

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS
OF MEMORIES

1972 - 2012



VINCENT LOMBARDI LODGE #2270

Order Sons of Italy in America

ROCHESTER NEW YORK

State of New York
Legislative Resolution

Senate No. 3725

BY: Senator Robach

CONGRATULATING Vincent Lombardi Lodge Number 2270,
Order Sons of Italy in America, Rochester, New York, upon
the occasion of celebrating the 40th Anniversary of its Charter

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals that are devoted to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, It is also the custom of this Legislative Body, in keeping with its time-honored traditions, to recognize and pay tribute to those organizations which foster ethnic pride and enhance the profile of cultural diversity which strengthens the fabric of the communities of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Vincent Lombardi Lodge No. 2270, Order of Sons of Italy in America, Rochester, New York, upon the occasion of celebrating the 40th Anniversary of its Charter; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated on Saturday, June 23, 2012; and

WHEREAS, The Order Sons of Italy in America was established in New York City on June 22, 1905, by Vincenzo Sellara, M.D. and a small group of other professionals; for more than nine decades the Order Sons of Italy and its many local Lodges have been of service to the Italian-American community throughout New York State and the Nation; and

WHEREAS, The Order Sons of Italy in America encourages the maintenance of Italian culture and language, as well as the assimilation into American social and political life; it has sponsored a wide variety of programs in furtherance of its mission, as well as countless Italian heritage events; and

WHEREAS, The Sons of Italy Vincent Lombardi Lodge No. 2270 was chartered on June 23, 1972, as a fraternal organization of Italian American men and women in Rochester, New York, the lodge was formed as a local branch of the Order of the Sons of Italy in America (OSIA) which is the oldest and largest fraternal organization of the Italian Americans in the North American continent, and

WHEREAS, The Sons of Italy Vincent Lombardi Lodge No. 2270 was built on the original Sons of Italy principles of liberty, equality and fraternity; it affectionately offers a hand to all and keeps alive the traditions of its ancestors; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of its President Joseph A. Rubé, Jr., M.D., the mission of Sons of Italy Vincent Lombardi Lodge No. 2270 is to seek to unite Italian Americans in preserving and disseminating the cultural history of Italy; it seeks to promote and advance positive images of Italian Americans in our society through philanthropic, cultural, educational, social, civic and community activities; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when an organization of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention, it should be recognize and applauded by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, bit it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the Vincent Lombardi Lodge No. 2270, Order of Sons of Italy in American, Rochester, New York, upon the occasion of celebrating the 40th Anniversary of its Charter; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joseph A. Rubé, Jr., M.D., President, Vincent Lombardi Lodge No. 2270, Order of Sons of Italy in America, Rochester, New York.

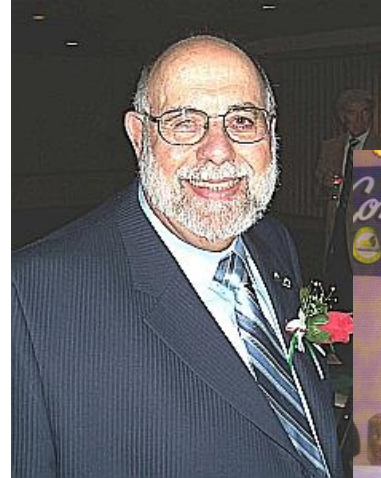
ADOPTED IN SENATE ON
March 27, 2012

By order of the Senate,

Francis W. Patience, Secretary

VINCENT LOMBARDI LODGE PRESIDENTS

1972 - 1974	James Cimino
1974 - 1976	Louis Giambra
1976	Thomas LaVerna
1977	Louis Giambra (resigned in June to become State Trustee)
1977	John March
1977 - 1982	Joseph Vazzana (completed term of L. Giambra and J. March)
1982 - 1983	John March
1984	Victor Bell
1985	Peter Cimino
1986 - 1988	Sam Parise
1988 - 1990	Cosmo (Tony) Caceci
1990 - 1993	Louis Giambra
1993	Michael La Comba
1993 - 1998	Joseph Vazzana (completed term of M. LaComba)
1998 - 2000	Shirley Sculli (elected in Nov to complete JV term)
2001 - 2002	Judge Phillip Dattilo
2003 - 2004	Joseph Vazzana
2005 - 2008	Joseph Berta (resigned in June when elected State Trustee)
2008 - 2012	Dr. Joseph Rube' (elected Sept to fill vacancy)



“Worthy President...I hand you this gavel, which is the symbol of authority, and ... hope you will use it with the discretion, justice, and impartiality, in the interest of the members of this Lodge.”





"We believe that all people were created equal; and that all are equal..."



