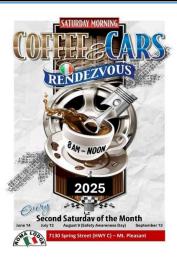
Saturday, October 11 Columbus Day Celebration and Wine Tasting

Sunday, December 7 Kids Christmas Party
Saturday, December 13 Members Christmas Party

The July 12th "Coffee & Cars" featured 70 cars on display!



<u>BEST IN SHOW</u> Mark Kluender's '56 Chevy Bel Air



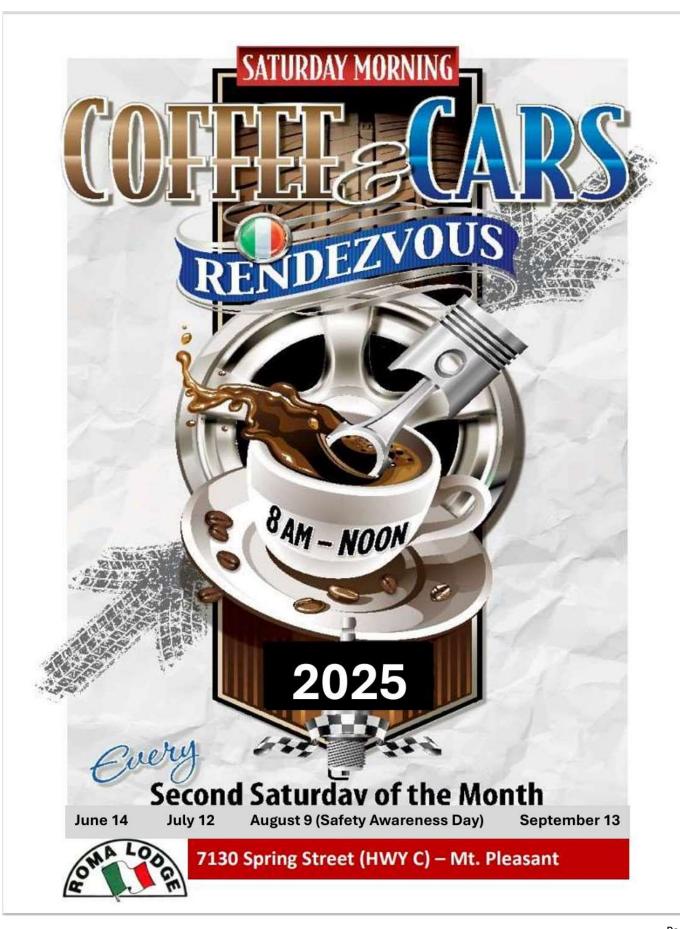


Joe Nemec's Olds 442





A couple of DeSotos





You And A Guest Are Cordially Invited To The

VITTORIA COLONNA LODGE

100TH Anniversary Celebration Saturday, September 13, 2025

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at 5 PM with a complimentary glass of wine

Welcome at 5:45 PM

Dinner at 6 PM Choice of Chicken Florentine (C) or 6 oz. Filet (F)

Program at 7:15 PM

Cost is \$50 per person. **Reservations are required by August 15.**Check payable to Vittoria Colonna Lodge.

Starting at 8 PM, Aaron Caruso will entertain us with favorite Italian songs

| Members may pay at any meeting prior to August 15, or mail check and reservation f /icki Christensen, 5919 Marnie Ct. Racine WI 53403. For questions call 262-880-2174. | orm | ı to | |
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Vittoria Colonna Lodge

100TH Anniversary Celebration Saturday – September 13, 2025 Cent'Anni di Sorella Form "100 Years of Sisters"

June 15, 2025

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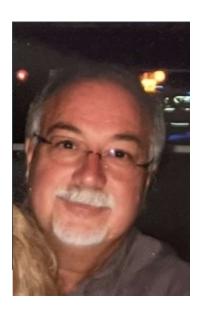
(Dear Sisters of the Vittoria Colonna Lodge and Brothers of Roma Lodge)

As part of our 100th Anniversary program booklet, we will include a special tribute section where you may honor a current member or remember one of our dearly departed sisters. **Each name tribute is \$25.00.**

If you would like to share in this centennial tribute, kindly provide the details below:

| In Honor of: (Current Members) | |
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| In Memory of: (Deceased Members) | |
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| Submission Deadline: Friday - August 15, 2025. | man reason and so res |
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Obituaries



Joseph C Cuccio Jr December 16, 1952 - July 4, 2025

Joe passed away on July 4th surrounded by his loving family.

