



## ROCHESTER VINCENT LOMBARDI LODGE #2270, INC.

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

November 2010

As we enter the month of November we are reminded about how very much we can be thankful for. As we leave the month of October we are reminded about our Italian heritage and thus we can bridge the two months by being so very thankful for all those who came from Italy to this marvelous country – America – and brought with them their traditions and their willingness to continue those traditions with their own families as well as other families and friends. For those of us who are now the patriarchs of our own families through the passing of our fathers and grandfathers, we take on a great responsibility and one that we can have great pride in. Never forget those that have left us with a heritage that we must pass on to our children and grandchildren. I know that we all remember the Thanksgiving Days of our youth and how our families mixed their Italian traditions with our American traditions.

October was a busy month for our Lodge members. I would be remiss if I did not thank those who worked so very hard to make our events so successful. To Brother Lou DeCarolis and Quintino and Nellie DiCesare who, with the help of the Parade Committee made this year's parade the most successful yet. Thanks to Brothers Tony Palucci, Sal Cutaia, Joe Dipasquale, Russ Gugino, Pat Sculli, Tom Meleca and Sister Jennifer Rubé for getting the vehicles decorated, and to Brothers Maurice Palucci and Sal Cutaia and to Honorary Brother Sam Morabito for providing the vehicles, Sister Mickey who came with us and brought the next generation along – young Tony - and a special thanks to Jon Seiger and the All Stars for providing our group with their music, possibly the only band that did Italian songs. There is such a feeling of pride for those of us who participated, especially when we look up and see the lodge banner and Italian and American flags flying high.

My thanks to Sisters Eunice McCarthy and Susan Berta for a wonderful Columbus Day Dinner Dance. Thanks also to the Len Hawley duo for the music, to Brother Frank Affronti, our emcee "esquisito" and to State Trustee Brother Joe Berta who did an admirable job in representing State President Sal Lanzilotta and to our members who were able to join us and thank our Honorees for their contributions to our community and the scholarship awardees who are so deserving. Last, but by no means least, my thanks To Sister Susan Berta for the outstanding Ad Book. A job well done as always!!!!!!

Our thoughts and prayers go to Sister Adeline and the family of Brother Peter Cimino, Past President of our Lodge, always very much involved and responsible for most of the art work seen at our Lodge functions including the Ad Book cover.

As always, the Rube' family wishes you and your families un felice Giorno di Ringraziamento.

Fraternally,

President Joe Rubé

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## "The Roar of the Lion"

Jennifer Rubé, editor  
November 2010

### TURKEY RAFFLE DINNER

TO YOU, MY WONDERFUL BROTHERS,  
SISTERS AND FRIENDS

The turkey raffle is fast approaching and I am hoping you will be among those attending our annual Turkey Raffle. We are planning a great evening for all and I feel it would be a perfect way for you to entertain friends without the fuss and work at your own home.

Last year we had 75 attendees and with your help, maybe we could reach the 100 mark. Remember it is at the Italian American Sports Club on Buffalo Road and only \$18 per person with entertainment by the HOT FLASH DANCERS and a catered Roast Beef dinner. It doesn't get any better than this. Thank you in Advance. Jen Gugino

### GIADA VANLENTI CONCERT

Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, OSIA favorite Giada Valenti will perform her show "**From Italy With Love**" at 8:30PM at the Harro East Theatre in Rochester.

For the perfect date with that special someone or if you want to get a group of friends together for a night out, call the Rainbow Talent Agency for tickets: (585) 723-0743.

### CHRISTMAS PARTY

Come join your fellow lodge members for our annual Christmas Party on Saturday December 11th! This year's party will be held at Carpani's Restaurant – 155 Pattonwood Drive near the Stutson Street Bridge.

Cocktail hour will be from 5:30PM – 6:30PM followed by a buffet dinner. We will have musical entertainment and we're looking forward to seeing all of you there. Please make sure to get your RSVP in ASAP as we do have to give a count to the restaurant in advance.

For more information, see the enclosed flyer or call Joe Vazzana at 224-8907.

*Merry Christmas!*

### DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know.....Sophia Loren was among the most successful international stars of the postwar era; not only did she rise to fame as a sex symbol, but she also won a measure of critical acclaim rarely afforded most of her foreign-born contemporaries. Her quote about sex is "Sex appeal is fifty percent what you've got and fifty percent what people think you've got".

Borrowed from Brother John Fratta's month-long series on Italian Women in history currently being posted daily on Facebook.

How about a 3-season jacket, sweatshirt or polo shirt that you can wear to show your pride at being a member of the Sons of Italy? We're taking Christmas orders NOW! Call Jennifer at (585) 381-5540 or look for the flyer in this newsletter.

# VINCENT LOMBARDI LODGE

## NEW MEMBERS

We are always looking for new members to bring into our lodge. Think about family, friends and co-workers who might enjoy joining our group and promoting our Italian heritage.

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

11/01	Franklin D'Aurizio, Esq.
11/01	Hon. Joseph Valentino
11/08	Dr. Joseph Polizzi
11/11	Hon. Elma Bellini
11/15	Pat Sculli
11/29	Catherine Nuci

## FUNDRAISERS

### Ink and Toner Cartridges!

Thank you to all the members who have been bringing us empty ink and toner cartridges. Each one gives us credit towards future printing at Staples and because of these donations many of our newsletters have printed at no cost this year. This is a huge savings for the lodge and enables us to put that money towards other expenses and events.

