

# ITALEO Newsletter



## MEMBERSHIP DUES

### 2026 MEMBERSHIP DUE

**It's time to renew your  
ITALEO Membership**

[Click Here](#)  
To Pay Online

To stay current/up to date, please  
remember to pay by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

## UPCOMING MEETING

### MEMBERSHIP MEETING

March 3, 2026

6:00 PM

Sicilian Sports Club

1296 E. Ridge Rd.

Rochester, NY

See you there!

## NEXT EVENT

### CASINO NIGHT FUNDRAISER

March 28, 2026

Italian American  
Community Center

5-6 PM Cocktail Hour

6-9 PM Play Time

9-10 PM Check Presentation  
& Raffle Prizes

March

OFFICER JAKE GOODENBURY  
OFFICER JAYLON TAYLOR  
OFFICER CHRISTOPHER SHINGLETON

ALL PROCEEDS GOING DIRECTLY TO THE RPD OFFICERS

**CASINO NIGHT**  
"ALL IN FOR RPD"

**SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH 2026**

**TICKET PRICE \$65**

LOCATION:  
ITALIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY CENTER  
150 FRANK DIMINO WAY  
ROCHESTER, NY 14624

5:00-6:00PM COCKTAIL HOUR • 6:00-9:00PM PLAYING TIME • 9:00PM RAFFLES & CHECK PRESENTATIONS

MC MAYOR PETE KENEDY  
50/50  
GREAT FOOD - PRIZES - CASH BAR  
TICKETS INCLUDE \$500 IN GAMING CHIPS

TO PURCHASE TICKETS CALL/TEXT US AT  
585-371-8347 OR ONLINE AT  
WWW.ITALEO.ORG

SCAN QR CODE TO DIRECTLY  
DONATE TO OFFICERS

\*GAMING CHIPS ARE FOR ENTERTAINMENT ONLY AND HAVE NO CASH VALUE\*

**SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES**

**PLATINUM \$1,000**  
4 FREE CASINO NIGHT TICKETS  
ROULETTE & CRAPS TABLE SPONSORSHIP  
TV MONITOR LOGO DISPLAYED THROUGHOUT THE EVENING  
MC RECOGNITION  
WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA RECOGNITION

**DIAMOND \$500**  
2 FREE CASINO NIGHT TICKETS  
BLACKJACK, THREE CARD POKER OR TEXAS HOLD'EM TABLE SPONSORSHIP  
TV MONITOR LOGO DISPLAYED THROUGHOUT THE EVENING  
WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA RECOGNITION

**GOLD \$250**  
1 FREE CASINO NIGHT TICKET  
TV MONITOR LOGO DISPLAYED THROUGHOUT THE EVENING  
WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA RECOGNITION

**SPONSORSHIP DEADLINE - MARCH 25TH**

## ITALEO is partnering with ARPALER for Casino Night "ALL IN FOR RPD"

Just days before Christmas, three police officers, Officer Jake Goodenbury, Officer Jaylon Taylor and Officer Christopher Shingleton were shot while protecting our community. They responded to a call for assistance, fulfilling the oath they took by running toward danger so others would not have to. In an instant, their lives and the lives of their families were changed. While each officer faces a long road to recovery, we are grateful to share that all three officers have safely returned home. Stand with those who protect us.

ITALEO and ARPALER remain committed to supporting these officers and their families during this incredibly difficult time. One hundred percent of all donations go directly to the officers and their families, helping to ease financial burdens so they can focus on what matters most, recovery.

### Please join us for Casino Night "ALL IN FOR RPD"

TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE/BUY TICKETS ONLINE: <https://www.italeo.org/event-details/casino-night-all-in-for-rpd>

DEADLINE TO PURCHASE TICKETS TO THE EVENT: **March 18, 2026**

DEADLINE FOR SPONSORSHIPS: **March 25, 2026**

IF PAYING BY CHECK, PLEASE MAKE PAYABLE TO **ITALEO, INC.**

MAIL TO:  
**PO Box 17344**  
**Rochester, NY 14617**

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE EMAIL US: [italeorochester@gmail.com](mailto:italeorochester@gmail.com)

