



**Lodge Officers – 2015**

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**Ladies Auxiliary – 2015**

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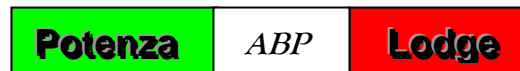
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**Social:** Barbara Saunders, 303-451-8667

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Dear Fellow Lodge Members,

Well, we start a new year and can only hope you all had a wonderful holiday season. I was voted in-favor to be the lodge president for 2015 and am looking forward along with my new officer's to enhance and hone the operation and financial issues that tend to hamper the growth of the lodge and it's legacy. I want to thank our outgoing President Frank Percey for a wonderful job that he and his board has done. He along with his team brought great ideas and efforts that contributed to the success of the lodge over the last two years.

I hope this next year goes as well as last year. Frank will agree that we have lots of good ideas and enthusiasm, however, our member's are getting a little long in the tooth and getting folks to volunteer to work on committees and/or be chairman still remains an issue. Young folks are not replenishing our ranks as our loved ones slowly move on to their final reward. We lost four officers last year - they either passed away or entered assistant facilities because of their health.

We have 1 more member that will reach the 60 year membership, Congratulation to Henry Covillo, Jr. In addition, we will also have 2 members, Salvatore Villano, Jr. and Mike A. Marchese that will have their 40 year membership and we will look forward to celebrating and honoring their accomplishments. Let's keep in mind our Tri-Pod: of Amore: Love, Benevolenza: Goodness/Brotherhood and Pace: Peace. As always if any member would like to talk to me you can reach me on my cell (720-635-1703).

Laugh lots, Love more, Stay safe and God Bless.

Ralph Acierno  
President

## Ladies Auxiliary

Dear Members:

Happy New Year!

I am grateful, thrilled and excited to be your new President. I am up for the challenges and want to get to know each of you a little better.

In reading our by-laws, I know that the purpose of the Ladies Auxiliary is "to assist the Society with their functions and to continue its social and traditional activities." Therefore it's incumbent upon us to keep the traditions that our founders brought from Potenza. The women are always the heart of the family and the ones who strive to keep our past a part of our current lives. We are the heart of the Potenza Lodge, and this makes us so much more. We are intelligent, competent, independent women.

The Auxiliary is intended to also be a social organization. With this in mind our newly appointed Social Chairman is Barbara Saunders who has our first event scheduled on March 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Boulder Dinner Theater. The specific information is included in this newsletter. Please know that everyone is welcome—your husbands and family—but we have limited seats available at this discounted price. Make your reservations early.

Our Lodge is a sisterhood. Let's love one another as sisters and create beautiful memories together as a family.

Thank you and God bless you,  
Barb

**Note:** If you need a reloadable King Soopers card, please call Sharon Kling, 303-470-8505. It's a "free" 5% rebate to the Lodge

### Charity Committee

Thank you for your gracious support of our many projects this past year. We helped Veterans, Military Wives, Pregnant Teens, Pre-School programs and Homeless Senior Citizens. Good Job.

*Committee Chairwoman, Theda Archer 303-771-8602*

## Welcome New Members

None



### *In Loving Memory Of*

None - thank you Lord!



*Entered into Life  
Entered into Eternal Life*

### The History of the Potenza Lodge

The book on the history of the Potenza Lodge was released for sale at the regular business meeting on Thursday, June 12, 2014. The title of the book is "The History of the Potenza Lodge." The book has 18 chapters and is 259 pages long. The cost is \$25 each.

All sale proceeds will go back to the Potenza Lodge and will be shared equally between the Men and Auxiliary organizations for the continued support of the lodge and our heritage.

To date the Auxiliary has ordered another 100 books and there are only 27 books left on that 2nd order. We encourage all our Italian families to purchase a book for your families in order to allow our young folks to realize our Potenza's, Italian Culture heritage as well as encourage them to carry on our legacy on into the future of the 21 century.

Place your order with our Auxiliary Historian committee; phone numbers are listed on the front page officer insert.

### Cookbooks

Ladies Auxiliary

Cookbooks are available for \$10.00 each. Contact any lodge officer for yours today. See cover page insert for phone numbers.

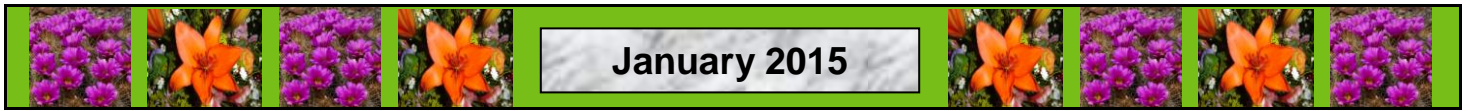
### Membership Information

This is just a reminder to get your dues in for 2015 and make sure your beneficiary card is up to date.