Family meant everything to Joe. He was a devoted husband, dad, and grandpa. He loved spending time at the family lake home, golfing, fishing, going up north, and spending cold winter months in Florida.

A natural handyman with an artist's eye, Joe could build just about anything. He was creative and a perfectionist in his remodeling projects. He was equally devoted in his relationships and had a wide circle of friends. Joe didn't just bring people together; he kept them close.

Joe was the eldest son of Joseph Cuccio Sr. and Kathy Cuccio. He is survived by

his beloved wife, Mary Ann; his daughters and sons-in-law, Nicole Hauch (Brett) and Lauren Konicek (Chris); and his cherished grandsons, Jack and Nolan Hauch, and Charlie and Eli Konicek. He had a close and loving relationship with his sisters, Joleen Carlson (Jim) and Joan Watson (Kevin); his dear Aunt Marge Cuccio; his in-laws, Diane, Nancy, Steve, Barb, and Jeff; his nieces and nephews, Courtney, Jessica, Jaclyn, Michael, Randy, and Heidi; as well as friends, who were like family to him.

A Celebration of Life honoring Joe was held on Friday, July 25, 2025, at the Polish Center of Wisconsin located in Franklin, WI. Visitation took place from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., followed by a service from 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that contributions be made in Joe's memory to Cardiac Amyloid Research. To donate, please visit: www.mayoclinic.org/giving-to-mayo-clinic.

Obituaries (Continued)



Mark Edward DeCheck December 19, 1956 - July 11, 2025

Mark Edward DeCheck, age 68, passed away Friday, July 11, 2025, at his residence. He was born in Racine, WI, December 19, 1956, the fourth of six children of the late Michael and Elaine (Nee: Kaskubar) DeCheck.

Mark graduated from Wm Horlick High School "Class of 1975" and completed his undergraduate studies at UW Parkside. He went on to earn his Doctor of Medicine degree from UW Madison School of Medicine and completed his residency at St. Catherine's Hospital in Kenosha. It was at St. Catherine's Hospital that he met Carole Paskiewicz and they were united in marriage at Mount Carmel Catholic Church, March 28, 1987. In 1988, Dr. Mark opened his family practice office in Racine and continued till 2023. He was a member and past president of the Racine County Medical Society and had served on the boards of the Caledonia Health Department and Hospice Alliance.

He will be remembered as a kind, compassionate physician who was happy to do home visits. Mark was an avid gardener – an interest instilled in him as a young boy by helping his Italian grandparents with their garden. He was always happy to give a tour and share his produce with family and friends. Above all he treasured the time spent with his family. He will be dearly missed.

Surviving are his wife of 38 years, Carole; children, Dr. Natalie (Nick) Wietfeldt, Andrew (Jane) DeCheck, Madeline DeCheck; 2 grandchildren, Adeline Wietfeldt and Adrian DeCheck; siblings, William DeCheck (Vicky), Patricia (Keith) Roberson, Joseph (Paula) DeCheck, Laura (Slawek Bala) DeCheck; in-laws, Linda Schuler, Gary (Susan) Paskiewicz, Ben Fapso, Tina (Jeff) Moore; aunt and uncle, Ron and Mary Carls; many nieces, nephews, other relatives, dear friends and patients. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by an infant sister, MaryJo; brother-in-law, James Paskiewicz and sisters-in-law, Laurie Fapso and Amy Paskiewicz.

Relatives and friends were invited to meet the family at Maresh-Meredith Funeral Home on Sunday, July 20, 2025, from 2-5 pm. Private services were to be held with interment at Holy Cross Cemetery in Caledonia WI.

In lieu of flowers memorials to one's favorite charity have been suggested.

Obituaries (Continued)



Anthony Samuel Ferraro August 18, 1936 - July 21, 2025

Anthony "Tony" Samuel Ferraro, age 88, passed away at home, surrounded by the love of his wife and children, on early Monday, July 21, 2025.

Tony was born in Racine, WI on August 18, 1936 to Joseph and Carmela "Minnie" (nee: Schifano) Ferraro, who both emigrated from Sicily. He was a first generation American with a proud Sicilian heritage and three older brothers. He graduated from William Horlick High School in 1954, where he served as Class President, quarterback of the football team, star guard of the basketball team and a founding member of the first Horlick baseball team. An impressive student, Tony was awarded an academic scholarship to Northwestern University, graduating in 1959 with a civil engineering degree. He was also a fraternity brother with Delta Epsilon and served in the U.S Army Reserves from 1960-1968.

