



**ITALIAN HERITAGE NIGHT
CLASSIC PARK**

Friday evening, June 24th, several members of the Club and their families attended the Italian Heritage Night at Classic Park in Eastlake, home of the Lake County Captains. The Captains put on a great show that evening and the fireworks after the game were terrific. Thanks to Tony Lombardo for organizing the event.

**JUNE MEETING
Riunione de giugno**

The June Membership Meeting was at Pine Ridge Country Club. The speakers were Ken Krsolovic and Bryan Fritz, Co-Authors of *League Park*. They were both quite knowledgeable about the history of League Park, the neighborhood and the Cleveland Spiders / Indians and answer a constant flow of questions from the Membership.

The biennial election of Officers and Trustees took place at the June Meeting. The newly elected Officers and Trustees are as indicated at the end of this publication.

**AIH CHARITIES
SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS**

Vince Pono announce the 2016 recipients of the AIHC Scholarships and Grants as well as the recipient of the Dolores La Spena Scholarship. They were as follows.

AIHC SCHOLARSHIPS

Julia Lombardo from Burton. She graduated from Newbury High School and will be attending Kent State University studying Early Childhood Education.

Anna Koch from Newbury. She graduated from Newbury High School and will be attending Case Western Reserve University studying International Business.

Giancarmine Schaefer from Strongsville. He graduated from St. Ignatius and will be attending The Ohio State University studying Business Administration.

DELORES LASPENA SCHOLARSHIP

Andrea Fontana from Cleveland. He currently is attending Cleveland State University studying International Business.

AIHC EDUCATIONAL GRANTS

James Silvestri, the grandson of Sal Corbo. He is currently attending The Ohio State University studying Engineering.

Erica Gambatese, the granddaughter of Matt Gambatese. She will be attending the University of South Carolina studying Nursing.

Anna LaCorte, the granddaughter of Jerry LaCorte. She will be attending Kent State University studying Occupational Therapy.

Sarah Allis, the granddaughter of Bill Petrello. She will be attending The Ohio State University studying Communications.

Ashleigh Pona, the daughter of Vince Pona. She will be attending the University of Missouri at Kansas City studying Clinical Psychology.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY luglio

22 July, Friday thru 24 July, Sunday
25th Annual John Anthony Cipulio Bocce Tournament at the Alta House. If anyone is interested in participating, the Club will sponsor one team.

27 July, Wednesday
Membership Meeting at Pine Ridge Country Club. The Meeting will be our annual Father/Son Night.

AUGUST agosto

5 August, Friday
Annual AIH Golf Outing at Erie Shores Golf Club in Madison. See attached Golf Outing Registration.
Reservations are required

31 August, Wednesday
Membership Meeting will be at the Red Hawk Grille in Concord. The event will be our Annual Club Bocce Tournament. The tab will be \$26.00 / person for dinner and bocce. The meal will include your choice of Beef Tips or Chicken Piccata with Pasta with Olive Oil and Garlic. The meal will also include a salad and veggies.

The Bocce Tournament will be single elimination. The whole event is being organized by Ron Wassum and Marty LaCava.

SEPTEMBER settembre

28 September, Wednesday
Membership Meeting at Pine Ridge Country Club. The Speaker is TBD.

OCTOBER ottobre

9 October, Sunday
Italian American Trolley Tour of Lake View Cemetery. The Trolley will leave from the Lake View Cemetery Parking Lot at 2:00p. See attached flyer or contact Dave Vegh for more information.

15 October, Saturday
Seneca Allegany Casino Trip. The tour bus will be leaving from and returning to Lakeland Community College. See attached flyer for more information.
Reservations are required

26 October, Wednesday
Membership Meeting will be at Pine Ridge Country Club. The event will be our Annual Club Clam Bake. Be sure to save the date and tell your wives. More details to follow.

16 November, Wednesday
Membership Meeting will be at Pine Ridge Country Club. The event will be our Annual Italian Trivia Night, organized and hosted by Tom Fioritto.

