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August 2019 Issue

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Roma Lodge Members:

The next Roma Lodge members' meeting is Friday, August 9, 7:00 pm. I ask all members to attend as many of our monthly meetings as you possibly can. Your participation is crucial to the success of Roma Lodge. 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!

This past weekend was our 41st annual Roma Lodge Festival. It's a lot of work, but so much fun. One of my favorite things about our festival is seeing and watching so many of our members coming and working together towards one goal. Our festival is second to none because of all of you, and on behalf of the festival committee and the Board of Directors, I thank you!

Summer specials that continue through August include The Italian Trio (lasagna, ravioli, and gnocchi) for just \$9.95, Veal Parmesan for only \$14.95, and The Seafood Combo (pick any two - Shrimp, Perch, or Pollock) for \$12.95. The salad bar will be featured on Friday/Saturday, August 23/24 & 30/31.

Drink specials through August include Moscow Mule, Captain Mule, and Mojitos for just \$4, Vodka & Lemonade \$2, and we will offer a special non-alcoholic Strawberry Lemonade for \$1. Ice cream novelties for \$1 will continue through August.

We are featuring new ice cream drinks this summer and they quite simply, are out of this world. All ice cream drinks including the Frozen Dark Chocolate Brandy Alexander and the Frozen Chocolate Mint Brandy Grasshopper are just \$4 (regular \$5) during the month of August and are available anytime a bartender is on duty!

With golf and softball seasons continuing, please keep the Roma Lodge members' bar and restaurant in mind when you're stopping for a bite to eat or a drink. The bar menu is now available Wednesday-Saturday evenings from 5:30-9:00. The Lodge's famous pizza will be a featured special on Thursday nights - buy one/get one free. If you're looking for something Keto friendly, I highly recommend you try our NEW

hamburger or chicken wrapped in iceberg lettuce, and topped with lots of bacon, cheese, and served with your choice of fried meatballs or egg!!!

August is always a very busy month around the club, and one of the first events is Coffee and Cars on Saturday morning, August 10, from 8:00-noon. Stop by the lodge, and enjoy the camaraderie while checking out all the vintage cars or add yours at no cost. Coffee, donuts, and popcorn are offered for a minimal price and a great time is always had by all.

The Roma Lodge summer bocce tournament will be held Sunday, August 11. Our tournament always has a festival-like atmosphere that includes breakfast, lunch, and dinner. If you haven't participated, I suggest you consider it. There are many teams that play just once a year that are just a group of friends or family that form a team for the day. I have always said, if you play once in our tournament, you will be back year after year. Details on how to register for the Open or the Woman's Tournament are in this newsletter.

The Roma Lodge Golf Outing is scheduled for Sunday, August 18, and is always greatly enjoyed by all and includes a fantastic Prime Rib Dinner back at the Lodge afterwards. Details on how to sign up your foursome are in this newsletter.

Just a reminder, to keep Roma Lodge's 1st annual Biggest Tomato Contest in mind as you begin to plant your gardens. Tomatoes will be weighed in at the family picnic, August 25. Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places.

Be sure to mark August 21-25 on your calendars! We will be celebrating Members' Appreciation Weekend here at Roma Lodge. On August 21, our Wednesday night buffet will feature a Taco Bar in addition to the normal items and will be just \$6.99 for all adults - \$4.99 for kids 5-12 - children 4 and under FREE. Then on Thursday, August 22, Pizza is buy one/get one free and all rail cocktails will be reduced to \$2!

On the evenings of Friday/Saturday, August 23/24 our tender Black Angus Filet served with mushrooms will be on special for \$22.95 (while supplies last), and our Rib-eye will be \$19.95. The salad bar will be included with all dinners. Just a reminder that ice cream drinks will only be \$4.00 all weekend long!

The Family Picnic will conclude the weekend, Sunday, August 25, and I can promise you that this is a Picnic/Party that you and your family will not want to miss!!! Festivities begin at 11:00 and continue into the evening. The picnic will include lunch beginning at 12:00, ice cream sundae bar from 1:00-3:00, and dinner will be served at approx. 4:15. The picnic will include live entertainment, kids and adult games, clowns, face painting, bocce, and a bocce tournament for kids and adults.

