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SGT FREDERICK M. BONANNO - LODGE #2549

February 2021

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501-C3 ORGANIZATION

Tuesday February 9, 2021

2nd Bonanno Meeting in the Park

Where: Sunset Cove Park, near Pavilion and Amphitheater, Burt Aaronson South County Regional Park, 20405 Amphitheater Circle, Boca Raton

Time: 4:00PM to Sunset

We will have Bocce available for those interested in playing

Since our membership meetings over zoom are not well received, I thought we will try an informal membership get together out doors.. Form those not familiar, directions as follows: Going west on Glades or Yamato to end, you will arrive at Park entrance. Proceed to Pavilion, near amphitheater. You will see plenty of parking. Pavilion is closer to Glades. We would like everyone to pack a meal or sandwich and drink. We will be required to wear a mask entering the park. Please bring a lawn chair so we may social distance. There will be picnic tables, also. Our march meeting in the park was were well received. Please come and bring your friends.

To reserve, call Angie Torres-Catania at 787-221-0785

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Message From The President JOAN D'AMATO



Order Sons and Daughters of Italy

Dear Brothers and Sisters.

During the 1930's Big Depression, Janette McDonald sang, "Beyond the blue Horizon, lies a golden sky". That song is very appropriate for the times we are going through now. Most of you have had the first vaccine shot, and things are definitely looking better. We are not out of the woods yet, but at least a little light is at the end of the tunnel. We still cannot meet indoors. We will take advantage of our beautiful Florida winter to meet outside.

Please take advantage of our "Calendar" Program. You pay one fee of \$50.00 (14 cents a day), and you get a chance to play the pick three lotto all year. Many of our members have won, in addition to the lodge itself. This is a fundraiser, and we hope you will participate. Checks should be made to the "Grand Lodge of Florida." For more information, and a schedule of prizes, please go to the Sempre Avanti page 9, in our Newsletter. We are hoping that all our members from last year, choose to come back to us.

As I said before, this pandemic will not last forever. Our Regional meetings have been over the zoom concept. In June, our delegates will meet to elect a new President of the Florida Lodge. Sons and Daughters of Italy are strong and resilient. The internal workings of our organization have continued every month since we have been shut down.

We hope you will join us for the outdoor activities. If you choose not to join us, I perfectly understand. Our Membership's welfare and safety are our main priority.



Order Sons and Daughters of Italy

Cari fratelli e sorelle.

Durante la Grande Depressione degli anni '30, Janette McDonald cantò: "Beyond the blue Horizon, lies a golden sky". Quella canzone è molto appropriata per i tempi che stiamo attraversando ora. La maggior parte di voi ha avuto il primo vaccino, e le cose stanno decisamente meglio. Non siamo ancora fuori pericolo, ma almeno un po' di luce si vede alla fine del tunnel. Non possiamo ancora incontrarci in luoghi chiusi. Approfitteremo del nostro bellissimo inverno in Florida per incontrarci fuori.

Vi preghiamo di usufruire del nostro programma "Calendario". Con un costo di \$50,00 (14 centesimi al giorno) avrete la possibilità di giocare al 'Pick Three Lotto' tutto l'anno. Molti dei nostri soci hanno vinto, oltre al lodge stesso. Questa è una raccolta fondi e speriamo che parteciperete. I pagamenti dovrebbero essere effettuati alla "Grand Lodge of Florida". Per maggiori informazioni, e un elenco dei premi, si prega di andare alla pagina 9 "Sempre Avanti" nella nostra Newsletter. Speriamo che tutti i nostri soci dell'anno scorso scelgano di tornare da noi.

Come ho detto prima, questa pandemia non durerà per sempre. I nostri incontri regionali hanno superato il concetto di zoom. A giugno, i nostri delegati si incontreranno per eleggere un nuovo presidente della Florida Lodge. Figli e Figlie d'Italia sono forti e resilienti. Il funzionamento interno della nostra organizzazione continua ogni mese da quando siamo stati chiusi.

Speriamo che vi unirete a noi per le attività all'aperto. Se scegliete di non unirvi a noi, lo capisco perfettamente. Il benessere e la sicurezza della nostra adesione sono una priorità assoluta.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2021

If you wish to announce a special event, please send your Information to me no later than the 23rd of each month.