### Attention all Coke product drinkers!

Our newest fundraiser is collecting code numbers from under the caps on any Coca Cola product or the code printed on the inside of any multi-pack Coke can product. These codes are bringing us points which we will redeem for raffle prizes to be used at upcoming lodge events. You are welcome to bring me the caps or you can email me the code numbers and I'll keep track of them for the lodge. The more points we collect, the bigger the prizes we can redeem them for so please help out if you can!

If you have suggestions for any other similar fundraising ideas, please let me know. This is a fairly easy way to give to the lodge and have something tangible to show for our efforts.

Thanks, Jennifer

## 2011 ELECTIONS

All of our lodge officer positions are up for election in early 2011. Please start thinking about positions you may be interested in running for. If you have any questions about what the description is for any of the positions, please contact President Joe at 461-1181.

We hope that some of our newer members will be interested in serving on the 2011 - 2012 board. More information will come in the December newsletter as well as at our lodge meetings.



*Happy  
Thanksgiving*

# VINCENT LOMBARDI LODGE

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 - 12Noon – IACC Luncheon (info: 594-8882)
- November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010 – 12Noon – IASC Club Luncheon (info: 464-9160)
- November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010 – Giada Valenti in Concert – Harro East Theater – 8:30PM (info call 723-0473)
- November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010 - 12Noon – IACC Luncheon (info: 594-8882)
- **November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010 – 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Sons of Italy Turkey Raffle Dinner** - 5:30PM – Italian American Sport Club \$18 per person (info: Susan 334-6641)
- November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010 – IACC Gala – 6:00PM (info: 594-8882)
- **December 11<sup>th</sup> 2010 – Sons of Italy Christmas Party at Carpani's Restaurant.** – 5:30PM (info: Joe Vazzana at 224-8907)
- **January 2011 (date to be announced)** – Cibi deliziosi in Mendon – Cooking class for interested lodge members.
- **March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011**– Installation ceremony and brunch for new board members- Midvale Country Club – more info in upcoming newsletters.

## SUNSHINE CORNER

If you know of any lodge members who are ill or could use cheering up, please let Corresponding Secretary, Sister Ann Vazzana know at 224-8907.

## MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Congratulations to President **Joe Rubé** who has announced his retirement after almost 40 years of practicing medicine in the Rochester community.

Congratulations to national Past President Joseph Sciamè for being elected Chairman of the **Conference of Presidents of Major Italian American Organizations.**

Our condolences go out to our brothers in the Geneva Lodge with the loss of long time member **Fran Prete** on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

We send our condolences to the family of brother **John Debbene**, Past President/Chairman/CEO of the Garibaldi-Meucci Museum. John passed away on October 18<sup>th</sup>.

## ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

The next general assembly meeting will be held on Thursday November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at the Casa Italiana located on the Nazareth College Campus at 4245 East Avenue. The college is located about half a mile from the Village of Pittsford on Route 96/East Avenue. Enter the campus at the entrance with the traffic light (South Campus Drive). Turn immediately into Parking Lot A on the right as you enter the campus. On the right you will note the Casa Hispana building and then the Casa Italiana building. Take the lower walk to the right of the building which leads directly to the meeting room. The meeting will begin at 7:00PM sharp and everyone is welcome. Please Note: the meeting room is handicapped accessible.

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# Christopher Columbus Dinner Dance 2010



# PETER VINCENT CIMINO

January 17, 1914 – October 14, 2010

Written by Louis Giambra, Bene Emeritus -

Peter is gone, but he will live in the hearts of his OSIA family forever. The Vincent Lombardi Lodge was his favorite group. He and Adeline enjoyed attending the many events held and the members attending them were very grateful. Someone would always ask, "How do you find the site?" and Peter would leave home early to go put up signs along the way so that everyone would know where they were going. At the lodge picnics he loved to play bocce and would always form a team and issue a challenge to anyone willing to take him on. His teams seldom lost and many fifty cent bets were made and won. He was all smiles – a person who enjoyed life and loved to win.

Peter and Adeline enjoyed going to the NYS OSIA conventions. Imagine how happy they were when the state honored them for being married the longest. A whole day was dedicated to the longest married couple. Peter was surprised, with a big smile on his forever-happy face. They danced the Anniversary Waltz in front of over a hundred guests. Peter and Adeline attended many of the Conventions over the years and loved every one of them.

Peter never missed a meeting of the lodge and he especially enjoyed the holidays. He would use his artists' gift of painting signs, wishing everyone a Happy Holiday. His favorite holiday was Valentine's Day, where he not only put up his signs but he brought heart shaped boxes of candy. It was his way of saying how much he cared for all of the lodge members.

At our Christopher Columbus Dinner it was Peter's job to decorate behind the head table. One year we all laughed because Peter hung up a picture he had painted of Christopher Columbus and it was a dead-ringer of the Master of Ceremony.

In his later years, he and Adeline lived at the "Legacy" where they had an apartment. The best day there was when lodge members came to visit them for lunch. It was a memorable day for all who were there. Peter will never be forgotten.

