

**MARCH 2012**

**GOLF OUTING Sponsors Needed**

# VINCENT LINGUANTI LODGE #2212 NEWSLETTER

*"Liberty is our most precious prerogative. If we give it up for some temporary safety we will have neither liberty nor safety."*



## President's Message Brothers,

Surprisingly my first term as President of the Vincent Linguanti Lodge has come to pass. Now I begin my second term. I wish to thank

you for having the faith and confidence in re-electing me. Congratulations to our council members who will be continuing to serve. David Tampkin is our new trustee and Al Galan will serve as our treasurer.

Ralph Jeffrey has served our lodge for many years and is now stepping down. We look forward to his continued help and support. On behalf of the lodge - Ralph, thank you for all you have done over many years.

Our lodge held a winning number in the Grand Lodge 2012 calendar raffle. We received \$25.00.

The New York Grand Lodge is holding its annual convention at the Villa Roma Resort and Conference Center, Callicoon, NY on May 31 through June 3, 2012. Delegate registration forms are to be submitted by March 31<sup>st</sup>. Hotel reservation forms for those attending are due by May 4, 2012. Applications are available for nominating members for state office. They are to be submitted by May 7, 2012.

### \*\*\*Reminder of our up-coming events\*\*\*

Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, Night at the Races.  
Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing at Spook Rock Golf Course.

Volunteers and your support are needed!

Charlie Gardella, our immediate past president is feeling better and sounding stronger with each passing day. Let's keep him in our thoughts and prayers.

Brother Thomas V. LiPuma, President

**Our Lodge is named for TSgt Vincent S. Linguanti, USAAF, the first Italian American service member from Rockland County to be killed in WWII.**

**MONTHLY MEETING**  
**Monday March 26<sup>th</sup> 7:30PM**  
**Tagaste Monastery**

## NITE AT THE RACES

*Linguanti Style*

We're doing it AGAIN!

**Friday Apr 27<sup>th</sup> at Tagaste Hall**

**DOORS Open 6:00 PM**

**FOOD Served 6:30 PM**

**RACES Start 7:00 PM**

**Admission \$8**

## Installation of Officers

**Monday March 26<sup>th</sup> 7:30PM**

**Tagaste Monastery**

**Light meal of Sandwiches, salads and  
desert will be served at 7:30 PM**

## Linguanti Lodge GOLF OUTING

**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Frank Longabucco Memorial Golf  
Outing at Spook Rock GC Tuesday May 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Call Ernie Bosco 845-357-8777**

**\$150/Golfer for Golf & Cart, Lunch & Dinner**

**Lunch 11:30AM GOLF 1:00 PM Dinner Follows**  
A GOLF sponsor sheet is enclosed. Use them to get Sponsors for the Tees and Greens. We need sponsors to make this event a success. It is one of our major fundraisers.

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### HEALTH AND WELFARE

Brother Charlie Gardella had Quadruple Bypass surgery and is recovering, now rehabbing at home. Give him a call, 845-634-9381. Your prayers continue to be requested for Brother Vinny Dima.

### MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL

Please call President Tom LiPuma at **634-3282** if you know of a brother who is sick or hospitalized.

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### LINGUANTI LODGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**Applications MUST be in by April 15<sup>th</sup> to Bro Al Galan.**

CHILDREN or GRANDCHILDREN **MUST** have an 85% grade point average for 3 years **OR SAT COMBINED** Critical Reading & Math scores of 1100 **OR ACT** score of 24 **AND** will start college in 2012.

**Bro Al Galan, 60 Gerardine Place, New City, NY 10956 ANY QUESTIONS 845-356-7495**

### Lodge Notes:

Our web pages on the NY Grand Lodge website are ready. The 2212 Web page went live Feb 1<sup>st</sup>. We are adding information. If you have any ideas of what should be there please contact Bro Geo Persico. SEE it at <http://www.nysosia.org/lodge.asp?LodgeNumber=2212>

### More Lodge Notes:

Don't miss Brother Dick Monaco's article in Culture Corner Page 4

### NEED More Calendar Tickets?

**CALL Charlie Gardella 845-634-9381**  
**TWO MONTH Calendar Card Fundraiser, April & May. Over \$3500 in prizes. SEE PAGE 3**

### Next Council Meeting

**Monday April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30PM**

### VOSIAL ASSOCIATES

VOSIAL Associates is accepting nominations for the open position on the Board of Directors. Inform John Pelletiere or Florio Campi of your desire to be on the Board. A vote, if necessary, will be held in April.

