

ROMA LODGE NEWSLETTER



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February 2010 Issue

SCHOLARSHIP ISSUE

January 20, 2010

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The countdown has started for the Roma Lodge 85th anniversary gala and the planning is well underway. Only 6 months to go so mark your calendar for this big event. As I mentioned before, we have a lot of things coming up in 2010. We have a March bocce tournament coming up and you can contact Dave Chiapete for the details. We also have a Super Bowl party coming up in February. Contact Frank Caruso for the details. Sounds like a lot of fun. Check your Roma Lodge calendar for future events. I want to thank Jim McDougal, Jason Evitts, Dennis Gehrke, Art Rozzoni and Zuddy DeRose for helping with the RIWA employee Christmas Party.

I would also like some feedback from the members if you feel that out of respect, we should fly the Italian flag in front of the Roma Lodge at half mast when one of our members passes away?

It's your club, so let's take care of it. It needs all our help, SO remember, if it's good for the Roma Lodge members, it's good for Roma Lodge.

Fraternally yours,

Buddy D Alfano

FEBRUARY 2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, February 2, 2010	Board of Directors Meeting - 6:30 pm
Friday, February 5, 2010	Membership Meeting - Nominations - 7:00 pm
Friday, February 5, 2010	Scholarship Applications Available
Sunday, February 7, 2010	Super Bowl XLIV Party - 3:30 pm
Saturday, February 13, 2010	Valentine's Day Dinner - Members Dining Room
Sunday, February 14, 2010	Children's Bocce Begins - 1:00 pm
Monday, February 15, 2010	U.S. President's Day Federal Holiday
Wednesday, February 17, 2010	Ash Wednesday
Thursday, February 18, 2010	Senior Luncheon - 12 noon



Welcome! Welcome New Members

Voted into Membership at the January Membership Meeting:

David (Dave) C. Boero, age 56 was born and resides in Kenosha. He is employed as a sales engineer / project manager by Total Mechanical. He and his wife Susan have five children. His father is of Italian descent. Brad Albee is David's proponent.

Marco Borgogni, age 36 was born in Livorno, Tuscany, Italy. Marco, who is employed by the Educators Credit Union, is married to Amanda Lynn Juliano Borgogni. His proponent is Rich Mascolino.

Gary Suokko, age 52 is originally from Ashland, Wisconsin and currently resides in Sturtevant. He commutes to his job in Sheboygan where he is employed as the chief operating officer for Piggly Wiggly Midwest. Gary is married (Janet) with two children. His mother is of Italian descent (Carli). Brad Albee is his proponent.



Applications for Membership - to be voted on at the February, 2010 Membership Meeting:

Greg DaPra, age 50 of Racine - Proponent: Pat Diem
Harry (Ted) Perroni, age 57 of Pleasant Prairie - Proponent: Paul Ferraro, Jr
John D. Tylo, age 56 of Racine - Proponent: Ralph Nicotera, Jr



Probationary Members Approved for Full Membership

Joseph D. Caminiti - Proponent: Charles Zupfer
Brian Hart - Proponent - Ralph Nicotera, Jr
Pat Johnson - Proponent - Greg Pitts



Condolences are extended to the family of Roma Lodge brother, Joseph Gianforte, whose funeral was in January. Sympathies are also extended to Rick Crivello whose father-in-law died in January. Condolences also go out to Dick Sarto and Richard Sarto whose sister, Ursula Sarto Kant pass away in January. She was the mother of former member Ray Kant.



2010 Board of Directors Election

Nominations will be made at the February 5, 2010 Membership Meeting for four director positions for the 2010-2012 term. Directors whose regular terms expire this year are: Bill Pucci, Joe Mandala, Jim Oswald, and Dennis Porcaro. The election will be held on Friday, March 5, 2010. To be a nominee, a perspective candidate must:

- Be a member in good standing as of February 2010
- Have been a member of the Lodge for at least two years.
- Accept the nomination at the time it is presented at the February meeting. If he is unable to be present, he must have a representative deliver his written acceptance of the nomination at the meeting.
- Not be a purveyor to the Lodge
- Not work in a paid position for the Lodge or receive a salary or hourly wage from the Lodge, except for those positions on the Board that are salaried.

