

ROMA LODGE NEWSLETTER



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February 2018 Issue

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Roma Lodge Members:

The next Roma Lodge members' meeting is Friday, February 9, 7:00 pm. I continue to ask all members to attend as many of our monthly meetings as you possibly can. Your participation is crucial to the success of Roma Lodge. Also, 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.

February 4 is Super Bowl Sunday. I truly believe that Roma Lodge puts on one of the best parties in the state, if not the country! Beer, nachos, popcorn, bombers, and pizza are all included for just \$10. The raffle prizes are out of this world (including not one, but two 50" 4K TV's!) not to mention all the strip cards available for you to have a chance to win a few dollars. This is a party that you don't want to miss! Details are in this newsletter.

On Saturday evening, February 10, we will be celebrating Valentine's Day in the members' dining room. Elvis, the King himself, will be handing out roses and scarves while he entertains during dinner. Specials include a ribeye steak for \$19.95, lobster \$24.95, and we will feature a "Feel the Love" Martini and a "Sweet Nothings" ice cream drink. The full menu will also be available. Reservations are highly recommended by calling 262-886-8850.

In March, the members' bar will be open for the entire NCAA basketball tournament. We will have food and drink specials and our own Roma Lodge NCAA basketball tournament pool! The pool will cost \$5, and you may enter as many times as you want. All the details will be in the March newsletter. For all the bocce players, the winter Round Robin Bocce Tournament will be Saturday, March 3. Registration forms will be available in the bocce courts.

Remember to keep Saturday, May 5, on your calendars. It's Kentucky Derby Day at Roma Lodge! It's not too early to start looking for your Kentucky Derby hat, especially all the woman, and come watch "The Greatest Two Minutes in Sports" at the Lodge! More details will follow.
Ciao!

Dave Chiapete

President

FEBRUARY 2018 EVENTS

Sunday, February 4, 2018	Super Bowl LII Party
Tuesday, February 6, 2018	Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, February 9, 2018	Membership Meeting – Nominations of Directors
Saturday, February 10, 2018	Valentine's Day Dinner – Members Dining Room
Sunday, February 11, 2018	Children's Bocce Begins
Wednesday, February 14, 2018	Ash Wednesday
Friday, February 16, 2018	Scholarship Applications Available
Monday, February 19, 2018	President's Day Federal Holiday
Tuesday, February 20, 2018	Wisconsin Spring Primary Election Day

Scheduled for a vote as Probationary Member at the February 9, 2018 Membership Meeting:

Steven E. Johnson, age 56, of Muskego – Proponent: Paul Costanzo

Welcome New Member

Voted into Membership at the January Membership Meeting:

Phill W. Davis, age 36, resides in Racine, owner of 3D Home Improvements and Builders – Proponent: Ben Cupertino



Condolences are extended to Roma Lodge Brother Louie Falaschi on the passing of his wife.



Condolences are extended to Roma Lodge Brother Don Paar on the passing of his wife.



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,
The February Bingo Captain is Ken Scalero 262-554-7243



Funeral Service Calling Tree Schedule

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

Infusino, Egidio – Lucas Ron

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.

February 9th 2-Man Cribbage Tournament

After the February 9th Membership Meeting there will be a 2-man round robin **cribbage** tournament. 1st place and 2nd place prizes are awarded.

Please reach out to Tony Povkovich at [262-880-5945](tel:262-880-5945) **prior to the meeting** to submit a team.

ROMA LODGE SUPER BOWL LII PARTY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2017 DOORS OPEN AT 3:30 PM – KICKOFF APROX. 5:30 PM

PARTY INCLUDES RAFFLES WITH DOZENS OF DOOR PRIZES, SIGNED PACKER MEMORABILIA, 60+ INCH HD TV, AND OTHER HUGE PRIZES... PLUS ALL THE GAMBLING YOU CAN THINK OF!

OPEN TO MEMBERS AND GUESTS (1 MEMBER – 11 GUESTS) TICKETS ARE \$10.00

INCLUDES ALL YOU CAN DRINK BEER AND SODA

**ALL YOU CAN EAT PIZZA, NACHOS BAR, CHILI, AND SAUSAGE BOMBERS AND MORE
GAME BROADCAST IN HD AND SURROUND SOUND ON THREE 10 FOOT SCREENS**

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM ZUDDY DEROSE AND FRANK CARUSO, [262-914-1026](tel:262-914-1026)

TABLE RESERVATIONS ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED!!!