CHARTER MEMBERS

Leo Spezio
Paul Borreggine
Joseph DiMaggio D.D.S.
Kenneth W Pavia
Romolo DeSpirito
John Antonelli
Anthony Audino
Michael Cassara Jr
Eugine Fioravanti
Joseph Lusardi
Alfred Lusardi
Anthony LaBue
Frank DiMino
Edward Chafel Jr
Albert Pelusio
Philip J Scardino
Dr Orry Marciano
Edward Pero
Richard Crecco
Anthony Comparato
Anthony Marsh
Thomas Licata
Jerry Livadas
James Cimino
James Cimino Jr
Justin Carotenuto
Joseph E Battaglia
Anthony R Dunn
Joseph Nalore
James Castiglione
James Castiglione Jr
Robert Castiglione
James Manno
William Sabatini
Frank Cariscuolo





“Bear in mind that the first impressions are those that linger longest...”







“...the symbol of membership – “The Lion”

“It signifies our strength and the primacy of our principles, Liberty, Equality and Fraternity”





DISTINGUISHED
WOMEN OF OSIA
2008

Sister Carole Proia
Angela Parise
Susan Berta
Eunice McCarthy
Mary Ricci
Shirley Sculli







Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition

Presented to

SONS OF ITALY - LODGE 2270

In Recognition of

*Its members, past and present for their dedication
and service to the local community*

April 23, 2012
Date

Tom Reed, Member of Congress



2270



SUPREME LODGE

ORDER SONS OF ITALY IN AMERICA

Application for Charter

N.B.—This application must be forwarded to the Supreme Venerable or to the Grand Venerable if a Grand Lodge exists within the area in which the lodge is to be founded.

OUR MOTTO IS: LIBERTY - EQUALITY - FRATERNITY

Date: May 1972

TO: Grand Lodge of the State of New York
Order Sons of Italy in America

We, the undersigned, desirous of joining the Order of the Sons of Italy because of the high ideals and purposes which the tenets of the Order embrace, respectfully petition for the issuance of a Charter to found a filial lodge in conformity with the General Laws of the Order.

Toward that end, we declare:

1. — That the following signatures have been selected for the purpose of having them inscribed on the Charter:

- (a). *John P. Romens*
- (b). *John S. ...*
- (c). *Joseph Lusardi*

2. — That the name of the lodge to be formed shall be:

Vincent Lombardi Lodge of Rochester

3. — That it shall be located in the City and State of:

Rochester, New York

In compliance with the statutory requirement, we enclose herewith \$ 20⁰⁰, hoping that this application be acted upon favorably.

**ORDER SONS OF ITALY IN AMERICA
APPLICATIONS FOR CHARTER**

...THE GRAND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF ...

The Grand Lodge of New York

...GIVES ITS FULL CONSENT AND AUTHORITY TO ...

John P. Lomenzo
Leo Spezio
Joseph Lusardi

..TO CONSTITUTE A REGULAR SUBORDINATE LODGE IN ...

Rochester, NY

UNDER THE TITLE OF ...