Those interested in being candidates for these positions should contact John Anzalone, 637-2520 john.anzalone@att.net. Those who accept nominations must submit a candidate's statement to Jerry Perona, gperona@wi.rr.com, by **Wednesday, February 10**, highlighting their history with the Lodge and why they wish to serve as a Roma Lodge director. These statements will be published in the March Newsletter.



**ROMA LODGE SUPER BOWL XLIV PARTY
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2010**

Doors open 3:30 p.m. Game time is approximately 5:30 p.m.

**OPEN TO MEMBERS AND GUESTS (1 Member / 7 Guests)
Big Raffle - Autographed Packer Memorabilia, Packer Game Tickets plus
Dozens of Door Prizes**

**Cost \$10.00 includes beer, soda, pizza, chili, bombers
and as many TVs as you can watch at one time!**

**Tickets available from Frank Caruso 886-4786,
Kurt Fallenback 886-5658 and Dave Chiapete 939-5914**

Roma Lodge Scholarship Forms Available February 5, 2010

Mike Kroes, chairman of the Roma Lodge Scholarship Committee will announce the scholarship application procedure at the February Membership Meeting. Scholarship Application forms are available on-line at <http://members.romalodge.com/scholarships.html>, by email from any Scholarship Committee member: Mike Kroes, chair mpkroes@hotmail.com; Dr. Michael Ansani, ansani32@yahoo.com, Dan Cupertino ncupertino@yahoo.com, Jordan Gardina gardina@joimail.com, Jerry Perona gperona@wi.rr.com, and Mark Schneider mschneider@seesofhealth.com.

Two Scholarships Open to Roma Lodge Members

Roma Lodge members are eligible to apply for scholarships through Roma Lodge. The Mary and Tony Clementi Scholarship and the Darryl and Jeana Sturino Scholarship are both open to current Roma Lodge members who are involved in a post-secondary program of study. The Clementi Scholarship is open to grandchildren of Roma Lodge members. All three scholarship programs are open to children of Roma Lodge members. Review the information below and start your application process now.

ROMA LODGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS 2010 SUMMARY*
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	ROMA LODGE MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS	DARRYL & JEANA STURINO SCHOLARSHIP	MARY JANE & TONY CLEMENTI SCHOLARSHIP
AMOUNT	Two \$4000 Awards Three \$ 500 Awards Funded by Roma Lodge All awarded annually	One \$1000 Award Paid from funds donated by Darryl & Jeana Sturino Awarded annually	One \$1000 Paid from funds donated by Nick Clementi in memory of his parents Mary Jane and Tony Clementi Awarded every even numbered year
FOCUS	Academic Achievement	Financial Need	Community / Volunteer service
ELIGIBILITY	Child of Roma Member	1)Roma Lodge Member or 2) Child age 17-25 of Roma Lodge member	1) Roma Lodge Member or 2) Child up to 21 years age of Roma Lodge Member 3) Grandchild up to 21 years of age of Roma Lodge member
REQUIREMENTS	1) Graduating High School Senior 2) Accepted in a 4 year college or university program 3) Demonstrates high academic achievement 4) Full-time student	1) Currently enrolled or accepted in a Baccalaureate or higher degree program 2) Demonstrates financial need 3) Full or part-time student	1) Currently enrolled or accepted in any type of post-high school continuing education program including diploma, certificate, associate degree, baccalaureate, graduate, or continuing education 2) Demonstrates high degree of community service 3) Full or part-time student

***Note:** For details - see separate scholarship information and application forms available on the web or from a member of the Roma Lodge Scholarship Committee.

