



38th Year, 1971-2009

The Downriver Italian-American Club®

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** IMPORTANT DATES **

April 2009 NEWSLETTER

Board of Directors Meeting..... Monday, April 13, 2009, 7:00 p.m.
General Membership Meeting Sunday, April 26, 2009, 6:30 p.m.



First Pasta Event - Wed. April 15, 2009!

Board Meeting Date Change

The April Club Board meeting has been rescheduled to **Monday, April 13, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.** This change was necessary to avoid a conflict with the April Pasta Event preparation. Jot this change on your calendar and remind your fellow Board Members.

A Message from the Club President



April showers bring May flowers. Spring is the season to celebrate a fresh start. In April, we should start seeing warmer weather and lots of sunlight. In the spirit of celebrating Easter this month, I want to wish our membership and their families a Joyous Easter- Buona Pasqua a voi tutti. Please share your Easter experiences with your children and

grandchildren. Show them how to prepare the food and desserts your parents taught you. Share a great recipe with them, do it together. Pass-on to them your family values and traditions for the coming generations.

The **Soup and Salad luncheons** were a success. Many members did an excellent job in the preparation and with the serving. It was a great introduction to the coming Pasta events. Many thanks for **Mary Cottone** for her lead in making this event a reality.

The **St. Joseph Day Celebration** was a success with over 225+ people in attendance. Thanks to the chairpersons, **Florence Coleman, Nancy Cosentino, Grace Pizzo and Sal DiPasquale**, and the many helpers who cooked, prepared the altar and served the food. The profits raised will go needy charitable organizations.

In April we have two **Lenten Fish Fry** events, along with the **Easter Brunch**. Please come and enjoy the great food that will be served. Bring your family and friends.

April also starts the beginning of our **Pasta Events**, which starts on April 15th and runs thru October. The event is on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. We hope to see the membership helping out, like in the past. If you cannot help, then come and invite your friends to enjoy our

freshly made sauce and meatballs, along with sausage. These monthly events are open to the public.

We will be voting on the Club By-Laws changes at the April 26th membership meeting. Attached with this newsletter are the proposed changes. **Mark Grazioli** took the lead in preparing these changes. The changes are needed to make the club viable in the coming years, while riding through these poor economic times. Please attend and participate in the voting.

We hope this newsletter finds all of you in good health.

Frank Giannotti, Club President

Voting on Club By-Laws Changes

The Club Constitution and By-Laws are being revised to reflect changes needed since the last revisions in 1999. Attached with this newsletter are the changes. A presentation and a discussion session was held at the March 22, 2009 membership meeting. The membership will be voting on the changes at the April 26, 2009 membership meeting. Two-thirds of the membership present is needed to pass the changes. Also, due to the weight limitation of a first class stamp, I could not send your dues receipt with this newsletter - will be mailing these items with the next newsletter.

Jeanne's Easter Brunch -April 12, 2009



There will be an **Easter Brunch** on **Easter Day, Sunday, April 12, 2009** between the hours of 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM, at the Downriver Italian-American Hall. Cost: Adults \$15.00 in advance and \$16.00 at the door. Seniors (62+) \$14.00 in advance and \$15.00 at the door. Children: (Ages 4-10) \$8.00 in advance, \$9.00 at the door.

This event is open to the public. Advise your friends and neighbors. There is no need to spend time waiting in lines at restaurants when you can be accommodated immediately at our Hall. Make your reservations early.

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

1st Pasta Event - April 15, 2009



The Pasta luncheon and dinners for 2009 will once again be starting on **Wednesday April 15, 2009**. The dinners are on the third (3rd) Wednesday of the month through October. Last year 112 members worked at least one time either Tuesday, when we prepare the sauce and pasta or Wednesday, when we serve the public. On Wednesday, lunch is from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and dinner is from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The price for the lunch and dinner are the same as last year. We have raised the price for sausage, meatballs and sauce to reflect our rising cost.

Many retirees have asked to work just the lunch. Several members who are still working have asked to just work the dinner. If you have not signed up, you can call **Mark Grazioli** at (734)671-5884 or just come down. If you have any ideas on how to improve the parking situation, please give me a call. New faces are always welcome. Those of you who have helped in the past are greatly needed.

If you cannot work, another way to support our Spaghetti Dinners is to come yourself or as many of you do bring some friends.