Buon Compleanno e Tanti Auguri

Happy Birthday to our Roma Lodge Brothers Born in February

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.

Feb 1 John Passarelli Michael Gabbey Jordon Gardina	Feb 7 Peter Phillips Frank Molinaro Jason Evitts Joe DeMatthew	Feb 24 Arthur Simmons
Feb 2 Arthur Chiapetta Frank Caira	Feb 8 Ronald Guarascio	Feb 26 Frank Cucunato
Feb 3 Peter Flex Alan Tripp	Feb 14 Martin Sturino	Feb 28 David Chiapete
Feb 4 Bill Gullo Vincent Caira, Jr	Feb 19 David Ricchio Michael Kroes	Feb 29 Frank Sullivan
Feb 5 John Grycowski	Feb 20 Jerome Draeger Charles Zupfer	
Feb 6 Richard Mura Gary Anzalone Jeff D'Acquisto	Feb 21 Benjamin Cupertino Feb 22 Gerald Nosotti	

List compiled from the Roma Lodge Membership Files. Contact Doug Goebel, dggobel@yahoo.com if corrections are needed.



2018 Board of Directors Election

Nominations will be made at the February 9, 2018 Membership Meeting for four director positions for the 2018-2020 term. The four Directors positions whose regular terms expire in March 2018 will be open, those directors are Don Cicero, Jason Evitts, Pat Johnson, and Mike Peratt. The election will be held on Friday, March 9, 2017. To be a nominee, a prospective candidate must:

- Be a member in good standing as of February 2018
- Have been a member of the Lodge for at least two years and completed his probationary period
- 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 Jeff DeMatthew at dematthew@ameritech.net by phone at (262)-880-7474. Those who accept nominations must submit a candidate's statement to Tony Povkovich, tjpovkovich@gmail.com, by **February 20, 2018** highlighting their history with the Lodge and why they wish to serve as a Roma Lodge Board member. These statements will be published in the March *Newsletter*.

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 member they propose, and a \$20 Dining Room or Café Venerdi gift certificate for any additional new members proposed in the same calendar year. The gift certificates would be provided upon the new member's successful election as a probationary status.

Application for Membership form along with the *Handbook for New Applicants and Proponents* is available from Doug Goebel, Membership Secretary, at 262-554-7316, dggobel@yahoo.com and on-line at http://members.romalodge.com/membership_information.html.

Children's Bocce League Begins February 11th

The start date for the Children's Bocce league is Sunday, February 11th. The league will meet Sundays from Noon to 2:00PM through March 25th. This is an informal league open to members' children and grandchildren ages six and older. The league will teach bocce fundamentals for all skill levels. The banquet will be held Sunday, March 25th.

2018 SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED THROUGH ROMA LODGE

	ROMA LODGE MERIT	MISSURELI
AMOUNT	One \$4000 Award - paid \$1000 per year over four years Three one-time \$500 Awards Funded by Roma Lodge	One \$1000 Award Paid from funds donated by family & friends of Russell and Helen Missureli .
FOCUS	Academic Achievement	Community Service
ELIGIBILITY	1) Child of a Roma Lodge Member	1) Child of a 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) Graduating High School Senior 2) Accepted in a 2 year associate degree or 4 year baccalaureate degree program 2) Demonstrates high degree of service to the community, school or church 3) Full or part-time student

***Note:** For details - see separate scholarship information and application forms available on the web <http://www.romalodge.com/members/scholarships>.

ROMA LODGE SCHOLARSHIPS – 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 cannot be the recipient of more than one of the three scholarships offered through Roma Lodge.

TIMELINE:

February 16, 2018:

Applications will be available in paper, via email, or on the web

March 30, 2018:

All applications must be received no later than this date

Submit to Scholarship Committee; Attn: Frank Bisotti Jr., 7130 Spring Street, Racine, WI 53406

April 30, 2018:

Recipients will be selected by this date.

