



Le Notizie

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New Members Join Roma Lodge

Eight new members joined the ranks as Roma Lodge members at the March meeting. Jennifer Wessel Pitigliano, Gianna McPhetridge, Tisha McPhetridge, Jordan McPhetridge, Craig McPhetridge, Karen DeGroot, Doug Anderson, and Marcia Anderson. Everyone also enjoyed a great potluck cooked by members of the lodge.



New members of Roma Lodge are installed at the March meeting and Potluck.



President Ken Curti along with Grand Deputy Lilia Giacomazzi make remarks under the good of the order.

Roma Lodge to Celebrate 77th Anniversary!

The April birthday committee chaired by Nancy Pitigliano will be serving up sausage and rice to help celebrate our 77th anniversary at the April meeting on April 2nd. Come and join us for a great meal and to honor all those members who will be celebrating a milestone with 25, 35 and 50 years of lodge membership along with all those members who have been with the lodge for over 50 years.

Member Milestones

At the April meeting Roma Lodge will be celebrating its 77th Anniversary. We will be honoring 25, 35 and 50 year members. The list of members to honor is as follows.

25 Year Members

Kathy Briano-Dutto, Michael Pitigliano, Thomas Rivers, Dede Rivers, Pete Yribarren, Mary Louise Parriera

35 Year Members

Steven Beecher

51 Year Member

Carol Burner, Janet Cabral, Lorraine Cleek, Ernie DiMatteo, George Rinaldi, Melvin and Lena Waltman

53 Year Members

Sharon Barreto, Joann Beecher, Marjorie Cabral, Mabel Curti, Gary Dutto, Barbara Maraist

54 Year Members

Lillian Cotta, Carmen Madala

55 Year Member

Louis Clarot

60 Year Members

Lena Federighi

62 Year Members

Anna Dutto, Catherine Dutto, Hilda Falco

72 Year Member

Norma Kranenberg

Farewell Sister

Heralds Message

Roma Lodge members attended graveside services for Debra Bertorelli at the Woodville Cemetery on Monday March 12th. Debra was a 31-year member of



Roma Lodge and was often at lodge activities such as the Columbus Day Celebration and Christmas party. Along with husband Ken they were very supportive of the annual ravioli dinner and assisted in selling several tickets each year to help support the lodge's charity activities.

Debra was an accomplished musician playing several instruments and teaching piano to several students. Debra was originally from South Dakota and moved to California when she and her husband Kenny were married. ***We bid you farewell sister Debra!***

Herald's Note

*At the time of the LeNotizie publication for this month the lodge has lost two more of its members. **Alex Pelous** and **James Luis** have recently passed away and will be given our final tribute in the May issue of this publication.*

Support our Queen!

Newly crowned queen Gionna McPhetridge is actively selling raffle tickets for the Grand Lodge Queen contest. Gionna is off to a great start with the lodge donating



proceeds from the breakfast fundraiser cooked at the farm show and with all the raffle ticket sales from the most recent meetings. Ben Serafin was the lucky winner of the drawing at the March meeting and donated his \$100 winnings to queen Gionna.

The lodge will match the grand total of dollars raised by Gionna and it appears she is off to a great start!

April Meeting Set

The April meeting of the Roma Lodge to celebrate our anniversary will be held at the Heritage Complex Social Hall starting at 6:30 p.m. with our traditional Italian sausage and risotto dinner. Members who have birthdays in April are reminded to bring their raffle prizes in support of the queen.

Dinner will be followed by the meeting and raffle. Everyone is encouraged to attend and help the lodge celebrate its 77th anniversary.

73rd Ravioli Dinner Set

Ken and Shurene Curti along with Sally and Ben Curti will chair the annual ravioli dinner **Saturday, May 12th at the TDES Hall in Tulare.** Tickets will be available at the April



Beautiful Decorations

Sally Curti and helpers did a great job of decorating the TDES Hall last year at the annual ravioli dinner. Get your tickets now for another great event.!

meeting for \$20. Serving will take place from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. with a special Italian music and dinner served from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and Dancing from 7 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Ticket chair Cathy Mederos will have tickets at the April meeting and everyone is encouraged to invite all their friends and sell tickets to everyone they know. This is a major fundraiser for Roma Lodge and everyone will need to help sell tickets and be at the event.

Scholarship Applications

If you are a high school senior and wish to apply for our lodge scholarship you need to contact Frances Della @ 784-7653 for an application. Her address is 17383 Ave 184, Strathmore, CA 93287.

The due date is April 1, 2007.

Actions Items of the Lodge

Tulare Western Choir Donation: Cathy Mederos reported a donation would go toward new uniforms. A motion was made to donate \$130 and seconded by Josh Pitigliano. It was voted on and passed.

Valley Children's Hospital Donation: A motion was made by Shurene Curti to donate \$1000.00 and seconded by Michael DePaoli. It was voted on and passed.

Financial Report: Financial Secretary Cathy Mederos reported a balance of \$9,110.06.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Karen Pedroncelli reported a balance of \$24,959.95.

Sunshine – Janis Curti has volunteered to be our Sunshine Chairman. It was noted that she should be notified if anyone knows of any ill members, deaths, etc.

Scholarship: Scholarship chairman Frances Della, reported that she had received \$420.00 in donations that will go into the scholarship fund.

Your Roma Lodge Officers

President	Ken Curti (740-0184)
Vice President	David DePaoli (804-5443)
Treasurer	Karen Pedroncelli (732-1591)
Recording Sec.	Sally Curti (688-8575)
Financial Sec.	Cathy Mederos (687-1112)
Orator	Gary Dutto (686-6201)
Historian	Carole Burner (686-8419)
Guard	Gidio Rasenti (686-4023)
Past President	Charlie Pitigliano (752-4633)

Trustees

Josh Pitigliano	(752-4723)
Mike Saltzman	(686-4340)
Jim Luis	(688-5187)
Justin Curti	(438-5799)
Michael DePaoli	(361-2345)

Mistress of Ceremony

Frances Della	(784-7653)
Shurene Curti	(740-0184)

Special Thanks

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Joann Beecher	2	3	4	5 Nancy Pitigliano	6	7 Mary Ann Vandergrift
8 Katherine Serafin	9	10	11	12 Patrick Marinelli	13	14
15 Richard Orisio	16	17	18 Dave Milanesio	19 Katherine DeRose Ed Milanesio	20	21 Michael Green
22	23	24 Jaimi Curti	25 Clint Curti Andrew Jordan	26 Shawn Pedroncelli	27 MaryJean Kronbetter	28 Gary Dutto
29	30 Clarence Parreira					