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The Downriver Italian - American Club®

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**** IMPORTANT DATES **** **APRIL 2022 Newsletter – Issue #306**
Club Board Meeting Monday, April 11, 2022 – 3:00 p.m., K of C
General Membership Meeting Wednesday, Apr. 20, 2022 – 1:00 p.m., Bentley



Happy Easter, Buona Pasqua – April 17th



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A Message from our President



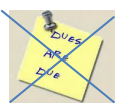
If April showers bring may flowers, what did the March showers bring us? Michigan weather is always delightful.

What I can be happy about is that Co-Vid seems to be a declining in our area and perhaps we can start to meet once again and resume social activities. We are, a social club so we will resume our monthly lunch and membership meetings in April. The staff at the Bentley has assured us that we will continue to be welcome there. There was some questions if we would be after they paid off the Land Contract. That is good news since I really miss the great food and service they provide to us at a remarkable low price.

Looking ahead in 2022. We are planning to resume our summer **Boat Ride on the Detroit River** in July and once again, our **Annual Picnic in August**. As the Board and the Social Committee starts to meet again, the goal will be we provide us with as many opportunities to gather socially and have a good time. Although it's only been four months, it seems so much longer since we have had any kind of events.

I look forward to seeing miei amici at the next luncheon and meeting. Until then,
Rilassati, sii felice.
Salvatore (Sam) Randazzo – Club President

Club Membership Dues Postponed



The Club Board has decided to postpone the collection of club dues until June/July 2022. The The covid pandemic seems to be

on the decline. See in a future newsletter, when dues are due.

Monthly Luncheon @ Bentley



The Club luncheon will be on **Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at 12:00 noon**, at The Bentley Conference Center, 646 Biddle Ave., Wyandotte, MI 48192. The monthly General Membership meeting will immediately follow the luncheon.

The cost of the luncheon is **\$10.00 per person** (meal and gratuity). Make your lunch reservation by calling **Sam Randazzo** at **(734)676-8463** no later than one week before the luncheon

Firekeeper Casino Bus Trip



The bus trip to **Firekeeper Casino** has been rescheduled to **Tuesday, April 12, 2022**. **Grace Tours** will be handling trip details. The trip is \$43.00 per person. You'll receive \$20.00 in free play and a \$5.00 food voucher. **Grace Pizzo** is the contact person for this event. Grace can be reached at **(734)379-9491**.

Happy Easter Day

Wishing you an Easter Day
That's perfect through and through.
Just filled with many wonderful
And pleasant things for you.

And then throughout the future
May you know in every way.
The happiness God promised us
on that first Easter Day.
God Bless You!
At Easter And Always.

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 having surgeries. Also, special blessings to all of our many caretakers of ailing family members. May

God bless them all. May God bless our troops. **Get Well Wishes** to members: **Florence Coleman, Sylvia Vitale Don Kerr, Jerry Wenzel, Piera Vitale,** and others??, who were/are ill or were in the hospital — wishing them a speedy recovery.

Condolences to the family of **Rose Gaglio** on the death of her sister, **Fay Emery**, who passed away on February 17, 2021, in San Diego, at the age of 74. 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 celebrating their **Birthday** this month.

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| <i>Brett Ricce (3/03)</i> | <i>Paola Ventimiglia (4/03)</i> |
| <i>Rosalie Giammalva (3/04)</i> | <i>Angela Vassallo (4/05)</i> |
| <i>Ann I. Lepidi (3/04)</i> | <i>Linda Carrier (4/06)</i> |
| <i>Mitchell Wolski (3/07)</i> | <i>Maria Giammalva (4/06)</i> |
| <i>Paul Remington (3/08)</i> | <i>Fannie Randazzo (4/07)</i> |
| <i>Steph. Badalamenti (3/08)</i> | <i>Nina Liberati (4/08)</i> |
| <i>Rose Vitale (3/10)</i> | <i>Nicholas Switzer (4/08)</i> |
| <i>Danny Herbert (3/14)</i> | <i>Mary Caparaotta (4/09)</i> |
| <i>Anthony J. Vitale (3/17)</i> | <i>John Parisi (4/12)</i> |
| <i>Susan Byrd (3/19)</i> | <i>Vito Badalamente (4/17)</i> |
| <i>Joseph Susin (3/19)</i> | <i>Susan Shields (4/19)</i> |
| <i>Patricia Chalmers (3/22)</i> | <i>Josie Palazzolo (4/21)</i> |
| <i>Edith Gendron (3/22)</i> | <i>Janet Miele (4/27)</i> |
| <i>Charlie Lupo (3/22)</i> | <i>Peter Miele (4/27)</i> |
| <i>Nicholas Caputo (3/24)</i> | <i>Joseph Pizzo (4/27)</i> |
| <i>Sal DiPasquale (3/24)</i> | <i>Norm Tabaka (4/27)</i> |
| <i>Gaetano A Vitale (3/29)</i> | <i>Sam LoDuca (4/29)</i> |
| <i>Douglas Melzer (3/30)</i> | <i>Joyce Mitra (4/29)</i> |
| <i>Frances Menna (3/30)</i> | <i>Maria Vitale (4/29)</i> |
| | <i>Theresa Herbert (4/30)</i> |
| | <i>Joseph Pagano (4/30)</i> |

Happy Anniversary – Buon Anniversario



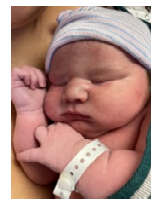
We extend our **Best Wishes** for the many **Happy and Healthy** years **together** to our club members celebrating their **Anniversary** this

month.

- Gino and Liliana Mazzalonga (3/21)*
Peter and Janet Miele (4/06)
Joseph and Nicolina Susin (4/23)
John and Anna Finazzo (4/24)

- Vito and Jessica Trupiano (4/25)*
Patrick and Patricia Mastrogiacomo (4/28)
Pete and Jennifer Perniciaro (4/30)

Welcome New Family Member



Club members **Alex and Kelsey Parker** proudly announce the birth of their son, **Grady James Parker**, born on February 22, 2022. **Grady** weighed in at 10 lb. – 3 ounces and was 22 ½ inches long. **Grady** is welcomed by sister **Hattie**.

Congratulations to club members **Charlie/Leslie Lupo, Randy/Paula Rice, and Brett Rice**.

Thoughts . . .
*When you're tired and worn at the close of the day
 And things don't seem to be going your way,
 When even your patience has come to an end,
 Try taking time out and confide in a friend.*



Calendar of Future Events

- April 12, 2022,** Firekeeper Casino Bus Trip
 Grace Pizzo, (734) 379-9491
- July 20, 2022,** Diamond Jack Boat Ride/Luncheon
 Frank Giannotti, (734) 283-7394
- August 14, 2022, .** Annual Club Picnic
 Grace Pizo, (734) 379-9491

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