May 2018:

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.com/members/scholarships>
- 3) By email from **Frank Bisotti Jr.**, fbisotti@ameritech.net (Please specify the scholarship forms needed.)

ROMA LODGE MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

What is the Scholarship?

Each year Roma Lodge makes scholarships available to children of its members. There is a \$4,000 scholarship, payable in \$1000 increments at the beginning of each of four academic years. In addition, the Lodge awards a maximum of three one-time \$500 scholarships to the second, third, and fourth place rated scholarship applicants. The scholarships can be applied to any full time course of study leading to a recognized baccalaureate degree at any accredited United States college or university of the recipient's choice.

Who is Eligible?

All graduating high school seniors, who are biological or adopted children of Roma Lodge members, are eligible to apply for the scholarship. An applicant's father must be a member in good standing as of January 31st of the calendar year that application for the scholarship is made. A scholarship recipient's father must continue to be a member in good standing for the duration of the scholarship. 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. Recipients of the Roma Lodge Merit Scholarships will not receive any other scholarships offered through Roma Lodge.

Application Requirements

The applicants must:

- Complete a high school college preparatory course of study
- Demonstrate a commendable academic record which will qualify for admission to the college or university of their choice.
- Demonstrate positive citizenship and leadership qualities through participation in school and community activities.
- Show 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 RUSSELL AND HELEN MISSURELI SCHOLARSHIP

What is the Scholarship: The Russell and Helen Missureli Scholarship was created to recognize their service, over many years, to Roma Lodge, the church, and the community at large. Scholarship funds were donated by the family and friends of the Missurelis on the occasion of Russell 's ninetieth birthday. The scholarship awards \$1000 to a child of a Roma Lodge member.

Who is Eligible?: All graduating high school seniors, who are biological or adopted children of Roma Lodge members, are eligible to apply for the scholarship. An applicant's father must be a member in good standing as of January 31st of the calendar year that application for the scholarship is made. A scholarship recipient's father must continue to be a member in good standing for the duration of the scholarship. Applicants must be planning to pursue a full or part-time program in an associate degree or baccalaureate degree program at any accredited college or university in the United States. Recipients of the Missureli Scholarship will not receive any other scholarships offered through Roma Lodge.

Application Requirements: Applicants must demonstrate:

- Acceptance as a student in an associate degree or baccalaureate degree program.
- An exemplary record of community service as evidenced by a list of community, school, or church related activities.
- Academic achievement as evidenced by a full transcript of grades.
- Good character as evidenced by two letters of recommendation

Financial need will not be considered during the selection process.

OTHER SCHOLARSHIP SOURCES FOR ITALIAN-AMERICANS

The Calandra Italian American Institute offers a free 48-page directory of college scholarships for Italian-American students. The directory includes information regarding eligibility, amounts, and application deadlines. The directory can be viewed and downloaded at <http://qcpages.qc.cuny.edu/calandra/resources/scholarships/scholarships>. The Wislalia website at <http://wislalia.org/parent-student-information/scholarship-app/> includes suggestions for scholarship information. Students should also contact the school they plan to attend. The college or university may offer scholarships based on grades, activities, or areas of study.

Mark Mano Donates His NBA Referee Uniform to Roma Lodge

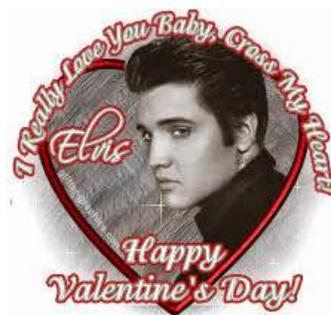
Roma Lodge Brother Mark Mano recently donated his NBA Referee Uniform to the Lodge. The display can be found in the bocce courts against the court 4 wall.

Mark Mano worked many years as a referee. His first game as a basketball official was in 1961, a junior varsity game at East Troy High School. He continued working high schools and small colleges until 1970, when he started a five-year run as an NBA official. After being let go in 1975, he returned to college officiating until 1994.

Thank you Mark for donating this piece of history to the Lodge!



VALENTINE'S DAY with...



