

ARIZONA AMERICAN ITALIAN CLUB

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Our Club is open to the Public!
Come on in and enjoy our great restaurant,
live music and other social activities.
Facilities are available to rent for
celebrations, family events and meetings!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Happy Spring!

As you may have heard, I am your new Club President. I would like to introduce myself and share a little about my background. I am originally from New Jersey, but I have also lived in Minnesota and Florida. I am an Army veteran. I served as an MP for 8 years and then worked as a Police Officer in New Jersey for 10 years. I have lived in Arizona since 2003, and I have been a member of the Club since 2014. I have served on the Board since 2020, first as a Trustee, and later when I was elected as Vice President in 2022.

You can tell by our beautiful weather, it is Springtime, which brings new beginnings and a time for growth! We would love to see membership in our club grow, too. I look forward to meeting new people, enjoying new activities, and improving our Club for everyone to enjoy. If we have not met, please stop by and say "Ciao"!

Our weather is beautiful, and the Club has a lot to offer. Outside, we have horseshoes and Bocce. (Check out the Bocce board in the hallway behind the bar.) We have a nice patio where you can sit outside and enjoy the weather! Inside, we have Bingo, live music, dancing, karaoke, trivia, amazing bartenders, and delicious dinner specials. Our St. Patrick's Day party was a lot of fun, and everyone had a great time! Galindo's corned beef and cabbage was delicious! Our generous members and guests made our raffle and gift basket fundraisers a huge success!

The work in the kitchen is finished, but we are making other improvements around the Club. Special thanks to **Gregg, KiKi, Marie, Jim and Amy** who helped me paint the back meeting room. Come in and check it out!

Our Club can host special events, receptions, parties and group meetings and we would love to book a reservation for your special event! Check out our event spaces and let us know if you want to host an event by calling Marie Myers at 602-741-3079.

We are always looking for new members, volunteers, and members to serve on the Board. If you are interested in volunteering or serving on the Board, please let us know!

I am looking forward to working for the Club, earning your Trust, and moving in a positive direction!

I appreciate your support!

Spero di rivederci presto,
Michael Mellaci, President

American Italian Club
2024 - 2025 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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ARIZONA AMERICAN ITALIAN CLUB HOURS

MONDAY ~ TUESDAY ~ 3:00PM - 9:00PM
WEDNESDAY ~ THURSDAY ~ 11:00AM - 10:00PM
FRIDAY ~ SATURDAY ~ 11:00AM - 11:00PM
SUNDAY ~ 9:00AM - 4:00PM
KITCHEN HOURS
MONDAY ~ CLOSED TUESDAY 3:00 - 9:00
WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY ~ 11:00 - 9:00
FRIDAY & SATURDAY 11:00 - 10:00
SUNDAY ~ 9:00 - 3:00

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1. Tell your family & friends to send their email to
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AAIC website www.azaicclub.com
3. Pick up a copy of the newsletter at the Club

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CLUB'S PHONE # 602-975-8294

Welcome New Members:

Regular/Italian:

Sue Castaldo and Linda S Parker
**All New Italian/Regular Members must attend a
Board Meeting to receive their Membership Cards**

Affiliates:

Julie Cowan, Karen Fleming, Barbara Garcia,
Tyler Graves, John Hughes, John May,
Fred Parker, Michael Sheptow, Terry Sheptow,
and Cleo Yocum
**New Affiliate Members may pick up their cards
at the bar.**

Mark Your Calendars and Save the Date!

Volunteer Meeting ~ Tuesday April 8th at 6:30

AAIC Board Meeting ~ Tuesday April 15th at 7:00

All members are welcome to attend!

Haven't renewed your Club Membership for 2025?

It's not too late.

Pick up an application at the bar.

Don't miss out on all the
great things happening at the Club.

April 2025 Entertainment

Every Tuesday, Friday and Saturday
Join us for Bar Bingo in the Lounge



Wednesdays - April 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

Karaoke ~ 6:30 - 9:00PM

Fuel This Fire Entertainment with
Linda Sue Baker



Thursdays - April 3, 10, 17 & 24

Team Trivia Night ~ 6:30 - 8:30PM



Fridays - April 4, 11, 18 & 25

April 4th - Speedway Band 7 - 10
A variety band that plays, Oldies, Blues,
and Classic Rock



FRIDAYS Continued

Friday April 11th ~ Tim Hope 7:00 - 10:00
Get ready to groove to sounds of Motown,
Old School Rock, R&B and more!



