FRATELLANZA WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB BULLETIN

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Columbus Day Queen Contest

The Fratellanza Club is currently seeking single ladies between the ages of 16-25 to represent our club in the upcoming Columbus Day Queen Contest sponsored by the Clubs of the Italian American Federation of the East Bay. Contact Marilyn Sibitz for applications.

Culinary Italy Trip from Sorrento to Rome Tour Dates: April 21-May 3, 2020

The Fratellanza is planning a special culinary experience to Italy! See flyer for more details. Contact Travel Center Tours & Travel to RSVP at (925) 937-2223. Join the TRAVEL PRESENTATION INFORMATIONAL MEETING at The Fratellanza Club on Monday, May 6, 2019 at 6:30pm.

Chair Persons Needed for Birthday Dinners

We still need a chair person for the May and July Birthday dinners. Contact Marilyn if you are interested at Marilyn Sibitz at 510-215-1567.

Italian American Federation (IAF) Scholarship Dinner -Saturday May 18, 2019

Contact the Colombo Club for more information (510) 653-9020



President's Message: By Marilyn Sibitz

Care Mi Amiche.

Even among the rains we have had beautiful spring flowers that are in bloom. Thankfully, this will definitely not be a drought year!

March was a very busy month for us. We started with our birthday dinner on March 19th. Diane Hasty and Maria DeLa Rosa did a great job as first time chair ladies. Our traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner with an Italian touch, rigatoni with pesto sauce, was delicious. Grazie mille to our cooks, Art Parziale and Roger Laurel for cooking the dinner, and all of the others: bartenders, dishwashers, ticket sellers, raffle donators, set up ladies, servers and all who attended, for being a part of this fun evening. I also thank Bev Chernoff for filling in for me.

March 23 was our 74th Anniversary. This beautiful evening was organized by Chair, Renee Howley, and committee Lisa Boreanni, who created our Invitation, Bev Chernoff, Rozz Cantisani, Rose Marie Gish, and Becky Lazzarotto. These women did an outstanding job of choosing a delicious menu, creating beautiful spring floral arrangements and beautiful decorations in the dining room and dance hall. The set up committee did a terrific job of making our club look very elegant. And of course, we had the best wait staff, members of our Men's Club. All of this help was greatly appreciated. A big GRAZIE MILLE also, to Gianfranco Sciacers for the picture boards of our Women's Club events from the past. He had a few new ones for us to enjoy.

The only disappointment of the event was the lack of attendance of our members. I thank all of our officers, board, trustees, and past presidents, plus the 20 additional members that attended our dinner. Out of 340 members, that was not a good showing from our members. If you want our club to continue with the support needed to do so, you will have to show your support by attending our event.

The applications for membership have been tuned in. There are 25 women who wish to join our club. Their applications will be reviewed at our April board meeting and then letters to invite them to an interview will be sent. Installation will be at our June meeting.

May 7 will be our next meeting. We have our Mother's Day Dinner starting at 6:30pm. Remember to call Loretta at 510-524-6903 to RSVP by May 4.

We still need a chair for our May and July Birthday Dinners. Please consider volunteering, even if you have not done it before. Diane and Maria found that it was lots of fun and not hard to do. Please call me at 510-215-1567 to let me know you would like this experience.

Please review our Calendar of Events for the rest of the year and put these dates on your personal calendar. We have a lot of fun events coming up and I wouldn't want you to miss any of them.

Con Amore, Marilyn

APRIL - CALENDAR OF EVENTS - APRIL

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	1	Members Business Meeting 7pm/ Socialize, Spuntino & Dessert 6pm	3 Bocce League	4	5	6
7 La Coppa Bocce Series #2	8	5	10 Bocce League Spuntino	11	12	April Family Dinner Dance 6:30pm Dinner/ 5:30 Cocktails & Events
14	15	16	17 Bocce League	18 Men's 2nd Birthday Dinner 7pm/ Cocktails 6pm	19	20
Happy Easter	22	23	24 Bocce League	25	26 Friday Club Luncheon 12noon	27
28	29	30				



UPCOMING EVENTS

"Members Only Business Meeting & Mother's Day Dinner"

> May 7, 2019 6:30pm

No Cost to Members

Chair Person: Loretta lacobitti

Menu:

A Special Surprise Menu!

We will plan to have a short meeting after dinner

RSVP By: May 4, 2019 Loretta lacobitti 510-524-6903

Friday Monthly
Club Luncheon
April 26, 2019 - 12noon
Ravioli & Pork Roast.
Cost \$TBD RSVP:
510-547-9435

"April Family Dinner"

April 13, 2019

Cocktails/Kids Events: 5:30pm

Dinner: 6:30pm

Members: \$25 Guests: \$30

> Chair: Roger Laurel

Special games and events for kids before dinner. After dinner, dance and listen to The Albert Garcia Band.

Recommended Attire: Business Casual

Menu:

Fratellanza Salad, Ravioli, Vern's Roast Chicken, Italian Green Beans, and Ice Cream.

RSVP By: April 11 fratreservations@gmail.com 510-764-2365 x3

"Day @ the Races"

Gate Fields Turf Club Sunday, May 19, 2019

Cost: \$43 Per Person

This includes valet parking, admission to the Turf Club, program booklet, 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 is a great way to spend Sunday!

RSVP w/Payment By April
15 to Diane Sericati
510-526-6470

Birthday Dinner - Tuesday, May 21 2019: Come celebrate our April and May members' birthdays. Chair: Sina Nicoletti (510) 367-8650. Get your group together now! Menu: Fratellanza Salad, Ravioli with Meat Sauce, Baked Chicken with Asparagus, & Desert, Coffee & Wine. Raffle prizes needed. Help setup the day before at 2pm.

Ravioli Lunch & Bunco - Sunday, June 23, 2019: Cocktails 11am /Lunch 12 noon Bunco afterwards - More to come!

Save the Date!

Mother's Day Brunch - May 5, 2019

More to come!

Scholarship Fundraiser Tea - Saturday, August 17, 2019.
Only two tables left to host. Contact Barbara Barassi (510-799-2171) if you are interested in hostessing a table.

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

LA COPPA BOCCE TOURNAMENT SERIES - 2019 DATES:

APRIL 7, 2019

SEPTEMBER 8, 2019 OCTOBER 20, 2019

SIGN UP AT THE CLUB TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT OR CONTACT GIANFRANCO

gsciacero@earthlink.net or 510-525-5372

ALSO...

The East Bay Italian Club Tournament is September 21, 2019

Sunshine Report

By Irma Sericati, Sunshine Reporter



Rachelle Babb was recently hospitalized due to asthma problems. She is now home recuperating.

Terry Ventin was hospitalized with pneumonia, she is recovering quite well and is out and about, glad to hear and continue to stay healthy.

Toni Reeder had both hips replaced on Monday, March 18, came home on Tuesday the 19th and is doing extremely well, walking around and feeling so much better than before. What a real inspiration to us all.

Diana De Simone had shoulder surgery on March 29th, came home the next day and is recuperating at home.

Gayle Walker has been hospitalized with kidney stones, we wish her a speedy recovery

We wish all our sick members speedy recoveries and best wishes.

We wish to express our sincere condolences to Donna Marsicano and family on the passing of her dear mother, Trini Marsicano, on March 17th.

And now, a time to celebrate, our member **Danielle (Aguilera) Malek-Zadeh** gave birth to a son, Domenic Mac, on March 20th, the first day of spring. Congratulations to the first grandmother, Francesca Aguilera and great grandmother, Severina Olivito. What a great way to start springtime!!!

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

2019-2020

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