

ROMA LODGE NEWSLETTER



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September 2020 Issue

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Roma Lodge Brothers and families,

First and foremost, I hope that all members, families, and friends continue to be safe and healthy as I know that everyone is anxious to return to our “normal” lives as soon as it’s safe to do so.

The September membership meeting will be held in Vittoria Hall (North Hall) on Friday, September 11, 7:00. Masks will be available, and all those that are able to wear one must do so in accordance with the state mandate. Chairs will be spaced 6’ apart, and we ask that everyone social distances. There will NOT be hors d’oeuvres prior to the meeting, and a light dinner of pasta, meatballs, salad, and bread will be served afterwards.

At this meeting, 2 very important by-law changes will be discussed. These proposed changes will then be voted on at the October membership meeting, however, this timeline is dependent on both meetings having a quorum and being held. We will keep you updated via newsletter and email.

Roma Lodge’s “No Festival” raffle is Sunday, September 6 from 5:30-8:00 in the Vittoria (North) Hall. Food and drinks will be available at member prices. Member’s ticket packets are in the Hall of History. If you haven’t already, PLEASE pick up your raffle tickets and sell them. The importance of having a successful raffle cannot be overstated. The festival typically contributes over 30% of the Lodge’s annual operating revenue. We are hoping that this raffle will provide a significant part of that 30%. More details are in this newsletter.

The Roma Lodge Festival committee is working on a Drive-Thru Only Italian Festival Food weekend that would be open to the public. This event will be held late September/early October weekend most likely. More details will be announced at the September membership meeting, emailed to everyone, and will be on the members’ Facebook page.

All previously scheduled events including Bingo continue to be suspended until further notice. The Members’ Dining Room and Bar is now open Friday/Saturday evenings beginning at 5:00. The menu is in this newsletter, and additional weekly specials will also be offered. Due to COVID-19, for the time being, our normal menu and some bar selections will not be available. All tables are spaced 6’ apart, no bar stools, all orders will be placed at the bar and brought out to your table, and many other precautions are also being taken. Please be respectful of your fellow members and guests by social distancing while at the same time enjoying your club.

The Roma Lodge campus continues to be in pristine condition thanks to the countless hours of work put in by so many members, their families, and friends. On behalf of the entire Roma Lodge membership, a huge Thank You!!!

*God Bless,
David Chiapete,
President*

SEPTEMBER MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT



The regularly scheduled September membership meeting is Friday, September 11th at 7:00 PM. Per the Governor Evers’ order, all members must wear a mask. Facemasks will be provided if you need one. You are also encouraged to social distance.

SEPTEMBER 2020 EVENTS

Sunday, September 6, 2020
Tuesday, September 8, 2020
Friday, September 11, 2020

"No Festival" Raffle Drawing
Board of Directors Meeting
Membership Meeting



Suspended Until Further Notice

Sign up for a date, time, and work assignment
by telephoning Jim Faraone at 262- 657-1244 or jfaraone@wi.rr.com



Funeral Service Calling Tree Schedule

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

2020 Roma Lodge Italian "No Festival" Raffle



Raffle Drawing - **Sunday September 6th, 2020, 7:00pm** at Roma Lodge in the North Hall. The Hall will be open from 5:30pm - 8:00pm. Raffle tickets and proceeds can be turned in prior to the drawing at 7pm. Bar will be open, and sausage and meatball bombers will be for sale.

Raffle tickets and proceeds can also be turned in at Roma Lodge in the members board room mailbox or at the front banquet office of Roma Lodge prior to the day of the drawing.

Raffle updates are available at <https://www.romalodge.com/2020-roma-lodge-no-festival-raffle>

Buon Compleanno e Tanti Auguri

Happy Birthday to our Roma Lodge Brothers Born in September

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|-------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| September 1 | Michael Garbo | September 12 | William Pinnow | September 26 | James Germinaro |
| | Anthony Hirt | September 13 | Armando Covelli | September 27 | Damiano Piraino |
| September 2 | Jack R. Kelley | September 14 | Ralph Nicotera III | | Joseph W. Buscemi |
| September 3 | Fred Metzger II | | David Perugini | September 28 | Glen Johnson |
| | William Bushell | September 17 | Philip Mazzie | | Charles Hoeft |
| September 4 | Brian Odders | September 18 | Kevin Elrod | September 29 | Mark Mano |
| September 8 | Steven Maritch | September 24 | Michael Galovits | | David Schneider |
| September 9 | Eric Andersen | | Benny Ruffolo | September 30 | Gavin De Check |
| | Adolfo Greco | September 26 | Dominic Lo Piccolo | | |
| | Jeff Fidler | | Ronald J. Brodsko | | |

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



PACKERS GOLD PACKAGE TICKETS

Anyone interested in Gold Package Green Packer Tickets please email Doug Goebel @ goebeldouglas@gmail.com, or call (262) 554-7316. There are several season tickets available for the 2021 season. Doug will explain the program to anyone interested.



By-Law Amendment Proposal

At the September Membership Meeting we will discuss the below two proposed by-law amendments. During the October Membership Meeting we will vote on the proposed amendments. The measures require 2/3rds approval from the voting members at the October Membership Meeting.

1st Proposed Amendment – Changes to Article V & Article VII (The text in red is the proposed change to the by-laws)

ARTICLE V- MEMBERSHIP REGULATIONS

Section 1:

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

- A. He has reached the age of twenty-one (21) years, and
- B. He is born of an Italian parent, or a parent of Italian lineage, or
- C. He was adopted by an Italian parent, or a parent of Italian lineage, or
- D. He is the spouse of a person who is Italian, or of Italian lineage, or
- E. He is the spouse of a person adopted by a person of Italian lineage, or
- F. He submits the results of genetic testing that shows Italian ancestry. (Amended September 14, 2108)
- G. He is sponsored from a member who joined via the above B-F qualifications**

Section 2

Candidates for membership must also strictly abide by the following:

- A. All applicants must be sponsored by a ~~regular member~~ **member who joined with qualifications B-F in Article V Section 1**, who has been a member in good standing for the previous two years (Amended February 7, 2003)

ARTICLE VII - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1:

To be a nominee for an elective office of the Lodge, a potential candidate must:

- A. Be a member in good standing. (See Membership Requirements
- B. Have been a member of the Lodge for at least two (2) years.
- C. To be a candidate for the office of President, he must have served a full two- (2) year term on the Lodge Board of Directors, and not have joined via qualifications G in Article V Section 1.**
- D. To be a candidate for the office of Vice President, he must not have joined via qualifications G in Article V Section 1.**

2nd Proposed By-Law Amendment (Complete Removal of Section 8 of Article V)

Section 8:

~~_____ A member that has qualified for membership pursuant to Section 1 of this Article on the basis of marriage shall not be eligible to remain a member following a divorce or a remarriage after the death of their spouse unless the new marriage would also satisfy the requirements of Section 1 of this Article. (The death of the spouse shall not itself be a disqualifying factor.)~~

- ~~A. _____ In the event of remarriage, where the remarriage must satisfy the requirements of Section 1 (see above), and the member must contact the Membership Committee and convince the committee that the new marriage satisfies those requirements.~~



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Deadline for information for October 2020 Newsletter is September 20, 2020. Comments and suggestions and articles of interest to our members are welcome at secretary@romalodge.com.

Jon Morelli

Jon Morelli, Roma Lodge Secretary