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The President's Message

Sisters and Brothers,

Your active commitment to the Lodge and its activities is amazing. One hundred and four people attended the October meeting including three new members and two guests. As I write this, Mary Ellen Arena is leading a bus trip with about 38 people to upstate New York and the November social dinner at Nantucket's Restaurant is "sold out". Remember all Lodge activities are posted on the Lodge web site -sonsofitalyoceancity.com – so check it often, especially if you miss the meeting.

Please continue to remember those on our prayer list: Nancy Borregine, Mary Castorina, Micheline Caputo, Frank Celeste, Rosemarie Corless, Anthony & Josephine DeCesaris, Sharon DeMatteo, Lorraine Gualtieri, Mike Jacobs, Sharon Lato, Irene Ruscigno, Carol Vales and Mary Louise Embrey's father. May God bless and comfort them.

Meeting notes: The 2018 Lodge budget has been approved by the Executive Council (copies provided on request); A special donation was made to the WBOC Rising Tide, Bless Our Children Campaign from the proceeds of the Crab Feast raffle and the collection taken at the September meeting; The Executive Council voted to name our annual high school scholarships The Sons of Italy of Ocean City Memorial Scholarships which will honor any members who have died in the year preceding the award. Names will be read at the award presentations; The OSIA (National) is now using – Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America – but is still officially doing business as OSIA, the trade marked name of the organization.

Reminders: Sharing Family Histories – contact Barb and Armando Graziosi if you are interested in presenting, at a Lodge meeting, a brief history of your family's journey to the United States and assimilation into American society; Nominations for the Distinguished Citizen of the Year Award must be submitted, with supporting background, no later than the November meeting. Criteria and nomination forms may be found on the Lodge website; Nominations for Lodge Officers remain open until closed at the November meeting. Please contact Sal Castorina, Chair of the Nominations Committee, if you are interested in serving the Lodge; Dues notices will be sent out in November and should be paid by January 1. There is no increase in dues- \$38 renewal; new members pay an additional one time \$20 initiation fee.

The next meeting is November 2 at 7PM. Executive Council meets at 5:30. Doors to Columbus Hall open at 6:30.

Happy Halloween!

God bless you and keep you safe.

Ciao, Vito Potenza

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The fees for memberships are \$38.00 per person for renewals and \$58.00 for new members (first time only). Membership renewals are past due and payable immediately, if not members will be taken off the rolls. Contact Rita Tindall, Membership Chair at (410) 208-9698 for more information and/or questions. **New Members: Michael Roca and Marianne Mihaly**

Celebrating Their Birthdays

Those celebrating their special day in November: November 1; Anthony DeCesaris, November 4; Felina Breeding, November 5; Angelo Faraone, Vinnie Mollicone, November 6; Jeanette Dawson, Joe Salafia, November 8; Carol Scarpetti, November 9; JoAnn Ward, November 11; Thomas Pomilla, November 12; Josephine DeCesaris, November 13; Thomas Pergola, November 14; Irene Ruscigno, Rosemary Profili November 16; Frank Tribuno Jr., November 17; Mary Jean Biancianiello, Marie Mazzotta, November 18; Anita Akob, November 19; Phyllis Donahone, Karen Di Martino; November 20 Carol Coyle, November 21; Daniel Cowell, Barbara Loffler, November 22; Edward Motsco, November 30; Jo Alexander

Ailing and Suffering: If you know of anyone who is sick, had surgery or recently has lost a loved one, please call JoAnn Ward at (302) 524-8161. Card(s) will be sent.

50/50 Winner  **\$73.00 Rosemary Gear**

Mary Ellen's Special Events Corner

OCTOBER SOCIAL DINNER – Wednesday, October 18th beginning at 5:00 PM. COST: \$30.00 PP. Nantucket's Restaurant on Coastal Highway in Fenwick Island, DE. Event is hosted by Sharon & Guy DiMatteo. Since Sharon is unable to be there due to her injury, Lorraine Gualtiere will take her place. Event Sold Out.

OVATION DINNER THEATRE - Saturday, November 11th, 2017 at Columbus Hall. COST: \$50.00 PP. Includes Show....Dinner w/appetizer, entrée, dessert, w/taxes and gratuity included. Evening Entertainment begins at 5:30 PM. Evening is hosted by Sal and Mary Castorina as a Lodge Fund Raiser. Reservations required... contact Mary Ellen Arena. Reservation deadline and payment due by November 3, 2017.

