

# Italia-America Bocce Club

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### **IABC Annual Election** **Sunday, May 15, 2022\***

**VOTING HOURS 10:00 am - 1:00 pm**

There are (2) available Officer positions coming up May, 2022. President is a three (3) year term and the position of Secretary is a three (3) year term.

Running for the office of President are:

**Robert Della Croce (incumbent)**  
**Dan Drago, II**

Running for the office of Secretary is:

**Gayle Morris (incumbent)**

There are also four (4) available Director positions. Three (3) directors will serve a three (3) year term and one (1) will serve a two (2) year term.

*Running for a position as Director are:*

**Bill Mitchell**  
**Bob Ruebsam (incumbent)**  
**Ron Farotto**  
**Vincent Mancuso**  
**Steve Salvaaggio (incumbent)**  
**Drew Werninger (incumbent)**

**\*Annual Membership Meeting will follow the Annual Election**

### Welcome to the following new members:

Matthew Androff – Sponsored by Carl Mazzuca and Gina Imo

Sam Bono - Sponsored by Dan Drago and Sue Lucia

Jean Bandera – Sponsored by Bill Mitchell and Tom Drago

Angela Cacciatore - Sponsored by Dan Drago and Sue Lucia

Dino Chirco - Sponsored by Tony Biundo and Vito Chirco

David Donovan - Sponsored by Theresa Donovan and Kathy Schaefer

Jamie Frisella - Sponsored by Larry Fuse and Benjamin Wessels

Tony Lucia - Sponsored by Dan Drago and Jim Cacciatore

Amanda Mazzuca - Sponsored by Peggy Mazzuca and Carl Mazzuca

Joey Meiners - Sponsored by Tom Drago and Dan Drago

Samantha Mueller - Sponsored by Peter Sullivan and Reaid Khouri

Robert Bob Ryberg - Sponsored by Corey Arbini and David Panzeri

Cynthia Stollhans - Sponsored by Leo Chirco and Ed Berra

Patricia Viveros - Sponsored by Peter Arena and Sandra Duchon Byrne

Chrissy Whitaker - Sponsored by Dan Drago and Sue Lucia





### **Dining Room/Courtside Rental**

If you are interested in renting out the dining room or courtside areas for a private party, please read through the Usage Agreement for the area requested on our website at [www.stlbocce.com](http://www.stlbocce.com). Also, there are copies at the club where the bocce league schedules are kept by the hall kitchen door.

Rental requests need to be brought before the board "for board approval". Please plan accordingly.

For additional information please contact Paola Brush at 314.223.9277

Also, a sign will be posted on the bulletin board by court 5 to inform you that courts 4 and 5 are not open to members due to a private party. Likewise, when the dining room has been rented, there is a sign by the Office door.

Please honor these notifications.

### **Bocce Club Bar Hours:**

Monday through Friday.....4:00 pm -1:30 am  
Saturday.....12:00 pm -1:30 am  
Sunday..... 12:00 pm- 6:00 pm

### **Important Notice:**

While we hope all members enjoy the adult beverages at the club, but there are a few rules that we need to strictly enforce:

- Missouri law dictates that alcohol will not be served to anyone under the legal age of 21. This **includes** purchasing alcohol at the *IABC* bar and giving it to a minor (under age 21).
- Minors are not allowed to sit at the *IABC* bar.
- Members are not allowed behind the bar unless they are an officer, a director, or a bartender currently on staff of the *IABC*.
- **There are no exceptions. Members could face expulsion from the club who are found in violation of these rules.**

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### **Board Meeting Dates are 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 6:00 pm:**

May 9, 2022  
June 13, 2022  
July 11, 2022

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### **Sponsorship of New Members Effective February 15, 2022**

“Effective February 15, 2022, YOU must be a member in good standing for one (1) or more years, before you will be allowed to sponsor any NEW members.”

*The Officers and Board of  
Directors*



## **2022 Winter Leagues Bocce Fun Day**

**Coming up this Sunday,  
May 1, 2022!**

Remember lunch served at 1:30.  
The bocce tournament will follow!

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**COED Summer Bocce  
Meeting  
Tuesday, May 3, 2022 -  
6:00 pm**

Please contact Dan Drago, II at 636-900-1412  
ASAP if you are interested in playing in this  
tournament as it will fill up fast!

The deadline for registration is at the captain's  
meeting on Tuesday, May 3, 2022 - 6:00 pm.

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## **Tuesday Night Bocce "Pickup Game"**

**Begins Tuesday, May 3, 2022**

**Begins promptly at 7:00 pm - please  
ARRIVE by 6:45 pm in order to play.**

Cost is \$5.00 - all money is paid out at the  
end of the night to the winning teams.  
All skill levels welcome!



