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August Calendar

View our complete online Calendar at calendarwiz.com/iacc

Every Monday	Italian Grand Buffet
Every Tuesday	Women's Bocce 6:30 PM
Every Wednesday	Men's Bocce 6:30 PM
Family Night in IAIFI Pavilion 5	- 8 PM
August 10 Wed	Women's League 6:30 PM
August 16 Tue	Board Meeting 6:30 PM
August 8 - August 12	Session #1 Summer Camp
August 15 - August 19	Session #2 Summer Camp
Daily	Pool open 12 Noon - 8 PM

Save the Date

September 7 Wed	Book Club 7:00 PM
September 12 Mon	Men's Club meeting 6:30 PM
Every Wed beginning Sept 7	IACC Bowling 6:00 PM
September 20 Tue	Board Meeting 6:30 PM
	General Session 7:00 PM

A SPECIAL THANKS to Ben Sano
who built and repaired all those much
needed benches at our bocce courts.



Armand Marando serving beverages with a great smile

Family Night at the IAHF Pavilion by Rachel Cameron

Family Night at the IAHF Pavilion, held each Friday night in the summer from 5 to 8 PM, continues to be a huge success! Since Family Night is open to the public, several members and non-members have enjoyed feasting on delicious food, playing bocce, swimming in our pool, and simply having a wonderful time with family and friends. On Friday, July 1st, there was a surprise event! On behalf of the IACC

Family, IACC President George Urciuoli, presented Mary Finley with a beautiful plaque, thanking her for “... many years of dedicated service and contributions to the IACC”. Since the last Family Night for the summer will be Friday, August 26th, there are only 4 more Family Nights to be held in IAHF Pavilion this season.

Hope to see you there!



A fun game of bocce with family and friends



Members & Non-members enjoying the evening together



A few members of Mary Finley's IACC Family pictured left to right: Mary Lou Marando, Maria De Nitto, Linda Dillon, Jim Sano, Gail Tarantino, George Urciuoli, Mary Finley (Guest of Honor), Rosanna Aiuppa, Maria Marchio, and Rachel Cameron



Just wanted to remind everyone that the restaurant has a new name! TREVISO! As most of you know, we re-named the restaurant on June 1st and rolled out a new exciting menu and apparently we did it right, because we are seeing more members dining in the restaurant than ever before! We thank you for your continue patronage and are happy that you are enjoying your new dining experiences! Buon Appetito!

I just wanted to thank EVERYONE on the Festa Committee as well as all of our "associate" members who didn't attend the meetings but certainly were an integral part of putting the Festa together. And of course to all of the members who volunteered during the Festa. It's great to see how everyone pulls together for the weekend and puts out this beautiful event! We look forward to another successful event again next year!!

Thank you again!!! Festa Chair Jeanette Bowers

Italian Language Series

Maria La Morte

IAHFI's inaugural Italian Language Series ended recently after 10 weeks of instruction for 21 elementary and 11 intermediate students of Italian. A celebration dinner was held where both classes enjoyed classic Italian dishes and the enjoyable friendships that wonderfully form when people come together to explore and learn a new language. We hope to see you in a future series *a parlare italiano!!*

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Women's League

Girls' Night Out

I am honored to serve as your Women's League President for the coming year. Along with my fellow officers I plan to share good times, ideas, and, of course, great meals with all of you. If you haven't attended one of our meetings, I strongly urge you to give us a try. We always begin with a short business meeting, but mostly it's a great time to socialize and have dinner together. There is nothing like the strength of female friendship!

At our Wednesday, July 13th meeting, we will discuss our plans for the coming year's functions. I hope everyone can take some time to help out at one of our activities. After this discussion, we'll break up into groups and play a couple friendly card games. If you have a spare deck of cards, bring it with you. You may play any card game you wish.

Our dinner selections this month are Chicken/Shrimp Scampi with Risotto & Escarole or the vegetarian option of Eggplant Rollitini. Both will be served with family-style vegetables and mixed green salad with gorgonzola cheese with gelato cake for dessert.

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BY TUESDAY, JULY 12th

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New Members

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Mary Golding, Albany,
Sponsor: Dick Ognibene

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David & Raphael Peralta, Schenectady
Sponsor: Jeanette Bowers

Manfred & Marianne Simon, Albany
Sponsor: Richard Ognibene

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As I have stated before, I am not Italian. I am however pretty good at being an American. I was born here, so that pretty much makes me an expert on how to be one. At the very least, you and I have that in common.

July marks our 235th birthday here in the good old United States, so what better a time to highlight everything that makes this country great. On occasion I have been abroad and have noticed a few things which I'd like to share to help illustrate this concept.

