Sons of Italy in America Norwood Lodge #1235

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January 3, 2012 is our next meeting at Knights of Columbus Hall, Norwood at 7:30pm

if Norwood schools close due to inclement weather, we will cancel our meeting

REMINDER - There is no February meeting

OFFICERS

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Mary Russo

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

If you have a family member graduating from high school in June, obtain an application for the Norwood Lodge scholarship from Toni Eosco by calling 781-769-7865. Deadline is April 15th. Also apply for one of the 25 scholarships given by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts by visiting their web site (www.osiama.org) to obtain an application and check deadlines.

BAKERS FOR THE JANUARY MEETING

Mary Capobianco
Emily Malacaria
Louise DeFazio
Andriana Baglione
Dianne Coaliss
Mary Niro
Joyce McCabe
Jane Arena
Loraine Preveza

Please call Mary Benedetti if you are unable to bake. (617-327-8029)

A FEW WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT…..

As the years' end draws near many of our "snow birds" are planning their escape to a warmer climate returning when the snows have melted and spring flowers are blooming. Meanwhile, your Council will be hard at work planning activities for spring when our full membership returns. One activity not on your calendar of events is titled "Spring Dance Showcase" and is planned for a Sunday afternoon in mid April. This activity, proposed by new member Elaine Benson, features several ballroom dancers displaying their talents along with instruction for "The Tarantella" and free time dancing. Details forthcoming in the March newsletter.

Buon Natale a tutti e un felice anno nuovo! *George Franco*

NORWOOD FOOD PANTRY

Bring non-perishable food products to the January meeting. Chairman Nick Compagna will collect and transport them to the Food Pantry for Norwood residents who are in need especially this time of the year.

YANKEE SWAP

The January meeting is our traditional "Yankee Swap." Bring a wrapped unused gift of about $10 value to the meeting and join in the fun and laughs as fellow brothers and sisters swap presents - sometimes reluctantly! Chairpersons Andy and Toni Ciarletta have planned an event you don't want to miss.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION

June 16th the one-day state convention will take place at the Holiday Inn in Mansfield, MA. Our Lodge must send 3 delegates. Nominations will be taken from the floor at the January meeting and a formal election will take place at the March meeting. If you have interest in being one of the delegates, be sure to place your name in nomination at the meeting, or notify Past President Mary Jane Piro of your intent to be on the ballot.

SUNSHINE CORNER

Recuperating and could use a friendly pick-me-up:
-Janice Rioles
-Ellie Ferzoco
-Frances Gatto
Please Call Emily Malacaria if you know of any member who has not been well. (781-762-5926)

DON'T FORGET TO SEND YOUR $35 DUES TO ANDY CIARLETTA, 506 NICHOLS STREET, NORWOOD MA 02062 OR BRING IT TO THE JANUARY MEETING.