

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



Dear Lodge Brothers,



Happy Fourth of July.

Enjoy your holiday, but please be sure to celebrate carefully.

The Man of The Year Committee has made another great choice for a hard-working lodge brother who is very deserving. of this award. Congratulations to our 2018 Man of the Year, John Rizzardo.

The Italian Fest planning is coming along. Jon Biancardi has done a great job of putting this together, but we need your help to make a successful fest. We have jobs for all ages — even if you can only give a couple of hours. We are hoping to get our past college scholarship's recipients to help us out. Please contact Jon or come to the July 25th fest meeting to provide your availability.

The bocce tournament will start again this Fall. More details to follow.

As always, our crew has been working hard on our landscaping and other beautification and maintenance projects. Thanks to everybody that works so hard to keep our building running well and looking good.

We are waiting for the flag poles to be installed. Please check out the paver area when you get a chance. It really looks nice. Frank Basso is getting ready to put in the next order for bricks. Please fill out the form or contact Frank to make sure to get your order in.

Don't forget we have \$100 dollar raffle tickets available for the fest. Contact Jody Biancardi for tickets. Only 300 will be sold — great prizes!

We have two events coming up after the fest, the Murder Mystery Dinner (Oct. 26) and The Sock Hop (Nov. 17). See page 2 for more info.

Due to the holiday, please note the House Committee meeting has been changed to Monday, July 9.

We are looking for help at our August lodge meeting to set up for the fest. Please come dressed to do some outside work.

We are still looking for any lodge brother that would like to write articles about our club for our Italian newspaper <u>La Nostra Voce</u>. Please contact me or Tony Basso.

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

Jim Malloy

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<u>Meetings and Future Event Dates:</u>

Mon., July 9 House Committee Meeting

Wed., July 11 Members' Meeting
Wed., July 25 Festa Italiana Meeting

Aug. 10-12 FESTA ITALIANA

Fri., Oct. 26 Murder Mystery Dinner Sat.. Nov. 17 50s & 60s Sock Hop

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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, July 25th. Please also 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

Contact the Villa for tickets or buy online at <u>EventBrite.</u>

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.

Saturday, November 17, 2018 1950s & 1960s Sock Hop Featuring The Neverly Brothers

6PM - 10PM (ALL AGES) Tickets \$20 per person in advance; \$25 day of event. Contact the Villa for tickets or buy online at $\underline{\text{EventBrite}}$

Should be a fun time with a Rock n' Roll Tribute from Elvis to The Beatles and a Dance Contest - win Valuable Prizes!!!

Cash concessions including hamburgers, hot dogs, beef sandwiches, fries, chili, onion rings, floats, green rivers and more!



BRICK PAVER FLAGPOLE PROJECT SECOND PHASE BEGINNING SOON!

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

Frank Basso: (219) 934-0868 | cbass@att.net



BE SURE TO CHECK OUT OUR NEWLY REVAMPED AND UPDATED WEBSITE AT <u>villacesare.com</u>.



Reminders and Updates



<u>Sick Benefit and Scholarship Award Payouts.</u> 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.

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

<u>Donation Requests.</u> 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.



<u>Honor Guards</u>. 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.

<u>Chaplain Services</u>. 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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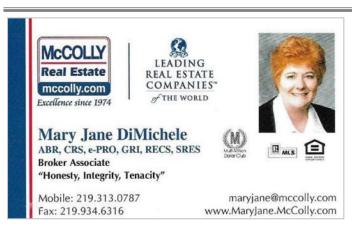


Our next committee meeting for the 2018 Festa Italiana will be on Wednesday, July 25 at 7pm. All are welcome.











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 201 N. Griffith Blvd. in Griffith, IN

Price: \$100 per student

Questions/Concems? Call World of Words at 773-787-9256 or email at info@worldofwords4u.com



Lasagna Stuffed Zucchini Boats

- 4 large zucchini, halved lengthwise
- 1/2 onion, diced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 lb. ground beef or turkey
- 1 c. jarred marinara
- pinch of crushed red pepper flakes
- 1 c. ricotta
- kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 c. shredded mozzarella
- Chopped fresh parsley, for garnish



Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F.

With a teaspoon, scoop out the flesh from the interior of the zucchini, so they resemble boats. Cook the zucchini halves upside down with a few tablespoons of water in the microwave for about 2-4 minutes to slightly soften (may do a few at a time).

In a large skillet over medium-high heat, heat oil. Add onion and cook until soft, 5 minutes, then add garlic and cook until fragrant, 1 minute. Add ground beef (or turkey) and cook until no longer pink, 6 minutes more, then add marinara and stir until combined. Add crushed red pepper flakes.

Stuff zucchini: Spread ricotta on bottom of each zucchini boat and season with salt and pepper. Spoon sauce over ricotta layer and sprinkle with mozzarella.

Bake until zucchini is tender and cheese golden, 15 minutes.

Garnish with parsley and serve.

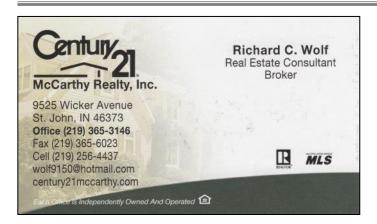


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Do you know of anyone interested in becoming a MEMBER of our organization?

Do you have an idea for a PARTY or a FUNDRAISER? Bring it up at the next meeting for the "good of the order".

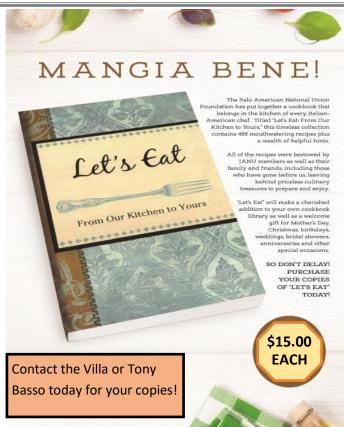
Do you have

- ...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.

E-mail your information to thevillanews@gmail.com



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Check out the Festival online at villacesare.com/festaitaliana

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS: We are asking all ablebodied members to please come help with pre-festival set up at our members' meeting on Wednesday, August 8th. Even if you are not physically able, there may still be tasks available. Also, please be sure to volunteer on one of our many committees. We have positions available for before, during, and after the festival. THANK YOU!





Biancardi (villabocce@gmail.com).

Eataly has offered our club a 15% discount to their upcoming classes - use code ITACHICAGO at checkout.

Click here to visit website.

Wednesday, July 25: Talk Italian Jazz with Bill Dal Cerro and David Anthony Witter
Wednesday, August 29: Talk Italian Sports with Laurence A Baldassare
Wednesday, September 26: Stay tuned!
Wednesday, October 17: Talk Italian Wines with Massimo Serradimigni

Wednesday, November 14: Talk Italianity with Carla Gambescia



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