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West Shore Lodge #2651

April 2013

President – Sam Sica

March Meeting Highlights

We had our installation of officers this month. Charlie Pisano led the ceremony and thanked all who stepped up to fill these positions and acknowledged their dedication and hard work for the lodge.

President: Sam Sica (pictured second from left)

Immediate Past President (pictured first from left)

Vice-President: Joan Rottmann

Recording Secretary: Lucia Gleichman

Financial Secretary: Tony Bianchi

Treasurer: Mary McFiren

Trustees: Teresa Bilger, Bob Graci, Chris Rottmann, Lillian Branca (not pictured)

Guard: Harvey Bilger



Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be **April 24, 2013** at the VFW, 4907 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg. Pizza and beer 6:00; meeting 7:00.

Our speaker will be **Colonel Stefano Scano** from the Carlisle Army War College. Please make a special effort to come out and support our speakers who take so much time and preparation to offer interesting topics for our lodge.

Past Events

Carnevale: Our Carnevale at the Colonial Tennis and Golf Club was our biggest and best event to date. We had over 145 people in attendance. There were over 15 baskets and gift certificates

given away as door prizes. Heidi Lynn, our DJ, entertained us with Italian trivia games which led to more excitement and competition among our guests. The food was fantastic! Thanks to all our members who came out and supported this festive evening!!

Night at the Races: Our second ever evening at Penn National was fun. Just another reason to get together, share a meal, offer a shoulder for losers, back slap winners, all in good fun and in a spirit of camaraderie.

District 7 Meeting: Joseph Galati Lodge hosted the District 7 meeting in Harrisburg on April 14. We enjoyed a delicious Italian buffet lunch and had the chance to listen to various lodges highlight their activities over the past 6 months. Charlie will discuss more details at our next meeting.

Upcoming Events

Bocce League: Our bocce group is ready to start a new season of friendly competition beginning April 18. Harvey Bilger can always use more substitutes. If you would like to join in the fun, contact Harvey at wsosia@westshoreosia.com or 766-6083.

SOI Picnic: Our annual summer picnic is set for September 15, 2013. Mark your calendars!

Bus trip: Mary Urich is currently checking information about a possible Adams County Wine Tour in the fall. More information to come.

Fundraising

Hershey Park: Hershey Park will soon be requesting workers to volunteer for food and beverage shifts this season. This is a great opportunity for us to raise money for our lodge. The added bonus is volunteers receive voucher for every shift they work. These vouchers can be used by volunteers themselves or given to family members or friends. With admission charges starting at \$36.95 for kids and \$57.95 for adults, this is a great benefit for volunteers. Usually the shifts are 4 to 5 hours and we fill food and beverage orders and help clean up. We do not have to worry about working the registers; the managers handle that.

We need your help! Anyone over the age of 18 can work these shifts; they do not have to be members and they will still benefit from receiving vouchers. If you or anyone you know would like to receive upcoming information about working at Hershey and available shifts, let Joan know - 737-6565 or rothmannj@verizon.net

Giant Cards: Tammie Ebersole is selling Giant Cards as a way for us to earn 5% of the cost for our club. They are available in 25, 50, 100 dollar denominations. She will have some for us at our next meeting. For more information you can contact her at 717-728-3823 or tammie_email@yahoo.com

Member Update

Please continue to keep Bill Montone and Ralph Fulginiti in your thoughts and prayers. Bill sent us a letter expressing his gratitude for our prayers. He is recuperating from his successful surgery in February. Ralph is continuing chemotherapy treatments. We wish our brothers all the best

“Working together to preserve our culture, our heritage and our traditions”