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Italian Heritage Month

Join us for the following Italian Heritage month activities!

Blessing of the Animals

* Saturday, October 3rd at 6:30pm- We will meet at the shelter area shortly before. Father Satish should arrive at 6:30 to perform the ceremony. Please sign up ahead so we can prepare a personalized certificate for your pet. Please email Pat Cutugno at patinsh@gmail.com with your pet's name.



Heritage Tea October 24th

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Details: Seating is limited to 40 people. We will explore the region of Molise, and attendees are welcome to display their Italian heritage by bringing pictures, documents, or other items.

Cost: \$15 for members / \$20 for non-members

Registration: A sign-up sheet will be available at the monthly meeting. For any Heritage Tea questions, please reach out to carmela.s.swiger@gmail.com





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by 6 Oct.

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Upcoming Social & Heritage Events - Mark your calendars...

1st Tuesday
3rd Tuesday
October 6th
October 20th

Member Meeting @ 7:00 pm
Council Meeting @ 6:30 pm
Member Meeting @ 7:00 pm
Council Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Finance Committee Members:

Gloria Marano, Andy Militello, Sharon Smith
Frank Clement & Charlie Rigano

If you would like to receive emails regarding upcoming social events at Bella Villa, please request to be on the distribution list by sending an email to Anne Lombardo at AnneLombardo11@gmail.com

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If you know a Lodge member who has been hospitalized or in need of a get well card, please contact Rita Chislaghi at 937-689-4141.

If one of our Lodge members has passed away, please contact our Anne Beecroft (937-829-7716) or Maria Rzecznik (927- 287-5242).

Hall Rental Contact Information

For hall rental, please contact Laurie & Willie Hickey @ lauriehickey@hotmail.com, or at 937-789-2369

Also, when renting the hall or the Little House, please remember to make your check payable to Societa Di Mutuo Soccorso (not John Pirelli.)

OCTOBER 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Social Bocce @ 6:30pm	3 Blessing of the animals @ 6:30pm
4	5	6 Membership Meeting @ 7:00pm // Small plates start at 6:15pm	7 Non member Bocce @ 6:30 pm	8	9	10 Columbus Day Dinner/ Dance @ 5:30pm
11	12	13	14 Non member Bocce @ 6:30pm	15	16 Social Bocce @ 6:30pm	17
18 Middletown Bunco @ 1:00pm	19 Cooking Demo @ 6:00pm	20 Council Meet- ing @ 6:30pm	21 Non member Bocce @ 6:30pm	22 Social Com- mittee Mtg @ 6:30pm	23 Social Bocce @ 6:30pm	24 Heritage Tea @ 2:00pm
25	26	27	28 Non member Bocce @ 6:30pm	29	30 Social Bocce @ 6:30pm	31 HAPPY  HALLOWEEN

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AGENDA - GIOVANNI PIRELLI LODGE #1633

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING –Sept. 1, 2026, 7:00pm

CALL TO ORDER @6:53 pm

Members will be seated and officers will be seated with regalia.

Attendance: 103

WELCOME! (State and National Officials in attendance) Jim Balsamo, Fred Ferrara, Katie Swiger and Andy Militello.

Thank you Cucina Crew! Happy 89th Birthday Tomasso! Our very own certified garlic expert! Thank you for all you do at the Lodge!

- **GUESTS?** Tad Barnes, Wayne and Linda Fischbach's longtime friend **FIRST TIMERS?** Yes- John Ferrara (here tonight as an applicant and was escorted out while he was voted into membership. Richard Calcutta- Welcome!

- **STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES OF OUR ORDER** - Andy

- **OPENING PRAYER** – Our John Pirelli Chaplin, Maria Rzezcznik . She also shared that members for an Honor Guard are being requested for Fred DesGravise for services **THIS THURSDAY** from 4:00pm – 6:00pm. Please let Maria know ASAP if interested.

- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – All Members

- **HONOR ITALIAN FLAG** – Andy/All Members

"We honor the Italian Flag and its colors: Green is for hope. White is for Peace. And, Red is for the Love we feel in our Hearts for our Italian Heritage."