General Policies:

1. An individual may apply for as many of the scholarships for which he/she meets the eligibility requirements.
2. An individual applying for more than one of the three scholarships must use the appropriate scholarship application form for each of the scholarships.
3. An individual may be the recipient of more than one of the three scholarships, EXCEPT
4. The recipient of one of the \$4000 Roma Lodge Merit Scholarship awards would only be allowed that award even if they applied and scored high on either the Clementi or Sturino Scholarships.

Time-Line:

February 5, 2010 (Membership Meeting)
March 26, 2010

April 30, 2010
 May 2010

Applications will be available - in paper, via email, or on the web
Deadline for all applications - to be returned to: Roma Lodge Scholarship Committee; Attn: Jerry Perona, 7130 Spring Street, Racine, WI 53406
 Recipients will be selected
 Recipients will be named and awards presented

Applications are available:

- 1) From a member of the Roma Lodge Scholarship Committee
- 2) On the Roma Lodge web page, <http://www.romalodge.org>
- 3) By email from Jerry Perona, gperona@wi.rr.com

Please specify the scholarship application form(s) you require.



ROMA LODGE MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

What is the Scholarship

Each year Roma Lodge makes scholarships available to children of Roma Lodge members who are in good standing as of January 31 of that calendar year. Two of the scholarships are for \$4000 each, payable in \$1000 increments at the beginning of each of four academic years. In addition to the two renewable \$4000 scholarships, the Lodge awards a maximum of three one time \$500 scholarships to the third, fourth, and fifth place rated scholarship applicants. The scholarships can be applied to any course of study leading to a recognized baccalaureate degree in any accredited United States college or university of the recipient's choice. The recipients are selected by a panel of independent evaluators in the Racine area. Roma Lodge officers or members do not have part in the selection of the recipients.

Who is Eligible?

All biological or adoptive children of members in good standing as of January 31 of that calendar year are eligible to compete for the scholarship. It is necessary that the father of the recipient continue to be a member in good standing for the duration of the scholarship. Applicants must be graduating high school seniors. Candidates must be planning to pursue a full-time program of study (12 credits or more) in a college or university in the United States.

Application Requirements

The applicants must:

- Completed a high school college preparatory course of study
- Demonstrated a commendable academic record which will qualify for admission to the college university of their choice
- Demonstrated positive citizenship and leadership qualities through participation in school and community activities.
- Shows potential for higher academic success by achieving ACT or SAT scores acceptable to the college or university of their choice.
- Submit an official high school transcript
- Submit an ACT or SAT scores report form
- Submit two letters of recommendation

Financial need will not be considered during the selection process.



THE DARRYL AND JEANA STURINO LIFELONG LEARNING SCHOLARSHIP

What is the Scholarship: The Darryl and Jeana Sturino Life Long Learning Scholarship was created in 2008 and is funded by Darryl Sturino, a member of Roma Lodge. The scholarship awards \$1000 to a member of Roma Lodge regardless of age or a child, age 17-25, of Roma Lodge member who has been accepted in or is currently enrolled in a baccalaureate or higher degree program in any accredited college or university in the United States. Financial need as well as scholastic achievement and community service are the basis for selection of a recipient. The application, selection, and award process for the scholarship is administered by Roma Lodge.

Who is Eligible: All members of Roma Lodge and the biological or adopted sons and daughters, ages 17-25, of Roma Lodge members who are in good standing as of January 31 of the calendar year are eligible to apply for the scholarship. It is necessary for the Roma Lodge member to continue to be a member for the duration of the scholarship academic year. A graduating high school senior or a student currently enrolled in a full-time or part-time college or university program may apply.

