ITALEO AGENDA

April 4, 2023

6:00pm: Sign in and collect \$10.00 dollars from each person at the door- **Zona**

6:00pm: Sell 50/50 Raffle Tickets- **Sy/Norma**

Guessing Game- Ellie

Membership- Catch up with members who have not paid

Sell Merchandise

6:10pm: Call to Order- Welcome Everyone- **DiFante**

6:10pm: Pledge of Allegiance

6:15pm: Moment of Silence for Sharon Rivaldo- Blessing- Father Joe Demaio-

* Sing Happy Birthday to Lou D'Angelo

DINNER

6:45pm Roll Call of Board members

Thank the Sicilian Club for their Hospitality and allowing us to use their facility. If anyone is interested in a Membership see Bob, the President.

Before we go through the Agenda, we wanted to do a special tribute to Sharon Rivaldo. She will be forever missed and never forgotten. Julia put together a slideshow for us to take a moment and look back on all the great things Sharon and Phil have done to make this Organization what it is today.

6:45pm: Meeting Minutes from November 2022- D'Angelo

Motion to Accept: Sam Meloni Second: Dick Rozzi

7:00pm: Treasurer Report- Zona

Motion to Accept: Ellie Bonagura Second: Tony Debellis

All in Favor say "I" AYE

7:10pm: Membership Report- Ellis (Remind people to pay dues)

• Membership laminated Cards are being provided starting this year

16 New Member; 202 Total Members

7:15pm: Old Business

2022 Christmas Party at the Italian American Sports club. We had 90-100 people in attendance. It seemed like everyone had a great time. We recognized the following people:

Business Person of the Year- Mike Dicataldo

Officer of the Year - RPD officer Sino Seng

<u>Life Saving Award</u>- Chief Brandenburg from E.R PD

Scholarship Award was presented to Cameron Bernabei

Presented a \$10,177 dollar check for the Mazurkiewicz family

<u>Gary Galetta</u>, founding father, was given his retirement certificate after serving close to 40 years in Law Enforcement

- * We Kicked off 2023 with our 2nd Annual Comedy Show at the Italian American Sports Club. We were also celebrating our 30th Anniversary and decided to put all donations/proceeds raised from this event into our general acct. to help us with basic operating costs. Denny Wright was a guest speaker. Gary Galetta also spoke about the history of ITALEO. We raised close to \$7,000 dollars from the event due to the sponsorships and donations received. Show slideshow.
- * Triple AAA class was held on January 21, 2023. Taught by the one and only Frank Diprimo
- * National Police Week Still have room for 2 more people. May 13th -May 15th. \$360 per person. If anyone is interested, please contact me and I will put you in touch with Tomesha Angelo.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upcoming ITALEO Events:

• Picnic- We are going to be holding our Annual Picnic on Sunday August 6th from 12-5pm at the IACC. There will be an outdoor cash bar, bocce court, cornhole tournament, face painting, playground for the kids. North Coast Catering will be providing the food; Ice cream truck will be coming at 3:15pm.

- Christmas Party for 2023- Were booked for Sunday December 2nd 4-8pm at Italian American Sports Club. Buffet style meal with a cash bar, awards, 50/50; Santa Clause.
- Considering a Fall Dinner Cruise to celebrate our 30th Anniversary and remember Sharon for everything she did for ITALEO- Colonial Belle (\$800 per hour). We were thinking 2 hrs in late September or early October. Dependent on the food options, we have to figure out how much it would be per person. The boat can hold up to 90 people. We are planning on putting on a survey to gauge the interest once we can lock in a specific amount on how much per person. (May consider sending out a survey to gauge interest.)

Upcoming NON-ITALEO Events:

- *Retirement Party for Dan Nowack after serving 37 years in Law Enforcement- April 27, 2023. Starts at 4:30pm at The lodge at Shadow Hill 7259 Lakeside Rd. In Ontario
- May 9, 2023. NYS Police Memorial remembrance ceremony in Albany. Spectators should arrive no later than 12:00pm.
- * June 28th 2-8pm. Italian American Police Assoc. of Western NY. Annual Outing and Outdoor Concert. California Road in Orchard Park NY.
- September 2nd-3 rd. Little Italy Festival of Rochester NY- 4pm-9pm. Labor Day weekend. Ontario Beach park. First Italian festival ever held at this location. Free admission and free parking. Food, contests, music etc. Thinking about inquiring about setting up a table. (Maybe a table for ITALEO.)
- * Thoughts on "Sharon Rivaldo Stand up for the Blue ITALEO Member of the Year Award"? This will be presented at our Annual Christmas party to an ITALEO Member who goes above and beyond to help the Organization.
- * ITALEO Board voted unanimously to give RPD Officer Ariana Smith a \$1,000- Charlie to explain.
 - Ellie continues to keep up with sending out Correspondence. Ellie is also sending thank you letters to individuals who make a donation of \$50 dollars or more for tax write off purposes to include our EIN#.
 - Monthly Newsletters- Rose
 - United Way- Spring Campaign Kick off is Mid April. If anyone is not aware we are now a designated donor. Please spread the word. Any donations we receive will go directly into the ORF.

- * As we mentioned in the slide show we will be renaming the scholarship fund the Sharon Rivaldo Memorial Scholarship Fund. If anyone has ideas on how we continue to make this a benefit to a member, but open it up to more allowing more applicants to apply. Do we take out the Italian heritage piece? Do we open it up beyond kids and grandkids? Need some ideas.....
- * Merchandise: New Challenge Coins and 30th Anniversary pins are in stock and for sale. Coins are \$10 dollars. Pins are \$5 dollars.
 - Open up Floor to Members- Ask if anyone wants to speak about anything

50/50 Winners: Sam Meloni – donated back to ORF

Guessing Game Winner: Carol Teugeman

Next Meeting: May 2, 2023 at 6P.M.

Motion to Adjourn: Lou D'Angelo

Second: Ellie Bonagura

All in Favor: AYE