



OCTOBER 2021



MEMBERS MEETING
Monday, October 18, 2021



Our President

I want to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Armand Buonanno in accepting the office of the President of Methuen Lodge #902. Armand needs no introduction to us as he has been at the helm of our Lodge in the past and has worn different hats as needed. When you see him, please wish him well & give him your support. Moving forward let's work together for the good of our organization. Please know that any member is encouraged to call Armand at 978-314-5097 with their ideas and suggestions. We look forward to finishing the year on a strong positive note.



Each Thursday a text or email will be sent out with price.

THURSDAY BINGO @ 7:00 PM
COVERALL + QUEEN OF HEARTS

- Thursday, 10/7 – Chicken Barb with Chips
- Thursday, 10/14-Lasagna-Salad & Bread
- Thursday, 10/21-Chicken, Ziti & Broccoli with Oil and Garlic.
- Thursday, 10/28 – Stuffed Shells, Salad and Bread

REMINDER

SUNDAY, October 3, 2021 - The CCT is sponsoring a Heritage Breakfast at the Sons of Italy. Donation: \$25.00 . Flag Ceremony @ 9:30 AM – followed by Breakfast at 10::00 AM. Our Guest Speaker will be Dr. Stephen Zappala. Presentation of the first annual Discovery Award to Ralph Bagarella for his many years of service to the Methuen Sons of Italy Lodge.



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Don Smeriglio, our Hero



Our chosen hero for this month is Don Smeriglio, owner of Borrelli's Deli on Merrimack Street, Methuen, MA. Don has received many awards throughout his career. Most recently, he was named by the Epicurean Club of Boston the "2020 Chef of the Year." He was also the recipient of a medal for the *Peter Berrini Award*. Berrini was the Epicurean Club's owner where Don has been a member going on 35 years. Don has proudly served the Merrimack Valley during these years and is now recognized by the greater Boston area.

Because of COVID, our lodge activities were impacted like so many other organizations. We wanted to provide our members with a safe way to dine, play bocce and bingo once again. Our Vice-President Gina has been instrumental in providing great meals for our members on Thursday evenings. However, there was still a need for offering additional dishes to the menu. Don, a valued member since 2016, and a Community Center Trustee, came to the rescue to expand the menu items with great choices. Our lodge confidently recommends Borrelli's Deli for our function hall events. We have enjoyed a great deal of positive feedback from his participation. His generosity is outstanding and goes unmatched time and time again.

To say "Thank You Don" pales the gratitude and appreciation we feel for having such a valued member who has exhibited his dedication throughout the years.





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*Dance through the decades to the music of the
50's, 60's & 70's at the
Fall Dance
DJ * CASH BAR * RAFFLES
Bring your own munchies*

*Methuen Sons of Italy
459 Merrimack Street, Methuen
October 23, 2021
7PM—11PM*

\$15

*To purchase tickets:
Charlie or Paula Coppola * 978-655-6053
pandcoppola@comcast.net
Kris or John Bellino * 978-361-6707
Krisbellino@gmail.com*



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**1st ANNUAL MARIO PAGNONI MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP**



BOCCE TOURNAMENT
OCTOBER 30, 2021...9am

HOSTED BY:



\$40.00 P/P OR \$160.00 PER TEAM



Checks payable to MHS Boosters

Coffee and refreshments in the morning
Lunch also included

Team Name: _____

Team Captain: _____ Call #: _____

Team Player: _____ Call #: _____

Team Player: _____ Call #: _____

Team Player: _____ Call #: _____

To submit your team info and payment
or for more information, please contact:

Bill Bryant (978) 693-6199
bbryant22@comcast.net

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carmela54@aol.com

 The Sons of Italy, 459 Merrimack Street, Methuen, MA 01844

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The Dante Alighieri event on Saturday, September 11, 2021 was a huge success. Over 100 guests participated in the festivities of this day, attendees to name a few were: members from the Dante Alighieri Society from Cambridge, Mass; St. Alfio Society from Lawrence, The Italian Brotherhood from Haverhill, the Sons of Italy Grand Lodge from Belmont as well as the Lawrence Ladies Lodge. Included in the 100 people were the Methuen High School Italian Professor as well as the Italian Students who each spoke about Dante.

The committee fully appreciates the contribution everyone made, the many players that participated in the tournament as well as all our guests and sponsors that helped this event be the great success it was in many different ways.

Brenda Buonanno as Mistress of Ceremonies presented the speakers and kept the program organized and on track (which was not an easy task with so many people). Thank you Brenda.

The bocce tournament began with 14 teams and Mike Cuscia did a great job keeping bocce moving along in a timely manner. The bocce winners are pictured at left. Jackets are forthcoming.

The Meat Raffle and 50/50 was successful and we had many happy winners.

Thank you to Pio Frittita and his committee who proved by this event that our Italian Heritage remains strong in today's world. The mission of the Order of the Sons of Italy remains very clear and very strong, we are committed to preserve and support our Italian Heritage..



Congratulations:
George Plouffe
Joe Scuderi
Joe Gangi &
Lenny Christopher



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News and Events from our Filial Lodges



Pictured on Wednesday, 9/27/2021 are Jim Famolare and his board of the Sons of Italy Billerica Lodge #2268. Mike and I were guests at their first general meeting since COVID along with Denise Furnari, President and Past State President, Florence Guidara. Two members were inducted that evening and it was a pleasant evening ending with dinner and dessert. Thanks Jim!

- The Lawrence Ladies Lodge # 2026 is holding a Luncheon on Wednesday, October 13th @ Teresa's Eatery. It will be a sit down lunch with a choice of Entrees from a selection of four. Dr. Vincenzo Sellaro's Inaugural Address will be read. Dr. Sellaro was a founder and first President of the Sons of Italy. Cost is \$30.00 Please contact Elaine Fragente on 978-373-2376.
- On Sunday, October 17, 2021 at 2PM, at the Lawrence Heritage Park, the Ladies Lodge will be presenting "Cabaret Italiano". Jen Mello will entertain with Italian Songs and songs from the 50's and 60's sung by singers such as Frankie Avalon, Fabian, Annette Funicello, Connie Frances, Frankie Valli, Bobby Rydell, etc. It will be Cabaret Style ...we will sit at tables. Italian Style Refreshments will be served. There is no charge. Please notify Elaine Fragente on 978-373-2376 to be able to have enough refreshments for all. What fun!!



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Calendar Raffle from our Grand Lodge of Massachusetts

Here is how it works:

- A \$10.00 ticket purchase gives you 35 chances to win a share of \$5,450.00.
- There will be a drawing every day in January 2022 with prizes ranging from \$100.00 - \$500.00 (see daily prize amounts below).
- Four "early-bird" drawings of \$100.00 will take place from all tickets received at the Grand Lodge office on or before December 23, 2021.
- All winning tickets are placed back in the drum for the next drawing.
- A list of daily winners will be posted on the Grand Lodge website (www.osiama.org)

The Methuen Sons of Italy has these calendars available for sale . Please contact Pio Frittitta or Dottie Crisa. Great Birthday and Christmas Stocking Gifts!!

January						2022
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
						\$500
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
\$250	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$200
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
\$250	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$200
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
\$250	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$200
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
\$250	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$200
30	31					
\$250	\$500					