JANUARY

12 Picnic Meeting Aaronson Park

FEBRUARY

9 Meeting Su8nset Park
28 Picnic Morikami Museum

MARCH

9 Meeting
19 St Joseph's Dinner Cucina Caruso,
Fort Lauderdale
TBD Upper Keys Bocce Tournament
Key Largo

APRIL

13 Meeting

MAY

11 Meeting

JUNE

TBD Monday Lunch

JULY

TBD Monday Lunch

AUGUST

TBD Monday Lunch

SEPTEMBER

14 Meeting

OCTOBER

12 Meeting

NOVEMBER

9 Meeting

DECEMBER

TBD Christmas

BIRTHDAYS

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- 7 Loretta Battiloro
- 11 Mauro Binetti
- 12 Joe D'Amato



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*In
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Angie Seta passed away Friday. We will miss her wonderful stories and beautiful smile. She and husband Don were loyal supporters of our Bonanno Lodge over the last several decades. They were instrumental in supporting our Scholarship program through their Don and Angie Seta Foundation. We will miss their friendship and camaraderie and honor them in our prayers and thoughts always. She will be missed.

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Please Pledge Your Support

Your lodge, The Sgt. Frederick M. Bonanno Lodge #2549, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit fraternal organization of the Sons and Daughters of Italy in America, which began 115 years ago.

We have been supporting our Italian Culture, our Community, Veterans programs and our Italian Heritage. Our lodge came into existence over 36 years ago. And since then, has grown and thrived thanks to our treasured membership.

Every quarter we donate to our charities: Alzheimer's, Autism, Cancer and Cooley's Anemia. We continue with our scholarship programs. We carry on with our plan of action to Save Columbus Day and expanding The Italian Language in our High Schools. All of these important tasks require reinforcement from the Italian Consulate, FAU, and other important institutions.

As with so many other fraternal organizations, we have suffered a major financial set back due to the Covid 19 virus. It has literally, shut down all our fundraising operations, and we don't really know when things will go back to "normal". However, we are determined to continue all our involvement with our charities and other programs without interruption.

I am, personally, asking for your support in the way of a tax-deductible donation. I know you probably get many solicitation letters, as I do, but we cannot let our movement to carry on our support cease because of this pandemic. A contribution, in any amount, will be appreciated and a great help.

Please make checks out to Sgt Bonanno Lodge #2549 and mail to the post Office Box below.

Thank you for your generosity and please send this letter to your family and friends. We greatly appreciate your assistance and call if you have any questions.

Fraternally Yours,

Joan D'Amato
President

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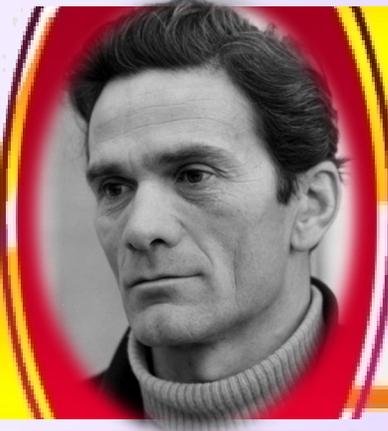


Famous Italian Quotes



“ When one is painting one does not think”

Raffaello Sanzio



“I don't believe we shall ever again have any form of society in which men will be free. One should not hope for it. One should not hope for anything. Hope is invented by politicians to keep the electorate happy.

Pier Paolo Passolini



“I allow myself to fail. I allow myself to break. I'm not afraid of my flaws.”

Lady Gaga



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SAVE THE DATE

AGLIOLIO



Monday February 15, 2021

Dining out with Bonanno

Where: AGLIOLIO Italian Bistro & Bar, 2258 N Congress, NE corner of Gateway and Congress, Boynton Beach

Time: 5:00PM

Cost: Members - \$28, Guests - \$32.00. Wine, beer, cocktails, coffee and espresso billed extra.

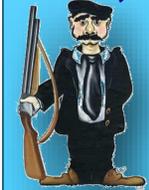
Outdoor dining, Heaters will be available. Seating Limited. Get your checks in early. No checks at door.

You will love this! A special take on homemade pasta. What you do is select your favorite fresh pasta cut, then pick your favorite sauce, fresh vegetables from the menu selected for our group. You will get a house salad, fresh garlic bread, and for desert, zeppole and cannoli chips with ricotta. Gluten free is available.

