

Spring 2023 Newsletter

From the President and Executive Board:

Greetings fellow HIL members,

Happy 2023! Our Italian heritage includes many traditions and reasons to celebrate with friends. The Italian Lodge welcomes friends of all nationalities as our ancestors saw this country as the land of opportunity for anyone who appreciates liberty.

Our great grandparents worked hard to provide for the family. My parents were part of “the greatest generation.” They helped save the world, worked hard, and played hard too. The years following WWII included celebrations at the club and throughout the year starting with a New Year’s Eve party that featured a band, a fine dinner, and libations. Many members have parties at the club. Our members also frequent our dining room and participate in bocce, corn hole and other happenings – all proof that the spirit of good will is still strong at the Hershey Italian Lodge.

Some Upcoming Gatherings to Consider with Family and Friends:

Superbowl Sunday

Superbowl Sunday, February 12th, will feature Chili Dogs, Tacos and Jumbo Wing specials. Beer will be flowing! Go EAGLES!



Valentine’s Day

Valentine’s Day, February 14, is on a Tuesday this year. The Valentine’s menu will be “your choice” between finer menu selections. Make your reservation!

St. Patrick’s Day

St. Patrick’s Day is on a Friday, March 17th. Wear green and enjoy the music and fun! Seating will be extended into the banquet room so everyone may join in the fun. Call to make a reservation. The Irish menu will include a selection of four Irish entrees from \$10.95 to \$12.95 and an assortment of Irish drinks.



Easter Buffet Dinner

The Buffet is Sunday, April 9th, from 12–4:00 p.m. and will have delicious selections starting with Italian Wedding Soup and will include Antipasto Salad, Prime Rib, Country Style Ham, Baked Cod, Baked Ziti, Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Pasta Salad, Fruit Salad, Garlicky Green Beans, Mac & Cheese, Chicken Tenders, and a choice of assorted desserts. Adult price is \$26.95 and children 5 to 10 – \$12.95.



Entertainment

Look for fun happenings and don’t miss upcoming weekend entertainment:

Karaoke, Musicians, Soloists. Check the whiteboard at the main bar, subscribe to the Hershey Italian Lodge Constant Contact email and follow the Hershey Italian Lodge on Facebook for times and dates.



Friday, January 20th – 6:30 p.m. – Martin EZ John: *The original island sound and much more!*

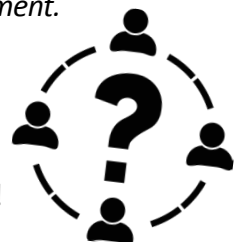
Friday, January 27th – 6:30 p.m. – Addi Grace: *Singer/Acoustic Guitarist and 2021 Central PA Music Hall of Fame, Best Youth Artist.*

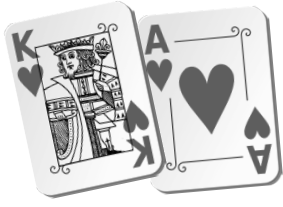
Saturday, February 11th – 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. – On Stride: *A wide variety of Classic Rock, Oldies, and newer.*

Friday, March 31st – Conrad and Friends’ Band: *Taking the stage for your enjoyment.*

Wednesdays Trivia

For members, bring your smarter guests: Test your knowledge with Trivia, Wednesdays, starting at 7:00 p.m. Make reservations and enjoy your choice from the full menu or pick one of our daily specials. No cost to play yet a chance to win! Gift Cards are awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers.





Team Events Now Underway:

Corn Hole & Pool

Texas Hold'em



Wednesdays in the Small Banquet Room at 6:30 p.m. Gift cards are awarded to first and second place finishers.

Bocce, Golf & Philly Trips

Don't miss the sign-up for upcoming experiences. The next newsletter will contain more information.

Friends of the Lodge:

Hershey Area Women's Connection

All ladies are cordially invited to join us for our monthly luncheon buffets at the Hershey Italian Lodge. The time is 12:00-2:00 and the cost is still \$20.00. Winter dates are Wednesday, January 11th, Wednesday, February 8th and Wednesday, March 8th. Some highlights of our programs beginning with January 11th will feature Earl Grove from Groves Brittle Works in Hershey, specializing in homemade deluxe brittles and confections. Nancy O'Meara from Odenton, MD will speak about what happens when plans for our lives do not work out. On February 8th "Caitlin's Smiles" founder Cheryl Hornung will tell us how we can participate with hospital stays for children. Rachel Gehmman, vocalist from Elizabethtown and Sharon Duncan, speaker from Camden, DE will share how the "seasons of life" brought many changes to her life. Our March 8th program, "Give Your Life That Added Touch" will feature Artist and painter Glenda Payne from Harrisburg, Heidi Brubaker and Lisa Shaver will add "A Touch of Music" and Cynthia Allen from Howell, NJ will inspire us with "A Single Mom's Journey to Security". For reservations, a week before each luncheon call Verna at 717-838-0707 or Fae at 814-571-0054 or email faefunston@gmail.com. Hershey Area Women's Connection is affiliated with Christian Women's Clubs of America. We have no memberships or dues. Cancellations must be made by Monday noon prior to the luncheons.



2023 Memberships should be paid by now, but if it slipped through the cracks, no problem, you could stop in, or you may renew online <http://www.hersheyitalianlodge.com/members/> with your credit card. You need to renew your membership to play the Daily Book, always a big payout, so do not postpone another minute.

Raffles:

Spring Fling Raffle

Enclosed are your Spring Fling Raffle tickets for the March 25th drawing at the Club. You may be the next \$1,000 winner, but you must play to win!



Congrats to all of the Winners, and Thank You to all who participated!

HOLIDAY CASH RAFFLE WINNERS

Cash Prizes

- \$1000 – Joe Bellissimo, Hershey
- \$500 – Janice Benford, Palmyra
- \$250 – Vicki Sponaugle, Hummelstown
- \$200 – Michael J. Marcantino, Dillsburg
- \$150 – Suzanne Miller, Grantville
- \$100 – Lanny Kemble, Mechanicsburg
- \$50 – Paul Peffley, Lebanon
- \$50 – Dan Geib, Palmyra
- \$50 – Gretchen Mosby, Palmyra
- \$50 – Verda Appleman, Hummelstown

\$20 Gift Card Winners

- Dr. Peter A. Caso, Palmyra
- Jeananne Agostinelli, Middletown
- Joyce Muggio, Hummelstown
- Barb Brubaker, Palmyra
- Tim Gesford, Hummelstown
- Judith Buffington, Palmyra
- Barbara Hasson, Hershey
- Cristal Sheaffer, Harrisburg
- Terry Rissmiller, Hummelstown
- Jeff F. Huzvar, Hershey

Thank you for your continued support

ieri, oggi, domani, sempre fratelli
(Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow, Always Brothers)

Wayne Tulli, President
Hershey Italian Lodge Executive Board

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