

FRATELLANZA WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB BULLETIN

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BOARD MEMBER MESSAGE By Anne Wegher Martorello



Happy Spring, to all of you! Our April membership meeting covered an ambitious agenda. Thank you to all members who attended. One of my personal highlights was the report on the imminent completion of the women's bathroom. Grazie mille to the imagineers who started this project a year ago: Roland Lazzarotto, Rico DeBenedetti, Dave Ceccanti and to Russel Carrel, who joined the group last summer and who contributed hugely to the project's completion. Many workers and crews showed up in the past year to help. We wholeheartedly appreciate everyone's time, attention and skillset to getting this project done. We love our new bathroom!!!

In March the men and women of the club enjoyed an anniversary celebration. The report for this event has been postponed to our May meeting when our chairperson, Renee Howley will present her report. Thank you to Renee, the kitchen crew, set-up staff, the wait staff, ticket sellers, bartenders and musicians who contributed to a fun and festive evening.

So much is happening at the Fratellanza! It's a hub of activity! Italian lessons are happening; a once-a-month Italian movie night is commencing; 13 prospective FWSC members will be interviewed by the Board on April 25th; the women's board is planning a surprise "members-only" buffet dinner for our Tuesday, May 7th membership meeting and Arlene Howell is chairing the May 21st Birthday dinner. (Be sure to get your reservations into Loretta Iacobitti by Friday, May 3rd for the membership dinner and Friday, May 17th for the birthday dinner.) Also stay tuned for the upcoming June Bunco, August Tea and September Festa. Be sure to check out the event flyers from Lisa. And, of course, remember to volunteer and help out for any/all of the above events. **Many hands make lighter work**, as my Nonna used to say.

Lisa Borreani will be sending out an updated calendar for the FWSC. There had been a misprint on the date of the Festa. **The correct date is Saturday, September 7th, the Saturday after Labor Day.**

And lastly, the Board has been very busy responding to members' thoughtful suggestions. For now, the Board has reconsidered the dinner price for non-members attending a women's dinner. Both members and non-members will pay \$30. In addition, two proposed amendments to the Bylaws were introduced. The second reading will be at the May business meeting with the third reading and voting at the June business meeting. We hope to see you there.

Continue to enjoy your family, friends and this beautiful weather!

Ci vediamo presto! Anne Martorello

DRIVE-THRU CLUB LUNCHEON

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024

Menu: Salad, Roll, Ravioli,
Baked Chicken, & Vegetable
Cost: \$20 (Wine \$5 bottle)
Pickup: 11am - 12:30pm

RSVP by April 23

fratreservations@gmail.com
(510) 764-2365 ext. 4

MEMBER'S MEETING & MOTHER'S DAY DINNER

TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2024

**6:00pm FREE Dinner for
Members**
7:00pm Meeting Begins

CLUB OPEN

BOCCE COURTS & BAR ROOM
1:00pm - 5:00pm
Every Wednesday



**MAY BUSINESS MEETING & MOTHER'S
DAY MEMBERS ONLY DINNER
TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2024**

This is a FREE mother's day dinner for member's only to honor all Mothers and members. The dinner will be prior to our business meeting, but you MUST make reservations. Set up for the dinner will be on Monday, May 6th at 10:30 a.m.

Menu:

A Surprise!

Time & Cost:

6:00pm Dinner/ 7:00pm Meeting

RSVP by May 3, 2024:

Loretta Iacobitti at (510) 524-6903



**THE FRATELLANZA CLUB
GOES TO THE MOVIES!**

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024

FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2024

FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2024

Join the Fratellanza Club every SECOND FRIDAY OF THE MONTH for an Italian/Italian-American movie. Popcorn and discussion will be included. The bar will be open to purchase drinks. This is FREE for Members and Non-Members. No reservation needed.

See the flyer for the line-up for the next 3 movies scheduled.

Time:

7:00 pm (2nd Fri of the month)

Questions?