The Picnic is open to members' families including kids (any age), and grandkids. Tickets are \$15 for Adults. Kids 12 and under are free. For tickets, visit the RIWA office (262) 886-3610, or see/call Pat Johnson (262) 620-0366, Frank Bisotti, or Dave Chiapete.

Ciao!

David Chiapete

AUGUST 2018 EVENTS

Tuesday, August 6, 2019	Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, August 9, 2019	Membership Meeting
Saturday, August 10, 2019	Coffee and Cars
Sunday, August 11, 2019	Roma Lodge Invitational Bocce Tournament
Monday, August 12, 2019	Fall Men's Bocce Organizational Meeting
Sunday, August 18, 2019	Roma Lodge Golf Outing
Sunday, August 25, 2019	Roma Lodge Family Picnic



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.

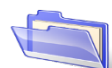
The August Bingo Captain is Randy Evitts



Welcome New Members

Voted into Membership at the July Membership Meeting:

Donald Trottier, age 63, resides in Mount Pleasant - Proponent: Eric Hillery



Applications for Membership - to be voted on at the August Membership Meeting

Brian LoPiccolo, age 44, resides in Mount Pleasant - Proponent: Greg Perona

Applications for Membership - to be voted on at the September Membership Meeting

Jon Hay, age 63, resides in Racine - Proponent: Steve Rawlinko

Roma Lodge 2019 Festival Raffle Winners

- 1st - \$10,000 - Jacqueline Daams. - Racine, WI
- 2nd - \$3,000 - Richard Sarto - Racine, WI
- 3rd - \$1,000 - Gary Anders, Sr. - Racine, WI
- 4th - \$1,000 - Kathy Fischer - Trevor, WI
- 5th - \$500 - Dr. Richard DeFurio - Racine, WI
- 6th - \$500 - Dan Mott - Racine, WI
- 7th - \$500 - Lillian Boykin - Racine, WI
- 8th - \$500 - Steve Smetana - Racine, WI
- 9th - \$200 - Joanne Barranco - Racine, WI
- 10th - \$200 - Chad Bongiovanni - Sturtevant, WI
- 11th - \$200 - Jack Christensen - Racine, WI
- 12th - \$200 - Anthony Porcaro - Racine, WI
- 13th - \$200 Tony Coey - Racine, WI
- 14th - \$200 - Gary Anders, Sr. - Racine, WI 53403
- 15th - \$200 - River City Lanes - Waterford, WI
- 16th - \$200 - Dick Kotowski - Mt. Pleasant, WI
- 17th - \$200 - Brian Woltz - Oak Creek, WI
- 18th - \$200 - Carl Deutsch - New Berlin, WI
- 19th - \$100 - Domonic LoPiccolo - Mt. Pleasant, WI
- 20th - \$100 - Connie Pankow - Racine, WI
- 21st - \$100 - Mark Mano - Sturtevant, WI
- 22nd - \$100 - Gary LaValle - Racine, WI
- 23rd - \$100 - Nick Rossi - Mt. Pleasant, WI
- 24th - \$100 - Alexis Betker - Racine, WI
- 25th - \$100 - Kris Chiapete - Racine, WI
- 26th - \$100 - Bruce Zamecnik - Racine, WI
- 27th - \$100 - Dan Fox - Racine, WI
- 28th - \$100 - Christine Bilello - Union Grove, W

Roma Lodge Family Picnic

Sunday, August 25th

Doors Open at 11am

Lunch beginning at 12pm

Ice cream sundae bar from 1:00-3:00

Dinner at 4:15 (approx)

**Live entertainment, kid's and adult game's, clowns, facepainting, bocce, and bags
tournament for both kids and adults**

\$15.00 Adults (Kids 12 and under are FREE)

Tickets available at RIWA office or contact

Pat Johnson 262-620-0366, Dave Chiapete or Frank Bisotti

Member Appreciation Weekend August 21st - 25th

Wednesday, Aug 21st

Wednesday night buffet will feature Taco Bar, \$6.99 for all adults.
Kids eat at normal reduced price.