If you still haven't paid your dues for 2014 please do so in order to avoid being dropped from the membership and forfeiting your benefits.

If you have a change in your membership status, i.e., change of address, phone number, etc, please let the lodge know so that our files can be updated.

**Note:** Check out the officer's insert on the front page for the listing of the new Officer's for 2015

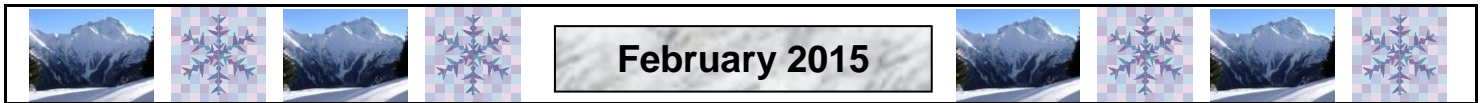


January 2015

Happy New Year

January 1, 2015.

January 8, 2015 6:30 p.m. Regular Business meeting and the swearing in of the new Men and Auxiliary officers for 2015. Photos will be taken of the new officers. Men to wear a suit jacket and tie. Ladies gussy up for photos. Sandwiches will be served.



February 2015

February 12, 2015 6:30 p.m. Regular Business Meeting. Taco's will be served.

February 14, 2015. Happy Valentines Day!



February 18, 2015. Ash Wednesday.



February 21, 2015 Black Hawk Bus Trip Mardi Gras Casino. Time: 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. RSVP/payment is required by February 12 to Ralph Acierno, 303-451-1404 or 720-635-1703. Cost is \$20. See insert for further details.



March 2015

March 5, 2015 6:30 p.m. Calendar Meeting to discuss and plan events for the 2nd Qtr. Apr/May/Jun newsletter.

March 8 @ 2:00 a.m. Daylight Savings Time Begins (set clocks ahead one hour).

March 12, 2015 6:30 p.m. Regular Business meeting. Corned Beef and Cabbage will be served.

March 17, 2015. Happy Saint Patricks Day.

March 22, 2015, Sunday - noon to 4:00 p.m. The Potenza Lodge Ladies Auxiliary invites you to the Boulder Dinner Theatre to see "Forever Plaid". Tickets are \$38.00 each and the price includes: Gratuity, Lunch, Coffee, Tea or Soft Drink and the Performance. **RSVP is a must:** Please call Barb Saunders for Reservations & Details by January 10th, 2015. 303-451-8667.

Note: Reservations and Money must be received by January 15, 2015. Please make the checks payable to the Boulder Dinner Theatre.

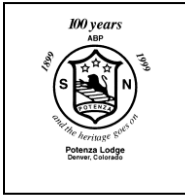
Boulder's Dinner Theatre is located on the northeast corner of Arapahoe Avenue at 55th Street at 5501 Arapahoe Avenue, in Boulder, Colorado. There is plenty of free parking on-site for BDT patrons. Please note: Wheelchair access to the theatre is available from the north parking lot. Let Barb know if you need this service.



!!Save This Date!!
Saturday April 18, 2015
Details are forthcoming for another Tony David & WildeFire Supper Club Event. More than likely the event will be similar to the last three that the lodge put on. Again, the members will have first chance at getting tickets when they become available and before they are released for sale to the public.
Keep this date in mind and make your reservations early.



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**Coming Events**

**Black Hawk Bus Trip**  
**Mardi Gras Casino**



**Saturday February 21, 2015**

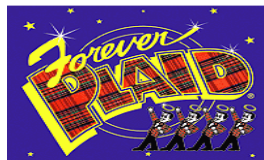
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RSVP/payment required by  
February 12  
(prepayment reserves your bus seat)

Please call:  
**Ralph Acierno**  
**303-451-1404 or 720-635-1703**

**Cost \$20**  
Food Comp \$10, Slot Play Comp \$5,  
Table Play Comp \$5  
Raffle ticket and prizes

**The Potenza Lodge Ladies**  
**Auxiliary Invites you to**



Sunday, March 22nd  
12:00 Noon to 4:00 p.m.  
**Boulder Dinner Theatre**

Tickets are \$38.00  
Price includes: gratuity,  
lunch, coffee, tea or soft drink  
+ Performance

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Dinner Theatre

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**Saturday**  
**April 18, 2015**



For Another Lodge

**Tony David & WildeFire**  
**Supper Club Event**

More details will be  
Forthcoming