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Also available on the Roma Lodge Members website

Message from the President

Roma Lodge Brothers:

I hope everyone enjoyed Thanksgiving and is excited for the upcoming Christmas season and special moments with loved ones.

Dave and Briana Silvani are stepping down as co-chairs of the Social Committee. Thank you to both for their work planning club events. They will continue organizing bocce events and will host this year's Children's Christmas Party. Briana Graan and I will now organize the Adult Christmas Party. See the newsletter flyer for event details. The party is on Saturday, December 13th at 5:00 PM.

On October 24th we lost another long-time member of Roma Lodge, with the passing of Caesar Mattioli. I missed submitting the announcement in the last newsletter. We also lost member Nick Bilello on November 12th after a lengthy illness. Nick and his wife Chris have been long-time volunteers at Roma in many areas including BINGO, where Chris continues to volunteer for the club. My condolences go to the families of Caesar and Nick.

Mark your calendars for the following upcoming social events.

- Children's Christmas Party – December 7th
- Adult Christmas Party – December 13th

In November we had a major failure with the rooftop unit serving the Boardroom, Hall of History and Card Room. After careful consideration by the board, it was determined that the best course of action was replacement. The unit has been ordered and is scheduled to be installed next week. Unfortunately, with the weather situation we had to bring in temporary heaters to prevent our sprinkler system and other pipes from freezing. I want to thank Keith Stannis for getting the temporary units installed. The expenditures we have had to make highlight the importance of BINGO income to the lodge. I would like to convey to the members how important your volunteerism is to help at BINGO. We need captains and workers, and I encourage each of you to volunteer a few times during the year.

The restaurant is open on Wednesday evenings for the buffet, and Friday and Saturday nights with a full menu and new specials each weekend. Please check your emails weekly for the Wednesday buffet menu and weekend specials.

Reservations are encouraged to help us plan staffing and food preparation. The reservation line is 262-886-8850.

Buffet pricing:

- \$14.00 for adults
- \$13.00 for seniors 55 and older
- \$8.00 for children

BINGO attendance remains excellent, with many new participants joining Roma Lodge BINGO. This important club function relies on numerous volunteers. If you can help, please contact Dennis Porcaro, Mike Peratt, or me.

If you are interested in becoming more involved, please consider joining one of our many committees or helping to organize and run social events throughout the year. For any other area of interest, feel free to contact me or any board member. Member involvement and participation remain essential to our ongoing success.

- The next Roma Lodge Membership meeting is Friday, December 12th at 7:00 PM.
- The next Board of Directors meeting is Tuesday, December 9th at 6:30 PM.

All members are welcome at the board meeting. If you wish to speak, please request permission ahead of time by contacting me.

Jon Morelli
President

Merry Christmas!



Buon Compleanno e Tanti Auguri!

Happy Birthday!!! to our Roma Lodge brothers born in December

December 1	Frank D'Acquisto	December 9	Edward E Morelli	December 25	Patrick Johnson
	Richard Graceffa	December 10	Alfred DeRose	December 28	Michael Haase
	William Ruffalo Jr.		James Oswald		Paul Nolden
December 2	Dennis Gehrke	December 12	John Catrine	December 29	Jeffrey DeMatthew
	Jacob Heller		Ryan Sorenson	December 31	Nick Romano
	Arthur Rozzoni	December 15	Chris Hansen		
December 4	Pasquale Infusino		Anthony Rossi		
December 6	Eric Hillery	December 16	Joseph Chiapete		
	Jim Morelli	December 19	Mark Porcaro		
	Jon Morelli	December 22	Gerald F. Perona		
	Gregory Pierangeli		William J, Pucci		

List compiled from the Roma Lodge Membership Files. Contact Pat Tierney, teamtierney@sbcglobal.net if corrections are needed.

BUON
Natale!

Proposed “Rules” and “Bylaws” Changes

The Roma Lodge Board has been discussing and working towards streamlining the process of allocating funds and getting projects accomplished in a more efficient and practical manner.

BACKGROUND:

Bylaws establish an organization's foundational governance structure, while rules are more specific, day-to-day policies that must align with the bylaws. Bylaws are more difficult to change and dictate how the organization operates, while rules are more flexible and can be modified by a board vote to address specific, often changing, issues.

As the Board has reviewed and discussed, it is proposed to move an item from the “By-Laws of Roma Lodge” to the “Roma Lodge Member Rules” and update the expendable dollar amounts allowed by the Roma Lodge President and Board to fall more in line with current costs of products and services.

