

# Italia-America Bocce Club

## IL GIORNALE

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### REMINDER:

#### Don't forget to pay your dues!

If your dues are paid between

August 1-31, 2018	\$300.00
September 1-30, 2018	\$350.00

Questions pertaining to dues should be directed to  
Leo Chirco @ 314.526.1147

Dues **MUST** be paid before Leagues begin.

You don't want to miss out on playing in the Fall Leagues. If dues are not paid before Fall Bocce League begins, you will not be allowed to play in the Fall Bocce League.

As long as dues are paid after the start of the Fall Bocce League, you will be able to sign up for the Winter Bocce League that begins in January 2019.

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**'GOOD LUCK' to the teams traveling to Kansas City, MO for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Tom Gialde Memorial Tournament August 10-12<sup>th</sup>!**

CONGRATULATIONS TO TEAM "*IABC LADIES*" ON WINNING THE PRV WOMEN'S DIVISION OF THE USBF NATIONALS!



Gayle Morris, Teresa Passaglia,  
Julie Belfi-Sanna, and  
Captain, Susan Zona

By winning the PRV Ladies Division, they have qualified to represent the *Italia-America Bocce Club* as well as the USA in the Pan Am games being held in Uruguay, November 2018.

Good Luck in Uruguay Ladies!

**The Italia-America Bocce Club hosted the 40<sup>th</sup> United States Bocce National Championship June 24 – June 30, 2018. Here are the results:**

**USBF Open Championship for Women & Under 21**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place:** **SISTER ACT -- Cherie Galimberti, Charlene Lane, Peggy Mazzuca and Cheryl Galimberti.**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** **TECHNICAL & RELENTLESS - Ursula Hansen, Lisa Dobeck, Emi Fujii and Joann Rolfi.**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** **PLAYMATES - Susan Zona, Gayle Morris, Felcia Ventimiglia and Maria Scire.**
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place:** **QUARDATE A NOI - Maria Grippi, Paola Brush, Daniela Della Croce and Maria Nucci Chirco.**

**USBF Open Championship for Everyone**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place:** **SCOTTS VALLEY BOCCE CLUB - Paolo Pro, Ken Gorney, Brian Peterson and Alan Knox.**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** **MAESTRO – Vittorio Ventimiglia, Angelo Varvaro, Rosario Alu and Cesare Vitale.**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** **VOLORAMA – Rich Robertson, David R. Zona, John D. Denando and Joe Grippi.**
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place:** **CAMPO di BOCCE OF LIVERMORE – Margaret Shindelus, Laura de la Rosa, Joann Jacobs and Jean Godin.**

**STL Money Tournament**

**1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams split the top purse of \$3,000.00: IABC-STL - Robert Della Croce, Giampiero Della Croce, Greg Della Croce and Dave Baranowski. FAVALE - Dr. Angel Cordano, Angelo Cordano, Danny Passaglia and Teresa Passaglia.**

**3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> received \$ 500.00 each; SCOTTS VALLEY BOCCE CLUB - Paolo Pro, Ken Gorny, Brian Peterson, Alan Know and Diane Kelly. VOLORAMA - Rich Robertson, John D. Denando, David R. Zona and Joe Grippi.**

**USBF Precision Raffa Shooting Contest**  
**WOMEN' S DIVISION:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place:** **Lisa Dobeck**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** **Ursula Hansen**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** **Emi Fujii**
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place:** **Margaret Shindelus**

**USBF Precision Raffa Shooting Contest Continued:**

**Men's Division:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place:** **John Liberto**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** **Maurizio Perrelli**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** **Brad Thayer**
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place:** **Chris Cardello**

**Women's Team Punto Raffa Volo**

- 1st Place:** **IABC LADIES – Susan Zona, Gayle Morris, Teresa Passaglia and Julie Belfi Sanna.**
- 2nd Place:** **RELENTLESS 3 – Ursula Hansen, Lisa Dobeck, Emi Fujii and Joann Rolfi.**
- 3rd Place:** **Campo di Bocce of Livermore – Margaret Shindelus, Laura de la Rosa, Joann Jacobs and Jean Godin.**
- 4th Place:** **"FINEZZA" – Teresa Rea, Diana Pellegrini, Diane Kelly and Teresa Wagstaff.**