Application requirements: Applicants must demonstrate

- Academic achievement as evidenced by a transcript of grades
- A record of community service as evidenced by a list of community activities
- Financial need as described in an essay
- Good character as evidenced by two letters of recommendation



MARY JANE AND TONY CLEMENTI SCHOLARSHIP

What is the Scholarship: The Mary Jane and Tony Clementi Scholarship is a \$1000 award to an individual who is pursuing a career that will carry on the strong legacy of service to others as exemplified by the spirit of hard work and selfless sacrifice to others which has been the guiding principle of Mary Jane and Tony Clementi over their years of service to Roma Lodge and Vittoria Colonna Lodge, and to their church. It was established in 2007 by their son, Nicholas Clementi, to honor his parents for their lifetime of hard work and service to others. The recipient must be an individual of Italian descent or heritage by birth, adoption or marriage who is a member of Roma Lodge, or a child or grandchild, under the age of 21, of a Roma Lodge member who plans to pursue or is pursuing a postsecondary undergraduate, technical, diploma, or certificate program or other continuing education program. The application, selection, and award process for the scholarship is administered by Roma Lodge.

Who is eligible: Any member of Roma Lodge regardless of age is eligible to apply. Also eligible to apply for the scholarship are children and grandchildren, 21 years of age or younger, of Roma Lodge current members.

A Roma Lodge member who applies for the scholarship for his own use must be a member in good standing as of January 31 of the calendar. In the event he is selected as the recipient, he must remain in good standing for a period of one year following the scholarship award, or the money must be returned.

A Roma Lodge member whose children or grandchildren apply for the scholarship must be a member in good standing as of January 31 of that calendar. In the event the child or grandchild is selected as the recipient, the Roma Lodge member must remain in good standing for a period of one year following the scholarship award, or the money must be returned.

Application requirements: Applicants must demonstrate:

- A history of volunteer services to school, church, or community at large
- A plan for funding educational expenses in addition to the scholarship
- A plan to pursue a program of study that carries on a legacy of service to others
- For graduating high school seniors and those currently enrolled in a post secondary program, a transcript of grades.
- For those who have completed a GED program, a certificate of completion.
- Two letters of recommendation

OTHER SCHOLARSHIP SOURCES FOR ITALIAN-AMERICANS



Milwaukee Ladies of UNICO - Provides scholarships to college-bound female high school seniors of Italian descent who come from the following counties in the greater Milwaukee area: Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Walworth, Washington and Waukesha. This year, the organization will provide six \$1,000 scholarships. Applications are available in the guidance department of the high schools in Milwaukee County and in the cities of Kenosha, Racine and Waukesha. For students from the remaining counties, contact the UNICO Scholarship Chairperson for application materials.

Address: Scholarship Chairperson, 9831 W. Keefe Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53222

Contact Person: Prudence Camuy, rcamuy@wi.rr.com

Application Materials: Contact your guidance counselor or Prudence Camuy

Application Deadline: April 2010



Order Sons of Italy Filippo Mazzei Lodge #2763 - Provides two \$1,500 scholarships each year in honor of Michael and Chris Manno. Candidates are selected from college-bound high school seniors who are of Italian descent and who come from the greater Milwaukee area (counties: Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Walworth, Washington and Waukesha). **Address:** Scholarship Director of OSIA, Filippo Mazzei Lodge #2763, PO Box 510500, Milwaukee, WI 53202

Contact Person: Jane Machi jmachi@mcw.edu

Application Materials: **OSIA Cover Letter to Schools** - 2010 application materials not available yet (pdf) and **OSIA 2009 Scholarship Application Form** - 2010 application materials not available yet (Word)

Application Deadline: March 2010



National Italian American Foundation (NIAF) - The NIAF has an education budget of \$1,000,000, and will award scholarships and grants to outstanding students in the summer for use during the following academic year. Scholarship awards range from \$2,000-\$12,000. Each scholarship award can only cover tuition and university-provided room and board. Scholarship recipients are eligible for one year of scholarship support. Scholarship monies not used during one academic year are not transferable to the following academic year. Scholarship applicants and winners can and are encouraged to reapply in subsequent years. The awards will be made on the basis of academic merit and divided between two groups of students:

General Category I: Italian American students who demonstrate outstanding potential and high academic achievements in any field of study.

