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April 2019

President's Message



Sisters and Brothers,

A wonderful turnout of 102 members and 4 guests enjoyed Festival leftover antipasto, sausage & peppers, meatballs and very tasty desserts. Sal Castorina and Tom Pergola received an ovation in thanks for their tireless efforts in organizing an outstanding Festival. They, in turn, thanked all of the team captains and volunteers for their hard work. Sal estimated between 1400 and 1500 people attended the Festival. It was a great day for the Lodge.

Meeting Highlights:

- A resolution was passed to amend the Lodge By-Laws to incorporate a limitation 3 meeting limit on a person attending a meeting as a guest. The amendment to the By-Laws will be sent to the Grand Lodge for approval. This formalizes what had been the unwritten policy of the Lodge.
- Rita Tindall, Membership Chair, announced that our membership is 231.
- The Memorial Scholarship Committee will meet on April 17 to review the 13 applications. A report will be made at the May 2 meeting. Memorial Scholarship awardees and their families will be invited to the June 6 Pot Luck Supper at 6:30 p.m. A brief General Assembly meeting will precede the supper beginning at 6:00 p.m. Details for the Pot Luck will be discussed at the May meeting
- Aspire Worldwide (Carrie Linch) is expecting about 75 Italian students to arrive in two groups in June. The Executive Council approved organizing a Welcome for the Italian students and a thank you for Lodge members at the end of June, possibly the 27th if Columbus Hall is available. It will be similar to last years social outing. Details will follow.



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One item that was approved by the Council for presentation to the membership, but I failed to mention, is the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. Brother Nick Bartolomeo is a 16 year cancer survivor and will once again participate in the Relay for Life on May 11 as a one person team - Bartolomeo Brave Warrior. His goal is to raise \$2,000. Anyone interested in supporting Nick may make a check payable to the American Cancer Society and mail it to Nick at 36834 West Pond Circle, Selbyville, DE 19975 by May 7, 2019. We also hope to have a speaker at the May meeting from the American Cancer Society.

Geoffrey and Jackie Failla, the Executive Director and head of nursing care at the Grace Center for Maternal and Women's Health were our guest speakers. Grace Center is located in Berlin, across from the Atlantic General Hospital Complex. They described the Center's services and how the staff strives to create a safe haven for women to be able to improve their health and overall well-being in the community. Our guests joined the post meeting social and mingled with Lodge members.

Finally, please remember those on our prayer list: Rosemarie Corless, JoAnn Fimmano, George Madden, Carol Vales, Ethel Jacobs, Anna Rubino, Gordon Donohue, John Cusato, and Nancy Borreggine.

Hope to see you on May 2 at 7:00 p.m. Executive Council meets at 5:30 p.m..

May the joy of the Risen Christ be with you and your families at Easter and throughout the year.

God bless you and keep you safe.

Ciao, Vito

Sick and Distressed: If you know of anyone who is sick, had surgery, or recently has lost a loved one, please call Jane Bartolomeo (302) 436-8208. Card(s) will be sent.

Club Birthdays



Those celebrating May birthdays: 5/4 John Nawn; 5/5 Rita Tindall, Terry Twardesky; 5/6 Mike Jacobs; 5/8 Richard Nippes, JoAnn Steward; 5/18 Paul Mazzei; 5/19 Rosemarie Pomilla, Edward Delilo; 5/21 Carol Sellers, Diane Liberto; 5/22 Kathy Aquilla; 5/24 Boomer Maiorano; 5/25 Jean

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Delcher; 5/27 Geraldine Rainey. **Happy Birthday!!!**

Membership: Five (5) new members joined in April. They are Guy Akob, Charles Carnabuci, Judith DeLucco, Frank DeLucco, and Joseph Tamberino, Sr. **Welcomelll**

Nametags : We would really like everyone to buy a nametag so we can learn each others' names. Lodge nametags are \$11. Call Nick Bartolomeo (302) 436-8208 or Jim Reda (443) 664-5522 to order. .

Helping Hands Committee: Needs new chairperson. Contact Vito Potenza if interested

Family History: If you would like to share your family history with the Lodge, contact Barb and Armando Graziosi .

