



48th Year, 1971-2019

# The Downriver Italian - American Club®

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**\*\* IMPORTANT DATES \*\***      **October 2019 Newsletter – Issue #285**  
Club Board Meeting ..... Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2019 – 3:00 p.m., Knights of Columbus  
General Membership Meeting ..... Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2019 – 1:00 p.m., The Bentley



## Columbus Day Celebration – Oct. 14, 2019



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THE BEGINNING  
OF FALL  
IN YEAR 2019.

### A Message from our President



It feels like summer is starting to slip away. When I was younger, I looked forward to the fall season in Michigan with the colors changing. The donuts are also pretty tasty in the fall. But as beautiful as it can be here, I still enjoy the summer heat more.

At our last membership meeting, we discussed cancelling our December and January meetings and instead, meet in July and August. The 55 members in attendance approved the idea so in 2020, we will attempt to have evening meetings in June, July and August. This should allow us to better communicate all the events that are scheduled throughout the summer.

I'm looking forward to our annual Columbus Day Dinner with Gino's Market Band as the evening's entertainment. It has always been a great time and you can't beat the price. **Charlie and Leslie Lupo** do a wonderful job putting this event together. **Christopher Columbus** may have been a *schifosa* but he is our *schifosa* (please excuse my Italian).

*Festeggiamo tutti!*

Salvatore (Sam) Randazzo – Club President

### Monthly Luncheon @ Bentley



The Club dinner this month will be on **Wednesday, October 16, 2019, at 12:00 noon**, at The Bentley, 646 Biddle Ave., Wyandotte, MI 48192. The cost of the luncheon is \$10.00 per person (meal and gratuity). The meal is well worth the cost. Make your lunch reservation by calling **Sam**

**Randazzo at (734)676-8463, no later than one week before.**

### Columbus Day Celebration: Monday, October 14, 2019



This is your last chance to make your reservation for the **Columbus Day Celebration** on Monday, October 14, 2019. The event will be celebrated at **Silver Shores Waterfront Banquet Hall, 1 James DeSana Drive, Wyandotte, MI 48192**

Live entertainment by **Gino Market Band**. The doors open at 6:00 p.m., with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and entertainment at 8:00 PM.

The cost is \$25.00 for club members and \$28.00 for non-members. A wonderful meal has been selected. See flyer in the September newsletter.

For ticket sale and further information, contact **Charles or Leslie Lupo** at (734) 282-1257 or by email [lupo2390@att.net](mailto:lupo2390@att.net)

### Card Party at Knights of Columbus



A **Card Party** is scheduled for **Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2019**, at the **Knights of Columbus Hall, 3530 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, MI 48192**.

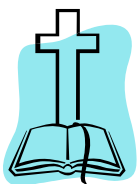
The event starts at 6:30 pm. Club members and their guests are welcome. Snack, soft beverage, and coffee is provided. Cash bar service is available.

There is a service charge of \$2.00 per person for the use of the hall facility and gratuity. The event is chaired by **Julie and Jim Bademian**, give them a call at (313)388-2264 and let them know you are attending, no later than Friday, October 25th. Bring your own game board and card games. See you there.

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

## Downriver Italian-American Club

## DIAC Memorial Mass – Nov. 10, 2019



The date for the Club's Memorial Mass is Sunday, November 10, 2019, at St. Vincent Pallotte (formerly St. Joseph Catholic Church), located at 334 Elm Street (Between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Street) in Wyandotte, MI 48192.

The Mass is at 11:30 am; Luncheon will be at the Sportmen's Den, 15001 Sibley Rd., Riverview, MI, served at 1:30 pm. The event is chaired by Florence Coleman and Frank Giannotti. A flyer is contained in this newsletter. You can attend the Mass only. If you wish to attend the luncheon, return the coupon with your payment. Please respond no later than Saturday, November 2, 2019. You may contact Florence Coleman at (313)909-0090 or Frank Giannotti (734)283-7394 for further information.

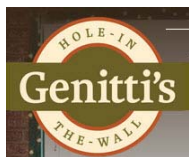
## DIAC Evening Mtg./Snack @ K of C



There is an Evening General Membership Meeting on Sunday, November 24, 2019 at The Knights of Columbus, 3530 Biddle Ave., Wyandotte, MI 48192. The membership meeting starts at 6:00 pm with the meal immediately following; pizza and salad is provided.

There is no cost for the meal, but you must make your reservation by calling Sam Randazzo at (734)676-8463, no later than Wednesday, November 20.

