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5/26/09

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President's Message

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

What a wonderful sight to see a full Lodge at our April meeting , all the new and prior trustees and board members along with the new inductees our chambers were alive.

Congratulations to Sister Annamaria and Brother Umberto, for the first time our Lodge held a Friday Cinema Nite " the film was Johnny Stickino with English subtitles , the event was great. Many thanks to all who were there we had popcorn ,cookies , coffee and drinks and some members played cards while others played bocce games . I am trying to make the lodge a place where we can meet, relax, discussions can be had and maybe watch a soccer game while sharing an espresso and dolci, so please join us this can become something nice and new, so look or call us for our next viewing. Many thanks to Sister Mary Riguzzi, besides undertaking the behemoth work on our Kensico Italian Festival, sister Mary has been directly helping in our Earthquake relief fundraiser, she has typed a wonderful letter and an announcement, which now we have showing on the White Plains Local TV channel, also thanks to Sister Mary it appears on the Harrison Cable Channel. Sister Flavia gave us a connection at the Mt Pleasant/Hawthorne Channel and sister Mary e-mailed that station, we also have written to all the Westchester County High Schools and their Italian Dept. asking for their help and participation. Sister Maria Pennella introduced me to Miss Chistina Carino the managing editor for the Larchmont Station which is in the Verizon Fios family and this coming Thursday the 14th I will be able to make a live appeal to the whole Westchester County Fios Customer base, all free of charge and therefore our Lodge will once again be in the spotlight and forefront, thanks to these wonderful people.

I spoke at The White Plains Common Council and our Mayor urging the city to stand with us as we continue to look for ways to collect needed donations to assist those less fortunate. In the spirit of friendship I reached to the Journal News and spoke to Mr. Fredericks and asked that the Journal print our request or give some of us an interview both for our fundraisers and holiday parades.

Please e-mail the Journal News a gentle reminder of what we have coming.

This year we have received the largest number of applicants for our Miss Columbus which thanks to The Generoso Pope Found, will receive a \$5000.00 scholarship towards her college education.

The Parade Committee has met quite a few times and Brother Frank will announce the slate at the regular meeting to lead our Parade the Committee voted for: Mr. David Pope as our Grand Marshall , Honorees are Sister Nancy Quinn (Past NYState president, Brother Dr. John DiCapua, Mr David Nabel of Nabel Nursery, Sister Flavia DiNota our 2nd vice president , our esteemed and loved Brother Umberto Amato and Rick Ammirato of the White Plains BID. All well deserving, thank you committee for all your hard work. Volunteers are needed for our parade correspondence especially computer savvy people. We are trying to start the process to correct our beer license debacle, many thanks to Brother Lawyer Max Difabio and Sister Mary Riguzzi for all her clerical and professional help.

To all of you who came to the Lodge Friday the 15th " A night for Tony "
"Si dice fai bene e scordati tante tante grazie a tutti"

To all our wonderful MOTHERS a huge hug and a belated HAPPY MOTHERS DAY.
Remember teamwork, commitment and attitude can be a formidable entity.

Sempre Avanti

*Your President,
Mario Cermele*

Lodge Events

*Italian Heritage Festival
July 12, 2009
Kensico Dam Plaza*



Volunteers are needed for our Annual Italian Festival at Kensico Dam Plaza. If you would like to help, please attend a meeting on June 2nd at the Lodge at 7:30 PM.

Volunteers needed to:

- Check-in and Oversee Food Vendors*
- Check-in and Oversee Non-Food Vendors*
- Coordinate and Supervise Show*
- Coordinate the Beer & Wine Booth*
- Coordinate the Sausage & Peppers Booth*

BOCCE TOURNAMENT

Summer is almost upon us and the Bocce Tournament is getting ready to begin. Please call Sister Mary Morra for details and give her your name if you are planning to play. Call Mary at 668-3474 or 772-1399.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

May 26, 2009



Lodge News

Congratulations to Brother Frank and Sister Camille Tarone on the marriage of his son Michael to Marie Elena Cowen on March 21, 2009. Many happy years together and God Bless you.

Congratulations to Brother Donald Menzie and his wife Joann they are the proud grandparents of Emalee Theresa. Her proud parents are Jenifer and Edward Korn and her big sister is Sophia. God Bless you all.

Congratulations to Sister Patty Moore on the engagement of her son Michael to Jeanne Cooley. A fall 2010 wedding is planned. God Bless you.

Congratulations to all of our members children and grandchildren who have made Communion, Confirmation and those graduating we all are very proud of you. May God Bless you all.

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Get Well Wishes to Brother Frank Tassone, we are hoping you are feeling better. Get well soon.

Get Well Wishes to Brother Ben Capua we heard you were not feeling well, we wish you a speedy recovery as you are recuperating at home.

Get Well Wishes to Brother Nick Vaccarelli, glad to hear you are on the mend and doing better.

Get Well Wishes to Brother Francesco Cucciarre hoping you are better.

Next General Meeting

May 26, 2009





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#2	Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
#3	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
#4	Tortola, B.V.I.	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
#5	At Sea		
#6	Kings Wharf, Bermuda	1:00 PM	
#7	Kings Wharf, Bermuda		5:00 PM
#8	At Sea		
#9	Cape Liberty, Bayonne, N.J.	7:00 AM	

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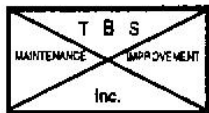
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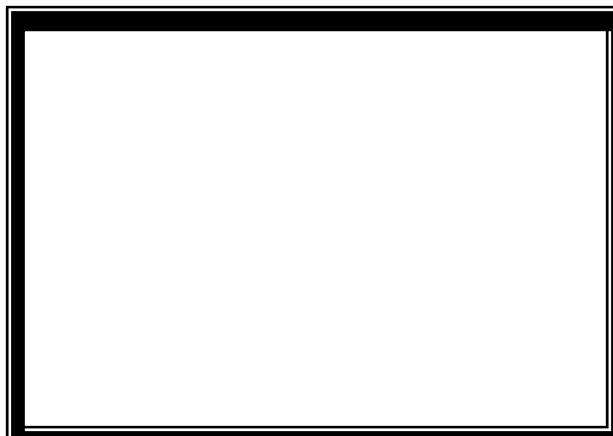
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