While at Horlick, he met his high school sweetheart, Jeanne E. (nee: Lentz). It was love after the first dance and a long walk home. Tony and Jeanne were united in marriage on July 1, 1961 at St. John Nepomuk Catholic Church and have been dancing together ever since.

One of Tony's first work experiences was as the assistant commissioner for the Racine Parks & Recreation Department. His legacy can be seen in the design of the Zoo Park Fountain and a number of city parks. Tony then worked at the Milwaukee Gas Company prior to working for SC Johnson for over 30 years. His career there brought the Ferraros to live in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in the early 1980s and Yokohama, Japan in the late 1990s, retiring in the year 2000. During retirement, Tony remained busy volunteering as a tutor with Racine Literacy Council, Taylor Boys' Home, John the 23rd Center at St. Patrick's Church, and teaching math programs in prison ministry. Among his interests, Tony was

an avid tennis player, frustrated golfer (like most) with one hole-in-one at Meadowbrook Country Club, a downhill & cross-country skier until he was 80 and a world traveler with his beautiful wife, Jeanne, having been fortunate enough to visit all 7 continents. Above all, Tony was about God and family.

Tony was a former member of St. Rita Catholic Church and St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church. In recent years, he was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and often attended Grace Church with his wife. His Sicilian roots led him to be a longtime member of Roma Lodge where he volunteered at festivals and loved to eat pasta and meatballs. Living right off the 9th hole, Tony and Jeanne were dedicated members of Meadowbrook Country Club becoming Honorary Members in the last couple of years.

Surviving are his loving wife of 64 years, Jeanne; their children, Joe (Mary) Ferraro, Terri (Chris) Hytinen and Gina (Kevin) Sopa; cherished grandchildren, Alec (Katrin) & Angelo Ferraro; Sam, Carly & Lindsey Hytinen; Vince & Joey Nygro; dear great-granddaughter, Aurora Ferraro; sisters-in-law, Helen Ferraro and Robin Lentz; lifelong best friends, Gar Alperovitz and Bill Chiapete; and many nieces, nephews, other relatives & friends.

In addition to his parents, Tony was preceded in death by his son-in-law, Chris Nygro; brothers, Frank (Mary) Ferraro, Lou (Pat) Ferraro and Ralph Ferraro; Jeanne's parents, George "Cappy" and Agnes (nee: Mikulanec) Lentz, Tony's mother-in-law who passed on the same date in 1983; brother-in-law, Bob Lentz and many beloved relatives and friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday, August 2, 2025 at 10:30 am in St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1533 Erie Street, with friend Rev. Steve K. Varghese officiating. A Celebration of Life will follow. Visitation will be at Draeger-Langendorf Funeral Home on Friday, August 1st, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm (Roma Lodge service at 6:00 pm) and at St. Joseph Church on Saturday from 9:00 -10:30 am. Private Entombment will take place in the St. Michael Mausoleum of Holy Cross Cemetery, Hwy 32. In memory of Tony, memorials to Racine Friendship Clubhouse have been suggested.

A heartfelt note of thanks to all of Tony's health professionals and caregivers for the compassionate attention given to him through his long journey home. Also, many thanks to their wonderful neighbors and the incredibly kind and generous staff & friends at Meadowbrook Country Club for their continued support over the years.

Roma Lodge Patio Brick Program

Become a permanent fixture at Roma Lodge!!

Consider the Roma Lodge Patio Brick Program

Some ideas are:

- ➤ Your name and when you joined Roma Lodge.
- For deceased family members when they were members.
- > In memory of a loved one.
- > All Family members' names.
- Imagine a brick and add it to the patio.

If interested, please fill out the order form on the next page and return to Dennis Porcaro. You can also order by scanning the QR code below or going to https://roma-lodge.square.site

Orders taken will be completed and installed as time and conditions permit.



4" x 8" Brick \$75.00



12" x 12" Brick \$200.00

Roma Lodge Patio Brick Program

Bricks are available to members of both Roma Lodge and Vittoria Colonna.

