

The Villa News

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

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JUNE 2018

From the President's Desk



Dear Lodge Brothers,

Happy Father's Day to all our lodge brothers. May you all have a wonderful day.

I want to thank everyone from our staff and from Kaptur Events for all their hard work and efforts that went into the Mother's Day Brunch. We had another nice turnout and there were plenty of compliments.

It's that time of year again to select our 2018 Man of the Year. We would ask that all previous Members of the Year please come to the lodge on Wednesday, June 13th at 6:30 before our regular meeting to cast your vote.

Some of our board members recently went to Pittsburgh for a national meeting, so they will be sharing with us what is new, as well as what is currently going on, in the ISDA world.

The pavers are installed and we still have plenty of room to add more. Check it out next time you're at the Villa. What a nice Father's Day present it would be to honor dad/grandpa with a memorial brick paver! I want to thank Frank Basso for all the work he has done for this project.

We are still in need of a lot of volunteers for our Italian Fest. We have positions available for all ages. The Festa Italiana will be three days this year (August 10-12), so we will need plenty of help. Also, we are still looking for sponsors. Please contact Jon Biancardi if you have any questions and/or to find out where you or your family members may be able to assist.

Elections were had last month. I want to express thanks to Rich Fanno for all his dedication and service during his time on the House Committee, and I would like to welcome our two new officers: Dean Fanno (was elected as Trustee) and Frank Sparano (was elected to the House Committee). I am sure they will do a great job. Jon Biancardi was once again elected and will remain on the House Committee. Thanks to everyone that ran for an office.

I am sorry I missed last month's meeting at which the Lodge Brothers presented Rich Wolf with a nice gift. Rich thanked everybody that helped with his fundraiser. He was really touched. That fundraiser really showed what our club is about. We are delighted that Rich is getting better every day.

I also want to thank everybody that helped and also those who attended our Cinco de Mayo party. It sounds like everyone had a great time.

Our gazebo has been cleaned and stained, and it looks great. Our gratitude to David Graziani for taking care of this project.

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

Jim Malloy

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Jonathan Biancardi	219-616-4842	
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Frank Sparano		

MEETINGS AND FUTURE EVENT DATES:

Wed., June 2	House Committee Meeting
Wed., June 13	Members' Meeting
Wed., June 27	Festa Italiana Meeting
Aug. 10-12	Festa Italiana
Fri., Oct. 26	Murder Mystery Dinner

Upcoming Events

Friday, August 10 - Sunday, August 12, 2018 Festa Italiana

Mark your calendars! Cesare Battisti's 2nd annual Italian festival will take place on August 10—12 at the Villa with good food, good music, fun and games, and a beer garden. Hope to see you there! Also, if you are interested in volunteering, sponsoring, or assisting in any way with this event, please email villabocce@gmail.com. Feel free to join us at our next planning meeting on Wednesday, June 27th. Please share with friends on [Facebook](#).

Friday, October 26, 2018 The Murder Mystery Company Presents... "Midnight at the Masquerade"

A Masquerade Murder Mystery Event!

6PM - 9PM (21 and over), \$50 per person

It's up to you to determine which partygoer is guilty, bring this crime to justice, and save the party! Includes welcome cocktail, passed Hors d'oeuvres, and Dinner: mixed greens salad, sliced beef tenderloin OR stuffed chicken marsala, roasted red and gold potatoes, fresh mixed vegetables and NY cheesecake with frambois sauce. Cash bar available.

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BRICK PAVER FLAGPOLE PROJECT

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

Consider ordering a brick:

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To honor family and friends

To remember or memorialize a loved one

To commemorate an event

Please contact the Villa for order forms. You may also contact Frank Basso for further information or forms.

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John Juranovich

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- Interior
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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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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.

Current and Past Members of the Year.

Please remember to come to the lodge on Wednesday, June 13 at 6:30 for nominations and voting for our 2018 Member of the Year.

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.** Advertising is \$24.00 per year (or \$2.00/month). **Make checks payable to CB Lodge #27 and send to Tony Basso, 6110 Kennedy Ave., Hammond, IN 46324.**



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Our next committee meeting for the 2018 Festa Italiana will be on Wednesday, June 27 at 7pm. All are welcome.

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Ligurian Pesto with Spaghetti

- Kosher salt
- 10 cups (loosely packed) fresh basil leaves (about 2 bunches)
- 1/2 cup finely grated Parmesan plus more
- 1 1/2 tablespoons pine nuts
- 1 garlic clove, coarsely chopped
- 1/2 cup mild extra-virgin olive oil plus more for drizzling
- 1 pound spaghetti



Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Set a colander in a large bowl of ice water (this will make it easier to strain the basil later). Working in batches, blanch basil for 10 seconds. Using a large slotted spoon, transfer basil to colander in ice water; let cool completely. Set aside 1/2 cup blanching water. Reserve pot with blanching water.

Drain basil by lifting colander from ice water. Using your hands, squeeze excess water from basil; transfer basil to paper towels. (You should have about 1/2 cup.)

Place blanched basil, 1/2 cup Parmesan, pine nuts, and garlic in a food processor. Pulse until well combined, adding blanching water by tablespoonfuls to thin if needed, and stopping occasionally to scrape down sides. Process until a smooth, thick purée forms, about 1 minute. Transfer basil mixture to a medium bowl. Stir in 1/2 cup oil. Season to taste with salt. Return water in pot to a boil; add more salt. Cook spaghetti, stirring occasionally, until al dente. Spoon 1/2 cup pesto and 1/4 cup pasta cooking liquid into a large bowl. Using tongs, transfer spaghetti to bowl and toss vigorously, drizzling with oil and adding more pesto and cheese as you continue to toss, until spaghetti is glossy and well coated with sauce. Season with salt. Divide among bowls; sprinkle with cheese.




When: Mondays at 6:30-7:30PM
June 4 to August 13, 2018 (10 Classes) (No class on 7/2/18)

Where: Room 107 located at
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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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Do you have
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