General Category II: Those students from any ethnic background majoring or minoring in Italian language, Italian studies, Italian American studies or a related field, who demonstrate outstanding potential and high academic achievements.

Website: <http://www.niaf.org/scholarships/about.asp>

Application Materials: Applications available November 2009. NIAF scholarship applications can only be submitted on-line. <http://www.niaf.org/scholarships/index.asp>

Application Deadline: March 5, 2010

Announcement of Winners: May 14, 2010



Order Sons of Italy in America - Each year, the Sons of Italy Foundation (SIF) offers 10 to 12 merit-based scholarships, ranging from \$5,000 to \$25,000.

General Scholarship - National Education and Leadership Awards (NELA) - U.S. citizens of Italian descent (at least one Italian or Italian American grandparent) enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program at a four-year, accredited academic institution for the Fall 2010 term. Previous SIF scholarship winners are not eligible. All recipients of the NELA scholarship must be in a matriculated program of study either on the undergraduate or graduate level.

Henry Salvatori Scholarship - Established by the late philanthropist and businessman for whom it is named, the Henry Salvatori Scholarship is a grant awarded to a college-bound high school senior who demonstrates exceptional leadership, distinguished scholarship and a deep understanding and respect for the principles upon which our nation was founded—liberty, freedom and equality.

Joseph L. Bracone Memorial Scholarship - Established by family and friends of Joseph L. Bracone who served his country in Vietnam, earning a Silver Star and a Purple Heart. U.S. citizens of Italian descent enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program at a four-year, accredited academic institution for the fall 2010 term. Open to all liberal arts majors with preference given to those studying business, finance or pre-law.

Address: National Leadership Grant Competition, Sons of Italy Foundation, 219 E Street, NE Washington, DC 20002

Website: www.osia.org/students/scholarships.php

Application Form: www.osia.org/documents/NLGC_2010_Application_Form.pdf

Processing Fee: A non-refundable \$30 processing fee must accompany each application. Only money orders will be accepted; no checks or credit cards under any circumstance. Make money orders payable to the Sons of Italy Foundation.

Application Deadline: February 26, 2010

Announcement of Winners: May 1, 2010



Italian Language Study Group

Reminder - every third Wednesday at 7:00 pm, the meeting of the Roma Lodge Italian Language Study Group will be held. The informal group, under the leadership of Jeff DeMatthew, will practice basic Italian phrases and expressions, basic vocabulary and grammar. The group can also choose to explore other aspects of Italian culture and history through movies, CDs and other media. Internet sources may also be used. The group will meet in the Roma Lodge Board of Directors Room. It is open to members and guests. Participants can choose to attend as many sessions as they wish.

There is no charge. For more information, contact Jeff DeMatthew, 633-7530 or email dematthew@ameritech.net.



News from the Bocce Courts



ROMA LODGE

Invites Men, Women, and Mixed Teams from Wisconsin and Illinois to the FIRST ANNUAL ROUND ROBIN - MARCH MADNESS BOCCÉ TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 2010

First Prize - \$800; Second Prize - \$400; Third Prize - \$200

Fee is \$25 per person or \$125 per Five Member Team

Includes Entry Fee plus Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner Prepared by Chef Zuddy DeRose

Doors Open at 8:00 am - Tournament Play begins at 9:00 am

For Registration Forms, Contact Dave Chiapete, 262-939-5914 or Email davidchiapete@hotmail.com



Children's Bocce League Begins February 14, 2009

Sunday, February 14 marks the opening of the Children's Bocce League season. The first meeting begins at 1:00 p.m. in the Roma Lodge Bocce Courts. The Children's Bocce League is held on Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. It is open to any Roma Lodge member's child or grandchild age 8 and older. There is a place for children at all ages and skill levels. This is a great way to prepare our future Roma Lodge or Vittoria Colonna Lodge members for those big adult bocce tournaments (and they might pick up a few Italian words along the way). The season ends on Sunday, March 21, 2010. For more information, or to volunteer to help, contact Joe or Rosemary Povkovich at 637-3784 or email jpovkovich.acc@amorimusa.com.