Mark Grazioli - Chairman

Spring Dawning

*It is Spring – another day is dawning
The sky lightens to a paler blue,
And after the long, dark night,
A brighter world comes into view.*

*There is hope in the newness of morning
And faith at the start of a new day
In an old world that challenges us
To make it better in some way.*

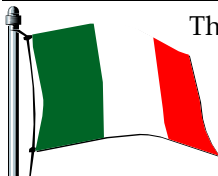
*We cannot tell just yet
If the day will bring sunshine or rain,
But each of us has the power
To not live life in vain*

*We are to love one another
And do all that we can
To make this world a better place
To fit our Creator's plan*

*So this new Spring day, let's vow
We truly live the part,
For even if the day brings rain,
We can keep sunshine in our heart!*

-- Starrlette L. Howard --

A Taste of Italy – May 6, 2009



The 6th annual **Taste of Italy** event will be held at the DIA Hall on **Wednesday, May 6, 2009**, serving begins at 6:00 p.m. The chairperson is **Tony Lumia**. The

event will feature sampling of Italian cuisines from various local businesses. The vendors will be providing their food specialties. The serving will be buffet style. See the flyer in this newsletter for further details. All proceeds to benefit the **Penrickton School for the Blind**.

For ticket sales, contact **Diana Holmes** at the DIA Hall (734)285-4044 or **Tony Lumia** (313)565-0671. This event is open to the public. Please attend and invite your friends.

DIAH Banquet Facility

If you have a relative, such as a niece, nephew, or grandchildren who are getting married and looking for a nice place to hold a party - we will give them the same discount price as a club member. The Hall is willing to work very close with them. The Club does need the business. **DIA Hall** is a beautiful banquet facility and provides long lasting memories for those special occasions.

For further information, please call **Diana Holmes** or **Mary Cottone** at (734) 285-4044. We would like to book your party and give us an opportunity to serve you.

Bus Trip on the Horizon



Point Edward Charity Casino – Wednesday, April 29, 2009 – Sarnia, Ontario Canada.

This is a one day event. Round Trip transportation provided via deluxe highway motor coach. Restroom equipped and reclining seats.

The cost is \$22.00 per person. Each passenger will receive a \$20.00 slot play.

The Bianco Bus will be departing at 10:30 am and returning at 7:00 pm.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENT:

Your tour will be taking you into Canada. All passengers are required to present proof of citizenship. The following forms are acceptable:

- 1 – Passport.
- 2 - Certified Birth Certificate (not a photocopy).
- 3 - Certificate of Naturalization or Certificate of Citizenship.

You should **ALSO** have a **valid driver's license** or **government I.D. card**. It is essential that you have on of these forms of proof. A passport is the best documentation. Resident Aliens need Alien Resident Card. Aliens need valid passport and Re-Entry Permit.

For reservation and further information, please contact **Nancy DiPasquale** at (734) 282-1644. Mail your check (made out to: **Bianco Tours**) to:

Nancy DiPasquale
13426 Mulberry
Southgate, MI 48195-2499.

A Message from Fay Palazzolo

Fay would like to thank **Theresa Herbert, MaryJane Grazioli** and **Sadie Kusic** for bringing dessert to the March membership meeting - all were very delicious.

Mary Caparaotta, Phyllis Gandol, Teresa LeSage and **Mimi Kerr** have volunteered to bring dessert to the April membership meeting. If you would like to bring a dessert, please contact **Fay Palazzolo** at (734) 282-0539.

Congratulating New DIAC Members

Please welcome the following new members who recently joined the DIAC membership:

Giuseppe (Joe) and Josie (Badalamenti) Vitale of Taylor. Sponsored by **Nino and Gianna Trupiano**.

Sick and Good Will



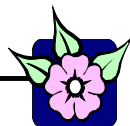
Best Wishes to our members who we have not seen in a long time. **Leo DeJohn** and **Florence Costa**. Florence is now living at the American House on Fort Street, near King Road, in Riverview. Get Well Wishes to all our members who are not feeling well. Please advise **Grace Pizzo** (734)379-9491 if anyone is ill or will be hospitalized soon.

Condolence to the family of **Giuseppe (Joe) and Maria Giammalva** on the death of Maria's sister-in-law, **Vincenza Maenza**, who passed away on February 15, 2009 at the age of 58. Condolence to the family of **Giorlando (Joe) and Rosalie Giammalva**.