Thursday, Aug 22nd

Buy one get one free pizza, and all rail drinks only \$2.00

Friday, Aug 23rd and Saturday Aug 24th

Black Angus Filet served with mushrooms will be on special for \$22.95 (while supplies
last),

Rib-eye will be \$19.95.

The salad bar will be included with all dinners

Sunday Aug 25th

Family Picnic starting at 11am

Buon Compleanno e Tanti Auguri

Happy Birthday to our Roma Lodge Brothers Born in August

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.

Aug 1 Cesare Bosco	Aug 15 Jeff Drettwan	Aug 23 Robert Pitts .
Mark Osmundsen	Aug 16 Rosalbino Ammedola.	Aug 24 Dan DeMatthew
Atillo Cicchini	Tom Lorenzini	Aug 25 Nicholas Bilillo
Aug 2 William Greco	Aug 17 Randy Evitts	Aug 26 Frank Bisotti Jr
Dale Landree	Steve Rawlinko	Aug 27 Robert Piccolo
Dennis Porcaro	Louis Ferraro	Aug 28 Ralph Porcaro
Aug 4 Derek Anzalone	Aug 18 Anthony Ferraro	Richard Vallin
Aug 5 Troy Ruffalo	Aug 19 Jack Ruffolo	Aug 30 William Celeste
Thomas Chiapete	Aug 20 Vince Morelli	Aug 31 John Gering
Aug 7 Leonard Carini	Tom Catrine	
Aug 8 Jeff Chiapete	Aug 21 Anthony Porcaro	
Frank Matrise,Sr	Aug 22 Bill Rivers	
Aug 14 Barry Fries	Aug 23 Daniel Marani	

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

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.



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



Funeral Service Calling Tree Schedule

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

Gabbey, Michael – Hunkeler, Lee

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.

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

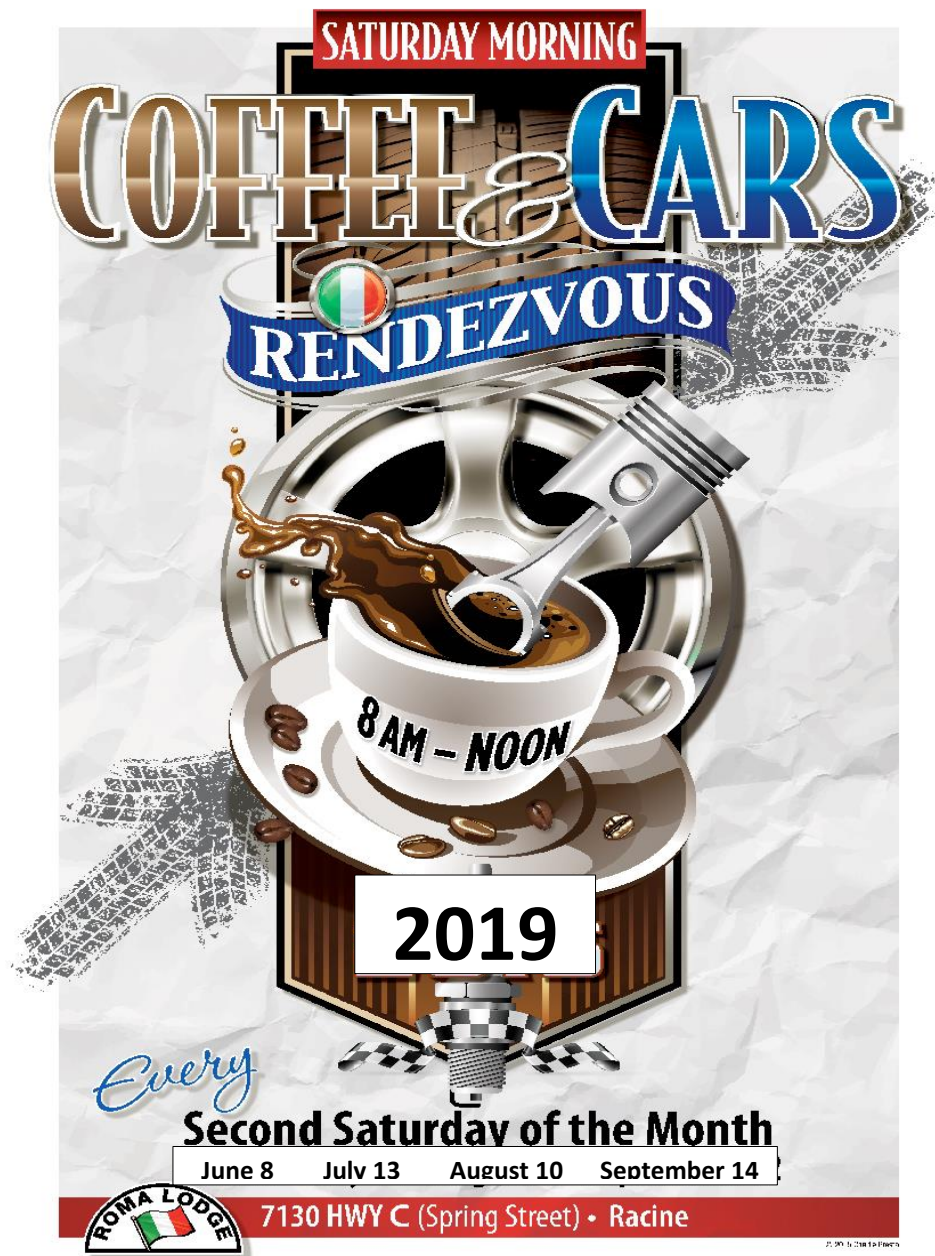
Phone 262-620-0366 Email pjohnson@cordeck.com

