

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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UPCOMING EVENTS

April Events:

- 2 - MEMBER MEETING
- 11 - WOMEN'S AUXILLIARY ANNUAL CARD PARTY
- 14 - SPRING CLEANUP
- 30 - BOARD MEETING

Check Our Website for a Current List of Events: www.wickliffeianda.com

BUON COMPLEANNO:

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 6 - ANTONIO FRANCISCHIELLO
- 7 - MIKE OSOLIN
- 10 - JOHN AUSTIN
- 11 - LEO MARRA, JR.
- 13 - RUSSELL MERAGLIO, JR.
- 14 - PETER NUNES
- 19 - MARK GASPAR
- 23 - DOUG SCHNUG
- 26 - CHRIS FEDERICO
- 29 - GIUSEPPE FRANCISCHIELLO

AUXILIARY APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 6 - CAROL PITINGOLO
- 9 - COOKIE LOSCHIAVO
- 12 - SUE IAFELICE

HOMEMADE WINE AND HARD SAUSAGE TASTING / COMPETITION

The Club's Scholarship Corporation held it's 3rd annual Homemade Wine Tasting Competition on March 30th. The event has become quite popular since it's inception to the point that it had to be moved into the newly renovated large hall this year. Contestants entering their wine in the competition had to provide at least one gallon of wine for each category they entered (Red, White, Blush). This year also saw a new category added to the competition - that of hard sausage. Those entering the sausage competition had to bring at least 2 pounds of sausage for sampling.

Entertainment which of course creates the ambiance for an event like this, was provided by the popular Sinatra tribute singer - Bobby Leach, who performed last year as well and also performed at the Cleveland Challenge Cup of Bocce, as well as being a staple at Nido Italia in Little Italy on Columbus Day!

Club member Bill Hawkins spearheaded the event and deserves credit for a job well done, along with Thomas Tripepi and the rest of the Scholarship group. Names of the winners and pictures from the event will be published in May's issue.

VALENTINE'S BRUNCH A New Tradition

For several years counting now, our Entertainment Committee - led by Mario Dinero, has put on the Valentine's Brunch in February. You would think they ran a restaurant the way the crew works together with Mario and Oliver Markon out front, creating custom-made omelets, and several members taking turns making pancakes or Belgian Waffles to order, while members in the kitchen are busy doing prep work and manning the bar area providing coffee and juice. Feedback from Club members who attend the brunch has always been positive. This year, with Mario Dinero is in the process of turning the leadership of the Entertainment Committee over to Vince Laurie, Vince didn't miss a beat. According to Vince, they served 109 people this year for the brunch.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Charles Albertone

On Friday, March 8th, a tradition at the Wickliffe Italian-American Club resumed. Fish Fry's are resurrected at Trevi Catering. It seems as though I have written about our Party Center a lot over the past year, and rightfully so. So much has been accomplished, with it all officially culminating last month with the award of their health inspection certificate (a major milestone for anyone who knows)! I cannot name everyone to thank who helped through the process of upgrading the bathrooms, renovating the hall, fixing many building functions, and achieving the requirements of the health department. But two names must be mentioned - the owners of Trevi: Steve Tripepi, a valuable Board member of mine, and Anthony Jenkins, a newly initiated member of the Club. This partnership is built on trust and will be a win-win for Trevi and the Club for many years to come! Salute!