Item #1.

Move the current bylaw listed below of Article IX – Miscellaneous, Section 4 to Chapter 2: Members Duties, Section 2.6 Voting On Major Expenditures in the Roma Lodge Member Rules.

ARTICLE IX – MISCELLANEOUS

Section 4:

The President shall have the authority to approve expenditures of up to \$1,000.00. Any expenditure of \$1,000.00 or more, but less than \$3,000.00, shall require the approval by two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors. Any expenditure of \$3,000.00 or more shall be submitted to the general membership for approval.

- A. In case of an emergency, the President may approve whatever monies are required to repair and/or replace items required to remove the emergency.

Item #2.

Amend Chapter 2: Members Duties, Section 2.6 Voting On Major Expenditures in the Roma Lodge Member Rules as follows:

The President shall have the authority to approve expenditures of up to \$5,000.00. Any expenditure of \$5,000.00 or more, but less than \$10,000.00, shall require the approval by two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors.

Any expenditure of \$10,000.00 or more shall be submitted to the general membership for approval.

In case of an emergency, the President may approve whatever monies are required to repair and/or replace items required to remove the emergency.

Expenditure proposals for capital projects greater than \$25,000 must be approved by the general membership. A presentation to and discussion by the general members on the nature and cost of the project must be done at a regularly scheduled Membership Meeting the month before a vote on the project is taken. An announcement of the presentation and discussion must be made at a Membership Meeting and also published in the Newsletter prior to the meeting at which the presentation will be made. A vote on the expenditure will take place at the next Membership Meeting following the presentation. The vote will be by paper ballot and be conducted without discussion as the first order of business. (Adopted February 3, 2009)



Roma Lodge & Vittoria Colonna Childrens Christmas Party

Sunday December 7th from 11:00 - 2:00

MUST RSVP to Briana Silvani 262-995-3340 or complete form below by Dec 4th

\$15.00 per adult (Children under 12 free)

will be \$25.00 per adult at the door



Meet Santa and get your photo

Family Photo Backdrop

Mrs. Claus games and activities

Glitter Tattoos

Make an Ornament

Decorate a Cookie

Holiday Music

Please Join us for this wonderful event open to children and grandchildren of Roma Lodge and Vittoria Colonna Members



Name _____

Child Name _____ Age _____

Child Name _____ Age _____

Child Name _____ Age _____

Child Name _____ Age _____

Child Name _____ Age _____

How Many Adults _____

Total \$ _____ Check _____ Cash _____

Menu

Pasta with Red Sauce

Pasta with Butter

Meatballs

Fries

Novalty Ice Cream





Roma Lodge Members Christmas Party

Saturday, December 13, 2025 • 5:00 pm

Christmas Party Program:

5:00 pm Guests Arrive

Cash Bar Opens

Complimentary Beer & Soda

Antipasti Served

6:00 pm Family Style Dinner

Served to tables

7:30 - 9:30 pm Entertainment

Music featuring live Jazz by:

The James Yorgan Sextet

Dinner Menu:

Served Family Style

Primo:

Bowtie Pasta

with Roasted Red Pepper Alfredo

Secondo:

Chicken Florentine & Roast Beef Au Jus

Contorno:

Boiled Red Skin Potatoes

Whole Green Beans

Dolce:

Chocolate Cake

For Tickets:

Contact Briana Graan

(262) 886-3610

brianaromae@gmail.com



For Questions:

Contact Jon Morelli

(262) 994-2861

romalodge.president.jam@gmail.com

\$25 per person

Reservations required with payment

Open to Member & Members Guest

Scan the QR code for the ticket website

Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis.



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THURSDAY NIGHT BINGO

A WEEKLY EVENT THAT DELIVERS

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On October 23, I had the opportunity to see Thursday Night Bingo in person for the first time. Experiencing it firsthand made clear just how much energy and community involvement fills the building each week. Guests began arriving well before dinner at 4:45 PM, and by the 6:00 PM start of the games the hall was buzzing with activity.



Photos taken during October 23, 2025 Bingo event.

Bingo has been part of Roma Lodge for many years and remains one of our most well-attended and financially meaningful weekly events. The combination of friendly players, generous payouts, and a warm pregame meal keeps people returning week after week.

