



## NEWSLETTER

JUNE giugno 2018

### SENECA ALLEGANY CASINO TRIP

Donnie Rapposelli took over 50 of his closest friends to the Seneca Allegany Casino on Saturday, the 19<sup>th</sup> of May. Everyone had a good time, and some even came away with some winnings. Thanks to Donnie for setting this trip up for the club.

### MAY MEETING

*Riunione maggio*

Our speaker was Mr. Tim Ausperk, the Golf Pro and Manager of Black Brook Golf Club in Mentor. Tim told us all about improvements that the city has been making at Black Brook and then shared some pointers on how to improve our game.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**JUNE giugno**

**16 June, Saturday**

AIH Western Lake Erie Wine Trail Trip. This event is chaired by Dennis Rosa. See attached flyer for details.

*Reservations are required*

**20 June, Wednesday**

AIH Executive Committee Meeting at The Mentor Firefighter's Museum @ 7:00p.

**27 June, Wednesday:**

AIH Membership Meeting at Pine Ridge Country Club @ 6:30p. Our speaker will be Ms. Kim Laurello, Owner of Laurello Vineyards in Geneva, Ohio.

**JULY luglio**

**11 July, Wednesday**

AIHC Executive Committee Meeting at LaMalfa @ 5:30p.

**18 July, Wednesday**

AIH Executive Committee Meeting at The Mentor Firefighter's Museum @ 7:00p.

**20 July, Friday**

AIH Italian Heritage Night at Classic Park. There are several ticket packages available so see the attached flyer.

*Reservations are required*

**29 July, Sunday**

The Cleveland Opera and Cleveland Ballet will be performing in the Italian Cultural Gardens on East Boulevard from 6:00p – 7:30p. See attached flyer.

**25 July, Wednesday:**

AIH Membership Meeting at Pine Ridge Country Club @ 6:30p. Our speaker will be Mr. Bob Travato, a Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP), who will be discussing cyber security.

**AUGUST agosto**

**17 August, Friday**

AIH Annual Golf Outing at Erie Shores Golf Course, in Madison, Ohio. Shotgun start @ 12:00p. The event will be chaired by Dave Vegh. See attached flyers.

*Reservations are required*

**22 August, Wednesday**

AIH Executive Committee Meeting at The Mentor Firefighter's Museum @ 7:00p.

**29 August, Wednesday:**

AIH Membership Meeting and Annual Club Bocce Tournament. The event will be hosted by Marty LaCava and Ron Wassum. More details to follow.

**SEPTEMBER settembre**

**19 September, Wednesday**

AIH Executive Committee Meeting at The Mentor Firefighter's Museum @ 7:00p.

**26 September, Wednesday:**

AIH Membership Meeting at Pine Ridge Country Club @ 6:30p. Our speaker will be Mr. Nate Bissell, a sixth generation Maple Farmer and President of Maple Farms in Rock Creek, Ohio.

**OCTOBER ottobre**

**17 October, Wednesday**

AIHC Executive Committee Meeting at LaMalfa @ 5:30p.

**17 October, Wednesday**

AIH Executive Committee Meeting at The Mentor Firefighter's Museum @ 7:00p.

**24 October, Wednesday:**

AIH Membership Meeting at Pine Ridge Country Club @ 6:30p. This will be our club's Annual Clam Bake, hosted by Vince Pona. Wives, fiancés and girlfriends are invited.

**NOVEMBER novembre**

**7 November, Wednesday**

AIH Executive Committee Meeting at The Mentor Firefighter's Museum @ 7:00p.

**14 November, Wednesday:**

AIH Membership Meeting at Pine Ridge Country Club @ 6:30p. This will be our club's Annual Italian Trivia Night, hosted by Tom Fioritto. See attached flyer for more information.

**24 November, Saturday:**

The annual AIHC OSU v. U of M Football Game Party at Longo's Whiskey A-Go-Go. These two teams have met in the fall every year since 1987. This event is Co-Chaired by Ron Wassum and Tony Munaretto. Doors will open 1 hour before kickoff.

*Reservations are required*

**DECEMBER dicembre**

**Note:** There will be no Executive Committee Meeting and no Membership Meeting in December.

**Date in December TBD, Sunday:**

AIH Family Christmas Party at LaMalfa. This event is Co-Chaired by Mike LaMalfa and Bill Petrello. More details to follow.

*Reservations are required*

### BIENNIAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

The biennial general membership election of AIH Officers and Trustees, who make up the club's Executive Committee, will take place at the June Membership Meeting. The term for both Officers and Trustees will be from July 1st, 2018 through June 30th, 2020.

