



Constantino Brumidi Lodge # 2211

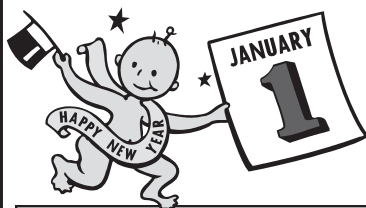
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January 2011



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2011

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1973 - 1975

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1970 - 1973

Mario Mesisco *

1969 - 1970

John Farina *

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*Deceased

President's Message



Brothers and Sisters of the Lodge:

The holy days of Christmas have come and gone...leaving us with a New Year ahead. If you are like most, you have already decided upon your New Years Resolutions...what you are going to do different this coming year.

It is great to plan and set goals for yourself and your family...unfortunately, none of us knows what the future will bring; but that doesn't mean we can not hope to make a change. Is your goal to lose those extra pounds you added over the holidays? Buy that new car that you have admired for so long? How about taking that vacation you have put off for so many years...

These are all noble goals, but what about your family and friends; the relative you have not spoken to for many years; or the neighbor who you disagreed with over something trivial? Have you thought about going back to church; or visiting that friend who is now in a nursing home; or going to a veterans hospital to help bring some joy to a vet?

Whatever your resolution, I hope you have the fortitude to start and complete it.

This past year the Lodge has seen many changes...many that will impact how we do business. Most of the changes we have made are positive and are helping us face the coming year with renewed enthusiasm.

Membership seems to be one area where we always need help...especially with younger members. Look around you, most of our members are into their senior years and we need that influx of youth to keep us going forward.

One of our newest members approached the board of directors with an idea to do a "good deed - fund raiser" The Lodge was not the recipient of the fund-raiser, we were more of a facilitator. This young man wanted to give something back to his community and he partnered us up with the Marine Corps and their Toys for Tots program.

It was a huge success; they collected enough toys to fill a seven ton truck! Here we had a young man, just a member for 9 months, who organized and ran this wonderful event. Thank you Anthony Macaluso Jr., you certainly did a great job.

This was the second year in a row we did something for a military associated foundation...and again, it was a huge success.

Looking back over the past year, we have had many ups and downs...and like any family, we did not always agree, but we tried to get along and put our differences aside for the good of our Lodge.

Our latest endeavor is the 300 Club. Not only is it a way to help the Lodge through its financial issues, it is a way to having fun...for only a dollar a week, you have the opportunity to win a cash prize every week (one of three drawings), a bonus prize in June and a second bonus prize in December. Your number is good all year and you could win numerous times. Please consider it... Since the letter to all members went out late, we are starting the drawing in February. Call Roy Perticone to get your lucky number.

As you know, each year we award scholarships to worthy students. The applications are in the office and the chairmen, Tony LaRocca and Jack Battaglia, will answer any of your questions.

Please keep our sick and injured members in your prayers. Especially Millie Misiano, the beautiful matriarch of our Lodge. Millie suffered a stroke at our Breakfast with Santa; surrounded by her family and friends. She is a strong and resilient lady and hopefully she will be up and about sooner than later. We love you Millie and hope to see your smiling face soon.

Remember all the members of our Lodge who are ill and recovering especially Jim Caravella, Mike Feratto, Pete Mastrocco, Fran Barone...and all the other members of our Lodge.

Looking forward to a safe and healthy New Year.

Respectfully,

John Vigiano

About Our Heritage . . . The traditional Christmas season, in Italy, lasts through the Epiphany. La Festa dell' Epifania is celebrated on January 6th as a national holiday and the tradition of La Befana is a big part of this Italian Christmas celebration. As the tale goes, a witch known as La Befana arrives on her broomstick during the night of January 5th and fills the stockings with toys and sweets for the good children and lumps of coal for the bad ones. The child's family typically leaves a glass of wine and a small plate of local food; and she will sweep the floor before she leaves. According to the legend, the night before the Wise Men arrived at the manger, they stopped at the shack of an old woman to ask directions to find the Son of God. She didn't know but provided them with shelter for a night. They invited her to join them, but she indicated that she was too busy. Then a shepherd asked her to join him, but once again, she refused. Later that night, she changed her mind and decided to search for the Wise Men and shepherd, bearing gifts that had belonged to her child, who had died. She got lost and never found the manger. . . and still searches. While there are other renditions of this legend, the tradition is celebrated throughout Italy. The feast of La Befana was immortalized in four famous sonnets by Roman poet Giuseppe Giochino Belli and in Ottorino Respighi's Feste Romane, the fourth movement, titled *LaBefana*, is an orchestral portrayal of the Piazza Navona festival where Romans believe she shows herself through a window at midnight, January 6th.



