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The IAPBC brings together individuals of Italian descent to celebrate family, culture, and heritage by extending "one hand to greet and one hand to give

## THE CLUB IN REVIEW

- Congratulations to Tony Malorni and Rocco Yeargin for being awarded the Father James Ragnoni Humanitarian Award at the Christmas Gala this year. Both former presidents of the IAPBC are well deserving of this award and great representatives of our club mission in the community.
- Kudos and many thanks to former IAPBC president **Carmine Torio** for his years of dedication and work as an IAPBC board member. Carmine started his first term as secretary in 2011 and becoming president in 2013, remaining on the board as Director through this year. Carmine's efforts to grow our membership and assist with the annual golf outing are deeply appreciated.
- Appreciation also goes out to IAPBC president **Samuel Trecaso** who ends his term but is remaining on the board as director. The IAPBC has been transformed to a younger and more vibrant organization under his guidance these past two years and the future looks exciting due to his leadership. Grazie mille Samuel!
- Congratulations also to new IAPBC board president **Austin Thompson**, vice-president **Ryan Tywon**, secretary **Maria Paparella** and treasurer **Salvatore Jacobozzi**!
- Welcome to new board member **Victoria L. Ferrise** who is replacing Carmine Torio. Victoria is an attorney with the Brennan, Manna and Diamond law firm in Akron and a graduate of the University of Akron Law School.
- Santa (**Tony Malorni**), Mrs. Claus (**Lori Gipp**), Rudolph (**Rocco Yeargin**), and elves made an annual visit to children at **Essex Elementary** and the newly re-opened Lock 3 park in Akron for **Summit DD's Winterfest**. Children of all ages appreciated the IAPBC involvement with these organizations and helping to usher in the Christmas season!
- This year the IAPBC is looking to create an "IAPBC Cookbook" filled with our members family recipes. Help us add your family recipe by emailing your recipe and picture of the finished product to **members@iapbc.org**. We would love to have a full book of members family recipes. Think "outside the pan" with something unique your family cooks. We are open to receiving more than one recipe if you're having a hard time choosing from your family favorites. Request a form to complete at the above <u>members@iapbc.org</u>.
- The IAPBC membership is now open to all <u>men and women</u> of Italian descent. Please check out our web page and Facebook page for information. Membership for 2025 remains at \$125 and can be mailed to IAPBC PO BOX 901, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223 or online at <u>www.iapbc.org</u>.
- The IAPBC Endowment Fund at Akron Community Foundation 501(c)3 is now accepting tax-deductible contributions. Please visit
  <u>www.akroncf.org</u> to contribute or contact Laura Lederer <u>llederer@akroncf.org</u>, 330-436-5611 for more information. Our goal is to raise \$1
  million to provide scholarship funding to students with Italian ancestry.
- The Club meets informally for lunch Thursdays at 12 noon, Akron Family Restaurant, 254 W Market St, Akron, OH 44303