Vincent Lombardi Lodge #2270

...THE 23rd DAY OF June, 1972

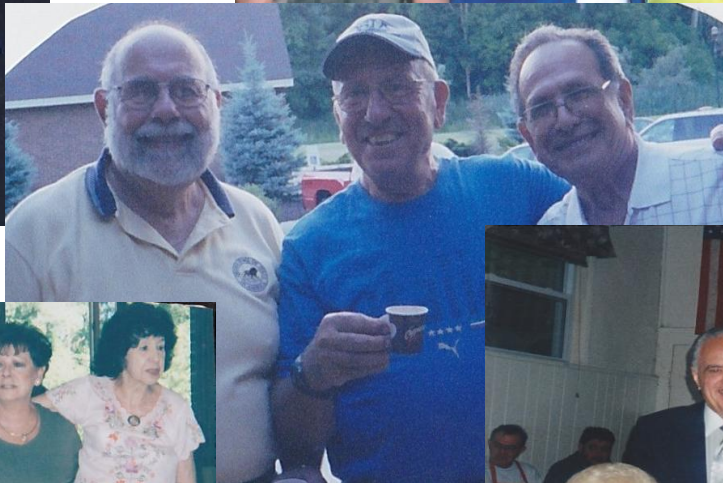
PLEASE ADD SIGNATURES TO DOCUMENT

Philip R. Boncore, National President
Paula Moccia, National Recording Secretary

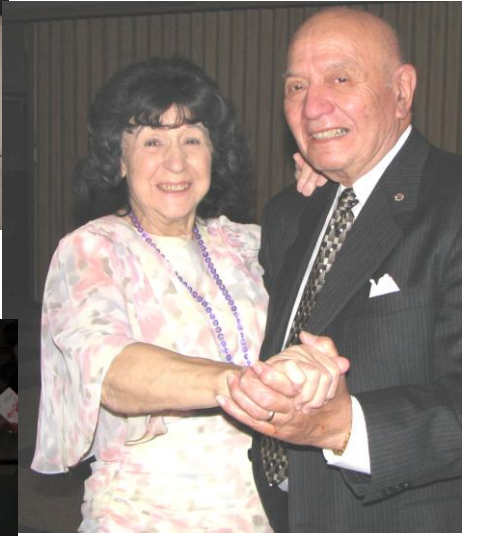
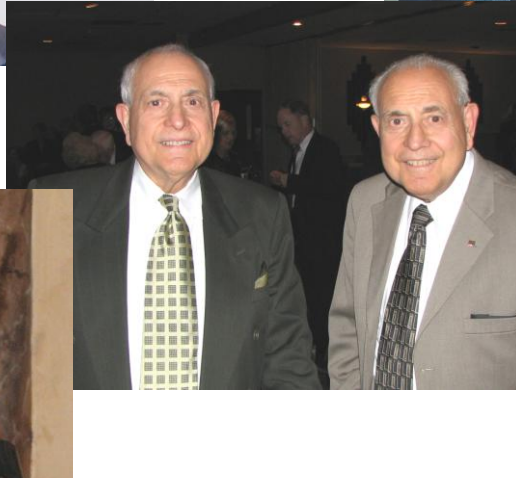


"I have an affectionate and high regard for the rich culture, traditions and history of the land of our ancestors..."



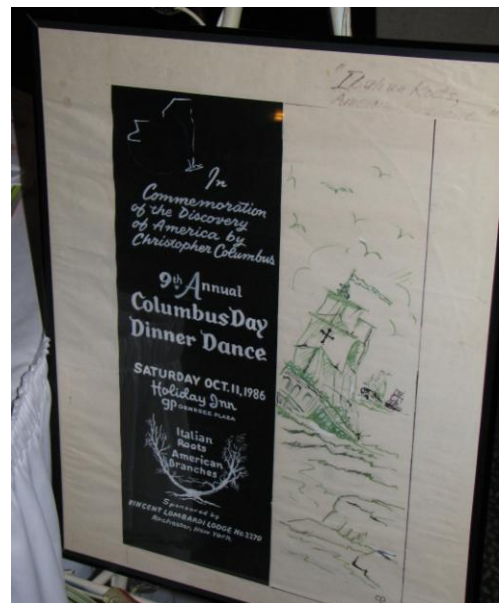


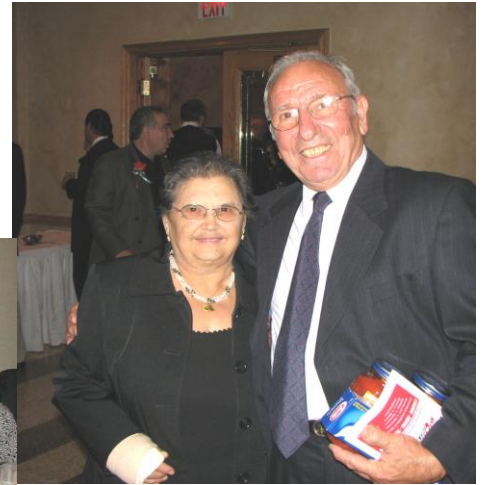














Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.



PAST HONOREES

Hon. Anthony J. Sciolino
Betty DeLucia
Dr. Carmen Christo
Hon. Edward Provenzano
Michael La Comba
Paul De Carolis
Carl Zollo
Hon. Donald Mark
James, Tony and Tom Agostinelli
Arturo Anzalone
Hon. Ralph Esposito
Joseph A. Vazzana
Louis Giambra
Arthur Delman
Ralph DeStephano
Giovanni Sanfillippo
Hon. Charles Siraguso
Mario Daniele
Achille (Kenny) Forgione
Hon. Phillip Dattilo
Jennie Gugino
Mauro and Maria Ciardi
B. Thomas Golisano
Richard, John and Gerry DiMarco
Eunice McCarthy
Dr. John Ninfo
Hon. Elma Bellini
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Tom Monte
Susan Faggiano Berta
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Raffaele Ponti
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Martin Mucci
Thomas Ferraro

THIS COMMEMORATIVE BOOK IS
DEDICATED TO THE
FOUNDING FATHERS
AND THE BROTHERS AND SISTERS
OF THE VINCENT LOMBARDI LODGE
PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE



IN MEMORIAM

BROTHER BENE EMERITUS

LOUIS GIAMBRA

1921 - 2012



THIS BOOK WAS COMPLETED WITH THE HELP
OF THE MANY MEMBERS WHO GRACIOUSLY
DONATED THEIR TIME, KNOWLEDGE,
MEMORIES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC TREASURES.

JENNIFER RUBÉ
EDITOR

2012