

The Villa News

Cesare Battisti Lodge No. 27 of the Midwest District Italian Sons and Daughters of America (ISDA)

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From the President's Desk



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Frank Basso	
Jonathan Biancardi	
Bob Belzeski	

Dear Lodge Brothers,

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers in your family. Why not give your mom or wife a break and bring her to the Villa for Brunch. The Villa is taking reservations right now.

Lodge dues are officially past due, so come and see Nick Lemon and get paid up to remain in good standing as a lodge brother.

The brick paver project is ready to go, but you can still purchase a brick to show your dedication to the lodge and/or to whomever you want to honor or just your family name.

Thanks to everybody that bought the Easter Ham raffle tickets and congratulations to the winners (identified in this newsletter). This fundraiser helps with the sick benefits for our members when they go into the hospital. Thanks to Ed Malloy who took care of this raffle.

We had another successful, huge St Patrick's/St Joseph's party. Jody said this was his 29th year of doing this party. It was a great crowd and a lot of fun. Thanks to Jody and his committee for doing such a great job.

The Bocce & Brews was something new to the club, and the people that came really had some fun and competition. Jon Biancardi did a great job putting this event together with help from family and friends. His team also came out of the loser's bracket to win the tournament.

The Rich Wolf fundraiser had a great turnout by lodge brothers and sisters and friends. Thanks to all the people that baked and helped out during this event. The best part of the event was that Rich showed up to thank and see everybody. Rich is getting better every day. Thanks to David and Carol Graziani for chairing this event and the Kapturs for donating and cooking the food. This is what the lodge is about – helping each other when they need it

IANU scholarship applications are available, so be sure to see Ron DiMichele. They need to be turned in by June 1st.

Cinco de Mayo is coming upon us. Come join the fun celebrating and enjoy some Mexican cuisine and drinks. We also have a great local band ready to make you dance.

Elections will be this month so if you have attended four meetings, come and vote. We have four qualified members running for House Committee with two openings and a trustee election. Good luck to all and thanks for running.

The festival is only four months away and we need your help. Please come to the next meeting on May 23rd and get on a volunteer list. We have jobs for all ages.

God Bless see you at the next meeting and event.

Jim Malloy

MEETINGS AND FUTURE EVENT DATES:

Wed., May 2	House Committee Meeting
Wed., May 9	Members' Meeting
Sat., May 5	Cinco de Mayo Party
Sun., May 13	Mother's Day Brunch
Wed., May 23	Festa Italiana Meeting
Sat., June 9	Scotch and Cigars Event

Upcoming Events

Saturday, May 5, 2018.

Cinco de Mayo Celebration.

6:00—11:00 p.m. Live entertainment by Visions of Santana (Chicagoland's Premiere Carlos Santana Tribute Band), open bar and margarita station, Mexican buffet. Tickets are \$45.00 per person. Contact the Villa for tickets.

Sunday, May 13, 2018.

Mother's Day Brunch.

10:00am -2:00 pm (Reservations required)
Includes coffee, orange juice and champagne. Adult beverages available from the bar. \$28 for Adults; \$14 Kids 6-11; kids under 5 free. Breakfast and Lunch, including a carving station, omelet station, and dessert table.

Saturday, June 9, 2018.

Scotch and Cigars.

7:00—10:00 pm \$60 per ticket (\$55 before 5/31)
Includes two cigars, three premium scotch and/or bourbon drinks, and premium buffet. Contact the Villa for tickets (Details on page 5.)



Scholarship Applications for the IANU Foundation are available now.

Contact Ron DiMichele (219-322-5845 or rwdimichele@gmail.com) for information and applications. Seniors

in high school and college students are eligible. Parents and students must be members of our Lodge with a policy and in good standing for a minimum of two years.

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to FRANK VERTA for the loss of his mother.



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We are providing opportunity for our members, family, friends, and businesses to leave a lasting imprint near the entrance of Villa Cesare Banquet Center. To show our love of country, state, and Italian heritage, Cesare Battisti Lodge #27 will be installing 3 flag poles — American, State, and Italian — at the front entrance to the Villa. A paver brick patio will be part of this attractive focal point.

We will be offering bricks in two sizes:

4x8 with 3 lines (20 spaces per line) for \$50.00 each

8x8 with 6 lines (20 spaces per line) for \$75.00 each

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To remember or memorialize a loved one

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Reminders and Updates



Sick Benefit and Scholarship Award Payouts. Receipts for either sick benefits or scholarship must be given to Ed Malloy (sick benefit) or Nick Lemon (scholarship benefit). After they are reviewed and approved, checks will be mailed, and you should expect to receive your check within two months.

Sick Members. If you know of any lodge member who is ill or in the hospital, please let Ed Malloy know.

Donation Requests. Tax Exempt or Tax ID number is required for all recommendations for donations to be considered by the officers.