**Men's Team Punto Raffa Volo**

- 1st Place:** **PIERINO'S PASTA – Rick Wagstaff, Pierino Guglielmetti, Ron Jacobs and Brad Thayer**
- 2nd Place:** **VOLORAMA – Rich Robertson, David R. Zona, John D. Denando and Joe Grippi.**
- 3rd Place:** **STL BOCCE: Greg Della Croce, Giampiero Della Croce, Mike Della Croce and Lio Giannotti.**
- 4th Place:** **AMERICAN SONS OF COLUMBUS: John Liberto, Chris Cardello and Joe Cardello.**

**A special shout out goes to the Women's PRV Champions from our club, the "IABC LADIES"! This is the 1st time ever that a women's team from our club has won the PRV Championship and in doing so, they will represent the USA women at the Pan American games to be held November, 2018 in Uruguay.**

**I would like to thank all of the sponsors, supporters, and players for participating in these National Championship games. I also want to thank all of the volunteers who lend their time and talents to make this a successful event. Without all of the support and volunteers, we would not have had another tremendously successful nationals tournament.**

**Robert Della Croce,  
Chairperson  
United States Bocce National Championship**

# Congratulations!

## 3rd Annual "Summer Fun" Bocce Tournament Winners!



### "Roller Coaster"

Brad Gordon, Tom Gordon, Mike  
Newport, and John Italiano

*This was our 3<sup>d</sup> year hosting this cash tournament, we had a great turnout. 10 teams joined in the fun. We had 1 out of town team from Murphysboro, Illinois and 9 teams from the club.*

*Thank you to all of the teams and players who participated. We hope everyone had a great time and hope to see you again next year!*

**Susan Zona and Gayle Morris,  
Chairpersons**

## "International Friendly Punta Raffa Volo Bocce Tournament", will be hosted by the *Italia-America Bocce Club*

**September 19-22, 2018.**

The following countries will be represented: Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Italy, United States and Uruguay. Some of the highest ranked bocce players in the world will be in attendance.

If you own a business we hope that you will consider being a sponsor or placing an ad in the program book. If you know someone who owns a business, it would be helpful if you approach that individual and see if they would like to be a sponsor or place an advertisement. The cost for a sponsorship or to place an ad is as follows:

**GREEN SPONSOR:** \$ 1,500.00 Includes 3' x 6' banner on championship court, full page ad on inside front cover or inside/outside back cover, 2 tickets to awards banquet, company logo on commemorative apparel.

**WHITE SPONSOR:** \$ 1,300.00 Includes 2' x 5' banner on championship court, ½ page ad, 2 tickets to the awards banquet, and company logo on commemorative apparel.

**REFEREE SPONSOR:** \$ 750.00 Includes 2' x 4' banner, 1/4<sup>th</sup> page ad and logo on the backside of the referee uniforms.

Full Page Ad:	\$ 400.00
Half Page Ad :	\$ 250.00
Fourth Page Ad:	\$ 130.00
Eighth Page Ad:	\$ 70.00

Donor/request letter and program book forms will be posted on our website, [www.stlbocce.com](http://www.stlbocce.com) soon or you can email Sarah Della Croce at [stlbocceinternational2018@gmail.com](mailto:stlbocceinternational2018@gmail.com) and she will be happy to forward the forms to you.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!** Anyone wanting to help with this **International Friendly Tournament**, please contact Robert Della Croce at 314.477.0154. We need help with the meals, transportation, to be an interpreter, and anyone who knows how to live stream so that this tournament can be seen throughout the USA and world!

**MEETING FOR FALL 2018  
MEN AND PRV BOCCE  
LEAGUES:**

**AGENDA**

- **PLACE NEW MEMBERS ON TEAMS**
- Review bocce rules,
- Pay team league fees.
- Tournament of Champions Info.
- Men's Fun Night Information

**Monday,  
August 6<sup>TH</sup>, 7:00 PM**

***This meeting is for ALL nights  
regarding the men's leagues  
and Tuesday night PRV.***

All players who are not on a team, please attend the meeting. If you are unable to attend this meeting, there will be a signup sheet on the bulletin board at the club. Your name, phone number and the night you want to play must be printed on the signup sheet **PRIOR** to this meeting in order for the League Captains to try and make room for you on a team.

