

***Buon Anno a tutti! –  
Happy New Year  
Everyone (And first  
quarter of our year!)***

### **Letter from the President**

Greetings, friends, and a belated welcome to the new year. We have certainly started off with a bang! After a brief closure due to fire sprinkler issues, we are back online and fully operational. We have also completed another major project with the replacement of our two main rooftop heating and air-conditioning units.

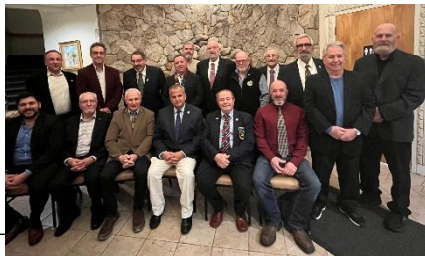
While we still have many projects ahead, I feel we are making good progress. Thank you for all your hard work and for the generous gift of your time that makes all of this possible.

As I reflect upon my first year as president, I am extremely thankful for the support our members have extended to our club and to one another. Through good times and challenging moments, our St. Ann family has always been there to help us move forward.

May the coming year bring good health and happiness to all of our members and families, and may our club continue to thrive as a place of camaraderie and shared purpose.

See you at the club,  
**Mike Veno**

### **Men's Board 2026**



**Officers:**

President: Mike Veno  
Vice President: Ken Romano  
Chairman: Andrew Troetti  
Vice Chairmen: Walter Cerrantani  
Treasurer: Robert Moon

For the full list turn to the last page of the newsletter.

**Have a boat?**

Did you know  
St. Ann has a  
Marina?  
Want to know more  
or get involved?

### **Letter from the Ladies Auxiliary President**



**Officers:**

President: Joanne Guaglione  
Vice President: Patty Murphy  
Chairwoman: Camille Andreozzi  
Vice Chairwoman: Jen Veno  
Treasurer: Kay Martino

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### **Ladies Board 2026**

As we begin the new year, I extend my heartfelt greetings and best wishes to each of you. The start of a new year is a time of renewal, hope, and anticipation, and it is a pleasure to share this moment with such a wonderful group of women.

Your energy, enthusiasm, and camaraderie bring life and warmth to our club. Through your participation, creativity, and support, you help foster a spirit of friendship and togetherness that truly enriches our community.

As we look ahead, I am excited about the opportunities the coming year holds—new activities, shared experiences, and many moments of laughter and connection. Together, we will continue to strengthen our bonds and make our club a welcoming and inspiring place for all.

Wishing you and your families a year filled with good health, happiness, and success. I look forward to the year ahead and to celebrating many memorable moments together.

### **Joanne Guaglione**

**Marina Committee**

Chairman: Nick Kantzas  
Dock Master: Tom Donahue  
Assistant Dock Master: Jeff Wallace  
Secretary and Treasurer:  
Frank Felicissimo



## Recent Club Highlights

**Wreaths Across America**  
Serving those who serve!



## Bringing Joy to our Seniors - Kingsway / Angel Tree Project



## Ugly Sweater Happy Hour



## Children's Christmas Party

Thank you to all the volunteers who worked so hard to put holidays smiles on the children's faces.



## A Strong Start to the New Year!



**Our Valentine/Galentine evening was a fabulous event.**

We ate well, danced up a storm – with great music by the band Dreamin’ and even had a few laughs over the planned??? outfits!

Looks how many “twins” we found!

Thank you to everyone who gave their time to set-up/cook/serve and to finish strong cleaning up the club to be ready for the next one.



MEMBERSHIP  
MATTERS

### New Member Corner

In January of this year, we welcomed our first new member to St. Ann. He may have just been sworn in, but he is no stranger to this club. Many of you already know him. In fact, you may have watched him grow up. He has spent many hours at the club, with his grandparents, mother, father, and uncles and aunts. Let us welcome **Anthony Vozzo**.

### Hold the Dates



**BINGO!** Every Monday Night starting at 5:30 PM

March 4<sup>th</sup> Men's Meeting 8:00PM

March 5<sup>th</sup> Ladies Meeting 7:00PM

March 19<sup>th</sup> Ladies Dinner 7:30PM

**March 21<sup>st</sup> Carnevale Celebration**

March 25<sup>th</sup> Men's Dinner 7:30PM

**April 19<sup>th</sup>- Fashion Show - Fashion through the ages**

**April 21<sup>st</sup> Bocce League begins**

**May 16<sup>th</sup> Jelsi Dinner** - Honoring our club history

**June 22<sup>nd</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament**





## Nonna's Cucina

### Fried Pepper "Wet" Sandwich

1/3 cup olive oil  
 6 to 8 large Italian frying peppers (Cubanelle),  
 stemmed and seeded, but left whole  
 Salt and ground black pepper  
 Extra virgin olive oil (optional)  
 1 14-16 inch loaf of Italian bread

Heat the oil in a large deep skillet over medium heat.

Add the peppers and salt and pepper to taste and fry, turning frequently until the peppers are browned and soft.

As the peppers soften, gently crush them into the oil with the back of a large spoon and continue to fry until they're very soft, 6 to 8 minutes.

Transfer the peppers to a bowl and let them cool to room temperature.

Season with additional salt and pepper and, if desired, drizzle with the extra virgin olive oil.

Split the loaf in half lengthwise leaving one side hinged and remove some of the inner bread crumb.