Checks made out to Sgt. Bonanno Lodge and mail to Angie Torres at 18766 Candlewick Drive, Boca Raton, FL 33496 or call 787-221 0785

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SAVE THE DATE

Sunday February 28, 2021



First Annual Bonanno Live Picnic

Where: Lake Biwa Pavilion at Morikami Park, 16800 Jog Road, Delray, Fl

Time: 12:00PM to 5:00PM. Lunch will be served around 2 PM

Cost: Members- \$20.00 per person, Guests- \$25.00/ person

Bocce: We will be looking teams to play.

Menu: Sausage and peppers and onions, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Corn on the Cob, Water and Desert. As before bring your own chairs, Masks must be worn upon entering the Pavilion, and there are picnic tables and toilets, as well.

Checks must be sent to Sgt FM Bonanno Lodge #2549 and mailed to Joan D'Amato 8191 Bellafiore Way, Boynton Beach, Fl 33442 no later than February 17, 2021. Your check will be your reservation. Questions, call Joan at 561-414-1825. Your check is your reservation!!

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SAVE THE DATE

Friday March 19, 2021

Dinner at Cucina Caruso

Where: Cucina Caruso

Time : 6:00PM

Music: Italian Music possible

Cost: \$32 Members \$35 Guests

Menu: Four Course Dinner, like last Year last year. Possible Dining outdoors.

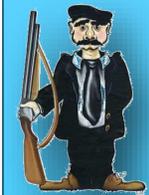
Payment due by March 14, 2021

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COMMENDATORE EDWARD MOTTOLA JR.



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Sempre Avanti



CALENDAR PROGRAM

On January 1, 2021, the annual Grand Lodge of Florida 2021 Calendar program will begin and runs until the end of 2021. The calendar program is based on the Florida lottery's Pick Three game. When you buy a calendar, you pick three numbers. If your number comes out, you win \$50. But the best part, there's a whole list of 27 other days (below) when you can win much more. For example, if your number comes out on Christmas, you win \$1000. On Columbus Day, too.

You have many opportunities to win for an investment of around 14 cents a day. Great for gifts to a loved one.

Make your check out to the Grand Lodge of Florida and mail it to Ed-Mottola, 18281 Fresh Lake Way, Boca Raton, Fl 33498 or purchase at our next meeting.

Jan 1 -	New Year's Day - \$500
Feb 8 -	Grand Lodge Anniv - \$300
Feb 14 -	Valentine's Day - \$100
Feb 15 -	Presidents' Day - \$100
Mar 17 -	St. Patrick's Day - \$100
Mar 19 -	St. Joseph's Day - \$100
Mar 28 -	Palm Sunday - \$100
Apr 2 -	Good Friday - \$100
Apr 4 -	Easter Sunday - \$1,000
Apr 24 -	Dr. Salerno Birthday - \$100
May 9 -	Mothers' Day - \$100
May 31 -	Memorial Day - \$100
Jun. 2 -	National Day of Italy - \$100
Jun. 14 -	Flag Day - \$100
Jun 20 -	Fathers' Day - \$100
Jun 22 -	SOI Anniversary - \$300
Jul 4 -	Independence Day - \$500
Sept 6 -	Labor Day - \$100
Sept 11 -	Patriot's Day - \$200
Sept 19 -	Feast of San Gennaro - \$100
Oct 12 -	Columbus Day - \$1,000
Oct 22 -	Pres. Cianciotta's Birthday - \$100
Oct 31 -	Halloween - \$100
Nov 11 -	Veterans' Day - \$100
Nov 25 -	Thanksgiving - \$500
Dec 7 -	Pearl Harbor Day - \$100

NELA RECIPIENT JOINS OSDIA

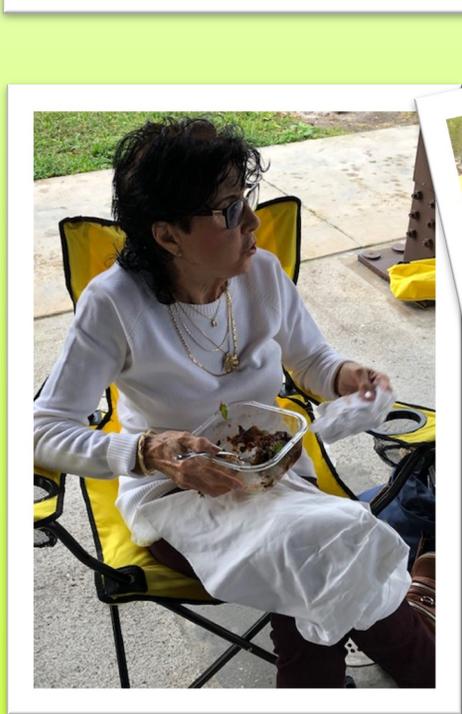
Santa Claus has delivered a wonderful gift of joy to our beloved Order in the form of a new member. The Sgt. F.M. Bonanno Lodge #2549 is proud to welcome Vivian Cardia. She the recipient of the 2019 National Education and Leadership Award from the Sons of Italy Foundation at the 2019 gala held in National Harbor, Maryland. Past National President & current President of the Sons of Italy Foundation, Joseph Sciamè, presented Vivian Cardia the coveted award.

