



# The Downriver Italian-American Club®

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## \*\* IMPORTANT DATES \*\*

## May 2007 NEWSLETTER

Board of Directors Meeting..... Tuesday, May 8, 2007, 7:00 p.m.  
General Membership Meeting ..... Sunday, May 27, 2007, 6:30 p.m.



## Happy Mother's Day - Sunday, May 13, 2007

### A Message from our Club President



As I am writing this article, its late April and it's seventy degrees outside. It makes me wonder why I am inside working at the computer? Oh well, with the good weather coming there is plenty of time for yard work.

The Hall sponsored **Lenten Fish Buffets** with attendance exceeding 100 people and the

**Easter Buffet** with over 300 people, were a success. Thanks to all the Club members that worked and attended these functions. The Hall (Business) Treasury balance at the end of March was very low and we do need your help in getting bookings. To date there has not been any referrals by Club members for a Friday or Saturday rental. The women's bathroom floor in the Menna Room needs replacement. We have a quote of \$3,122 for a whole new floor. We are also looking at a partial repair.

The Wyandotte Hockey Spaghetti Dinner Fund Raiser in March was poor. We only had 159 people, it was not supported by the Hockey league or the members. We basically broke even. Thanks to the many Club members that helped. Our regular Spaghetti Dinners started in April. We had 540 people (507 in 2006), which means we are off to a good start.

We will be adding advertising to our Newsletter to help defray the cost of printing. This is an opportunity for members that provide services like concrete work, home repairs, electrical and plumbing, landscaping etc. To solicit our Club Members. Ads will be \$20 to \$30 per month depending on size. Contact Frank Giannotti.

The 4th annual **Taste of Italy** will be held on Wednesday May 9, 2007. Seating will be limited to 240 people. Get your tickets (\$35) from **Tony Lumia** early so you won't be left out. Proceeds go to the Penrickton School for the Blind. To date we have donated \$8,800.

Other upcoming Club activities include: Mother's Day May 13, 2007 and the Golf Outing on Saturday August 11, 2007 at Westburn Golf Course.

The Club Board passed a motion to allow members that dropped out in 2005 and 2006 to rejoin without an initiation fee, their membership will start in 2007. If you know of someone that is interested have them contact **Frank Giannotti**. Quite a few members have already rejoined. This incentive will expire on June 1, 2007.

Included with this newsletter is a Membership Survey. If you get a chance, fill it out and return it. We welcome any suggestions for how to improve either the business or the Club.

Mark S. Grazioli, Club President

### Mother's Day Buffet - Sunday, May 13

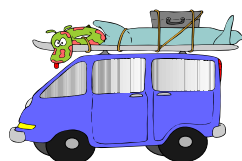


There will be a Mother's Day Dinner Buffet on **Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13, 2007** between the hours of 12:00 noon and 5:00 p.m. at the Downriver Italian-American Hall. See the attached flyer for the meal selection. Advanced tickets are: \$17.00 per Adult, \$16.00 for Seniors, and \$8.00 for Children between 4 and 10 years of age. Tickets purchased at the door are \$1.00 more. See the attached flyer for further information. It is suggested you call early and make your reservation. Last reservation is at 4:00 pm.

This event is open to the general public. Advise your family, friends and neighbors. There is no need to spend waiting in long lines at restaurants, when you can be accommodated immediately at the Hall. Your seating time will be based on a schedule to avoid over-crowding. Make your reservations early.

For further information and ticket sales, please contact **Diana Holmes** at the Hall (734)285-4044.

### Bus Trips on the Horizon



The following trips are being planned:

**Windsor Racetrack Slots, Windsor, Ontario: May 23, 2007.**

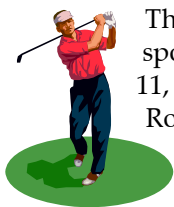
Bus departs at 11:30 am. Returns at 6:30 pm. Cost: \$10.00 per person - includes incentives.

**All That Glitters in Detroit: Greektown Casino, and Diamond Jack's Riverboat Cruise:** July 26, 2007. Bus departs at 9:15 am. Returns at 6:15 pm. Cost: \$45.00 per person - includes incentives.

**Point Edward Charity Casino, Sarnia Ontario:** August 22, 2007. Bus departs at 9:00 am. Returns at 5:30 pm. Cost: \$17.00 per person - includes incentives.

For further information on these events, please contact **Nancy DiPasquale at (734)282-1644.**

### DIAC Golf Outing – Aug. 11, 2007



The Young Members of the Club are sponsoring a Golf Outing on Sunday, August 11, 2007, at Westburn Golf Club in South Rockwood. It includes 18 holes of Golf, a Power Cart, Lunch prior to shotgun start, and Steak/Chicken Barbeque Dinner after the golf. It will be a team (4 Person) scramble with a shotgun start in the morning.

The cost is \$60 for members and \$65 for non-members.

We are also looking for companies to sponsor a hole. The cost is minimal. What a deal! See the attached flyer for more details.