Moving or Change your Email Address?

Don't forget to let the office know so we have your current contact information.



Honor Guards. If you hear of the unfortunate passing of a fellow lodge member, please contact Rich Fanno (219-616-6545) to volunteer to stand honor guard.

Chaplain Services. Our Chaplain is available to make hospital visits to our sick members and also for support and prayer after the passing of fellow lodge members.

Advertising Opportunities.

Are you (or anyone you know) interested in having your business advertising seen by hundreds of potential customers every month? Please contact Tony Basso, the Villa, or send an email to thevillanews@gmail.com for information on advertising in this newsletter. This is open to the public, so tell your friends, family members, and employers — it's only \$24.00 a year. **THIS IS AN AMAZING DEAL! Be sure to patronize our advertisers.**



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Our next committee meeting for the 2018 Festa Italiana will be on Wednesday, May 23 at 7pm. All are welcome.

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Thank you!

I and my family cannot begin to express our sincere gratitude for all of the love, prayers, and support we have received from all of you. This has truly been a whirlwind of emotion, education, and awakening. How one's life can change in a heart beat is something none of us really think of.

I would reiterate to everyone, please take precautions this summer and fall because one little insignificant mosquito bite can change your life forever. Never in a million years did we ever give it a second thought, and now we have learned that thousands of people are exposed to West Nile Virus which can be deadly in certain circumstances.

Again, our sincere thank you to everyone for everything.

Love to you all.

Rich & Suzi Wolf & Family



Rich Wolf surrounded by some of the members who attended the fundraiser.

John's Painting
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- Interior
- Exterior

Festival Raffle Tickets are now available at the Villa office. 20 chances to win prizes!

Cesare Battisti Lodge Presents
FESTA ITALIANA
\$15,000 RAFFLE
WINNER NEED NOT TO BE PRESENT

DRAWN IN REVERSE ORDER:

Sunday, Aug. 12th at 7:00PM
only 300 tickets sold

1ST PRIZE: \$8,000
2ND PRIZE: \$2,000
3RD - 10TH PRIZES: \$500
11TH - 20TH PRIZES: \$100

If you are interested in festival volunteer, vendor, or sponsorship opportunities, please contact Jon Biancardi 219-616-4842 or villabocce@gmail.com

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Congratulations to the Ham Raffle Winners:

Mike Mola
Mike Graziani
Dominic Sparano
Josh Biancardi
Frank Sparano

Joe Rizzardo
Len Bailes
Tony C. Basso
Yvonne Verta
Rosario Cirincione



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Mother's Day
BRUNCH

Sunday May 13th
10am - 2pm

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Omelette Station
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Lunch Entrees
Desserts
Coffee & OJ
Champagne

MAY 13

\$28 Adults *\$14 Ages 6-11*
Kids 5 & Under Free

Happy Birthday

- Joel Baldin
- Fred Belligio
- Justin Biancardi
- Samuel Calabrese
- James Della Rocco
- Tony DiCostanza
- Dean DiMichele
- Jack Drosset
- Bruce Dust
- Nick Lemon
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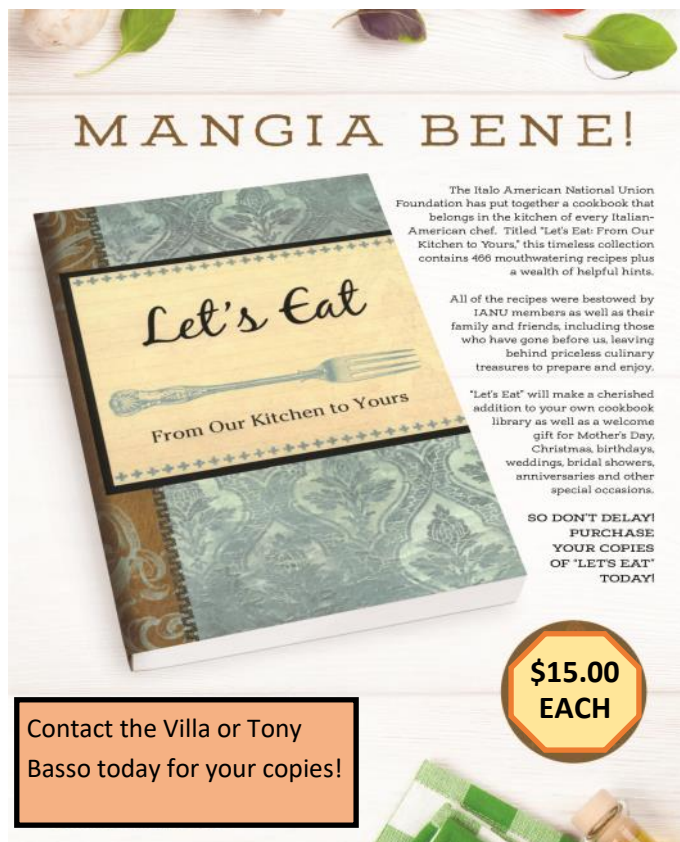
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MANGIA BENE!

