

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



**CONGRATULATIONS
to “Tony’s Team”!**

THE WINNERS OF THE
“TOURNAMENT OF
CHAMPIONS” FROM
THE 2018 FALL
LEAGUES!

Rich Longland, Randy
Carbone, David
Baranowski, Mark Panzeri
and David Panzeri.



Eucarpio “Pasquale” Numerosi,
Giampiero Della Croce, Mike
Della Croce and Greg Della
Croce.

CONGRATULATIONS
to team “STL” on
winning the
“12th Annual Aldo
Della Croce
Tournament”
November, 2018!



MEETING NOTICE!

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS:

February 17, 2019 – 1:00 PM

*March 24, 2019 – 1:00 PM

**April 28, 2019 – 1:00 PM

* This has been moved up a week due to St. Patrick's Day

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WEDNESDAY BOARD MEETINGS:

February 13, 2019 – 6:00 PM

March 13, 2019 – 6:00 PM

April 10, 2019 – 6:00 PM

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

Chris Anich – Sponsored by David Panzeri and Rich Longland

Anthony "T.J." Apicelli, III – Sponsored by Reiad Kouri and Kimberly Pedroli

Diane Callier – Sponsored by Cherie Galimberti and Gary Sedovic

Andrew Gayer – Sponsored by Richard Lecinski and Matthew Sutherland

Kent Johnson – Sponsored by Stephen Natoli and Rich Lecinski

Tom McCarthy – Sponsored by Joe Geiger and Maria Lisa Niemira

Carson Menges – Sponsored by Reiad Khori and Rich Lecinski

Matthew Sullivan – Sponsored by Daniel Smith and Chris Ruggeri

Matt Sutherland – Sponsored by Rich Lecinski and Reiad Khouri

Bob Wacker - Sponsored by Reiad Khouri and Bob Ruebsam

Harry Williams – Sponsored by Carl Sciuto and Sam Greco

Matthew Wofford – Sponsored by Rich Lecinski and Phil Hocker

ELECTION MAY 2019

There are three (3) available Officer positions coming up May, 2019. The positions of President, Vice President, and Secretary are available and they are two (2) year terms.

Article VIII, Section F:

“Only a dues paying member in good standing shall be able to run for one of the officer positions. He/She must have been a member of the organization for at least three (3) years.

There are also three (3) available Director positions May, 2019 and they are three (3) year terms.

Article VIII, Section G:

Only a dues paying member in good standing shall be able to run for one of the director positions. The Directors shall be elected to staggered terms with three positions becoming vacant each year. There shall be no additional restrictions pertaining to the director positions.

Please consider running for one of the above positions as the club needs all members to step up and participate in leadership of the club.

If you are interested in running for office, please share with any director or officer and they can explain the process in order to make your dream come true!



URGENT! ELECTION HELP NEEDED:

After many years of volunteering his services, George Kreigshauser needs to turn over the duties of Election Chairperson to an IABC member to handle the election duties beginning with this coming May, 2019.

Please contact Tony Sanna at 314.223.9694 if you can help out your club with this "once a year" responsibility.

CONDOLENCES

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

*Anne A. Agusti
Josephine Caputa
Angeline Conte
Vincent Lumetta
Charles Marnati
Michael Newport*



St. Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance

Saturday, February 9, 2019

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-Sanna – 314.614.9534 or
Tony Sanna – 314-223-9694***



Saint Joseph's Dinner

Saturday, March 9, 2019

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

pdcbrush@at.net

Robert Della Croce (477-0154),

Julie Belfi-Sanna (614-9534)

Payment due at the time of purchase

Tickets sales begin: February 10, 2019

Tickets sales end: March 3, 2019

Special Olympics Unified Bocce Tournament

Thursday, April 18, 2019

(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.

Special Olympics



SAVE THE DATES:

**4th Annual "Summer Fun"
\$ Cash Bocce
Tournament
Saturday, July 20, 2019**

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

**UNLEASH SUMMER
AND LET
THE GAMES BEGIN!**

**27th Annual IABC Golf
Tournament
July 21, 2019**

**Tapawingo National Golf Course
18 Hole Shotgun Start**

Each year, the Italia-America Bocce Club Golf Tournament is a huge fund raiser for our club.

We also donate 20% of the proceeds to a charity. In order to continue with this worthwhile event, we need members to become a 'Tee Box Sponsor'. Individual sponsorships are \$ 50.00 each and a family or business sponsorship is \$100.00.

PLEASE help out with this worthwhile event and contact Frank DiGregorio @ 314.630.2325 or Dan Drago @ 314.406.8308 to become a 'Tee Box Sponsor' or if you can volunteer some of your time for this important club function.

13th Annual Aldo Della Croce Bocce Tournament November – 8-10, 2019

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

AND TO END ON A FUN NOTE



'Youth Bocce' is off to a great start! We even have these two cuties that have been playing together for 6 years on the same team.

Left: Sophia Nugent
Right Charlisie Longland





Dear Members,

Italia-America Bocce Club members seeking to contribute to their child or grandchild's education via scholarship are encouraged to apply for The Aldo Della Croce Memorial Scholarship detailed below by the Scholarship Committee.

The Aldo Della Croce Memorial Scholarship, honors Mr. Della Croce as one of the original founding fathers of the club and will be awarded yearly at The Annual Aldo Della Croce Bocce Tournament. The IABC Officers and Directors are pleased to offer a scholarship on a competitive basis. It is hoped that the award will not only contribute to the personal development of our recipient but also steward the game of bocce that our founding fathers envisioned. An application for the ADC Scholarship is available on the *Italia-America Bocce Club* website, www.stlbocce.com. The scholarship is not based on financial need or grade point average but on the merit of the applicant's self-statement that is also defined on the website.

All children or grandchildren of an *Italia-America Bocce Club* member that is in good standing at time of the application are eligible. Other family members are not eligible. The applicant must be a student entering their freshman year of high school in the 2020-2021 school year and must successfully complete the application form and self-statement as instructed on the website.

The completed application and required self-statement instructions (provided on the website), must be submitted by email to glmorris3@hotmail.com or mailed via USPS to: Mrs. Gayle Morris, 3166 S. 59th Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63139, **no later than October 1, 2019**. The *Italia-America Bocce Club* is not responsible for lost applications or late submittals. The recipient will be notified prior to The Annual Aldo Della Croce Bocce Tournament and it is strongly recommended that he/she attend the tournament banquet. Banquet details will be provided to the recipient.

With best wishes we are,

The Aldo Della Croce Memorial Scholarship Committee
Italia-America Bocce Club
2210 Marconi Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63110