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Also available on the Roma Lodge Members website

## Message from the President

### Roma Lodge Brothers:

As summer swiftly transitions to fall, it feels as though I just finished writing the August letter.

The summer bocce tournament was a great success, with the Roma Boyz—Dave Silvani, Jim Silvani, Joe Buscemi, and Vito Bounsante (from Log Cabin)—taking first place. The Silvani family played a key role in organizing and running the event, helping Roma Lodge host an outstanding tournament. The Roma Boyz proudly represented the lodge at the St. Ambrogio Tournament in Rockford, Illinois, securing second place with a close final score of 11-12 after fourteen hours of bocce. The team included father-and-son pairs Jim & Dave Silvani and new members Jay & Nick Villani.

This past month, we mourned the loss of longtime member Frank Catrine, who was part of Roma Lodge for 59 years and contributed to many club activities. Frank will be deeply missed by the Roma Lodge community, the Racine Yacht Club, and at Catrine's Barber Shop. Personally, he was my barber and friend for most of his career.

Vittoria Colonna will celebrate its 100th anniversary with a special event on September 13th. I hope many of you can attend. Knowing the women of Vittoria Colonna, it promises to be an exceptional celebration. Congratulations to the VC women and thank you for a century of partnership between our clubs. This is a remarkable milestone, and I wish them continued success for many years to come.

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:

- Six-Week Fall Bocce League Begins – September 8<sup>th</sup>
- Coffee & Cars (Safety Awareness Day) – Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>
- Vittoria Colonna 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party
- Columbus Day / Wine Tasting – October 11<sup>th</sup>
- Couples Bocce Begins – October 18<sup>th</sup>
- Trunk or Treat – October 26<sup>th</sup>

- Halloween Party – October 31<sup>st</sup>
- Pasta Making – November 15<sup>th</sup>

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 the Wednesday buffet menu and weekend specials.

I want to give a special shout out to Ron, Pat & Linda for volunteering every Wednesday, when they are in Wisconsin, for so many years as set-up, hosts, and cleanup, etc. Their help has been so important to the success of the Wednesday Buffet.

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

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## The August 9<sup>th</sup> “Coffee & Cars” featured 72 cars on display!



**“Best In Show” trophy was awarded to Jessica Zdanowicz for her 1959 Morris Minor Panel Van.**





## August 9<sup>th</sup> “Coffee & Cars” (continued)



Corvette Row

## The September 13<sup>th</sup> “Coffee & Cars” will feature “Safety Awareness Day”

*Representatives of the Mount Pleasant Fire Department as well as the Southshore and Caledonia Fire Departments will be onsite to display/demonstrate some of their equipment. People of all ages are encouraged to attend!*



# **BINGO! Birthday Celebration**

Mary Stevens has been a faithful Roma Lodge BINGO! patron for many years. On most every Thursday evening, you will find her and her daughter Roxanne sitting in their usual spots near the southeast corner of Vittoria Hall.

Prior to the August 28<sup>th</sup> BINGO! session, Roma Lodge took the time to honor Mary for a significant milestone that she reached. That milestone happened to be her **100<sup>th</sup>** birthday!! The Lodge provided a cake and balloons for Mary as well as complementary cookies for other BINGO! players. Lodge president Jon Morelli introduced Mary and announced the auspicious occasion to everyone in the hall. Lodge member Michael Kroes led all those on-hand in the singing of "Happy Birthday".

Mary... "HAPPY 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY!!!" (and many more ☺)



President Jon Morelli presents Mary Stevens with her "Happy 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday" cake.



Mary prepares to spin the "Wheel Of Fortune" to determine bonus payouts.



Michael Kroes and Rick Bonanno with Mary Stevens and her daughter Roxanne

# **ROMA LODGE HOSTS THE RACINE SPECIAL OLYMPICS**

On Tuesday evening, August 12th, Roma Lodge hosted the Racine Special Olympics Agency #715. The bocce team consisting of twenty-three players honed their skills on our indoor courts.

