



# LA PAROLA

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## Let Us Not Forget the Veterans



Many Americans mistakenly believe that Veterans Day is the day America sets aside to honor American military personnel who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained from combat. That's not quite true. Memorial Day is the day set aside to honor America's war dead.

Veterans Day, on the other hand, honors ALL American veterans, both living and dead. In fact, Veterans Day is largely intended to thank LIVING veterans for dedicated and loyal service to their country. November 11 of each year is the day that we ensure veterans know that we deeply appreciate the sacrifices they have made in their lives to keep our country free.

In America, November 11th officially became known as Armistice Day through an act of Congress in 1926. It wasn't until 12 years later, through a similar act that Armistice Day became a national holiday.

The entire World thought that World War I was the "War to end all wars." Had this been true, the holiday might still be called Armistice Day today. That dream was shattered in 1939 when World War II broke out in Europe. More than 400,000 American service members died during that horrific war.

### **Veterans Day**

In 1947, Raymond Weeks, of Birmingham Ala., organized a "Veterans Day" parade on November 11th to honor all of America's veterans for their loyal and dedicated service. Shortly thereafter, Congressman Edward H. Rees (Kansas) introduced legislation to change the name of Armistice Day to Veterans Day in order to honor all veterans who have served the United States in all wars. In 1954, President Eisenhower signed a bill proclaiming November 11 as Veterans Day, and called upon Americans everywhere to rededicate themselves to the cause of peace. He issued a Presidential Order directing the head of the Veterans Administration (now called the Department of Veterans Affairs), to form a Veterans Day National Committee to organize and oversee the national observance of Veterans Day.

*Information gathered from about.com*

The Denver Lodge will celebrate its veterans at the general meeting on November 17th. Please join us for dinner and music in celebration of these great men and women who fought to preserve our freedom.

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### By-Laws

According to Denver By-Laws, Article 1-Paragraph 4,  
"The by-law commission shall accept for consideration any  
by-law or change submitted in writing by a regular member  
in good standing by March 1 of each calendar year.

### 2008-2010 Lodge Officers

President Pam Wright	Recording Secretary Karen Buffalo	Guard Vince Gagliardi
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## Health & Condolences

### Get Well Wishes

Sister Karen Buffalo, who had surgery and is doing well.  
Brother Mario DelPiccolo, had surgery.  
Brother Richard Turelli is ill.  
Sister Ranie Engdahl is recovering from surgery.

### Deepest Sympathy

*Our thoughts and prayers are with several families  
who have suffered a loss.*

Sister Mickie Clayton passed away.  
Brother and lodge historian Doug Wilder passed away.  
Brother and past president Jerry Brunetti passed away.

*Please contact sister Joey Regan for Health & Condolences at  
303-994-0445. If you need the Sons of Italy banner at a funeral service  
for a loved one, please call the Lodge Hall at 303-238-8055.*

## Sunday Fellowship

We continue to meet at the lodge every Sunday at 2 p.m.

## Book Club

Book Club meets the first Tuesday of each month. November  
reading is *Lucky One* by Nicholas Sparks and December reading is  
*The Promise* by James Patterson.

## Attendance Prize

October's attendance prize was won by guest Lee Santagata. Every  
month at the general meeting we'll be pulling tickets from all those  
that attend. Don't miss your chance to win a cash prize! See you at  
the next meeting.

## General Meeting, November 17th

A Thanksgiving dinner will be prepared by our members for the  
month of November. We will have music for dancing and a night  
of memories for our veterans. You won't want to miss this special  
evening of honoring our veterans. A \$5 donation is suggested to  
cover expenses.

## URGENT! We need Bingo callers!

We are in desperate need of callers for bingo. If you can spare a few  
hours a month please contact sister Pat Salvucci at 303-235-8466.

## Go Green

Would you like to get your newsletter by email? If so, please send  
an email to kutzalo@gmail.com. If you know of someone not  
getting the newsletter please let sister Linda Wilder know 303-465-  
3535 or she can be reached at dwilder168@comcast.net.

## Giving Tree

Sister Pam Farrone and Sister Lisa Cavalli have set up the Giving  
Tree with the Family Tree this year. You will be able to take a name  
for gift giving at our general meeting. There are a lot of families that  
have fallen upon hard time right now, we can help make Christmas  
a little brighter for the children.

## Canned Food Drive

Our junior members are collecting non-parishable food. Please help  
support this worthy cause. Last year they donated all food collected  
to the Wheat Ridge food bank.

## Nominations and Election of 2011-2012 Officers

Nominations for 2011-2012 officers were held at the October  
meeting. Nominations will again be taken from the floor at our  
general meeting in November. If you would like to hold an office on  
the council please attend this meeting. Election will also be held at  
the November meeting.

