



2024 ITALIAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL AT THE KENSICO DAM

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Dear Business Owner,

On Sunday, July 21, we will host our **Annual Italian Heritage Festival and Scholarship Fundraiser** at the Kensico Dam in Valhalla. We would like to cordially invite you to participate as an event sponsor.

As the charitable arm of the Antonio Meucci Lodge #213, a long-time and respected White Plains-based fraternal organization, our group is especially pleased to host this event. The Festival is one of Westchester County's Cultural Heritage Celebrations and has taken place for over 25 years. Ours has proven to be one of the most popular of these celebrations, attracting thousands of visitors who come to enjoy the traditional food vendors, carnival rides, craft vendors and Italian ethnic entertainment.

But more importantly is what we have been able to accomplish as a result of the funds we raised. Thanks to sponsors like you, in addition to many local scholarships, we have been able to "spread the joy" of our Festival to many worthy organizations, including:

- **The Gift of Sight**, helping to buy and train seeing eye dogs for blind children
- **The Shepherd's Flock** in Mount Vernon, serving the Westchester and Bronx Communities
- **The Rosary Hill Hospice Center, The Cooley's Anemia Foundation and the American Cancer Society**
- **The ABLEities Foundation** in Yonkers, helping to support hearing impaired children
- **Wreaths Across America**, where we funded the placing of over 100 Christmas wreaths on veterans' graves
- **The White Plains Children Bureau**, where we bought 96 families Thanksgiving holiday dinner and over 100 winter coats
- **The White Plains Beautification Foundation**, with whom we maintain the beautiful traffic island garden near our Lodge
- **The White Plains Little League**, where last year we sponsored the Antonio Meucci Mets, and
- **Mount Carmel Church Parish** in White Plains, **Cooley's Anemia**, the **Italian Children's Village** and more.

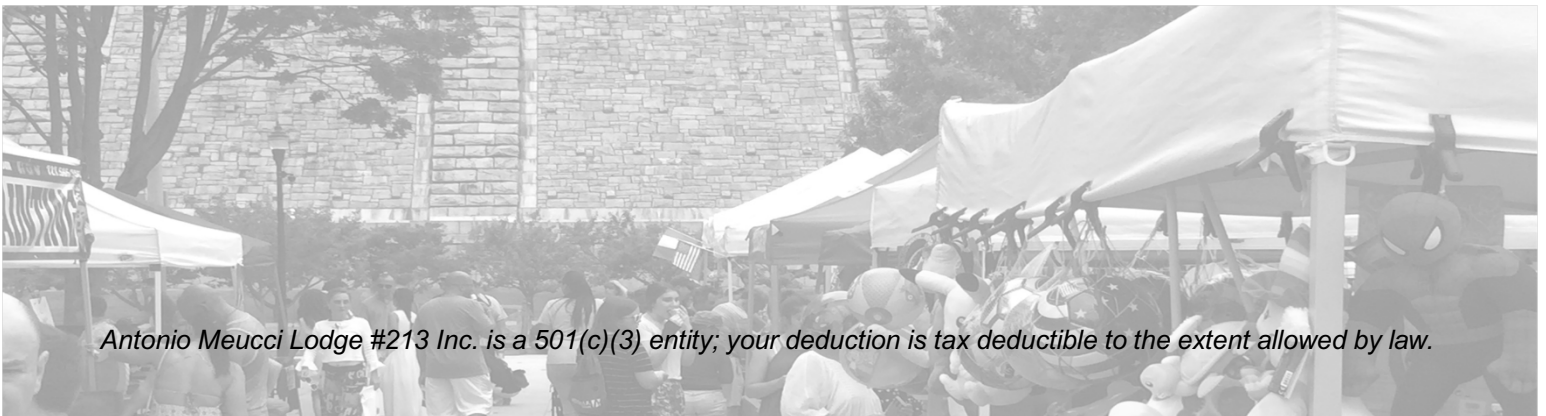
We really hope we can count on your support as a sponsor this year. For your convenience, we have attached our sponsorship opportunities information and would be happy to meet with you to discuss the possibilities. Antonio Meucci Lodge, Inc. is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3), all-volunteer organization and all monies go towards our charitable work. By participating in this community event, you help promote education through our scholarship program and help fund many other charitable endeavors such as the ones listed above.

Thank you so much for your time and attention to this matter. I will follow up with you shortly to answer any questions you may have.

Any level of participation is appreciated. We look forward to working with you and thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

Mario Cermele
 President
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