

## ROMA LODGE NEWSLETTER



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June 2019 Issue

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Roma Lodge Members:

The next Roma Lodge members' meeting is Friday, June 14, 7:00 pm. It's a social meeting, and member's wives or significant others are welcome to attend with you. A buffet dinner will be served at the meeting, and this is the unofficial kickoff to festival season at 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. On behalf of all Roma Lodge members, thank you to all Bingo volunteers!

Father's Day weekend is going to be a special weekend at Roma Lodge. On the evening of Saturday, June 15, our rib eye steak will only be \$19.95 and Roma's famous tender Black Angus filet served with mushrooms for just \$21.95! Entertainment will be provided from 6:30-11:00, by Elvis and his band, All the King's Men, who will perform outside on the member's patio. The dining room will open a half hour earlier, at 5:00. Just a reminder, The Members' Dining Room is open to members and their guests. Reservations are recommended, but not necessary: 262-886-8850.

It's hard to believe, but summer is in full swing, and it's going to be a fun and exciting time at Roma Lodge. There are many events that our members, wives, kids, and families simply won't want to miss! Specials set to begin in June and continue through the end of 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 full salad bar will be included with each meal on Saturday, June 15 and Friday/Saturday, June 28 & 29.

Drink specials that will run June-August are Moscow Mule, Captain Mule, and Mojitos for just \$4, Vodka & Lemonade \$2, and we will offer a special non-alcoholic Strawberry Lemonade for \$1. I suggest that you try the recently added new ice cream drinks in the bar for just \$5! Also, all summer long, whenever the bar is open, we will offer ice cream novelties for \$1. This will include ice cream sandwiches and orange pushups.

This year's Arlington Horse Race bus trip will be Sunday, June 23. For anyone that hasn't previously gone and enjoys a relaxing Sunday afternoon, I highly recommend this event. For \$40, it includes the bus ride (beer, soda, and coffee on the bus), track entrance ticket, and a buffet dinner back at the lodge upon return. This is open to members and their guests. More details are in this newsletter.

As the golf season ramps up, 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 Roma Lodge Bar Menu includes hamburgers, grilled chicken and The Spicy Italian sandwiches, wings, pizza, appetizers, and much more! 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!!!

Our weekly bean bag/cornhole tournaments begin on Thursday, June 6, and continue every Thursday night throughout summer. It's open to members and guests, and there is no weekly commitment. Each Thursday offers its own tournament, and prizes are paid out to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place weekly winners. On Thursday nights, the Lodge is an ideal place to stop after golf, softball, or just an enjoyable evening out all summer long!

If you play cribbage, I urge you to give our tournament a try. We have had great turn-outs, and everyone that has participated has really enjoyed it. Our next tournament is scheduled for Sunday, June 9, and begins at 1:00. You do not have to be a pro-cribbage player to participate - it's all in fun. Cost is just \$10 and includes a drink or soda at the bar. Open to all members and their guests. More details are in this newsletter!

The Roma Lodge gift card special continues to run through Father's Day weekend, Monday, June 17. For every \$100 you buy in gift cards, you will receive a free \$20! You can buy as many as you like, and this special won't return again until November. Stop by the RIWA office, see a bartender, or hostess in the Members' Restaurant to get yours.

Just a reminder, to keep Roma Lodge's 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> places. More details to follow.

Lastly, I am excited to announce that August 21-25, we will once again be celebrating Members Appreciation Weekend here at Roma Lodge. There will be lots of daily specials leading up to the conclusion of the weekend, The Family Picnic, Sunday, August 25 and I can promise you that this is a Picnic/Party that your family and you will not want to miss!!! More details to come.

Buona Festa del Papa!

David Chiapete  
President

#### **JUNE 2019 EVENTS**

<b>Saturday, June 8, 2019</b>	<b>Coffee and Cars</b>
<b>Sunday, June 9 2019</b>	<b>Monthly Cribbage Tournament</b>
<b>Tuesday, June 11 2019</b>	<b>Board of Directors meeting</b>
<b>Friday, June 14 , 2019</b>	<b>Social Meeting and Early Bird Drawing</b>
<b>Friday, June 14, 2019</b>	<b>Flag Day</b>
<b>Saturday, June 15, 2019</b>	<b>Roma Lodge Father's Day Specials</b>
<b>Sunday, June 16, 2019</b>	<b>Father's Day</b>
<b>Friday, June 21, 2019</b>	<b>First Day of Summer</b>
<b>Sunday, June 23, 2019</b>	<b>Arlington Bus Trip</b>



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 June Bingo Captain is Pat Johnson 262-620-0366



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

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

**Aceto, Christopher - Bushell, William**

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.



