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Dear Potenza Lodge Members,

Hope all members are in good health and spirit.

The board and I would like to thank all members, volunteers and their families for taking time out to make the Saint Rocco's celebration a success.

Every little bit helped during the eight days of set up, tear down, and to the team that was there from beginning to the end.

The next three months of the year I think are the best time of the year with Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas, we all get to have great dinner at the Lodge prepared by the ladies.

On a more business note, I have the permission from Miss Toni Clark, to report that Toni and I will not run for any office. We both hopefully tried to make the Potenza Lodge a success and a more stable foundation financially. This last year we had to make a lot of change to our old ways, complying with the new permits, adding Bingo (and it was a big success for three days). I think the Potenza Lodge should reinstate the playing of Bingo this should be on the agenda for coming years. I heard this year about tradition being lost, people on face book (members) making remarks about the Lodge this kind of gab, in my book, is immature if anyone has a problem with the way things are being handled come to a meeting and discuss it. Please don't complain after the fact.

The only true tradition the Potenza Lodge has is on page 171 of the History of the Lodge, (Mission Statement).

To continue hosting the Celebration of Saint Rocco, that was agreed to in 1926, with Mount Carmel Church.

If trying to improve on the bottom line of the Feast , Club Dances are breaking tradition. I think that some people are putting their egotism before the lodge.

Reminder, Nov. is the month for the nomination of new officer's for 2017. Please let us know if you wish to run for an office. The Feast report will be done in October.

Thank you all again for the opportunity to serve on the board as the President of the Potenza Lodge.

Respectfully

Frank J. Percey (Persichetti)
Potenza Lodge President-2016

Quote: The route you take depends a good deal upon where you want to go.

Lewis Carroll™

Ladies Auxiliary

President's Message 9/16

Dear Members:

I am entering into the final quarter of my Presidency. Time has certainly gone fast. The goal when I took office was to get to know each other better and to have fun—we are after all a social organization. I hope that these goals have been achieved. I also wanted us to be supportive of the Lodge. I also want to thank all the committee chairwomen and the committee members who have given of your time.

If you receive this newsletter before September 17, please note that our quarterly Birthday lunch will be on September 17th, 12 noon, at Mt. Fuji Restaurant located at 64th and Ward Rd. in Arvada. Lunch is free to our birthday girls, but everyone is invited. Also on September 24th is our Annual Craft and Vender Show, 11 to 2 at the hall. Lisa Lokken and Janette Perito are co-chairs.

St. Rocco's Feast was very successful this year. Although we were rained out on Friday, the crowds were great on Saturday and Sunday. Thank you to all of you who worked the Feast. Special thanks to those of you who stepped up to chair a booth, work or make pizzelles.

Columbus Day will be celebrated on October 8th. Representatives of the Italian clubs (including me) worked hard to defeat a bill which would have changed Columbus Day to Indigenous People's Day. So many of you told me that it was important to celebrate your heritage on Columbus Day. So I encourage you to celebrate this year. I am organizing everyone from the Potenza to participate in the parade. We will be meeting at the Lodge at 10 a.m. to proceed downtown. There will be an Italian community celebration at the Sons of Italy following the parade at 2 p.m. Dinner is being served (chicken marsala) and I have tickets for sale for \$15. Please join us to celebrate. Columbus Day will continue to be attacked, and some day there may be no holiday. Let's make memories this year together.

Our October meeting will again be our homemade pizza meeting. Because there was no September meeting, I was not able to solicit volunteers to help. We do need your **HELP**. It's a lot of fun. Please call me to volunteer. 303.423.9189.

There will be a Halloween/Oktoberfest Celebration on October 29th. Costumes are optional, but there will be a prize for the best costume. Tickets will be \$35 which includes dinner, cocktails and music. Tony David and Wildefire will perform.

Of course, November will bring our traditional Thanksgiving dinner. Ladies, you will bring a side dish to this. You never know what or who might pop-in for the event.

In December we serve shells (bring desserts and cookies) and celebrate Christmas by exchanging gifts (\$15 value). There, of course, will be the annual Christmas light bus (thank you Gerry Pergola for organizing) and the Children's Christmas Party.

Happy Halloween, Thanksgiving, and a Blessed Christmas.

Again, my sisters, I encourage you to love one another. We all have a special bond within the Auxiliary. Let's relish the time we spend together.

God bless you!

Barb

Note: If you need a reloadable

King Soopers card,
please call

Barb Pietrafeso 303.423.9189

It's a "free" 5% rebate to the lodge.

