

ROMA LODGE NEWSLETTER



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OCTOBER 2022 ISSUE

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Roma Lodge Brothers,

I cannot believe the summer is already over. I guess we can start looking forward to the upcoming holidays. If you want to sample some good wine and have some great appetizers, make sure to get your tickets to the October 8th Wine Tasting. Everyone that has attended in the past has enjoyed it. It is open to the public so tell all your friends.

This year's Adult Christmas Party is Saturday, December 17th. The Children's Christmas Party is Sunday, December 11th. Do not forget to set these dates aside. I would love to see a great turnout this year for both parties.

I want to thank all the members that are utilizing the members dining room on Fridays and Saturdays. While we still have the limited menu, Michael will continue to offer a weekly special. The food has been delicious. Please consider our dining room when making plans to dine out on the weekends. **Reservations are always recommended as this helps us plan for staffing and food preparation. The reservation line is (262) 886-8850.**

The Wednesday night buffet continues to offer a variety of items. If anyone is interested in volunteering to help on the buffet, even once a month, please contact me. **Reservations are always recommended as this helps us plan for staffing and food preparation. The reservation line is (262) 886-8850.** Pricing for the buffet is \$13.00, \$12.00 for seniors 55 and older and \$7.00 for kids.

Bingo participation has been 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 Jim Faraone or Mike Peratt.

If you have some time to give to the club, please consider being a part of the many committees we have or help to 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, October 14th at 7:00 PM. The next Roma Lodge Board of Directors meeting will be Tuesday, October 11th at 6:30 PM.

We will continue to do everything we can to keep our meetings as safe as possible for our members.

Che Dio vi benedica! (God bless you!)

Frank L. Bisotti

President



OCTOBER MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The October Social Meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 14th.

Members, please join us and enjoy a fine buffet. Bar opens at 5:30 pm, a brief members meeting will be held at 7:00 pm followed by dinner and a report summarizing this year's festival. We will be meeting in the Vittoria Colonna Hall.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING QUORUM REQUIREMENT

Please remember it is important to have a quorum at all membership meetings. Without a quorum we cannot conduct an official meeting, meaning we cannot vote on new members or conduct any official business.

We have candidates for membership to be voted on by members in October and November. Without a quorum they cannot be brought into the lodge.

OCTOBER 2022 EVENTS

Saturday, October 1
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Tuesday, October 4
Saturday, October 8
Sunday, October 9
Monday, October 10
Tuesday, October 11
Thursday, October 13
Friday, October 14
Friday, October 14
Saturday, October 15
Monday, October 17
Friday, October 21
Sunday, October 23
Friday, October 28
Monday, October 31

National Homemade Cookies Day
International Coffee Day
Feast of St. Francis of Assisi
Columbus Day / Wine Tasting – 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Roma Lodge Cribbage Tournament – 12:30 PM
Columbus Day (Observed)
Board of Directors Meeting – 6:30 PM
Navy Birthday
Membership Social Meeting – 7:00 PM
National Dessert Day
Sweetest Day
National Pasta Day
Back to the Future Day
WSCA Sports Show – 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
National Chocolate Day
Halloween



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:

Jim Faraone: 262-657-1244 – jfaraone@wi.rr.com

Mike Peratt: 262-942-1212 – mperatt22@yahoo.com

Rich Nygro (October Captain): 262-308-5758 – rnygro1@wi.rr.com

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

The following gentlemen are scheduled to be voted on at the **October 14, 2022**, Membership Meeting.

John D. Bonaretti – Age 67

Lives in Pleasant Prairie, WI
Retired electrician

Married (Janet) – five children
Father is of Italian descent
Proponent: Brian Hart

Kevin A. Tripp – Age 45

Lives in Pewaukee, WI

Employed as principal director of
business intelligence by Harsman Group
Married (Sarah) – two children
Grandmother is of Italian descent (Delorenzo)
Proponent: Alan Tripp

Anthony R. Porcaro – Age 32

Lives in Burlington, WI
Employed as a home care physical therapist
by Aurora Health Care
Married (Kelsey) – Two Children
Father is of Italian descent
Proponent: Anthony J. Porcaro

Joseph E. Tripodi – Age 56

Lives in Kenosha, WI
Born in South Chicago Heights, IL
Employed as a forklift operator by Randstad

Married (Barbara) - two children
Father is of Italian descent
Proponent: Mike Peratt

The following gentleman was recommended by the Roma Lodge Screening Committee and approved by The Board for membership. He is scheduled to be voted on at the **November 11, 2022**, Membership Meeting.