Friday April 18th ~ Pam Loe & Hipshot 7:00 - 10:00
This band plays a range of music from
Pop Country to Classic Rock



Friday April 25th ~ AZ Playbacks 7:00 - 10:00
This band plays cover tunes from the 60's & 70's
from Rock, Motown and Soul



Saturday April 26th

Luau Party Bingo - 6:30 - 9:00



Queen of Hearts News...

Just a reminder to members and non-members alike! Weekly raffle tickets can be purchased at the Club anytime the Club is open by using the new raffle ticket machine. It's quick and easy. Just put a \$5, \$10 or \$20 bill in the blue slot, and the machine will print out the correct number of 2-part tickets. On one half, you will write your name, phone number and envelope # - then you keep the other half of the ticket that says AAIC Queen of Hearts. Drop the ticket half with your name on it in the drum next to the machine. Easy, peasy! **Can YOU find the Queen?**

April Showers Bring May Flowers!
Celebrate SPRING With the Queen!



Cares of the Heart

Meet up with friends, listen/dance to music, try your hand at Bocce Ball, Horseshoes, Bingo, Queen of Hearts. Have a drink and a meal. AAIC is the place for you to get "hopping" into Spring. Happy Easter to each of you!

We keep in mind those who are ill and those who will have/had surgery. May your recovery be quick.

Buon Compleanno (Happy Birthday) and Felice Anniversario (Happy Anniversary), to those who are celebrating a birthday or anniversary in April.

Please email Jeanette Rouse, fljcprouses74@gmail.com with any news, celebrations, illnesses, etc. We would love to hear what's going on.

Food For the Soul

"Think of all the beauty still left around you and be happy." Anne Frank

Submitted by: Jeanette Rouse

Update to Happy Hour

Monday & Tuesday
Happy Hour Prices are for
Members only!

Please show your
Annual Membership Card at the Bar!

Thank you!

COME PLAY BUNCO!

NEXT GAME IS
THURSDAY APRIL 10TH!
Never Played? We Will
Teach You ~ It's FUN!



*Bunco is Just a \$10 Buy-In With
CASH Prizes Awarded at the End of the Night*
Men & Women of all Ages Invited ~ Bring Your Friends
Sign up by 6:45pm in Bingo Hall



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8 AM
Sunday
Mornings

IT'S TIME TO THROW
SOME SHOES!!
NOW THAT SPRING
IS HERE, LET'S PLAY!

NEVER PLAYED HORSESHOES
BEFORE? COME OUT AND
JOIN IN ON THE FUN!
BRING YOUR FRIENDS!!



IT'S A \$5 BUY-IN WITH BLIND DRAW FOR PARTNERS.
MEN AND WOMEN ARE ALL INVITED TO PLAY - REGULATION HORSESHOE PITS ARE NEXT
TO THE BOCCIE COURTS. CASH PRIZES AWARDED EACH WEEK TO THE WINNING TEAM!

NOW PLAYING 3 DAYS A WEEK IN THE LOUNGE!

ARE YOU READY
TO PLAY SOME
BAR BINGO??

TUESDAY COVERALL NIGHT - 6:30 TO 8:30

Come Out and Play 5 Coverall Games ~ Four \$2
games and one \$5 game. Happy Hour Drinks ALL
Day Too!!

FRIDAY AFTERNOON - 12:30 TO 3:30

Play up to 14 Games ~ Bingo sheets cost \$2, \$3 and
\$5 depending on the games being played

SATURDAY AFTERNOON - 12:30 TO 3:30

CALLERS CHOICE Bar Bingo! Caller will mix it up
and determine each game's prices and type of
bingo game play. Play up to 14 Games!



BAR BINGO!

Booze 'n Brushes

APRIL 23, 2025 | 6 to 9PM

Reserve now ~ Call or Text
Kathryn 248-563-3940, or Email:
sipsizzleserve@yahoo.com

\$35 Cash or Card Paid at
the Bar the Night of Event
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Sign up today!
Tell Your Friends ~
Make it a Party!!