In Loving Memory



Fredrick (Fred) A. Mauro
Entered Into life January 31, 1942
Entered into Eternal Life June 23, 2016



Vincent M. Gagliardi, Sr.
Entered Into Life June 11, 1925
Entered Into Eternal Life August 5, 2016

Saint Rocco Feast Statue/Papal Flag Bidding Results

- St. Rocco Statue: Marrone Trucking (Ken Marrone) \$3000
- Papal Flag: Paul & Patty (Rondinelli) Stafford \$500
- Sandra Mancinelli \$500
- Louise DeBell \$500
- Barb Pietrafeso \$500
- Debra Thom (Slack) \$500

St. Rocco Feast Raffle Winner's

Billie LaPenna and Joy Macaluso shared the \$3,000 first prize.

Gary Capritta won the 2nd prize of \$1,000.

Kim Jaime and Kathy Bates each won \$500.

Cook Books **Ladies Auxiliary**

Cookbooks are available for \$10.00 each.
Contact any lodge officer for yours today.
See Front Page Insert for phone numbers.
Thank you.

Charity Committee

Thank you for your participation! We are having an underwear drive for the senior resource center for October and November. We need mens socks and new packages of mens size M or L underwear. Also, jewels for hope is an ongoing project.

Sincerely, Committee Chairwoman, Theda Archer 303.771.8602



October 4 Tuesday: 6:30 pm. St. Rocco Feast wrap up & Critique.

All members are welcome to come and discuss the outcome of the St. Rocco Feast. Also share your thoughts and ideas to make improvements and work out any problems they experienced.

October 8 Saturday: 10:00 am. Columbus Day Parade. Meet in lodge parking lot at 10:00 am., proceed downtown for parade. Following the parade at 2:00 pm will be a Columbus Day Italian Heritage celebration at the Sons of Italy; join members of the Italian Community to celebrate. Dinner \$15 – call Barb Pietrafeso for details. 303.423-9189

October 13 Thursday 6:30 pm. Lodge Business Meeting. Also, the annual Pizza Night with all the traditional, genuine recipes handed down from past generations.

October 29 Saturday 6:00 pm. Halloween/Oktoberfest Celebration. Costumes are optional, but there will be a prize for the best costume. Tickets will be \$35 which includes dinner, cocktails and music by Tony David and Wildefire. Please RSVP to Frank J. Percey, 303.428.5723 or Toni Clark 303.428.9715. **CANCEL – CANCEL Late notice that Event Date is not available.**



November 6 Daylight Saving Time ends, turn your clocks back 1 hour.

November 8 Tuesday Election Day. Time to get out and vote for your preferred candidate!!

November 10 Thursday 6:30 pm. Annual Thanksgiving Dinner! Ladies please bring a side dish. Elections for 2017 officers. Think about running for an office. Elections are held in December.

November 11 Veterans Day, Honor Veterans – Fly the Flag.

November 16 Final day to RSVP to Barbara Saunders (303-451-8667) for the Childrens Christmas Party on Saturday, December 3, from 1 to 3 pm. Barb needs to know the number of family member's attending, the children's names, ages, and gender - newborn thru 12 years old.



December 1 Thursday 6:30 pm. Calendar Meeting for the Jan-Feb-Mar 2017 newsletter.

December 2 Friday 5:30 pm. Christmas Lights Bus Tour. \$10 per person. Please call Gerry Pergola for your reservation. (303) 429-2634

December 3 Saturday 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Childrens Christmas Party. Be sure you have your **RSVP into Barb Saunders by November 16**, regarding who's coming and Children info. Santa doesn't want any of our little ones to be disappointed if he doesn't know who's coming; names, gender, age, or brand new. As usual lunch will be served prior to Santa's visit.

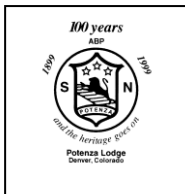
December 7: National Pearl Harbor Rememberance Day. Honor the Veterans. Fly the Flag. God Bless America.

December 8 Thursday 6:30 pm. Lodge Business Meeting. Annual Christmas Stuffed Shell Dinner. Ladies, please bring Dessert – Auxiliary Gift Exchange – Officers Election.

December 25: Merry Christmas



Parties - Weddings - Meetings - Etc.
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Coming Events & Misc. 2016

October 29, 2016
Halloween/Oktoberfest
Celebration



Costumes are optional
but there will be a prize

**Event Canceled,
Sorry**

Includes dinner, cocktails
& music by Tony David &
Wildefire
RSVP to Frank J. Percey
303.428.5723 or Toni Clark
303.428.9715

Potenza Lodge Annual
Christmas Lights Bus
Tour



December 2, 2016
Friday Evening - 5:30 pm

Meet at the lodge parking lot

Cost: \$10.00 per person

Please call Gerry Pergola
for
your reservation
(303) 429-2634

Children's Christmas
Party
December 3, 2016
 (Saturday)
Potenza Lodge Hall
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm



Be sure you have RSVP to
Barb Saunders by Nov. 16,
2016. Refer to the details
defined herein.

