



March 2020

AVANTI

Antonio Meucci Lodge #213, OSIA • White Plains, NY

UPCOMING Events

March

- 3/11 Officer's Meeting, 8pm
- 3/21 St. Joseph's Dinner
- 3/24 General Meeting, 8pm

April

- 4/7 I Beddi – Sicilian Singers
- 4/8 Officer's Meeting, 8pm
- 4/28 General Meeting, 8pm

May

- 5/13 Officer's Meeting, 8pm
- 5/26 Scholarship Awards
General Meeting, 8pm

June

- 6/10 Officer's Meeting, 8pm
- 6/23 General Meeting, 8pm

July

- 7/8 Officer's Meeting, 8pm
- 7/19 Italian Festival, Kensico Dam
- 7/25 State Plenary at the Lodge
- 7/28 General Meeting, 8pm

August

- 8/15 Ferragosto
- 8/30 Annual Picnic

September

- 9/12 Entertainment Night

October

- 10/11 Wreath Ceremony
- 10/18 Columbus Dinner Dance
- 10/24 Halloween Party

November

- 11/1 Memorial Mass at OLMC

December

- 12/6 Children's Christmas Party
- 12/31 New Year Eve Party

A Message from your President: Antonio Amato



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

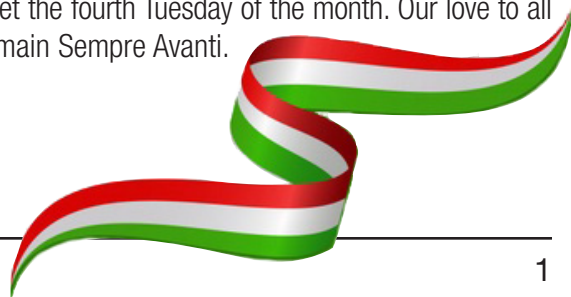
Well here we are its already February and its been so far so good that we have not had a snow storm, however if and when we do please be careful shoveling the snow. Many of our members are already down in Florida and the rest of us are starting to think of activities for the coming months. But before we go into a new calendar list, I want to take this opportunity to thank all of our chair persons and their committees for our past events. I will start with Sister Cathy Grisanti and her committee for

Pocketbook Bingo. A great financial success, to Sister Camille Tarone and her committee for presenting an outstanding party to the theme of the Grinch who stole Christmas, the children were well entertained and all of them received a present from Santa, well done. As always to Sister Teresa Rivero and her committee the New Year came in with all the bells and whistles. And to Brothers John Rubillo, Mario Cermele and Joe Amato for hosting the Super Bowl Sunday event. To all of you my sisters and brothers thanks as you all continue to make Antonio Meucci Lodge proud.

And now I want to tell you that our sisters and brothers have done several more outstanding donations to our community. This year we gave gifts and monetary donations to the White Plains Youth Bureau which totaled 224 children from 84 families both for Thanksgiving and Christmas, Sister Pamela Danza chaired this event and Sister Lucy and Brother Ray Tocci donated many of the toys. Brothers Mario Cermele and Luigi DNota along with the Antonio Meucci Lodge Inc. Foundation sponsored our newest charity this year for Rosary Hill Home who operates on donations only and is run by the Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne, located in Hawthorne, NY we were able to give a sizeable monetary donation along with foods, meats and goodies so that the nuns can pass this on to their patients and their families. A group of our officers and members were present at the home when the donation was presented. The nuns and staff were ever so grateful see the photo in the follow pages. As you all can see we have been very busy and our members have shown a great deal of generosity to many and I ask that with God's blessing we can continue doing this in the future. Thanks to all of you.

See you at the meetings, we meet the fourth Tuesday of the month. Our love to all from Sister Tina and myself as I remain Sempre Avanti.

Antonio Amato
President





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OFFICERS 2019

Executive Board

Antonio Amato, President
Vito Cirioni, 1st Vice President
Rita Cestone, 2nd Vice President
Teresa Rivero, Immediate Past President
Catherine Mignini, Orator
Caroline Baviello, Recording Secretary
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Annamaria Forte, Financial Secretary
Lina Amello, Treasurer
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Trustees

Tina Amato • Umberto Amato
Antonio Vincenzo Capicotto • Rita Carolini
Michael DiSavino • Rachel Filasto
Charles Guastella • Maria Pippo
Camille Tarone • Nick Vaccarelli

Ceremonial Officers

Tony Cestone • Mary Morra

Sentinels

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Arbitration Committee

Sam Amello • Salvatore Battiato
Antonella Capicotto DeLia • Concetta Bevilacqua
Domenico Rivero • Joseph Tassone
Vito Tassone • Annunziata Vernillo

Past Presidents

Antonio Capicotto • Mario Cermele
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Joe Tanzi

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Cathy Lembo Lloyd

The Avanti is the official newsletter of the Antonio Meucci Lodge #213 and it is published Quarterly. Please submit all items for publication by the next day after the General Meeting preceding the month of publication. Contact Margherita Capicotto for all new submissions at fivecaps@optonline.net.

Let's Party

The Lodge is available for your NEXT EVENT!
Contact Brother Mario at 325-1239 for available dates



Have an idea for an event or want to chair an event?
Let Brother Mario know! Call him at (914) 325-1239.



OFFICERS' MEETINGS

2nd Wed. of every month @ 8 pm

March 11 • April 8 • May 13
June 10 • July 8 • August 12
Sept. 9 • Oct. 14 • Nov. 11 • Dec. 9

GENERAL MEETINGS

4th Tuesday of every month @ 8 pm

February 25 • March 24 • April 28
May 26 • June 23 • August 25
Sept. 22 • Oct. 27 • Nov. 24

Members are NOT required to RSVP for general meetings.