Mitchell J. Morelli – Age 27

Lives in Kenosha, WI
Born in Green Bay, WI
Employed as assistant manager at Chipotle Mexican Grill
Single
Father is of Italian descent
Proponent: Jon Morelli

Buon Compleanno e Tanti Auguri Happy Birthday to our Roma Lodge Brothers Born in October

October 1	Joel Beck	October 9	Dominic DaPra	October 23	Angelo Sarto
October 2	Paul J. Costanzo	October 12	Thomas Linden	October 24	Dominic Anzalone
	Frank Perugini		John Ponio		Joseph Nemec
October 3	Ronald Ernst	October 13	Tom Blise	October 25	Frank Maritato
October 4	Albert Kosterman		Bernard Polzin	October 26	John Perugini
	Howard Olson	October 14	Andrew Paar	October 27	Randall Chiapete
October 5	Joe Jardina	October 15	Andrew Buechler		Jason Johnson
October 7	Thomas Janikian	October 20	Leonard Juliano	October 29	Alessandro Dal Vecchio
	Matthew Russell		Guy Schetter	October 30	Charles Christiano
October 8	Frank Catrine	October 21	Randal M. Marvin	October 31	John DeFazio
	David Hotchkiss	October 23	Jim Covelli		Joe DeRose

List compiled from the Roma Lodge Membership Files. Contact Mike Peratt, mperatt22@yahoo.com if corrections are needed.

ROMA LODGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WEEKEND DUTY SCHEDULE

September 30	Jack LeRose
October 1	Jack LeRose
October 7, 8	Mike Peratt
October 14, 15	Pat Diem
October 21, 22	Frank Bisotti
October 28, 29	John Pisanello

NOVEMBER 2022 EVENTS

Tuesday, November 1	National Calzone Day
Tuesday, November 1	Day of the Dead
Tuesday, November 1	All Saints Day
Sunday, November 6	Daylight Saving Time Ends
Tuesday, November 8	Board of Directors Meeting – 6:30 PM
Thursday, November 10	Marine Corps Birthday
Friday, November 11	Membership Meeting – 7:00 PM
Friday, November 11	Veterans Day
Friday, November 11	National Sundae Day
Thursday, November 17	Great American Smoke Out
Sunday, November 20	Roma Lodge Cribbage Tournament – 12:30 PM
Thursday, November 24	Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 25	Black Friday
Saturday, November 26	National Cake Day
Sunday, November 27	First Day of Advent



Funeral Service Calling Tree Schedule – October through December

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

Pitts, James A. – Zupfer, Charles

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 Dennis Porcaro, appriservices@netscape.net or by phone at (262) 884-9121.

OBITUARIES

Rose C. Hagman

June 7, 1925 – September 16, 2022



Surrounded by her loving family, Rose C. Hagman, age 97, passed away Friday, September 16, 2022, at Ascension All Saints Hospital.

She was born in Racine, June 7, 1925, daughter of Frank and Antoinetta (Nee:Cuconato) Mazzei.

Rose was a graduate of William Horlick High School. On June 21, 1946, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, she was united in marriage to the love of her life, Lawrence C. Hagman who preceded her in death on May 17, 1999.

Rose worked for Zahn's Department Store for 22 years and was a long time member of St. Edward's Catholic Church and Vittoria Colonna Lodge. She enjoyed playing cards with her friends, bowling and her flower garden. Most of all, she was a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother "Nani", and great grandmother, who cherished time spent with her family.

She will be dearly missed by her children, David (Barbara) Hagman of Trevor, WI, Diane (Ralph) Nicotera of Indian Land, SC, and Larry (Jayne) Hagman of Manitowoc, WI; her grandchildren, Lisa (David) Schumann, Jason (Kari) Hagman, Erick Hagman, Amy (Andy) Lueders, Ralph (Amber) Nicotera, Brian (Megan) Hagman, and Jeffrey Hagman; 16 great grandchildren; many nieces, nephews, and good friends.

