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Also available on the Roma Lodge Members website

Message from the President

Roma Lodge Brothers:

Fall has arrived with its crisp air and changing leaves. I hope everyone enjoyed their summer and is getting ready for the upcoming holiday season.

The Vittoria Colonna 100th anniversary party, held on September 13th, was an impressive event featuring excellent food, entertainment, and an informative program. Again, congratulations to the Vittoria Colonna on this achievement!

My wife and I attended the Kenosha Italian American (IA) Society's inaugural Italian Festival on Sunday, September 21st, which highlighted their club. It was a fun event, and I saw many Roma members in attendance. I met with IA President Marty Pitts on Tuesday, September 23rd, to discuss both clubs' challenges and ways we can work together, including joint events to honor our heritage. We plan to meet regularly and collaborate for mutual success.

Social committee chairs Bri and Dave Silvani have been working hard at planning a variety of events for the coming months. Mark your calendars for the following:

- **Columbus Day / Wine Tasting** – October 11th
- **Couples Bocce Begins** – October 18th

- **Trunk or Treat** – October 26th
- **Halloween Party** – October 31st
- **Pasta Making** – November 15th
- **Children's Christmas Party** – December 7th
- **Adult Christmas Party** – December 13th

The 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 updates regarding 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.

Buffet pricing:

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

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.

If you are interested in becoming more involved, please consider joining one of our many committees or helping to organize and run social events throughout the year. For social events, reach out to Dave or Bri Silvani. In partnership with Vittoria Colonna, a joint social committee has also been formed. For any other area of interest, feel free to contact me or any board member. Member involvement and participation remain essential to our ongoing success.

The next Roma Lodge Membership meeting is Friday, October 10th at 7:00 PM. **Remember... this is the Festival Social Meeting** and members are allowed to invite a guest. Vittoria Colonna members are also invited to attend with their guest.

The next Board of Directors meeting is Tuesday, October 7th at 6:30 PM.

All members are welcome at the board meeting. If you wish to speak, please request permission ahead of time by contacting me.

Jon Morelli
President

Under The Tuscan Sun

In mid-September, four Roma Lodge brothers and their wives travelled to Italy as part of a larger tour group. Patrick and Mary Jo Diem, Michael and Carolyn Kroes, Dennis and Nina Porcaro, and Mark and Missy Porcaro vacationed in Tuscany. Based in Montecatini Terme, the group made excursions to Pisa, Lucca, Florence, Cinque Terra, San Gimignano, Siena and San Miniato. Along with fine meals enjoyed by the group, there was no shortage of wine-tasting and gelato consumption. Except for a brief rainfall in Florence, the weather for the trip was sunny and quite warm. The group definitely “got their steps in”.



Top Left Photo: Visiting Pisa to confirm the tower is still leaning.



Top Right Photo: Basilica di Santa Croce, located on the Piazza di Santa Croce in Florence. It is the burial place of notable Italians, including Michelangelo, Galileo and Machiavelli.

Lower Right Photo: Castello De Verrazzano, a large family owned estate. Many acres of vineyards and olive trees. Tour included their winery and a restaurant where fine food was highlighted by their wines and olive oil.





Wine Tasting

Indulge in the finest wines from around the world
while expanding your palate. Join us for an evening
of wine tasting, education and paired cicchetti
both savory and sweet



Roma Lodge Members Lounge

Saturday, October 11th

6-9pm

Tickets \$35

(ticket sales close Wed Oct 8)

See Dave or Briana Silvani for more information or to reserve your
spot! Tickets can be purchased on the Roma Members website!



Sports Show At Roma Lodge

The Wisconsin Sports Collectors Association (WSCA) is having another **SPORTS SHOW** at **ROMA LODGE** on **Sunday, October 19th from 9am to 2pm** (I feel that it's MOST exciting in the first 3 hours – but you decide). The PACKERS don't play until that NIGHT against soon-to-be 42 year old Aaron Rodgers and the Steelers. 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 dealers 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 ONE more show in 2025 after this one – **Sunday, December 14th** and the Packers don't play until 3:30pm that afternoon against the Denver Broncos.

A splendid time is guaranteed for all.

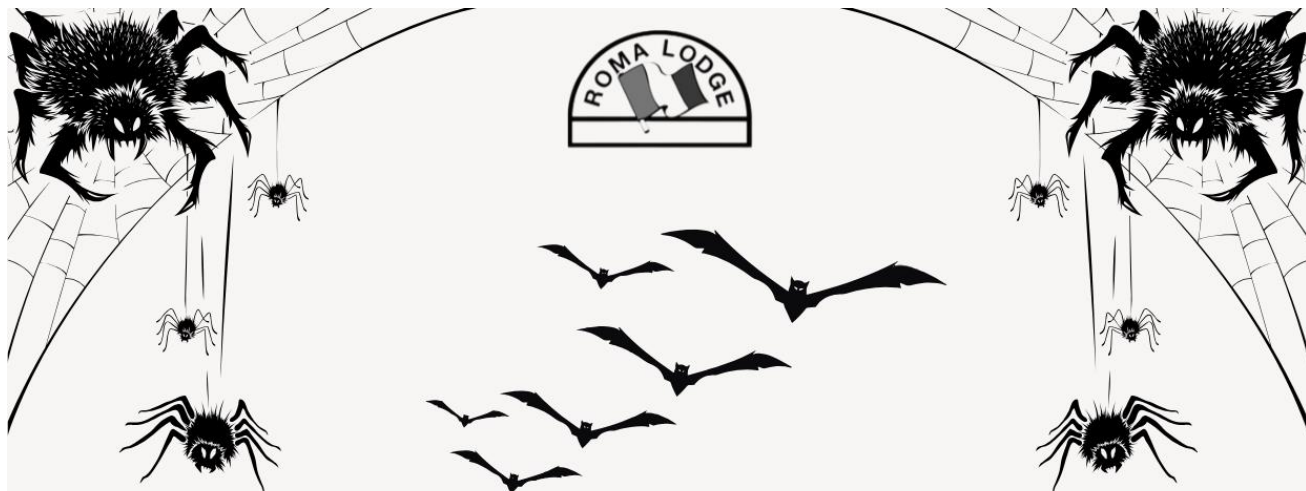
Thank you.