Along with the players, five coaches and twelve parents were welcomed by Roma Lodge. Including Roma Lodge volunteers, over fifty people were in attendance. The players, coaches, parents and volunteers all enjoyed the great Roma Lodge pizza provided by Chef Jake. Soda was also provided. Additionally, Roma Lodge donated a check in the amount of \$100. The Racine Special Olympics expressed their thanks to Roma Lodge's Board of Directors, the CARES Committee, the RIWA and all volunteers for providing a wonderful and memorable event. They are looking forward to visiting Roma Lodge again next year.



Coach Joe Macareno, far left, with the Racine Special Olympics bocce team.



## **ROMA LODGE HOSTS THE RACINE SPECIAL OLYMPICS** (continued)



Roma Lodge's great volunteers for the Special Olympics event

1<sup>st</sup> row (left to right) Jim Morelli, Chef Jake, John Anzalone, Jim Silvani, Carmelo Bruno, Joe Jardina

2<sup>nd</sup> row (left to right) Dave Silvani, Tom Garbo, Rick Bonanno, Emma Silvani, Brianna Silvani, Izzy Silvani



A wonderful evening was had by all. **Thank you Roma Lodge!!!**

# Obituary



## **Frank Michael Catrine**

**October 8, 1938 – August 7, 2025**

Frank Michael Catrine, age 87, passed away peacefully on Friday, August 7, 2025, at Aurora Medical Center in Mount Pleasant. He was born in Milwaukee, WI, the fifth of nine children of the late Carl and Angeline (Nee Collova) Catrine Sr.

Frank graduated from William Horlick High School "Class of 1956". On March 3, 1962, he was united in marriage to Nancy L. Ostwald and they shared 62 wonderful years together before Nancy preceded him in death March 27, 2024. Frank was a well-known barber in town for 66 years operating Catrine Barbers for over 54 years. He enjoyed sailing and was a member of: The Racine Yacht Club for over 50 years; Roma Lodge for over 50 years; and The Northside Business Assn for over 50 years. He enjoyed outdoor sports and was an avid Green Bay Packers fan. Above all, he treasured time spent with his family especially at the family cottage fishing and boating. He was

a devoted husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather who will be dearly missed.

Surviving are three sons, Michael (Katie) Catrine, John Catrine, and Gary (Rhonda) Catrine; grandson, Jordan (Gina) Catrine; two great grandchildren, Arya and Jackson Catrine; siblings, James (Judy) Catrine, Connie Majerko, Rosemary Klimowicz, Janice (Bill) William; in-laws; Mary Catrine, Theodore Drettwan, Judy Eaton; Charla Davis; nieces, nephews, other relatives, friends and barber shop patrons. In addition to his parents and Nancy, he was preceded in death by his siblings, Carl Catrine, Tom Catrine, Josie Drettwan, and Tony Catrine.

Funeral services were held at the Maresh-Meredith Funeral Home, Friday, August 15, 2025. A prayer service was held at 11am with Reverend Matthew L. Buterbaugh officiating. Relatives and friends met with the family prior to the service from 9:30am until 11am. A Roma Lodge service began at 10:45am. Interment was to follow at Graceland Cemetery.

Memorials to Big Sisters of Greater Racine, Hospitality Center Clothes Closet, St. Michael's Episcopal Church or Sleep in Heavenly Peace ([shpbeds.org](http://shpbeds.org)) have been suggested.

The family wishes to extend a special thank you to the staff at The Woods of Caledonia for their loving and compassionate care.

# SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, October 11, 2025

## Columbus Day Celebration Wine Tasting Party



ROMA LODGE | 7130 Spring Street | Mt. Pleasant, WI 53406



## SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT



The next Membership meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:roma.secretary.jam@gmail.com)

Dennis Porcaro: 262-884-9121 – [aprrlservices@netscape.net](mailto:aprrlservices@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 September*