**USED WINE BOTTLE CORKS still needed. If you have any please give them to Bro George Persico.**



### Mark Your Calendar

#### Upcoming Events

**Fri Apr 27 Nite at the Races Linguanti Style**  
**6PM Doors open 6:30 Food served Races 7PM**

**Tues May 15 Linguanti Lodge Golf Outing**

**Sun May 20 Lodge Memorial Mass @Tagaste**  
**9AM Breakfast follows--\$10/p for extra guests**

**Mon Jun 4 Lodge Scholarship Night**  
**8PM Tagaste**



### April Birthdays

- 2nd Laura Casper
- 2nd Frank Stillo
- 4th John Arrigo
- 6th Camille LiPuma
- 6th Bill Maiuzzo
- 10th Ann Secreti
- 10th Thomas Facelle
- 11th Jerry LeBlanc
- 13th Frances Duarte
- 14th JoAnn Vero
- 14th Carmine Riccardi
- 16th George Persico
- 17th Ben DeVivo
- 17th John D'Angelo
- 19th Paul Kezmarsky
- 20th Robert Rosenblum
- 23rd Katherine Gregory
- 25th Susanne Gregory
- 27th Connie D'Angelo
- 27th John Giella

We wish them all *Salute a cent'anno.*



### April Anniversaries

- 4/29/1950 **Angelica & Frank Calfa 62 Yrs**
- 4/12/1959 Vera & William Tirabasso
- 4/04/1964 Antoinette & Nick LaBruna
- 4/05/1964 Elaine & Sam Varano
- 4/05/1964 Camille & Thomas LiPuma
- 4/15/1972 Vivienne & Joseph Caruso 40th**
- 4/29/1972 Mary & Charles Gardella 40th**
- 4/22/2004 Marie & Joseph Costanzo
- 4/11/1964 Lucy & Joseph Consiglio

**Is your Birthday or Anniversary missing?**

See Bro Sam D'Urso or call him at 845-369-0766

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**RACES Start 7:00 PM Admission \$8**

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## ***EASTER COOKIES***

Serves: 5-6

### ***Ingredients:***

1 cup sugar	16 tablespoons butter
6 eggs	2 teaspoons anise extract
6 cups flour	6 teaspoons baking powder
6 eggs, uncooked, dyed	

### ***DIRECTIONS:***

Combine first 2 ingredients until light and fluffy. Add eggs one at a time and mix thoroughly after each. Add the extract, mix thoroughly. Whip flour and baking powder. Add enough flour mixture to make workable dough. Take a small amount of dough, roll into a ball, and flatten it to make a 4-inch diameter round onto baking sheet. Place an egg in the center, rollout "rope" 1/4 inch diameter dough and cut 2 pieces, long enough to crisscross over the egg and seal the edges to the round. Repeat until dough is used up and bake at 350 degrees for 20-25 minutes or until golden brown.



### ***CHEF'S NOTE***

This is a traditional treat brought over from Italy, which is made for the celebration of Easter. I have fond memories of my mother making this each year. I don't know how to describe this tasty treat. It's not a cake nor is it a cookie. It's somewhere in between. All I know is that I like it, it's delicious and I enjoy it very much. Please feel free to alter this recipe in any way. For instance, some people prefer almond flavoring instead anise.



### ***EGG COOKIES FOR EASTER***

## ***CALENDAR FUNDRAISER IMPROVEMENTS***

- Card is for **TWO** months, April & May 2012
- **Guaranteed winner for each day**
- Donation is \$10 per ticket which covers BOTH April & May
- All sold tickets are placed in drum. Winning ticket is drawn for each day.
- Each winner receives a check for amount shown on the card for that day.
- Ticket Holders just before and just after each winning ticket drawn will each receive \$10.
- **Each winning ticket is returned to the drum before the next drawing.**

For example, ticket # 1012 is drawn for Sunday, April 29th. Ticket #1012 wins \$100. The holders of tickets #1011 and #1013 each receive \$10.