Upcoming Events:

May 7 **Bethany Blues Restaurant**
4:00-9:00 p.m. **Bethany Beach, DE**
Dine and Donate. It will begin at 4:00 p.m. with Social Hour at Happy Hour prices. Chair is Sue Ann Baietti who will provide details.

May 9 **Dickens Parlour Theatre**
6:00 p.m. **35715 Atlantic Ave. (Rt. 26)**
Millville, DE
Rich Bloch will be our magician. Gather between 6:00 and 6:30 p.m. Refreshments may be purchased. Magic show starts promptly at 7:00 p.m. ONLY 60 SEATS. Cost of tickets is 2/\$26. To purchase tickets, go on web site: www.dptmagic.com. To get special price, put in code BOGO (Buy One Get One). Don't' need to print your tickets. When you purchase, your name and number of tickets you purchased will be on their list automatically. I ordered my tickets, and it was very easy. If you don't have a computer, call the Theatre at (302) 829-1071 and mention BOGO code. They extended the special BOGO price for us. It is open to the public, but only SOI gets the BOGO price. There are still a few seats left. Gina Busby is chair.

June 12 (Day Trip) **American Music Theatre**
Lancaster, PA
We will see the OVATION SHOW, a musical variety show. Cost includes lunch, motor coach transportation, driver's gratuity,

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God bless America!


Next Meeting:

KofC Hall
Thursday, May 2, 2019
5:30 p.m.--Board
7:00 p.m.--General

bottled water, and snack bag. Cost is \$120 per person. Reservations with \$60 deposit due by March 10, 2019. Contact Mary Ellen Arena for information.

September 7 **Higgins Crab House/North**
1:00-4:00 p.m. **128th St. & Coastal Hwy, OC**
Cost is \$45 per person and includes AUCE steamed crabs/steamed shrimp/fried chicken/French fries/coleslaw/corn on the cob/hush puppies/dessert/unlimited soft drinks/domestic draft beer and house wine...tax and gratuity. **Reservations required and payment due by August 15, 2019.**

October 13-19 **Music, Monuments, Memorials**
Trip will be 4 days/3 nights for Music, Monuments & Memorials. Visiting the 9/11 Memorial in Shanklin, PA...touring Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, Ohio...onto Washinton, DC, for a tour of the White House if possible...News Museum with a fabulous dinner at Filomena's Restaurant in Georgetown... with 3 breakfast and 2 additional dinners...taxes and gratuities included...snack bag and bottled water. Cost: \$700 per person. Reservations required with \$100 deposit with 3 payments of \$200 each...or payment in full due by April 30 for members...after that day, trip will be open to guests.

October 22 **Carraba's Wine Pairing**
West Ocean City, MD
Dinner at Carraba's with a "wine pairing" not a wine tasting. Pat and Richard Marchesiello are chairs. More details at the September meeting with menu and cost.

December 15 (Sunday) **Christmas Dinner**
5:30 p.m. **Clarion's Crystal Ballroom**
Social Hour--5:30 p.m.; Dinner--6:30 p.m. More details later.

October 11, 2020 **40th Anniversary Gala**
Clarion Resort Hotel
The January 11 planning meeting was very successful...great turnout of volunteers. All chairpersons for committees are filled and forming to bring their ideas to out next planning meeting, tentatively set for May 16, 2019, time to be determined.

Check out web site for all event information and to download Trip Waiver Form/required for all trips.



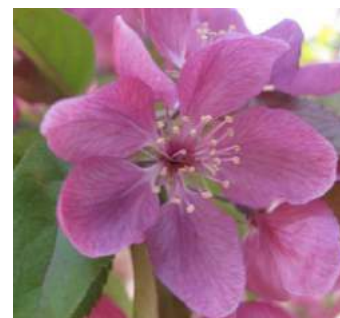
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National Smile Month



50/50 Winner: -- Mary Loeloff -- \$84



Editor's Note:
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Please pray for our troops

Happy May!!!

Happy Mother's Day!!!



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