Onoriamo la bandiera italiana e i suoi colori: Verde per la Speranza, Bianco per la Pace, e Rosso per l'Amore che portiamo nel cuore per le nostre origini italiane.

- (Please state your name when making comments or motions to the floor - recording purposes) Michelle will walk a mic to you.

- **ROLL CALL** – Niki. All members were present except for Jack Giambrone and Michelle Jahnke (excused).

- **PAST MEETING MINUTES** – Revision requested from Frank Macharoni, that he and Marilyn's anniversary is for 54 years. Correction made. Entered into record.

- **COMMUNICATIONS** – Niki- yes, Garibaldi Meucci Museum thank you note for The Dollar Challenge contributions.

- **FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT** – Frank shared about three new applicants. 1) John Ferrara (Fred Ferrara is sponsor- no relation) 2) Joe Jenkins (Brian Andzik sponsor) & 3) Jack DiDonato (no sponsor but paid- application in mail, Frank did speak with him). 536 members + 3 tonight for a total of 539. Discussion/ Questions. Phil Levin asked about another application. Frank did receive this, however it came after the latest council meeting, so this will be addressed next council. All three applicants were voted in at same time. YES

- **TREASURER'S REPORT** – Charlie shared details of all account and balances and activities for both JP and Societa due to guests being out of the room at this time. Motion to accept John Pirelli financials into record by Frank Macharoni. Seconded by Tim Wallace. Discussion: none Voted YES.

Societa financials reviewed also. Charlie also showed detailed graphs that illustrate our expenses and income if we DID NOT have a festa or any major improvements. Don Carone reminded us we had great weather recently and what would it look like if we had bad weather? Charlie agrees this resulted in record income (and record expenses). Unsure exactly what it would like with harsh weather. We run lodge on FESTA income. This is the reason we have the Endowment Fund (protect lodge regardless of Festa). Dave Romano asks if we have event insurance? Yes, liability insurance. Caitlin asks if we have projected how long it would take to get the 2.2 million dollars in the Road to Endowment Fund? Yes- the year 2037- If we are contributing full amount every year and basic inflation is accounted for. Charlie shares it may be hard to imagine no festa, but it could happen. Pete Petrini asks if we have a projection on average Festa year? Sharon, yes, it was based on the average of the last 5 years (which included at least one covid year).

Motion to accept Societa financials into record by Phil Levin. Seconded by Erica Hall- See discussion above. Voted YES.

- **MEMBERSHIP REPORT** – Sharon and Marisa None

- **STATE and SUPREME LODGE UPDATE** – Andy- none

- **REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS** **Please limit to 5 minutes or less** See TV for details

*Sunshine – Rita: A sympathy card was sent to Brittany and Shelby Richards on the passing of her mother and lodge member Christina Sloneker. Get well cards were sent to Mike Garrombone, Anne Beecroft, and Michelle Jahnke. Please note that Rita is asking for a replacement for this role. This would entail sending out sympathy and get-well cards. If interested, please let Gloria know ASAP.

*Heritage -Linda: Italian American Heritage Month- October activities include the Labor Day Holiday at Home Parade. Mark Warner adds that we are assembling at the MCL cafeteria parking lot at 9:30am. Everyone is welcome! The Blessing of the Animals will be on Saturday October 3rd at 6:30pm. Sign up please. Columbus Dinner/ Dance October 10th with doors opening at 5:30pm - dinner at 6:00pm. This meal will be made IN HOUSE! Thanks to member, Jake Bon-tanabus heading this event. Will have a band also. Cost is \$30 for members and \$35 for nonmembers. Volunteers needed also. Heritage Tea will be Saturday October 24th from 2:00pm- 4:00pm and is headed by Carmela Swiger. Please sign up! Lastly, we still have a few copies of the Italian Holiday Celebrations and Traditions book for sale.

Open to the floor.