**Condolences** are extended to the family of Roma Lodge Brother Robert Rivers, age 91, who passed away May 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **Buon Compleanno e Tanti Auguri**

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

#### **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.*

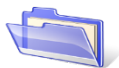
June 1 Troy Graceffa	June 15 Kelly Ruffolo	June 25 Michael Cuccia
June 1 John Pisanello	June 16 Robert Domanik	June 26 Carl Catrine
June 1 Ronald Zicarelli	June 16 Jerry Bullock	June 27 Gary Suokko
June 1 Lorenzo Miceli	June 16 Stanley Postorino	June 28 James McDougal
	June 16 Tom Wood	June 29 Eric Dahlke
June 2 Doug Goebel	June 17 Michael Szymandera	June 29 Anthony Totero
June 3 Anthony D'Alie	June 18 Joseph Mandala	June 29 Albert Quadraccia
June 4 Robert Starr Sr.	June 18 Gregory Dapra	June 29 John Barranco
June 5 Woody Zanella	June 18 William Smith	June 30 Jason Caira
June 6 Tris Ruffalo	June 19 John Suprak	June 30 Keith Stannis
June 6 John Martini	June 20 James Betker	
June 9 Giuseppe Cortese	June 22 Joe Cottone	
June 11 David Pucci	June 22 Gerald Schulz	
June 12 Mario Ruffalo	June 23 Kieth Ogden	
June 14 Tim Mason	June 24 Phillip Marry Jr	

**List compiled from the Roma Lodge Membership Files. Contact Doug Goebel, [dggoebel@yahoo.com](mailto:dggoebel@yahoo.com) if corrections are needed.**



### **Applications for Membership - to be voted on at the June 14th, 2019 Membership**

**Meeting:** Josh Kosmala, age 36 of Racine, born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, employed as a Director of Operations by Good Foods; married (Krystl Matson). Proponent is Robert Matson



### **Applications for Membership - to be voted on at the June 14th, 2019 Membership**

**Meeting:** Donald Trottier, age 63 of Racine, born in Escanaba, Michigan employed as a Realtor at Remax; married (Susan Trottier) 1 Son (James Trottier) age 24. Proponent Eric Hillery



### **The Friday June 14<sup>th</sup> Lodge Meeting is the Festival Early Bird Social!**

Bring a guest and your sold raffle books to the social meeting on June. 14

<sup>th</sup>. The bar opens at 5:30pm along with ticket turn in. There will be a short meeting at 7:00pm with dinner directly after, followed by our

Festival presentation and Early Bird drawing. Sell as many raffle books as you can and turn them in at this meeting. For each \$20 book of stubs and payment turned in that evening you get a chance to win multiple \$50 in a drawing. Additional raffle tickets can be obtained from Rick Tringali (262)-504-9950 or [rtringali252@gmail.com](mailto:rtringali252@gmail.com).

### **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).



### **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

### **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

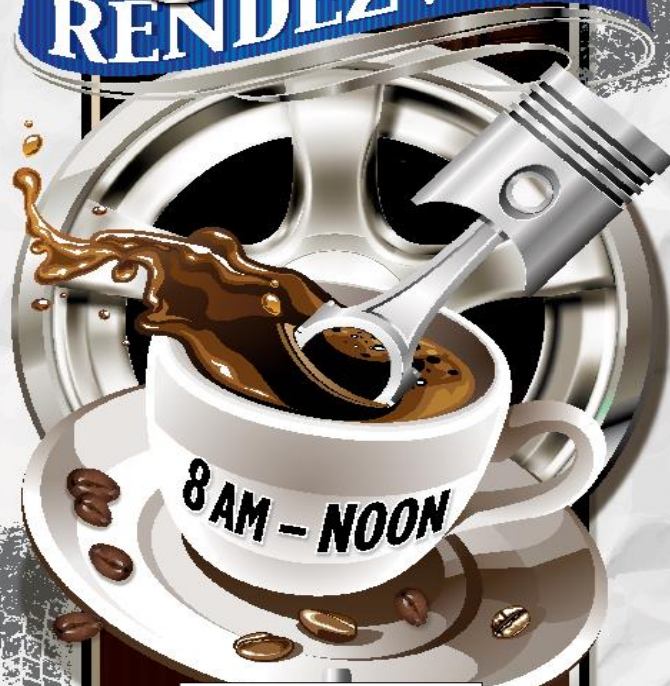
Phone 262-620-0366 Email [pjohnson@cordeck.com](mailto:pjohnson@cordeck.com)



SATURDAY MORNING

# COFFEE & CARS

RENDZVOUS



2019

Every

Second Saturday of the Month

June 8

July 13

August 10

September 14



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## **Father's Day Weekend Celebration**

**June 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>**

Rib eye Special \$19.95

Filet Special \$22.95

All the Kings Men  
Featuring Elvis (Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>)  
Outside on Patio  
From 6:30-11:00pm



**Coffee and Cars is back Saturday, June 8<sup>h</sup> from 8am to Noon.**



Mother's Day

Fun

at

Roma





# Bocce Bulletin

## **Bocce Players: Important Dates to Remember**

- The Summer Invitational Tournament will be held August 11<sup>th</sup>. The tournament will be a 5-man format. More details to come this summer.
- The Captains Meeting for the Men's Bocce League will be held August 12<sup>th</sup>. This meeting is the one opportunity to changes rules for the 2019-2020 season.

## **Champions: Retail Fixtures**

Tom Garbo, Nunzio Germanotta, Woody Zanella, Frank Chirico,  
Jason Evitts, and Chuck Christiano





**ROMA LODGE BUS TRIP**  
**ARLINGTON HORSE TRACK**  
**SUNDAY – JUNE 23TH, 2019**  
**BUS WILL LEAVE ROMA AT 11AM**  
**CONTACT: PAT JOHNSON 262.620.0366**  
**DON PAAR 262.681.2159**

**\$40 -TRIP INCLUDES BUS RIDE (BEER, SODA, & COFFEE ON THE BUS) –**

**TRACK ENTRANCE FEE, AND A BUFFET AT ROMA UPON RETURN**





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### May Winners

First Place - Bill  
Skiba

Tie Second/ Third  
(combined)  
Place- Larry  
Maresh & Mark  
Mano

Fourth Place -  
Jim Faraone

**Also in the  
money in side  
pools:**

Nancy Litrenta  
Bob Hueffner



# JUNE

## Roma Lodge



## **Cribbage Tournament**

# **SUNDAY JUNE 9TH**

## **START TIME IS 1PM**

**Registration 30 minutes prior to start**

## **Cost \$10 per Person**

**Format: 6 games against 6 different individual opponents**

**Cost: \$10 per person.**

**CASH drawing at start of tournament!**

You are also entitled to a drink up to \$3.00

The remaining paid out to the high score cards. In addition there will be two optional side pools \$5 and \$15

**TOURNAMENTS OPEN TO MEMBERS,  
SPOUSES AND THEIR GUESTS**

**Contact Mark Mano 813 523-7052 or Dave  
Chiapete 262 939-5914 with any questions. See  
Newsletter for complete details and look for sign  
up sheets at the lodge.**

## **Come have fun and enjoy the competition.**

### **Thursday Night Bean Bags/Cornhole Tournament is Back!**

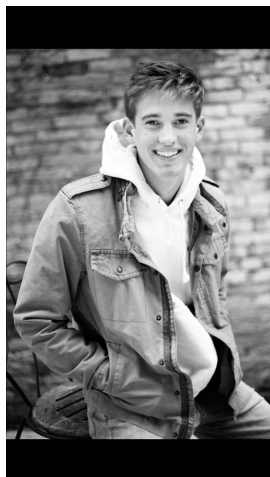
Thursday nights at 6:30 pm - Roma Lodge will be start up for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year a weekly Bean Bags/Cornhole tournament for our members and their guests. Cost is \$5 per person (Paid out 100% in prize money). It's perfect for families, friends, and singles of all ages. The benefit of having separate weekly tournaments is that you don't have to play every Thursday. Prize money will be paid out weekly to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams. Games will be played outside, just off the member's patio.

Come early and enjoy the Bar Menu. If you have any questions contact President Dave Chiapete 262-939-5914 [davidchiapete@hotmail.com](mailto:davidchiapete@hotmail.com)



2019 marks the 35<sup>th</sup> year of the Roma Lodge Merit Scholarship program. 48 young people who graduated from high school between 1984 and 2019 were recipients of between \$1000 and \$4000 each.