26 November, Saturday
AIHC Annual OSU v. University of Michigan Football Game Party. Be sure to save the date. More details to follow.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

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Roy Umanzio2
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Anthony Lombardo14
Dominic Rufo Jr.14
Donald Patt.....24
Joseph Longo27
Joseph Coe28
David Petruziello.....30



BUON GIORNO

At the June Membership Meeting Carmon Rozzo reported that Rio DeGennaro Sr. was in an accident. Rio was present at the Meeting and confirmed that he had been in an accident but was feeling much better now.
Carmon Rozzo, Buon Giorno Chair

BOCCE IN KETTERING

Any members who are interested can put together a team and enter a statewide Bocce Tournament in Kettering, Ohio. The tournament runs from July 15th through 17th. See attached flyer for more information.

OPERA IN THE GARDEN

There will be a free opera in the Italian Cultural Garden on July 31st at 6:00p. See attached flyer for more information.

JULY HOLIDAYS IN ITALY

Il Palio di Siena - Siena's famous horse race around the central square, the Piazza del Campo, takes place July 2 and August 16. Before the race there's a procession with people in medieval costume.

Festa della Madonna Bruna is celebrated July 2 in the city of Matera, an interesting town with cave dwellings, *sassi*, in the Basilicata region of southern Italy. A huge float of the *Madonna Bruna* is paraded through town. Finally the statue is attacked, torn apart, and burned accompanied by a spectacular fireworks display over the *sassi*.

Giostra della Quintana is a joust held in **Foligno** the first Saturday in July and the second Sunday in September. Over 600 participants compete wearing traditional 17th century clothing. There are usually several thousand spectators.

L'Ardia di San Costantino is a horse race around the Sanctuary of San Costantino in the central Sardinian town of **Sedilo**, July 5-7. The race takes place twice, in the evening and again the following morning after most of the riders have been up drinking all night.

U Fistinu of Saint Rosalia is one of Sicily's biggest festivals held July 10-15 in **Palermo**.

The procession centers around a 50-foot high float with a statue of Saint Rosalia and a musical band inside.

Redentore Church Feast Day is the third Sunday in July on Venice's Giudecca Island. There is a parade of decorated boats and a big fireworks display around midnight.

Festa de'Nontari street fair is held in the Trastevere neighborhood of **Rome** during the last two weeks of July. Also in Rome in late July is an international fashion show at the Spanish Steps, *Donne Sotto Le Stelle*.

Terzieri Palio takes place from the third through the fourth Sundays in July in the small historic town of Montecassiano, in central Marche region. The palio re-enacts historic competitions from the early 1400's amongst the town's three neighborhoods (terzieri). Other events include parades with participants in medieval costume, medieval street scenes, music, and food stands.

La Giostra dell'Orso, Bear Joust, on July 25 in **Pistoia** celebrates St. James, patron saint of Pistoia.

Feast of Sant'Andrea the Apostle is celebrated in Pescara, on the Adriatic coast, the last Sunday in July with a huge parade of fishing boats off the coast.

Festa del Cristo degli Abissi has an unusual procession - to the underwater statue of Christ in **San Fruttuoso** on the Ligurian coast, July 29. The 2.5 meter high bronze statue, molded from medals of mariners and athletes and parts of ships and bells, is dedicated to those who lost their lives at sea. A laurel crown is placed at the base of the statue and mass is held on the beach.
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IRON EYES CODY

Most of us remember the "Keep America Beautiful" TV ads that ran in the seventies wherein a Native American Brave named Iron Eyes Cody paddled his canoe down a river that had litter floating on the water as well as lying on the bank. Then the camera turned to a close up of the Brave as a tear ran down his wrinkled cheek.

Well that "Native American" was actually born on 3 April 1907, in Gueydan, Louisiana, as Espera DeCorti, the son of first-generation immigrants from Sicily. When he was 18, he moved to Los Angeles to pursue a career in acting as a Native American. He changed his name, first from Espera LaCorti to Oscar Corti, then to Iron Eyes Cody. He married a Native American woman and together they adopted two Native American sons. He lived and worked as a Native American all his adult life.

He died on 4 January 1999.

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

OFFICERS & TRUSTEES

1 July 2016 – 30 June 2018

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These are your newly elected and appointed Officers and Trustees. In accordance with the Club Bylaws, they will serve a two year term from 1 July 2016 through 30 June 2018

ATTACHMENTS

Attachments to this Newsletter this month include:

- Golf Outing Registration
- Trolley Tour of Lake View Cemetery Flyer
- Seneca Allegany Casino Trip Flyer
- Kettering Bocce Tournament Flyer
- Cultural Garden Opera Flyer