



# Sons of Italy

## Norwood Lodge #1235

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June 2011

### Scholarship Banquet June 7th

Scholarship committee chairperson Toni Eosco and her committee have been working diligently not only in the selection of worthy recipients, but in the preparation of a delicious feast to honor the occasion. Don't miss this event! See the enclosed flyer for full details.

#### INSTALLATION

At our last meeting we installed a new slate of officers who will lead our Lodge for the next two years. It was an impressive ceremony in which many state dignitaries attended, including State President James DiStefano. A great deal of credit goes to Delia Bartucca for organizing and chairing the event. Thanks Delia for a job well done!

#### FOOD PANTRY

The Norwood Food Pantry is in need of baked beans, tomato products, canned fruit and canned pasta. Please bring your donations to the meeting. Thank you for your generosity.

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our Lodge has been successful due to the leadership of our past presidents and Council members who do the bulk of the work for all members. I had the pleasure of serving under the presidency of Mary Jane Piro for the past two years which gave me invaluable insights which I will need to continue her goals. Thank you Mary Jane for your time, dedication and hard work on behalf of all the members of the Lodge. I hope I can fill the void you have left!

I believe in the Sons of Italy principles of Fraternity, Liberty and Equality with an emphasis on Fraternity, for without the social nature of our "club" we would not be able to achieve all that we do. To achieve that principle, I invite every member to contact me or any member of the Council and put forth your ideas and recommendations on how to make our Lodge better for everyone. Thank you for giving me an opportunity to serve you as President.

Fraternally yours,

*George Franco*

#### NORWOOD DAY

Our Council is considering participating in Norwood Day this September. Your input is needed! If you have any ideas and/or expertise in this area, please contact any member of the Council.

#### SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Please call Emily Malacaria (781-762-5926) if you know of any member that is ill or recovering from surgery so that our Lodge can send them a get well greeting.

#### COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE

Chairperson Phil Schepis has worked very hard in conjunction with the Sicilian Association on putting together a great dance but found it was necessary to postpone the event until the Fall. All ticket holders were informed and their money refunded. As soon as the new date is finalized we will get flyers out to members of our Lodge, the Sicilian Association and the public. It's a great event and you don't want to miss it. Watch for the announcement in the September newsletter.

Our next meeting is June 7th at the Knights of Columbus Hall. We will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. at which time we will suspend the business meeting to honor our scholarship recipients.

GRAND LODGE CONVENTION JUNE 23-27 IN NASHUA NEW HAMPSHIRE

President George Franco, Joanne Ciannavei and Theresa Bartucca are the delegates representing the Lodge at the Convention this year. They will present donations from the Lodge in the amount of \$250 to benefit Alzheimer's, Autism, Cooley's Anemia, Casa Monte Cassino and Japan Earthquake charities. We also will be voting on two changes to the Grand Lodge by-laws: a. A requirement that each Lodge purchase a minimum of two tickets to Carnevale Veneziano, Law & Justice Day Breakfast and Purple Aster, and b. Social members be allowed to become regular members after ten years of consecutive membership and be granted all rights and duties thereof. Your delegates will report back to you at the September Lodge meeting.

**BE THE FIRST TO GET YOUR NEWSLETTER!**

It costs the Lodge 67 cents for every newsletter mailed out each month. To save some mailing costs, we will e-mail the newsletter to those members willing to receive it in that manner. You will receive your newsletter before the general mailing and it will save the Lodge over \$6 per member per year! WIN-WIN FOR ALL. Just send your e-mail address with a short note agreeing to receive the newsletter by e-mail to [george@dianaandgeorge.com](mailto:george@dianaandgeorge.com) and I will do the rest. Many, many thanks!

PRAYERS

A speedy recovery to Marie Carchedi who is in rehab recovering after a recent stay in the hospital. Get well soon Marie!

Our thoughts are with Chuck Ciolfi and his family for the recent loss of his sister, Anne Decenbral.

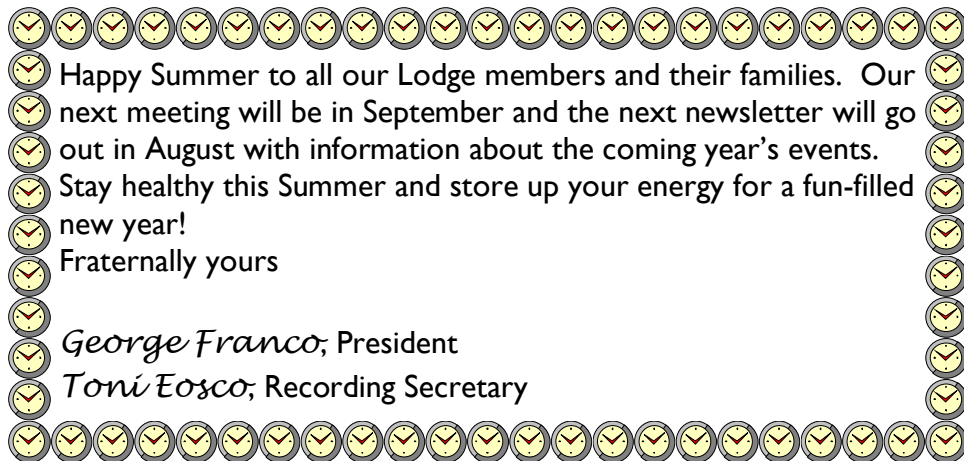
Frank Fruci is in the hospital. Speedy recovery Frank!

**THANK YOU CATHERINE**  
After 27 years of faithfully being our "Sunshine Lady," Catherine Stumpo is resigning from her duties. All the Lodge members sincerely appreciate your dedication and hard work and thank you for your service.

GRAND LODGE EVENTS

"Tutto Italiano" will take place August 7th at the Larz Anderson Auto Museum—15 Newton Street, Brookline MA from 10am to 2 pm. This is the largest Italian festival in the Northeast and will showcase fantastic Italian cars as well as allow adults and children alike a chance to view some of the oldest cars on display in the nation. Tutto Italiano is family oriented, featuring music, food, cars, and is a great opportunity to introduce family and friends to the Order Sons of Italy. Admission for the event is \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors and children 6-12 (under 6 free), and includes admission to both the lawn event and the Larz Anderson Auto Museum.

Grand Lodge Bocce Tournament will be held September 18th at the Watertown Sons of Italy—520 Pleasant Street Watertown MA beginning at 9a.m. The entry fee is \$70 per 4 person team and includes refreshments, lunch and prizes. Contact George Franco 781-828-6290 if you are interested.

  
Happy Summer to all our Lodge members and their families. Our next meeting will be in September and the next newsletter will go out in August with information about the coming year's events. Stay healthy this Summer and store up your energy for a fun-filled new year!  
Fraternally yours  
*George Franco*, President  
*Toni Eosco*, Recording Secretary