**Saturday
March 19
2011**

Annual Heart Fund Dance

more details to follow . . . Chairperson: Sabrina Savino
Co-Chair: Ginger Filangeri



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2003-2005
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2001 - 2003
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1999 - 2001
Lucille Di Nardo
1997 - 1999
Lucille Romanello
1995 - 1997
Teena Spera *
1993 - 1995
Carol Nani
1991 - 1993
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1989 - 1991
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1983 - 1985
Loretta Brocco*
1981 - 1983
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1979 - 1981
Pat Sforza
1977 - 1979
Marge Errico*
1975 - 1977
Fay Cantone*
1971 - 1975

* Deceased

Keep in Our Prayers

Please keep in our prayers all members who are sick: Paul Del Prete, Frank Ferrante, Pete Mastrocco, Peter Crescenti, Jim Caravella, Lucille Di Nardo, Marie Germano, Mike 'Doc' Ferrato, Connie Busini, Paul Coniglio, Jay Ardolino, Fran Barone, Nino Barraco, Marie Lambroia and Millie Misiano.

Pray for the souls of the recently departed

Also, pray for our men and women serving in the Armed Forces.

Madame's Message



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to wish each and everyone a **Very Happy and Healthy New Year**. May the year 2011, be the best year yet, both with our Lodge and our families. As IPP Carmel Lamont would say **"THE BEST IS YET TO COME."**

Our annual **Trim-a-Tree** get-together was the beginning to a wonderful gathering of friends and fun. The spirit of Christmas filled the room with our beautiful tree and decorations.

Many of our new members attended and participated, and were overwhelmed with the transformation of the room. The spirit of Christmas filled the Hall.

Thank you Chairlady Rose Dispinseri and her committee for **FOOD FOR THE NEEDY**, along with our Brothers and Sisters, who so generously gave to the less fortunate in our community.

Sunday, **December 12th**, we held our **Second Annual "Breakfast with Santa."** It was a tremendous sellout, food, arts and crafts for the children, pictures with Santa, gifts for all the children that attended, music by DJ Gene and Joanne, raffles of many gifts. Thank you to our ticket ladies Joyce Ratushny and Debra Prestano for their many hours of gathering names and ages along with Chairlady Ginger Filangeri and her Co-chair Marie Diamante, for a job well-done. All gifts were donated by the committee. Ladies you did an outstanding job. There were many happy children. But most of all a special thank you to IPP **Bill Lamont for being SANTA**. It was a very Successful event, along with everyone who supported it.

December 18th, was our **Members Christmas Dance**, that too was a sensational night. The Ladies Executive Board and Auxiliary presented the Lodge with a monetary Gift. Ladies I am proud of you for pulling this together. Thank you.

Our Annual New Year's Eve Dance was sensational as always.

I would like to Thank the Ladies Auxiliary and Executive Board for my beautiful Christmas gift. I will treasure it and wear it with grace. Thank you one and all.

Thank you to the Nominating Committee for accepting and interviewing potential candidates for office.

January 29th is our **Comedy Night**, a little entertainment and relaxation after a busy Holiday Season. So join us for a night of laughter and sit-down dinner.

SAVE THE DATE, February 12th, 2011, is our **Annual Valentine Dance**, Chairlady Carmel Lamont. We honor our Lodge Queen Lauren Merlino on this special night. Hope to see you all there.

I am very pleased to see the Gathering Table of cheeses and fruit platters that I introduced at the Ladies Fashion Show make a significant hit at many of our dances. Its always nice to introduce a new idea.

Please read the upcoming special events on our Calendar page, and save the dates.

Installation of Officers will be held on March 6th, 2011. Also see the La Voce for details on Lodge, State and National Scholarships.

Thank you never seems enough to all our members who constantly help at our Bingo and Vegas Nights, we appreciate your support.

Please pray for our sick, Millie Misano, who is in rehab at Our Lady of Good Consolation in West Islip; Fran Barone, hip surgery in the Hospital for Special Surgery in Manhattan, along with my Granddaughter Brooke who is undergoing shoulder surgery while home from College, Speedy Recovery to all.

Pray for our deceased members and for the safety of our Servicemen and Servicewomen who give us our freedom serving our Country.

May God Bless you all and God Bless America!

*Fraternally,
President Diana*

DUES ARE LATE AFTER DECEMBER 31ST

LODGE MEMBERS

This is a reminder that your dues for 2011 are overdue.

Dues were due on or before December 31st.

For the Lodge members, your dues are \$75 (\$45 for members age 62 and up, in good standing for five years).

Pay before December 31st to avoid being in arrears (loss of voting privileges and "good standing" status; which means you do not get the discount).

LADIES AUXILIARY MEMBERS

Your dues are still \$25 but they were also due on or before December 31st.

NOMINATING BOARD:

Lodge Officers & Convention Delegates: Thursday, JAN 6th (7—9 pm) &

Saturday, JAN 8th (11 am—1 pm).

Ladies Officers: Tuesday, JAN 4th (7—9pm) & Wednesday, JAN 5th (7—9 pm).