Elvis Presley

Special Appearance & Performance by Elvis

Saturday, February

Dinner Specials

Ribeye Dinner ***** \$19.95

Lobster Dinner ***** \$25.95

Lobster Add on ***** \$15.95

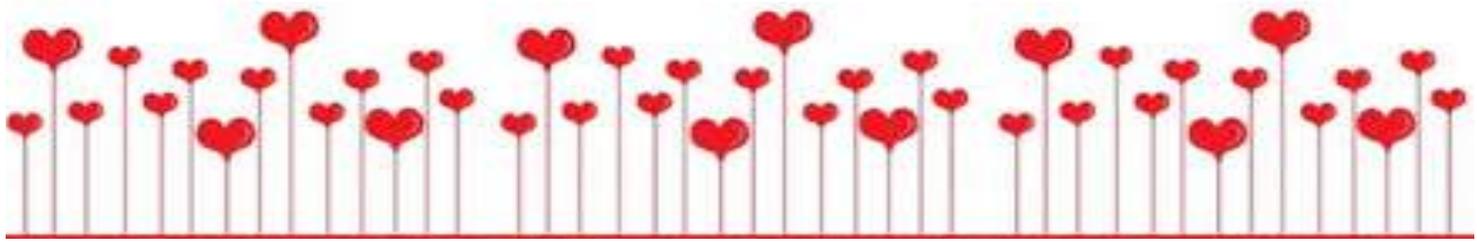
(Full Menu also Available)

Featured Bar Drinks

"Feel the Love" Martini

"Sweet Nothings" Ice Cream Drink

Happy Valentine's Day





Members Lounge NCAA Tournament Hours

More Details to Come

1st Annual Roma Lodge NCAA Basketball Tournament Bracket Pool

<p>Round One</p> <p>Thursday March 15th 11:00 Am Open</p> <p>Friday March 16th 11:00 Am Open</p>	<p>Round Two</p> <p>Saturday March 17th 11:00 Am Open</p> <p>Sunday March 18th 11:00 Am Open</p>
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Sweet 16	
<p>Thursday March 22nd 5:00 Pm Open</p>	<p>Friday March 23rd 5:00 Pm Open</p>

<p>Elite 8</p> <p>Saturday Mar 24th 4:00 Pm Open</p> <p>Sunday Mar 25th 1:00 Pm Open</p>		<p>Final Four</p> <p>Saturday Mar 31st 4:00 Pm Open</p>
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<p>Championship Game</p> <p>Monday April 2nd 6:00 Pm Open</p>	
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**9th ANNUAL ROMA LODGE WINTER BOCCE
24 TEAM TOURNAMENT
FIRST PLACE PRIZE OF \$1,000**

Come and join the day of fun planned for the Winter Bocce Tournament to be held

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018

8:00 am – Check-in/Breakfast – 9:00 am - Play Begins

Entry Fee: \$175 per 5 Person Team; \$35 per person (including alternates)
Proceeds go towards the renovation of the Roma Lodge Bocce Courts

Fee includes:	8:00 am	Breakfast
		Kringle, Donuts, Coffee, Juice,
	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch
		Pizza, Fried Meatballs, Soup
	3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Dinner
		Fettuccine, Meatballs, Italian Sausage, Salad, and Bread

Cash Bar

[Non-players may purchase a day's food ticket for \$25]

Projected Cash Prizes

(Based on 24 teams)

1 st Place	\$1000
2 nd Place	\$500
3 rd Place	\$250

RULES AND REGULATIONS: Round Robin/Single Elimination Tournament

All Round Robin games will be 10-12 points. Single Elimination games will be played to 16 points.

ALL GAMES WILL BE PLAYED WITH ROMA LODGE BALLS ONLY!

Championship Game will be played on Court #1

This tournament will be limited to 24 teams and filled on a first come – first serve basis. Entries should be made early to ensure a place.