Contact Claudia Albano (510) 773-0326



**CLUB FACILITIES FUNDRAISER
PIZZA AND PASTA WITH TONY GEMIGNANI
SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024**

Time: 5pm Cocktails / 5:45pm Pizza Toss Demo / 6:30pm Dinner

Cost: \$50 Per Person / \$25 Children ages 6-12 (under 6 free)

RSVP by April 17, 2024:

fratreservations@gmail.com OR (510) 764-2365 ext. 3

UPDATE:

THE COST OF DINNERS WILL REMAIN AT \$30 FOR MEMBERS AS WELL AS GUESTS

FRATELLANZA WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB APPAREL IS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

<https://fratellanza.orderpromos.com>

Special Notice:

"No shows" at our dinners are charged \$10 per ticket, to be paid by the person who made the reservation.

U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

BIRTHDAY DINNER TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024

Wait staff and set up needed
(Setup: Monday May 20 at
10:30am). Raffle prizes are
greatly appreciated!

Chair:

Arlene Howell

Menu:

To Come

Time & Cost:

6 pm Cocktails / 7 pm Dinner
\$30 per member/guest

RSVP by May 17, 2024:

Loretta Iacobitti
(510) 524-6903

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER TEA LUNCHEON

SAT, AUGUST 17, 2024

If you are interested to host a
table or help for the event,
please contact Barbara
Barassi:
510-517-5833 (M)
nowvoyager1014@yahoo.com
Raffle prizes are greatly
appreciated.

More info to Come!



CLUB MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

Details to Come

CLUB SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024

Details to Come

RAVIOLI/BUNCO LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2024

Details to Come

CLUB WESTERN NIGHT SATURDAY, JULY 13, 2024

Details to Come

BDAY DINNER/BISCOTTI

TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2024

Details to Come

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION!

HOW YOU CAN HELP THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- Attend an event and/
or donate raffle prizes
- Purchase raffle tickets at
events
- Donate homemade baked
goods to bake sales
- Attend the Bunco luncheon
- Consider hosting and/or
attending the Scholarship
Tea
- Consider monetary gifts
(in Honor of...,
In Celebration of...,
In Memory of..., or
In Thanksgiving for...)

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS - CLASS OF 2024

Children and grandchildren of current Fratellanza Women's Social Club members are eligible to apply for the 2024 Scholarship Program. Submit completed application to the Scholarship Committee by the required deadline of **April 15, 2024**. The Scholarship Committee is looking forward to learning about you and your educational plans after your high school graduation!

Good luck to you!

The Fratellanza Women's Social
Club Scholarship Program Committee

**Contact Joan Brignone for
Application Packet**

Phone: 510-799-2743 (H)

E-Mail: jbrignone@comcast.net



NEW MEMBERS ACCEPTANCE/INSTALLATION

New members acceptance will be at the May Business Meeting.

The new members installation will be at the June Business Meeting.

Be sure to come and welcome our new members!



LA COPPA BOCCE/LUNCH SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

COST: \$15.00

Sign up at the Club to reserve your spot or contact GianFranco at gsciacero@earthlink.net or (510) 525-5372

SUNSHINE REPORT By Irma Sericati Sunshine Reporter



Dear Members:

Our member, **Anna Zeman** was hospitalized with a serious blood infection. She is now home and is resuming her normal activities. We wish her continued good health.

Also our member, **Renee New**, was in the hospital with an infection. She too is home and recovering. We send her get well wishes.

On a sweet note: On March 12th, our member, **Mary Ciarabellini** became a great grandmother to a little baby boy named Fantino. Mary's granddaughter and family are all doing well and enjoying their bundle of joy. Congratulations to the Ciarabellini family!!

With the spring season upon us and flowers starting to appear, we would like to take a moment to remember all our members who are not able to be with us either because of illness or other personal reasons, to let them know that we think about them often and hope that someday they will be able to join us once again.

Sincerely, Irma Sericati, Sunshine Reporter

If you have news of a club member who is ill, hospitalized, or deceased, please contact Irma Sericati at (510) 526-6470 or e-mail at dsramona@aol.com.

2023-2024

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