



Father and son members enjoy the Annapolis Lodge's anniversary dinner celebration at Pussers on the water!

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Ciao to all of my Brothers and Sisters,

Spring has come and gone and now we're beginning to feel Summer! What a crazy few months it's been. Rain, rain, go away – we Italians want to come out and play!!

Speaking of playing, the Grand Lodge of Maryland has a lot of events going on within the next six (6) months. I hope you will take advantage of some of them. Join us for the fun and support your heritage!

Noted in this newsletter - the next Grand Lodge event is 'Italian Heritage Night' on Sunday, July 29th, honoring all of our scholarship recipients who have won scholarships not only from the Grand Lodge of Maryland, but local lodges as well. These scholarships will be awarded on the field at Cal Ripken Stadium in Aberdeen, MD prior to the start of the game @ 5:30 p.m. It's a really enjoyable time in the way of presentations. The recipients enjoy it as well. Come join us! It's only \$15.00 per ticket. Call Frances Cipriotti @ 410-321-1398 or Rosalie Ranieri @ 410-866-8494 to reserve your tickets.

Our next event is the Crab Feast on Sunday, August 26th at Rosedale Gardens from 1-5 p.m. Tickets are \$48.00 - all the crabs you can eat and a great food bar - a little gambling - basket raffles - and music! Call Vince Zaccaria for tickets @ 410-686-1276.

And, of course, the Memorial Mass on Sunday, September 9th @ St. Leo's Church in Little Italy - 11:30 Mass, followed by lunch at Chiapparelli's Restaurant. Tickets are \$22.00 per person. It is a very beautiful Mass and a touching tribute recognizing our Sisters and Brothers who have passed. The name of each deceased member is read from the altar. (If there is anyone who has passed within the past two (2) years that you would like recognized at this Mass, please contact me (410-781-0206) and I will be happy to add them to the list).

As I have said before - my priority is obtaining and retaining OSIA Membership! Without members, there is no OSIA. It's that simple. I ask you again to please recruit your family (children, grandchildren, cousins, nieces, nephews), friends and any other Italian/Italian-American you may know. Ask them to be part of us. There is probably no 'growing up Italian' the way it was when I was growing up, but that doesn't mean you can't ask OR encourage other Italians to become a part of their heritage and culture. Tell them about the Order Sons (and Daughters) of Italy in America! Ask them to JOIN! It can't hurt! The more members, the stronger our organization will be. They may have never been asked or even know about OSIA, so you need to be the messenger! The Local Lodges and their location are in this newsletter.



We're still working on the Italian Dance Troupe. I'm hoping that we will have Italian Dancers for everyone's enjoyment in the not too distant future. If interested in being a part of - adults and children - contact me. I want to thank Jeanette and Don Castronova for helping us get the class started, and to Fr. Rapisarda (our State Chaplin) who so graciously took on the role of instructor in some of the classes, as well. We'll get there.

That's about it for now. Wishing you a great summer - stay cool - stay well. As the old song goes - 'I'll see you in September...'

Fraternally and sincerely, **Anita Lombardi Riley,** President
Shown here with Tony Tripodi during the Annapolis Lodge
Anniversary Celebration on the waterfront at Pusser's.

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The Little Italy Lodge's La Famiglia Scholarship Program was established in 1999 to assist deserving members in good standing and their families who are striving to further their education by pursuing a college or university undergraduate degree. The generosity of Lodge members and other donors have resulted in the Program awarding 59 scholarships totaling over \$157,000 since its inception. The Program is pleased to announce that scholarship awards in the amount of \$12,000 are being made for 2018 to the following 4 individuals:

Wyatt Christopher Laudicina is the recipient of the Matticciani/Vondersmith Scholarship in the amount of \$4,000. Wyatt will be attending Penn State University and plans to major in aerospace engineering. He was sponsored by his grandfather, Charles Anthony Laudicina.

Isabella Barbieri is the recipient of the Jerome & Angela Elliott Scholarship in the amount of \$4,000. Isabella is currently attending Flagler University in St. Augustine Florida with a major in criminology and a minor in law. She was sponsored by her father, Anthony Barbieri.

Jackson Matthew Landgraf was awarded a \$2,000 scholarship and will be attending St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia with a major in accounting. His grandfather, Kenneth O'Day was his sponsor.

Gabriella McLean was awarded a \$2,000 scholarship and will attend University of Maryland Baltimore County and major in biological sciences with a pre-med track. Her grandfather, Dr. Paul Rao was her sponsor.

The Little Lodge Lodge is extremely proud of these students and congratulates them as well as the many individuals who have supported our scholarship program and have made it the success that it is.

The four recipients, with their sponsors and families, have been invited to our to August 14, 2018 Lodge meeting so they can be introduced to our membership. Please plan on attending so you can meet these outstanding indi-

Join the Grand Lodge of Maryland OSIA at

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See the IronBirds play!
See who wins the Grand & Local Lodge Scholarships
from across the state of Maryland!

July 29, 2018



Doors open at 4:00 pm Game starts at 5:00 pm



Purchase tickets from Frances A. Cipriotti fcipriotti@gmail.com or Rosalie Ranieri rosalieranieri@gmail.com

\$15.00 per person

Ripken Stadium Address: 873 Long Drive Aberdeen, Maryland 21001

Come out & support 059A Maryland!

Hearly Events

Father's Day

at the Harford County Lodge

Italian Heritage Night

July 29 at Ripken Stadium

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CRAB FEAST

August 26, 2018 in Rosedale

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MEMORIAL MASS

September 9, 2018 in Baltimore

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COLUMBUS GALA

October 27, 2018 in Timonium

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COLUMBUS PARADE

October 7, 2018 in Baltimore

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WREATH LAYING CEREMONY

October 7, 2018 in Baltimore

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CHRISTMAS PARTY

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Annapolis Lodge president, John Barbo, congratulates the members on another successful year, encourages them to invite new members, and reminds them of an upcoming picnic in July and a street festival in September. He also took a moment to introduce Grand Lodge president, Anita Lombardi-Riley (bottom right) who drove from Eldersburg, Maryland to attend.



Shown above from left to right and top to bottom are three delightful couples: Steve and Mary Kay, Chuck and Ray and Corrine, who made room at their table and warmly welcomed Rosalie Ranieri, a member of the Little Italy Lodge and Grand Lodge Recording Secretary, as well as Lauren DeFeo, a member of the Belair Road Lodge and publisher of the Il Giornale.





Congratulations!

to the Belair Road Lodge for raising 600 dollars

for the Alzheimers Society

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Job Well Done!

for rasing 1136 dollars for the Cooleys Anemia Foundation

Special thanks to Judge Ed Angeletti for being our auctioneer, to his wife, Ann, and Grand Lodge president, Anita Lombardi-Riley (who traveled over two hours to support our lodge) for being two of our biggest participants!

Little Italy Lodge volunteers at the 2018 Saint Anthony Festival. Photo Courtesy of Thomas C. Scilipoti

