

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:

So much is going on at the Club!! Our backyard BBQ was a huge success, we honored our 24/25 Scholarship Award Winners, had a great time at Party Bingo and the Pig Roast Luau, and we have so many more exciting activities coming up! Don't miss our Mother's Day Brunch, Blood Drive and all the live music, Trivia, Bunco, Mahjong, Bingo, and other activities in May!

This month, I do want to take a moment to address a more serious issue. Many of us think of our club as a family, a community and certainly more than just a place to go. A couple of weeks ago, one of our members was in a crisis and really needed help. Several of our members stepped up and went far above and beyond to help. I want to recognize Lauren, our bartender, and Kathleen, for assisting this member personally, and making sure his immediate needs were met. Thankfully, everything turned out ok; due in no small part to the extra efforts by Lauren and Kathleen. They were able to contact his family and they continued to assist to ensure the member's continued well-being. I am so grateful for all our members and the kindness they show to each other and our community every day. Thank you! We may all have our differences, but when the chips are down, we step up for each other!

This incident also brought to my attention that we do not have emergency contact information for our members. While we hate to think of anything unfortunate happening at the Club, any of our members might have an accident, medical situation, or other incident where they might need assistance. I will be creating an optional "Emergency Contact" form for our members. If you choose to fill out the form, we will keep it at the Club, secure and confidential, unless needed for an emergency. Look for the forms on our web site and at the bar in the coming weeks.

Summer feels like it is coming early this year! To our members that seek cooler climates, travel safely and return refreshed! To those of us who stay and brave the heat, stay hydrated, and come to the air-conditioned Club to stay cool!! I hope to see you there!

Happy Mother's Day to all our Mothers!

Spero di rivederci presto!

Michael Mellaci, President
Arizona American Italian Club

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

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1. Tell your family & friends to send their email to
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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

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Welcome New Members:

Regular/Italian:

Kevin Arietta, Antonio Bruno,
Amy Estes and Nicole Newman Simons
**All New Regular/Italian Members must attend a
Board Meeting to receive their Membership Cards**

Affiliates:

Mike Altman, Silvia Arellano, Ricardo Boulware,
Tammy Cole, Frank Estes, Susie Grue,
Katie Gullette, Richard Gullette, Susan Henry,
Shannon Klemmer, J Andrew Klemmer
Kirsten Mashni, Chris Patton, Kelsea Patton,
David Simons Jr, Mary Smalle, Dara Smith,
Gale Tebeau, Pamela Kae Tucker
and William Welling
**New Affiliate Members may pick up their cards
at the bar.**

Mark Your Calendars and Save the Date!

Volunteer Meeting ~ Tuesday May 13th at 6:30

AAIC Board Meeting ~ Tuesday May 20th 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 - May 7, 14, 21 & 28th

Karaoke ~ 6:30 - 9:00PM

Fuel This Fire Entertainment with
Linda Sue Baker



Thursdays - May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29th

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



Fridays - May 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30th

Friday May 2nd Frosty & the Silvertones 7:00 - 10:00

This band plays a wide range of genres including
classic rock, southern rock, and variety hits.



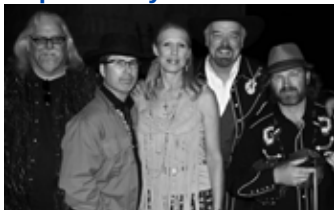
May 9th Dry Heat Band 7:00 - 10:00

Get ready for some good ole Blues!



Friday May 16th ~ Pam Loe & Hipshot 7:00 - 10:00

This band plays a range of music from
Pop Country to Classic Rock



FRIDAYS Continued

Friday May 23rd 7:00 - 10:00

This band dynamic band that combines a diverse
group of musicians from various musical
backgrounds.



Friday May 30th The Jimmy Mac Band 7:00 - 10:00
Band performs a unique blend of Country, Rock and Pop.



Saturdays - May 10, 17 & 24th

Saturday May 10th Disco Party with DJ Forrest
7:00 - 10:00



May 17th Cowboy Dance Party 7:30 - 10:30



Saturday May 24th

Super Hero 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?**



Cares of the Heart

Our gratitude goes out to our mothers, both living and dead. May each of us bring that care and love that we have seen and felt to all we meet.

