

# Italian American Club of Lansing



OSIA Lodge 2590



## NEWS



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- Vito and Rose Cicinelli
- OSIA Past President—Linda Fabiano

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## Dinner to benefit IAC Scholarships

Bring your family, friends, and neighbors to an evening of delicious Italian food and fun (*una sera Italiana*).

**On Saturday, March 1, 2008, doors open at 6:00 p.m.,** at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall (IHM), located at 3815 S. Cedar St., Lansing.

The IAC of Lansing is hosting its *Annual Spring Dinner and Dance*. The proceeds for this event will benefit the IAC and the IAC Scholarship Fund which awards scholarships each year to high school students who will be attending college and whose parents are IAC members in good standing.

This event will have plenty of authentic recipes: delicious pasta dish

with homemade meatballs, smothered in authentic tomato sauce (Mama's recipe), homemade Italian sausage, salad, and dinner rolls.

Also, enjoy delicious desserts, coffee, and refreshments.

The cost of this event is **\$17.00 for adults and \$8.50 for children 6 to 12 years old, children under the age of 6 are free.** Reserved tables are available to those that purchase a complete table of eight tickets.

For more information, please contact the Chairpersons of this event, Joe Sambaer at (517)214-0714, or Joe Joseph at (517)862-2300, or any of the Board members listed on the far left column of this newsletter. You can email your ticket requests

to: deluca\_iac@yahoo.com

Your support and attendance will help to maintain the Italian heritage, traditions, and culture for the next generations.

**Come and enjoy "una bella sera Italiana!"**

**Purchase your tickets today and help support the IAC of Lansing!!! Grazie.**



## Scholarships deadline Approaching

The deadline to return your scholarship applications is approaching. The IAC applications are due by **March 1, 2008**, and the OSIA applications are due by **March 15, 2008**. Applications that are postmarked after midnight of the above dates **will not be accepted.**

Once the IAC applications are received, the IAC Scholarship Committee will forward them to a third party of individuals for selection, who are not affiliated with any of the IAC Board Members. The OSIA applications are selected by the Grand Lodge of Michigan. Win-

ners will be selected and notified by April 16, 2008, and scholarship checks will be awarded at the *IAC Annual General Meeting* in May. For IAC eligibility contact Jim Mocerri at (517) 490-4158 and for OSIA contact Vito Cicinelli @ (517)323-9351.

## *Annual Meeting—May 2008*

The winter months have been extensively long, but look on the brighter side, Spring is just around the corner.

We are in the process of scheduling this year's Annual Meeting, the tentative date for this event is Thursday, May 8, 2008, and the location will be the Eagles Lodge.

This year we will be having the monthly Board Meeting in conjunction with the Annual Meeting. Also, this year we are slated to have the election of officers and trustees for the next two year terms. If you would like information on the eligibility requirements to being a candidate for an officer or trustee,

please email your request to [deluca\\_iac@yahoo.com](mailto:deluca_iac@yahoo.com), and a member of the nominating committee will contact you.

Also, you will soon receive your membership dues renewal invoice. Please return your payment promptly so that we can move forward in planning our events and budget for the upcoming year. Thank you for your attention into this manner.

You are the most important asset to the IAC of Lansing and without your support we could not have had the past successes, and certainly without your continued support we will be unable to assure the future.

The younger generations are counting on us to help maintain the Italian heritage, traditions, and culture.

Each and every one of us can play a vital role in the success of the IAC of Lansing and in the local Italian community. The many ways that can help achieve this success is to help recruit new members, support all the club sponsored events, and continue your participation.

The future and the preservation of the Italians past history in Lansing depends on all of us.

## *Lansing Diversity Day*

*Mark your calendars!*

The City of Lansing will once again be hosting Diversity Day. The date of this event is **Saturday, May 3, 2008**, at the Fieldhouse at Eastern High School, from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.

In the past the Italian community has not been represented, this year we will take a more active role in

being one of the ethnics groups represented. We are working with the Diversity Day Commission to scheduling Italian music, food, and bocce ball demonstration.

This will be a great opportunity to showcase and share our rich Italian culture, and to express that the Italian community is alive and well in Lansing. It also provides and opportunity to show our support for our

first Italian mayor in Lansing.

Further information and details regarding this event will be published in the upcoming newsletters.

## *Other News.....*

### **Women's Auxiliary:**

The Women's Auxiliary's next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 11th, at 7:00 p.m., at Holy Cross School.

Tickets for the Spring Breakfast are almost sold out, if you would like to purchase tickets or make a donation to the event, please contact Christina Bozzo at (517)622-1762.

### **Bowling Event**

Old-man winter had an affect on the attendance at the bowling event. Thank you to those to braved the blistery wind and snow.

A big "thank you" goes to Paul Orlando, Chairman, and City Limits Grill.

### **Lunch with Judge Filice**

On the second Thursday of every month, Judge Filice and a group from the Italian community meets for lunch at Piazzano's Restaurant, located at 1825 N. Grand River, (from 12 noon—to approx. 1:30 p.m.). Good food, good friends, no formal program, and no dues. Group has been meeting for approx. 8 years.