



50th Year, 1971-2021

# The Downriver Italian - American Club®

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

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**Club Board Meeting ..... Tuesday, April 13 2021 – 3:00 p.m.**

**General Membership Meeting ..... \*\* CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE \*\***



## Happy Easter, Happy Mother's Day



### 2021-2022 CLUB OFFICERS & TRUSTEES

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**WELCOME SPRING FOR 2021**

### A Message from our President



It's been a few months since our last newsletter. It seems longer. There have been no meetings, no gatherings, *niente!*, not much to write about until now. Springtime is finally here. Many of us

are getting our vaccinations from this dreaded virus, and I can say that my hope is that we will reconvene for our **Summer Picnic on August 22, 2021**. We hopefully should have at least one membership meeting by then. We are also planning our **50th Anniversary Party on October 10, 2021**. That will be something you don't want to miss.

The club Board will be meeting on April 13, 2021, to discuss any other activities that would be safe for our members to participate in. I look forward to these upcoming gatherings, and if members are comfortable wearing masks, it could look like a gathering of Italian bandits! Hopefully, we won't need them.

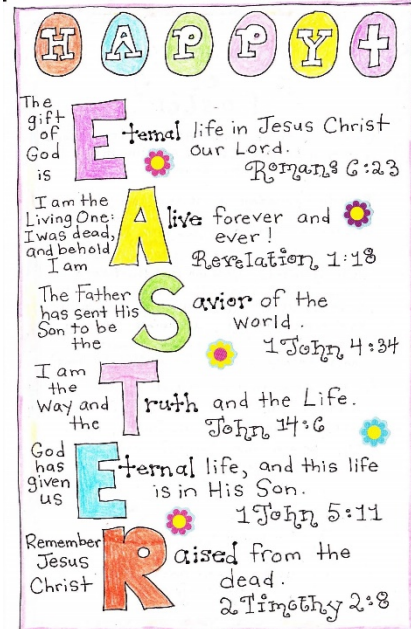
Stay safe and healthy.

*Buona Pasqua,*

Salvatore (Sam) Randazzo – Club President



### Happy Easter – Apr. 4 2021



### Happy Mother's Day – May 9



#### Wonderful Mother

God made a wonderful mother,  
A mother who never grows old;  
He made her smile of the sunshine,  
And He molded her heart of pure gold;  
In her eyes He placed bright shining stars,  
In her cheeks fair roses you see;  
God made a wonderful mother,  
And He gave that dear mother to me.  
(Pat O'Reilly)

#### And Grandma's too...

While we honor all our mothers  
with words of love and praise.  
While we tell about their goodness  
and their kind and loving ways.  
We should also think of Grandma,  
she's a mother too, you see....  
For she mothered my dear mother  
as my mother mothers me.  
Author Unknown

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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## 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: **Fara Vitale and others??**, who were/are ill or were in the hospital.

Condolences to the family of **Jack and Filippina Rubino** on the death of Jack's brother, **Antonino Rubino**, who passed away on November 22, 2020, at the age of 79. May he rest in peace. May his memory be a blessing.

Condolences to the family of **Angela McCarthy** on the death of her mother, **Maryann Leto**, who passed away on January 5, 2021, at the age of 99. May she rest in peace. May her memory be a blessing.

Condolences to the families of **Grace/Sam Pizzo and Stella Marzano** on the death of their brother, **Salvatore LoPiccolo**, who passed away on January 11, 2021, at the age of 85. May he rest in peace. May his memory be a blessing.

Condolences to the family of **Paul Consiglio** on the death of his aunt, **Rose Sclafani**, who passed away on February 9, 2021, at the age of 91. May she rest in peace. May her memory be a blessing.

## Happy Birthday - Buon Compleanno



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

<i>Paola Ventimiglia (4/3)</i>	<i>Josie Palazzolo (4/21)</i>
<i>Angela Vassallo (4/5)</i>	<i>Janet Miele (4/27)</i>
<i>Linda Carrier (4/6)</i>	<i>Peter Miele (4/27)</i>
<i>Maria Giammalva (4/6)</i>	<i>Joseph Pizzo (4/27)</i>
<i>Fannie Randazzo (4/7)</i>	<i>Norm Tabaka (4/27)</i>
<i>Nina Liberati (4/8)</i>	<i>Sam LoDuca (4/29)</i>
<i>Mary Caparotta (4/9)</i>	<i>Joyce Mitra (4/29)</i>
<i>John Parisi (4/12)</i>	<i>Maria Vitale (4/29)</i>
<i>Vito Badalamente (4/17)</i>	<i>Theresa Herbert (4/30)</i>
<i>Susan Shields (4/19)</i>	<i>Joseph Pagano (4/30)</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**.

*Peter and Janet Miele (4/6)*  
*Joseph and Nicolina Susin (4/23)*  
*John and Anna Finazzo (4/24)*  
*Vito and Jessica Trupiano (4/25)*  
*Sam and Margaret LoDuca (4/28)*  
*Patrick and Patricia Mastrogiacomo (4/28)*

## Pete and Jennifer Perniciaro (4/30)

## The Voice Within

*There's a voice that lives within my heart  
 And talks to me each day  
 And helps me guide my wayward steps  
 Along life's treacherous way.*

*It speaks to me of virtues  
 And Whispers words of hope.  
 It keeps my flagging spirits high  
 When I have failed to cope.*

*This voice beguiles my very soul  
 And stills the demons there.  
 It makes me know that in this world  
 There are worlds of love to share.*

*And I know peace in turmoil's midst,  
 Strength beyond my own,  
 Joy too great to put in words,  
 For I know, I'm not alone.*

*If you but listen to your heart,  
 You'll hear this voice I share,  
 For it speaks not to me alone,  
 It's there for all who care.*

*And the dawning of a brave new age  
 Is waiting to begin  
 When each of us can hear and heed  
 That little voice within.*

-- Bill Hazel --

## A Woman's Prayer

Dear Lord, I pray for:  
**WISDOM**, to understand a man.  
**LOVE**, to forgive him.  
**PATIENCE**, for his moods,  
 Because, Lord, if I pray for  
**STRENGTH**, I'll just beat him up.

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