All of you who have cancer, feeling "under the weather," or are undergoing medical testing for possible surgeries are in our prayers and thoughts. May you recover quickly.

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

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

"It isn't where you came from. It's where you're going that counts."

Ella Fitzgerald

Submitted by Jeanette Rouse

Scholarship News

The AAIC Scholarship Awards Ceremony, held on the evening of Friday, April 25, was a great success, marking the relaunch of a long-standing tradition of the Club's philanthropic outreach. All seven student awardees, along with their families, attended the ceremony and dinner to be recognized for their exceptional academic and community achievements throughout their high school careers.

This year, a total of \$7,000 in award funds was distributed—the largest amount in AAIC history—with each student receiving \$1,000. In the fall, funds will be sent directly to the trade school, community college, or university of each student's choice.

If you missed the award ceremony, we will feature the students in our newsletter over the coming months.

On behalf of the AAIC Board and the Scholarship Committee, we would like to thank the Club members for their continued fundraising support through the 50/50 raffle and Club events, which have made this program such a success.



COME PLAY BUNCO!

**NEXT GAME IS
THURSDAY MAY 8TH!**
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

**THE NEXT
VOLUNTEERS
MEETING IS
TUESDAY, MAY 13TH
AT 6:30 PM**

VOLUNTEER



Please join us to see how
you can help your Club
be the best it can be!



**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??**



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!

Booze 'n Brushes

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THURSDAY NIGHT

TRIVIA

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**EVERY THURSDAY AT 6:30 PM
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BACKYARD BARBEQUE

**SUNDAY, MAY 25TH
NOON TO 4PM**

BURGERS & BRATS

\$20 GETS YOU A FOOD TICKET FOR A
BURGER OR A BRAT, A CHOICE OF SIDES
AND A DRINK TICKET.

**SIGN UP TODAY AT THE CLUB &
Buy Your Ticket at the Bar**



Live Music by
Tony Lee



HAPPY HOUR!



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

Every Monday & Tuesday!

FROM 3PM TILL 9PM



Bocce News!

The Spring Bocce League has begun with 11 teams competing on Weds and Thurs nights at 7pm.

There are 11 "rookie" players that have never thrown a bocce ball. We have 8 returning rookies from the Fall league that are now classified as veterans.

We will be playing until mid June, so I hope that the weather doesn't get as HOT as last year.

After Spring league we take the summer off and will start Fall league play in Sept. Sign ups will begin in Aug, so if you want to get involved there will be more info in the coming months.

If you have any Q's, please contact me via phone, text or email at 480-861-4903 or email paul3657@gmail.com

Follow us on Facebook : AIC Bocce News

The bocce courts will be closed to the public on Weds / Thurs nights

Paul Castaldo
Pres, AAIC Bocce League



DONATE BLOOD SAVE A LIFE

3rd May 2025
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

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Requirements:

- No Anemia
- Must be at least 17 years of age
- Must weigh at least 110 pounds
- Must have ID

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bocce hours:
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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.

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



Bingo at the Club!

Vednesdays & Fridays at 6:30 pm - Hall doors open at 4:30 pm
Sundays at 1:00 pm - Hall doors open at 10:30 am

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Must Have a 2025 Mahjong Card.
Play starts at 12:30 PM
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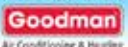