## A Message from the President



Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to share my gratitude and appreciation to many of our members that have supported me the last two years, and all members of council who worked hard and diligently in that time; whenever called upon they were right there to lend a hand. Committee persons and heads of committees also worked long and hard to perform their duties and stand by their commitments.

The building committee had a very busy two years. They tirelessly worked to get bids and make sure the work performed by outside contractors was done to perfection. The most formidable task they had was to find a way to lower our heating and air condition expenses. With the success of our hall rental we were able to complete the work that the building committee set out to accomplish.

Our newsletter is second to none. I am proud to be able to send monthly emails to all of the local lodges, state officers and some national officers as well as other Italian organizations. Our website and facebook page are updated regularly and we receive positive feedback from prospective members on these sites.

We have a good working relationship with the City of Wheat Ridge and the Wheat Ridge Police Department. Our presence in the community is valued by each of these departments as they regularly call to hold functions here and stand by for hall rental activities.

Thank you to all members that have put so much time into the last two years, to those of you heading up a committee, planning events, attending meetings and those that work each week for the good of our lodge. Thank your families for being patient and understanding that sometimes we put a lot of time into our volunteer effort. Thanks are extended to all members of the Denver Lodge #2075. In the spirit of the season, I wish all of you a very Happy Thanksgiving.

Fraternally,

*Pam Wright*

Pam Wright, President

## Christmas Gift Ideas



### Lodge Cookbooks Ready to be Wrapped

Make sure you get your Denver Lodge cookbook for \$20 and pick up a copy as a gift. They make great Christmas gifts. Cookbooks can be picked up at the hall or call Pam at 303-420-2671.



### Shop with Scrip

Don't forget you can help earn money for our lodge by order your gift cards on line or calling Pam 303-420-2671 and placing an order. Plan your Christmas gift card selection early. King Soopers gift cards and Safeway gift cards are available at the hall.

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presents★



*An Evening of Dinner & Dancing*

Saturday, November 13th, 2010

6:30pm Cocktails, 7:00pm Dinner

Dancing to Follow

\$30

Jacket Recommended

Denver Lodge Hall  
5925 West 32nd Avenue  
Wheat Ridge

For tickets call Anne Ciancio at 303-235-9308

# Join us for Breakfast with Santa Saturday, December 18th



Please fill out the form below for those attending and remember your child or grand child must be 10 or under to receive a gift from Santa.

Breakfast will begin at 10:00am. Santa will arrive shortly thereafter.

Member Name \_\_\_\_\_

Child(ren) 10 and Under

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

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\$8.00 for those 11 and over

\$8.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

All checks must be included with reservations!  
Thank you and we look forward to seeing you and your family!

Please fill out the form and return it as soon as possible to:  
Nikki Rossi, 680 South Yarrow Street, Lakewood 80226

NO reservations will be accepted after December 10, 2010. No exceptions,  
Santa has to make sure he has enough gifts and will not be able to do any last minute shopping.  
Thank you for your cooperation.

# 2010 Calendar of Upcoming Events

## NOVEMBER

### **Saturday & Sunday, November 6th & 7th Craft Fair**

**Saturday 9am - 5pm, Sunday 9am - 3pm**

Please join us for our 8th annual lodge craft fair. Just in time to get a head start on your Christmas shopping, the craft fair offers a wide selection of gifts for all ages. Don't miss it!

### **Saturday, November 13th Bella Notte Dinner Dance**

It's guaranteed to be a beautiful night at this annual fall dinner dance. Call Sister Anne for tickets at 303-235-9308.

### **Wednesday, November 17th General Meeting**

Join us for our monthly meeting open to all members and guests. Bring a friend!

**Dinner - 6:30pm**

**Meeting - 7:00pm**

## DECEMBER

### **Saturday, December 18th Breakfast with Santa**

Bring your children, grandchildren or great grandchildren to the lodge for a delicious breakfast with all the fixings and they'll even get a chance to meet the man with the beard & the big red hat!

### **Saturday, December 11th Adult Christmas Party**

A yearly tradition at the Denver lodge. Come celebrate the season with great food and dancing. Buon Natale!

### **Wednesday, December 15th General Meeting Potluck**

Join us for our monthly meeting open to all members and guests. We'll dispense with the meeting so that we can enjoy foods of all kinds.

Bring a coworker.

**Meeting - 7:00pm**

**Dinner - 7:30pm**

## JANUARY 2011

### **Wednesday, January 19th General Meeting**

Join us for our monthly meeting open to all members and guests. Bring a neighbor!

**Dinner - 6:30pm**

**Meeting - 7:00pm**

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