



NEWSLETTER

AUGUST agosto 2021

JULY MEETING

Riunione luglio

Our guest speaker was supposed to be Jason Pund from Shoot Point Blank, here in Mentor. For some unknown reason, Jason never showed up, despite multiple calls. With the voting on our two new members and their subsequent swearing in, the meeting was comfortably full.

NEW MEMBERS

Two new members were approved and sworn in at the July Meeting.

Jim Wheeler, sponsored by Rio DeGennaro and Angelo Cicconetti. Jim is a Lake County Deputy Sheriff.

Chris Tucci, sponsored by Ron Wassum and Anthony Iliano Sr. Chris is a Lake County Juvenile Court Magistrate.

When you see them at the meetings, take a minute and welcome them.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Prossimi eventi

AUGUST agosto

20 August

Friday – AIH Golf Outing

10:30a at Erie Shores Golf Club in Madison, Ohio.

Reservations and pre-payments are required.

See Attachment 1 for more information and Golf Outing Sign-up Sheet.

25 August

Wednesday – Membership Meeting

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the Bocce Tournament had to be cancelled.

Therefore, the 25 August Membership Meeting will be at 6:30p at Pine ridge Country Club.

Our speaker will be our newest member, Chris Tucci, Magistrate for the Lake County Juvenile Court.

25 August – 9 September

Cleveland Italian Film Festival

Films will be shown at The Cedar Lee Theater and the Atlas Cinemas Eastgate. All films are shown on Thursdays at 7:30p.

The tickets are \$11.00 each but the club will provide free tickets if you sign up for them. Call President Paolucci at (h)440-354-6604 or (c)440-477-5817 to get your name on the list if you are interested.

SEPTEMBER settembre

29 September

Wednesday – Membership Meeting

6:30p at Pine Ridge Country Club. Our speaker is yet to be determined.

OCTOBER ottobre

1 October

Friday – AIHC Fund Raiser

LaVera Party Center in Willoughby Hills.

- The event will be called “Opera Night in Tuscany” (Serata opera italiana in Toscana).
- The time will be from 6:30p – 11:30p
- All boards and raffles will occur between 6:30p and 7:30p.
- At 7:30p everyone will be seated for dinner.
- There will be 3 opera singers performing throughout the evening (ala Cask 307).
- There will be 30+ baskets on which we can bid.
- There will be only 200 people seated at 25 8-top tables.
- The cost will be \$70.00 per person.

Information on tickets to follow.

27 October

Wednesday – Membership Meeting

Club Clam Bake – More details to follow.

Reservations and pre-payments are required. See Attachment 2 for more information and the Sign-up Sheet.

NOVEMBER novembre

17 November

Wednesday – Membership Meeting

6:30p at Pine Ridge Country Club. Our speaker is yet to be determined.

Note, this is a week earlier than usual because of Thanksgiving.

DECEMBER dicembre

Membership Meeting

Note, there is no Executive Committee Meeting or Membership Meeting in December.

12 December

Sunday – AIH Club Family Christmas Party

at Pine Ridge Country Club, 12:00p – 4:00p. The Event Committee is Bob Andreano, Gus Paolucci and John Perrotti.

- Parents bringing children to meet Santa must buy, wrap, and turn over their presents to the Committee before the event, so Santa can distribute them to the children.

- There will be brunch served at stand-up tables.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Compleanni di agosto

Vince Pono	14
Brett Wassum	16
Antonio Guerrieri	19
Anthony Iliano Jr.	30

When you see these members this month, be sure to wish them buon compleanno.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

salute e benessere

Fortunately, we still have no names to mention here this month.

A big thanks to Richard O’Keefe who stepped up and volunteered to be Health and Welfare Committee Chairman

SPECIAL DAYS IN AUGUST

August 3: Watermelon Day

August 5: Work like a dog Day

August 6: International Beer Day

August 13: Left-Handers Day

August 14: Creamside Day

August 21: Spumoni Day

The above information was obtained from timeanddate.com/holidays/fun

U.S. COAST GUARD 4 AUGUST 1790

The history of the United States Coast Guard goes back to the United States Revenue Cutter Service, which was founded on 4 August 1790 as part of the Department of the Treasury.

The Revenue Cutter Service and the United States Life-Saving Service were merged to become the United States Coast Guard per 14 U.S.C. § 1 which states: "The United States Coast Guard, as established 28 January 1915, shall be a military service and a branch of the armed forces of the United States at all times."

In 1939, the United States Lighthouse Service was merged into the Coast Guard.

The Coast Guard itself was moved to the Department of Transportation in 1967, and on 01 March 2003 it became part of the Department of Homeland Security. However, under 14 U.S.C. § 3, as amended by section

211 of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2006, upon the declaration of war, and when Congress so directs in the declaration, or when the President directs, the Coast Guard shall operate as a service in the Department of the Navy.



The above information was taken from the 2021 Wikipedia.

HIROSHIMA & NAGASAKI 6 & 9 AUGUST 1945

The United States detonated two nuclear weapons over the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on 6 and 9 August 1945, respectively. The two bombings killed between 129,000 and 226,000 people, most of whom were civilians, and remain the only use of nuclear weapons in armed conflict.