2009 Winter League Bocce Champions: - from left - Nunzio Germanotta, John Anzalone, Zuddy DeRose, Chuck Christiano, Dan Zanella, and Dave Chiapete



New Year's Eve Bocce Champions - from left - Jim Silvani, Georgette Silvani, Bonnie Emmons, Gary Emmons


VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER SPECIAL
MEMBER'S DINING ROOM
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2010

Beginning at 5:30 pm

Menu: Prime Rib, Lobster, Lasagna, Orange Roughy, Prime Rib and Lobster, Italian Baked Chicken

Includes salad, bread, and potatoes

Member/Guest ratio applies

Call for Reservations: 886-8850

ITALIAN AMERICANS BORN IN FEBRUARY



Coraci Valletta Aniston Colletti Cafagna Stewart Vrenna Leoni Sarazen Farina

- Feb 3, 1966 Frank Coraci, film director best known for his work with Adam Sandler
- Feb 9, 1974 Amber Evangeline Valletta, supermodel and actress
- Feb 11, 1969 Jennifer Aniston, Emmy and Golden Globe winning actress
- Feb 13, 1986 Stephen August Colletti, reality TV star on the MYC show Laguna Beach: The Real Orange County
- Feb 15, 1983 Ashley Lyn Cafagna, actress and singer starred in the Bold and the Beautiful
- Feb 23, 1970 Paul Anthony Stewart, soap opera actor formerly with the Guiding Light
- Feb 23, 1967 Chris Vrenna, musician and Grammy-award winning producer, songwriter, and programmer
- Feb 25, 1966 Tea Leoni, actress
- Feb 27, 1902 Gene Sarazen (Eugenio Saraceni) winner of all major golf championships between 1922 and 1935
- Feb 29, 1944 Dennis Farina, film and television character actor

OTHER EVENTS IN THE AREA



"Blast from the Past" Rock and Roll Show - Saturday, February 6, 2010 - Milwaukee

Italian Community Center, 631 E Chicago Street

Some of Wisconsin's top entertainers will be performing when Jimmy "Big Bopper" Prince presents the 10th anniversary of the "Blast from the Past" show. Joining Prince will be Geoff Landon as Buddy Holly, Jesse Aron as Elvis Presley and Roy Orbison, Chuck Travis as Carl Perkins, Joe Palumbo as Richie Valens, KK Presley as Johnny Case, and Freddy Meier as Ricky Nelson. Doors open at 7:00 pm with the show beginning at 8:00 pm in the Pompeii Grand Ballroom. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. For tickets, telephone the ICC at 414-223-2180



31st Annual "Il Grand Carnevale" - Saturday, February 13, 2010 - Milwaukee

Italian Community Center, 631 E Chicago Street

According to tradition, Carnevale is one of the last opportunities for merry making before the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday. Food and entertainment highlight this event, which will feature the music of the Bill Sargent Big Band. A king and queen and other royalty will be crowned. Attendees are encouraged to wear a costume or a mask. Tickets are \$50 per person (\$45 for ICC members). Reservation can be made by contacting the Italian Community Center at 414-233-2180.



Wine and Pizza - A Mini-course - Friday, February 12, 2010 - Kenosha

University of Wisconsin - Parkside

Everyone likes a good pizza and most people like a good wine. But what wine works with your favorite pizza toppings? Instructor Karl Frederick will offer tastes of various pizzas with a complement of wine. Fee for mini-course is \$35 and is scheduled for 6:30 - 9:00 pm. Limit is 18 people, 21 years of age or older. Registration and more information are available on the web at <http://www.uwp.edu> Keyword: *Tickets* or by phone at 262-595-2202.



