# THE ITALIAN CONNECTION-SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER, 2014 NEWSLETTER DOWNRIVER ITALIAN-AMERICAN CLUB®

646 BIDDLE AVENUE, WYANDOTTE, MI 48192 734-285-4044 WEBSITE: DIAC.US IMPORTANT DATES: Board Meeting SEPT. 9 @ 7 PM OCT. 14 @ 7 PM General Meeting SEPT. 28 @ 6:30 PM OCT. 26 @ 6:30 PM

## 2014 CLUB OFFICERS

President Charles Lupo, Vice President Florence Coleman, Recording/Secretary Paula Rice, Treasurer Leslie Lupo, Assist. Treasurer George Levine, Inside Guard Rose Pagano, Outside Gd. D. Vitale, Guide Grace Pizzo, Legal Consultant John Graziani.

TRUSTEE:James Bademian, Mark Grazioli, Sadie Kusic, Vivian Palazzolo, Alice and Dennis Patton, Alfonso Stralle, Leona Vizzini.

HALL: Pres. Nino Trupiano, Vice Pres. A. Pietrangelo, Treas. Mary Cottone, Secretary Rocky Kaune, Directors Tony Lumia and Sam Randazzo

#### SUMMER RECAP

I would like to thank everyone who came to the Parade on July 4th, we were about 50 people. A big thanks to: Mary Cottone, Tony Lumia, Joe Gimmmalva and Joe Alastra for the use of his truck and trailer. Thanks to all our members and those from the Santa Rosalia Club for joining us at this very special holiday.

Our Annual picnic was a tremendous success due to a great committee; thanks to Grace and Sam Pizzo, Tony and Miriam Lumia, Alice and Dennis Patton and Sam and Darlene Randazzo. Everyone enjoyed a delicious meal.

August 7th 40 club members enjoyed a beautiful day on the Diamond Jack. The boat headed south by Grosse IIe and Boblo Island.

## From the President

**Dear Club Members:** 



After a two month summer break, we are returning to our normal schedule. I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful summer season. Our Spaghetti Days have been very successful and we look forward to a few more events this season.

The Special General Membership Meeting on August 17th was a momentous occasion. I called this meeting to ask the General Membership's support in the selling of our property to Silver Shores (our caterer). We had 91 members in attendance and an overwhelming number (87) voted to approve the sale. Currently our transition team is working closely with our buyer to coordinate all the necessary documents and procure the use of the hall for our meetings, etc. As stated at the meeting, the vote was just for the sale of our property, our club will continue to operate as a social club. The Downriver Italian American Club has been in existence since 1971 and with your continued support, we plan to continue for many more years.

As of this date (8/27/14) we have met with our attorney to prepare the necessary documents for the sale of the property, we anticipate closure by 10/14 (subject to change). We have also conducted a complete inventory of hall assets.

I want to thank each and every member for your membership and support in past and future endeavors. As we progress to being a social club I look forward to many more memorable times.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT- Ciao, Ciro (Charles) Lupo

SICK AND GOODWILL - CATHERINE MANNINO IS HOSPITALIZED AND MARGARET PASSALACQUA IS IN A NURSING HOME

ELECTION NOMINATION COMMITTEE: At the September General Membership Meeting we will hold nominations for the 2015-2016 Officers. If you would like to serve on this Committee, please attend this meeting.

SAVE THE DATE: NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY – A LEGENDS LIVE DINNER SHOW – DETAILS AVAILABLE SOON.....

<u>WELCOME</u> new members – Dawn and Kyle Dodge of Wyandotte, Michigan.

## **LIST OF 2014 EVENTS:**

September Pasta	9/17
October Pasta	10/15
Arts and Crafts Show	11/2
Memorial Mass	11/9
Members Christmas Party	12/13
New Years Eve Legends Live	12/31

<u>THANK YOU</u>: Delicious desserts were made by Mary Cottone, Elisa Norscia, Miriam Lumia and Leslie Lupo. Due to a price increase at Jet's Pizza we tried Happy's Pizza (in Southgate).

## 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY AND BOAT RIDE PHOTOS:





### 2014 SPAGHETTI TIME

Our Spaghetti Lunch/Dinners have been very successful and we have two more to complete our schedule. I commend all the wonderful clubmember volunteers who work diligently at setting up for our Spaghetti Dinners and working on the day of the event. We could not continue with this excellent fundraiser without all those talented hard workers. If you have time, volunteers are needed to make meatballs, sauce and prepare our silverware and carry out products on the Tuesday (9 AM) before each Spaghetti Wednesday. Then on Spaghetti Day we need help for the lunch and dinner crowd. Remember if you cannot volunteer, why not bring your friends and family to enjoy a delicious Spaghetti meal.