The final Slate of Candidates for the positions of Officers and Trustees making up the Executive Committee shall include the following:

#### POSITIONS

Officers

President.....	Gus Paolucci
Vice President.....	Ron Wassum
Secretary.....	Glenn Pizzuti
Treasurer.....	Bill Petrello
Trustee.....	Rio DeGennaro Jr.
Trustee.....	Jim Federico Sr.
Trustee.....	Mario Fioritto
Trustee.....	Mike LaMalfa
Trustee.....	Tony Munaretto
Trustee.....	John Perrotti
Trustee.....	Donnie Rapposelli

#### CANDIDATES



Per our Bylaws, the Executive Committee is made up of the four Officers and twelve Trustees. Of those twelve Trustees, five will be elected by the membership, two will be appointed by the newly elected President and one will be the immediate past President.

At the May Membership Meeting the Slate was presented one last time, again adding nominations from the floor, then, the Slate was closed.

Elections will be held at the June Membership Meeting.

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

*Compleanni di giugno*

Ron Wassum .....	1
David Spinner .....	1
Angelo Laspena .....	3
John D'Angelo .....	4
Bob Randazzo .....	5
Jim Federico Sr. ....	8
Art Montoni .....	9
Bob Studniarz .....	13
Nick Tibaldi .....	17
David Farina .....	22
Gary Licate .....	27

**IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

*i nostri pensieri e preghiere*

Member Bob Randazzo's wife of 47 years, Joanne Marie Randazzo, passed away on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May. Please keep Joanne, Bob, and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Member Andy Arena just went through triple bypass surgery. He's doing well. Please keep Andy and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Member Dave Farina has had several surgeries but is recovering now and hopes to be back with us soon. Please keep Dave and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

**ITALIAN REGIONS AND PROVINCES**

This month we will continue with our Italian Region information sheets with the Emilia-Romagna and Friuli-Venezi a Giulia Regions. Attached are the information sheets for these two regions as well as an overall map of Italy showing all 20 regions for reference.

**FLAG DAY**

In the United States, Flag Day is celebrated on June 14. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States, which happened on June 14, 1777, by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The United States Army also celebrates the U.S. Army Birthday on this date.

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day. In August 1946, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress. Flag Day is not, however, an official Federal Holiday.

Perhaps the oldest continuing Flag Day parade is in Fairfield, Washington. Beginning in 1909 or 1910, Fairfield has held a parade every year since, with the possible exception of 1918, and celebrated the "Centennial" parade in 2010, along with some other commemorative events.

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY**

*buona festa de papa*

In Italy, Father's Day is not celebrated in June on a Sunday like it is in the USA. Rather it is always on March 19<sup>th</sup>, St. Joseph's Day. Father's Day in Italy always coincides with the Festa di San Giuseppe.

Be that as it may, in the USA, Father's Day this year is celebrated on Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. So if you are lucky enough to still have your father around, be sure to spend some time with him and wish him a Happy Father's Day.

**JUNE HOLIDAYS IN ITALY**

**Republic Day**, Festa della Republic, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, is a public holiday all over Italy, remembering the birth of the Italian Republic in 1946.

**2018-2019 DUES**

Our Membership Chair, Gus Paolucci, has sent out the notices for our annual dues via e-mail or mail if you have no e-mail address. When you receive your notice, please take a moment, sit down, write the check, and mail it back to Gus. Let's not make him work for three months trying to get people to pay.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

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 HERITAGE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

*1 July 2016 – 30 June 2018*

President ..... Dave Vegh  
 Vice President ..... Gus Paolucci  
 Secretary ..... Glenn Pizzuti  
 Treasurer ..... Bill Petrello

Trustee ..... Mike Cicconetti  
 Trustee ..... Rio DeGennaro Jr.  
 Trustee ..... Jim Federico Sr.  
 Trustee ..... Mike LaMalfa  
 Trustee ..... Donnie Rapposelli  
 Trustee ..... Tony Munaretto  
 Trustee ..... John Perrotti  
 Trustee ..... Ron Wassum

**AMERICANS of ITALIAN HERITAGE CHARITIES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Chairman ..... Rio DeGennaro Jr.  
 Vice Chairman ..... Mike LaMalfa  
 Secretary ..... Marty LaCava  
 Treasurer ..... Bill Petrello

Trustee ..... Vince Granito  
 AIH President ..... Dave Vegh  
 Scholarship Committee Chair ..... Vince Pona

**ATTACHMENTS**

- Western Lake Erie Wine Trail Trip Flyer
- Italian Heritage Night at Classic Park Flyer
- The Cleveland Opera and Cleveland Ballet Flyer
- Golf Outing Flyer
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- Emilia-Romagna Region
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