Vivian has served numerous Italian American organizations including, National Organization of Italian American Women, American Society of the Italian Legion of Merit, American Foundation of Savor orders, Board of Trustees of John Cabot University of Rome and Scuola d'Italia.

SPOTLIGHT



January Picnic in the Park





FROM ITALIA

By Raffaele Gueli

ITALY SEEN FROM OUTSIDE (1 OF 2)

Italy, A Cultural Reservoir

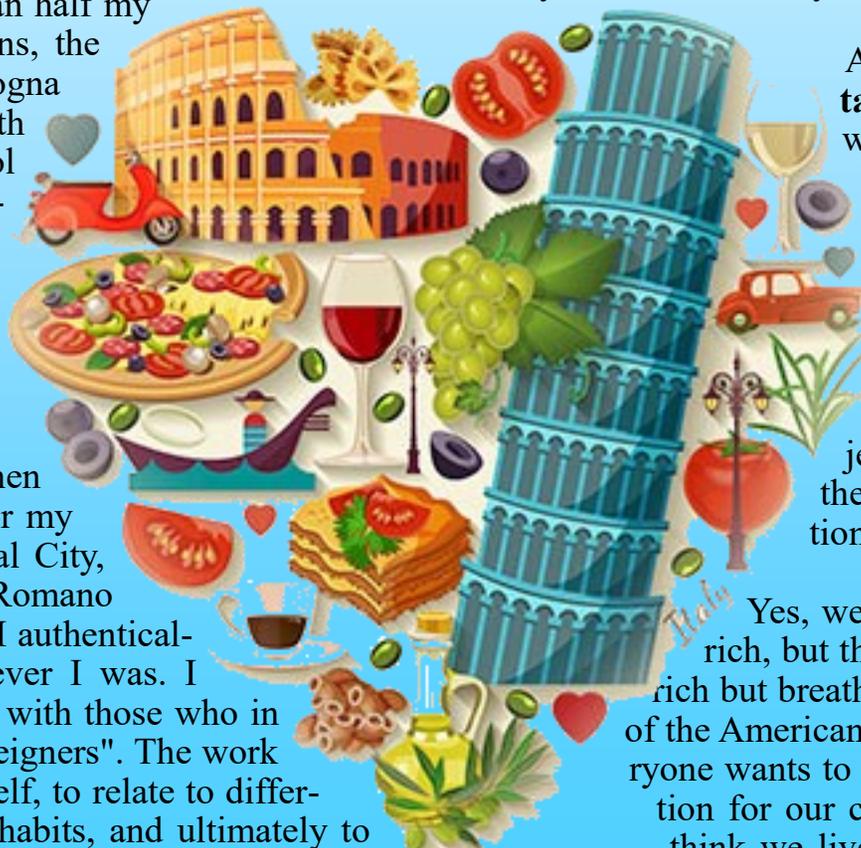
This is an article written by Alberto Forchielli at www.manageritalia.it which I am presenting to you partially condensed in two parts. It's lengthy but very insightful to read. It's a highly sophisticated and pragmatic point of view about the worst stereotypes of Italy.

I've lived 30 years abroad, more than half my life, but I am attached to my origins, the wonderful strip of land between Bologna and Imola. I earned an MBA with Honors at Harvard Business School in Boston and then worked in Europe, the United States, Latin America and Asia. I have always interfaced with foreigners and have never been "an Italian abroad" in the traditional sense.

In international jargon it says: "When in Rome, do as the Romans do". For my part, I did so not only in the Eternal City, when I was working with Professor Romano Prodi, then president of the IRI, but I authentically interpreted the expression wherever I was. I lived abroad with the locals, that is, with those who in my eyes could have looked like "foreigners". The work then prompted me to document myself, to relate to different styles, seemingly disconcerting habits, and ultimately to

deal with those who, from their own territory, could judge me and my country of origin.

