

# Wickliffe Italian-American Club

The Wickliffe Italian American Club was founded in 1932, and received its non-profit charter in 1933. Our purpose is to promote the social, civic, and cultural fellowship of the Italian heritage.

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[www.wickliffeianda.com](http://www.wickliffeianda.com)



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## LARGE TURNOUT FOR WINE TASTING & COMPETITION

The 2nd Annual Wine Tasting and Competition, sponsored by the Wickliffe I&A Scholarship Fund, Inc. was another resounding success. This year featured an impressive menu selection, including homemade tripe, homemade sausage, pizza, assorted olives, meats, and cheeses, as well as a full bar.

The 3-hour event saw over 130 attendees and 26 wine competitors submitting over 30 different wines to be tasted and voted upon in the following categories: Red, White, & Blush. All net proceeds from the evening went to support our scholarship fund, which over the last three years has provided more than 50 scholarships valued at over \$30,000!

For an admission price of \$15, attendees enjoyed a large variety of different wines to sample and vote on, complimentary heavy hors d'oeuvre, as well as the musical stylings of Dino from the Frankie and Dino duo.

A special thank you goes out to Alesci's of Shoregate for their continued support of the Fund, as well as Chick - Fil - A of

Willoughby for their support! Each year the wine gets better, the crowd gets larger, and the food more delicious, so if you didn't make it out this year, be sure to stop by next year!

Thank you to all of the members who helped make this a success - without our volunteers, none of this would be possible.

By Steve Tripepi



## JUNE CLUB EVENTS

- 6 Member Meeting
- 9 Scholarship Reverse Raffle & BBQ
- 27 Board Meeting

Check Our Website for a Current List of Events: [www.wickliffeianda.com](http://www.wickliffeianda.com)

## BUON COMPLEANNO:

### JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- MICHAEL ALBERTONE
- CHARLES ALBERTONE
- STEVEN BALAZS
- DOUGLAS CIANCIBELLO
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- LOUIS SPRONZ
- TIM TRIPEPI
- MICHAEL VENESKY
- JAMES VINCENT
- LOUIS YANICK

### JUNE AUXILIARY BIRTHDAYS

- Jenilena Bellissimo
- Theresa Latessa
- Toni Ciancibello

## 27TH ANNUAL SPECIAL OLYMPICS/BOCCE TOURNAMENT

The Club once again hosted the Area 12 / Special Olympics Bocce Tournament on Saturday, May 7th. Over 70 contestants from the northeast Ohio area participated in the games, as buses from Lorain Murray Ridge, Lake Deepwood, and Cleveland Hts./ University Hts. facilities brought the players to the Club around 8:30 a.m. on a cold, rainy day. Fortunately, our covered bocce courts and pavilion allowed the games to proceed.

Over 20 Club volunteers helped to keep the games running smoothly, serving as both coaches and referees, while several members helped to prepare and serve food to the players and their families and supporters. Special thanks to club member Harvey Contenza for helping to organize the event.

Also, congratulations to Melissa Coad, this year's winner of the Pat Bristo/ Henry Liberatore Sportsmanship Award, named after the two club members who were instrumental in bringing this event to the Wickliffe Italian-American Club.

By Larry Koval



## 3RD ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP REVERSE RAFFLE & BBQ

Don't forget to purchase your tickets for this year's reverse raffle and BBQ; by purchasing a standard ticket you are automatically entered to win \$1,000! Additionally, we will be honoring all the scholarship recipients from the Class of 2017.

### The Highlights:

**WHAT:** Scholarship Fund Outdoor BBQ Reverse Raffle - featuring chicken, ribs, sides, dessert, & open bar  
**WHEN:** Friday, June 9th, 6:30 - Midnight  
**WHERE:** Pavilion behind the Small Hall - 29717 Euclid Ave, Wickliffe, OH 44092

**PRIZES:** \$1,000 Grand Prize & various raffles and sideboards throughout the night  
**OPEN BAR • OPEN BOCCE COURTS • DJ**  
 Tickets \$40 per person  
 For tickets contact Steve Silvaroli at 440-655-6345 or Steve Tripepi at 440-759-3840 or [smtripepi@gmail.com](mailto:smtripepi@gmail.com).