Arizona American Italian Club, 7509 N 12th St, Phoenix

THURSDAY NIGHT

TRIVIA

Team Knowledge show down

EVERY THURSDAY AT 6:30 PM
HERE AT THE CLUB

Show off your knowledge and bring your friends for a good time!

BBQ On The Patio!

Sunday, April 13th ~ 12:00 pm
Burgers and BBQ Brisket Sliders.
Sides are coleslaw, BBQ Beans
or Potato Salad.

LIVE MUSIC BY JOHN SPENSIERI

Horseshoe Pits & Cornhole
Will Be Set Up for Play!

BUY TICKETS EARLY AT THE BAR
Sign Up Sheets by Front Door

\$20
Gets You
Food & a Drink
Ticket

Backyard Pig Roast

TICKET GETS YOU FOOD AND A DRINK



WHOLE PIG ROAST WITH
CHOICE OF SIDES:
COLESLAW,
BBQ BEANS OR
POTATO SALAD

PLAY HORSESHOES OR
CORNHOLE!

LIVE MUSIC BY AUGUST MANLEY

SIGN UP SHEET AT ENTRY ~ BUY TICKETS IN ADVANCE AT THE BAR



\$20
Ticket

SUNDAY
AT NOON
4/27/25

Bocce News!

The Winter League has come to an end. It was a tight competition that went down to the last night.

Congratulations to Team #3:

John Evans, John Caladra, Connie Scaglione, John May

The Spring League has begun with 11 teams competing on Wednesdays and Thursday nights at 7pm. There are 8 rookies playing in the Spring League. Come on out and watch the game.

If you are interested in playing, the Fall League will start in mid-September. If you have any Q's, please contact me by email at Paul3657@gmail.com or by phone or text at 480-861-4903.

THE BOCCE COURTS WILL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC ON WEDS / THURS NIGHTS.

For those of you that bring children to the Club, PLEASE keep a close eye on them. We have had some children treating the Bocce courts as a playground causing major damage.

Keep the Balls rollin,
Paul Castaldo
Pres, AAIC Bocce League



Bocce Memorial Walkway

Now is time to remember a loved one or a friend by memorizing them by having their name or quote from their life engraved on a brick and be added to the Memorial Walkway located behind the Bocce courts.

The cost is \$60 per brick, max of 3 lines, 15 characters per line, \$6 extra for each special art design. The proceeds will help the AAIC Bocce Club maintain our precious courts that were voted #1 in the Valley.

Order forms are located on the Bocce wall in the hallway behind the bar (next to the women's restroom).

If you have any questions, regarding the Memorial Walkway, please don't hesitate to contact me via email, phone or text at 480-861-4903 or Paul3657@gmail.com.

Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

Paul Casado
Pres, AAIC Bocce League



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**Saturday, May 3, 2025
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

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bocce hours:
BOCCE BALLS ARE AVAILABLE
ANY TIME FROM THE
BARTENDER ON DUTY
DURING CLUB HOURS.

Follow us on Facebook: AIC Bocce News
If you're interested in the game of Bocce
For info, contact Paul C at 480-861-4903.

**SIGN UP NOW FOR SPRING LEAGUE PLAY STARTING MARCH '25
NO OPEN BOCCE ON WED/THURS NIGHTS.**

Bingo at the Club!
Wednesdays & Fridays at 6:30 pm - Hall doors open at 4:30 pm
Sundays at 1:00 pm - Hall doors open at 10:30 am

BINGO

Power Machines Available! Guaranteed Prize Board \$2,950!
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For Information Contact:

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AAIC ~ APRIL 2025 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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		Bar Open 3-9 Happy Hour 3-9 Bar Bingo 6:30-8:30 Kitchen Open 3-9 Taco Tuesday Specials	Bar Open 11-10 Kitchen Open 11-9 Bingo in the Hall @ 6:30 Queen of Hearts @ 7 Karaoke by Fuel this Fire Entertainment 6:30-9	Bar Open 11-10 Kitchen Open 11-9 Sandwich Specials Team Trivia 6:30-8:30	Bar Open 11-11 Bar Bingo 12:30-3:30 Kitchen Open 11-10 Prime Rib & Fish Fry Bingo in the Hall @ 6:30 Speedway Band ~ 7-10	Bar Open 11-11 Kitchen Open 11-10 Steak & Salmon Dinners
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