

CLUB MOLISANI CHARITIES

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July 2023



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Attenzione!!!

- July Meeting - Meeting will be held at 7:00 PM with dinner following immediately afterwards. The Club is pleased to offer dinner at no charge to its members.

CLUB MOLISANI
Open
September 23rd
Fowler's Mill Golf Course

Date Change!

Fall Classic Tournament has been rescheduled to Oct. 12th, 13th 14th, 15th, and the Italian Clambake Classic is moving to Oct 21st.

General Meeting Dates

All Meetings Are Held at Club Molisani

July 18th

August 15th

Sept. 19th



After Years Of Hard Work, Club Molisani Puts On Its Best Tournament In Our History! Congratulations Tournament Director Lou Fatica!

Club Molisani hosted the Club Molisani Charities Open Bocce Tournament from June 9th through the 11th. Wow, what an event! In addition to great bocce, the players and spectators enjoyed the sounds of **Rick & Sharona** (Thomas filled in for Sharona as she was unavailable) and the **Campagnoli Band** on Saturday evening. On Sunday, **Victoria** did face paintings on kids and adults and **Jungle Terry** brought his traveling zoo that was



both entertaining and educational for the kids (and adults) in attendance. Club member Mark Palko, owner of **Foster's Homemade Ice Cream** on Chardon Road in Willoughby Hills, treated all the kids in attendance to free ice cream. If you did not try some you really missed out. The bocce, music, entertainment, and food throughout the weekend did not disappoint. It was wonderful to see



V.P. Lou Fatica with Michael Grasser

all the dancing to many of our Italian favorites on Saturday evening. Thank you to Silvio and the rest of the band members of Campagnoli.

Before I discuss the results, I would like to take a moment to recognize **DaVinci Bocce** for the outstanding work they did to update the playing surface of our courts. Time and time again players and spectators complimented the Club on how great the courts are, using phrases like, "best bocce courts in the country," "love playing on these courts," and "you found a way to make a great Club even better." This is a true testament to our membership supporting the board's

recommendation to spend the necessary funds needed to improve the courts. A big shout out to Michael Grasser and our new friends, from Italy, Massimo DiBartolucci and Antonio Chiesura for doing such an outstanding job.

Sixty-four of the best teams in Northeast Ohio, Southwest Ohio, New York, Michigan, Kentucky, Connecticut, Virginia, Wisconsin, Illinois, and Pennsylvania participated in this year's tournament. Over fifteen thousand (\$15,350) in prize money was awarded to the participating teams. **Fioritto Funeral Services** of Lyndhurst, Ohio was able to get over the hump and hoist the Championship trophy after several years of finishing runner-up. The team



Runner-Up Adelio's Contracting - Marco Orlando Jr., Richie DiFranco, Sergio DiFranco, Jason Melaragno

rallied back in Game 2 of the Finals for a 15 to 14 win after **Adelio's Contracting** won Game 1 to square things up. Fioritto Funeral Service received outstanding play from Club members Russ Meraglio, Frank DiCillo, Pete Melaragno, and Pino Rosati. Congratulations to Fioritto Funeral Service and Adelio's Contracting for their outstanding play and sportsmanship throughout the tournament. A huge thank you to all the participants who traveled both far and near.



Jungle Terry



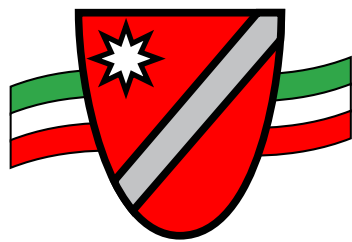
Campagnoli Band



Massimo DiBartolucci, Club Member Marco Orlando, Antonio Chiesura



Champions Fioritto Funeral Service - Mario Fioritto, Pino Rosati, Frank DiCillo, Russ Meraglio, Pete Melaragno



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Many thanks go out to the Club Molisani Bocce Committee consisting of **Alessio DiFranco, Mario Ferritto, Anthony Anderson, Marco Orlando Sr., Luciano DeSensi, James Selvaggio, Adelio DiFranco, Pat Laffey, Donnie Rapposoli, Russ Meraglio and Wayne Farinacci**, as well as the countless volunteers we had throughout the weekend. This tournament would not have been possible without all your hard work and dedication. A special thank you to Pat Laffey for introducing ScoreHolio as it made the tournament run seamlessly; from the bracket drawing to the scoring and advancing of the games it was a huge success. We look forward to expanding the use of the app next year for registration and payment as well. A shout out to our vendors – **Miceli Dairy Products, Sweetberry Fresh Market, JoVann's Tobacco Shop, Foster's Homemade Ice Cream and Da Vinci Bocce** for their support.




Ken Ganley

CHRYSLER DODGE JEEP
RAM FIAT PAINESVILLE

Lastly, I would like to thank our sponsors – **Ken Ganley Village (Mike Campola), Raymond James (Anthony Anderson), Fioritto Funeral Service (Mario Fioritto), Orlando-Donsante-Previte Funeral Home (Anthony Previte), Maverick Insurance (Scott Mills), Tripepi Consulting (Tim Tripepi), Alta House (Mike Cipulo and Tim Tripepi) and Sue and Mary Lynch** for their commitment to making this year's tournament a success. I know I speak for all the members of Club Molisani in expressing our gratitude for your backing in helping to make this one of the premier tournaments not only in Northeast Ohio but in the country. As I told many people that weekend – “We don't want to be the biggest tournament but we want to be the **BEST** tournament.” I know I may be a bit bias but I think we achieved that.

Have a great rest of the summer and I hope to have the opportunity to see you all on the bocce courts soon. - **Lou Fatica Tournament Director**



"Club Molisani"
Best Bocce Courts In The Country
Michael Grasser

How They Finished

- 1st: Fioritto Funeral Service
- 2nd: Adelio's Contracting
- 3rd: CPF Home Inspections
- 4th: ABV Contractors
- T-5th: BSB
- T-5th: TC Construction
- T-7th: FP Supplies
- T-7th: Tripepi Consulting
- T-9th: All In One
- T-9th: Club Molisani #6
- T-9th: Club Molisani #8
- T-9th: Fran's Team