The operation is overseen by Chairman Dennis Porcaro, who ensures the event stays organized and successful while keeping the Board updated on Bingo's needs throughout the year. Seeing the event firsthand underscored just how active, welcoming, and beneficial Thursday Night Bingo is for both Roma Lodge and the broader community.



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A CALL FOR NEW HELPING HANDS

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My visit on October 23 also highlighted how much volunteer involvement goes into each evening. Members arrive early to prepare the dining room, sell cards, guide guests, and assist during the games. The monthly Newsletter includes a Bingo Captains schedule, and it often shows weeks where additional help is needed. These open slots serve as an ongoing reminder that Bingo depends on steady volunteer support.

Volunteering at Bingo is an easy way to get involved, meet other members, and play an active role in an event that has been part of the Lodge for a long time. Newer members often find Bingo volunteer work to be a comfortable entry point into Lodge activities, and participation also fulfills part of the expected volunteer service during the probationary membership period.

Members who are interested in helping are encouraged to reach out and learn more about the various roles available. The volunteer team is always welcoming and ready to train anyone willing to lend a hand. Contact information for Bingo leadership is listed in each Newsletter for anyone looking to get involved.



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THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!



JOIN US THURSDAYS AT ROMA LODGE FOR

BINGO NIGHT

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OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Doors open at 4PM. Games start at 6PM.

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

Contact:
Jon Morelli at (262)-994-2861
or
Dennis Porcaro (262)-884-9121

HALLOWEEN FUN

Thanks to the Silvanis for staging a *spooktacular* party on Halloween in the members lounge. Costumed individuals in the following photos will remain unnamed to protect the innocent.



Lovely Witch and Local Swashbuckler



Incognito Lumberjack Axe Murderer and Lady With Orange and Black Shirt.



Mystery Bleach-Blond Bombshell and Mad Scientist

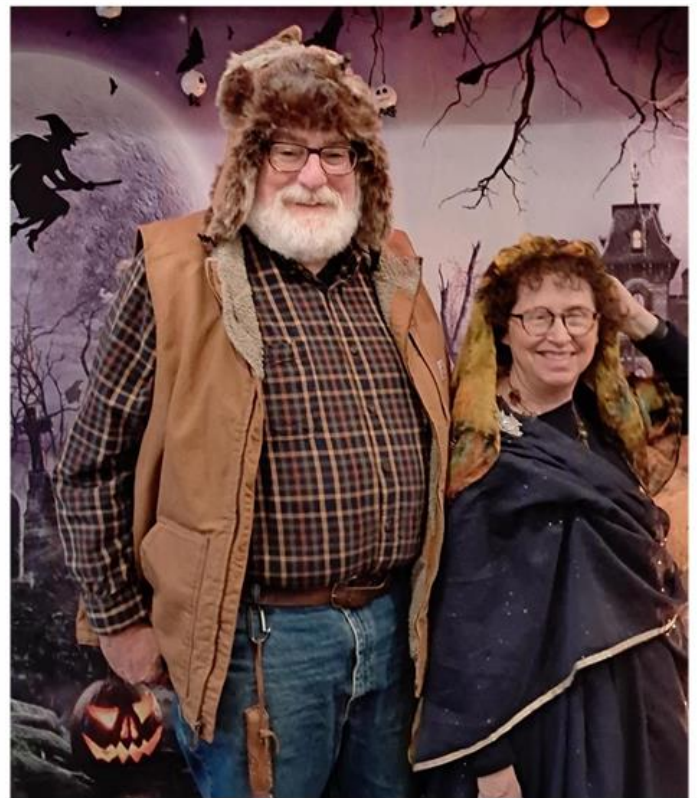


Shipwreck Victim and Dubious Woman Of The Cloth

Halloween (Continued)



**Typical Middle (or more)-aged tourist and
Lovely Cleopatra-esque Belle.**



Yukon Trapper and Gypsy Woman



Human Dreamsicle and Spiritual Advisor



**Wicked (not really) Witch, Man Proudly Displaying
Prize-Winning Pasta Dish, and
Mystery Bleach-Blond Bombshell.**

The Long Road Home

A Journey to Italian Dual Citizenship

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My love for Italy began in 1995, marking the tail end of a seven-year journey around the globe. I had saved Europe for last, and my primary mission in Italy was to connect with the Pancheri relatives we had only recently discovered. The six months I spent primarily in Trentino were magical—a period dedicated to language immersion, cultural deep dives, and the meticulous work of building our family tree.