- **NEW BUSINESS:**

-Documentary 50th Festa-Shaun Power is here to present an idea around an investment video/ ad for our 50th FESTA. This, to document key moments leading up to our 50th anniversary. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to tell the world our story. If successful, we will have a professional film crew, drone etc here for this FESTA to document. Shaun is asking for \$15,000 to spend over course of the next 12 months. Cost breakdown as follows: Crew \$6000, Incidentals \$1000, Editing \$6,000 Reserve \$1,000, Camera \$1,000. The plan is to have final product by July 2027, well ahead of Festa 50. The purchase of our own camera is included in this price at \$1000. Time lapsed camera also. Shaun would like to be under budget. Final product would be a 25-40 min, professionally narrated video sharing our story. We can use as historic piece, use in streaming service, social media reels, educational piece for new members etc. We would be capturing our past and investing in our future. Gloria adds the following context, as a member and CPA. We realize that we have recently spent a lot on NEEDS and we continue to vet everything around WANTS vs NEEDS. It is believed that we need to this for John Pirelli. We can use funds from John Pirelli and won't have a tax consequence. This is an important part of this equation and decision. Questions: Kevin Sorice shared he is in favor and encourages adding cameras on the courts to promote our bocce league. Yes, we can start to evaluate this idea. Anne Lombardo clarifies that we own the intellectual property? Yes. Are there any other festivals doing this? Many are and we are feeding a larger drive to set a standard nationally. Anne Lombardo asks if there is a limit to the amount of content? Three cameras and a drone operator- well get plenty of footage, not just FESTA footage. Shaun has an entire schedule of things (articles, photos). Phil Levin shared we could use footage for bocce investment. Where in the budget will this come from? John Pirelli funds. Only income in Pirelli is dues and alcohol for festa. Is the money there? Yes. Dave Romano highlights this is innovative, practical and seemingly will have a quick return on investment. Kevin Sorice asks how much money and when, money was moved to Societa? We moved NOTHING last 2 years. How much do we typically move? It varies, for example, we have moved \$100,000 one year and \$25,000 another year. Frank Clement makes a motion to allot \$15,000 for Joe Franchina and Shaun Power for the making of a professional video. Seconded by Jennifer Petrella. No contingency funds needed. VOTED. YES Unanimously!

-Open to the floor. Tim Wallace is not getting his magazine yet. Please see Sharon and Marisa to help fix. Pete Petrini shared that an Italian General is coming to the AF museum this weekend, likely Sunday. They are seeking anyone that speaks Italian that could help. Maybe check with Rosie or Eldora, Shaun?

- **WELFARE OF THE ORDER –**

Belinda – Orator's Report- nothing

Andre- Newsletter Sponsors-nothing

Member Shout outs- Gloria to cookie baking crew and those who helped wash the metal carts and plastic covers- Sharon Smith, Marisa Varney, Jeff Conley, Chris Emmerick, and Michelle Tomlinson! Stan to Elaine Long for the heading the bocce classic for 5 years! Andre to Mark Warner for laying the bricks that members purchased last year. Niki to the Garden crew- Phil Levin, The Conleys, Michelle Sullivan, Marisa Varney, Linda Fischbach, Jake Bontatibus, Tom Varney, Michelle Jahnke, Scott Davis, Mary Purpora, Leo Anticoli and Sharon Smith. Mark Warner to Marcus Levin for the running cable for Festa! Luke to Shaun, for his work on this proposal and how this will move the club forward! Charlie to Elaine and all who helped at the Bocce Classic, adding we had the biggest charity donations thus far! Mark reminds to check out the JP YouTube channel where the member interviews are airing- thanks to Greg Torre and Shaun Power for doing this.

GMM raffle donations- Please continue with Dayton Themed basket donations- give to Gloria ASAP. Gloria plans to give the basket to Vera during our Festa. Also, there are Raffle tickets \$7 each or a book of 6 for \$35, for a cash prize. Elizabeth Battisti has framed hand drawings of some buildings in Dayton for the donation basket.

Open to the floor- None

- **ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING @ 8:12pm /OPEN SOCIETA DI MUTUO SOCCORSO**

AGENDA - SOCIETA DI MUTUO SOCCORSO

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING –Sept. 1, 2026

- **CALL TO ORDER @ 8:12pm**

- **MINUTES FROM PAST MEETING –** No changes or revisions. Accept into record.

- **COMMUNICATIONS –** Niki.- none

- **TREASURER'S REPORT -** Charlie shares details on all account balances and activity. See JP for details.

