## **President's Message**

SEPTEMBER 2019



ear Brothers and Sisters of the Trieste Lodge, I hope that everyone has enjoyed their summer and are ready to get back into the business of our Order! Your executive met at the end of August to discuss the next fiscal year within our lodge and what we can do to serve our membership. There are some existing events that we are going to revamp, as well as some new items that we will be sharing in the coming months.

Firstly I would be remiss if I didn't mention a couple of events that occurred this past June. We held our National Convention back in the first weekend of June in Kelowna BC. As mentioned, the highlight of the convention was the resolution to now operate under the "Order Sons and Daughters of Italy Canada". This will appear on our newsletter, web site, correspondence etc. Also in June we held our Annual Charity Golf Tournament at Glendale. As in the past, this year was another success generating a profit \$12,217, with the majority of the proceeds to be donated to the Juravinski Cancer Centre. Special congratulations to organizing committee members Frank Merolli, Ralph Olivieri and Enrico Seminerio. Also a special thank you to Tony Giardino and Joe Mongiardi for their help the day of the event.

The Strategic board has been working very hard and diligently over the last few months branching our network out into the broader community. Brother Frank Attardo as chairperson of the board will provide more details of their works in the coming months.

In the newsletter you will find advertisements for different events occurring within our community. I encourage our members to partake in any events they can, and if possible and/ or feasible mention your membership to our Order. You will be surprised how appreciative the community is of our efforts to support these events. For example, Frank Spadone is coming to town for a comedy night and always has a great time coming to our hall and spending time with our members. What a great gesture it would be if we can support his event by having a bunch of us at the comedy club!

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November is coming soon and that marks the annual Citizen of the Year Gala at LIUNA Gardens. This year we are honouring our brother Sam Cino. We all know that Sam is extremely well deserving of this honour for all the work he has done for the Hamilton community. Moreover, Sam wears his Sicilian roots on his sleeve and is ever proud to express his heritage in song and comedic entertainment. Perhaps we'll get a taste of that the night of the event?? For any ticket information please see Brother Lucas Costanzo.

Please note that this September's General meeting is our annual Steak and Sausage BBQ dinner. The cost is \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. As an executive we have decided to keep the dinner price at \$20 for 2019/2020 for members, however we will increase the guest dinner price to \$30. We believe this to be a fair arrangement as it gives value for being a full member of our organization. If anyone has any concerns or questions please see me directly. I look forward to seeing everyone at our General Dinner meeting in September!

Fraternally yours, Lewis Merolli

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Tuesday, September 10, 2019

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## Messaggio Del Presidente



ari fratelli e sorelle della Loggia di Trieste, Spero che tutti si siano goduti la loro estate e siano pronti a tornare alle consuete riunioni ed eventi del nostro Ordine! Il comitato esecutivo si è riunito alla fine di Agosto per discutere del prossimo anno fiscale all'interno della nostra loggia e di cosa possiamo fare per assistere i nostri membri. Ci sono alcuni eventi esistenti che stiamo per riproporre,

così come alcuni nuovi elementi che condivideremo nei prossimi mesi.

In primo luogo, mancherei di rispetto se non menzionassi un paio di eventi verificatisi lo scorso Giugno. Abbiamo tenuto la nostra Convenzione nazionale nel primo fine settimana di giugno a Kelowna B.C. Come accennato, il momento clou della convenzione è stata la risoluzione nell'operare ora sotto "Order Sons and Daughters of Italy Canada". Questo apparirà sulla nostra newsletter, sito web, corrispondenza ecc. Sempre a Giugno abbiamo organizzato il nostro torneo annuale di golf di beneficenza a Glendale. Come in passato, quest'anno è stato un altro successo che ha generato un profitto di \$ 12.217, con la maggior parte del ricavato da donare al Juravinski Cancer Center. Congratulazioni speciali vanno ai membri del comitato organizzatore Frank Merolli, Ralph Olivieri ed Enrico Seminerio. Un ringraziamento speciale anche a Tony Giardino e Joe Mongiardi per il loro aiuto il giorno dell'evento.

Il consiglio strategico ha lavorato duramente e diligentemente negli ultimi mesi, ramificando la nostra rete sul resto della comunita'. Il fratello Frank Attardo, presidente del consiglio, fornirà maggiori dettagli sulle loro opere nei prossimi mesi.

Nella newsletter troverete annunci pubblicitari per diversi eventi che si verificano all'interno della nostra comunità. Incoraggio i nostri membri a partecipare a qualsiasi evento e, se possibile e / o fattibile, menzionare la tua iscrizione al nostro Ordine. Sarete sorpresi di quanto la comunità apprezzi i nostri sforzi per sostenere questi eventi. Ad esempio, Frank Spadone viene in città per una serata comica e si diverte sempre a venire al nostro club e trascorrere del tempo con i nostri membri. Che grande gesto sarebbe se potessimo sostenere il suo evento con molti di noi attendere la sua serata!