HARRINGTON CASINO TRIP – Wednesday, November 15, 2017 We are on the road to Harrington Casino leaving St. Andrews's Parish Center at 10:00 AM (bus will be there at 9:30 am for boarding) and arriving at Harrington at 11:30 AM. We will be returning to Ocean City at 5:00 PM. Cost is \$20.00 per person and Includes: \$15.00 Free Play Card, \$7.00 credit toward Buffet Lunch, Motor Coach Transportation & Driver's Gratuity. Reservations with payment due. 20 seats available as of today.

CHRISTMAS DINNER - Sunday, December 10th, 2017 at the Clarion Hotel. Event will begin with a 5:30 PM. check in, dinner will be served at 6:30 PM. Cost: \$25.00 per person, Guests: \$50.00. Table group must place reservation at same time. Appetizer, salad, entrée, Surf & Turf, Twin Crab Cakes, Chicken Cordon Bleu, Vegetarian Dish and Chef Surprise for dessert. Happy Hour – Cash Bar begins at 5:30 PM, with Happy Hour prices, Domestic Beer - \$3.00/Bottle, Imported Beer - \$4.00/Bottle, Non Alcoholic Beer - \$3.00 /Bottle, House Wine - \$4.00 /Glass, House Level Spirits - \$3.00 /Drink, Call Level Spirits - \$6.00 /Drink. Assorted Sodas, Bottled Water and Juice \$2.00 per/Drink

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NEW ORLEANS TRIP - April 15-22nd, 2018, 8 Days/7 Nights, COST: \$1,500 PP (Double Occupancy) See Flyer for trip information or check out website for details. Deposit of \$500.00 with Second Installment due October 15, 2017. Final Payment due February 15, 2018. Insurance is available at \$50.00 per person due by January 4, 2018. Trip Waiver form is required. To Date we have deposits for 38 guests not all deposits have been received. Thanks to the efforts of Al and Pat D'Annunzio we have received 10- 12 reservations, we still need 40 guests and would like extra due to last minute cancellations.

Mark Your Calendars

November 2, 2017 5:30 Executive Council Meeting 7:00 PM General Meeting

Festival News

Kick off meeting on October 18, 2017 at 10:00 AM at St. Andrews.

Special Announcements from the Sons of Italy

The Columbus Gala is on Saturday, October 28, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Martin's East.

At the September meeting we raised \$155.00 for Hurricane Relief this donation will be going to WBOC "Bless the Children".

Thanksgiving Time

Mary Castorina has requested that all members bring a can to help our local food pantries and soup kitchens, please bring this to the November meeting.

Also at that meeting Mary will be bringing the ornaments to help needy families please make sure that you pick up an ornament or ornaments for this very worthy cause.



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NEWS AND UPDATE

L'ottavo festa annuale di San Giuseppe (8th Annual St. Joseph's Day Festival)



It's never too soon to start canvassing businesses and friends for ad in our annual St. Joseph's Day Festival Program. In fact, the sooner the better. Each year we encountered the same problem since many of our local vendors take a holiday in January and February -- either the employees cannot contact the owners because they aren't in the area or the business is closed for a month or two.

This year we are adding a new feature/option for ads -- Black and White or **Color** ads. The pricing will be as follows:

1/8 page	BW -- \$ 25	Color -- \$ 35
1/4 Page	BW -- \$ 50	Color -- \$ 75
1/2 Page	BW -- \$100	Color -- \$150
Full Page	BW -- \$200	
Full Page	<i>Sponsors</i>	Color -- \$300

Additionally, each year SOI members say that they forgot or missed the deadline for having their name included on the Patron Page or including a loved one's name in the *In Memorial* of section of our program. For just \$10.00, members can have their names listed on the patron page, e.g.,

John & Jane Italiano

Mr. & Mrs. Giovanni Doe

or members can have loved one included in the *In Memory of* section, e.g.,

John Italiano, Sr., father of John Italiano, Jr.

If each family purchased either a Patron or Memorial one-liner, this would show our support for our festival, as well as, help to off-set the printing price for the program.

Sal & Tom