Happy Anniversary - Felice Anniversario

We wish to extend our Best Wishes for many Happy and Healthy Years together, to our couples who will be

Phil and Sue Lupo (4/7)
Gino and Wynnith Martino (4/8) 20th
Anthony and Dora Mangiapane (4/12)
Augustino and Loni Iacopelli (4/14)
Giuseppe and Providence Evola (4/15)
Vito and Margaret Trupiano (4/15) 65th
John and Joan Cadarin (4/19)
Joseph and Rose Donofrio (4/19)
Sam and Fannie Randazzo (4/23)
Joseph and Nicolina Susin (4/23)
Bill and Pauline Barraco (4/24)
John and Anna Finazzo (4/24) 45th
Jim and Shirley Bommarito (4/28)
Vincenzo and Catherine Mannino (4/29) 59th
David and Leontina Webster (4/30) 21st



Happy Birthday - Buon Compleanno

We wish to extend our Congratulations and Best Wishes to our members who are celebrating their Birthday this month.

<i>Salvatore Curcuru (4/1)</i>	<i>Eugene Kling (4/13)</i>
<i>Rosina Martino (4/01)</i>	<i>Ignazio Biondo (4/16)</i>
<i>Paola Ventimiglia (4/3)</i>	<i>Vito Badalamente (4/17)</i>
<i>Angela Vassallo (4/5)</i>	<i>Phillip Lupo (4/20)</i>
<i>Linda Carrier (4/6)</i>	<i>Augustino Iacopelli (4/21)</i>
<i>Maria Giammalva (4/6)</i>	<i>Josephine Palazzolo (4/21)</i>
<i>Fannie Randazzo (4/7)</i>	<i>Abby Gustaf (4/22)</i>
<i>Nina Liberati (4/8)</i>	<i>Louise Myslitz (4/22)</i>
<i>Joseph Palazzolo (4/8)</i>	<i>Fred Marzano (4/23)</i>
<i>Grace Randazzo (4/8)</i>	<i>Gaetano DiCarlo (4/25)</i>
<i>Dora Agrusa (4/9)</i>	<i>Luisa Trupiano (4/25)</i>
<i>Matteo Agrusa (4/9)</i>	<i>Angela Palazzolo (4/26)</i>
<i>Mary Caparaotta (4/9)</i>	<i>Norman Tabaka Jr. (4/27)</i>
<i>Giuseppe LaFata (4/9)</i>	<i>Gina Cinglie (4/28)</i>
<i>Lina Frassetto (4/10)</i>	<i>Joyce Mitra (4/29)</i>
<i>Janice Labadie (4/11)</i>	<i>Maria Vitale (4/29)</i>
<i>Lia Giannotti (4/12)</i>	<i>Theresa Herbert (4/30)</i>
<i>John Parisi (4/12)</i>	<i>Joseph A. Pagano (4/30)</i>

10 Commandments of Love

- ❖ Put your spouse before your mother, your father, your son and your daughter; your mate is your lifelong companion.
- ❖ Don't abuse your body with excessive food, tobacco, drink or any foreign substance that goes in your arm or up your nose. Remember that cleanliness is a virtue.
- ❖ Willingly share all of your worldly good with your mate.
- ❖ Do not forget to say, "I love you." Your love may be constant, but your spouse needs to hear those words often.
- ❖ Remember the approval of your spouse is worth far more than the adoring glances of a hundred strangers; be true to him or her, and forsake all others.
- ❖ Permit neither your business nor your hobby to make you a stranger to your spouse. The most precious gift you can give is time.
- ❖ Keep your home in good repair because out of it comes the joys of old age.
- ❖ Forgive with grace, because who among us does not need to be forgiven?
- ❖ Honor the Lord, your God, every day and your children will grow up to bless you.
- ❖ Today, be a sweetheart. Call someone you love and say, "I love you." (Make two or three calls; who says you can't love more than one person.) Call someone

who is lonely and say, "I'm thinking of you." Better yet, say, "I'll be over to take you to lunch, run some errands for you or give you a ride.

- ❖ And visit a sick friend. Say a prayer. Donate blood. Adopt a pet. Will your eyes, kidneys, and all usable organs to someone who can use them after you're gone. Forgive an enemy. Hug your teen. Write a fan letter. Listen to a bore. Tell your parents you think they're wonderful. Quit smoking. Drive carefully...

