

FRATELLANZA WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB BULLETIN

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Send Angela Missaggia your
updated contact information for
the roster at fratwsc@gmail.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SOLD OUT - Pizza and Pasta
Dinner with Tony Gemignani
on May 20, 2017**

This popular event is sold out;
However, there is a waiting list.
If interested, email the club at
fratreservations@sbcglobal.net
or call 510-764-236 x3 and leave
your name, how many in your
group, and contact information.
The club will contact those on
the waiting list after May 12 if
spots have opened up.

June 6, 2017 Members Business Meeting

Be sure to attend this meeting
to welcome our new members
initiated into our Ladies club!

Columbus Day Queen Coronation October 15, 2017

We are still seeking young ladies
to represent our club in the
upcoming Columbus Day Queen
and/or Princess coronation on
October 15. Contact Diane
Sericati at 510-526-6470 for
more information and
application. The selection of
candidates will occur on July 29.

Fleet Week October 7, 2017

Come see the amazing Blue
Angels on a boat cruise that
leaves from Pier 3 in SF -
includes champagne brunch -
\$120 (transportation to the pier
on your own) Contact Vera
Kaufman at 510-223-3381.



President's Message: By Marilyn Sibitz

Cara mi amici,

April showers bring May flowers. Having more than a week of dry days has been wonderful. Our gardens are producing beautiful flowers, and the rain has encouraged our vegetables gardens to start growing.

Our April meeting had our first speaker. Mary Minneti spoke to us about creating and maintaining an Italian Garden. It was very inspiring. She has a very informative web site you might be interested in: www.theitaliangardenproject.com.

Our Mother's Day Dinner was a wonderful way to start our May meeting. Thank you to Sally Accurso for filling in for me. The co-chairs for the dinner, Diane Sericati and Estelle Vetere, did a great job organizing for this event. Mille grazie to all who participated in making this a special event. Wasn't it nice to have Dino and Evan in the kitchen cooking for us and then having the handsome waitstaff from our Men's Club waiting on us?

May continues to be a busy month. On May 16th, we have our May Birthday Dinner... Arlene Howell and Anne Martorello are co-chairing this event. If you would like to help please give one of them a call: Arlene: 510-223-0505; Anne: 925-376-4644. The IAF Scholarship dinner is at the Colombo Club on May 20 and May 21 is our Day at the Races. Please refer to the "Upcoming Events" in the bulletin for more details for these events.

We have 27 ladies who have sent in applications for membership. The Board will be interviewing them on May 15th, and if needed, on May 22nd. They will be approved for membership and initiated at our June meeting.

I wish all of you a very happy Mother's Day. I look forward to seeing you on May 16!

Marilyn

CALENDAR OF THIS MONTHS EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Ladies Members Business Mtng & Mothers Day Dinner 6:30 pm	3 Bocce League	4	5	6
7 Men's Mother's Day Brunch 9am-12 noon	8	9	10 Bocce League	11	12	13
	15	16 Ladies Birthday Dinner 7pm	17 Bocce League	18 Mens 2nd Birthday Dinner 7:30pm	19 Friday Monthly Club Luncheon 12noon	20 Men's Pizza Night Family Dinner 7pm / IAF Scholarship Awards Dinner (Columbo Club)
21 Day at the Races	22	23	24 Bocce League (Spuntino)	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 Bocce League			

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ladies Birthday Dinner

May 16, 2017

**No Host Cocktails - 6 pm
Dinner - 7 pm**

\$17 per person

Menu:
Pork Tenderloin

Co-Chair:
Arlene Howell and
Anne Martorello

RSVP by May 12, 2017
Loretta Iacobitti at
510-524-6903

"Day At The Races" Golden Gate Field

May 21, 2017

\$38 per person

This includes valet parking, admission to the Turf Club, and a delicious buffet lunch. Get your groups together now and make your reservations early. Gates open at 11am. If you have never attended, come and experience the fun at Golden Gate Fields. If you have attended before, please come again! It will be a great way to spend a Sunday!

RSVP w/Payment:
Diane Sericati
510-526-6470

Ravioli Lunch & Bunco "Shake Rattle & Roll"

June 11, 2017

**No Host Cocktails - 11 am
Lunch - 12 noon
Bunco - To follow**

\$18 per person

Menu: Salad, Ravioli, Bread
& Butter, Dessert and Wine

This is sure to be a lot of fun!
If you do not know how to play
we will teach you!