Thirty years later, with numerous trips under our belts, my family's connection to Italy is an indescribable source of pride. Many years ago, the quest for Italian dual citizenship by right of blood (*jure sanguinis*) began.



Two Roads Closed

My initial focus was naturally on the Pancheri side, the family from Val di Non, Trentino, with whom I had such a strong bond. My Great Grandfather, Guillermo Pancheri, had immigrated to the US in 1907 and married Francesca Segat, also from Trentino.

To my dismay, I soon discovered a historical roadblock: my great-grandparents were born under the rule of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. Though Trentino is now undeniably Italian, at their birth, it was part of South Tyrol, Austria. The region was annexed by Italy only after the 1919 Treaty of St Germain-en-Laye. As their births predated this annexation, Italy would not grant citizenship through the Pancheri line.

Undeterred, I pivoted to the Pucci side of the family, hailing from Le Marche. Here, an equally devastating disappointment awaited. My Grandfather Julio, the third son of Giacomo Pucci, was born just three weeks after his father, Giacomo, had naturalized as a U.S. citizen. Giacomo's oath swore away his allegiance to the King of Italy, Victor Emmanuel III, and with it, severed my claim to Italian citizenship through the Pucci line.



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A Journey to Italian Dual Citizenship

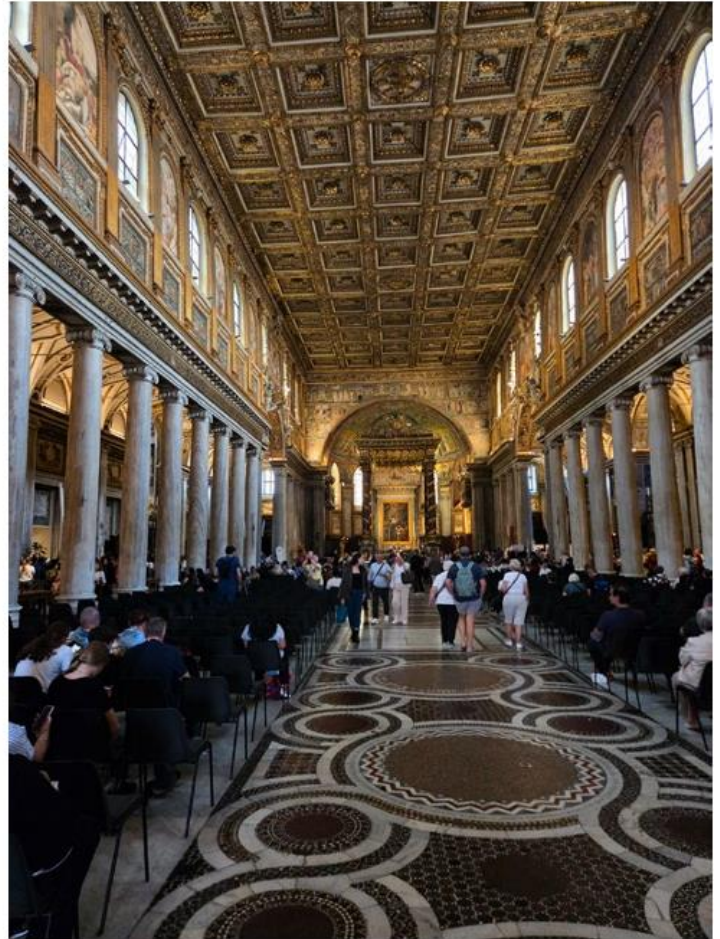
The Loophole and the Triumph

After years of dead ends, a miraculous possibility emerged three years ago. My brother's son, Mike, believed he had found a little-known loophole involving Giacomo's wife my Great Grandmother, Maria Patracci.

During that era, Maria was offered U.S. citizenship simply by being married to a man who took the oath. Crucially, she never formally renounced her allegiance to Italy, nor was she required to. While America viewed her as a U.S. citizen, Italian law, as it turns out, did not.

This "1948 Rule" loophole (which allows citizenship claims through a female ancestor if her child was born before January 1, 1948) became the basis of our petition. On September 15, 2025, our case—petitioning to recognize Maria Patracci as a continuous Italian citizen—was heard in the court of Ancona, Le Marche.

The court ruled in our favor! Subsequently, I, my father, and nine other family members were officially granted our Italian citizenship.



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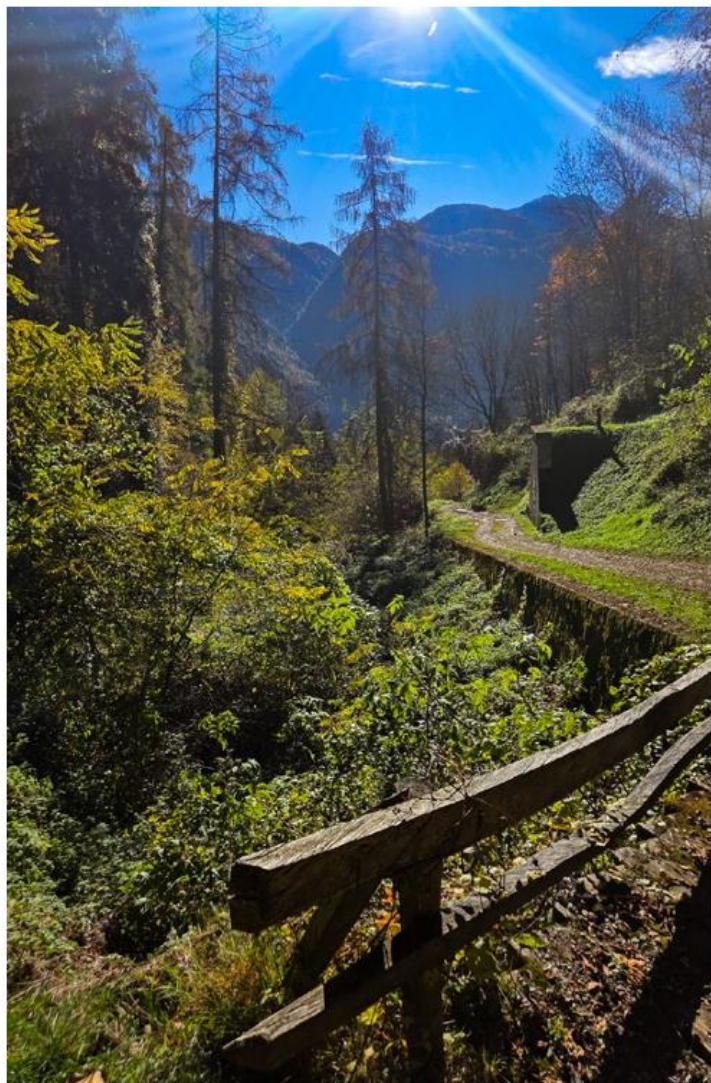
A Citizen's Pilgrimage

The very next day, September 16th, I booked a trip with my wife, Gale, and my father. We were traveling to Italy yet again, but this time, we were traveling as citizens.

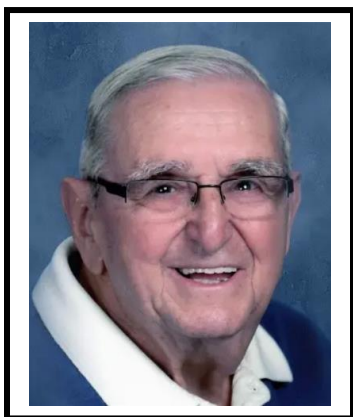
Our goal was to finally visit Le Marche, the region of the Pucci line, to discover the ancestral village of my Great Grandfather Giacomo and, most importantly, to pay homage to the woman who made it all possible: Maria Patracchi.

The name of the village was discovered during our rigorous research preparing the citizenship application documents: Montemonaco. This stunning walled medieval village, settled by Benedictine monks around the 10th century, sits nestled in the Sibillini Mountains—a popular destination for hiking and outdoor activities. This region, including Ascoli Piceno, suffered massive destruction from a devastating 6.0 earthquake in 2016 and is still rebuilding today.

In an amazing coincidence, I recently read in our November newsletter that Tony Rossi and his family traveled to their ancestral village of Montegalgo this past summer. Montemonaco and Montegalgo are just 17 kilometers apart. We are Marchigiani, sharing a deep connection to this beautiful, resilient corner of Italy. Ultimately, discovering family and learning about your roots makes time in Italy a much more meaningful experience than most typical tourists ever have.



Obituaries



Caesar Joseph Mattioli

November 22, 1927 – October 24, 2025

Caesar Joseph Mattioli, 97, left this earth on October 24, 2025, to make his tee time with God at the "Great Golf Course in the Sky." He was born November 22, 1927, to his parents Rose (Maritote) and Attilio "Felix" Mattioli. Caesar was educated in the schools of Kenosha and graduated from Mary D. Bradford in 1946.