Spring's In the Air

*Spring's in the air, the warm winds blow
and melt the last remaining snow.*

*Migrating birds are on the wing
and robins once more gaily sing
those melodies that please me so.*

*The streams have swelled and overflowed,
the fields are green where grasses grow
and my old heart is muttering -
"Spring's in the air."*

*Of all the pleasures that I know
there's none that sets me more aglow
than waning winter vanishing.
No longer do my doldrums cling.
I've felt the last of winter's woe.
Spring's in the air.*

~ Charles Roach ~

Poem submitted by Leona Vizzini

Thoughts on Aging

And, now that I've grown older (but have I grown up?), here's what I've found:

ONE: I started out with nothing. I still have most of it.

TWO: My wild oats have turned into prunes and All Bran.

THREE: I finally got my head together. But now my body is falling apart.

FOUR: If God wanted me to touch my toes, he would have put them on my knees.

FIVE: I spend a lot of time now thinking about the hereafter. I go somewhere to get something and then wonder what I'm there after.

SIX: If all is not lost, where is it?

SEVEN: It was easier to get older than it was to get wiser.

EIGHT: It's hard to make a comeback when you haven't been anywhere.

NINE: When I'm finally holding all the cards, why does everyone decide to play chess?

TEN: Some days you're the dog. Some days you're the hydrant.

ELEVEN: I don't remember ever being absent minded.

TWELVE: I can't remember whether or not I've already told this to you.

Wishing in our Old Age

A couple had been married for 25 years and also celebrated their 60th birthdays. During the celebration a fairy appeared and said that because they had been such a loving couple all those years, she would give them one wish each.

The wife wanted to travel around the world. The fairy waved her wand and boom! She had the tickets in her hand.

Next, it was the husband's turn. He paused for a moment, then said shyly, "Well, I'd like to have a woman 30 years younger than me."

The fairy picked up her wand and boom! He was 90.

A Senior Moment

Two elderly Wal-Mart greeters were sitting on a bench during break time. One turns to the other and says, "I'm 73 years old and I'm just full of aches and pains. I know that you're about my age. How do you feel?"

The other greeter says, "I feel just like a new born babe." Rather amazed, the co-worker repeats his statement back in the form of a question, "Really? A new born babe???"

"Yup. No teeth. No hair and I think I just wet my pants!"

Calendar of Coming Events

- Apr. 3, 10, 2009 .. Easter Lent Fish Fry.**
Jeanne Catering and DIA Hall Board.
- April 12, 2009 Easter Brunch.**
Jeanne Catering and DIA Hall Board.
- April 15, 2009 April Pasta Event.**
Pasta Committee + Club Membership.
- May 6, 2009 Taste of Italy.**
Tony Lumia.
- May 10, 2009 Mother's Day Luncheon.**
Jeanne's Catering and DIA Hall Board.
- July 4, 2009 Wyandotte Independence Day Parade.**
Mary Cottone and Friends.
- July 26, 2009 Annual Picnic Event.**
Mike/Vivian Palazzolo + Club Board.

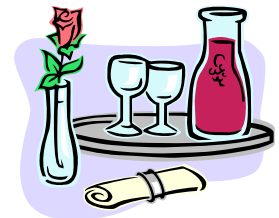
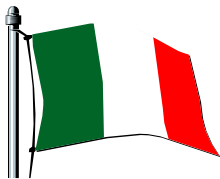
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"A TASTE OF ITALY"

Wednesday, May 6, 2009

DOWNRIVER ITALIAN-AMERICAN HALL

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Featuring a Sampling of Italian Cuisine From:

- * ANDIAMO'S DEARBORN
- * CONCESSI'S INT. MARKET
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- * SIBLEY GARDENS
- * CHEESECAKE MAGIC
- * FRANK'S RESTAURANT
- * JACK'S BAKERY
- * JOHNNY CARINO'S ITALIAN
- * PANERA BREAD
- * ROMAN VILLAGE RESTAURANT
- * THE FISH MARKET

A sampling of wines from DISCOUNT DRINKS of Wyandotte
And BELLA VINO WINERY of Wyandotte
Travel to Italy Information by AAA TRAVEL AGENCY



Serving at 6:00 p.m.