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Novembre e'alle porte e questo segna l'annuale Gala del Cittadino dell'Anno a LIUNA Gardens. Quest'anno onoriamo nostro fratello Sam Cino. Sappiamo tutti che Sam è estremamente meritevole di questo onore per quanto contribuito verso la comunità di Hamilton. Inoltre, Sam sbamdiera le sue radici Siciliane ed è sempre orgoglioso di esprimere la sua eredità nel canto e nell'intrattenimento comico. Forse avremo un assaggio di cio' la notte dell'evento ? Per qualsiasi informazione sui biglietti, chiedete a Fratello Lucas Costanzo.

Si prega di notare che l'assemblea generale di Settembre è la nostra cena barbecue annuale con bistecca e salsiccia. Il costo è di \$ 25 per i membri e \$ 30 per i non membri. Come comitato abbiamo deciso di mantenere il prezzo della cena a \$ 20 per il 2019/2020 per i membri, tuttavia aumenteremo il prezzo della cena per gli ospiti a \$ 30. Riteniamo che si tratti di un accordo equo in quanto fornisce valore per essere un membro a pieno titolo della nostra organizzazione. Se qualcuno ha dubbi o domande, per favore, contattatemi direttamente. Non vedo l'ora di vedere tutti alla nostra riunione di Settembre!

Fraternamente, Lewis Merolli



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## Citizen Of The Year 2019: Mr. Sam Cino



Centre (Vice Chair 2014), the Health Care Health and Safety Association (3 years as Chair), and 5 years as President of Volunteer Hamilton Centre for Community Engagement. As the founding Chair of the Festitalia Italian Heritage Awards Program in 2012, he served as the Dinner Co-chair until 2016. He's been the Co-chair of Sicilia Canta since 2013, a cultural event linking Hamilton to Sicily. In 2012 Sam was recognized for community service with the Diamond Jubilee Medal. Mr. Sam Cino is a true testament to what it means to live a humble and fulfilling life, surrounded by the love and care of so many friends and family.

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he Order Sons of Italy Trieste Lodge in Hamilton is proud to recognize Mr. Sam Cino as the 2019 Italian-Canadian Citizen of the Year. A truly deserving individual, Sam has dedicated a lifetime to helping others as a philanthropic figure in the Hamilton area.

From a young age, Sam learned the importance of generosity and dedication to the community from his parents, as they were strong representative's of Hamilton's sister city, Racalmuto in Sicily. Among many notable accomplishments, Sam has served on a variety of community boards, including Scouts Canada, Festitalia (Chair 2012 and 2013), Immigrant Women's

The Sons of Italy Trieste Lodge would like to invite all family, friends and colleagues to share in a wonderful evening recognizing Mr. Cino. The Gala event will be held at Liuna Gardens on Saturday November 16th at 6pm. Tickets for the gala will be \$125 per person (all inclusive, black tie). Sponsorship in the event program is also available as an avenue to congratulate Sam on his many achievements. For information on tickets or sponsorship, please contact The Citizen of the Year Chairperson, Lucas Costanzo via email costanzlu@gmail.com or Stefano Zecchin at 289-925-4362 or stevenzecchin@gmail.com







# Letter from the Editors

iao Brothers and Sisters, We hope you had an excellent summer and would like to cordially welcome everyone back to the lodge! Anthony and I (Jessica) would like to re-introduce ourselves as the social media and newsletter editors this year. As always, we will do our best to keep all of our members connected and informed throughout the year.

The newsletter is a way for us to keep you up-to-date with everything going on at the Sons & Daughters of Italy Trieste Lodge. With that said, we'd also like to hear from you! Keeping our membership involved and engaged in the newsletter is very important to us. Each month we are always looking for new ideas and content including: event notifications, enriching stories, news updates, family recipes, cultural and/ or historical photos, etc.

Please feel free to come up to us at the general meetings or send us a message if you have any ideas for the newsletter or content you'd like to share with your fellow SOI brothers and sisters.

Sincerely,

Br. Anthony Chiarelli, 905-517-8957 S. Jessica Petrunti, 905-512-2919 Email: jess.petrunti@gmail.com

## **General Meeting**

## Dinner Pricing and Etiquette



Our monthly General Meetings begin at 7pm sharp and doors open at exactly 6pm. Please note that September's meeting is \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. Going forward, dinner for members will be \$20 and \$30 for non-members. All members and guests must sign in at the door with an executive member before entering the hall. Please be

patient with us at the door as we have been implementing a new sign-in process that will allow us to better manage and track our dinner attendance for years to come. Please contact the executive if you have any questions.