## **2022 Ladies' Spring Bocce League Banquet**

**Wednesday, May 11, 2022**

6:00 pm - Cocktails  
6:30 pm - Dinner

Menu:

Salad  
Pizza  
Dessert

Cost \$ 15.00 includes one (1)  
drink ticket

Money is due by  
**Friday, May 6, 2022**

See or call your team captain  
ASAP to participate.

**Karaoke brought to you by  
"Beano"**



**Registration begins at 11:30am**

Rose of the Hill - Parking Lot  
(2300 Edwards)

This year the *Italia-America Bocce Club*  
will be returning as a stop on this event.  
Please stop by and see us at 2210 Marconi!



Cordially Invites You To The  
Festa della Repubblica Italiana  
Italian Republic Day  
76<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Sunday, June 5, 2022 – 6:00-10:00pm

At the Christy Banquet Centers Catering  
5856 Christy Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63116

\$35.00 per person Dinner and Music – Open Bar



For reservations contact  
Vincenzo DiPiazza 314-707-2429 or Angelo Sita 314-435-4120  
[vincenzodipiazza@att.net](mailto:vincenzodipiazza@att.net) [angelosita@sbcglobal.net](mailto:angelosita@sbcglobal.net)

Reservations with payment in advance must be made by June 1, 2022, payable to Sicilian Cultural Association (SCA) or call Tanina Santangelo, 314-520-3872, if you prefer to use a credit card.



## ***The Statue of Santa Fara***

has been in St. Louis for  
100 years

In celebration of this milestone, there  
will be a Mass in honor of *Santa Fara*  
at 11:00 AM  
Sunday, May 15, 2022  
*St. Ambrose Catholic Church*

In addition  
Candles are available for sale with the  
name(s) of individual(s) to be remembered  
Candles will be placed on the altar rail during  
Mass  
After Mass, candles may be taken home  
Candles cost \$10 each and all proceeds  
benefit St. Ambrose.

**Candles must be purchased by May 10th**

To purchase a candle, send check made out  
to SCA

And mail to: Angelo Sita,  
8159 Brairhaven Trail, 201, St. Louis, MO  
63123

For information contact Angelo at  
314-435-4120 or  
[angelosita@sbcglobal.net](mailto:angelosita@sbcglobal.net)



Please join us at the Italia-America Bocce Club on **Saturday, July 16, 2022**

### **Fun-Day/Fundraiser in memory of Vincent "Vinny" Drago.**

Events will include bocce, poker, and cornhole. There will be food and drinks in abundance plus many raffle items.

All funds will go to Camp Hope.

Camp Hope is a 501©(3) nonprofit organization. Any veteran wounded in the Global War on Terror is welcome to attend Camp Hope - all expenses paid - including travel. Camp Hope provides ADA-compliant cabins, food and supplies, and an attentive all-volunteer staff to accommodate veterans with almost any disability. Since 2007, hundreds of veterans from across the country have experienced the camaraderie and benefitted from the healing powers of Camp Hope.

EVERY donation, large or small, supports the troops!

[www.camphopeusa.org](http://www.camphopeusa.org)

## ***Help Needed:***

The Board has recently agreed to form a committee to act as a liaison for a member's funeral luncheons/celebrations of life. Paola Brush is the Chair of this committee. She is responsible for meeting with the family, booking the dining room and making any other arrangements they may require such as linens, bartender, etc.

We are looking for two (2) to four (4) volunteers who will be available during daytime hours and have a flexible schedule as one can rarely predict such an event. One (1) or two (2) volunteers will be called upon at a time to supervise and assist the family and be rotated out as much as possible. If you are available and willing, please contact Paola at 314-223-9277. This is one of the opportunities we must truly be a "family" and take care of each other.

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

Joy Marie Garozzo  
(wife of late member Fred Garozzo)

Richard "Rich" LoRusso



# SAVE THE DATES:

## **IABC Jazz Party**

**Saturday, August 6, 2022**

and

Wine Tasting from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm  
to get the party started!



## **Jazz Party**

The Joe Mancuso Jazz Band  
Mancusojazz.com

August 6th @IABC

Tasting @6:30pm/Jazz @8pm

A swanky evening of wine tasting,  
charcuterie boards and Jazz

\$25 Per person

Tickets on sale 5/15



## **33rd Annual IABC Golf Tournament**

**Sunday, September 25, 2022**

**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 give a generous donation of the proceeds to a charity. Please help with this worthwhile event and contact Dan Drago, II @ 636.900.1412 if you can volunteer some of your time or make a raffle donation for this important club function.*

*Also...*

*\*\* In order to continue with this worthwhile event, we have members become a 'Tee Box Sponsor'. Tee Box cost is \$100.00. Please help out by becoming a sponsor for this event. Registration and additional information will follow.*

## **15th Annual Aldo Della Croce Bocce Tournament**

**November 4-6, 2022**

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

There will again be two (2) divisions:

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

*Laura 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](mailto:iabcstl22@gmail.com)