A full list of these recipients can be found in the Scholarship section of the Roma Lodge Members web page at <https://www.romalodge.com/members/past-scholarship-recipients-1984-present>. Congratulations again to these recipients past and present.



Joseph Pucci, son of Michael J. Pucci, has been awarded a \$4000 scholarship. He is a graduate of J. I. Case High School in Racine. Joseph plans to attend the University of Wisconsin - Madison and major in Engineering. He was accepted into the College of Engineering, Department of Engineering Physics where only 30 of the 4524 engineering students are enrolled. Joseph was Valedictorian of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Preparatory School in 2015. He received Academic Letters his Freshmen, Sophomore and Junior years. He received the Outstanding Commitment to YAR and the Youth Bradford-Johnson YAR awards in 2017. Joseph was enrolled the rigorous IB and Project Lead the Way engineering courses while at Case. Joseph was also a member of the National Honor Society. He was a member of RUSD Link Crew and was a Link leader involved in mentoring incoming Freshmen. Joseph served on the Youth as Resources board for four years and also served as their Secretary and Chairman. Joseph has been involved in Empty Bowls of Racine, Visioning a Greater Racine and the Kiwanis Holiday Lights Foundation.

## Thank you Roma Lodge

May 18, 2019

To the officers, director and members of the Roma Lodge,

I am Mari Suokko and I was named the recipient of the Roma Lodge Merit Scholarship in May 2016. I was very honored to receive this scholarship and I thank all of you again for selecting me for this award and as I am writing to you after completing my third year at Ferris State University located in Big Rapids, Michigan.

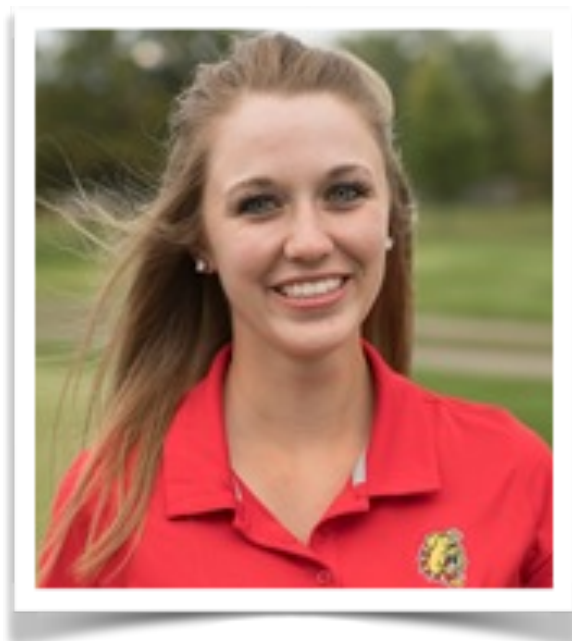
I am studying pharmacy while playing golf on the FSU Women's Golf team. After 4 more years, I plan on graduating with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree along with a Masters of Business degree. I am proud to say that I have received the NCAA Academic All-American award each year!

On the golf course, I was selected to play in all of the team's tournaments last Fall and this past Spring. We opened the Spring season in Florida and it concluded with the conference championship in Michigan. Our team did not advance to the NCAA regionals, but next year looks promising.

I have always appreciated the support from so many of you! The commitment I made to you that my goals would not change continues...I am working hard to maintain the best grades possible and I will continue to work hard on the golf course. I would like to repeat what I said the past three years..."I will not let the club down"!

Thank you again!!

*Mari*



## **Pancake day Success!**

**We could not have done this with out the help of our members. A special thank you to Frank Bisotti, Pancake Day Chair and the Pancake Day Committee. Thank you for making the 1st annual Roma Lodge Pancake Day a success! See you next year!**





## Summer Food Specials

The Italian Trio (lasagna, ravioli, and gnocchi) for just \$9.95,

Veal Parmesan for only \$14.95,

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All specials begin in June and continue through the end of August

**Deadline for information for July 2019 Newsletter is June 20, 2019.** Comments and suggestions and articles of interest to our members are welcome at [eric.hillery@yahoo.com](mailto:eric.hillery@yahoo.com).

*Eric Hillery*

Eric Hillery, Roma Lodge Secretary

## 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