

The Villa News

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

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JUNE 2019

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. Great job by all.

It is only a little over two months until our Festa Italiana. There is still a lot to get done, so come to the next meeting and let us know how you can help. We are looking for all ages and we can find a job for everybody. We are also looking for sponsors. Contact Jon Biancardi with any questions.

Elections were last month and I appreciate all the officers that stayed in their positions. Congratulations to Rich Fanno and Joe Tellez, who are our new Flag Bearers. Thank you to Tim Gardenhire for his past years of service.

The ISDA National Councilors meeting was held this past weekend. Tony Basso, Jody Biancardi, Ron DiMichele, Rich Fanno, Dennis Fanno, Rich Wolf and I went to Pittsburgh, where we listened to President Basil Russo speak with great passion about fighting to keep Columbus Day. We all have to stand up to keep our Italian Holiday. The financial reports indicated that we are growing fast, with currently over \$125 million. The ISDA has over 200 hundred agents selling our products. Its website has over 800,000 followers, and the newspaper is getting better every month and now is in full color. We have members in fifty states. Some of the lodges have had to merge together to make them bigger and stronger. Our Vice President Tony Basso delivered a speech about what is going on in the Chicago area lodges and in our lodge. Some of the other attendees bought our fest raffle tickets and some also indicated that are looking forward to coming to our 100th anniversary party.

We should have the tickets for the anniversary party by the June meeting thanks to Dennis Noworyta's efforts. David Graziani will be handling the honor roll so make sure you are a part of this historic moment.

We still have Fest raffle tickets left so help us out. Contact Jody Biancardi for more information.

God Bless and see you at the next meeting.

Jim Malloy

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Frank Basso	
Jon Biancardi	219-616-4842
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MEETINGS AND FUTURE EVENT DATES:

Wed., June 5 House Committee Meeting

Wed., June 12 Members' Meeting

Aug. 16-18 **Festa Italiana**

Sat., Nov. 9 **100th Anniversary Celebration**

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Our House Committee Members have been busy. Here are some of the things they have been working on...



- new heating and air conditioning units
- our crew is getting the outside ready for spring

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.

Upcoming Events

**Friday, August 16 through
Sunday, August 18, 2019.
Festa Italiana**

Mark your calendars! Cesare Battisti's 3rd annual Italian festival will take place on August 16-18 at the Villa with good food, good music, fun and games, and a beer garden. Hope to see you there! Please also share with friends on [Facebook](#).



**Saturday, November 9, 2019.
Centennial Celebration**

6:00 PM – 12:00 AM

Come celebrate Cesare Battisti's 100th Anniversary. Antipasti Table, dinner, open Bar. Live Entertainment featuring The Sounds of Jersey Boys, Rat Pack & Motown.

\$60 per person (lodge members \$50 or \$100/couple)

Scholarship Applications for the IANU Foundation are available now.

For applications, see Ron DiMichele at the May or June meetings or contact him at 219-322-5845 or rwdimichele@gmail.com.



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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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?

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The Italian American Women's Club (IAWC) 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: Leslie Poplon (President) lpoplon@gmail.com or Gina Geiss (Vice President) ginageiss@yahoo.com





Our National Councilors attended meetings in Pittsburgh June 1st.
Back: Dennis Fanno, Ron DiMichele, Jim Malloy, Jody Biancardi, President Basil Russo and wife Pat, Tony Basso
Front: Rich Rolf, Rich Fanno with his wife JoEllen



David Borgetti
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Frank Martone
Dominic Noce
Dennis Noworyta
James Oppolo, Sr.
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Joseph Tellez

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:

- For recognition
- To honor family and friends
- To remember or memorialize a loved one
- To commemorate an event

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Nov. 9, 2019



Antipasti Table • Traditional Italian Dinner • Open Bar • Live Entertainment

Celebrating 100 Years



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Join us as Cesare Battisti Lodge Celebrates 100 Years of Italian Traditions and Community Engagement! This elegant formal affair (black tie optional) will feature:

- ☞ Antipasti Table
- ☞ Traditional Italian Dinner
- ☞ Open Bar
- ☞ Live Entertainment featuring *The Sounds of Jersey Boys, Rat Pack & Motown*

\$60 per person (lodge members \$50 or \$100/couple) Nov 09, 6:00 PM - 12:00 AM

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FESTA ITALIANA

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- [\\$15K Raffle Tickets](#)

Cesare Battisti Lodge
Presents Festa Italiana

\$15,000 RAFFLE



DRAWING INFO:

Sunday Aug. 18th
6:30pm
*ONLY 300 TICKETS SOLD

FESTA ITALIANA
Aug. 16-18 2019

- 1st Prize: **\$5,000**
2nd Prize: **\$3,500**
3rd Prize: **\$2,000**
4th - 10th: **\$500**
11th - 20th: **\$100**

*Winner Need Not to be Present

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Easy Italian Cream Cake

- 1 (18.5-ounce) package white cake mix with pudding
- 3 large eggs
- 1 1/4 cups buttermilk
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1 (3 1/2-ounce) can flaked coconut
- 2/3 cup chopped pecans, toasted
- 3 tablespoons rum (optional)



Cream Cheese Frosting

- 1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened
- 1 (16-ounce) package powdered sugar
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 cup chopped pecans, toasted

Beat first 4 ingredients at medium speed with an electric mixer 2 minutes. Stir in coconut and pecans. Pour into 3 greased and floured 9-inch round cake pans. Bake at 350° for 15 to 17 minutes or until a wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pans on wire racks 10 minutes. Remove from pans, and cool completely on wire racks. Sprinkle each cake layer evenly with rum, if desired; let stand 10 minutes.

Beat cream cheese and butter at medium speed with an electric mixer until smooth. Gradually add powdered sugar, beating until light and fluffy. Stir in vanilla and pecans. Spread Cream Cheese Frosting between layers and on top and sides of cake. Chill 2 hours before slicing.



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