



Dear Bocce Players,

The *Italia-America Bocce Club* invites you to play in the *16th Annual Aldo Della Croce Open Bocce Tournament*, November 3-5, 2023.

Again, this year, the tournament will have two (2) divisions. The *Giampiero Division*, which is open to all genders with a minimum prize money of \$5,000.00 will be given out to the top eight (8) teams. The *Laura Division* which is open to women only with minimum of \$1,600.00 will be given out to the top four (4) teams. The tournament will host a total of 50 teams. The *Giampiero Division* will accept the 1st thirty (30) teams to register and submit FULL payment. The *Laura Division* will accept the 1st twenty (20) teams to register and submit FULL payment.

All teams must wear matching shirts. The entry fee is \$85.00 per player for both divisions and includes lunch on Saturday as well as the Friday Awards Banquet served at 5:00 pm.

Please feel free to pass along this information to other bocce players that would like to play in the tournament. I have enclosed the application form and feel free to make copies. It is also on our website at www.stlbocce.com. Local players are welcome to stop by the office to pick up a copy of the application as well.

Below is the preferred hotel for this tournament:

Drury Inn & Suites – St. Louis Forest Park
2111 Sulphur Ave.
St. Louis, Mo. 63139
314.646.0770

Two (2) queen beds, non-smoking or 1 King Bed non-smoking rate is \$139.00 plus 16.929% tax. To make a reservation online go to www.druryhotels.com or you can reach them by phone at 1.800.325.0720. Be sure to use the Group Block Code of 10052363. The deadline to get a special hotel rate is **October 1, 2023**.

For additional information contact Robert Della Croce at 314-477-0154 or iabcstl22@gmail.com.

See you in November!

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