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## Message from the President

Roma Lodge Brothers:

We are entering the holiday season. The social committee and volunteers are busy planning the Children's and Adult Christmas Party. Watch your e-mails for additional information about each party. The Children's party is scheduled for Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> and the Adult party is scheduled for Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.

Our Wine Tasting event was a success with over 70 people in attendance. Michael and his staff did an excellent job with the appetizers. I believe everyone had a great time.

The monthly cribbage tournaments are in full swing. If you enjoy the game and like a little competition, stop by on the scheduled dates. Keep an eye out for postings at the club and online for the monthly dates.

I want to thank all the members that are utilizing the members dining room on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. We now have an expanded menu on the

weekends and Michael will continue to offer a weekly special. The buffet continues to offer a variety of items. The food is delicious. Please consider our dining room when making plans to dine out. We ask that groups of 6 or more on Fridays and Saturdays no longer request separate checks and those groups will have a 19% gratuity added to their bill.

Buffet pricing is \$13.00, \$12.00 for seniors 55 and older and \$7.00 for kids. Volunteer help on Wednesdays is always appreciated. Please contact me or Guy Shetter if you are interested in volunteering.

**Reservations are always recommended as this helps us plan for staffing and food preparation. The reservation line is (262) 886-8850.**

Bingo participation continues to be excellent! Bingo has always been an important function here at Roma Lodge and requires many volunteers. If you have the time to volunteer, please contact Jon Morelli, Mike Peratt, or Dennis Porcaro.

I know I put this in the newsletter each month, but it is important. If you have some time to give to the club, please consider being a part of the many committees we have or help organize and work some of our many social events throughout the year. You can contact me or any of our board members if you have an area of interest. Our membership involvement and participation will always be the key to our success. A special thank you to all that contribute your time on a regular basis. Grazie!

The next Roma Lodge Membership meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. The next Roma Lodge Board of Directors meeting will be on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

Che Dio vi benedica! (God bless you!)

*Frank L. Bisotti*  
President



### NOVEMBER MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The November Membership Meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>.



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 – [apprlservices@netscape.net](mailto:apprlservices@netscape.net)

Inserted to the right is the 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 others to learn the other jobs of Bingo.

**Please** consider giving your time. 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 November*

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|------------|--------------------------------|-------------|--|-------------|--------------------------------|
| November 1 | Greg Perona<br>David Perugini  | November 10 | Rick Bonanno<br>Ralph Cefalu<br>Thomas Chambasian  | November 18 | Bill Greer                     |
| November 3 | Gary Ricchio                   |             |  | November 19 | Mitchell Morelli               |
| November 4 | Joseph Covelli<br>Tony Rottino | November 11 | John LeRose Jr.<br>Rick Palmer<br>Nicholas Vallani | November 20 | David Boero<br>Leonard Juliano |
| November 6 | Michael J. Boero               |             |  | November 21 | P.J. Litrenta                  |
| November 7 | Matthew Binetti                | November 12 | Richard Tringali                                   | November 22 | Cesar J. Mattioli              |
| November 8 | James A. Pitts<br>Steve Ramig  | November 14 | Jim Mascari<br>Patrick Tierney                     | November 28 | Thomas Devroy                  |

List compiled from the Roma Lodge Membership Files. Contact Pat Tierney, [teamtierney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:teamtierney@sbcglobal.net) or 262-960-2855 if corrections are needed.



### **Funeral Service Calling Tree Schedule – October through December**

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

***Polzin, Bernard – Zicarelli, Ronald***

If you are notified of a funeral during your scheduled three-month period, you are expected to attend to represent the Lodge. You are not required to attend every funeral; however, you are encouraged to attend at least one during the quarter. 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.



### **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 or 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.

## **New Members**

The following candidate was recommended by the Membership Screening Committee and approved by the Officers and Board of Directors at the October Board Meeting for vote by the members at the November Membership Meeting:

Eric D. Peterson  
Franksville, WI  
Age: 55; Italian link is through his mother (Graceffa)  
Married – Jennifer Peterson, Six children  
Employed as the owner of Landmark Title of Racine, Inc.  
Proponent: Pat Diem

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

November 1,2	Steve Rawlinko
November 8,9	Jon Morelli
November 15,16	Dave Chiapete
November 22, 23	Michael Garbo
November 29,30	Pat Diem

## NOVEMBER 2024 EVENTS

Friday, November 1

Saturday, November 2

Sunday, November 3

Sunday, November 3

Monday, November 4

**Tuesday, November 5**

**Friday, November 8**

Friday, November 8

**Sunday, November 10**

Sunday, November 10

Monday, November 11

Monday, November 11

Friday, November 15

Sunday, November 17

Sunday, November 17

Tuesday, November 19

Thursday, November 21

Thursday, November 21

Thursday, November 21

Friday, November 22

Saturday, November 23

Monday, November 25

Monday, November 25

Tuesday, November 26

Thursday, November 28

Thursday, November 28

Thursday, November 28

Friday, November 29

National Calzone Day

World Vegan Day

National Adoption Month

All Saints' Day

Movember

All Souls' Day

Daylight Saving Time Ends

National Sandwich Day

National Candy Day

**Board of Directors Meeting - 6:30 PM**

**Members Meeting - 7:00 PM**

National Cappuccino Day

**Roma Lodge Cribbage – 12:00 PM**

Marine Corps Birthday

Veterans Day

National Sundae Day

National Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day

National Homemade Bread Day

National Take a Hike Day

National Play Monopoly Day

Great American Smokeout

National Stuffing Day

World Television Day

Go for A Ride Day

National Espresso Day

National Play Day with Dad

National Parfait Day

National Cake Day

Thanksgiving Day

National French Toast Day

National Day of Mourning

Black Friday

**THANK YOU!**



Thank you to member David Buhler for purchasing a new blender and donating it to the members bar so we can continue to enjoy various drinks.