Come and join the fun filled day of bocce, food, drinks, and camaraderie at Roma Lodge

Dave Chiapete (262) 939-5914 Tony Povkovich (262) 880-5945

Winter Drink Menu

Hot Chocolate-----\$1.00

Spiked Hot Chocolate-----Rail \$2.00

-----Call \$3.50

(Rail Brandy, Whiskey, Vodka Etc) (Call Brandy, Whiskey, Bourbon, Caramel Vodka Etc)

Caramel White Russian-----\$4.00

(White Russian made w/Caramel Vodka)

Winter Blues-----\$4.00

(Rumchata & Caramel Vodka w/Blue Curacao)

Poinsettia-----\$3.00

(Vodka, Cranberry Juice & Prosecco)

Winter Beers

Winter Lager

Rail Special

\$2.00

Members Dining Room Winter Specials

Available through the month of February

**Zuddy's Famous Sicilian Style Pork Chops for \$9.95
(Breaded or Broiled) (Regularly priced \$11.95)**



**\$2.00 Rail
Mixed Drinks!**



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Deadline for information for March 2018 Newsletter is February 20, 2018. Comments and suggestions and articles of interest to our members are welcome at tjpvkovich@gmail.com.

Tony Povkovich

Tony Povkovich, Roma Lodge Secretary



ROMA LODGE CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2018

January			
1	New Year's Day		
9	Board of Directors Meeting		
12	Membership Meeting		
15	Martin Luther King Federal Holiday		
February		July	
4	Super Bowl LII Party	4	Independence Day
6	Board of Directors Meeting	10	Board of Directors Meeting
9	Membership Meeting – Nomination of Directors	13	Membership Meeting
9	Scholarship Applications Available	14	Coffee and Cars
10	Valentine's Day Dinner – Members Dining Room	17	Roma Lodge Festival \$10,000 Raffle and Dinner
11	Children's Bocce Begins	27	Roma Lodge Italian Festival
14	Ash Wednesday	28	Roma Lodge Italian Festival
19	President's Day Federal Holiday	29	Roma Lodge Italian Festival
20	Wisconsin Spring Primary Election Day		
March		August	
3	Winter Bocce Tournament	7	Board of Directors Meeting
6	Board of Directors Meeting	10	Membership Meeting
9	Membership Meeting – Election of Directors	11	Coffee and Cars
11	Daylight Savings Time Begins	12	Roma Lodge Invitational Bocce Tournament
18	Installation Dinner	13	Fall Men's Bocce Organizational Meeting
20	First Day of Spring	19	Roma Lodge Golf Outing
19	Installation Dinner	26	Roma Lodge Family Picnic
25	Children's Bocce Banquet	TBA	Packers –{ Gold Package
30	Scholarship Application Deadline	TBA Bags and Pizza Cornhole Tournament	
NCAA March Madness Games Shown in Members Lounge		September	
April		3	Labor Day
1	Easter Sunday	4	Board of Directors Meeting
3	Wisconsin Spring General Election	7	Membership Meeting
10	Board of Directors Meeting	8	Coffee and Cars
13	Membership Meeting	22	First Day of Autumn
May		TBA Packer Football in the Members Lounge – Food and Fun	
1	\$10,000 Raffle and Dinner	October	
8	Board of Directors Meeting	TBA	Packers (Gold Package)
11	Membership Meeting	6	Columbus Day Banquet
11	Scholarship Recipients Announced	8	Columbus Day Federal Holiday
13	Mother's Day Brunch (RIWA)	9	Board of Directors Meeting
14	Men's Golf League Begins	12	Social Meeting and Festival Report
15	Roma Lodge President's Dinner	21	Halloween "Trunk or Treat"
28	Memorial Day	TBA Packer Football in the Members Lounge – Food and Fun	
June		November	
5	Board of Directors Meeting	4	Daylight Savings Time Ends
8	Social Meeting and Early Bird Drawing	6	Board of Directors Meeting
9	Coffee and Cars	9	Membership Meeting
14	Flag Day	10	San Martino 5 th Annual Wine Tasting
17	Father's Day	12	Veterans Day
21	First Day of Summer	13	\$10,000 Raffle and Dinner
Bags and Pizza Cornhole Tournament		22	Thanksgiving
		24	Holiday Lighting and Special Buffet
		TBA	Packers (Gold Package)
		TBA Packer Football in the Members Lounge – Food and Fun	
		December	
		9	Children's Christmas Party
		11	Board of Directors Meeting
		14	Membership Meeting
		15	Members Christmas Party
		21	First Day of Winter
		25	Christmas Day
		31	New Year's Eve Party
		TBA Packer Football in the Members Lounge – Food and Fun	