Italian Reds - A Mini-course - Friday, March 12, 2010 - Kenosha

University of Wisconsin - Parkside

A large number of red wines come from all over Italy. Karl Frederick will lead you through each region of Italy by tasting their wines and the food that complement them. One night course runs from 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm. Fee for mini-course is \$35. Limit is 18 people, 21 years of age or older. Registration and more information are available on the web at <http://www.uwp.edu> Keyword: *Tickets* or by phone at 262-595-2202.



Pasta: It's Not as Hard as You Think - A Mini-course - Tuesday, March 16, 2010 - Kenosha

University of Wisconsin - Parkside

This fund and interactive class will present pasta rolled out to make fettuccine and ravioli as well as gnocchi. For this course, using your hands is just as important as using your pasta machine. The one night course, 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm is taught by Chef Rene Saulnier. Fee is \$50 with a limit of 12 participants. . Registration and more information are available on the web at <http://www.uwp.edu> Keyword: *Tickets* or by phone at 262-595-2202.



Contemporary Italian Cinema - A Mini-course - Wednesday beginning March 24, 2010 - Kenosha

University of Wisconsin - Parkside

This six session course, scheduled for 7:00 - 9:00 pm, will explore Italian culture and contemporary life through film by viewing and discussing such film masterpieces as *La Vita e Bella*, *Cinema Paradiso*, and *Pane e Tulipani*. Materials will be furnished by the instructor, Ralph Annina. Course fee is \$25, with a limit of 25 participants. Registration and more information are available on the web at <http://www.uwp.edu> Keyword: *Tickets* or by phone at 262-595-2202.



Italian I - a Mini-course - Thursdays beginning April 1, 2010 - Kenosha

University of Wisconsin - Parkside

Familiarizes students with the structure of the Italian language and gives one the ability to be comfortable with native Italian speakers. It will provide a helpful experience for those planning to travel to Italy. Instructor for the six session course is Ralph Annina and is scheduled for 7:00 - 9:00 pm. Fee is \$95 and limited to 20 participants. Registration and more information are available on the web at <http://www.uwp.edu> Keyword: *Tickets* or by phone at 262-595-2202.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION



Thanks to Our Hostess

A special thank you to our Roma Lodge Members Dining Room hostess, Amy Richardson, whose fast thinking and use of first aid provided timely assistance to a dining guest.



Bingo Captains: February 2010

Volunteer for a Thursday night Bingo session. Contact the Bingo Captain for February: **Dick Pelletieri 681-8097**



Senior Luncheon will be held Thursday, February 11 at 12 noon. Please make a special effort to call Russ Missureli at 633-6582 by Monday February 8 if you are planning to attend. Cost is \$6.00 per person



Attention Board Members and Committee Chairs - Reserve the Board Room!

Because of the increasing number of meetings by various Roma Lodge committees, committee chairs and others who have received permission to use the Board of Directors Room are asked to "reserve" the room using the Reservation Calendar that has been posted inside the Board Room doorway. Mark on the calendar the date of your meeting, the name of the group and the time of the meeting. Thank you for your cooperation.



ROMA LODGE CARES COMMITTEE

Roma Lodge By-Laws state that one of the purposes of Roma Lodge is, "To carry on human relations activities on a charitable basis for the purpose of showing the community the positive force of Italian-American citizens". In keeping with that purpose John Anzalone, chairman of the CARES Committee is pleased to list the organizations to which Roma Lodge through the CARES Committee donated funds in 2009:

Erickson Baseball Club - Racine
Families in Transition - Racine
Italian Earthquake Relief Fund
Kenosha Merchants Baseball
Kenosha Symphony Orchestra
Ophelia Project of SE Wisconsin
WisItalia

Racine County - Foster Parents Christmas Party
Racine County Opportunity Center - Golf for Kids
Raymond Youth Baseball / Softball
Rayne's House of Hope
Special Olympics of Wisconsin
Mike Bencriscutto Jr Masters Golf Tournament - Racine

For more information about the CARES Committee, contact John Anzalone at john.anzalone@att.net.