In addition to her husband, Lawrence C. Hagman, she was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Antoinetta Mazzei; her brother, Ralph (Rita) Mazzei; sisters, Aurora (Pete) Volpendesta, Edith (David) Buhler; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Erick and Martha Hagman; and sister-in-law, Lorraine (LeRoy) Hagerty.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated September 24, 2022.

Memorials may be made to St. Catherine's High School, St. Edward's Parish, or to one's favorite charity.

The family wishes to extend a special thank you to Cindy Pisanello who with her caring and compassion for Rose allowed her to stay at home for so long. They will be forever grateful.

MARESH-MEREDITH & ACKLAM FUNERAL HOME

Our sincere condolences go out to Rose's family.

Albert Mario Stefani

May 29, 1937 – September 18, 2022



Albert Mario Stefani, age 85, passed away at his residence on Sunday, September 18, 2022. He was born on May 29, 1937, son of the late Bertillo and Domenica (Nee: Mabellini) Stefani.

Albert grew up in Kenosha, WI. After high school, Albert served in the Wisconsin Army National Guard from 1955-1963 and was active duty during the Berlin Crisis of 1961. He was honorably discharged in 1963. On September 26, 1977, he married Joan Podhola at Trinity Lutheran Church. After 25 years of marriage, Joan passed away on January 6, 2003. Albert continued to live in Mt. Pleasant, WI. First, in a condo and then in 2020 moved to Primrose Retirement Community. He attended St. Paul the Apostle Church. Albert's trade was a meat cutter, last employed by Sheridan Super Foods in Milwaukee, and he also held a realtor's license until recently. Albert was a long-time active member of the Roma Lodge where he was on a Bocce league, helped with bingo night, and worked the ticket booth at the Annual Italian Festival. He enjoyed taking trips to Las Vegas, attending the Jazz Concert Series at the Racine Zoo, and plays and musicals at the Racine Theatre Guild.

Albert is survived by stepdaughter, Debora (Thomas) Riegelman, stepdaughter, Doreen Richter, son Anthony Stefani, son Thomas (Kelly) Stefani. Special friend and companion, Judith McGuire. He is further survived by 16 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by stepdaughter, DeeAnn Thompson and daughter, Kathleen Piasecki.

A Private Memorial Service will be held. Special thanks to Hospice Alliance and Primrose care teams for their thoughtful and kind care you gave Al.

Memorials to Hospice Alliance or to VFW Post 1391 have been suggested by the family.

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Our sincere condolences go out to Al's family.

WINE TASTING

October 8th 6-9pm

Come taste multiple wines from
Italy and California, Hors
D'oeuvres featuring imported
salami's, cheeses & olives

Tickets \$25



**Contact Roma Lodge
for tickets today!**



SEPTEMBER CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The September tournament was held on Sunday the 18th

1st Place: Rick Bonanno
2nd Place: Tyler Kueker
3rd Place: Ron Lucas



CRIBBAGE Is Back



Roma Lodge Tournaments

**OPEN TO MEMBERS, SPOUSES
AND THEIR GUESTS**

Cost \$10 per Person

Format: 6 games against 6 different individual opponents

CASH drawing at start of tournament!

NEXT TOURNAMENT IS

October 9th

SIGN UP AT 12:30PM

TOURNAMENTS START AT 1PM

OTHER SCHEDULED DATES:

November 20th

December 18th January 8th

Contact Mark Mano 813 523-7052 with questions.

Come have fun and enjoy the competition.

SPORTS MEMORABILIA SHOWS

The Wisconsin Sports Collectors Association (WCSA) is having another SPORTS SHOW on Sunday morning, October 23rd from 9am to 2pm (it's most exciting in the first 3 hours). Founded back in 1975, the shows have grown from dozens to nearly 400 people at each of these events. Our shows feature generations of our families actively participating. Each show consists of over 60 dealers' tables with vendors from numerous states. Memorabilia includes sports cards, autographs, bobble heads, Nascar, other non-sports fun and so much more. We feature an entertaining auction running simultaneously around 9:45am until 11:30am with a large variety of items. Every show brings different surprises! There may be "signing" guests at some of our shows as well. Please pass along the word to friends and family.