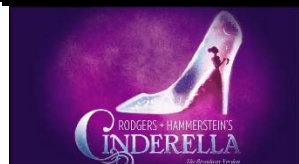
## Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall – Dec. 5, 2019



The Social Committee has chosen a day trip for our membership, to Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall on Thursday, December 5, 2019. This includes a bus trip, luncheon and a hilarious interactive comedy show. The bus leaves The Bentley Banquet Center parking lot at 10:00 a.m. The club will subsidize part of the cost for members only. Details found in this newsletter. Return the completed coupon (no later than November 24, 2019), to Grace Pizzo.

56 tickets have been purchased; available on a first come - first serve basis. The bus will stop at Cantoro's.

## Cinderella - The Broadway Version



Daly – The Avenue Theatre, 2656 Biddle Ave.,

The Social Committee has chosen another excellent play for our membership; Cinderella – The Broadway Version at the Catherine A.

Wyandotte, MI on Sunday, December 8, 2019. The luncheon is at Magdaleno Ristorante, 152 Elm Street, Wyandotte, MI 48192, (734)282-8300

The luncheon starts at 12:00 noon. The menu is found in the attached flyer. The play starts at 3:00 pm. 30 tickets have been purchased for this event. They will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. Make your reservation early before the tickets are sold out.

Return the flyer coupon. Further information contact Grace Pizzo (734)379-9491 or Julie Bademian (313)388-2264.

The next play is Forever Plaid on Sunday, January 12, 2020.

## Sick and Good Will



Our thoughts and prayers to our members and their families, who may be under the weather, having tests, getting treatments or surgeries. Also, special blessings to all of our many caretakers of ailing family members. May God bless you all. Get Well Wishes to members who were/are ill or were in the hospital: Leona Vizzini, Mary Caparotta, Sam Cosentino, Rosemary Prato, and to those whom we do not know.

## Happy Birthday - Buon Compleanno



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

<i>Angela Chirco (10/2)</i>	<i>Darlene Randazzo (10/18)</i>
<i>Phil Migliaccio (10/2)</i>	<i>John Finazzo (10/19)</i>
<i>Benedetta Vitale (10/2)</i>	<i>Patrick Flaherty (10/20)</i>
<i>Lisa Smith (10/5)</i>	<i>Daniel Boileau (10/21)</i>
<i>Mike Palazzolo (10/7)</i>	<i>Karen Caputo (10/24)</i>
<i>Giuseppe Pracilio (10/8)</i>	<i>Joe Giammalva, Sr. (10/24)</i>
<i>Linda Burnett (10/9)</i>	<i>Bill Herbert (10/24)</i>
<i>Joan Luzac (10/9)</i>	<i>Anthony Chirco (10/25)</i>
<i>James Bademian (10/10)</i>	<i>BettyJean Ferraiuolo (10/25)</i>
<i>Josie Klube (10/11)</i>	<i>Rino Pagnucco (10/26)</i>
<i>Laura Lee (10/12)</i>	<i>Michael McNally (10/27)</i>
<i>Jeffrey Smith (10/17)</i>	<i>Angela McCarty (10/31)</i>
<i>Marco Talluto (10/17)</i>	

## Happy Anniversary – Buon Anniversario



We wish to extend our Best Wishes for the many Happy and Healthy years together, to our members who are celebrating their Anniversary.

*Jeffrey and Lisa Smith (10/2)*  
*Giuseppe and Maria Giammalva (10/3)*  
*Lenny and Pina Milewski (10/3)*  
*Joseph and Josie Badalamenti (10/9)*

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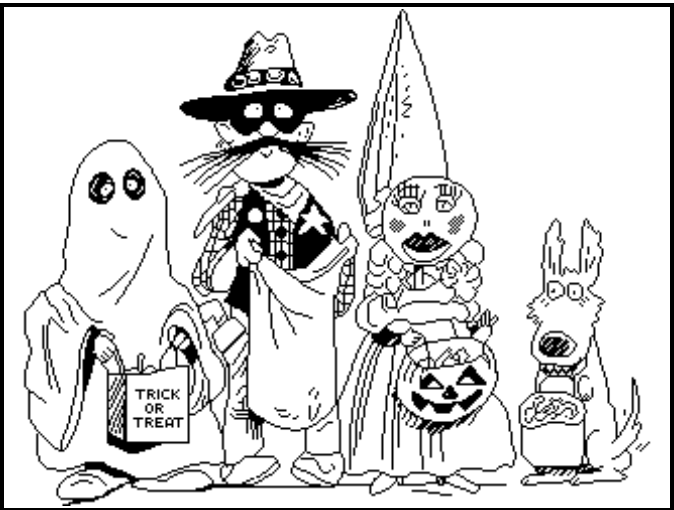
- Henry and Teresa LeSage (10/10)*
- Michael and Kelli McNally (10/14)*
- Hon. Chris and Cindy Dingell (10/19)*
- Robert and Ruth Lepidi (10/19)*
- Tony and Miriam Lumia (10/19)*
- Gaetano and Myra Vitale (10/27)*
- Rino and Marie Pagnucco (10/31)*