I therefore believe that I can offer a reasoned picture of the perception of Italy abroad, and this is the result of a reflection imbued with skills and knowledge on this issue. There are assessments that go beyond statistical surveys, which, although often valid, are sometimes insufficient and others even misleading. If not, the Italian museums would be the most visited in the world, the ruins of Pompeii the safest and the historic centers of our cities the most equipped. **Italy is perceived as the largest cultural reservoir in the world, but then tourists, intellectuals and scholars prefer France.** Having said that, I confirm what is often said at home, namely that we are a very envied people.



Abroad, **the lifestyle of us Italians is taken as a model**; most foreigners think we work little, we have great food and beautiful beaches. This is the classic stereotype: "In Italy they live well, indeed, all too well!" The Germans' anger against us is due to this view. For them we are rich, we work little and, 'dulcis in fundo', we do not pay taxes! In fact, there is a truth: we are objectively the most beautiful country in the world, with unparalleled natural attractions.

Yes, we are envious of many: the Japanese are rich, but they live like sardines, many Chinese are rich but breathe a totally polluted air and the rich part of the Americans live in anonymous cities. I mean, everyone wants to live in Italy. There is a real fatal attraction for our country, but it is superficial. Foreigners think we live better than they are. So, when a for-

eigner decides to move here, he discovers the bitter and hard truth. Italy is not the long-awaited paradise he had imagined, and when he starts working and his children enter our schools his feeling goes from love to hate. I hate our appalling bureaucracy, the disruptions of our public school and so many other aspects of daily life.

What we must eradicate from our minds is the idea that all foreigners can't wait to be like us: that's not the case! **They like to think that all Italians attend fabulous universities, visit beautiful museums, play instruments, dress Armani, read the Financial Times, eat homemade noodles every day and drink the best wines bought at an affordable price, walk in immaculate historic centers, taste the best coffee.** And we also like to think that others, the foreigners who judge us, are condemned by the inclement time and the greyness of the factories of their countries. We are convinced that, as soon as they can, they come to Italy to enjoy the sun and the beaches, to eat pasta al dente, to have fun with young people in the discos of the Riviera.

This idea, in decline but hard to die, is profoundly wrong, counterproductive and superficial. It is believed that in our country we conceive the best articles to cheer our daily life. There are two of the best-known macro-sectors of the so-called Made in Italy: the home system and the person system. The first belongs to marbles, tiles, furniture, lighting, faucets and coffee machines. The veneration for these products can be seen in the simple people you meet as soon as you enter the country: from the customs officer to the policeman, from the taxi driver to the hotel manager, everyone loves Italy through its products.

The second macro-sector, the person system, belong to the

companies of textiles, clothing, footwear, leather goods, and jewelry. If you add food and cooking, the frame is complete. Italy seems like a country with an extraordinary quality of life: envied, appreciated, bland, imitated. But this framework needs a lot of corrections. First, not all Made in Italy is the result of just ingenuity. In the products we use there are mud, sweat and tears. There are also the workers at the machines, the keepers of the warehouses, the drivers of the trucks, the accountants of the budgets. It is these people who make a dream viable and win the bet of quality, of "beautiful done well".





THE STUPIDEST THINGS EVER SAID

1. On extinct species, scarcity of: "Red squirrels ... you don't see many of them since they became extinct." (Michael Aspel, British Radio 2)
2. On ancestors, dead: "If I want to see where I have ancestral roots, it wouldn't do any good. Those ancestors are dead now, right?" (Dallas Cowboys coach Jimmy Johnson, when asked if he was going to see the sights in London)
3. On Beginnings: "Enos Cabell started out right here with the Astros. And before that, he was with the Orioles." (Jerry Coleman, San Diego Padres announcer)
4. On dualism: "I'll be sad to go, and I wouldn't be sad to go. It wouldn't upset me to leave St. Louis, but it would upset me to leave St. Louis. It's hard to explain. You'll find out one of these days, but maybe you never will." (Brett Hull, St. Louis Blues player)
5. On Consistency, the Clinton White House and: "Some of our friends are for it. Some of our friends are against it. And we're standing with our friends." (Mike McCurry, White House press secretary)
6. On bottomless pits, limited: "U.N. goodwill may be a bottomless pit, but it's by no means limitless." (John Major, British prime minister)
7. On nouns, new republican: "The more we remove penalties for being a bum, the more bumism is going to blossom." (Senator Jess Helms)
8. On Contortions: "Why should Irishmen stand with their arms folded and their hands in their pockets when England called for aid?" (Sir Thomas Myles)
9. On leadership: "I guess I would have voted with the majority if it was a close vote. But I agree with the arguments the minority made." (President Bill Clinton)
10. Cooking, cruel and unusual method of. "Cooking method: 1. wash and rape the sweet potato" (from Qingdao Fisherman Feast of China)



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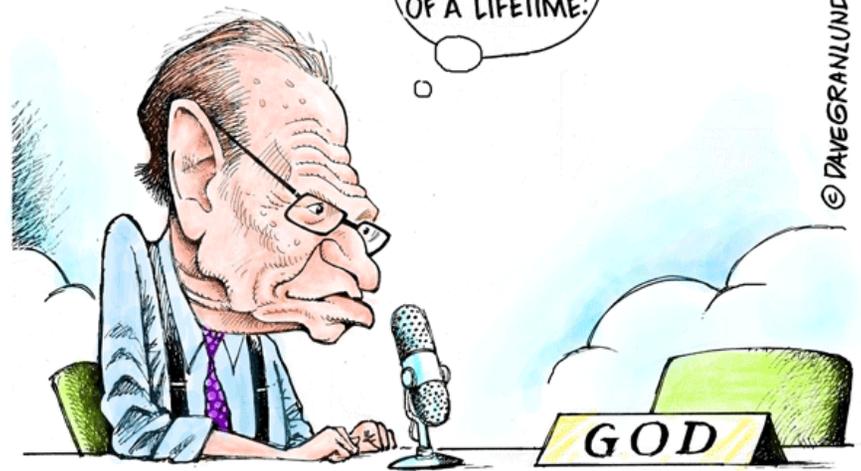


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"Unfortunately your blood pressure medicine has a child-proof cap which is why you have high blood pressure in the first place."

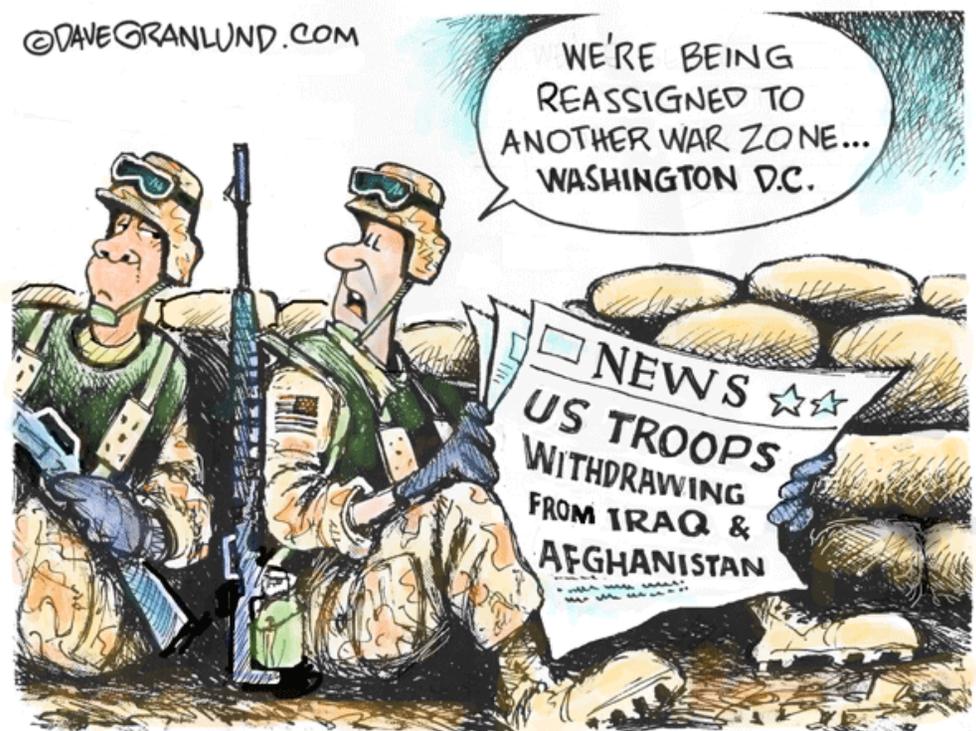
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LODGE INFORMATION

Our Board Meeting will be the first Wednesday of every month at the West Boca Library

Lodge Meeting at 6:30 PM on second Tuesday of every month beginning September at Delray Masonic Lodge, 4093 NW 4th Ave. Boca Raton

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