WCSA has fostered a great niche in the sports collecting business by combining our shows with charitable giving. As a "nonprofit organization" our profits go to various charities including, but not limited to the MDA, Lighthouse Youth Center of Milwaukee, Children's Hospital, Special Olympics, Autism Society, Juvenile Diabetes, Veterans Charities, and many others. We have led local assistance events for families with providing Thanksgiving dinners, back to school supplies and Christmas presents.

I am a proud member of Roma Lodge and I have volunteered with the Wisconsin Sports Collectors Association since the 1980s (nearly 35 years). My specialty has been procuring the items for the auction as well as running the auction at each event. Another Roma Lodge Member, John Gehring, has also been a part of WCSA for many years – both as a dealer and a guest.

Each month a Roma Lodge member has sold sausage and/or meatball bombers at the shows and we need one of you to volunteer for about 2 hours – from around 10am to noon – and sell sandwiches, chips, and soda and ALL that profit goes directly to Roma Lodge. This also enhances the Roma Lodge connection to the shows. Please let me know if you can do this on October 23rd or at the Christmas Sports Show on December 18th and I will pay your DOLLAR admission and let you in "early" to find your hot deals from the eager dealers!

This is a "FAMILY" Event, and we encourage all Roma Lodge members to bring their families - their boys and their girls and their grandchildren - as they build their own sports collectibles hobby in this healthy event.

I look forward to a long partnership bringing the WCSA together with Roma Lodge – a win/win situation.

We would love to see you at our next show on Sunday October 23rd from 9am – 2pm!

Do not forget to put Sunday, December 18th on your calendar for our Christmas Sports Show.

I am trying to get Brett Favre to sign autographs at that show (lol) but if not, maybe John Gehring or Guy Schetter or Mike Peratt will sign autographs for FREE that day as a special Christmas Gift to each of you.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

A splendid time is guaranteed for all.

Thank you.

Paul

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Celebrate Veteran's Day

Sunday, November 13, 2022

Roma Lodge is very proud to conduct a dinner and ceremony
TO HONOR ALL VETERANS (Living and Deceased)

Please join us for this very special event which is
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC (Limited Seating)

Veteran's Registration Form

Veteran's Name: _____ Rank: _____

Please check: Living Veteran _____ or Deceased Veteran _____

CIRCLE Military Branch: Army Navy Air Force Marines Coast Guard
National Guard Merchant Marine

Medals/Honors/Awards: _____

AGENDA

3:30-5:00pm	Cocktails (Cash Bar)
5:00-5:30pm	Opening Ceremony/Welcome
5:30-6:30pm	Dinner
6:30pm	Program w/Guest Speaker

Your Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Total # of People Attending: _____ x \$25.00 each = \$ _____

Mail this form and check payable to **ROMA LODGE** by **NOVEMBER 1ST** to:

Roma Lodge
7130 Spring Street
Racine, WI 53406
ATTN: Rick Bonanno (VETERANS)

Please call Rick Bonanno 262-914-1509 for details

Roma Lodge Members Restaurant

1. Please call to make a reservation. It will help with both food preparation and staffing.
2. If you have a party of ten or more, we ask that your reservation is set by 5:30 or after 6:30 to ensure quality service is provided to all. Please keep splitting of checks to a minimum. This takes considerable time and will delay service.

Our Chef, Mike, will continue to create specials each week to add a variety of food options for our members and guests. Along with the weekly specials we will continue to provide a quality reduced menu. We encourage everyone to stop out and enjoy Mike's creations.

The Member's Restaurant is open for the Wednesday Buffet, and every Friday and Saturday for dining.

Thank you

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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SATURDAY MORNING COFFEE & CARS

The final “Coffee and Cars” of the 2022 season was held on Saturday, September 10th. It was a perfect day for our final show of the year. There were a lot of competing car shows in the area but, we still had sixty (60) cars show up.

We look forward to seeing you and your car next year at “Coffee and Cars”. Remember our moto – “If it’s special to you, it’s special to us”!!

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped make the event a success.



Best of Show
1947 Lincoln Continental owned by Jerry Fredericks



Ralph Malicki displays his Vintage Allis-Chalmers Tractor





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Deadline for information for the November 2022 Newsletter is October 20, 2022. Comments, suggestions, and articles of interest to our members are welcome at roma.secretary.jam@gmail.com.

Jon Morelli, Roma Lodge Secretary