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AAIC ~ MAY 2025 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Bar Open 11 - 10 Kitchen Open 11 - 9 Sandwich Specials Mahjong @ 12:30 Team Trivia 6:30 - 8:30	2 Bar Open 11 - 11 Bar Bingo 12:30 - 3:30 Kitchen Open 11 - 10 Prime Rib & Fish Fry Bingo in the Hall @ 6:30 Frosty & the Silverstone's ~ 7 - 10	3 Blood Drive 9 - 3 Bar Open 11 - 11 Kitchen Open 11 - 10 Steak & Salmon Dinners
4 Horseshoes @ 8 Bar Open 9 - 4 Kitchen Open 9 - 3 Breakfast & Lunch Bingo in the Hall @ 1:00	5 Bar Open 3 - 9 Happy Hour 3 - 9 Kitchen Closed	6 Bar Open 3 - 9 Happy Hour 3 - 9 Bar Bingo 6:30 - 8:30 Kitchen Open 3 - 9 Taco Tuesday Specials	7 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	8 Bar Open 11 - 10 Kitchen Open 11 - 9 Sandwich Specials Mahjong @ 12:30 Team Trivia 6:30 - 8:30 BUNCO 7:00	9 Bar Open 11 - 11 Bar Bingo 12:30 - 3:30 Kitchen Open 11 - 10 Prime Rib & Fish Fry Bingo in the Hall @ 6:30 Dry Heat ~ 7 - 10	10 Bar Open 11 - 11 Kitchen Open 11 - 10 Steak & Salmon Dinners Disco Dance Party with DJ Forrest 7-10
11 Horseshoes @ 8 Bar Open 9 - 4 Kitchen Open 9 - 3 Mother's Day Brunch Bingo in the Hall @ 1:00	12 Bar Open 3 - 9 Happy Hour 3 - 9 Kitchen Closed	13 Bar Open 3 - 9 Happy Hour 3 - 9 Bar Bingo 6:30 - 8:30 Kitchen Open 3 - 9 Taco Tuesday Specials Volunteer Meeting 6:30	14 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 Booze 'n Brushes 6 - 9	15 Bar Open 11 - 10 Kitchen Open 11 - 9 Sandwich Specials Mahjong @ 12:30 Team Trivia 6:30 - 8:30	16 Bar Open 11 - 11 Bar Bingo 12:30 - 3:30 Kitchen Open 11 - 10 Prime Rib & Fish Fry Bingo in the Hall @ 6:30 Palm Loe & Hipshot 7-10	17 Bar Open 11 - 11 Bar Bingo 12:30 - 3:30 Kitchen Open 11 - 10 Steak & Salmon Dinners Cowboy Dance with Level 5 - 7:30-10:30 Dance Lessons at 6:30
18 Horseshoes @ 8 Bar Open 9 - 4 Kitchen Open 9 - 3 Breakfast & Lunch Bingo in the Hall @ 1:00	19 Bar Open 3 - 9 Happy Hour 3 - 9 Kitchen Closed	20 Bar Open 3 - 9 Happy Hour 3 - 9 Bar Bingo 6:30 - 8:30 Kitchen Open 3 - 9 Taco Tuesday Specials Board Meeting 7:00	21 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	22 Bar Open 11 - 10 Kitchen Open 11 - 9 Sandwich Specials Mahjong @ 12:30 Team Trivia 6:30 - 8:30	23 Bar Open 11 - 11 Bar Bingo 12:30 - 3:30 Kitchen Open 11 - 10 Prime Rib & Fish Fry Bingo in the Hall @ 6:30 Merge Band ~ 7 - 10	24 Bar Open 11 - 11 Bar Bingo 12:30 - 3:30 Kitchen Open 11 - 10 Steak & Salmon Dinner Super Hero Party Bingo 6:30-9:00
25 Horseshoes @ 8 Bar Open 9 - 4 Kitchen Open 9 - 3 Breakfast & Lunch Bingo in the Hall @ 1:00 Backyard BBQ 12-4 Music By Tony Lee	26 Memorial Day Bar Open 3 - 9 Happy Hour 3 - 9 Kitchen Closed	27 Bar Open 3 - 9 Happy Hour 3 - 9 Bar Bingo 6:30 - 8:30 Kitchen Open 3 - 9 Taco Tuesday Specials	28 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	29 Bar Open 11 - 10 Kitchen Open 11 - 9 Sandwich Specials Mahjong @ 12:30 Team Trivia 6:30 - 8:30	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 Jimmy Mac Band 7 - 10	31 Bar Open 11 - 11 Bar Bingo 12:30 - 3:30 Kitchen Open 11 - 10 Steak & Salmon Dinners