RSVP by June 8, 2017
Loretta Iacobitti at
510-524-6903

Italian American Federation (IAF) Scholarship Awards Dinner: May 20, 2017 - \$20 - RSVP by May 12 - Contact Diane Sericati for more information and reservations at 510-526-6470

Men's Fratellanza Scholarship Golf Classic: June 25, 2017 (see flyer for more details)

Western Night Dinner Dance: July 15, 2017 (more details to come)

Birthday Dinner & Biscotti Cookie Sale: July 18, 2017 (more details to come)

Festa Italiana Silver Legacy Reno Trip: October 8 & 9, 2017-Lots of things included in cost based on occupancy (\$128 double/\$166 single) RSVP by Aug 28-Contact Rose Marie Gish at 510-655-7192



Mother's Day In Italy: La Festa della Mamma

In Italy, la mamma is the cornerstone of the home and celebrated by her family — especially mammoni, an Italian cultural phenomenon of “mama’s boys” — all year round. Still, every second Sunday of May, we bambini and mammoni jump to lavish our mothers with flowers, gifts, and poems for La Festa della Mamma.

Mother's Day was first celebrated in Italy in May 1957, about 50 years after it was founded in the United States. A parish priest began the tradition in Assisi, a beautiful hillside town in Umbria, with great festivities. Many in the surrounding cities got word and joined the appreciation of the women whose unconditional love and hard work helped them become who they are. The day was so successful that just one year later, the holiday was adopted across Italy's 20 regions.

Today, Mother's Day is more widely celebrated than ever. Young or old, children strive to visit their family home in time for La Festa della Mamma, or at least send gifts and make a long distance phone call. Urban legend has it that our phone companies record their highest volume of calls on Mother's Day. We still prefer quality time and enjoy a great meal with her.

Source: Eataly.com

Cannoli Cheesecake

Ingredients - Crust:

- 1 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 2 tbsp granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup butter, melted

Ingredients - Filling:

- 3 Lbs Smooth Ricotta Cheese
- 1 1/2 cups granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup all purpose flour
- 1 tbsp vanilla extract
- 2 tsp freshly grated orange peel
- 7 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1/3 cup miniature chocolate chips
- Candied orange slices or shelled pistachios

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 350°F (175°C).
2. Wrap all sides and bottom of a 9" spring form pan securely with a double layer thickness of aluminum foil. Combine all of the crust ingredients together and press evenly across the bottom and 1/2" up the sides of the pan. Bake for 10 minutes; allow to cool before filling.
3. In a large bowl beat Ricotta Cheese and granulated sugar until smooth. Beat in flour, vanilla and orange peel. Add beaten eggs one at a time and blend on low speed only until incorporated (do not over mix). Carefully pour into prepared pan and sprinkle with chocolate chips. Place in a large baking pan and add 1" of hot water to the pan.
4. Bake for 75 minutes or until center is almost set. Carefully remove pan from oven and lift out spring form pan and place on a wire rack to cool for 10 minutes. Remove aluminum foil; run a sharp knife around edge of pan to loosen; allow to cool an additional hour and remove side of pan. Refrigerate until ready to serve. Garnish with candied oranges or pistachios.

Source: cookingwithnonna.com



5 Things Italian Moms Say

- 1) “Have you eaten?”
- 2) “You can’t go out like that; you’ll catch a cold!”
- 3) “Why haven’t you found a nice girl/boy yet?”
- 4) “Don’t touch that - it’s for later!”
- 5) “You look terrible, are you sick?”

Buona Festa Della Mamma!

*Just a day to remember who has given
us life, and to appreciate all of the
things our mother has given us.
Happy Mother's Day!*

*Solo un giorno per ricordare chi ci ha
dato vita e apprezzare tutte le cose
che la nostra madre ci ha dato.
Buona festa della mamma!*

Happy Birthday To You!!!

APRIL * APRIL * APRIL

Maria Addiego
Gina Brusatori
Stacy Cerruti
Georganne F
Drescher
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MAY * MAY * MAY

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Sunshine Report

By Irma Sericati,
Sunshine Reporter



1. **Diana De Simoni** was injured by a car in the parking lot of Safeway in El Cerrito. She was taken to the hospital and released the same day. She did sustain major bruising to her arm and internally. We wish her well and hope she is on the road to recovery. Glad to see her at the dinner.
2. **Roselyn Porter** had outpatient foot surgery and is home recuperating.
3. **Josie Genievich** had hip replacement surgery on Monday, April 17, was in rehab for one week and came home this Monday, only 2 weeks after surgery. She is getting along very well and we hope to see her at the club soon.
4. **Fran Bienati** had an outpatient knee procedure on April 18 and is recuperating at home, glad to see her at the dinner.
5. **Laverne Lara** had knee surgery on April 24th and is home recuperating.
6. Sad news, our dear member, **Gloria Martinucci** passed away on April 16th, Easter Sunday. Gloria was a very active member and will be greatly missed. Condolences to her entire family.

If you have news of a club member who is ill, hospitalized, or deceased, please contact Irma at 510-526-6470.

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