GET YOUR ITALEO & ARPALER "ALL IN FOR RPD" APPAREL

<p>All in for RPD - Dri-Power 50/50 Cotton/Poly T-Shirt</p>  <p>\$24.00</p>	<p>All in for RPD - Dri-Power 50/50 Cotton/Poly Long Sleeve T-Shirt</p>  <p>\$30.00</p>	<p>All in for RPD - NuBlend Pullover Hooded Sweatshirt</p>  <p>\$38.00</p>	<p>All in for RPD 1/4-Zip Sweatshirt</p>  <p>\$56.00</p>
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You can now purchase your items online in 3 easy steps:

1. Scan the QR code or go online to <https://italeorpd26.itemorder.com/>
2. Choose your items and add them to your cart
3. Secure checkout with your credit card



Online Store Deadline: **Sunday March 15th, 2026** (11:59pm EDT)



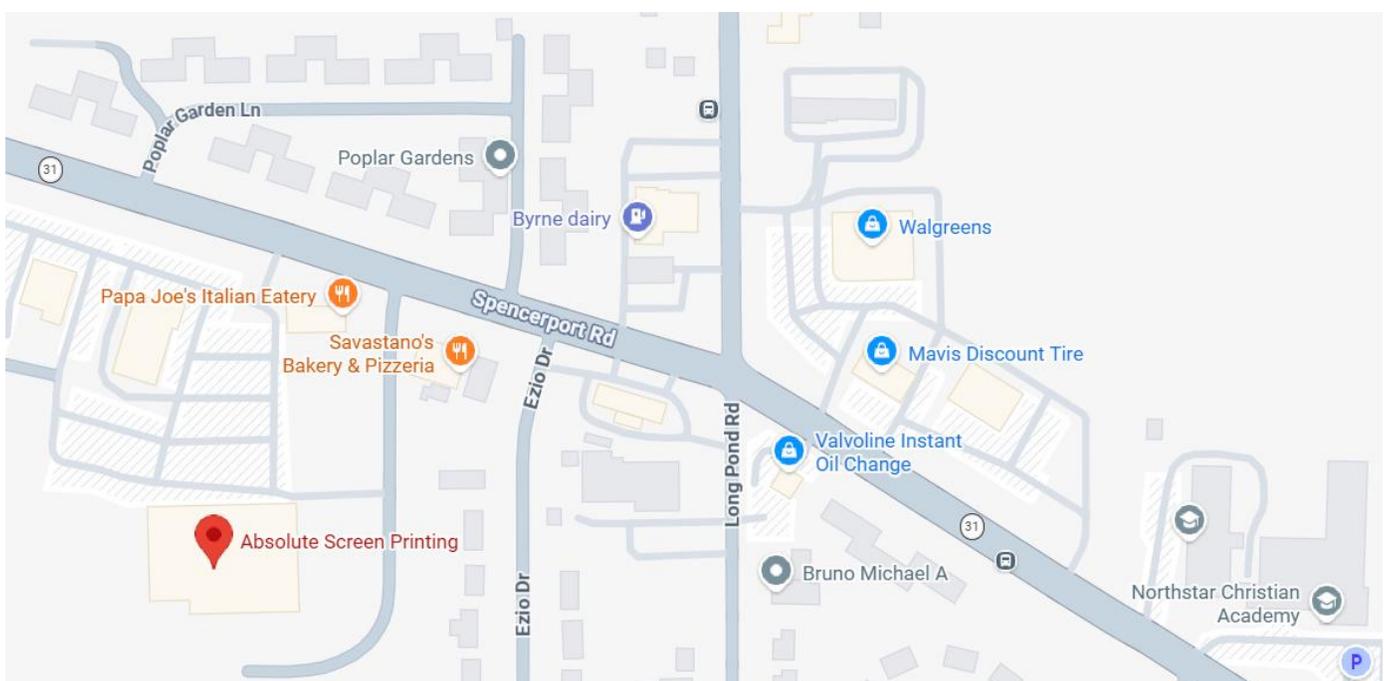
Questions? Contact: John Lansdowne at (585)200-2261

Or by E-mail: [jlansdowne77@gmail.com](mailto:jlansdowne77@gmail.com)

<https://www.aspdesigns.net/>

Address: 505 Spencerport Rd, Gates, NY 14606 Phone: [\(585\) 507-1811](tel:5855071811)

You can pay to have items shipped directly to you or opt to pick them up at Absolute Screen Printing.