If your phone number, address or email has changed please notify
Annamaria Forte of your new contact information: 914-772-8718.

Rosary Hill Home



On Dec 13, 2019 the above members were present at the home where they presented the sisters with a check and food donations for the staff and patients.

Pocketbook Bingo Committee



Committee is as follows (left to right)
Sisters Pamela Danza, Lucy Tocci,
Chairperson Cathy Grisanti,
Rita Carolini, Tina Amato
and Camille Tarone

Congratulations

Congratulations to **President Antonio Amato and Sis Tina** on the engagement of their son Anthony and fiancée Susan Lucaj.

Congratulations to **Sis Jean Borrelli Ilardi and Bro Luigi Ilardi** on the birth of their granddaughter Lily Marie Miller born to Rosemarie and John and big brother John Robert. Wishing many blessings to all of them.

Happy 53rd Anniversary to **Sis Maria and Bro Anthony Pippo**.

Get Well Wishes

Sis Josephine DeMaria, Bro Patsy Sposato, Bro Umberto Amato and Bro Mario Gallo

Thank you for all the prayers and wishes from **Sis Maria Pippo** on a quick recovery.

With Sympathy

Sympathy to the following members & their families:

Sis Cathy Grisanti and Bro Pat Carolini on the loss of their mother and our dear **Sis Rosa Carolini**.

Bro Carlo Scalfani on the loss of his brother and sister.

Sis Vincenza Puja on the loss of her sister Maria Spano.

Sis Annamaria Forte on the loss of her brother in law John Romano.

Sis Maria Pippo on the loss of her niece in Italy.

Annual Children's Christmas Party



Annual Officers Christmas Party



We had many wonderful celebrations in December. Thank you to all who supported our wonderful events!

New Year's Eve Party



Events Calendar



March 21 - St. Joseph's Dinner

Contact: Bro. Umberto 914-907-8755 or
Sis. Annamaria 914-772-8718.

April 7 - I Beddi Sicilian Singers

Contact: Sis Rita Carolini 914-656-4095

May 26 - Scholarship Awards

Contact: Sis Rita Carolini 914-656-4095

July 19 - Italian Festival, Kensico Dam

Contact: Bro Mario Cermele 914-325-1239

July 25 - State Plenary at the Lodge

August 15 - Ferragosto

Contact: Bros Umberto Amato 914-907-8755
or Dominick D'Ambrosio at 914-948-2630

August 30 - Annual Picnic

Contact: Bros Charles Tota at 914-924-0347
or Nick Vaccarelli at 914-424-8345

September 12 - Entertainment Night

Contact: Sis Caroline Baviello at 914-760-4095

October 11 - Wreath Ceremony

Contact: Sis Rose Tassone 914-949-9472

October 18 - Columbus Dinner Dance

Contact: Sisters Rose Tassone at 914-949-9472
or Pamela Danza at 914-980-1055

October 24 - Halloween Party

Contact: Bro Pat Carolini at 914-260-6236

November 1 - Memorial Mass at OLMC

Contact: Sis Rita Cestone at 914-948-3608

Dec. 6 - Children's Christmas Party

Contact: Sis Camille Tarone at 914-946-5694

Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve Party

Contact: Sis Teresa Rivero at 914-997-7388

You're invited to our
**ST JOSEPH'S DAY
DINNER DANCE**
SATURDAY 3.21.2020



*Celebrate in the Italian
American tradition!*

Join your hosts Bro. Umberto Amato and Sis. Annamaria Forte as we honor Italy's patron saint. Price includes full buffet dinner with beer, wine and cold beverages and sfinge for dessert. Music by DJ Umberto.


MEMBERS \$40
NONMEMBERS \$45

RSVP with Bro. Umberto at (914) 907-8755 or
Sis. Annamaria at (914) 772-8718.



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The Annual Antonio Meucci Lodge #213 Scholarship application form is located on the next page for a child or grandchild of a lodge member and is due on May 1, 2020.

Contact Sis Rita Carolini for further information at 914-656-4095.

Application - Scholarship for member families & WPHS Seniors



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ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION FOR A CHILD OR GRANDCHILD OF A LODGE MEMBER AND WHITE PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS ONLY

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

1. Applicant must be a high school graduating senior.
2. Applicant must be of Italian descent.
3. Applicant must show proof that he/she has been accepted to a college or university on a full-time basis.
4. Applicant has studied a minimum of 3 years of the Italian language at his/her high school.
5. Applicant must have an overall average of 90 minimum and 90 in the study of the Italian language. If Italian is not offered, an average of 90 must be attained in another language.
6. Student must provide a complete package from the guidance department at his/her school which must include:
 - a. An official transcript
 - b. Student resume
 - c. Guidance counselor letter of recommendation
 - d. Two additional letters of recommendation from two teachers
 - e. College essay
7. Applicant will be required to be interviewed and approved by the Antonio Meucci Lodge Scholarship Committee.
8. Applicant must be a son, daughter or a grandchild of a member in good standing of the Antonio Meucci lodge.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Name of Parent/Grandparent (Lodge Member): _____

Phone Number: _____

Name of College/University you will be attending: _____

Anticipated Major: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date of Signature: _____

DUE DATE AND MAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Please return completed application by **MAY 1** to:

Mrs. Rita Maria Carolini, Chairperson
c/o Antonio Meucci Lodge #213
279 Maple Avenue
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The Avanti will be published 4 times a year. Please mark your calendar for the events you would like to attend so you don't miss out on our wonderful events throughout the year.