After high school, he was drafted into the Army where he served 1 ½ years as a Constabulary in Germany. He held the rank of Corporal. After being honorably discharged from the Army, he worked at Simmons Company for 11 years and then as a supervisor at American Motors for 28 years. He retired in 1985.

In 1961, he met the love of his life, Virginia Salerno, and they married on September 1, 1962. Together they brought into this world four beautiful children: Maria Mattioli Vocke, Michael (Mary Quintero) Mattioli, Maureen (Kurt) Sorensen, and Melissa (Larry) Jakubowski. He was a nurturing father to his four children and a loving grandfather to his six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Caesar lived every day with gratitude and joy, sharing his happiness with everyone around him. He was an avid golfer. He also loved hunting and fishing, cherishing fishing trips to Canada with his son and close family friends. He was a member of the Roma Lodge for over 40 years. He also enjoyed having coffee with his friends at Mac's Canteen. Caesar welcomed everyone into his home

and enjoyed having breakfast with his children every Sunday morning. He was known for homemade spaghetti sauce on Sundays and delicious cranberry bread in the fall. He loved to travel with his children when they were young, driving his American Motors station wagon, taking them on trips to 48 of the 50 states. He also brought a smile to anyone leaving a message on the home phone, with his greeting sung to the tune of "That's Amore." He loved hot peppers, claiming they kept him alive. No pepper was ever hot enough for Caesar.

Caesar was a devout Catholic and a member of Mount Carmel Catholic Church since 1962.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Attilio and Rose Mattioli, one brother, Roger (Marie) Mattioli, and a stillborn son, Joseph Mattioli. He was also preceded in death by ten of Virginia's brothers and sisters and their spouses.

Survivors include his loving wife of 63 years, Virginia Mattioli, his four children: Maria Mattioli Vocke, Michael (Mary Quintero) Mattioli, Maureen (Kurt) Sorensen, Melissa (Larry) Jakubowski, three grandsons: Antonio (Maria) Montemurro, Jacob Mattioli, and Lucas Mattioli, three granddaughters: Madeline Vocke, Elise Vocke, and Claire (Joseph O'Connell, Jr.) Vocke, and a great granddaughter: Amelia Montemurro. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Special thanks to Hospice Alliance, Brookside Care Center, the Kenosha campus of the Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center, and Dr. Giuseppi Garretto for their wonderful care throughout the years.

Donations to the Veterans Outreach of Wisconsin or Hospice Alliance would be greatly appreciated.

Visitation was to be held from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 2, 2025, at Proko Funeral Home. Prayers were to be held at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, November 3, 2025, at Proko Funeral Home to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church. Mass of Christian Burial was to begin at 10:00 a.m. Interment with Military Honors was to follow in St. George Cemetery, Kenosha, WI.

Obituaries (continued)



Nicholas James Bilello

August 25, 1948 – November 12, 2025

Nicholas James Bilello, 77, passed away peacefully on November 12, 2025, surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Racine, Wisconsin on August 25th, 1948 to Peno and Ellen (Virgili) Bilello. Nick grew up in Racine and graduated from William Horlick High School. He went on to attend the University of Wisconsin–Whitewater, where he proudly earned his degree in accounting, and then an MBA at Cardinal Stritch University.

In 1970, Nick married the love of his life, Christine Ellen (Nicgorski) Bilello, and together they raised three sons: Kevin, Keith, and Ryan. Nick was deeply devoted to his family and took great pride in his role as a father and grandfather. He leaves behind his beloved grandchildren—Kylie, Kaelyn, Kendal, and Keith Michael—who were a constant source of joy.

Nick is survived by his wife, Christine; his three sons; grandchildren; his sisters, Barbara (Tom) Mulligan and Mariann (Glen) Gissing; sisters-in-law and

brothers-in-law Nancy (Nicgorski) and Dennis Skrobis, Sandy (Nicgorski) Kozelek, and Barbara (Nicgorski) and Dale Siejkowski; brother-in-law Rick (Maggie) Gillis; and many treasured cousins, extended family members, friends, and former colleagues who will remember him with warmth and gratitude. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Margaret “Maggie” (Rick) Gillis.