A Letter of Thanks

Dear Friends at Roma Lodge:

On behalf of the Racine County foster families, I am writing to thank you for your tremendous generosity on hosting the Racine County Foster Family Christmas Party. It is so terrific that you and your Board members contribute year after year to this event. The pizza is always wonderful, the hospitality amazing, and the venue so beautiful and accommodating. It always is so wonderful to see the stockings and donated gifts, and the happy faces of the children in receiving them. I believe that this year there were over 279 individuals that attended.

Thank you so much for your continued thoughtfulness. I know how the season is so very busy for everyone and its great to know that there are many in the community that care about children living in foster care.

Racine County Human Services Dept. Foster Care Unit

Children's Christmas Party - A Note of Thanks

On behalf of myself and all those who attended the 2009 Children's Christmas Party, I want to thank the Jim McDougal, Art Rozzoni, Bill Celeste, and Sam Pulice for helping organize this event. Also thank you to Frank Caruso and Bill Greer for the great job they did taking and printing all the pictures this year!!! I again would also like to thank all the many volunteers, without whom the Children's Party would not be possible!!!!

GRAZIE,

Rick Crivello - Chairperson Children's Christmas Party



2010 Calendar of Events on Web Page

Misplaced your 2010 Roma Lodge Calendar of Events? It's always available on the Roma Lodge Member's web site at <http://members.romalodge.com/calendar.html>. Also added to the

Photo Gallery sections of the web page are pictures of the 2009 Men's Golf Tournament.

Funeral Service Calling Tree Service Schedule February 2010

The Calling Tree Committee has released the schedule for funeral visitations. 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 also be a special Roma Lodge sign in book at the service for members who attend to sign in, verifying that they are fulfilling their obligation. The Calling Tree schedule for December is for those members who names are listed on the Membership List between:

Feb 2010 Pucci, William - Salerno, Lester



Roma Lodge Reservations

For **Members Dining Room** reservations, the **telephone number 886-8850**. When making reservations for the Members Dining Room, please telephone the Member's number only. Leave your name, day and date you want the reservation, your phone number, number of people in your party, and estimated time of arrival. You will only receive a call back if there is a problem or a question about your reservation. **NOTE:** *The Members Dining Room is always closed on Membership Meeting nights which is usually the first Friday of the month and Wednesday and weekend nights when events for members or members and guests are scheduled.* To reserve the Venetian Room and for Roma-to-Go, telephone the RIWA Office at 886-3610. For the Members Card Room telephone 886-2557

NOTE: The Roma Lodge By-laws require that Roma Lodge members be notified of the slate of candidates in the Newsletter at least fifteen days before the March election meeting. To meet this deadline, the Deadline for the March Newsletter is Thursday, February 12 - 9:00 am.

Jerry Perona,
Jerry Perona, Secretary

Advertising Available in the Roma Lodge Newsletter

You can now purchase ads that will appear in the monthly Roma Lodge Newsletter and in color on the Roma Lodge Members' web page. Cost for ads is \$20 / month for a six month contract with an introductory offer of \$15 / month for six months.

These ads will provide a new and profitable outlet for our members who own or operate businesses as well as a source of services available to our members.

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Tuesday, March 2, 2010	Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, March 5, 2010	Membership Meeting - Elections
Saturday, March 6, 2010	March Madness Bocce Tournament
Sunday, March 14, 2010	Daylight Savings Time Begins
Sunday, March 14, 2010	Installation Dinner
Wednesday, March 17, 2010	Winter Bocce Leagues End
Wednesday, March 17, 2010	RIWA St Patrick's Day Party (Open to the Public)
Thursday, March 18, 2010	Senior Luncheon
Saturday, March 20, 2010	First Day of Spring
Sunday, March 21, 2010	Children's Bocce League Final and Party
Sunday, March 21, 2010	RIWA Taste of Roma
Monday, March 22, 2010	Men's Winter Bocce League Tournament Begins
Friday, March 26, 2010	Roma Lodge Scholarships Application Deadline
Tuesday, March 30, 2010	Board of Directors Meeting