

L.A.M. VALLEY FORGE LODGE 1776

GENERAL MEETING PEPPERS RESTAURANT – FEBRUARY 14, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 6:58 PM by PWesler, pledge of allegiance, and opening prayer by P.Wesler also prayed for longtime Lodge member Vinnie Muscarello who passed away.

X President, Bernadette Wesler
E VP Joe D’Orazio
E Orator Frank Forlano
E Recording Secretary Denise Bernardini
X Financial Secretary Louis Barbone
E Treasurer Tony DiRado
E Historian Michael Gianfrancesco
X Trustee Rocco Rossi
E Trustee Ed Paludi
X Trustee Anthony Balsano
X Trustee Donna Marie Donahue
X Trustee David Tassoni
X Trustee Jim McEntee
E Guard Phil Giovinco
E Master of Ceremonies Ray Verbrugghe
E Past President David Caramenico
E Past President John Panetta
E Past President Fran Recchuiti
E Past President J Turchi, Jr.

Announcements were made . . .

PWesler welcomed everyone and our guest speaker, Linda Marrone-Romanowski.

Birthdays were announced: Samuel Monastero, Richard Trombetta and Deb Wesler. Also Heavenly birthday to Ralph Colucci.

Our guest speaker was introduced by PWesler. Linda spoke about her book “Final Touchstones” which contain family stories of her family who immigrated from Sicily. She raffled chances for a copy of the book and Amanda won (Rocco’s Daughter-in-Law)

PWesler read two letters sent to the Montgomery County Commissioners from PPrechuiti. The subject of the letters was to restore Columbus Day to the Montgomery County Calendar.

The Lodge sold 50/50 tickets and collected \$220. We kept \$110 which was put towards the dinner tab, The lodge paid for Speaker and her husband.

Pres. Wesler spoke about trip to Little Italy and 9-11. She believes we can do both and then have dinner at Italianissimo in Staten Island. More details to follow.

Pres Wesler also had sign up sheet for Charter night on March 23rd.

Motion to adjourn by Louis Barbone and seconded by Debra Wesler

35 in attendance.