

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



CONGRATULATIONS!

THE WINNERS OF THE
"TOURNAMENT OF
CHAMPIONS" FROM THE 2017
FALL LEAGUES!

Joe Grippi, John Scire,
Nicolo Cottone, Jim Summers

**UPCOMING SUNDAY
MEMBERSHIP
MEETINGS:**

February 18, 2018 – 1:00 PM
March 18, 2018 – 1:00 PM
April 15, 2018 – 1:00 PM

**UPCOMING
WEDNESDAY BOARD
MEETINGS:**

February 14, 2018 – 6:00 PM
March 14, 2018 – 6:00 PM
April 11, 2018 – 6:00 PM



**MEETING
NOTICE!**

**Please welcome the following
new and returning members to
the
*Italia-America Bocce Club:***

New Members:

Amy Bennett: Sponsored by Barb Burke and Sharon Cady

Steven Blume: Sponsored by Frank DiStefano and Nick DiStefano

Dominic Cipolla, Sr: Sponsored by Chris Ruggeri and Thomas Cusumano

Thomas Cusumano: Sponsored by Chris Ruggeri and Leo Chirco

Dan Earley: Sponsored by Julie Belfi and Tom Jegle

Lance Ervin: Sponsored by Barb Burke and Cherie Galimberti

George D. Frost: Sponsored by John DiGregorio and Riccardo Dona

Phil Hocher: Sponsored by Chris Ruggeri and Thomas Cusumano

Russell Horne: Sponsored by John Groves and John Marino

Andrew Jones: Sponsored by Chris Ruggeri and Thomas Cusumano

Thomas Klipsch: Sponsored by Dan Drago and Pete Cavato

Charlene Lain: Sponsored by Cherie Galimberti and Cheryl Galimberti

Kathryn Miller: Sponsored by Ann Marie Lumetta and Ann Duggan

Judy Mohan: Sponsored by Ann Duggan and Barb Burke

Dino Murabito: Sponsored by Dan Drago and Chris Ruggeri

Chrisy Pedroli: Sponsored by Sharon Cady and Barb Burke

Kimberly Pedroli: Sponsored by Sharon Cady and Barb Burke

Nicholas Sargent: Sponsored by Leo Chirco and Thomas Cusumano

Ben Zona: Sponsored by David Zona and Rich Robertson

Returning members:

Cathleen Donley: Sponsored by Gayle Morris and Julie Belfi.

Gina Imo: Sponsored by Chris Ruggeri and Drew Weringer

Gary Mantese: Sponsored by Rio Vitale and Tony Sanna

***VERY IMPORTANT
REMINDER:***

If you are sponsoring a new or returning member, please remember that even though they have submitted their application and payment to the club, they are still required to come before the IABC Board of Directors at the next meeting.

Until they have been approved by the Board of Directors, they are NOT members and are not allowed to play on a league.

The requirement for them to appear before the board is clearly stated on the application IN RED that they will have signed so they should be aware of the what is required.

A copy of the application is also shown on page 6 of this newsletter and is on our website www.stlbocce.com

CONDOLENCES

The members of the Italia-America Bocce Club would like to extend their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:

*Donald "Don" J. Marlo
and
Jim "Babe" Spinal e*



St. Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance

Saturday, February 10, 2018

7:00 pm Cocktails

7:30 pm Dinner

Tickets: \$40.00 per person

Entertainment by:

"Tobey Fisher" Crooner Nights

Dinner Menu:

Mixed Greens Salad... Bistro Tender in a 'Tawney Port' reduction with mushrooms...Chicken Piccata...Rigatoni & Peas in Pink Sauce...Bow Tie pasta with cherry tomatoes, spinach, lite sundried tomatoes, & pine nuts...Sautéed green beans almandine...Rolls and Butter...and Dessert (mini cannoli – YUM!)

CASH BAR (with 1 complimentary drink ticket)

*For additional info contact:
Julie Belfi – 314.614.9534 or
Tony Sanna – 314-223-9694*



Saint Joseph's Dinner

Saturday, March 10, 2018

Dinner at **6:30 pm**

Cash Bar

Menu:

*Corned Beef and Cabbage, Potatoes,
Carrots, Dessert & Coffee*

Tickets are per person:

\$15.00 - with an Alter Donation

\$20.00 - without donation

Open to members and guests

ONLY 200 tickets will be sold

*For tickets or more information
contact:*

Paola Brush (223-9277) or

pdbrush@att.net

Robert Della Croce (477-0154),

Julie Belfi (614-9534)

Payment due at the time of purchase

Tickets sales begin: February 11, 2018

Tickets sales end: March 5, 2018

Special Olympics Unified Bocce Tournament

Thursday, March 29, 2018

(Holy Thursday)

OPENING CEREMONY – 10:15 am

Students from St. Louis Priory and Visitation Academy begin arriving near 8:30 am and will go immediately to courts to practice. Many of them have never played before; many have played in the tournament in previous years. Near 9:30 -9:45 Pri/Viz will be called to the dining room for more information and then will wait until the Special Olympics Athletes begin arriving near 9:45 am. After the Opening Ceremony, the tournament will begin and will end around 1:00 pm. Medals are awarded as soon as final game scores are recorded then the athletes leave near 1:20 pm.

