

# Worcester Lodge No. 168



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## *December (Holidays) Monthly Meeting* **Monthly Meeting Thursday December 1, 2016**

**MESSAGE:** The Holidays are beginning. "Merry Christmas & Happy New Year" We wish all had a good thanksgiving, sharing with family and friends. As we enter the next season, please remember all those that are unable to enjoy, are sick and those with no family. It is truly in our prayers to remember and help them. As our days go by it is easy to not think of those less fortunate. Take a minute and reflect on all we have and those that are less fortunate.

This meeting is our fourth of the 2017 lodge year. It will **NOT** be a dinner meeting. On a different note, over the past three meetings we have brought several new members into our Lodge. A huge thank you to those that have brought these people in and a welcome to those that are new members. We are honored to have you with us.

**THE PRESIDENT:** Kate and I, want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a truly Happy and Healthy New Year. Please stay safe and be mindful of family and friends.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY:** "LAST CHANCE" Tickets are going fast. Please consider sharing with friends at this event. I know it will be as special and enjoyable as years past. Our Christmas party will be held Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at Mt Carmel Rec Center. The Sciannameo sisters, are coordinating this event. Cocktails, 6:30 pm, dinner at 7:00pm, Cost is \$35 per person, BYOB and we will have tickets on hand at the meeting. For tickets, please contact Maria at 508-842-7604 or [mls352@yahoo.com](mailto:mls352@yahoo.com). As in the past, we are collecting hats, gloves, scarfs and/or mittens for Catholic Charities who distribute them to children in need. Please bring your donation (bagged but unwrapped) to the party. We also need raffle donations!! Please contact Elena Oliveri 508-845-1272, if you have raffle donations or can help. Thank you!!

**COLUMBUS DAY:** We will present our Columbus Day report. Just once more thank you to those that managed the function and especially to all those that came.

**CARNEVALE:** Our annual Carnevale celebration will be held February 18<sup>th</sup>, at the Mt Carmel Recreation center. We are planning a better and more enjoyable event. Please mark your calendars. More info at the meeting.

**TRUSTEE:** Our vacancy has been filled. Thank you.

**HEALTH AND WELFARE:** If you know of a lodge member who is ill, please call Sister Elena Olivieri at (508) 845-1272 so that she may send them a card and let them know we care. I personally thank Sister Elena for chairing this important committee as well as handling all that she does.

**CONTACT:** For all other questions and/or concerns, please contact Recording Secretary, Sister Paula Rigerio at 508-757-7096 or 508-612-7880 or myself at 508-754-0486. Follow our Lodge at [www.osiaworcesterlodge168.org](http://www.osiaworcesterlodge168.org)

THANK YOU ALL

Fraternaly yours,

*Kevin L Mercadante*

Kevin L Mercadante, Lodge President.