FRATELLANZA WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB BULLETIN

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ROZZ CANTISANI

Ciao a tutti!

We enjoyed another wonderful evening at the Club tonight, 62 members were in attendance. Tonight we celebrated our "Past Presidents", Karen Garcia, Vera Kaufman, Loretta Iacobitti, Lillian Taddei, Marilyn Sibitz and me. Before our meeting we all enjoyed a beautiful display of "culinary deliciousness". Thank you very much to our members who provided their favorite recipes for our spuntino for this celebration. Also, a BIG thank you to our chairladies Diane Sericati and Mary Ann De Pianto, for planning this lovely event in true Fratellanza Style!

July in review: Our June/ July birthday dinner was very well attended; we had 187 members and guests. The ballroom and dining room both were decorated in Red, White and Blue for the celebration of the 4th of July. The evening started with a very successful cookie bake sale. Thank you to **All** of our wonderful cookie chef members who baked their favorites recipes for this evening, and to chairlady Lillian Taddei and her cookie sellers. As always, all proceeds of the bake sale go to our Scholarship Fund. Our dinner was enjoyed by our birthday girls along with their family and guests. Thank you to those who donated all the lovely incentive gifts, they are always appreciated!! A Big thanks goes out to our set-up helpers, reservation/ticket ladies, raffle ladies, cooks, bartenders, kitchen and Waite staff! Great job!!!

Also in July, we had our first BINGO Luncheon, chaired by VP Nancy McDonough. We had a very nice attendance of 60 members and guests, who enjoyed a lovely lunch and dessert followed by BINGO. Cash prizes were given for each game; we also had a 50/50 raffle which was appreciated by the winner! The next BINGO event will be on Sunday, September 27,2026. Don't miss out on the fun!

Coming Events: Scholarship Tea Fund Raiser August 15, 2026, "SOLD OUT", The Fratellanza Club Italian Festa August 29, 2026, the play "Hair Spray" August 30, 2026, (**still room on the bus**) August/September Birthday Dinner September 15, 2026 (**we need a chairperson**) East Bay Bocce Tournament September 19, 2026, BINGO September 27, 2026. See our bulletin for more information and mark these dates on your calendar so you won't miss out!

The Italian American Federation 2027 Queen Coronation will be held at the Colombo Club, on Sunday, September 13, 2026. Watch for the flyer with more information. Thank you to our Fratellanza Women's Clubs outgoing Queen. Guiliana Sorbi and her court for representing and attending all

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BAY AREA ITALIAN CLUB BOCCE TOURNAMENT

SAT, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026

FWSC is sponsoring 2 teams again this year. The teams are confirmed and led by Renee Howley-Borreani.

Attend for lunch, socializing, and to cheer on the teams. Contact GianFranco Sciacero at (510) 432-2131 OR gsciacero@earthlink.net

MEMBER'S MEETING

TUE, SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

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

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

CLUB OPEN

BOCCE COURTS & BAR ROOM

1:00pm - 5:00pm
Every Wednesday

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club events throughout this year**.** Guliana, you and your court made us very proud! **Grazie a tutti!!!**

Ho! Ho! Ho! Santa is Coming!! Sunday, December 13, 2026. The Fratellanza Club will have the Children's Christmas Party with Santa!! Watch your email for the "Special Letter and Reservation Form" coming out August 15th. Event chaired by Rozz Cantisani and Russel Carrel. Please follow the instructions in the letter and mail your return registration form to me as soon as possible. Our elves have a lot of work ahead of them!

NOTE: At our meeting tonight, Election Committee Chairperson, Linda Granko conducted the Nominations for the "2027-2028" Fratellanza Women's Club officers. Elections will be held at our September 6, 2026, meeting.

Thank you to all our members for your support and participation in our club and events, see you soon!

Ciao for now!
Rozz Cantisani -President
Fratellanza Women's Social Club

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THANK YOU!

We would like to thank everyone who brought dishes for the Past President's spuntino.

Our members are all so generous and really are great cooks, what a beautiful assortments of goodies to display.

Again thank you for your contributions, it really makes chairing this event a pleasure.

Sincerely
Mary Ann De Pianto
Diane Sericati

THANK YOU!



Photo courtesy of Bev Chernoff

CELEBRATING PAST PRESIDENTS

On our August 4, 2026 Member's Business Meeting, we celebrated and honored our past President's of the club.

Past Presidents *(from left to right)*:

- Rozz Cantisani
- Marilyn Sibitz
- Lillian Taddei
- Vera Kaufman
- Karen Garcia
- *Not pictured*: Loretta Iacobitti

We Thank You!

Special Notice:
"No shows" at our dinners will be charged the cost of the event, unless cancelled 48 hours before the event by calling Diane Sericati (510-526-6470) or email Vicki Berndt at fwscreservations@gmail.com.

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

CLUB ITALIAN NIGHT FAMILY DINNER
SAT, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026
Details to Come

IAF OF THE EAST BAY QUEEN CORONATION BANQUET
SUN, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026
Cocktails 4:00pm/Coronation 4:30pm/Dinner Following
$50 Adults /$25 Children 5-12/ Children Under 5 - Free
RSVP by Sept 3
SEE FLYER FOR DETAILS

ITALIAN HERITAGE PARADE
SUN, OCTOBER 11, 2026
San Francisco North Beach
Details to Come

POLENTA DINNER
TUE, OCTOBER 20, 2026
Details to Come

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY DINNER & BAKE SALE
TUE, NOVEMBER 17, 2026
Details to Come

KIDS SANTA EVENT
SUN, DECEMBER 13, 2026
Details to Come

MEMBER'S XMAS DINNER & SING ALONG EVENT
TUE, DECEMBER 15, 2026
Details to Come

SEPT BIRTHDAY DINNER (AUG/SEPT BIRTHDAYS)
TUE, SEPTEMBER 15, 2026
Cocktails 5:00pm/Dinner 6:00pm
$35 Members/$40 Guests
$25 Children Under 12
RSVP by Sept 11:
Diane Sericati (510) 526-6470 or Vicki Berndt
fwscreservations@gmail.com
MENU AND FLYER TO COME

B-I-N-G-O (#2)
SUN, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026
Fun lively games of bingo!
Light lunch menu: Sandwiches, Salad, fruit, Coffee, Wine, Dessert.
Cost: $30 Per Person
RSVP:
Diane Sericati (510) 526-6470 or Vicki Berndt
fwscreservations@gmail.com
FLYER TO COME

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER TEA LUNCHEON
SAT, AUGUST 15, 2026
To RSVP (by August 3) and If you are interested to host a table or help for the event, please contact Barbara Barassi:
(510) 517-5833
nowvoyager1014@yahoo.com
SOLD OUT!
Drawing prizes are greatly appreciated.
This is always a fun and exciting event!
COST: $35
SEE FLYER FOR DETAILS



FOOD | CRAFTS | GAMES | FUN

2026

SEE FLYER FOR INFORMATION

4th Annual Fratellanza Festa Italiana
Saturday, August 29, 2026

FREE ADMISSION
PURCHASE TICKETS FOR FOOD & ACTIVITIES

FUN | GAMES | CRAFTS | FOOD

THE FRATELLANZA CLUB GOES TO THE MOVIES!

Join the Fratellanza Club for an Italian/Italian-American movie each month at the Club. Popcorn and discussion will be included.

This is FREE for Members and Non-Members.
No reservation needed.

Bar Open: 6:00 pm / **Movie Start:** 7:00 pm

August 21, 2026 (Friday): TBD
SAVE THE DATE
MOVIE TITLE AND FLYER TO COME SOON

Questions?
Mattia Milone at mattia.milone@gmail.com / (510) 289-2058

SUNSHINE REPORT
By Irma Sericati
Sunshine Reporter



Our dear member, **Louise Vigna**, is recovering from a recent stroke. Daughter claims that she is a fighter and hopefully will return home by the middle of August. Louise has a strong will as most of the bocce players know and we look forward to her speedy recovery and joining us again at bocce in the near future. We all wish her the very best.

A few sad notes: **Franca Tallerico's husband, Tom** passed away on July 20th. Tom and Franca were very active in the club in the past, Tom even was Vice President of the Men's Club at one time. Services are as follows: August 5th -Rosary at 7:00 p.m., August 6th, Funeral Mass at 11:00 a.m., all will be held at St. Joseph Cemetery in San Pablo. We extend our sincere sympathy to Franca and their family, please remember Tom in your thoughts and prayers.

Also, we received notification that **Teresa De Luca Schooler's husband, Edmund Schooler,** passed away on July 31. We send our condolences to Teresa and her family.

On a happier note: Our member **Amanda Gipson** had a baby boy on July 15th. His name is Theodore Grant Gipson, he was 8 lbs and 20 inches long. With a name like Theodore Grant, he is all set to become our USA President in the future!!! Congratulations to Amanda and family and especially to Grandma, Karen Raven and Great Grandma, Joan Bozzone. What a joy to have 6 grandchildren under 6 years old to keep you busy!! Enjoy them all!!

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.

2025-2026
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