

FRATELLANZA WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB BULLETIN

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CHAIR OF BOARD MESSAGE

MARILYN SIBITZ



Buon Anno Nuovo, mi amici,

Grazie mille for all of you who came to our first meeting of 2025. We had a full group of members who we hope will continue to come to our monthly meetings and be active members of our club.

January starts our club with two active events that I hope will be fun for you to experience. First, our Birthday Dinner is on Tuesday, January 21. Arlene Howell and Joanne Greco are chairing this event and hope you will be able to help with set up and/or serve. Please call one of them to let them know you want to help: Arlene Howell (510) 685-6830 and Joanne Greco (510) 508-7910.

The Men's Club has their 93rd Anniversary on Saturday, January 25. Tradition has it that the Women's Club decorates, sets up, and serves for them, and they serve for us at our 80th Anniversary on Saturday, March 22. Please call Rozz Cantisani at (925) 376-6732 to let her know how you will help with the Men's Anniversary, and if you can help set up for our Anniversary on Friday, March 21.

Our March Birthday Dinner is cancelled because it is just before our Anniversary Dinner. The February, March, April, and May bambinos will be honored at our May 20 Birthday Dinner.

In March, we have our bi-annual Polenta Dinner. The date is February 18 and we will need Chairladies for this event. Again, the menu is set and the cook in place. We need the Chairladies to find a set up committee and servers. This evening will be further discussed at our February meeting.

Our past events have been great successes. Members who helped with our Member's Christmas Dinner, Children's activities during the Christmas Brunch, decorating our Winter Wonderland, helping and attending our New Year's Eve Dinner Dance, and taking down our Winter Wonderland deserve a grand MILLE GRAZIE for all their help. Thank you for being there when we needed you. It makes for fun club activities and socialization.

Con amori,
Marilyn Sibitz

Felice Anno Nuovo!



SPECIAL NOTICE

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Installation of the FWSC Officers will occur during the February 4, 2025 Business Meeting. Please be sure to attend and welcome your new Officers!

MEMBER'S MEETING

TUE, FEBRUARY 4, 2025

Member's Business Meetings are the 1st Tuesday of each month

6:00pm Social Hour & Spuntino (Pot Luck by the Men's Club)
7:00pm Meeting Begins

CLUB OPEN

BOCCE COURTS & BAR ROOM

1:00pm - 5:00pm
Every Wednesday

**JANUARY 2025
BIRTHDAY DINNER
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025**

**CHAIRS:
ARLENE
HOWELL
AND
JOANNE
GRECO**

**MEMBER'S 2025 DUES
NOW DUE**

**Regular Annual Membership:
\$50**

**Honorary Annual Membership:
\$25**

A member will be delinquent if dues are NOT paid by February 1, 2025 and will be charged a \$20 penalty fee along with the annual dues. If a member fails to pay dues and the penalty fee by March 1, 2025, it will be assumed that the member is no longer interested in the Club, and shall be automatically dropped from the membership. See flyer for all of the information.

Time:

6pm Cocktails
7pm Dinner

Menu:

The menu includes wine, bread and butter, Fratellanza salad, penne pasta with marinara sauce, roasted chicken, potatoes, zucchini/squash, and dessert.

Cost:

\$30 (Members & Guests)

RSVP:

RSVP by January 17, 2025 to Diane Sericati at (510) 526-6470 or email: fwscreervations@gmail.com.

Please have one person reserve for your group.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY LADIES!

Remember the birthday dinners are held every other month. If your birthday falls within these two months, your birthday is complimentary this month. RSVP via one of the contacts listed above with the information for the dinner.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Joanne Angerame	Pat Hines
Patricia (Patti) Bacon	Donna Houser
Mary Bartalotti	Cathy Kenny Wright
Lillian A Bayer	Riana Lane
Vicki Berndt	Carol Lazaro
Pina Campilongo Murray	Linda Lee
Anna Marie Canepa	Adriana Matteucci
Nancy L. Cerruti	Giulia Matteucci
Pamela Coleman	Evelyne Mittone
Victoria Cooper	Linda R. Montano
Mary Ann De Pianto	Carla Pierce
Carole M Delucchi Padlo	Angelina Quilici
Vicki Fischer	Catia Q. Saroni
Lynnette Franks	Gloria Verner
Karen Garcia	Jennifer Vernon
Anna-Marie Hendrickson	