The Italo American National Union Foundation has put together a cookbook that belongs in the kitchen of every Italian-American chef. Titled "Let's Eat: From Our Kitchen to Yours," this timeless collection contains 466 mouthwatering recipes plus a wealth of helpful hints.

All of the recipes were bestowed by IANU members as well as their family and friends, including those who have gone before us, leaving behind priceless culinary treasures to prepare and enjoy.

"Let's Eat" will make a cherished addition to your own cookbook library as well as a welcome gift for Mother's Day, Christmas, birthdays, weddings, bridal showers, anniversaries and other special occasions.

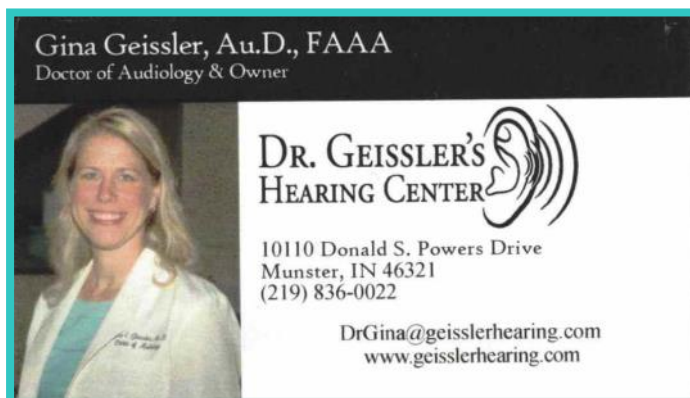
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The Italian American Women's Club of Lake County is seeking women of Italian heritage or espousal from ages 16-116 to join our Club. We meet monthly for camaraderie, friendship, sharing of Italian heritage, and of course, and amazing dinner. Most importantly, our Club supports food banks, the Humane Society, and local charities. Our Club also honors all students of active members who are seeking to attain higher education or career training at a college, university, business college, or trade school, with a scholarship. We meet the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm at Villa Cesare. Come join us at our next meeting. We'll save you a seat!

To reserve a spot or for more information, contact:
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Do you have
...STORIES, RECIPES, ANNOUNCEMENTS or THOUGHTS to share?
...PICTURES or a REPORT from a recent lodge function?
...SUGGESTIONS or COMMENTS about this newsletter?
Please feel free to share any thoughts.

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Bocce and Brews



Bocce & Brews Champions: "This is How We Roll"
Josh Biancardi, Jon Biancardi, Micki Biancardi, Jody Biancardi



Italian Women's Club Style Show



Music was provided by Frank Ruvoli and Brian Mundeel. Great job, guys!



Making sure the three courts were ready to go.



The handsome escorts for the Italian Women's Club Fashion Show included our own, Jon Biancardi, Dave Graziani, Jim Malloy, and Dave Calarie. Also pictured, Randy Reno and Bobby Lazzaroni.



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Villa CESARE SCHERERVILLE PRESENTS...

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FRIDAY AUG 10 5P-11P

SATURDAY AUG 11 12P-11P

SUNDAY AUG 12 12P-8P

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Bucatini with Lemony Carbonara

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 6 ounces guanciale (salt-cured pork jowl), pancetta (Italian bacon), or slab bacon, thinly sliced, cut crosswise into ½-inch pieces
- 2 shallots, finely chopped
- 4 garlic cloves, thinly sliced
- 1 teaspoon freshly cracked black pepper
- 12 ounces bucatini or other long-strand pasta
- Kosher salt
- 2 ounces Parmesan, grated, plus more
- 2 large egg yolks
- 1 teaspoon finely grated lemon zest, plus thinly sliced zest for serving
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice



Heat oil in a large skillet over medium. Cook guanciale or bacon, tossing often, until browned and crisp, 6–8 minutes. Add shallots and garlic and cook, stirring occasionally, until softened, about 5 minutes. Add pepper and cook, stirring often, just until fragrant, about 1 minute.

Meanwhile, cook pasta in a large pot of boiling salted water, stirring occasionally, until al dente. Drain, reserving 1½ cups pasta cooking liquid.

Add pasta to skillet along with ½ cup pasta cooking liquid and 1 oz. Parmesan and toss to coat. Remove skillet from heat and add egg yolks. Toss again, adding more pasta cooking liquid as needed, until a smooth glossy sauce coats pasta. Add grated lemon zest, lemon juice, and another 1 oz. Parmesan. Toss to coat, adding more pasta cooking liquid if needed to loosen sauce.

Divide pasta among bowls; top with sliced lemon zest and more Parmesan.



CESARE BATTISTI 2018 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN WITH YOUR PAYMENT

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