- **REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS:** **Please limit to 5 minutes or less**See TV for details

Buildings and Grounds: Scott D. /Drew- Mulch is here and we are trying to get done before festa (Saturday) if you can help! Please bring a rake, shovel and wheelbarrow if you can. Scott thanks Jack for being here a lot throughout the week power washing, cutting back honeysuckle etc. We are not putting swings back until AFTER Festa. We worked on the HVAC system for better ventilation since last meeting.

Kitchen a/c- we are looking at additional cooling capacity

Lodge rentals-Hickeys/calendar- none

Social-Belinda- 50/50 tonight is for the Garibaldi Meucci Museum. Upcoming events include: DIY cork project will be November 8th 1:00pm-4:00pm. \$5 cost for the project. More information coming, as well as sign up at October and November meetings. In October, we plan to have a tailgate party- more information to come. Please let Belinda know if you have ideas and are willing to help.

Bocce Leagues-Caitlin Nothing to report, make up games are still being played. Angelo- None

Bocce plaques are in the lighted showcase in our entryway. Great job Caitlin, Marisa and Sharon!

Festa-Jim- thank you Charlie for stressing how important FESTA is for us. Thanks Joe and Shaun for the work they are doing on the video. Thanks to those who showed up this Saturday to help. Help is still needed next Saturday so plan to help. Rental Tents are going up later this week. Parking set up will take place also- lots of things still to do. We depend on YOU! Daily set up after Labor Day. Day of Festa, please use Reynolds and Reynolds for parking and take the shuttle if you can. We won't have enough parking for all workers. Buses start running 6:00pm Friday to 10:30pm; Saturday 12:00pm-11:00pm and Sunday 12:00pm – 7:00pm. Yard signs are available! Come get one!

Cookies- Katie thanks all who helped make 16,000 cookies this year! We are excited about a new cookie this year- Amaretti- come get yours! Libby helped us make our own rainbow cookies this year! Thank you, Jim for running us lots of random supplies!

Kitchen Report – John F. welcomes Elizabeth Battisti back to our meetings! John reminds about several things: Health Department requires us to have water buckets. These will be labeled with your booth name. Take YOUR bucket. When the water runs out, fill them back up, you don't need to find John to fill them. Don't throw away or put garbage in them please. Please DO NOT go through kitchen to get into the lodge. NO visiting or use as a shortcut. It's not safe and there is too much going on. TOWELS: There will be a big bin for dirty towels and bin for clean ones. Booth and Kitchen towels will be separated. NOTHING comes out of the pantry. You'll have everything you'll need. If prepping anything in the kitchen, CLEAN up after. Get your equipment early and say THANK YOU. Have a DESIGNATED eating/ drinking area in each booth. You CANNOT eat over food that is about to be served. Jan Holbrook asked do we need buckets to wash silverware? Yes, John will address this with relevant booths.

Kitchen raffle winner is Mike Labassi! Congratulations!

*ON-GOING/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

*Bocce fundraising/nonmember league-Fred updates we have just under \$4000 donated or pledged for rebuild so far. More members have shared they planned to donate also. Planned non-member league on Wednesdays starting at 6:30pm We hope to recruit folks at Festa. Let Fred know if you know anyone that is interested. \$100 per person for an 8 week season. Members can be subs. Fred asking for everyone's help.

*Update from Council Meeting 8/18/26

*Guests:

•Linda-October Heritage events (Blessing, Columbus Day, Tea)

•Jim-roof, stucco update

•Fred-Bocce fundraising/leagues

•Shaun, Joe-50th Festa documentary

*Charlie presented financial slides

*maintenance updates (oven, ice machine, kitchen a/c, modules for mini splits)

*discussed asks from all guests

* New Business

open to the floor

• 50/50 Raffle winner is Colleen Militello!

• FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS: Next Council Meeting –Sept. 15, 2026 @ 6:30 pm

Next Membership Meeting – Oct. 6, 2026 @ 7:00 pm

• CLOSING PRAYER – Our John Pirelli Chaplin

• ADJOURNMENT OF THE SOCIETA DI MUTUO SOCCORSO MEETING @ 8:47pm

Good Evening!

*Respectfully submitted

Nicole Duff

Recording Secretary.

