



# ORDER OF THE SONS OF ITALY IN AMERICA

*West Shore Lodge #2651*

*Fall 2009*

## ***From the President***

On June 13<sup>th</sup> our Lodge participated in the Summerdale Centennial Celebration and on August 15<sup>th</sup> we participated in the Shiremanstown Historical Society Fest. I want to thank everyone who helped out either donating cookies or working at the booth.

For the past 3 years we have participated in the East Pennsboro Pumpkin Fest. It has been very successful for us in terms of new members and visibility of our organization. At the same time we make some money to help our charity and education fund and operating needs.

We have registered for the 2009 event but we need more help. I am asking for help in two areas.

1. We can use a couple of more cookie makers. We are looking for a variety of cookies so whatever your specialty is we can use them.
2. We need help to man our booth on Sunday, October 11th any time between 11am and 5:30pm.

Last year there were 239 vendors and 33,600 people who attended the event. There is entertainment, food, crafts, and homemade cookies. It is a good family event!

If you can help in any of these area's please contact Charlie Pisano, 717-732-4631 or email me at [CPPISANO@aol.com](mailto:CPPISANO@aol.com)

**For our October 28<sup>th</sup> meeting**, we have a guest speaker! Sylvie Davidson will delight us by sharing her expertise on the influence of Italian cooking on French cuisine. This will be a terrific discussion! Come out and enjoy!

***Charlie Pisano***

Una matita in media è lunga 18 centimetri con una gomma che è un po' più lunga di 2 centimetri. Chiaramente, l'ottimismo è vivo e vegeto.

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## **BOCCE**

This year Bocce Banquet was held on Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 pm @ Nino's Bistro, 1801 Market St. Camp Hill. Nino's was closed to the public that evening. A buffet dinner consisted of the following:

Roast beef with gravy  
 Pollo Francese Chicken  
 Italian meatballs  
 Pasta in a marinara sauce  
 Roasted red potatoes  
 Salad, Rolls and butter  
 Coffee, tea and cake

Congratulates to the Bella Luna team, the league champions!! John & Eileen DiFonzo and Al & Jean McDonald.

The 2009 season was great fun with spirited competition. Get ready for the 2010 season!

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Sons of Italy Meetings  
 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month  
 VFW Hall  
 4907 Carlisle Pike; Mechanicsburg

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Don't be the last one to jump on the Giant Gift Card Train. All lodge members who grocery shop at Giant Food Stores or purchase gas from the Giant Fuel Centers are encouraged to purchase their gift cards from the lodge. It is very easy and you will be earning money for our lodge's missions. Simply contact Debbie Edmondson with the gift card denominations and you will be given the cards and then you are on the Giant Gift Card Train.

Email to [jdlake@pa.net](mailto:jdlake@pa.net) or call 717-249-2094.

Cards will be available at the monthly club meetings, too. Checks are to be made out to the West Shore Sons of Italy Lodge. Thank you all that choose to support this easy fundraiser.

We will be giving a free \$25 Giant Gift Card to a lucky member at our meetings! You must be present to win so don't miss out on this opportunity!

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## PADRE PIO

A statue of Padre Pio is being constructed in Rignano Garganico in southern Italy to commemorate one of Italy's most cherished saints. This 200 foot high statue will be coated with photovoltaic paint enabling it to collect and recycle solar energy making it the first ecological religious icon. The estimated \$4.3 million dollar cost to complete the world's first green, energy producing statue will be paid for by his world-wide devotees.

Padre Pio was a Capuchin monk born into poverty in 1887 and died in 1968. He is believed to have performed many miracles during his lifetime. He bore the stigmata, the marks that correspond to Christ's wounds from the Cross. A recent survey carried out by a Catholic magazine found that more Italians pray to Padre Pio than to Jesus or the Blessed Mother.

## Scholarships

The West Shore Lodge of the Order of Sons of Italy in America recently awarded scholarships to two local students.

Katherine Brandt, East Pennsboro High School, was in the National Honor Society, Student council, French Club, and Italian Club. She participated with Special Olympics and Christmas at Holy Spirit Hospital. She will attend Penn State University.

Preston Scott Kendrick, Cumberland Valley High School, was an Honor Roll student and a member of Key Club, Spanish Club, and Basketball Team. He founded a local chapter of SERTEENS, a student community service organization. He was recognized twice by the Embarq Leaders of Tomorrow initiative. He will attend the University of Arizona.

Each student was presented a check for \$300 by the West Shore Lodge Scholarship Co-Chair, Joe Battista.

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## SIMPSON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Our lodge has been asked to present a display in the Mechanicsburg library during the month of October. The display will be on Italian Heritage. Included will be sports heroes, history figures, memorabilia and photos from Italy. Stop by and visit the display at 16 North Walnut Street, Mechanicsburg.

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## ONE OF OUR MEMBERS.....

About two years ago, Bill Montone shared with our lodge a slide presentation on The 73rd Bomb Wing, 20th. Air Force. This unit included those who flew from the Island of Saipan, dropping their bombs on the Japanese mainland, a significant chapter in bringing the Pacific war to a close.

Recently, Bill has been elected to the Board Of Directors of this organization! Congratulations Bill !!

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### PARLA ITALIANO?????

Italian Classes every Monday at the Giant Community Room in Camp Hill. Contact Joan Rottmann, 737-6565 or email her at [rottmannj@verizon.net](mailto:rottmannj@verizon.net).

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An average pencil is 7 inches long with a 1-inch eraser. Clearly, optimism is alive!

# Welcome New Members

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# **Next Meeting**

West Shore Lodge Sons of Italy  
**Wednesday, October 28, 2009**  
**Guest Speaker Sylvie Davidson**

VFW

4907 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg

Social hour begins at 6 pm

Meeting begins at 7pm

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