DONATIONS - \$ 35.00



ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE PENRICKTON SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

For more information and ticket sales - contact:

Diana Holmes- DIA HALL OFFICE - (734)285-4044 or

Tony Lumia - Chairperson - (313)565-0671

PUBLIC WELCOME - BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS



2009 Pasta Events

Choice of Spaghetti or Penne Pasta
Meatballs, Salad, Roll, Dessert, Coffee or Tea

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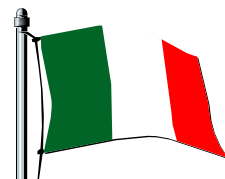
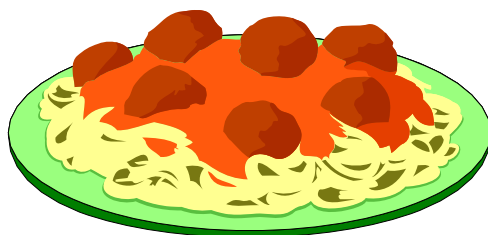
Wednesday, April 15, 2009	Wednesday, May 20 2009
Wednesday, June 17, 2009	Wednesday, July 15, 2009
Wednesday, August 19, 2009	Wednesday, September 16, 2009
Wednesday, October 21, 2009	3 rd Wednesday of each Month



Luncheon: 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Dinner: 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Adults: \$7.00 (Same Low Price as Last Year)
Children 10 & Under: \$4.00
Sausage addition for \$1.50



Delicious Meat Sauce and Meatballs Available for Take-Home

Enjoy a Delicious Italian Home Cooked Meal
Public Welcome – Advise and Bring Your Friends
We Deliver Carry-Outs Orders of 8 or More Meals
During the Luncheon Period Only.



Banquet Hall Available for Public Rental

Sections of Constitutions and By-Laws Changes. April 26, 2009
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CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE VI - IMPEACHMENT OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Impeachment proceedings, of any elected Officer, may be initiated by ~~any ten (10)~~ **members 10 percent of the membership** in good standing, who shall sign a petition, setting forth the specific acts or reasons for the impeachment of any elected officer of the group.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. One interested in becoming a member of the Club, may do so upon filing an application, sponsored by one regular member, with the ~~Financial/Corresponding Secretary,~~ **Membership Committee**, together with the attendant fees required, and in due course, within thirty (30) days from filing, and after proper investigation, a report thereof, with recommendations, shall be made by the membership committee to the General Membership for its acceptance. ~~New members and reinstated members, initiation fee shall be \$100.00, with annual dues of \$48.00 for a family couple and \$24.00 for a person who is single.~~ **An initiation fee, dues and/or assessments shall be such as are determined from time to time by the Club Board, and voted on by the members in good standing. The amounts and terms of said initiation fee, dues and/or assessments shall be contained in the minutes of the meeting prior to the increase and they shall prevail until otherwise changed.** A son or daughter of a member in good standing, **who wishes to apply for membership**, the initiation fee shall be ~~\$25.00~~ **one half (1/2) of that for a regular member.** Membership shall be limited to 600 members, **per the City of Wyandotte occupancy ordinance.**

Section 2.

- C. An **Honorary Member** is one who shall have attained twenty-five (25) continuous years in the Club in good standing. Such member, shall have all the rights enjoyed by a regular member. ~~but shall not be required, thereafter, to pay any dues.~~ **Dues and/or assessments shall be such as are determined from time to time by the Club Board, and voted on by the members in good standing. The amounts and terms of said dues and/or assessments shall be contained in the minutes of the meeting prior to the increase and they shall prevail until otherwise changed.**

Section 2F. (New)

- F. Whenever the term “Executive Committee” is mentioned in the By-Laws, it shall be understood to mean the Club Board.

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ARTICLE III - SEPARATION - RE-INSTATEMENT – VOLUNTARY WITHDRAWAL

Section 2. Any member in good standing may make application in writing to the President for voluntary withdrawal from the Club, setting forth the reason for such withdrawal. The President shall forward such correspondence to the Financial/Corresponding Secretary.

- A. ~~Such a member may be eligible for reinstatement, upon application, at any time within one (1) year from approval of his application for voluntary withdrawal. Thereafter, he must re-apply in accordance with Article I, Section 1, of the By Laws.~~ **Such member can apply for membership by meeting the requirement of ARTICLE 1 – MEMBERSHIP.**

ARTICLE IV - OFFICER STATUS

Any member in good standing shall be eligible for office in the Club. Being deemed an honor, the position of any officer shall be non-salaried. New officers ~~shall be installed during the month of December,~~ **are elected at the November election membership meeting** and their term of office shall start on January 1st. The Executive Committee, including only the President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and Financial/Corresponding Secretary, shall not be of the immediate family (husband, wife, children, brother and sisters).