Paull Costanzo

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*Please join us for a
Terrifyingly fun party to celebrate*



Friday October 31st at 7:00 PM

Spooky Appetizers and Desserts

Specialty Cocktails TBD

Costume Contest

\$20 per person (adults only)

(includes appetizers and desserts)

*to reserve your space please
contact Briana or Dave Silvani
262-995-3340*



OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT



The next Membership meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 10th at 7pm.



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 volunteers 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 CAPTAINS	
JANUARY	Ed Morelli
FEBRUARY	Ken Scolaro
MARCH	Don Vena
APRIL	Jason Evitts
MAY	
JUNE	Rich Nygro
JULY	
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 October

October 1	Joel Beck	October 8	David Hotchkiss	October 25	Frank Maritato
October 2	Paul Costanzo	October 12	Thomas Linden		Brett Ekes
	Frank Perugini		John Ponio	October 26	Joseph Fazzari
October 3	Ronald Ernst	October 13	Mark Meyers		John Perugini
October 4	Albert Kosterman		Bernard Polzin	October 27	Randall Chiapete
	Michael LaFratta	October 14	Andrew Paar		Jason Johnson
October 5	Joe Jardina	October 15	Andrew Buechler	October 29	Alessandro Dalvecchio
October 6	Adam Anzalone	October 20	Guy Schetter	October 30	Charles Christiano
	Anthony R. Porcaro	October 21	Randal Marvin	October 31	John DeFazio
October 7	Thomas Janikian	October 24	Dominic Anzalone		Joe DeRose
	Matthew Russell		Joseph Nemec		

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



Funeral Service Representation – October through December

Lodge members whose names are within the range ***Pisanello, Anthony – Zwaga, Dennis*** 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

October 2025			
Friday		Saturday	
3rd	Dave Silvani	4th	Dave Silvani
10th	Keith Stannis	11th	Keith Stannis
17th	Frank Bisotti	18th	Frank Bisotti
24th	Jon Morelli	25th	Jon Morelli
31st	Dennis Porcaro		



Bocce Schedules

To view Bocce Schedules, click the following link:

<https://www.romalodge.org/members/league-schedulesroster-sheetbocce-rules>

October 2025 EVENTS

Tuesday, October 7	Board of Directors Meeting - 6:30pm
Friday, October 10	Members Meeting (Social) - 7:00pm
Saturday, October 11	Columbus Day Celebration and Wine Tasting
Monday, October 14	Men's 2025-2026 Bocce League Begins
Saturday, October 18	Couples Bocce Begins
Sunday, October 26	"Trunk Or Treat"
Friday, October 31	Halloween Party

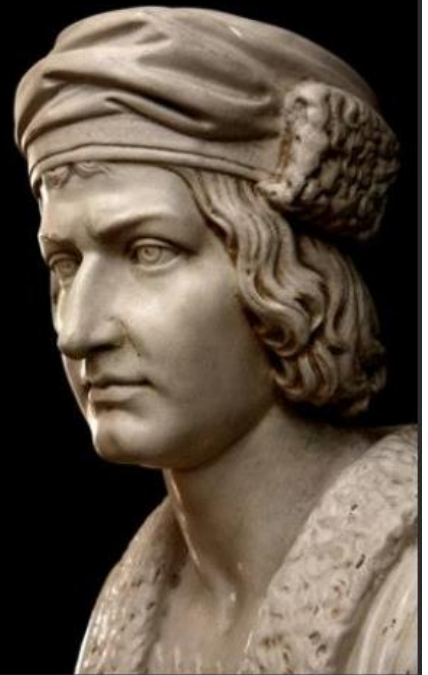
November 2025 EVENTS

Tuesday, November 11	Board of Directors Meeting - 6:30pm
Friday, November 14	Members Meeting - 7:00pm
Saturday, November 15	Pasta Making

2025 ROMA LODGE SOCIAL EVENTS

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

Happy Columbus Day!



Candidates to be voted on for membership at the October Members Meeting

Roy Cacciotti, Age 74, Retired from SC Johnson – Maintenance

Italian Connection is his father

Married to Martha Cacciotti, has four daughters

Resides in Mount Pleasant

Proponent is Rick Bonanno

(Was a previous member that dropped due to work/family commitments)

George Rosch, Age 50, National Account Manager - CCC Intelligent Solutions

Italian Connection is his mother (Caliendo)

Single

Resides in New Lisbon and Chicago

Proponent is Dave Silvani

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.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

12" x 12" Brick

NOTE: Spaces count as letters.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15

BRICKS WILL BE INSTALLED AS TIME AND CONDITIONS PERMIT

Buyer Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

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!



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The submission deadline for information, to be published in the November, 2025 Newsletter, is October 27, 2025 at 5pm.

Comments, suggestions and articles of interest to our members are welcome and will only be acknowledged and/or acted upon if submitted to roma.newsletter.mpk@gmail.com. Items submitted for publication must contain complete information.