## **Need a Ride** to our Monthly Meetings?



If you are willing to pick up a fellow brother or sister and drive them to general meetings or if you would like to attend a general meeting but are unable to drive, please contact Lewis Merolli @ 905-515-7276 or Joe Mongiardi @ 289-925-1557. We will do our best to accommodate all requests.

## 2019 Membership Dues



Just a reminder that ALL membership dues were to be paid in full by MARCH 31st. If you still have not paid your dues, please do so as soon as possible. Dues are \$75.00 and can be paid in person using cash or cheque at our general meetings, by mail, or by visiting our website under the "payments page" using PayPal. Please contact the executive if you

have any questions.



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## **SOI Choir Update**

he Sons of Italy Choir is back rehearsing for the fall and Christmas Season. On Saturday June 1, 2019. The Sons of Italy Choir held a 50th Anniversary Concert, with dinner and Dance. The audience enjoyed with great enthusiasm the singing of our special Guests, Soprano Stephanie DeCiantis and Baritone Jeffrey Carl accompanied by Maestro and pianist Sabatino Vacca. As always our thanks for the delicious food

prepared by our Chef Joe Mongiardi. The Sons of Italy Choir is always looking for New Members. If you are kind of interested but don't think you are good enough, please come and give it a try, you will be surprised. Please call Angelo at 905-388-0872 or email: a.m.venditti46@gmail.com

Happy Singing, Happy Hearts!



## La Vita E' Bella Radio Show - CFMU 93.3 FM

ari Fratelli e Sorelle! We would like to invite and remind you to tune in with our very own local Italian radio show "La Vita e' Bella" based out of the CFMU Studios at McMaster University with VJ Stefano & VJ Luca. Live every Sunday from 12.00 P.M to 1.00 P.M on 93.3 FM! You can also stream the show online on the official CFMU website cfmu. msumcmaster.ca and a recorded piece will be posted on the official facebook page www.facebook.com/vjstefano. Like the page to get updates on beautiful news, events and pictures!

La Vita e' Bella is a radio show created with the intention to entertain and support the Italian community in Hamilton and surroundings and in particular those part of the Sons of Italy Trieste Lodge with updates with upcoming events and special announcements, it strives to maintain and spread the Italian language, traditions and culture facing extinction in today's

Canadian society. The topics vary from medicine to science, sports to cinema, cooking to literature and much more. Given the particular nature of the target audience the music played mirrors such peculiarity with music that ranges from the 50's up until today.



Any member interested in getting involved with the show or that would like to make any type of requests from dedicating a song for a special event as a birthday/anniversary or to discuss about a particular important event is more than welcome to contact Br. Steven Zecchin via e-mail stevenzecchin@gmail.com or directly via phone at 289-925-4362.





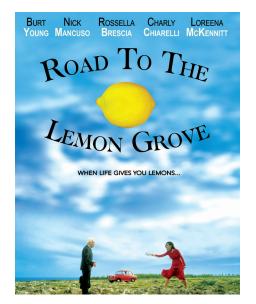
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## **Road to the Lemon Grove**

# In Theaters Across Canada Starting August 30

If there was ever a movie for you to see about Italian immigrants in Canada/North America, this would be the one. Bring your parents, your family and your friends. Enjoy 90 minutes of gorgeous Italian music, beautiful scenery of Sicily, and a touching funny story of father and son; family unity; and one big crazy "paisano" feast.

ROAD TO THE LEMON GROVE, a big-hearted, joy-filled movie, takes a spirited journey into the heart of Sicily and the soul of a father/son bond. This funny and touching, multi-award winning film explores the loss of culture and identity that can only be rekindled by reconnecting with the heart of who we are.

"Lovely, thoughtful work. Beautifully woven. Uplifting. Hopeful."

Sam Cino (Citizen of the Year 2019 - Sons and Daughters of Italy) calls it "A comedy with an intelligent heart, Road to the Lemon Grove is a beautiful movie that honours the immigrant experience like no other has before". Paul Gross (Actor, Director, Producer) said, "Lovely, thoughtful work. Beautifully woven. Uplifting. Hopeful."

For more information and to purchase tickets visit: http://www.roadtothelemongrove.com/. Please share with your family, friends and colleagues.