**Humor for the Month**

The room was full of pregnant women and their partners, and the Lamaze class was in full swing. The instructor was teaching the women how to breathe properly, along with informing the men how to give the necessary assurances at this stage of the plan.

The teacher then announced, "Ladies, exercise is good for you. Walking is especially beneficial. And, gentlemen, it wouldn't hurt you to take the time to go walking with your partner!" The room really got quiet.

Finally, a man in the middle of the group raised his hand. "Yes?" replied the teacher. "Is it all right if she carries a golf bag while we walk?"



**The Blessings of Service** ↗

I must do something for someone today,  
 Round up my love and give it away.  
 Telephone a friend just over the hill,  
 Who's a whole lot lonely and a little bit ill.

Write on my heart several things to do;  
 T'will be such a pleasure not to mention the fun!  
 Say a few words on a little bitty note,  
 To make somebody glad that I wrote.

Remember a friend if I can't be there,  
 Open my heart and just send a prayer.  
 The day moves on and I'm getting in high,  
 To give away that which money can't buy.

... Mildred H. Bell

**Thoughts for the Month**

- ❖ If money is the root of all-evil, then I want to be bad, bad, bad!
- ❖ One is not born a genius, one becomes a genius.
- ❖ To profit from good advice requires more wisdom than to give it.
- ❖ From a tiny spark may burst a mighty flame.
- ❖ Anger manages everything badly
- ❖ If you don't climb the mountain, you can't enjoy the view.

**Calendar of Future Events**

- Oct. 14, 2019, ..... Columbus Day Celebration**  
Charles/Leslie Lupo, (734)282-1257
- Oct. 25, 2019, ..... Murder Mystery Dinner Train**  
**SOLD OUT**
- Oct. 29, 2019, ..... DIAC Evening Card Party**  
Julie Bademian - (313)388-2264.
- Nov. 10, 2019, ..... Memorial Mass/Luncheon**  
Frank Giannotti - (734)283-7394.  
Florence Coleman – (313)909-0090.
- Nov. 24, 2019, ..... Evening General Membership Mtg**  
Sam Randazzo - (734)676-8463.
- Dec. 5, 2019, ..... Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall**  
Grace Pizzo, (734)379-9491
- Dec. 8, 2019, ..... Cinderella Play/Luncheon**  
Grace Pizzo, (734)379-9491
- Dec. 15, 2019, ..... Club Christmas Party**  
Grace Pizzo, (734)379-9491
- Jan. 12, 2020, ..... Forever Plaid Play/Luncheon**  
Grace Pizzo, (734)379-9491
- May 27/28, 2020, . Niagara Falls Getaway**  
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The Eleventh Annual  
**DIAC Memorial Mass/Luncheon**  
 Sunday, November 10, 2019



Presented by:  
**The Downriver Italian-American Club**  
 P.O. Box 1797  
 Southgate, MI 48195-0797

Mass Service at:  
**St. Vincent Pallotte Catholic Church**  
 (formerly St. Joseph Catholic Church)  
 334 Elm St. (between 4<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street)  
 Wyandotte, MI 48192  
 Mass at 11:30 AM - Luncheon served at 1:30 PM

Luncheon at: **Sportsmen's Den, 15001 Sibley Road, Riverview, MI 48193**

Member: \$15.00/Person ❖ Non-Member: \$18.00/Person

« Menu »

Crisp Garden Salad, Italian Breadsticks, Butter and Coffee, Beverage Pepsi Product  
 Baked Chicken Marinated Italian Seasonings, Penne with Homemade Sauce,  
 Bow-Ties in Alfredo Sauce, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Green Beans,  
 Chocolate Mousse

**If you are unable to attend the Mass, then please join us for the luncheon.**

Information call: **Frank Giannotti at (734) 283-7394 or Florence Coleman (313)909-0090**