September 1	<b>Michael Garbo</b>	September 14	<b>Alex Roman</b>	September 27	<b>Joseph Buscemi</b>
September 2	<b>Reid Pellizzari</b>	September 15	<b>Michael Mlsna</b>		<b>Damiano Piraino</b>
September 3	<b>William Bushell</b>	September 16	<b>Kevin Tripp</b>	September 28	<b>John Bonaretti</b>
September 5	<b>Ralph Malicki</b>	September 17	<b>Philip Mazzie</b>		<b>Charles Hoeft</b>
September 7	<b>Luke Mason</b>	September 26	<b>Ronald Brodsko</b>		<b>Glen Johnson</b>
September 9	<b>Eric Andersen</b>		<b>James Germinaro</b>	September 29	<b>David Schneider</b>
September 10	<b>Matthew Bremer</b>		<b>Kenneth Hotchkiss</b>	September 30	<b>Gavin DeCheck</b>
September 14	<b>Ralph Nicotera III</b>		<b>Dominic Lopiccolo</b>		

List compiled from the Roma Lodge Membership Files. Contact Pat Tierney, [teamtierney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:teamtierney@sbcglobal.net) if corrections are needed.



### **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](mailto:srawlinko@wi.rr.com) or by phone at (262) 308-7997.

## **ROMA LODGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WEEKEND DUTY SCHEDULE**

<b>September 2025</b>			
<b>Friday</b>		<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>5th</b>	<b>Bill Pucci</b>	<b>6th</b>	<b>Bill Pucci</b>
<b>12th</b>	<b>Greg Pierangeli</b>	<b>13th</b>	<b>Greg Pierangeli</b>
<b>19th</b>	<b>Matt Montemurro</b>	<b>20th</b>	<b>Matt Montemurro</b>
<b>26th</b>	<b>Steve Rawlinko</b>	<b>27th</b>	<b>Steve Rawlinko</b>



## **Bocce Schedules**

To view Bocce Schedules, click the following link:

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



### **September 2025 EVENTS**

<b>Monday, September 1</b>	<b>Labor Day</b>
<b>Monday, September 8</b>	<b>Six-Week Fall Bocce League Begins</b>
<b>Tuesday, September 9</b>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting - 6:30pm</b>
<b>Friday, September 12</b>	<b>Members Meeting - 7:00pm</b>
<b>Saturday, September 13</b>	<b>Coffee &amp; Cars (final for 2025)</b>
<b>Saturday, September 13</b>	<b>Vittoria Colonna 100 Year Anniversary Celebration</b>

### **October 2025 EVENTS**

<b>Tuesday, October 7</b>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting - 6:30pm</b>
<b>Friday, October 10</b>	<b>Members Meeting - 7:00pm</b>
<b>Saturday, October 11</b>	<b>Columbus Day Celebration and Wine Tasting</b>
<b>Saturday, October 18</b>	<b>Couples Bocce Begins</b>
<b>Sunday, October 26</b>	<b>“Trunk Or Treat”</b>
<b>Friday, October 31</b>	<b>Halloween Party</b>

### **2025 ROMA LODGE SOCIAL EVENTS**

<b>Saturday, November 15</b>	<b>Pasta Making</b>
<b>Sunday, December 7</b>	<b>Kids Christmas Party</b>
<b>Saturday, December 13</b>	<b>Members Christmas Party</b>

## Message from the President (*Continued from Page 1*)

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 will be held on Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. The next

Board of Directors meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> 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

### ROMA LODGE BOCCE CAPTAINS AND PLAYERS MEETING

**The Captains and Players meeting for the 2025-2026 Bocce season will be held in the members bar on Monday, September 8th at 6:30pm. All players and any other members interested in playing are welcome to attend.**

**It is the one time each year that any rule changes can be discussed and implemented.**



**SATURDAY MORNING**

# COFFEE & CARS

 **RENDEZVOUS**



**8 AM - NOON**

**2025**

*Every* **Second Saturday of the Month**

June 14    July 12    August 9    September 13 (Safety Awareness Day)

 **7130 Spring Street (HWY C) – Mt. Pleasant**

## **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](mailto: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 October 2025 Newsletter, is September 26, 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](mailto:roma.newsletter.mpk@gmail.com). Items submitted for publication must contain complete information.