

June 26th, IACCM John B. Agosta Memorial Golf Outing Fern Hill Golf Club





IACCM golf outing



Golf Chairman Andy Agosta receives his Man-of-the-Year recognition award from Co-Chair Gus Russo and President Mark Garagiola



Italian American Chamber of Commerce John B. Agosta Memorial 39th Annual Scholarship Golf Outing



Not to be deterred by the rainy weather, beautiful memories were made during this year's golf outing. Friends old and new gathered to support the scholarship program funded by the Italian Chamber of Commerce. This year we had 134 golfers and 48-hole sponsors, as well as 5 major sponsors, which netted a profit of over \$14,000. Since we started the scholarship fund, we have granted over \$350,000 in scholarships. This outing has been the major source of that revenue. Your participation this year has helped to provide students with scholarships ranging from \$1000 to \$1,500. Without your support this would not be possible.

From all of us, a special thank you to Debbie Demick for keeping our finances in order and the day running smoothly, Jeff DiCaro and Dario Lanni of Fern Hill Golf Club for hosting this event and to all my committee members who contributed a great deal of time and energy.

Next year's golf outing is currently in the planning stages, stay tuned for all the details.

I am looking forward to your participation in 2024!

Andy Agosta
Golf Chairman

2023 Scholarship Recipients

Justin Burke
Olivia Cervone
Abigayle Cunningham
Carlina Galli
Domenic Klebba
Audrey LeDuc
Isabella LeDuc
Sophia LeDuc
Adrianna Lucido
Dominic Lucido
Celine Matway
Carly Moran
Dianna Palazzolo
Vito Palazzolo
Abigayle Rossow

Italian American Chamber of Commerce of Michigan Awards 2023 Academic Scholarships

The Italian American Chamber of Commerce of Michigan (IACCM) proudly announced the results of its 2023 scholarship competition at its monthly meeting on June 7 at Villa Penna in Sterling Heights.

The Honorable Joseph Toia, Macomb County Circuit Court, has been Chairman of the IACCM Scholarship Committee for more than twenty years and once again presided over the award presentations. This year \$13,500 in scholarships were awarded to nineteen talented young people, one of the largest number of awards to be given out. Over the past forty years, the IACCM has awarded \$600,000 in scholarships.

The Judge Lido Bucci award is the highest annual award granted to the most outstanding applicant each year. The winner of this \$1500 award for 2023 is Domenic Klebba. Domenic is the son of Eric and Jeanna Klebba.

The other winners are Gianna Agosta (daughter of Anthony and Michelle Agosta), Justin Burke (son of Michael and Christine Burke), Carlina Galli (daughter of Daniel and Gina Galli), Olivia Cervone (daughter of Matthew and Christine Cervone), Abigail Cunningham (daughter of James Cunningham and Annalisa Rubino), Audrey LeDuc (daughter of David and Vinzanna LeDuc), Isabella LeDuc (daughter of David and Vinzanna LeDuc), Sofia LeDuc (daughter of David and Vinzanna LeDuc), Adrianna Lucido (daughter of Tom and Maria Lucido), Dominic Lucido (son of Alex Lucido and Teresa Veltri-Lucido), Celine Matway (daughter of James Matway and Kathleen Vani), Carly Moran (daughter of Charles and Erin Moran), Jonathan Mueller (son of John and Nicole Mueller), Marc Mueller (son of John and Nicole Mueller), Dianna Palazzolo (daughter of Vito and Lynn Palazzolo), Vito Palazzolo (son of Vito and Lynn Palazzolo), Anna Piccinini (daughter of Ned and Sarah Piccinini), and Abigayle Rossow (daughter of Bryan and Jessica Redford).

The main source of funding for the scholarships is an annual golf outing each June that is well attended and supported by the IACCM membership who recognize and value the importance of honoring and rewarding deserving young Italian Americans for their achievements.

Scholarship awards are presented to outstanding students with excellent academic achievements as well as community and athletic accomplishments. To be eligible to apply and compete for a scholarship, applicants must meet all the following criteria:

- A) Applicants must be of Italian ancestry.
- B) Applicants must be graduating high school seniors, or full-time undergraduate students attending an accredited college or university and working toward a two or four year degree.
- C) High school applicants must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. College/university applicants must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.
- D) Applicant must be domiciled in the state of Michigan.

June 7, 2023 • Villa Penna • Scholarship Awards



L to R Front Row: Isabella LeDuc, Sofia LeDuc, Aaron Marentette, Abigayle Rossow, The Honorable Judge Joseph Toia, Adrianna Lucido, Leo Terzo, Audrey LeDuc,
L to R Back Row: Olivia Cervone, Dominic Lucido, Justin Burke, Abigail Cunningham, Domenic Klebba, Carlina Galli, Carly Moran, Celine Matway



Newest inducted member
Vincent Mercurio, Plante Moran,
with Honorable Judge Joseph Toia



A packed house for the scholarship award dinner!



Accepting for their daughter Dianna
are Tony & Michelle Agosta



The Board of Directors working hard!



Theresa Toia, Macomb County Treasurer
Larry Rocca, and Honorable Joseph Toia



Michael Ricciardello with his wife Samantha
Tornberg and Macomb County Prosecutor
Peter Lucido



The Gagnon brothers, Dave and Greg,
IACCM Treasurer



Greg Gagnon, Ronald DiBartolomeo,
and Ross Buffa

Honorable Judge Joseph Toia presenting scholarship awards



Justin Burke



Olivia Cervone



Abigayle Cunningham



Carlina Galli



Ludo Bucci award recipient Domenic
Klebba



Audrey LeDuc



Isabella LeDuc



Sophia LeDuc



Adrianna Lucido



Dominic Lucido



Celine Matway



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Abigayle Rossow

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Mission Statement

The Italian American Chamber of Commerce of Michigan

"To nurture an environment for business and professional growth inclusive of our Italian history and culture, that provides our members the commercial, educational, and charitable forums necessary to inspire pride throughout the Italian community, and to establish a relationship of trust and service between our members and our fellow citizens."

DRESS CODE

Reminder that the Chamber does have a business casual dress code.

Appropriate business casual dress typically includes slacks or khakis, dress shirt or blouse, open-collar or polo shirt, optional tie or seasonal sport coat, a dress or skirt at knee-length or below, a tailored blazer, knit shirt or sweater, and loafers or dress shoes. **NO DENIM** Defined as a style of clothing that is less formal than traditional business wear but is still intended to give a professional and businesslike impression.

GUEST FEE

Effective with the meeting in May 2022, the Board of Directors has agreed to increase the guest fee to \$50. This is being done to cover the increased costs of food and labor at all our establishments. We have all seen this in our daily lives daily. As always, a **FIRST TIME GUEST**, who is a potential member, is always welcomed with no charge. We will also be collecting guest information at the check-in table, which will be given to our membership committee for follow up!