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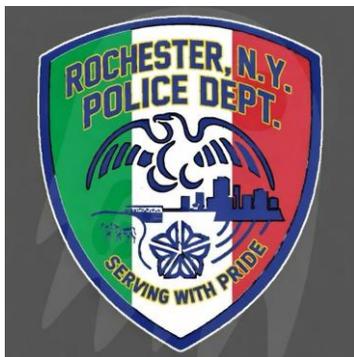
# ITALEO President Franco Participates in Polar Plunge 2026

Our President made it to top donor and went all in! Thank you to everyone who supported her to help the Special Olympics!



## Rochester Police Dept. Patches

A limited quantity of patches (see photo below) will be available for purchase at Casino Night.



## Upcoming Events:

DATE	EVENT
March 3 <sup>rd</sup>	ITALEO Membership Meeting SSC @ 6PM
March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Apparel Deadline Absolute Screen Printing
March 18 <sup>th</sup>	Casino Night Ticket Deadline (last day/no exceptions)
March 25 <sup>th</sup>	Casino Night Sponsorship Deadline
March 28 <sup>th</sup>	ITALEO Casino Night "ALL IN FOR RPD" IACC

**We are completing our 2026 Membership Roster ... Have you paid your membership dues?**

### Three ways to pay:

1. Pay online
2. VENMO
3. By mail

**Membership Cards are currently being created for 2026 and will be mailed out soon.**

## RECIPE CORNER

### Anise Tuscan Cookies

### Cantucci All'Anice

<https://mangiawithnonna.com/tuscani-anise-cookies-cantucci-allanice/>

#### Ingredients

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 large eggs</li> <li>• 1 cup granulated sugar (about 200 g)</li> <li>• 3 tbsp whole milk (50 ml)</li> <li>• 2 tbsp unsalted butter, melted (25 g)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 tsp baking powder (about 8 g)</li> <li>• 2 tsp anise seeds</li> <li>• 3 1/4 to 4 cups all-purpose flour, as needed (about 400–500 g)</li> </ul> |
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#### Instructions

1. **Heat the oven:** Preheat to 340°F (170°C). Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.
2. **Mix the base:** In a large bowl, combine **eggs, sugar, milk, baking powder, and anise seeds**. Mix until smooth.
3. **Add the butter:** Pour in the **melted butter** and mix until fully incorporated.
4. **Add flour gradually:** Add flour a little at a time until the dough becomes **soft but manageable**—it should be slightly tacky but easy to shape with floured hands.  
*This is a "quanto ne prende" dough: the exact amount depends on your flour and egg size.*
5. **Shape into logs:** Form 2–3 **logs** on the baking sheet, about **4–5 inches wide** (10–12 cm).
6. **First bake:** Bake for **about 30 minutes**, or until lightly golden and set.
7. **Cool and slice:** Let the logs cool **10–15 minutes** (so they don't crumble), then slice into **3/4-inch** pieces (about 2 cm).
8. **Optional second bake (recommended for classic crunch):** Lay slices cut-side down and bake **8–10 minutes**, flip, then bake **another 5–8 minutes**, until dry and crisp.
9. **Cool completely:** Transfer to a rack and cool fully—they crisp up more as they cool.



#### Tips & Tricks

- **For a softer bite:** skip the second bake (they'll still be firm once cooled, just less crunchy).
- **For extra aroma:** lightly toast the anise seeds in a dry pan for 30–60 seconds before mixing them in.
- **Flavor variations:** add orange zest, lemon zest, or a small splash of anise liqueur.
- **Storage:** keep airtight for **2–3 weeks** (they stay crisp and dunkable!).

If you'd like to submit an Italian Recipe to include in the next newsletter, please email us at:

[italeorochester@gmail.com](mailto:italeorochester@gmail.com)