If you have any questions please contact:  
Director of Bocce, Tom Gordon 314.894-0300  
[sthgordo@gmail.com](mailto:sthgordo@gmail.com)  
or Dave Zona – 314.322.9976  
[davidzona@yahoo.com](mailto:davidzona@yahoo.com)

**2018 FALL LEAGUES  
START THE WEEK OF  
AUGUST 20, 2018**

**WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY  
NIGHT LADIES BOCCE  
LEAGUE MEETING:**

**Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM**

- **PLACE NEW MEMBERS ON TEAMS**
- Review bocce rules
- Pay team league fees
- Ladies Banquet

If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Ladies Bocce Committee:

Joann Rolfi – 314.239.7404  
Gayle Morris – 314.306-6569  
Sue Zona – 314.422.3562

**2018 FALL LEAGUES START:**

***Wednesday, August 22, 2018  
7:00 PM  
Friday, August 24, 2018–  
7:00 PM***

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***TO ALL MEN AND WOMEN  
BOCCE PLAYERS:***

All players must turn in their league fee to their **TEAM CAPTAIN**. The Team Captain is responsible for turning in the appropriate amount of money for their team at the league meeting.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
COOPERATION!**

## Condolences

The *Italia-America Bocce Club* would like to extend their condolences to the family and friends of:

Gregory C. Raimondo  
(son of Mrs. Lois Raimondo)

Virgil Henry Bertani



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The *Italia-America Bocce Club* Golf Tournament committee wants to extend a BIG thank you to all who sponsored, donated, and volunteered at the **26<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament** held again this year at *Tapawingo National Golf Club*. We couldn't have done it without the most generous volunteers and sponsors we have had to date. The tournament was a major success and we hope to grow on this success next year. It was a great day for fun and fundraising.

Thank you again from  
Co-Chairmen  
Frank DiGregorio and  
Dan Drago

**Please welcome the following new members:**

**Tony Caradonna**

*Sponsored by Martin Scanlan & Joe Geiger*

**Brian Waltman**

*Sponsored by Vince DiPaizza & Angelo Sita*

**Tom Stremiau**

*Sponsored by Vittorio Ventimiglia & Nicolo Cottone*

**And welcome to returning member:**

**Jay DiMaggio**

*Sponsored by Rio Vitale and Michael Santagelo*

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### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

#### **6:00 PM BOARD MEETINGS:**

*Wednesday, August 8, 2018*  
*Wednesday, September 12, 2018*  
*Wednesday, October 10, 2018*

#### **1:00 PM MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS:**

#### **NO AUGUST MEETING**

*Sunday, September 16, 2018*  
*Sunday, October 21, 2018*



**A special thank you to John A. Marino and Frank DiStefano for all of the hard work they did on painting the front of the building and all of the statues!  
Great job guys!**



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**12<sup>th</sup> Annual  
ALDO DELLA CROCE  
TOURNAMENT  
November 2-4, 2018**

\$75.00 per person entry fee USBF open rules, teams of four (4) players, entry fee includes dinner Friday night, lunch on Saturday and Sunday.

Again this year there will be two (2) divisions:

ADC Division – the team will consist of all men, all women, or mixed.

FIORE Division – the team will consist of women only.

For additional information or to get an application contact:

Robert Della Croce  
314.477.0154

[iabcstl22@gmail.com](mailto:iabcstl22@gmail.com)

**12<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Aldo Della Croce  
Tournament Sponsorship  
Information**

*Hosted by the Italia-America Bocce club  
the weekend of November 2-4, 2018*

*We are asking all members to help get sponsors for this event. If you own your own business, please think about sponsoring. If you have a friend who owns a business, please ask them if they would be interested in sponsoring.*

*Sponsorship starts at \$ 100.00  
up to \$ 1,000.00 +.*

*What does your sponsorship provide?*

- *Free High School Bocce League*
- *Free Special School District Bocce*
- *Activities for Special Needs Children*
- *The “Aldo Della Croce Annual Scholarship” Award.*

*Both the “Scholarship” application and the “Tournament Sponsorship” forms can be found on our website [www.stlbocce.com](http://www.stlbocce.com). For additional information, you can also contact the ADC Tournament Director:*

**Robert Della Croce via email  
[iabcstl22@gmail.com](mailto:iabcstl22@gmail.com)  
or by phone 314.477.0154. You  
may also contact John  
Denando  
@ 314.482.4680**