# Notice of Dues Increase for 2025

October 27, 2024

Dear Fellow Brothers:

At the July Board meeting, the Board approved an increase in the dues for 2025 from \$150.00 to \$230.00. Your membership dues will include a \$50.00 gift card for each member to be used in the members dining room and bar area of the lodge. The proposal was approved by the membership at the July monthly meeting.

In accordance with the above noted action, the dues structure for 2025 is reflected in the table below. As noted above, all dues categories will include the return of a \$50.00 gift card with your 2025 membership card.

<b>Membership Type</b>	<b>Dues Requirement</b>	<b>Gift Card Benefit</b>	<b>Net Dues</b>
Standard	\$230.00	\$50.00	\$180.00
Half-Dues	\$140.00	\$50.00	\$90.00
No Dues	\$50	\$50.00	\$0.00

Although this dues arrangement may seem unusual, the Board and membership feel this is a positive step in supporting our lodge. We always welcome your comments and suggestions to improve the membership experience at the lodge.

We are also exploring the use of electronic payments to simplify the payment process. Details of that process will be explained in your 2025 invoice that will be coming out in November.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at 262-960-2855 or at [teamtierney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:teamtierney@sbcglobal.net).

Fraternally Yours,

Pat Tierney  
Membership Secretary

## DECEMBER 2024 EVENTS

### **Sunday, December 1**

Sunday , December 1  
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Monday , December 2  
Monday , December 2  
Tuesday , December 3  
Wednesday , December 4  
Thursday , December 5  
Friday , December 6  
Saturday , December 7  
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### **Sunday, December 8**

Sunday , December 8  
Sunday , December 8  
Monday , December 9  
Monday , December 9

### **Tuesday, December 10**

Tuesday , December 10  
Tuesday , December 10  
Wednesday , December 11  
Thursday , December 12  
Thursday , December 12

### **Friday, December 12**

Friday , December 13  
Friday , December 13

### **Saturday, December 14**

Sunday , December 15  
Monday , December 16  
Tuesday , December 17  
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Wednesday , December 18  
Thursday , December 19  
Friday , December 20  
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Wednesday , December 25  
Thursday , December 26  
Friday , December 27  
Saturday , December 28  
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Saturday , December 28  
Monday , December 30  
Tuesday , December 31  
Tuesday , December 31

### **Roma Lodge Cribbage – 12:00 PM**

National Christmas Lights Day  
National Eat A Red Apple Day  
Cyber Monday  
National Mutt Day  
Giving Tuesday  
National Cookie Day  
International Volunteer Day  
St. Nicholas Day  
National Cotton Candy Day  
National Letter Writing Day  
Candle Day  
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

### **Children's Christmas Party**

Feast of the Immaculate Conception  
National Brownie Day  
National Pastry Day  
Christmas Card Day

### **Board of Directors Meeting - 6:30 PM**

Nobel Prize Day  
International Animal Rights Day  
UNICEF Birthday  
Gingerbread House Day  
National Poinsettia Day

### **Members Meeting - 7:00 PM**

National Cocoa Day  
National Guard Birthday

### **Adult Christmas Party**

National Cupcake Day  
National Chocolate Covered Anything Day  
Wright Brothers Day  
National Maple Syrup Day  
National Twin Day  
National Hard Candy Day  
National Sangria Day  
National Ugly Sweater Day  
Yule  
National Crossword Puzzle Day  
Winter Solstice  
National Cookie Exchange Day  
Festivus  
Christmas Eve  
National Eggnog Day  
Christmas Day  
Boxing Day  
National Fruitcake Day  
National Chocolate Candy Day  
National Card Playing Day  
Pledge of Allegiance Day  
National Bacon Day  
National Champagne Day  
New Year's Eve



## OCTOBER CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The October tournament was held on Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup>

First Place: Mark Porcaro  
Second Place : Valerie Degerstedt  
Third Place: Bob Hueffner  
Fourth Place: Kip Humburg

Another good group today for the Roma Lodge monthly Cribbage tournament. 20 Players in attendance. Next tournament will be Sunday, November 10th! Come and bring your friends and family.



## CRIBBAGE

2024/2025

**SIGN IN 11:30 AM**



### Roma Lodge Tournaments

**Cost \$10 per Person**

**CASH drawing at start of tournament!**

**First Tournament of the Season!**

**November 10TH, 2024**

**OPEN TO MEMBERS, SPOUSES  
AND FRIENDS**

Format: 6 games against 6 different individual opponents

Proposed schedule of games, subject to change if necessary.

December 1<sup>st</sup>, January 12<sup>th</sup>, February 16th

March 9th, April 6th

**TOURNAMENTS START AT 12 Noon**

Contact Mark Mano 813 523-7052 with questions.



*Wine Tasting*

We had 70+ attendees at the 2024 Annual Christopher Columbus Wine Tasting event. Mikey delivered a meal fit for royalty! Vittoria Colonna provided a wonderful selection of cookies and Tenuta's donated two wonderful baskets for Door Prizes.

Thank You to all who attended!

Greg Pierangeli, Mike Garbo, and Carmelo Bruno  
Social Committee







## Roma Lodge Patio Brick Program

Looking for a gift for that hard-to-buy-for family member or friend? How about immortalizing them with a brick on the Roma Lodge 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 in the spring of 2025.



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 IN EARLY SPRING OF 2025

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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**Deadline for information for the December 2024 Newsletter is November 20, 2024.** Comments, suggestions, and articles of interest to our members are welcome at [roma.secretary.jam@gmail.com](mailto:roma.secretary.jam@gmail.com).

*Jon Morelli*, Roma Lodge Recording Secretary