Once, at a train station in Germany, I encountered a turnstile holding the entrance to the men's room hostage for 50 cents. I, of course, was broke. An American train station would never think to barricade the restrooms with a toll gate. If it did, it would at least have the decency to put a change machine nearby. Luckily for me, the alley had no turnstile.

24-hour stores are another thing I love about the US. If I want to buy lawn chairs and a socket set at 3 o'clock in the morning, it's my right as an American to do so. I also like being able to say things like "It's my right as an American."

Here in the States, we like to do everything bigger and better than anyone else. Never in Europe have I seen a hamburger comprised of five beef patties and nine pieces of cheese. We do this with our wine, too. Napa Cabernets are famous around the globe for being big, bold, and "in your face."

Old World wines typically are produced with the assumption that they are going to be consumed with food. New World wines, especially Napa's, are best enjoyed on their own. They are so robust and complex that food would mask what makes them so wonderful. However, rules are made to be broken, so they could pair well with any red meat, stew, or hearty sauce.

The Italian Club offers the Show Cabernet Sauvignon. This wine is typical of the Napa-style that is big and jammy with hints of vanilla. Lift a glass and toast to the US, its birthday, and everything which makes our nation great. Just make sure to use a big glass.

Salute!

Membership Wine Special

The Italian Club Restaurant will be offering a Monthly Wine Special for IACC members only. Each month a different wine will be featured and offered by both the glass and the bottle. The price will be determined by the wine selected, but will surely be a spectacular deal to honor the IACC members. Please let your server or bartender (yes it is available at the bar too!) know that you are a member of the IACC.

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Men's Club



Men's Club meeting will be held on Monday September 12 at 6:30 PM. Dinner will be at the Buffet followed by our business meeting in the Card room. After the business meeting there will be cards and Monday Night football.

John Ritz

CARING & SHARING By Anna Acconi

August Birthdays:

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| Joseph Anello | Joseph Lombardo |
| Dino Barbato | Joseph Mallozzi |
| Kathleen Basile | Giacomo Mancino |
| Anthony Cagliostro | Carole Mann |
| Monika Cagliostro | Richard Mazzaferro |
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| Maria LaMorte | Donna Zumbo |
| Charlotte Lombardo | |

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Bragging Rights

Please contact Anna Acconi at 966-8664 or aacconi111@aol.com

IACC Bowling Starts Wednesday, September 7TH

Since last year's first annual IACC Bowling was quite successful, we are planning another season this year. We will begin bowling on Wednesday evenings, September 7th at 6:00 PM at Westlawn Lanes in Guilderland. We bowl two games. The cost is \$3.00 per game. Bowling shoe rental is also \$3.00. If you would like more information or wish to participate, please contact Angie Groelz 250-4736.

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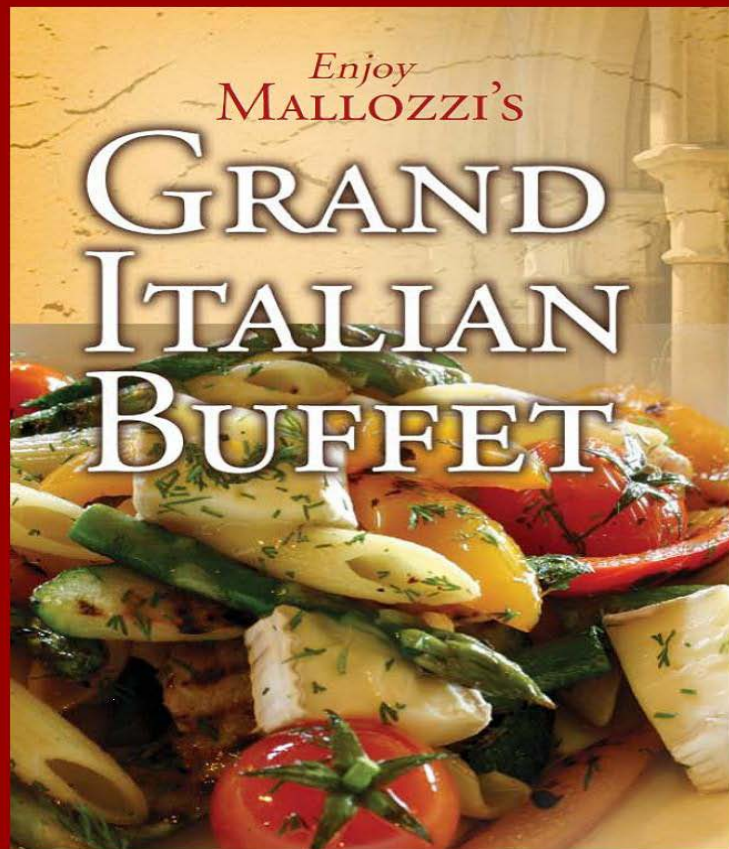
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