If you want to golf, but do not have a foursome give us a call and we will fit you in with other golfers.

Deadline for reservation and payment is July 31<sup>st</sup>.

For further information, please contact:

**Gaetano (Guy) Vitale (734) 675-0169**

**Tony Lumia (313) 565-0671**

### Brooks A. Blackledge – Born Jan 26

**Jim and Stacie Blackledge**, proudly announce the birth of their son, **Brooks Anthony Blackledge**, who was born on Jan. 26, 2007. Brooks weighted in at 7 lbs – 14 oz. The grandparents are **Frank and Barbara Bianchi**. Congratulations to his aunt **Gina Bianchi**.

**Congratulations to the Bianchi and Blackledge families.**

### Congratulating New DIAC Members

**Giuseppe (Joe) Agrusa** of Southgate – sponsored by **Sal DiPasquale**.

**Andrea and Caterina Alastria** of Southgate – sponsored by **Sal DiPasquale**.

**Curt and Gina Cinglie** of Flat Rock – sponsored by **Vivian Martino**.

**Gaetano and Anna Crapanzano** of Taylor – sponsored by **Sal DiPasquale**.

**Gaetano (Tony) and Gina DiCarlo** of Southgate – sponsored by **Sal DiPasquale**.

**Salvatore and Marianna Curcuro** of Wyandotte – sponsored by **Sal DiPasquale**.

**Salvatore and Apollonia Lentini** of Flat Rock – sponsored by **Sal DiPasquale**.

**Gaspare and Mamie Misuraca** of Taylor – sponsored by **Sal DiPasquale**.

**Larry and Cathey Restaino** of Taylor – sponsored by **Gregory and Sandra Saucier**.

### Sick and Good Will



Belated Get Well Wishes to the following members who were ill or hospitalized: **Barbara Biundo, Phyllis Cottone, Delores DeJohn, Jim Morrin, Nancy McFaul, Piera Vitale and Roger Zampieri**. Get Well Wishes to all our members who are not feeling well. Please advice **Grace Pizzo (734)379-9491** of anyone who is ill.

Condolences to the family of **Angela Palazzolo** on the death of her husband, **Sam Palazzolo**, who passed away on April 21, 2007, at the age of 74. Sam was a past president of our Club.. Condolences to the family of **Fay Palazzolo, Nancy Marcantonio and Rosalie (Angelo) Giaimo**. May he rest in peace.

Condolences to **Maria Sclafani** on the death of her sister in Italy. May she rest in peace.

### Calendar of Coming Events

**July 4, 2007 ..... Wyandotte Independence Parade**  
Mary Cottone and Board.

**July 29, 2007 ..... Membership Annual Picnic.**  
Vivian and Mike Palazzolo.

**Oct. 12, 2007 ..... Fall Wine Dance**  
Fay Palazzolo, Grace Pizzo.

**Dec. 14, 2007 ..... Adult Member Xmas Party**  
Sadie Kusic, Leona Vizzini.

**Dec. 16, 2007 ..... Children Xmas Party**  
Rosalie (Vitale) Karawan.

**Dec. 31, 2007 ..... New Years Eve Party**  
DIA Hall Board.

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Forward your comments, corrections and items of interest to:

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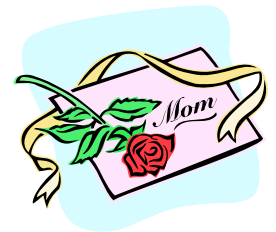
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# Sunday May 13, 2007

Call Now for Your Reservations (734) 285-4044

Cash Bar Available



## Public Welcome – Bring Your Family and Friends



# Downriver Italian-American Club

Presents the Second Annual:

## 2007 DIAC Golf Outing "Get into the Swing of Things" Golf Scramble



**Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

### Westburn Golf Club

5617 S. Huron River Drive

South Rockwood, MI

(Located between Telegraph & I-75, Exit 26)

**Registration and Lunch: 12:30-1:30 pm**

**Shotgun Start: 1:30 pm**

**Dinner & Awards immediately following**



#### Includes:

18 holes of golf

Powered golf cart

Lunch prior to shotgun start

Steak/Chicken Barbeque Dinner

Contests, raffles and prizes!



**Cost: \$60 per member & \$65 per non-member**

Reservations with payment only, due: July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2007

Four-some groups preferred.

**Sign Sponsorship:** Have your company sign advertised at a tee box for only \$50.

(Non-members will receive member's cost for golf with a sign sponsorship)

For more information, contact: Gaetano Vitale – (734) 675-0169

Tony Lumia – (313)565-0671

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I (We) will be attending the **DIAC Golf Scramble on Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

This ticket and payment must be received no later than July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2007.

Team Members (Player1 to be main contact)	Steak or Chicken?	Phone Number	Payment Enclosed?
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

**Sign Sponsorship** – Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: **Downriver Italian-American Club.** Total Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mail form and check to: Gaetano Vitale ♣ 23765 Joey Drive ♣ Brownstown, MI 48137-9320