The upcoming 2019-2020 Men’s Bocce Season is fast approaching!

The bocce player’s meeting is Monday, August 12^h at 7:00pm in the Member’s Bar.

All team captain’s players and interested players are encouraged to attend. It’s the one time a year that anyone wanting to propose a rule change is allowed to do so. If anyone has any questions about this meeting, or are planning to form a bocce team for the 2019-2020 season, contact Jim Silvani at (262) 939-8139, Tony Povkovich 262-880-5945 or President Dave Chiapete at 262-939-5914

Also posted on the bulletin board is a sign up sheet for any players who would like to play but do not have a team. If you are new to the league please sign up. It is a great way to meet members and have a fun time playing a great game!



Coffee and Cars is back Saturday, August 10th from 8am to Noon.

SATURDAY MORNING COFFEE & CARS

The 2nd Coffee and Cars of the 2019 season was held on Saturday, July 13th. A total of 68 vehicles participated and experienced a beautiful Saturday morning at Roma Lodge. Many thanks to all.



Mary Jo Diem, Pam Bonanno and Nina Porcaro greet our participants with a warm smile, delicious pastry and great coffee.



Lenny Juliano and his beautiful red 2003 Corvette.



Dan and Jordan Takarian with their beautiful blue 1967 Corvette.

Roma Lodge's **Annual Golf Outing**

Come join us on Sunday August 18th 2019 at Ives Grove golf course for the Roma Lodge annual golf outing.

Golf and dinner is \$85 per person.

Foursomes can consist of Men, Women or any combination.

18 Holes with shared Cart- Prime Rib dinner at Roma Lodge immediately following- Hole Prizes - Automatic entry into Raffle - 50/50 Raffle

Dinner only \$35.per person



Reminder we will be voting on this at the next membership meeting

Two By-Law Amendments

The two by-law amendments listed below will be discussed during the July membership meeting. The by-law amendments will then be voted on at the August membership meeting. The amendments need to be approved by 2/3rds of the members at the August membership meeting to be ratified.

CURRENT VERSION: Article VII, Section 5, G. (When Elected Officers and Directors take position)

Duly elected officers and directors shall be announced to the membership as soon as possible after the results are known, and at the March meeting, if possible. However, the failure to make such an announcement shall not delay the effect of the election, and duly elected officers and directors shall assume the responsibilities and duties of their positions as soon as the results of the election are known. Results of the election shall also be made known to the membership by any available means including but not limited to: posting the results on the Roma Lodge website and other appropriate location(s) at the Lodge. [Adopted January 10, 2014]

PROPOSED AMENDMENT: Article VII, Section 5, G. (When Elected Officers and Directors take position)

Duly elected officers and directors shall be announced to the membership as soon as possible after the results are known, and at the March meeting, if possible. However, the failure to make such an announcement shall not delay the effect of the election, and duly elected officers and directors shall assume the responsibilities and duties of their positions after the Installation Dinner ceremony. Results of the election shall also be made known to the membership by any available means including but not limited to: posting the results on the Roma Lodge website and other appropriate location(s) at the Lodge.