ARTICLE IV

Section 1. (New)

- A. **A Club Board member shall not serve concurrently as a Board member of the DIAC Hall Board.**

ARTICLE V

Section 5

B. Treasurer

He or any other Officer shall not distribute any funds without prior approval of the President; Any extraordinary purchases or extraordinary obligations in excess of ~~five hundred (\$500.00)~~ **one thousand (\$1,000)** dollars shall be referred to the Executive Committee and members in good standing, for their approval prior to payment.

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ARTICLE VII - COMMITTEES

Section 4. Nominations and Election Committee

A Special Nominations and Election Committee, consisting of not less than three (3) or more than five (5) members, shall be elected at the September regular meeting, whose function shall be to accept nominations from the floor at the October General Meeting, and supervise the orderly elections of officers at the November General Meeting. The members so elected, shall prior to October 1st, elect a chairperson. No officer or candidate for the same, shall be eligible to act on said committee.

If a candidate is running opposed for an office position, and there is an immediate family member (husband, wife, children, brother, sister) on the Nominations and Election Committee, Then, that committee member shall not be eligible to be part of said Committee.

ARTICLE VIII – ELECTIONS

Section 4.

C. Any member in good standing, who is **either sick, incapacitated or resides outside the Detroit Metropolitan area** wishing to obtain an absentee ballot, may do so by applying to the D.I.A.C. c/o the Election and Nomination Committee, within ~~thirty (30)~~ **fifteen (15)** days in advance of the election. Thus enabling members who cannot come in person to cast their vote by absentee ballot. Ballot will be mailed ~~twenty (20)~~ **ten (10)** days prior to election and must be in the hands of the Nomination and Election Committee at the November Elections meeting. **The Election and Nomination Committee has final approval for issuing absentee ballots. Voting by proxy is not permitted.**

Section 4. (New)

D. In recognition of the necessity for the Club to conduct its business operations without interruption and with due decorum and taste, there shall be no posting of campaign fliers, posters, promotional materials or any other materials of any nature whatsoever at, on, near or by the Club or its premises either before, during or after any Club election. There shall be no campaigning at the polls.

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ARTICLE XII - MEMORIALS

~~Section 1. A memorial (floral) of \$50.00 shall be given for the death of a member, single person, husband, wife, or child living at home.~~

Section 1. A floral memorial shall be given for the death of a club member in good standing. The amount shall be approved by a majority of the Club Board. Such amount shall be contained in the minutes of the meeting prior to the increase and shall be approved by a majority at the general membership meeting. The amount shall prevail until otherwise changed.

~~Section 2. A donation of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) will be made to the immediate family of a member who passes away, who was a member in good standing of at least five (5) years, except those members in good standing upon the date that this Article takes effect, who shall be eligible after three (3) years of membership.~~

~~Section 3. For new members joining after April 1, 1990, a donation of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) will be made, to the immediate family of the member who passed away, who was a member in good standing, for at least ten (10) consecutive years.~~

~~Section 4. For new members joining after April 1, 1990, that are sixty (60) years of age or older when joining, the memorial is limited to a fifty dollars (\$50.00) floral.~~

~~Section 5. For new members joining after May 1, 1999, the memorial is limited to a \$50.00 floral.~~

ARTICLE XIV – PERSONAL CONDUCT (New)

It is the duty of all members to behave in a socially acceptable fashion when on the Club premises and be responsible for their guests to do the same. While the right of free expression and the right to disagree are fundamental to the democratic process, it is recognized that disorder and deliberate obstruction cannot be tolerated at any Club meeting, function, or other event, etc. If a member, or his or her guest, creates a disturbance or is deliberately obstructive he/she will be removed from the premises of the Club by a representative of the Club Board or by DIAC Hall Management.

Solicitation by a profit organization shall not be permitted; including fliers, posters, promotional materials or any other materials of any nature whatsoever at, on, near or by the Club or its premises. Solicitation by a non-profit organization must be approved by the Club Board.

The Club shall not formally endorse any candidate for political office.

This Constitution/By-Laws printing, dated **April 26, 2009**, shall supersede all previous printing(s).