

ARIZONA AMERICAN ITALIAN CLUB

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live music and other social activities.
Facilities are available to rent for
celebrations, family events and meetings!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Summer is here and the Club is nice and cool! We are continuing to enjoy exciting activities at the Club! Our Mother's Day brunch was lovely, our Blood Drive was a huge success (we'll do it again in the Fall), and the Superhero Party Bingo was a blast! Special thanks to Domingo and Cirilo, who planned the Backyard BBQ, and to Dennis who helped grill the brats! The music by Tony Lee was excellent and everyone had a great time! Walter's raffle items at the BBQ were a big hit once again! Congratulations to all the winners and thank you for the donations!

I want to take a moment to thank Gregg Giannantonio for helping me build the bar in the back room! The supplies, cabinets, and countertops (and all the labor) were all donated so we were able to get it done without spending much money! It looks great and will make a big difference when we have parties there! If you haven't seen it, go check it out!

The Board is continuing to work together to move things forward, correct the things that need to be corrected, and improve the management and operation of the Club. These things have to be done in layers, changes take time, and we are working to prioritize and complete the steps that need to be taken. We are making every effort to follow the Bylaws and maintain as much transparency as possible. We appreciate your patience as we take on this challenge. If you have questions or concerns, please let me know. I want to hear from you.

Starting June 1st, we are collecting bottled water and non-perishable food items for St. Vincent de Paul. Their need is even greater in the summer, especially for water! The donation boxes will be in the lobby until July 15th and our community is counting on our support. Thank you to Joanne Arcangelo for organizing this worthy cause. We will continue to raise money throughout the summer for annual Scholarships through the generous donations from our members and guests.

We have seen a lot of new faces in the Club lately. It seems that our community is growing! Our Club welcomes members, guests, friends of our members, and the public and we have a variety of activities to enjoy. Dine with Dad for Father's Day is coming up this month, and our weekly activities - Bingo, Queen of Hearts, Trivia, Karaoke, Horseshoes, Bocce, Booze & Brushes, Friday night live music, Party Bingo, and our Western Dances are all a lot of fun. There really is something for everyone! We'll see you at the Club!

Ci Vediamo Dopo

Michael Mellaci, President

American Italian Club
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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

Anyone can get our Newsletter, here's how:

- 1.Tell your family & friends to send their email to kbass2728@yahoo.com
- 2.Click the newsletter link on AAIC's Facebook page or the AAIC website www.azaicclub.com
- 3.Pick up a copy of the newsletter at the Club

Welcome New Members:

Regular/Italian:

Joe Cerio, Patricia Cody, Karen McEnroe,
Steve McEnroe, John Povinelli,
Vivian Schilivo and Lauren Worth

All New Regular/Italian Members must attend a
Board Meeting to receive their Membership Cards

Affiliates:

Pat Bailey, Donald Emil Coplea, Mary Beth Farlow,
Sandra Garza, Brian Gaudreau, Halina Janus,
Jannett Oglesby, Sheila O'Shea,
Chedelle Pouquette, Janet Povinelli,
Penny Randel, Ronald Rua,
Cassandra Williams and John Worth
New Affiliate Members may pick up their cards
at the bar.

Mark Your Calendars and Save the Date!

Volunteer Meeting ~ Tuesday June 10th at 6:30

AAIC Board / General Meeting ~
Tuesday June 17th 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.

June 2025 Entertainment

Join us for Bar Bingo in the Lounge

Every Tuesday and Friday



Wednesdays - June 4, 11, 18 & 25th

Karaoke ~ 6:30 - 9:00PM

Fuel This Fire Entertainment with
Linda Sue Baker



Thursdays - June 5, 12, 19 & 26th

Team Trivia ~ 6:30 - 8:30PM



Fridays - June 6, 13, 20 & 27th

Friday June 6th Signature Blend with Special Guests



Friday June 13th AZ Playbacks ~ 7:00 - 10:00PM
This band plays cover tunes from the 60's & 70's from
Rock, Motown and Soul



FRIDAYS Continued

Friday June 20th

Frosty & The Silvertones ~ 7:00 - 10:00PM
This band plays a wide range of genres including
Classic Rock, Southern Rock and Variety of Hits.



Friday June 27th Merge Band ~ 7:00 - 10:00PM
This dynamic band combines a diverse group of
musicians from various musical backgrounds



Saturdays - June 21 and 28th

Saturday June 21st ~ Cowboy Dance Night
Featuring Pam Loe & Hipshot
7:30 - 10:30PM



Saturday June 28th
Neon Themed Party Bingo - 6:30 - 9:00PM



Scholarship News

In case you missed this year's Scholarship Awards Ceremony on Friday, April 25, we will feature each of the seven outstanding recipients in the upcoming newsletters. During the evening, the Scholarship Committee hosted the recipients and their families to dinner and the awards presentation. All the families commented they felt so welcome and were so grateful for the Club's support - which would not be possible without AAIC's 50/50 raffle and special event funding. Please see our first featured student bio below.

Julitza Arriaga - recently graduated from Madison Highland Prep, where she has gained valuable leadership experience as the President of the Student Council. In addition to her role at the school, she volunteers with the HonorHealth Medical Explorers Club and has completed an internship at the Burton Family Foundation Health Institute at ASU. Beyond school, Julitza has been supporting her grandmother through illness, which has inspired her to be the first-generation in her family to seek a career in medicine and be an advocate for underserved communities.