I/We will be attending the **Memorial Mass/Luncheon** on Sunday – Nov. 10, 2019, at St. Vincent Pallotte Church.  
 Luncheon at Sportsmen Den. This coupon and payment must be received **no later than Saturday, November 2, 2019**

Name	Phone Number
No. Attending Mass: _____	Luncheon - Club Member: \$ 15.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____
	Luncheon - Non-Member: \$ 18.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____
	Grand Total: \$ _____

In case of emergency, please notify: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Make your check payable to: **Downriver Italian-American Club or DIAC**

Return coupon and your check to: **Frank Giannotti, 14823 Williamsburg Drive, Riverview, MI 48193-7703**

# Downriver Italian-American Club

P.O. Box 1797 Southgate, MI 48195-0797



**Presents: Lights, Camera, Comedy!**



**A Luncheon and Interactive Comedy Show**

**Thursday, December 5, 2019**



**Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall**  
108 E. Main, Northville, MI 48167  
(248)349-0522 - [www.genittis.com](http://www.genittis.com)



**Price: \$33.00 for Club Member**  
**\$50.00 for Non-Member**

*Enjoy a hilarious interactive-comedy. In the past years, we've spoofed holiday office parties, family gatherings, and even had a pirate adventure. You, the audience, get to be a part of the show....*

## **Lights, Camera, Comedy!**

**It's a busy holiday at Amazing Grace Memorial Hospital. Hospital manager Francis Pennypincher has just hired a new doc, Dr. McHottie, and all the nurses are wondering who will get to ask him to the holiday party. The waiting room is full and so is the holiday cheer in Genitti's new interactive comedy Holiday Healthcare!**

### **What to expect at Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall**

Bus depart from **The Bentley** at 10:00 a.m. Arrive at Northville, MI at 10:45 a.m., for a bit of shopping or sightseeing, and lunch at Genitti's at 11:30 a.m. Enjoy their famous 7-Course family style dinner, including: Italian wedding soup and garlic bread, Pasta, Antipasto salad, Baked Chicken with Vegetables, Italian steak with potato, Italian sausage with green peppers and onions and Cannoli for dessert! After dinner, into the theater to see the show!!

After the play (approx. 2:30 p.m.), the bus will depart Genitti's and travel to **Cantoro's Italian Market & Trattoria**, 15550 Haggerty Rd., Plymouth, MI. Everyone will have time to shop and get back on the bus at 4:30 p.m. and head back to The Bentley, at approximately 5:30 p.m.

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Please fill in this form and return with your payment to: **Grace Pizzo, 32050 Liparota Drive, Rockwood, MI 48173**, before November 24, 2019 or until the trip is sold out (56 tickets available on a first come first serve basis). Make checks payable to **Downriver Italian American Club**.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency, please notify: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Today, my travel companion is: \_\_\_\_\_

**Prices: \$33.00 for Club Member - \$50.00 for Non-Member**

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**Downriver Italian-American Club**  
**Sunday – December 8, 2019**  
**Beginning with Lunch at – 12:00 Noon**

**Cinderella**



**Magdaleno Ristorante**

**152 Elm Street., Wyandotte, MI 48192, (734)282-8300**

*Italian restaurant featuring a warm ambiance, wine list & Sunday brunch with a bloody Mary bar.*

**First Course:** Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Breakfast Potatoes with Peppers and Onions, Stuffed Toast with Berry Topping,

**Second Course:** Fresh Garden Salad with Italian Dressing, Pasta

**Third Course:** 2 Protein items and Veggies, Fresh Fruit & Dessert Bar  
 Coffee, Tea and Soft Beverage provided. Cash Bar Available.

<p><b>CINDERELLA – BROADWAY VER.</b>                  Time: 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm                  Catherine A. Daly – Theatre on Ave.                  2656 Biddle Avenue                  Wyandotte, MI 48192, (734)407-7020</p>	
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Tickets: \$30.00 Lunch & Play - Club Member.

\$40.00 Lunch & Play - Non-Member.

*Please Note: Only 30 Tickets are Available – First come - first serve basis*

*For information call: Grace Pizzo at (734) 379-9491 or Julie Bademian at (313) 388-2264*

Please fill in this form and return with your payment, no later than Sunday, December 1, 2019. **30 tickets** available on a first come – first serve basis.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of People Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency, please notify: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: **Downriver Italian-American Club.**

Mail this form and check to **Grace Pizzo ♣ 32050 Liparoto Drive ♣ Rockwood, MI 48173-8618**