

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.

June 2019

www.wickliffeianda.com



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UPCOMING EVENTS

June Events:

- 1 - SUMMER KICKOFF BOCCHE TOURNAMENT
- 4 - MEMBER MEETING
- 25 - BOARD MEETING

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

BUON COMPLEANNO:

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 2 - DOMINIC DICICCO
- 4 - EUGENE CIASULLO
- 7 - MARCO ORLANDO
- 9 - CHARLES KERWOOD
- 11 - ROBERT CIRINO
- 12 - CHARLES ALBERTONE
- 13 - ANTONIO GALIOTO, SR.
- 13 - TIM TRIPEPI
- 14 - PAULO GUERRIERI
- 15 - RAYMOND SACK, SR.
- 16 - STEPHEN FOGLIO
- 18 - JOSEPH FORMICK
- 19 - MICHAEL VENESKY
- 19 - JAMES VINCENT
- 20 - JAMES DIROSA, JR.
- 20 - LOU YANICK
- 22 - CHRISTOPHER BONGIORNO
- 26 - DOUGLAS CIANCIBELLO
- 28 - MICHAEL ALBERTONE
- 29 - RANDY CONTINENZA
- 29 - MICHAEL PASQUINO
- 29 - LOUIS SPRONZ

AUXILIARY JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - JENILENA BELLISIMO
- 27 - THERESA LATESSA
- 30 - TONI CIANCIBELLO

WICKLIFFE ITALIAN-AMERICAN CLUB HOSTS SPECIAL OLYMPICS BOCCHE

MAY 4, 2019

Wickliffe, Ohio....Even though the calendar said it was Spring, the rainy, cool weather wasn't quite in sync, but that didn't dampen the spirit of the 47 Special Olympics bocce players who came from Lake and Lorain Counties to compete in six divisions. The competition consisted of two-person teams, playing in a tournament type setting.

The event began with the National Anthem followed by the reciting of the Special Olympics' motto: Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt." The athletes were not only brave, but joyous, caring, proud, and entertaining for the crowds who watched them compete for over 3 hours. The games were "officiated" by 23 members of the Wickliffe Italian-American Club, which has hosted this event for over 25 years now. They also served lunch to the athletes with Pizza from Alesci's of Shoregate, potato chips, cookies, and even ice cream! Club members have a special place in their hearts for this event as many have stated how impressed they were with how the athletes were courteous, humorous, and took care of each other, setting a great example for the rest of us to follow. Congratulations to all the Special Athletes who participated in the bocce games!

Thanks to the following members who volunteered their time to help host this event: Robb Nardy, Joe Kleinhenz, Frank Jankowski, Mario DiNero, Jaden Dinero-Winn, Dave Krych, Joe Insana, Tony Frnascisheillo, Joe Fransichiello, Steve Silvaroli, Bert Fratina, Harv Contenza, Steve Balazz, Elsie Olivo, Mike Pasquino, Tom Tripepi, Larry Koval, Margie Koval, Anthony and Sonia Donsante, Steve Tripepi, Pete Comstalk (non-member), Chris Bongiorno, Phil Fratio, and Pete Nunes.



Special thanks to Harv Conentenza for donating the pop, water and for fixing the ice cream machine; to Joe Fransichiello for donating cookies; to Alesci's of Shoregate for donating the pizza; to Jerry's Dairy Pride for donating the ice cream mix, and to Tom Tripepi for running the brackets this year.



SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

We caught up with Thomas Tripepi, the head of our Scholarship Corporation for an update on this year's Scholarship awards. According to Thomas, "We will be awarding 11 scholarships this year for the I&A scholarship program. We will be financially contributing to the IACF scholarship program as well and awarding 6 scholarships on behalf of the IACF. Giving out 17 total and over \$6,000 in scholarships this year.

The winners of I&A scholarships will be recognized at our award ceremony at 6:15 p.m. as part of the Beats & Eats event. Friday July 19th - right before the bands kick off at 6:30.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Charles Albertone

Summer is finally here! To me, there is nothing better than coming down to the club, hearing bocce balls clanking off each other, seeing a crowd gathering around the pavilion to watch an Indians game, and witnessing our next generation playing on the playground. Summer also means that several of our outstanding functions are right around the corner: Beats-n-Eats, the Cleveland Challenge Cup of Bocce, Reaching for Recovery, and Glow-in-the-Dark Bocce to name a few (more to come on those in future articles). The men have worked hard all winter and spring to prepare our facilities and the planning for these events is well underway. So whether it's one of the functions I named, a bocce league you come down for, or you have rented our grounds for a private event - please make yourself at home and most importantly, enjoy!



Live Music
 Tricky Dick
 Country Redford
 Cleveland's Breakfast Club
Food From
 Pasta Tivo
 Little Piggy
 Slice of Pizzazz

Cash Bar • Raffles • Bocce

Friday July 19th, 2019

At the Wickliffe Italian-American Club

29717 Euclid Ave. Wickliffe, OH

Doors open at 6 Bands start at 6:30 PM

5 Dollar General Admission