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Dear President and Members:

The following contains information regarding Grand Lodge activities and events. If you or your Lodge members need more information or have questions, please contact the Grand Lodge office at 617-489-5234 or visit the Grand Lodge website at osiama.org.

Meat Raffle to benefit the Cooley's Anemia Foundation

The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts will sponsor a Meat Raffle on Sunday, November 18, 2018 beginning at 1:30 PM at the Sons of Italy – 520 Pleasant Street – Watertown, Massachusetts. The proceeds will benefit the Cooley's Anemia Foundation. Please see the enclosed flyer for details.

Calendar Raffle

The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts is pleased to announce our annual Calendar Raffle, which will be held during January 2019. This fundraiser helps to support the Grand Lodge and provides your lodge with an excellent incentive to raise funds, as \$2.00 of every ticket sold by your lodge will be reimbursed to you via a per capita credit. See the reverse side of the letter for full details.

Tickets can be requested by calling 617-489-5234 or by email to pguida@osiama.org.

Sons of Italy News - Holiday Ads

The Magazine Commission is offering a special rate of \$25.00 for Holiday Greeting Ad space in the holiday issue of the "Sons of Italy News" which will be mailed mid-December. All ads will be sized at 4" x 1½".

Please follow and complete the enclosed "2018 Holiday Greeting Ad – Sons of Italy News" form paying close attention to the remittance procedure and postmark deadline of November 16, 2018. Greetings postmarked after the deadline will be printed in the subsequent issue.

Charity Commission – Holiday Cards

The Charity Commission is requesting that filial lodges send in the names and addresses of their **Shut-In** Senior Members who are ill or may not be able to attend meetings, especially during the winter months. The Charity Commission will send them personalized Christmas and Valentine's Day cards. We know that it can be difficult to reach many of our **Shut-In** Senior Members and we hope that these small notes will bring a smile to their faces during the Christmas and Valentine Holidays.

Please use discretion and only submit the names of members who are housebound or ill.

Please complete the "2017-2018 Holiday Card List" that was sent to you via email. We must receive complete names and addresses in order to ensure that cards reach the intended members. Please take careful note of the submission deadlines on the form. If necessary, the form is enclosed in hard copy – please print CLEARLY if submitting via this method.

Fraternally,

Margaret Olivieri
Margaret Olivieri
State Recording Secretary

Antonio Sestito
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State President

Calendar Raffle

Here's how it works:

- A \$10.00 ticket purchase gives you 35 chances to win a share of \$5,300.00.
- There will be a drawing every day in January 2019 with prizes ranging from \$100.00 - \$500.00 (see daily prize amounts below).
- Four “early-bird” drawings of \$100.00 will take place from all tickets received in the Grand Lodge office on or before December 21, 2018.
- All winning tickets are placed back in the drum for the next drawing.
- A list of daily winners will be posted on the Grand Lodge website (www.osiama.org)

January 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<i>1</i> 500	<i>2</i> 100	<i>3</i> 100	<i>4</i> 100	<i>5</i> 200
<i>6</i> 250	<i>7</i> 100	<i>8</i> 100	<i>9</i> 100	<i>10</i> 100	<i>11</i> 100	<i>12</i> 200
<i>13</i> 250	<i>14</i> 100	<i>15</i> 100	<i>16</i> 100	<i>17</i> 100	<i>18</i> 100	<i>19</i> 200
<i>20</i> 250	<i>21</i> 100	<i>22</i> 100	<i>23</i> 100	<i>24</i> 100	<i>25</i> 100	<i>26</i> 200
<i>27</i> 250	<i>28</i> 100	<i>29</i> 100	<i>30</i> 100	<i>31</i> 500		