The Italian American Cultural Society Represents 20.7% of Michigan's Italian American Population

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The Italian American Cultural Society is dedicated to "getting people together to share our culture," said IACS Coordinator Angela Oberly.

Established in 1957 "by a small group of dedicated visionaries," the IACS website says, the organization created a meeting place for Italian Americans to gather to preserve their traditions, values, and customs.

The IACS mission statement, on the organization's website, describes the IACS's duties, including planning, promoting, and carrying out charitable, educational, and cultural activities that serve the community's welfare.

The IACS mission statement says it preserves traditional Italian culture by sponsoring lectures, classes, conferences, and study groups devoted to Italians' contributions to the world.

The IACS mission statement says that it compassionately counsels and assists indigent persons dealing with personal, family, or community problems by direct services or referral to appropriate agencies.

The IACS's mission statement says it carries on human relations activities on a charitable basis for the purposes of "eliminating bias, prejudice, or discrimination affecting all Americans".

The IACS is a local community organization located at 43843 Romeo Plank Rd #1, Clinton Township, MI 48038 and sits within the broader Italian American Cultural Society and Banquet Center. According to the Neilsberg 2025 Ranking and Insights, Macomb County holds the highest concentration of Italian Americans in Michigan with a population of 90,432 (or 20.7% of Michigan's total Italian American population).

Clinton Township has the second-largest Italian American population in Macomb County, with 11,007 people (11.01% of Macomb County's total population), behind Macomb Township, with 14,203 people (15.45% of Macomb County's total population), according to Neilsburg.

Clubs and organizations that partner with the IACS include Americans of Italian Origin, ANFE of Michigan Light of Life Fdtn, Associazione Comune San Vito Lo Capo, Associazione Laziali

Nel Michigan, Associazione St. Maria Del Campo, Bariscianotti Club, Bellini Opera Foundation, Buon Amici of ISDA, Calabria Club, and Professional Golf Planners of America, according to the IACS website.

The membership elects the IACS Board of Directors, which currently stands at 916 members, said Coordinator Angela Oberly.

The current Executive Board, found of the IACS website, includes President Giovanni LoIacono, First Vice President Thomas Salvati, Second Vice President Rosa Lacommare, Sergeant-At-Arms Gianvito Arato, Treasurer Maria Cicchini, and Recording Secretary Sue Vittorini.

Upcoming events for the IACS are found in the current month's newspaper, also available on the organization's website.

The newspaper, named The Italian American, is "published monthly by the Italian American Cultural Society," according to the organization, and past publications are available on the IACS website in PDF format.

You do not have to be Italian American to join in on the lectures and classes offered at the IACS, said Coordinator Angela Oberly.

According to the IACS website, weekday adult Italian language classes run for 13 weeks from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for $150, plus an additional $45 fee for books and materials.

IACS members will receive a 10% discount for Italian language classes, as listed on the IACS website.

Visit the IACS at the upcoming Ladies Night Out Fall Vendor Show on Thurs. Nov. 12, 2026, at 43843 Romeo Plank Rd. Clinton Township, MI, where over 40 vendors will be present, as shown in an ad in The Italian American.