CURRENT VERSION: Absentee Ballots

Prior to the day of the March election meeting, the Nominations and Elections Committee shall:
Provide an absentee ballot to any member requesting one, and set procedures to assure the integrity of any absentee ballots so issued and their receipt after completion.
(Amended May 2, 2003)

Absentee ballots must be returned to the Nominations and Elections Committee Chairman according to the procedure to be established by the committee. (See Section 4, D. above.)

PROPOSED AMENDMENT: Absentee Ballots

Prior to the day of the March election meeting, the Nominations and Elections Committee shall:
Provide an absentee ballot to any member requesting one, and follow the procedures to assure the integrity of any absentee ballots so issued and their receipt after completion.
(Amended May 2, 2003)

Absentee ballots must be returned to the Nominations and Elections Committee Chairman according to the procedure to be established by rule 5.1. (See Section 4, D. above.)



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

37th ROMA LODGE BOCCE TOURNAMENT



SUNDAY - AUGUST 11th, 2019

Roma Lodge 7130 Spring St; Racine WI 53406

Arrive at 8:00 AM for Coffee and Pane Fritta.

Games Start at 9:00 AM Sharp!!!!

FIRST PLACE PRIZE OF \$2,000

Entry Fee: \$40.00 per person (Including Alternates)

FEE INCLUDES:	8:00 AM	Coffee and Pane Fritta
	10:30 AM-12:30 PM	Sausage/Meatball Bombers, Fried Peppers, Corn on the Cob, Tomato Salad, Soda from 10:30 AM TO 3:30 PM
	2:30 PM - 5:30 PM	Roma's Famous Buffet Featuring Pork Chops with Peppers & Onions Tomato Salad, Green Beans, Pasta & Meatballs & Chocolate Cake.
Any Non-Player wishing to join us for food and drinks, may do so at a cost of \$30.00		

PROJECTED CASH PRIZES AS FOLLOWS:

MEN'S DIVISION (Based on 39 Teams)				WOMEN'S DIVISION (Based on 16 Teams)			
	1st Prize	\$2,000			1st Prize	\$800	
	2nd Prize	\$1,000			2nd Prize	\$400	
	3rd Prize	\$500			3rd Prize	\$250	
	4th Prize	\$300			4th Prize	\$150	

This year we are projecting to have a filled to capacity tournament consisting of 64 teams in the Men's Division (men or mixed) and 16 teams in the Women's Division (Ladies Only).

RULES AND REGULATIONS

ROUND ROBIN ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT.

All teams (5 players) guaranteed minimum of 3 games possibly 4.

All games will be between 9-12 points depending on number of entries.

The Quarter Finals, Semi-Finals and Finals will be played to 16 points.

NOTE: ALL GAMES WILL BE PLAYED WITH ROMA LODGE BOCCE BALLS ONLY!

Championship game will be played on indoor court #1.

All proceeds will go towards the upkeep of the Roma Lodge Bocce Courts.

This tournament will be filled on a first come - first serve basis.

Get your entries in early since we are expecting a filled tournament this year. Come and join in the fun, food, drinks and camaraderie for a fun-filled day at the Roma Lodge.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Dave Chiapete, President 262-939-5914

Tony Povkovich 262-880-5945

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, September 2, 2019
 Thursday September 6, 2019
 Tuesday, September 10, 2019
 Friday, September 13, 2019
 Saturday, September 14, 2019
 Saturday, September 22, 2019

Labor Day
 Member's Packer party
 Board of Directors Meeting
 Membership Meeting
 Coffee and Cars
 First Day of Autumn

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Deadline for information for September 2019 Newsletter is August 20, 2019. Comments and suggestions and articles of interest to our members are welcome at Eric.hillery@yahoo.com

Eric Hillery

Eric Hillery, Roma Lodge Secretary