FOOD & WATER DRIVE

JUNE 1ST - JULY 15TH

7,500 MEALS

served daily to our
dining rooms & three shelters

DONATION LOCATIONS

Bring your donations to the collection
boxes inside the door in the bar area

MOST NEEDED ITEMS

Help fill the food bank shelves! We accept all unopened **non-perishable food** donations. Below is a list of shelf-stable items we are most in need of year-round.

Canned proteins (tuna, chicken)	• Dry beans	• Cooking essentials (flour, sugar, baking soda, etc.)
Canned soup (pop-tops)	• Boxed pasta/mac-n-cheese	• Instant potatoes
Canned fruit	• Peanut butter (plastic jars)	• Breakfast cereal
Canned vegetables	• Rice	• Cases of water

Cares of the Heart

We acknowledge our fathers and those who have been "fathers" to each of us. Thank you for all you have done.

We are thankful to the "fathers" of AAIC who have brought life to our Club.

For those who are traveling, have an enjoyable time. Safe travels and we look forward to seeing you again soon.

We especially think of our members who are lonely, ill, or anticipate upcoming surgeries.

Buon Compleanno (Happy Birthday) and Felice Anniversario (Happy Anniversary), to those who are celebrating a birthday or anniversary in June. Please email Jeanette Rouse, fjlcprouses74@gmail.com with any news that you would like to be included in the AAIC newsletter.

Food For The Soul:

To succeed in life, you need three things: a wishbone, a backbone and a funny bone. – Reba McEntire

Submitted by Jeanette Rouse

MEMBERS ONLY
HAPPY HOUR!



ENJOY \$3 HOUSE WINE,
WELL LIQUOR AND
DOMESTIC BOTTLES OF
BEERS!

Every Monday & Tuesday!

FROM 3PM TILL 9PM



DINE
WITH
DAD

SUNDAY, JUNE 15

SPECIAL MENU OFFERINGS:

- Breakfast Flatbread with Eggs and Chorizo ~ \$12
- Bagel Breakfast Sandwich with Scrambled Egg, Cheese and Bacon, Served with Breakfast Potatoes ~ \$12
- Cheese and Jalapeno Brat on a Pretzel Bun, Served with a Side of French Fries ~ \$11

Serving
9:00 am
to
3:00 pm

RESERVATIONS ESSENTIAL - CALL 602-975-8294, PRESS 1 FOR THE BAR

ENJOY BBQ CHICKEN OR
PORK SPARE RIBS

BBQ
ON THE PATIO



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AND A DRINK!

JUNE 29
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4 STREET TACOS ON SOFT CORN
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CHOOSE FROM:

- CHICKEN
- STEAK
- PASTOR (Spicy Pork)
- FISH (Fried)
- SHRIMP (Fried)
- VEGGIE

\$12

Booze 'n Brushes

JUNE 18, 2025 | 6 to 9PM

\$35 Cash or Card Paid at the
Bar the Night of Event

Reserve now - Call or Text
Kathryn 248-563-3940, or Email:
sipsizzleserve@yahoo.com
Sign up today!

It's Summer so Let's Paint Some Night Skies:



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

Calling ALL Players of
Mahjong

Come Join Us at the Club
on THURSDAY Afternoons to Play!
Must Have a 2025 Mahjong Card.

Play starts at 12:30 PM

Questions? Call Elaine: 928-240-0062

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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
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Power Machines Available!

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21 Games Played - All Paper Pads With \$5 Discounts for Club Members
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SUMMER IS HEATING UP!

AND SO IS THE
QUEEN OF HEARTS JACKPOT!

JOIN US EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT AT 7:00 FOR THE DRAWING.
RAFFLE TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED ANY TIME THE CLUB IS OPEN AT OUR NEW
TICKETING MACHINE!

**CONGRATS TO JAIME ~ OUR LATEST
QOH JACKPOT WINNER!**



YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A CLUB MEMBER
TO PLAY - BRING YOUR FRIENDS FOR
SOME MUSIC, DRINKS AND TASTY FOOD

Bocce News!

The Spring Bocce League is coming to an end. We only have 2 more weeks of "Heated" play in the 100 plus degree weather. The 11 "rookies" playing are killing it. You would have never known that they had never played before. So, for those of you that have been hesitant about joining, don't wait till it's too late.

The Sign-up Sheets for the Fall League will be posted in August on the Bocce Wall located in the hallway behind the bar.

The Fall League will begin mid-September. If you have any questions regarding the League and the game, please contact me via text or email

The Bocce league will be taking the summer off due to the heat.

Save the date: Sept 2; We will be having our AAIC Bocce League mtg in the Bingo Hall at 7pm.

The First Lady Debby and I wish all of you a safe summer wherever your travels take you.

If you have any Q's, please contact me via phone, text or email at

480-861-4903 or email paul3657@gmail.com

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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 Castaldo
Pres, AAIC Bocce League



2nd Annual AAIC Car Show



Contact Ernie Oakes ~ 303-883-4041
for Sponsorship Opportunities
and additional information

BUNCO NOTICE:

THERE WILL BE NO BUNCO
FOR THE MONTHS OF
JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST.

Have a wonderful summer and we'll
see you again in the fall!



[Watch the Calendar for the Next Bunco Schedule.](#)



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FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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AAIC ~ JUNE 2025 CALENDAR