

ITALEO AGENDA

October 13, 2023

- 6:00pm: Sign in and collect \$10.00 dollars from each person at the door- **Zona**
- 6:15pm: Call to Order- Welcome Everyone- **DiFante**
- 6:15pm: Pledge of Allegiance/National Anthem- **DiFante**
- 6:20pm: Blessing- **Zona**

DINNER

- 7:00pm: **Acknowledge any Special Guests**

Announced that Calvin Vickers was found guilty of charges

- 7:05pm: Roll Call of Board members
- 7:10pm: Meeting Minutes from July- Bernabei
Summary of July Meeting. Guest speaker was Denny Wright. 194 members, 4 new members.

Motion to Accept: MARK D'ANGELO
Second: NICK DIFANTE
All in Favor say "I" AYE

- 7:15pm: Treasurer Report- **Zona**
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| \$16,719.04 | Checking |
| 48.29 | Saving |
| 3,470.10 | Scholarship Fund |
| <u>15,494.00</u> | ORF |
| \$35,638.37 | Total |

We had 3 full tables at the Columbus Day Luncheon. Charlie thanked Mike DiCataldo for making the wonderful award that he received at the luncheon. He also spoke about the ties that Sam Meloni is selling.

Motion to Accept: PHIL RIVALDO
Second: FRANK ALBERTI
All in Favor say "I" AYE

- 7:20pm: Membership Report- **Zimmer (Note: We are thinking about offering Active LE free memberships again for the first year they join) – voted on & approved by membership**

201 members, 7 new since July meeting
39 sworn
70 sworn - retired

61 associates
31 associate - retired

7:25pm: **Old Business-**

Recap of ITALEO Events:

Annual Picnic- Great Turnout and a great day. However, it was not a great day for Mark D'Angelo since he lost the Bocce tournament. Thank you to Mike Dicaldo for donating the trophies. Dave and Dawn Amico donated (4) \$25 dollar gift cards for a raffle prize.

- **First Colonial Belle Fall Dinner Cruise was a great event. We want to again thank all our sponsors. Camp Good Day and Special Times, Faber Builders- Bernie Iacovangelo, Nick DiFante; Angels of Mercy; Jen Gugino; and Sande Macaluso. We would like to continue this tradition.**

Survey for feedback to be E-mailed. Considering next cruise earlier in the day, maybe in August if picnic is in July. Understand the food was cold, but there are other options.

- **Columbus Day Luncheon: Thank you to all the ITALEO members who attended and showed Support for our very own Charlie Zona who received the Lifetime Achievement Award. Congrats again to Charlie. Well deserved!**

Upcoming ITALEO Events:

- **Christmas Party for 2023-** Were booked for Saturday December 2nd 4-8pm at Italian American Sports Club on Buffalo Rd. Buffet style meal with a cash bar, awards, 50/50; Santa Clause. Only change is going to be the pricing. Adults are \$35 dollars, kids will stay the same as last year. 6- 12 years old- \$15 dollars. Under 6 is Free. Start thinking about nominations for awards.

- * **Businessperson of the Year award: Active** member who is willing to go above and beyond, participates in events and gives back to the Organization.

- * **Officer of the Year Award: A LE Officer who has** demonstrated outstanding achievement and exemplified selflessness, empathy and strength of character.

- * **Sharon Rivaldo Stand up for the Blue award:** This award will be presented to an active member who not only gives back to the Organization, but demonstrates outstanding character, and goes above and beyond to help others.

Accepting emails for nominations for Businessperson of the Year, Officer of the Year, Sharon Rivaldo Stand Up for the Blue Award.

- * **The Sharon Rivaldo Memorial Scholarship: Applications are due Nov. 1st.** Award winners

will be announced at the Christmas Party. In 2024, we will meet with our Scholarship Chairperson(S) - Jen Gugino and Joe Picciotti to come up with more ideas on how to expand the search for eligible applicants.

Right now we have zero applications for the scholarship. Two members indicated that they might have possible applicants. Some members recommended that we pitch this to other Law Enforcement Agencies.

* Planning is already underway for next year's Comedy Show- We have March 23rd locked in at the Italian American Sports Club.

Had Frank Del Pizzo 2 years in a row. We are going with local talent this year: Dan Viola (clean) and Todd Youngman (type: between Del Pizzo & Dan).

Upcoming NON-ITALEO Events:

- Rotary Pasta Dinner- Nov 5th 12-5pm at BK.\$ ITALEO is going to make its annual sponsorship donation. \$12 dollars per ticket. Sponsorship packages are available also.

Raffling off 5 tickets tonight

7:35pm: New Business:

Recent Donations Made:

- MCSO Captain Scott Alberti (**29 years of service**) who was a long time ITALEO member, and brother to founding Father Frank Alberti was recently diagnosed with an aggressive form of Cancer. Due to this diagnosis, Scott unexpectedly retired from a career he loved so much. There are going to be a lot of out-of-pocket medical expenses, so ITALEO board voted to give Scott \$2,500 dollars from the Officer Relief fund to help him and show our support through this challenging time.

Frank gave an update on his brother. Thanked us all. Mention other fundraising events by MSO, etc.

- \$100 dollars to Flower City Chaplains- Fundraising event tomorrow at Browncroft Community church. All chaplains are certified and trained in mental health coaching for first responders. Official chaplains for RPD, IPD, MCSO and Gates PD

- The board voted to donate \$200 dollars to the Sicilian Sports club to help with funding for their new speaker system which will in turn help us since we use their facility to our monthly meetings.

Charlie made mention that over the years, we have given 100K (ex.: Rich Ryan & Hector Cartagena fundraisers)

* Frank Diprimo putting on another AAA course at the Locust Club November 25th at 9am. \$29 dollars per person. You can reduce up to 4 points on your license and help save on

insurance costs.

Frank mentioned that he has 35 people signed up already.

- Live pet Costume Contest on October 21st at the Henrietta Country Max. Starts at 9a.m.

ITALEO mascot, Sebastian will be entering the contest.

- Italy Trip: Read Flyer

Jim Frascati putting together information on a trip. Judy Hain has been on one before. 10-day trip, possibly May/June includes food (2 meals), lodging & air fare. Survey going out to gauge interest.

- October newsletter was sent out by Rose.
- **Merchandise-** Continue checking out the merchandise. Sign-up sheet for anyone who would like to order hooded sweatshirts or jackets. I'm hoping to have them at the Christmas Party.

Placing orders; E-mail to go out; deadline 10/17/2023

- Ellie continues to keep up with sending out correspondence including thank you cards, donor letters and sympathy cards.
- Open up Floor to Members-

Mike DiCataldo had an opinion on the scholarship regarding the caveat on new members.

- Announce 50/50 winners – **Joe Colligan**

**All 5 Rotary Club Tickets went to Gladys Llardo
(Mike DiCataldo & Elaine Gennarino gave their tickets to Gladys)**

Jess mentioned that IPD is having their 100th Anniversary next year and requested information on retirements and promotions. Discussed having next meeting earlier than March but not enough interest in coming out in the winter weather. Updates to be provided to members via E-mail/Monthly Newsletters.

Next Meeting: March 5, 2024, at 6P.M. At the Sicilian Club. For the months we don't meet, we will make sure to keep in contact through emails and our monthly newsletters. The Board will continue to meet to plan for all our future events. Hope to see everyone at the Christmas Party!

Motion to Adjourn: MARK D'ANGELO

Second: NICK DIFANTE

All in Favor: AYE