## **Regional Food Night**

## Coming Soon

n Wednesday, September 25 the Sons & Daughters of Italy Trieste Lodge will host the Annual Regional Dinner as part of the Festitalia September events lineup. The night will showcase our Italian culture accompanied with an excellent meal, while spending time and catching up with friends and family. In addition to the nights usual festivities, the Sons & Daughters of Italy Trieste Lodge will make cheque presentations to various charities within our community. To attend this event please contact Anthony Chiarelli. Tickets are \$45.00/per person.









#### For more info visit **www.festitalia.ca**

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September 4	FESTITALIA 44th Opening Ceremonies	6:30 PM	Michelangelo's Banquet and Conference Centre
September 4	2019 FESTITALIA SOI CALCIO Master's Cup – Kick Off		Visit https://www.festitalia.ca/event/2019-festitalia-soi-calcio-masters-cup-kick-off/ for a complete listing of game dates, times and locations
September 5	Venetian Club Regional Dinner	6:30 PM	Venetian Club – 269 John Street North, Hamilton
September 6	Donnici Club Regional Dinner	6:30 PM	Donnici Regional Club – 765 King Street East, Hamilton
September 8	FESTITALIA Mass – Celebrated by The Most Reverend Bishop Crosby	10:30 AM	St. Anthony's Church – 165 Prospect Street, Hamilton
September 8	Famèe Furlane Regional Dinner	5:00 PM	Famèe Furlane Banque Centre – 3457 Hendershot Road, Binbrook
September 11	Fratellanza Racalmutese Regional Dinner	6:00 PM	Fratellanza Racalmutese Club – 72 Murray Street, Hamilton
September 11-12	2019 FESTITALIA SOI CALCIO Master's Cup		Visit https://www.festitalia.ca/event/2019-festitalia-soi-calcio-masters-cup-kick-off/ for a complete listing of game dates, times and locations
September 13	Alpini Club Regional Dinner	6:00 PM	The Associazione Nazionale Alpini Sezione di Hamilton-Gruppo Centro, 642 Barton Street East, Hamilton
September 14	FORTINO's Grape Stomp	10:00 AM	FORTINO's Mall Road
September 14	FORTINO's Grape Stomp	2:00 PM	FORTINO's Fiesta Mall
September 14	San Michele Arcangelo Salutes Festitalia Dinner	6:00 PM	St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall, 304 Highway #8, Stoney Creek
September 15	Sante Croce di Magliano Regional Dinner	6:00 PM	Michelangelo's Banquet and Conference Centre
September 17	Festitalia @ St. Joseph's Hospital Atrium	10:00 AM	St. Joseph's Hospital – Charlton Campus
September 18	Federazione Abruzzese Regional Dinner	5:30 PM	Carmen's Banquet & Convention Centre
September 18	Festitalia Author's Night with Trevor Cole – The Whiskey King	6:30 PM	C Hotel - Carmen's Best Western 1520 Stone Church Road East, Hamilton
September 18-19	2019 FESTITALIA SOI CALCIO Master's Cup		Visit https://www.festitalia.ca/event/2019-festitalia-soi-calcio-masters-cup-kick-off/ for a complete listing of game dates, times and locations
September 21	Festitalia Bocce Tournament	10:00 AM	Venetian Club – 269 John Street North, Hamilton
September 25	Festitalia feeds the Good Shepherd	3:00 PM	The Good Shepherd – 135 Mary Street, Hamilton
September 25	Order Sons of Italy Regionar Dinner	6:30 PM	Sons of Italy - 499 King Street East, Hamilton
September 25-26	2019 FESTITALIA SOI CALCIO Master's Cup – Semi Finals		Visit https://www.festitalia.ca/event/2019-festitalia-soi-calcio-masters-cup-kick-off/ for a complete listing of game dates, times and locations
September 27	Sicilia Canta – "U Sceccu Vola"	5:30 PM	LIUNA Station – 360 James Street North, Hamilton
September 28	Festitalia at Forge FC vs. Pacific FC	3:30 PM	Tim Horton's Field – Hamilton
September 29	Pugliese Regional Dinner	6:00 PM	Michelangelo's Banquet and Conference Centre
October 4	2019 FESTITALIA SOI CALCIO Master's Cup – Finals	9:00 PM	Visit https://www.festitalia.ca/event/2019-festitalia-soi-calcio-masters-cup-kick-off/ for a complete listing of game dates, times and locations
November 29	InCanto - Buon Natale	6:00 PM	Michelangelo's Banquet and Conference Centre

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### **EVENT CALENDAR**

## Mark your Calendar

For those wishing to help with the following events, please see your Executive.

September General Meeting	Tuesday, September 10, 2019
Regional Food Night	Wednesday, September 25, 2019
October General Meeting	Tuesday, October 15, 2019
Evil Eye Comedy Tour	Thursday, October 3, 2019
Citizen of the Year	Saturday, November 16, 2019



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