***ALL CALENDAR FUNDRAISER  
TICKETS SHOULD BE IN BY THE  
MARCH MEETING. (THIS MEETING)  
DRAWINGS BEGIN APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>.***



***WE NEED GOLF SPONSORS AND  
GOLFERS!!***

***CALL BRO ERNIE BOSCO IF YOU HAVE ANY  
ON 845-357-8777***

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### Culture Corner Pasqua

Pasqua, (Easter) is unquestionably Italy's most revered holiday. It is celebrated with many different traditions and customs. Italian- Americans are the benefactors of these traditions and customs. They were brought to our shores by our parents and grandparents. Many, but not all of the traditional foods and rituals that we enjoy, are the same as those of our brethren across the ocean. However, to assume that the foods and customs related to Pasqua are the same in all of Italy would be far from correct. Italian cuisine is noted for its regional diversity and abundance of differences in tastes. Dishes and recipes were often the creation of grandmothers rather than chefs. When my wife, my son and I visited relatives in Puglia at Easter time, we assumed that we would be enjoying the traditional roast leg of lamb as we always did in America. To our surprise, we were served a thick soup that consisted of a large quantity of eggs, forty in all, and small strips of lamb. Our cousin's wife who came from Northern Italy explained that it was the traditional Easter dish of her paese and was sure we would enjoy it. Needless to say, we did not like it but avoided una mal figuria and painfully swallowed every spoonful. We also declined a second helping with the excuse that we were stuffed. What was the necessity for so many eggs in the dish she prepared? The thought piqued my curiosity. I did some research and came up with the following; Tradition has it that our early Roman ancestors believed "omne vivum ex ovo", "all life comes from the egg." I now understand the importance of the eggs in the soup, the hard-boiled eggs in an antipasto, or any number of breads and desserts containing eggs at Easter time in Italy. Perhaps the most famous is the "Pane di Pasqua". This wreath-like circular bread contains 12 hard boiled eggs on its perimeter, signifying the 12 apostles of Christ, who brings us new life. During the Easter season almost every store window is decorated with chocolate Easter eggs, a sign that soon it will be Primavera.

In addition to foods, traditional customs also vary considerably from one region to another. For example, "Il Scoppio del Caro", (explosion of the cart) is celebrated in Florence. Following Mass the Archbishop sends a dove-shaped rocket into a beautifully decorated cart, igniting fireworks held in the cart. This is followed by a parade in medieval costumes. Enna in Sicily has a large procession on Good Friday, with more than 2,000 friars dressed in costumes, walking through the streets of the city. Bottom line, one can never be bored when visiting the land of our ancestors.

#### La Pasquetta

Although Easter is an important holiday in Italy, few of us know of the Monday following Easter, "La Pasquetta", sometimes called "Lunedì in Albus", "Monday in White."

The Romans have a saying, "Natale e Pasqua con i tuoi. La Pasquetta con chi vuoi." Translated, this means "Christmas and Easter with family, Little Easter or Pasquetta with whom you please". For the most part, Americans celebrate Easter on one day, and then the next day, its business as usual. Not so for our brothers and sisters in Italy. For them, Pasqua is very much a two day celebration. On the Monday following Easter, Italians head for parks, beaches, vineyards and fields for picnics to herald the coming of spring. My wife, my son and I were introduced to Pasquetta the Monday after the "soup dilemma." This time, however, we were treated to a picnic feast of major proportions at the relatives' country home. There was much eating, singing, dancing, good-natured teasing, football playing or soccer as we call it. It was our first encounter with this very beautiful tradition. Several years after our first Pasquetta experience we were invited to another relative's home for the holiday. To our dismay, it took us three hours to get to a town that one could normally get to in just forty-five minutes. A word of advice; If you ever find yourself in Italy on Pasquetta, head for the local parks, vineyards or beaches and not the open road. Italy becomes one big parking lot on "Lunedì in Albus". You may never get to your destination and may end up having your picnic on the side of a road.

Buona Pasqua con i tuoi!



Brother Dick Monaco, Associate Editor

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