Cooking Demo is BACK...

Please join us Monday,
October 19th at 6pm. Sign
up and pay at the October
Member meeting!

Fall Social Bocce

Starting Friday September 18th at 6:30pm, and continuing every Friday evening
(except for October 9) until November 20

Social Bocce is open to everyone - men, women and children AND we will be opening a kids lane this year! This is something fun for the whole family. Folks are welcome to bring a few friends as well. The more the merrier. The point is to have fun and gather with lodge members we don't always get to spend time with. And also, to keep our bocce arms loose and nimble through the cold months. Like we have done in the past, we do random teams each week. It's a come-when-you-want type of thing, no need to RSVP or feel obligated to go every week.



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1p-4p

Cost is \$5 for materials

If you collect corks please bring them along! There will be plenty of corks available as well!

Sign up and pay at the October and November lodge meetings or call Belinda Ferrara at 937-286-1172.



Tournament chairs Joe and Terri Baldasare and John Pirelli Lodge 1633 president, Gloria Marano, present a check to Amy Ferguson and Amy Van Verth from Care House. A bocce tournament was held at the Bella Villa Lodge in August raising almost \$28,000.



Our condolences to the family and friends of.....

Frederick Michael DesGravise, 83, who passed on August 30, 2026; he was born on October 23, 1942, in Cleveland, Ohio.

&

Christina Maria Sloneker (nèe Manzo), age 65, of Kettering, passed away unexpectedly on August 15, 2026; Chris was born on April 20, 1961, in Kettering Ohio.



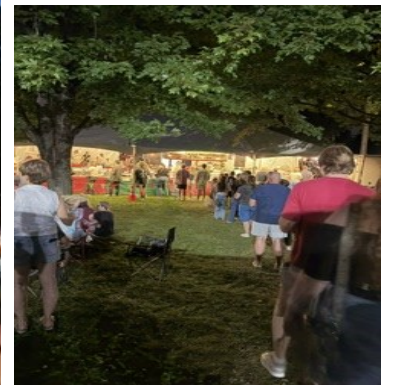
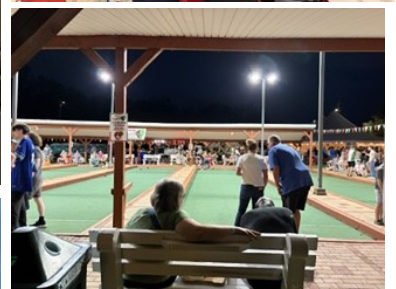


*Grazie Mille~
Once again, the LexisNexis volunteers did not
disappoint! They were a great asset to the ef-
forts to get everything torn down and put
away. They
were amazing!*

*Chuck Levin
Global Port
folio Assistant*

***Congratulations to the Heritage Booth
raffle basket Winner, member Kathleen
Lavorgna!***

FESTA FUN



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Member SHOUT OUTS!

Do you want to thank or highlight a member/ volunteer for a job well done? Please plan to share at our membership meeting!

We want to hear YOUR story!
Please sign up at this link
<https://calendar.app.google/D9ixu1qSZy2Ya1BY6>

To be interviewed and recorded, as part of our efforts to preserve our heritage!
Thanks again to Shaun Power and Greg Torre.



Business Members of the Month

In order to promote our Lodge members and their businesses, we will be featuring a business tip on the second page every month. If you are in need of their service, please contact them and let them know where you saw

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La Cucina & CUPA Grazie!

At the September membership meeting our members enjoyed a variety of small plates, which included Italian meats and cheese sliders, a variety of pizzas, sausage sliders, rigatoni aioli, veggie boats, and ice cream for dessert.

Thanks to Luke Sabatino, Tomaso Toskin, Marco Warner, Scott Davis, Andre Tagliamonte, Steve Torre, Don Miceli, Suzanne Perazzo, Pasquale Christiano and Don and Ralph Conte for their help in preparing and serving our members.

A reminder for the Oct. meeting, we will be serving at 6:15PM. We will stop serving 10 minutes before the start of the meeting. If anyone wants to donate to the Cucina raffle, just bring it to the next meeting. Your donations are appreciated!

Cucina Manager,
John Fantauzzo