



ORDER OF THE SONS OF ITALY IN AMERICA

West Shore Lodge #2651

May, 2008

From the President

Spring is here. This is a lovely time of the year. It is also a very busy time of the year for graduations, gardening and what not. I hope you all have a great summer and all enjoy your vacations. This is also the time of the year when our attendance at meetings decline and I can understand that. But our lodge functions do continue. We do plan on having some interesting speakers during the summer months and also plan on having some exciting functions. It is also the time we need to plan for the picnic, Shiremanstown Centennial, East Pennsboro Pumpkinfest and the Knights of Columbus yard sale. We will also be hosting the District 7 Meeting in October! So there is a lot of planning to do. I hope you all can find time out of your busy schedule to join us.

Charlie Pisano

From the **FUND RAISING COMMITTEE:**

Come out to **Jigsy's Old Forge Pizza** on **Sunday, June 1**. They will donate 20% of our total sale to the West Shore Lodge. Jigsy's is located at 225 N. Enola Road, Enola. Their hours are 4:00 - 8:00. Just tell them you are with SOI when you place your order.

AVON fundraiser to come this summer!

Garibaldi Monument

Each year the York Lodge conducts a "laying of the wreath" ceremony at the Garibaldi Monument in Gettysburg Park. All District 7 lodges are invited to participate in this ceremony on July 13. The monument was erected in honor of the 39th New York Infantry Regiment participation during the battle of Gettysburg. The regiment was named after Giuseppe Garibaldi, the Italian national hero. For more information contact Peter Cucchiara at 741-0379.

Vorrei trovare un piatto che mi da bruciore di stomaco immediatamente invece che alle tre di mattina.

See page 3 for translation

Guest Speaker

Jim Lee from Susquehanna Polling and Research (SPR) will be the guest speaker at our meeting on Wednesday, May 28th. Susquehanna Polling and Research is a Harrisburg-based public opinion polling firm specializing in surveys for candidates for public office, trade associations, both lobbying and communications firms and the media.

Mr. Lee, the firm's president has over fourteen years experience in survey research and public opinion polling as well as a background in government affairs as a former lobbyist. Jim is also the official pollster for ABC Channel 27 News in Harrisburg, a frequent presenter for various state and federal organizations and has been quoted in numerous state and federal publications including Campaigns & Elections magazine, the Rothenberg Political Report, the Philadelphia Inquirer, the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review, the Harrisburg Patriot-News, the Las Vegas Review Journal and others.

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

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York Revolution Baseball

District 7 Lodges are being asked to see if any of their members are interested in attending a York Revolution Baseball game in York, PA at a group discount price. They will serve a typical lunch. This is a great family activity and will promote our organization in a positive light. If anyone is interested in such an activity and willing to be our lodge's contact person for the event please let Charlie Pisano know as soon as possible. Charlie can be reached at 732-4631.

Bocce League

The West Shore Lodge Bocce League is now under way. The competition has been fierce to date. All in all I think everyone is enjoying the competitive spirit and camaraderie. We will be playing every 2nd and 3rd Thursday at Scott's Grille in New Cumberland starting at 6 PM. Scott's has a new menu, the food is great, and between 4pm and 6pm, certain menu items are reduced. So, come on out and join in the fun. Call Tom McFiren Jr. at 355-8170 for additional information.

Tom McFiren

Jr.

Bocce

President

SERTOMA

Sertoma (SERvice TO MAnkind) is the third oldest service organization in the country. Its primary focus is Hearing & Speech, however, individual clubs support their communities in many ways as they see fit. There are 10 Sertoma Clubs, with over 300 members, in the East Central Penn District. Each year, clubs recognize their Sertoman of the Year and from those, a District Sertoman of the Year is selected. For 2007, Debbie Edmondson, of the Carlisle Hearts~n~Hands Sertoma Club, (and SOI member) was selected for this honor.

Debbie created her club in 2006 and has served as its president since. The club's mission is to assist, on a volunteer basis, victims of cancer and other debilitating diseases. This includes providing transportation to treatment, providing meals when needed, doing light chores and running errands, and offering support.

NEW!!!!

Italian Language Class

Mondays – Camp Hill Giant

More Details will soon be available

"CSJ Positive Image Awards Breakfast and Golf Outing a Huge Success"

On Sunday, April 13, 2008, more than 150 people gathered at the Holiday Inn - Harrisburg East to honor four outstanding individuals for "regularly promoting and presenting a positive image of the Italian-American community." John M. DiSanto, President of Triple Crown Corporation, President Judge Richard A. Lewis of the Dauphin County Court of Common Pleas, Dauphin County District Attorney Edward M. Marsico, Jr., and Pennsylvania State Senator Jeffrey E. Piccola were each presented with the Commission for Social Justice Positive Image Award for 2008. Several officers of the Grand Lodge, including state President Vincent A. Turco, state Recording Secretary Nancy Timperio Porcelli and Mortuary Fund President Joseph V. Galati, along with National Orator Francis Recchuiti, were in attendance at this inspiring event. Pennsylvania CSJ President and West Shore Lodge Immediate Past President Bob Graci, served as master of ceremonies for the Positive Image Awards Breakfast.

Judge Graci explained the dual roles of the CSJ in fighting negative stereotyping of and discrimination against Italian-Americans on the one hand and promoting a positive image of Italian-Americans on the other.

Each of the four award recipients gave poignant remarks about the importance of the work of the CSJ. Mr. DiSanto recalled the struggle of his namesake in fighting the injustice he experienced in this country and how that fight by his grandfather molded him and still inspires him today. Judge Lewis noted how in the late 1800s his grandfather had to change his name from "Lucia" to "Lewis" since he could get no job "with a vowel on the end of his name." District Attorney Marsico explained the importance of the work of the CSJ in reminding the younger generation of the ethnic struggles that our forebears had to endure. Senator Piccola spoke of the common traits, starting with the importance of family, that Italo-Americans share. Those assembled were clearly moved by the inspirational words of the CSJ honorees.

The West Shore Lodge was well represented at both events. The lodge was the first group to sponsor a table for this wonderful event. President Pisano and Bob Graci braved the chilly weather and played in the golf outing. Thanks to all who came out to honor our award recipients and help raise funds for the work of the Commission for Social Justice.

Bob Graci

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I would like to find a food that will give me heartburn immediately, instead of at three o'clock in the morning.

- John Barrymore

Welcome New Members

Timothy and Elizabeth Colechio

On March 19 we lost our devoted Italian language teacher, Michael Portone. He came every week to the Giant to support a group of struggling learners and we didn't always make it easy for him. Regardless, he took deep breaths, sighed, made us repeat phrases over and over, believing we would eventually "lose the English accent" and sound like native Italians. Michael enjoyed sharing his vast knowledge of Italian language, history, culture, politics, and religion. We will miss our beloved "professore" and treasure the time he gave to us.

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Next Meeting

West Shore Lodge Sons of Italy

Wednesday, May 28, 2008

VFW

4907 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg

Social hour begins at 6 pm

Meeting begins at 7pm

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