Milestones...

January Birthdays

Linda Mastrocco Boss	1/10
Pete Mastrocco	1/13
Louise Rizzo	1/14
Robin Sue Billings	1/20
Frank Lanuto	1/21
Virginia Usak	1/29



January Anniversaries

Jo & Mike Panarese	1/3
Millie & Frank Misiano	1/18
Susan & Joe Di Girolamo	1/22
Rosemarie & Joe Garone	1/23

Editorial

January . . . named after Janus, god of the doorway.

Another year has ended and the Brumidi Lodge family has much to be thankful for . . . a team of officers, a bunch of men and a much greater bunch of women worked hard to get us through a bit of a tough 2010; though there's miles to go.

Flashback through December: after decorating our hall, we donated Food for the Needy . . . needed an extra truck to haul away Toys for Tots . . . brought our families together for Breakfast with Santa . . . and gathered in the festivities of our own Christmas & New Years Eve parties. Unity is the foundation of our heritage. Perhaps we can step into 2011 with hope for raising the bar of commitment . . . to Bingo, Vegas, Fundraisers, Lodge events (the "bill payer" activities); and attend more meetings.

"The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step."

~ Lao Tse

HAPPY NEW YEAR

~ Bob Savino



Food for the Needy drive: Thank you for your generosity to the less fortunate. Thanks to the ladies and lodge workers who assisted, President John and the membership for their contribution to this worthwhile cause and to Lady President Diana, for again, giving me the opportunity to run this drive.

Please patronize King Kullen and Stop & Shop for their gift card donations.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Dispinseri, Chairlady

THANK YOU

Breakfast with Santa: Thank you to President Diana for having the confidence in me to chair this event; a big hug and heartfelt thanks to my entire committee for your enthusiasm and support; our DJ's who donated their time to make it festive; jolly ole Santa for the smile on children's faces; and the kitchen, cooks & servers, who managed to feed a crowd of nearly 300 hungry people.

Thanks to all who helped make it a wonderful morning for the children & their families.

Warmly,

Ginger Filangeri, Chairlady

UPCOMING EVENTS...HERE IN OUR LODGE AND IN THE ORDER



January 4 & 5—Ladies Nominating Board 7 pm to 9 pm

January 6—Lodge Officers & Convention Delegates Nominating Board 7 pm to 9 pm

January 8—Lodge Officers & Convention Delegates Nominating Board 11 am to 1 pm

January 29—Comedy Show

February 12—Valentines Dance

February 15—MEN'S Election of Officers

February 22—LADIES Election of Officers

February 26—Dancing with the Stars

March 6—Lodge Installation

March 17—Saint's Day Social

March 19—Heart Fund Dance

Important Notices

In case of illness or death of a Brother Member or a Member of the Ladies Auxiliary Please Call:

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Annual Valentines Dance

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(Choice of Entrée)
Open Bar**

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8 PM to 12 AM

**HONORING
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Lauren Merlino

**Chairlady:
Carmel
Lamont**

**Co-Chair:
Marie
Diamante**



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THE
HALL



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Brumidi Lodge
Christmas 2010



Breakfast with Santa



January 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 
2	3 BINGO	4 TRUSTEE MTG. Ladies Nominating Bd	5 Ballroom Dancing/ Ladies Nominating Bd	6 LODGE Nominating Bd 7—9 PM	7	8 LODGE Nominating Bd 11 AM—1 PM
9 <small>DIST ONE PRESIDENTS</small>	10 BINGO	11 LADIES BOARD	12 Ballroom Dancing	13 DIRECTORS Meeting	14 VEGAS	15
16	17 BINGO	18 MEN's GENERAL	19 Ballroom Dancing	20	21 VEGAS	22
23 <hr/> 30	24 BINGO <hr/> 31 BINGO	25 LADIES GENERAL	26 Ballroom Dancing	27	28 Winter Charity Ball	29 COMEDY SHOW

Next Men's General Membership Meeting: **Tuesday, January 18, 2011 8 PM**
 Next Ladies Auxiliary General Membership Meeting: **Tuesday, January 25, 2011 8 PM**
DEADLINE FOR NEXT "La Voce" - Thursday, January 20, 2011

February 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 TRUSTEE MTG.	2 Ballroom Dancing	3	4	5
6	7 BINGO	8 LADIES BOARD	9 Ballroom Dancing	10 DIRECTORS Meeting	11 VEGAS	12 Valentines Dance
13 CSJ Brunch	14 BINGO Valentines Day	15 MEN's GENERAL Election of Officers	16 Ballroom Dancing	17	18	19 VEGAS
20	21 BINGO PRESIDENTS DAY	22 LADIES GENERAL Election of Officers	23 Ballroom Dancing	24	25	26 <i>Dancing with the Stars</i>
27	28 BINGO					

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