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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER Geneva Lodge 2397 OSDIA 31 Prospect Ave Geneva, NY 14456 315-781-2242 osia2397@gmail.com

Well wishes to all members who may be in ill health. We wish for you a fast recovery, a smiling face, and a healthy life. May you be bestowed with faith, patience and hope to GET WELL SOON.

President's Message

Dear Brothers, Sisters, and Friends,

In the beginning of June, six members represented our lodge as delegates at the 115th New York State OSDIA convention in Albany. It was a wonderful event attended by over 300 delegates representing the lodges of New York State. For those ethree days we attended meetings, conducted business and acknowledged honorees all while making new friendships and renewing old ones. Together we mourned our late President. Michele Mentz. and honored her too. The meals were delicious, the parties were fun, the music was entertaining and we welcomed our new NYS

President, Biagio Isgro. Jocelyn Cinamella received the "Community Outreach Award" This was for the "Kids Christmas Party" she chaired with an amazing committee in December 2022.

The highlight for our lodge was the "2023 Literary Award" presented to Michael Joseph Cutillo. It was so inspirational to see someone we know receive such a prestigious honor. We all enjoyed spending a couple days with Mike and his wife Jan. With over 40 years of experience in journalism Mike was executive editor of the Finger Lakes Times and now is the publisher. Mike served our lodge in many positions besides being 3 times our



president. Congratulations Mike on your much deserved award. I hope you know how respected and loved you are by your brothers and sisters of the Geneva Lodge #2397.

Respectfully, Palma Fratto -Evans 315-2545527

From the President's Desk

I thank Tammy Brockway and her committee for the tremendously successful "Kids Bingo" experience. Children under 18 years of age can no longer learn BINGO at the knee of their grandmother anymore (as so many of us and those before us have). It is considered illegal gambling. Tammy and friends

provided a fun experience for about 80 parents and children. Each child won 2 or more prizes, ate pizza & snacks, drank lemonade, and enthusiastically participated. Adults paid a \$5.00 entry fee (to defray the cost) and children were free. Tammy collected (and bought) prizes for several

months prior to the event and accepted donations. I thank all who contributed prizes, food, drink, and time to this occasion. Leeanne Drooby eagerly signed up 4 new members that day. We look forward to offering another one at Halloween time. Cont... Page 2 La Gazetta July / Luglio2023

Quick Shots—Queen Of Hearts



The weekly Queen of Hearts drawing jackpot is to climb over \$2,423 when we draw again on Wednesday, July 5 during half time at Bingo . Everyone is eligible to enter the weekly drawing. You can get tickets at our bar during the week or during our weekly Sunday bingo games. There are only 31 cards left to choose from so the odds get better. each week that the Queen isn't drawn. Tickets are \$1.00 each



Bar 50/50

Members stop in for a drink and sign the bar book weekly and enter your \$1.00 for your chance to WIN!

Congratulations June's weekly winners! The 50/50 is over \$300.00

Free Drink Winners 50 / 50 Pot

Phyllis Lowrey Tammy Brockway AWOL

Beth Clark Bryan Gillotte AWOL

Dan Pufknocker Paula Maqurie AWOL

Kevin Trickler Len Dimon AWOL

From The President's Desk



At this year's convention, our delegates voted to donate from our Lodge to the following 4 organizations. I've included a brief description of each.

Cooley's Anemia/Thalassemia: A blood disorder passed down (inherited) through families in which the body makes an abnormal form or inadequate amount of hemoglobin. Hemoglobin is the protein in red blood cells that carries oxygen. The disorder results in large numbers of red blood cells being destroyed, which leads to anemia. Thalassemia is diagnosed in early childhood and is a lifelong condition that affects both males and females. It is commonly found in people of Mediterranean ancestry, such as Italians, Greeks, and Turks.

Veterans Foundation's mission: To serve and aid disabled and at-risk veterans coming home from conflicts with crisis management information and referral needs to all U.S. Veterans and their families.

Garibaldi Meucci Museum: Formerly known as the **Garibaldi Memorial**, is a <u>circa</u> 1840 <u>Gothic Revival</u> cottage in the <u>Rosebank</u> section of <u>Staten Island</u>, <u>New York</u>. It was home to inventor and candlemaker <u>Antonio Meucci</u> (1808–1889). The Italian revolutionary and political leader <u>Giuseppe Garibaldi</u> (1807–1882) lived there from 1851 to 1853.NYS OSDIA.

Autism Speaks: A non-profit autism awareness organization and the largest autism research organization in the United States. It sponsors autism research and conducts awareness and outreach activities aimed at families, governments, and the public.

Please get on board with the "Festival" in August. Attend the last planning meeting. It is at 6:00 pm prior to the assembly meeting on July 27th. Call the office and sign up to work. Donate homemade baked goods for the cake booth. We also need homemade **ITALIAN COOKIES** to sell. I need your help!!!!

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Italian Festival

Hotdogs Hamburgers Salt Potato's Sausage, onions, & peppers Eggplant Pizza

Fried Dough
Snow Cones
Giblets
Greens & Beans

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Cake Booth
Cookie Booth
Kids Games
Basket Raffle



Music August 11













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Upcoming Lodge Events

BINGO - Every Wednesday @ 6:30 pm.

We are on the Web. www.osdia2397.org

Geneva Lodge 2397 - Officers President - Palma Fratto-Evans

Vice President - Pete Gillotte

July 1	Yard Sale	8:00AM –	IPP - Tony DiCostanzo	Trustees	
5 ,		12:00PM	Orator - Pam DiCostanzo	Steve Venuti	
July 4	4th of July Picnic	3:00PM	Rec. Sec Michele Neary	Phyllis Lowrey	
		5 00 PM 5 1 4 00 PM 5	Fin. Sec Sharon Geraci	Joe Ponzi	
July 7	Happy Hour & a Half	5:00PM -6:30PM	Treasurer - Len Dimon	Kevin Trickler	
July 13	Council Meeting	7:00PM	Masters of	Teresa Cupelli	
July 14	Happy Hour & a Half	5:00PM -6:30PM	Ceremony - Marie Bruno	Jocelyn Cinamella	
July 21	Happy Hour & a Half	5:00PM -6:30PM	- Dave Cook	Ramona Constantine	
	117		Sentinel - Ann Osborne	Patricia Wilson	
July 23	Scholarship Picnic	5:30PM -8:30PM	State Deputy to Geneva Lodge - Jeremy DiFilippo		
July 27	Light Dinner before Assembly Meeting	6:00PM	District VIII State Trustee - Vincent Giannantonio		
July 27 July 28	Assembly Meeting Happy Hour & a Half	7:00PM 5:00PM -6:30PM	Al Liberio † Tony Did Beverly Gregoria † Ramona' John Greco † Phyllis L Joan D'Amico † Phyllis L Joan D'Amico † Mary Jan Vincentina Salone Mike Cut Joe Perry † Dan Che Joe Perry † Carol Pr Olga Pacil † Jill Kaim Jeff Melito † Larry Ca Humbert "Ham" Riccione † Robert T Adeline Moracco † Cindy Dr Joseph "Jocko" Petrus + Sam Coss	Gloria Ciancaglini Tony DiCostanzo Ramona Constantine Salvano "Sully" Ciancaglini Phyllis Lowrey Mary Jane Melito Mike Cutillo Dan Chelenza Carol Prete † Jill Kaim-Sutton Larry Cassell Jamie Kaim, Jr. Robert Taddario Cindy Durso-Woodhams Sam Cosentino Palma Fratto-Evans	

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