Nick dedicated the majority of his professional life to his career as an accountant with Jacobsen Textron. Outside of work, he had a lifelong passion for the Green Bay Packers and music, especially marching band. He brought laughter to countless people with his sharp wit and love of comedy. He cared deeply about his community, contributing many years of service through the Jaycees, as a Union Grove High School board member, and Sons of American Legion. Proud of his Italian heritage, Nick was also a longtime and enthusiastic member of Roma Lodge.

The family extends sincere gratitude to the staff at Brookside Care Center in Kenosha for their compassionate and dedicated care.

A Celebration of Life will be held on December 20th, 2025 | 10:30am-11:30am visitation | 11:30am service at Roma Lodge 7130 Spring St., Racine, WI 53406.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that memorial donations be made to the St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church or to a charity of your choice.

Sports Collectors Show At Roma Lodge

The Wisconsin Sports Collectors Association (WSCA) is having another **SPORTS SHOW** at **Roma Lodge** on **Sunday, December 14th from 9am to 2pm** (I feel that that the show is MOST exciting in the first 3 hours – but you decide). The PACKERS don't play until 3:30pm that day and Da Bears don't play until noon. Founded in 1975, the shows have grown from dozens to nearly 400 people at each of these events. Our shows feature generations of our families actively participating. Each show consists of over 60 dealers' tables with vendors from numerous states. Memorabilia includes sports cards, autographs, bobbleheads, NASCAR-themed items, other non-sports fun and so much more. We feature an entertaining auction running simultaneously around 9:45am until 11:30am with a large variety of items.

Every show brings different surprises! There may be "signing" guests at some of our shows as well. Please pass along the word to friends and family. **And if YOU have a few items (up to 8 "lots") come early and ask me or MIKE if you could submit them into the auction (15% commission to charity) – and walk away with money. Honestly. What are they doing stuffed away in boxes? Bring them – sell them – make a collector happy (it's either that or your kids might sell them for a DOLLAR at their Rummage Sale)!!**

WSCA has fostered a great niche in the sports collecting business by combining our shows with charitable giving. As a "nonprofit organization" our profits go to various charities including, but not limited to, the MDA, Lighthouse Youth Center of Milwaukee, Children's Hospital, Special Olympics, Autism Society, Juvenile Diabetes, Veterans Charities and many others. We have led local assistance events for families by providing Thanksgiving dinners, back-to-school supplies and Christmas presents.

I have volunteered with the Wisconsin Sports Collectors Association since the 1980s (nearly 35 years) and I'm thrilled to bring the WSCA to Roma Lodge every other month. My specialty has been procuring the items for the auction as well as running the auction at each event. Another Roma Lodge member, John Gehring, has also been a part of WSCA for many years – both as a dealer and a guest.

This is a "FAMILY" Event, and we encourage all Roma Lodge Members to bring their families - their children and/or grandchildren - as they build their own sports collectibles hobby in this healthy event.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

A splendid time is guaranteed for all.

Thank you.

Paul

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PROGRAMS



The Application is Open: NIAF's Peter F. Secchia Voyage of Discovery for Summer 2026!

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Discover your roots through NIAF's signature Ambassador Peter F. Secchia Voyage of Discovery program – a transformative two-week cultural immersion that has changed the lives of Italian-American college students for over two decades.

What's Included:

- Roundtrip international airfare
 - Accommodations
 - Most meals
 - Ground transportation
 - 4 days exploring historic Rome
- Exclusive cultural tours throughout our 2026 Region of Honor: Lombardia
 - Connections with fellow Italian American students

Online Application Deadline: February 1, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. PT

Limited spots available - apply now for a chance at this life-changing experience!

LEARN MORE at:

<https://www.niaf.org/programs/voyage-of-discovery/>

DECEMBER, 2025 MEMBERSHIP MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT



The next Membership meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 12th at 7pm.



DOORS OPEN – 4:00 PM
FOOD SERVICE – 4:45 PM
BINGO! START – 6:00 PM



If you would like to volunteer your time, please contact one of the following:

Jon Morelli: 262-994-2861 – roma.secretary.jam@gmail.com

Dennis Porcaro: 262-884-9121 – apprlservices@netscape.net

At the right is a table of BINGO! Captains for 2025. We need people interested in being captains to volunteer. The empty months in the table need captains.

Each captain is required to secure volunteers to sell cards on the floor.