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Jeanne Rose Lico Atkinson	Angela Hussein
Teresa Azzolino	Charlene (Char) Iacobitti
Rachelle Babb	Louise N. Jones
Frances Bienati	Diane Marie Ottaviano
Francis Bird	Mary (Ellen) Panerio-Page
Christine Bonavolonta	Marilyn Pricco Sibitz
Joia Boos	Renee Tomei
Laurie Cullen	Diane Warren
Christina Davis	
Mary De Benedictis	
Diana Y. De Simoni	
Renee Howley	



Special Notice:

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

MEN's CLUB 93rd ANNIVERSARY

DINNER

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2025

Please join the men to celebrate their 93rd Anniversary or help set up and/or serve.

MENU

Fratellanza Crab Salad
Ravioli with Pesto Sauce
New York Steak
Roasted Potatoes
Asparagus with Corn
Special Dessert

Cocktails: 5:30pm

Dinner: 6:30pm

\$45 Per Person/\$20 Children 6-12

RSVP By January 23

(510) 764-2365 x4

fratreservations@gmail.com

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

CLUB BAGNA CAUDA THUR, JANUARY 16, 2025

Traditional Bagna Cauda with all of the trimmings and dessert.

\$25 Per Person

RSVP By January 14

(510) 764-2365 x3

fratreservations@gmail.com

POLENTA DINNER TUE, FEBRUARY 18, 2025

Special Salad, Polenta with Sausage and Beef Stew, Vegetables, Dessert, Wine and Coffee.

MORE TO COME

C O M I N G S O O N !

CLUB CRAB FEEDS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2025 (6:00 PM)

AND

SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2025 (5:00 PM)

\$85 Per Person

MORE 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 2025

Children and grandchildren of current Fratellanza Women's Social Club members are eligible to apply for the 2025 Scholarship Program. Submit completed application to the Scholarship Committee by the required deadline of **April 15, 2025**. 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 the Application Packet

Phone: 510-799-2743 (H)

E-Mail: jbrignone@comcast.net



FRATELLANZA WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB APPAREL IS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

<https://fratellanza.orderpromos.com>

THE FRATELLANZA CLUB GOES TO THE MOVIES!

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 at 6:00 pm to purchase drinks. This is FREE for Members and Non-Members. No reservation needed.

Time: 7:00 pm (2nd Fri of the month/unless noted)

Jan - 10: L'Armata Brancaleone

Questions?

Contact Claudia Albano (510) 773-0326



SUNSHINE REPORT

By Irma Sericati
Sunshine Reporter



A great way to end the year, our member **Julia Moradian** Collins had a baby boy, Owen Michael Collins, on December 24th. What a special Christmas gift for Julia's family, making Wendi Moradian a Nonna and **Diane Ward** a great grandmother. We congratulate the whole family on this blessed event.

On December 29th, **Renee New** was admitted to ICU with a severe asthma attack, causing her to be placed on life support. Glad to report that she is recovering and was able to return home after a few days. We are wishing her a speedy recovery.

Now for some extremely sad news:

Our member **Velma Miles** passed away on December 5th after a long illness. Please keep her daughters **Laura Ridney** and **Patrice Green**, her sister **Norma De Pianto** and Vilma's entire family in your thoughts and prayers.

On December 29th, **John Barassi** passed away suddenly. He is the husband of **Barbara** and father of **Christina Davis**. John has always been very active in the Men's Club holding many positions from President to Board Member. His presence will truly be missed by all of us. Sending our sincere condolences to Barbara, Christina and all of his extended family. May he rest in peace.

On January 4th, we learned of the passing of another of our dear friend, **Art Parziale**. Art was also a Past President of the Men's club and a strong supporter of the Women's club. He will be fondly reminded as one of our cooks for many years and often donating his time in support of our club. He, too, will be truly missed by all of us. Sending our sincere sympathy to his family. May he rest in peace.

We hope that the New Year will bring us good health and peace.

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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Open

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Open

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