Members are welcome to observe as this is Club Outreach into community and medal presentations are also a very feel-good moment.

BIG BOCCE NEWS!

June 24-30, 2018

**The *Italia-America Bocce Club* is hosting the
2018 *United States Bocce Federation Bocce
Nationals* during the week of
June 24 – June 30, 2018.**

**Additional information will be coming soon or
you may contact Robert Della Croce
at 314.477.0154 with any questions
you may have.**

**This is an event that you won't want to miss
but REMEMBER.....**

**You MUST purchase a 2018 USBF card from
Robert Della Croce in order to be eligible to
participate in any part of this tournament
including medal, money, and PRV competition.
The card is \$10.00 per person and must be
purchased in advance of registering for the
tournament. Get your USBF card ASAP; they
are on sale now from Robert Della Croce.**

**26th Annual IABC
Golf Tournament
July, 2018.
(Exact date TBD)**

Tapawingo National Golf Course
18 Hole Shotgun Start
Dan Drago and Frank DiGregorio
are the co-chairmen.

Additional information will follow.

SAVE THE DATES:

**3rd Annual
“Summer Fun”
\$ - Cash Bocce - \$
Tournament
Saturday, July 21, 2018**

For additional information
contact: Sue Zona
@ 314-422-3562 or
susanfzona@hotmail.com

**12th Annual
Aldo Della Croce
Bocce Tournament**

November 2-4, 2018

USBF open rules, teams of four (4) players,
entry fee includes lunch Saturday, Sunday,
and dinner Saturday night.

There will again 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 more information or to get an application
contact Robert Della Croce
@ 314.477.0154 or
iabcstl22@gmail.com

**Pics from last year’s event:
10th Annual ADC Tournament:**

Team Pics: <https://italiaamerica.shutterstock.com/8389>

ADC: <https://italiaamerica.shutterstock.com/8509>

Fiori: <https://italiaamerica.shutterstock.com/8417>

Shooting-Lagging: <https://italiaamerica.shutterstock.com/8328>

Dinner: <https://italiaamerica.shutterstock.com/8663>

Misc: <https://italiaamerica.shutterstock.com/8722>

*******CORRECTION*******

In the December 2017 newsletter, the winners
of the *2017 Aldo Della Croce Tournament
Shooting* contest were stated incorrectly.

The 1st Place winner in the shooting contest
was Joe Cardello from Kansas City, Missouri
and 2nd place was our own Tom Gordon.

APPLICATION

Full Name: (print) _____ Date of Birth _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email: _____

Employer of Place of Business: _____

Business Address: _____ Occupation: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Children's Names: _____

Your Reason for Joining the Club: _____

Sponsor (1) Signature: _____ Stock #: _____ Date: _____

(Print) _____

Sponsor (2) Signature: _____ Stock #: _____ Date: _____

(Print) _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

NOTE: Both sponsors must be existing members of the club. NEW MEMBER [] or RETURNING MEMBER []

CIRCLE THE COMMITTEE(S) YOU WOULD SERVE ON

Bocce Membership Building Financial Golf Health Social

To become a member, you must appear in person before the Board at a Board meeting.

If I become a member of the club, I will abide by the rules and by-laws of the club.

I will attend at least two general membership meetings and two club functions each year.

Link to By-Laws: <http://www.stlbocce.com/laws>

Applicant's Signature _____ Date: _____

A CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO ITALIA-AMERICA BOCCIE CLUB FOR THE ENTIRE AMOUNT MUST ACCOMPANY THE APPLICATION.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY PRESIDENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

STOCK \$ 130.00 DATE APPROVED DATE APPROVED

DUES: \$ _____ (per year pro-rated) DATE APPROVED DATE APPROVED

INITIATION FEE: \$ _____ DATE DISAPPROVED DATE DISAPPROVED

TOTAL: \$ _____ DATE DISAPPROVED

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MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT



Founded in 1975, the club has strong roots in promoting the game of Bocce, building member camaraderie and respect for the game and each other.

Social activities are an important part of our yearly calendar.

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN.