

# FRATELLANZA WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB BULLETIN

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## BOARD MEMBER MESSAGE

Diane Sericati



Dear Members:

The holiday season is in full swing. Thanksgiving Day will be here in a few weeks, but before we celebrate with family, we have the opportunity to spend some time with our friends and family members at our November Birthday dinner on Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. Our chairladies, Linda Granko (510-223-1099) and Sandi Kent (925-698-5208), are planning a tasty dinner of salad, risotto, ham with all the trimmings and a delicious dessert. Please call them if you would like to set up on Monday and/or serve on Tuesday. Before the dinner we will have our holiday bake sale, it's a good time to stock up for the holidays. !!! (Items for the bake sale need to be wrapped, priced and at the club by 5:30 p.m.). Bake sale chairs are Lillian Taddei (510-523-9206) and Diane Proto (510-748-6423).

Also, this year we will have a special event, a silent auction of hand decorated miniature Christmas trees with various themes- with the proceeds going to our charitable annual donations. Call silent auction chairlady, Bev Chernoff (510-406-9843) if you have and questions or concerns.

Bake sale, Christmas tree auction and dinner are all included to make for an enjoyable evening. So get your groups together soon, make your reservations early and get the holiday season off with a bang!!!.

There are many activities happening in the coming days and month, the Birthday dinner, and decorating the club for Christmas, The Men's club annual Christmas Brunch with special activities for young and old, our annual Christmas pot luck before the meeting, the Children's Christmas party, our members only Christmas dinner and gift exchange, topped off by the New Year's Eve dinner celebration, refer to the bulletin and special notices and flyers for more details.

As we celebrate this Thanksgiving, we are so thankful for many things, foremost good health, and the growth of our club with the New Year bringing us a new President to guide us, new board members, new trustees and the return of seasoned officers, board members and trustees.

We give thanks to our membership for all the support everyone has given us. To everyone for the friendships we have made and continue to have- we are extremely blessed. Wishing everyone a very healthy and Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Diane Sericati and all the other Board Members.



## MEMBER'S MEETING

TUE, DEC 3, 2024

Business Meetings are the 1st Tuesday of each month

**6:00pm Member's Holiday Spuntino** (Sign up with Mary Ann De Pianto at

510-527-1432 with your food item you are brining)

**7:00pm Meeting Begins**

## CLUB OPEN

BOCCE COURTS & BAR ROOM

**1:00pm - 5:00pm**

**Every Wednesday**

**BIRTHDAY DINNER &  
BAKE SALE &  
HOLIDAY TREE AUCTION  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

**CHAIRS:  
LINDA  
GRANKO  
AND  
SANDI KENT**

**Menu:**

Special salad, risotto, ham  
(cut off bone), baked sweet  
potatoes/yams, carrots  
(buttered with cinnamon),  
and desert.

**Time & Cost:**

6pm Cocktails / 7pm Dinner  
Cost (Members & Guests): \$30  
/ Children (6-12): \$12

**Bake Sale:**

Bring homemade goodies in  
clear wrap and priced by  
5:30pm. Indicate content of  
"nuts" if applicable.

**Auction:**

Silent auction on donated  
decorated trees. \$25 opening  
bid; \$5 incremental bids.  
Proceeds go to charities.

**RSVP:**

RSVP by November 15, 2024 to Diane Sericati at (510) 526-6470  
or email: fwscreservations@gmail.com.

**MEMBER'S 2025 DUES  
DUE JANUARY 1, 2025**

**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.



**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.

**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

Francesca Addiego	Gina Hussein
Barbara Barassi	Cheryl Lane
Toni Marie Bermudez	Becky Lazzarotto
Diane Bianchi	Diane Nearhood
Celeste Conti	Patricia B. Parina
Judy De Alba	Ramona Pinto
Dina De Pianto	Karen Rinna Titus
Swisher	Sharon Viano
Joyce Gengler	Loisann Vittone
Lisa Germano	Patricia Wendschlag
Rose Marie Gish	
Joanne Greco	

**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Yolanda Addiego	Natalie Lenz-Acuna
Theresa Bailey	Arleen Maginnis
Lisa Biasotti	Carmelina Marmo
Susanna Brooks	Teresa Nicoletti
Roselyn (Rozz) Cantisani	Francesca Piccinini
Marie Ciraulo	Julia Sorbi
Camilla (Cami) Cox	Patty Villeggiante
Jennifer Diaz Castillo	
Carol Hazel	
Lisa Hazel Little	
Evelyn Favero Heald	
Roberta Healy	

**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



### MEMBERS CHRISTMAS PARTY/GIFT EXCHANGE TUE, DECEMBER 17, 2024

**More Details to Come  
Next Month**

Ladies Members Only  
FREE Christmas Dinner,  
Sing Along  
&  
Gift Exchange  
(\$25 limit)

Please bring a wrapped gift with  
your name on it for the gift  
exchange so the recipient knows  
whom it is from.

THE MENU IS TO BE  
ANNOUNCED!



### CLIB CHRISTMAS BRUNCH & KIDS CORNER SUN, DECEMBER 8, 2024

**Details to Come  
Refer to flyer for Kids Corner**

### CLUB CHRISTMAS FAMILY DINNER SAT, DECEMBER 14, 2024

**Details to Come**

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY SUN, DECEMBER 15, 2024

**Reservations Closed**

### NEW YEAR'S @ THE CLUB TUE, DECEMBER 31, 2024

**Details to Come**

### XMAS & TREE DECORATING @ THE CLUB SAT, NOVEMBER 30, 2024 - 10AM

You are cordially invited to join the Fratellanza Men's and Women's Clubs as we **decorate** the Ballroom, Dining Room, and Back Room **for the holidays. All are welcome... So, come join us as we make merry! Lunch included!**

Contact Joan Brignone  
510-799-2743 (H)   [jbrignone@comcast.net](mailto:jbrignone@comcast.net)

## S C H O L A R S H I P   I N F O R M A T I O N !

### 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)  
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## 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 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)

**Nov-15 (on the 3rd Friday): Umberto D.**

**Dec-13: Miracolo a Milano (Miracle in Milan)**



#### Questions?

Contact Claudia Albano (510) 773-0326  
SEE FLYER FOR MORE INFORMATION



### SUNSHINE REPORT

**By Irma Sericati**  
Sunshine Reporter



**Gail Jones** had knee replacement is doing very well and was able to attend the polenta dinner, way to go Gail.

On October 8<sup>th</sup> **Ann Martorello** became a grandmother for the 9<sup>th</sup> time. The new addition is a little boy, named John Richard, who lives in Texas. The Martorello family just continues to grow and grow, congratulations to the happy parents and Grandparents, they soon will need a bigger space for family reunions!!

On October 10<sup>th</sup>, our member, **Amanda Gipson** gave birth to her first child a little girl, Abigail Raven, who weighed 9 lb. 12 oz. at birth. Such a beautiful, big bundle of joy. Congratulations to Grandma Karen Raven, Great mother, Joan Bozzone, Great-Great Aunt Rose Marie Gish and all the rest of the family.

Just learned that in August, our member, **Carole Delucchi Padlo**, was at Farmers Market in Concord when she was struck by boy on a scooter, she fell, was brought to the hospital with a brain injury and spent 3 weeks in the hospital. She is now home but continues to have therapy and is so thankful to be doing better. We wish her a continued speedy recovery.

We wish everyone a very Healthy and Happy Thanksgiving.

*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](mailto:dsramona@aol.com).*

### 2023-2024

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Open

**Vice President:**  
Open

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