

# The Villa News

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

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JANUARY 2019

## From the President's Desk



Happy  
new  
year!

Dear Lodge Brothers,

I hope everybody had a safe and Happy New Year's Eve celebration and day. I also wish everyone a safe and healthy new year. We had a few members going through some tough times this past year, but they are all doing much better.

Lodge dues are now due. Nick Lemon will be collecting at the meeting or you can send it to the Villa to Nick Lemon's attention. Please be sure to fill out the form even if there are no changes to your information. The form is at the end of this newsletter. The dues are still only \$35 for the year.

The Man of The Year party was a great time honoring John Rizzardo. We learned a lot about John through his bio in the brochure and his sister's speech honoring her brother. John expressed his thanks to his lodge brothers and was grateful to be part of the Man of the Year honorees. It was also great to see John's dad Joe there.

Jody Biancardi will once again be chairing the St Patrick's Party, which will be held on March 16th. Make sure to let Jody know as soon as possible if you need tickets. We all know how quickly this party sells out. Please note that the price is \$45.00 per person this year.

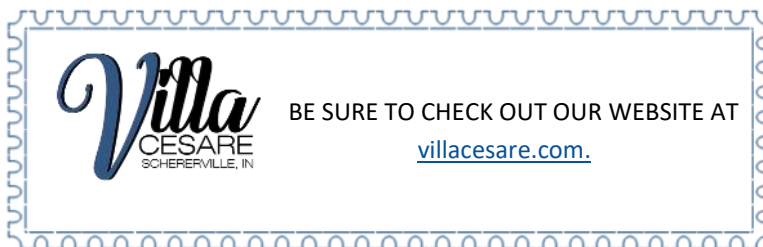
The children's Christmas Party was fun for all, thanks to Tony and Geri Basso and Rich and JoEllen Fanno, and all their other helpers. The kids were all excited to see Santa show up to pass gifts out. If you did not pick up your child's gift, please come to the Villa and get it.

This year is our 100th anniversary, so we should all be proud. Spread the word about our club and announce our accomplishments to everybody. Our 100th year anniversary shirts should be ordered soon. If you would like to purchase one, let us know. We will start planning our party in the near future.

The next bocce tournament is starting February 7th, so get your team together and contact Jon Biancardi or enter online at <https://www.villacesare.com/events>.

God Bless, and see you at the next meeting or event.

*Jim Malloy*



## Cesare Battisti Lodge No. 27

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### HOUSE COMMITTEE OFFICERS:

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### MEETINGS AND FUTURE EVENT DATES:

Tues., Jan. 8	House Committee Meeting
Wed., Jan 9	Members' Meeting
Sat., Mar 16	St. Patrick/St. Joseph's Party
Thursdays, Feb. 7—Mar 29	Bocce League

## Upcoming Events

**Thursdays, Feb. 7 - March 29, 2019  
Bocce Tournament.**  
*Remember to register today!*

\$160 per team (4 player teams). Two games per week, with single elimination playoffs in the last week. Register at: <https://www.villacesare.com/events> or email [villabocce@gmail.com](mailto:villabocce@gmail.com) for inquiries. If you don't have a team yet, send an email to see if anyone is looking for players!! Even if you aren't playing, come by for some fun and to cheer for your favorite team.



**Saturday, March 16, 2019.  
St. Patrick's Day Party.**



Our annual St. Patrick's Day Party will be held Saturday, March 16th. This popular party sells out quickly, so make sure to contact Jody Biancardi for tickets as soon as possible. Tickets are **\$45.00** per person (includes food, open bar, DJ).

## 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.

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## Congratulations to our 2018 Member of the Year, John Rizzardo.



Happy Birthday

John Baldin  
Dave Barth  
Robert Belzeski  
Joshua Biancardi  
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### Happy 97th Birthday to Phil Biancardi!

Who was serenaded by our own Ugo Arrighi for his birthday celebration.



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## Indoor Bocce Ball League.

**Come join us for a fun time!**

The Bocce League will begin its winter session on **Thursday Nights** beginning February 7 through March 29. Be sure to register your teams now. Come on down on Thursday evenings to enjoy bocce, watch football, eat and drink, and win prizes. This is open to everyone, so be sure to gather some friends and put a team together or come join one of the teams.



- ⇒ Games 6:30—10pm
- ⇒ 2 games per week
- ⇒ \$160 per team (\$40/person) 4 player teams
- ⇒ Single elimination playoffs in the last week

Email [villabocce@gmail.com](mailto:villabocce@gmail.com) for information  
Register at: <https://www.villacesare.com/events>

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The Ibero 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.

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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:

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## FETTUCCINE WITH CHICKEN AND SQUASH

- 4 cups peeled, chopped butternut squash
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon dried sage
- Salt and pepper
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- 1/2 cup low-sodium chicken broth
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 12 ounces fettuccine
- 2 cups skinless, boneless rotisserie chicken, cut into 1/2-inch pieces (about 9 oz.)
- 1 cup grated Parmesan, plus more for serving, optional
- Chopped fresh parsley, for garnish, optional



Preheat oven to 450°F. In a large bowl, toss squash with oil, sage and 1/2 tsp. salt. Spread evenly on a baking sheet; roast until soft, about 15 minutes, stirring once.

Whisk cream, broth and mustard in a large, heatproof bowl. Bring a pot of salted water to a boil. Add fettuccine; cook until almost al dente, 10 minutes or as package label directs. About 2 minutes before pasta is finished, place bowl with cream mixture atop pot to warm it, stirring twice.

Once pasta is done, remove bowl from pot. Drain pasta, reserving 1/2 cup cooking water. Add pasta to cream mixture.

Toss in chicken, Parmesan and squash. Add a bit of pasta water if mixture seems dry. Season with salt and pepper. Sprinkle with parsley, and serve immediately. Pass extra Parmesan at the table.

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To reserve a spot or for more information, contact:  
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## Children's Christmas Party

All the children had a great time at the annual Christmas Party. Everyone enjoyed a delicious spaghetti lunch, and then the kids had balloon animals and balloon toys made for them while they anxiously awaited Santa's arrival. The children were all excited after seeing Santa and receiving their gifts. Thank you to Chairpersons Tony and Geri Basso and Rich and JoEllen Fanno.

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