### Biscotti di Vino (Wine Biscuits)

2 1/2 cups flour  
 1 1/2 tsp. course ground black pepper  
 1/2 cup dry red wine  
 1/3 cup sugar  
 1 1/2 tsp. baking powder  
 1/2 cup vegetable oil

In a mixer, blend flour, sugar, black pepper and baking powder. As mixer is running, add oil and wine slowly.

Blend until the mixture forms a dough. Remove the dough and place on a board.

Divide the dough into 30 pieces. Roll each piece into a 3" long rope and then press the ends together to form a Ring. Arrange rings 1 1/2" apart on an uncreased baking sheet.

Bake in batches in the middle of the oven at 350 degrees for 20-30 minutes or until bottoms are golden brown.

## Learn Italian (Come Parlare Italiano)- **Words in the Kitchen**

<i>Cucina</i> (kitchen)	<i>forchetta</i> (fork)
<i>cucinare</i> (to cook)	<i>ucchiaio</i> (spoon),
<i>forno</i> (oven)	<i>coltello</i> (knife)
<i>lavello</i> (sink),	<i>pentola</i> (pot)
<i>frigorifero</i> (fridge),	<i>padella</i> (pan)



## Meatball Madness

In preparation of this annual meatball competition -Members of our Club, braved a snowy & cold day to cook over 200 meatballs which would be served to a room of over XXX people to benefits Homes for the Brave.



**Calling all Shutterbugs -  
Did you know?**



If you attend an event and want to submit pictures for the newsletter just go to our website - under the pull-down menu for Photo Gallery, you can upload and submit pictures.

**A BIG Thank You** to those who helped with pictures for this issue!

A special Thank You to Bonenfant Photography.

March 21<sup>st</sup> 7-10pm  
Join us for a  
*Celebration of  
Carnevale*



Entertainment by  
Dance to the Music with Jimmy Nuzzo  
Photo Booth &  
Costume Contests

\$45/per person Beer, Wine & Soda included.

Contact: Diane Ezzo for Reservations  
203.223.9635 - Payment due March 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Volunteer Connection**

Interested in getting more involved?

Garden Club - Chair **Christine Ruggiero**  
cell 386.882.6569 or caruggiero3@gmail.com

Baking Club - Chair **Gina Arena**  
Ginaarena@sbcglobal.net

Entertainment Committee - Chair **Kelly DiIorio**  
cell 480-390-0135 or kelly.dilorio@gmail.com

**DOING  
GOOD  
TOGETHER™**



***Fashion Through the Ages -***

Brunch & Fashion Show

April 19<sup>th</sup> Noon -4pm \$25 per person

Interested in vintage fashion?

Have a vintage outfit you're willing to lend for the event?

Interested in being a model?

Raffles & a few fun surprises!

Contact: Camille Andreozzi  
candreozzi@aol.com

**St. Ann Ladies Boccee League- Come Out and Play!**

Don't know how?

Don't worry - we'll teach you.

Enjoy fresh air and friendship at the club.

Starts April 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm. Contact: Kay Martino 203.838.4664



### Message from Chairman of the Board:

As we begin a new year, I extend my sincere appreciation to all our members whose steadfast commitment continues to strengthen the foundation of our beloved club. Preserving and celebrating our Italian heritage remains at the heart of our mission, and I echo our President's message of unity, acceptance, and respect as essential values that will guide us forward.

I am confident that the months ahead will offer meaningful opportunities to honor our traditions, share our culture, and deepen the bonds within our community.

With gratitude for your ongoing support and participation, I look forward to another distinguished year of growth, unity, and cultural pride.

Warmest regards,  
Andrew Troetti



### Open Bar Hours:

Wednesday - Saturday  
6pm - close

During open hours, the bar welcomes club members to come grab a drink and socialize.

Club members are also welcome to bring guests during Open Bar hours but are requested to have all guests sign the **Guest** book.

### Full List of Officers/ Board of Directors for the St. Ann Club Men's Board 2026

President: Mike Veno  
Vice President: Ken Romano  
Chairman: Andrew Troetti  
Vice Chairmen: Walter Cerrentani  
Treasurer: Robert Moon  
Assistant Treasurer: Rocco Chiappetta  
Bar Manager: James O'Brien  
Assistant Bar Manager- Vacant  
Corresponding Secretary: Nick Chiappetta  
Financial Secretary: Louis Imperato  
Assistant Financial Secretary: Ralph Allegreta  
Sergeant at Arms: Pete Havens  
Public Relations: Vacant  
Board Member: Tom Donohue  
Board Member: Charlie Robinson  
Board Member: Steve Sabol  
Board Member: Joe Tamburro  
Board Member: Chris Iannacone  
Board Member: Sal Fratino

### Full List of Officers / Board of Directors for the St. Ann Club Women's Auxiliary Board 2026

President: Joanne Guaglione  
Vice President: Patty Murphy  
Chairwoman: Camille Andreozzi  
Vice Chairwoman: Jen Veno  
Treasurer: Kay Martino  
Recording Secretary: Marie Mappa  
Financial Secretary: Marian Barbieri  
Corresponding Secretary: Ellen Marucci  
Sargent at Arms: Jaqueline Torres  
Public Relations: Dana Slanzi  
Board Member: Andrea Caruso  
Board Member: Tricia Ciccone  
Board Member: Christina Ruggiero

### Did You Know?

We have a Facebook page-  
St Anns Entertainment



<https://www.facebook.com/stannentertainment>

Also visit our webpage for updates on  
Events and Club News <https://www.stannclub.org/>