In addition to captains, we need volunteers to step up to learn the role of selling game cards (this job requires you to be at BINGO! from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM at a minimum). We can also use volunteers to learn the other jobs of BINGO!.

Please consider giving your time on a Thursday afternoon and/or evening. BINGO! is an important source of income for Roma Lodge.

BINGO CAPTAINS	
JANUARY	Ed Morelli
FEBRUARY	Ken Scolaro
MARCH	Don Vena
APRIL	Jason Evitts
MAY	
JUNE	Rich Nygro
JULY	
AUGUST	
SEPTEMBER	Jon Morelli
OCTOBER	
NOVEMBER	Frank Bisotti
DECEMBER	Jon Morelli

Funeral Service Representation – October through December



Lodge members whose names are within the range ***Pisanello, Anthony – Zwaga, Dennis*** are expected to attend deceased members' funeral services, to represent the Lodge, during the calendar quarter listed above.

You are not required to attend every funeral; however, you are encouraged to attend at least one, if the occasion arises, during the quarter. All Roma Lodge members are encouraged to attend the funeral services of their deceased brothers. A special Roma Lodge sign-in book will be on hand at the service for members to log their attendance.

Sick and Shut-ins



On behalf of the members of Roma Lodge, the Sick and Shut-ins Committee sends flowers to the funeral of deceased members as well as "Get Well" cards to members who are hospitalized or ailing at home. If you know of a Roma Lodge brother who passed away, is hospitalized or ill at home, contact Steve Rawlinko, srawlinko@wi.rr.com or by phone at (262) 308-7997.

ROMA LODGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WEEKEND DUTY SCHEDULE

December 2025			
Friday		Saturday	
5th	Carmelo Bruno	6th	Carmelo Bruno
12th	Eric Andersen	13th	Eric Andersen
19th	Bill Pucci	20th	Bill Pucci
26th	Matt Montemurro	27th	Matt Montemurro



Bocce Schedules

To view Bocce Schedules, click the following link:

<https://www.romalodge.org/members/league-schedulesroster-sheetbocce-rules>

December 2025 EVENTS

Sunday, December 7	Kids Christmas Party
Saturday, December 13	Members Christmas Party
Wednesday, December 24	Christmas Eve
Thursday, December 25	Christmas Day
Wednesday, December 31	New Year's Eve

January 2026 EVENTS

Thursday, January 1	HAPPY NEWYEAR!!!!!!
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Roma Lodge Patio Brick Program

Become a permanent fixture at Roma Lodge!!

Consider the Roma Lodge Patio Brick Program

Some ideas are:

- Your name and when you joined Roma Lodge.
- For deceased family members – when they were members.
- In memory of a loved one.
- All Family members' names.
- Imagine a brick and add it to the patio.

If interested, please fill out the order form on the next page and return to Dennis Porcaro. You can also order by scanning the QR code below or going to <https://roma-lodge.square.site>

Orders taken will be completed and installed as time and conditions permit.



4" x 8" Brick
\$75.00



12" x 12" Brick
\$200.00

Roma Lodge Patio Brick Program

Bricks are available to members of both Roma Lodge and Vittoria Colonna.

Each brick serves as a testimony of your support and commitment to a lasting memorial to family and friends for generations to come

BRICK OPTIONS

4" x 8" brick consisting of three lines of type, 12 characters per line is \$75.00.

12" x 12" brick consisting of six lines of type, 15 characters per line is \$200.00.

Check must accompany your order

To purchase a brick please contact:

Dennis Porcaro

Phone (262) 884-9121 Email - apprlservices@netscape.net

4" by 8" Brick

NOTE: Spaces count as letters.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

12" x 12" Brick

NOTE: Spaces count as letters.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15

BRICKS WILL BE INSTALLED AS TIME AND CONDITIONS PERMIT

Buyer Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Roma Lodge Clothing Store

Members interested in ordering Roma Lodge clothing can now do so by directly ordering from **The Lettering Machine**.



TO ORDER FROM THE WEBSTORE:

Visit <https://theletteringmachine.com/RomaLodge/shop/home>

Feel free to call The Lettering Machine at (262) 652-4177 if you have any questions. Thank you for your business!

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The submission deadline for information to be published in the January, 2026 Newsletter is December 28, 2025 at 5pm.

Comments, suggestions and articles of interest to our members are welcome and will only be acknowledged and/or acted upon if submitted to roma.newsletter.mpk@gmail.com. Items submitted for publication must contain complete information.