In the final year of World War II, the Allies prepared for a costly invasion of the Japanese mainland. This undertaking was preceded by a conventional and firebombing campaign that devastated 67 Japanese cities. The war in Europe concluded when Germany surrendered on 8 May 1945, and the Allies turned their full attention to the Pacific War. By July 1945, the Allies' Manhattan Project had produced two types of atomic bombs: "Fat Man", a plutonium implosion-type nuclear weapon; and "Little Boy", an enriched uranium gun-type fission weapon. The 509th Composite Group of the United States Army Air Forces was trained and equipped with the specialized Silverplate version of the Boeing B-29 Superfortress, and deployed to Tinian in the Mariana Islands. The Allies called for the unconditional surrender of the Imperial Japanese armed forces in the Potsdam Declaration on 26 July 1945, the alternative being "prompt and utter destruction". Japan ignored the ultimatum.

The consent of the United Kingdom was obtained for the bombing, as was required by the Quebec Agreement, and orders were

issued on 25 July for atomic bombs to be used against Hiroshima, Kokura, Niigata, and Nagasaki. These targets were chosen because they were large urban areas that also held militarily significant facilities. On 6 August, a Little Boy was dropped on Hiroshima, to which Prime Minister Suzuki reiterated the Japanese government's commitment to ignore the Allies' demands and fight on. Three days later, a Fat Man was dropped on Nagasaki.

Japan surrendered to the Allies on 15 August, six days after the Soviet Union's declaration of war and the bombing of Nagasaki. The Japanese government signed the instrument of surrender on 2 September, effectively ending the war. Scholars have extensively studied the effects of the bombings on the social and political character of subsequent world history and popular culture, and there is still much debate concerning the ethical and legal justification for the bombings. Supporters believe that the atomic bombings were necessary to bring a swift end to the war with minimal casualties, while critics argue that the Japanese government could have been brought to surrender through other means, while highlighting the moral and ethical implications of nuclear weapons and the deaths caused to civilians.



The mission runs of 6 & 9 August, with Hiroshima, Nagasaki
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THE PURPLE HEART 7 AUGUST 1782

The Purple Heart is a United States military decoration awarded in the name of the President to those wounded or killed while serving, on or after April 5, 1917, with the U.S. military. With its forerunner, the Badge of Military Merit, which took the form of a heart made of purple cloth, the Purple Heart is the oldest military award still given to U.S. military members – the only earlier award being the obsolete Fidelity Medallion. The National Purple Heart Hall of Honor is located in New Windsor, New York.

The original Purple Heart, designated as the Badge of Military Merit, was established by George Washington – then the commander-in-chief of the Continental Army – by order from his Newburgh, New York headquarters on August 7, 1782. The Badge of Military Merit was only awarded to three Revolutionary War soldiers by Washington himself. Washington authorized his subordinate officers to issue Badges of Merit as appropriate.



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**WOODSTOCK
15 – 18 AUGUST 1969**

Woodstock was a music festival held August 15–18, 1969, on Max Yasgur's dairy farm in Bethel, New York, 40 miles southwest of the town of Woodstock. Billed as "an Aquarian Exposition: 3 Days of Peace & Music" and alternatively referred to as the Woodstock Rock Festival, it attracted an audience of more than 400,000. Thirty-two acts performed outdoors despite sporadic rain.

The festival has become widely regarded as a pivotal moment in popular music history as well as a defining event for the counterculture generation. The event's significance was reinforced by a 1970 documentary film; an accompanying soundtrack album; and a song written by Joni Mitchell that became a major hit for both Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young and Matthews Southern Comfort. Music events bearing the Woodstock name have been planned for anniversaries including the tenth, twentieth, twenty-fifth, thirtieth, fortieth, and fiftieth. In 2004, *Rolling Stone* magazine listed it as number 19 of the 50 Moments That Changed the History of Rock and Roll. In 2017, the festival site became listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The above information was taken from the 2021 Wikipedia.

A LITTLE LIGHT TRIVIA

Why is a self-employed professional called a freelancer?

The word *freelance* came out of the period between the 13th and 14th centuries, when mercenary knights, with no particular allegiance, would take their lances into battle for the prince or state that paid them the most money. They were referred to as freelancers by authors in the 19th century and operated much like the gunfighters in the American West. Now a freelancer is anyone who works independently.

Why do we call an enthusiastic amateur a "buff"?

A "buff" is someone with a keen interest in a subject that is not related to his or her profession. The term was coined by New York City firefighters, who were often hindered by crowds who gathered at fires either to help or stand around and criticize. At the time, around

1900, most winter coats worn by the spectators were made of buffalo hide, and from those the firefighters came up with the derogatory term "buffs" to describe those pesky amateur critics.

Why do we call wealthy members of society the "upper crust"?

In the days of feudalism, when noblemen gathered for a meal in the castle, those of higher rank sat at the head of a T-shaped table, and the rest sat in order of diminishing importance away from them. For such occasions a yard-long loaf of bread was baked, and the honor of making the first cut belonged to the highest-ranking person at the head of the table, who would then pass the bread down in order of rank, but always keeping for himself the "upper crust."

The above information was obtained from The Little Book of Answers by Doug Lennox.

MISSION STATEMENT

dichiarazione di missione

The purpose of this Association is to promote the moral, social, and civic advancement of its membership, and to perpetuate the customs and cultural aspects of Italian Heritage.

Article II, Section 1 of the AIH Bylaws

**AMERICANS of ITALIAN
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1 July 2020 – 30 June 2022

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ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Golf Outing Sign-up Sheet
- 2. Clam Bake Sign-up Sheet

**COMMENTS TO THE
EDITOR**

If you have any questions or comments about, or suggestions for this newsletter, please put your thoughts in an email and send them to me at GPizzuti@GlennPizzutiArchitect.com