Each brick serves as a testimony of your support and commitment to a lasting memorial to family and friends for generations to come

BRICK OPTIONS

4" x 8" brick consisting of three lines of type, 12 characters per line is \$75.00. 12" x 12" brick consisting of six lines of type, 15 characters per line is \$200.00. Check must accompany your order

To purchase a brick please contact:

Dennis Porcaro

Phone (262) 884-9121 Email - apprlservices@netscape.net

4" by 8" Brick

NOTE: Spaces count as letters.

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BRICKS WILL BE INSTALLED AS TIME AND CONDITIONS PERMIT

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SUMMER BOCCE Journament

\$300

SUNDAY AUG 10TH

4 PERSON TEAM
*ABOITIONAL PLAYERS \$75 EACH

9:00 AM PLAY BEGINS

8:00 AM Roma Famous Fried Dough and Coffee

**Cash Bar & Food available for purchase made to order all day **

** Free Nacho bar for players at noon**

*\$15 voucher to each player good for food and/or bar**

CHECKS MADE OUT TO - ROMA LODGE BOCCE TOURNAMENT
or use QR CODE above

RULES AND REGULATIONS

ROUND ROBIN / SINGLE ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT

CAN USE OWN BALLS IF 107 MM 920 GRAM BOCCE BALLS ROMA LODGE HOUSE BALLS

AVAILABLE FOR USE AS WELL

EMAIL - ROMABOYZBOCCE@GMAIL.COM

Dave Silvani 262-321-1604, Dave Chiapete 262-939-5914,

or Derek Anzalone 262-308-7557



Sports Show At Roma Lodge

The Wisconsin Sports Collectors Association (WSCA) is having another SPORTS SHOW at ROMA LODGE on Sunday, August 24th from 9am to 2pm (I feel that it's MOST exciting in the first 3 hours – but you decide). Founded back in 1975, the shows have grown from dozens to nearly 400 people at each of these events. Our shows feature generations of our families actively participating. Each show consist of over 60 dealer tables with vendors from numerous states. Memorabilia includes sports cards, autographs, bobble heads, NASCAR, other non-sports fun and so much more. We feature an entertaining auction running simultaneously around 9:45am until 11:30am with a large variety of items. Every show brings different surprises! There may be "signing" guests at some of our shows as well. Please pass along the word to friends and family. And if YOU have a few items (up to 8 "lots") come early and ask me or MIKE if you could submit them into the auction (15% commission to charity) – and walk away with money. Honestly. What are they doing stuffed away in boxes? Bring them – sell them – make a collector happy (it's either that or your kids might sell them for a DOLLAR at their Rummage Sale)!!

WSCA has fostered a great niche in the sports collecting business by combining our shows with charitable giving. As a "nonprofit organization" our profits go to various charities including, but not limited to the MDA, Lighthouse Youth Center of Milwaukee, Children's Hospital, Special Olympics, Autism Society, Juvenile Diabetes, Veterans Charities and many others. We have led local assistance events for families by providing Thanksgiving dinners, back-to-school supplies and Christmas presents.

I have volunteered with the Wisconsin Sports Collectors Association since the 1980s (nearly 35 years) and I'm thrilled to bring the WSCA to Roma Lodge every other month. My specialty has been procuring the items for the auction as well as running the auction at each event. Another Roma Lodge Member, John Gehring, has also been a part of WSCA for many years – both as a dealer and a guest.

This is a "FAMILY" Event and we encourage all of the Roma Lodge members to bring their families - their children and/or their grandchildren - as they build their own sports collectibles hobby in this healthy event.

And ANYONE coming to the Roma Lodge SUNDAY BRUNCH that day will get FREE ADMISSION to the Sports Show before or after your brunch (just tell "AMBER" – at the door – that Paul Costanzo is paying your DOLLAR admission).

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

We will have 2 more shows in 2025 after this one – Sunday, October 19th (later that night the PACKERS will be in Pittsburgh to play the soon-to-be <u>42 year old</u> Aaron Rodgers and the Steelers) and Sunday, December 14th.

A splendid time is guaranteed for all.

Thank you.

Paul Costanzo 414-425-2525 pcostanzo@wi.rr.com

Roma Lodge Clothing Store

Members interested in ordering Roma Lodge clothing can now do so by directly ordering from **The Lettering Machine**.

TO ORDER FROM THE WEBSTORE:

Visit https://theletteringmachine.com/RomaLodge/shop/home

Feel free to call The Lettering Machine at (262) 652-4177 if you have any questions. Thank you for your business!



OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

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