

FRATELLANZA WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB BULLETIN

The Fratellanza Women's Social Club | Where Good Friends Meet | Since 1945

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2020 Club Dues Now Payable

Please pay your 2020 Fratellanza Women's Social Club dues no later than January 1, 2020. A member will be delinquent if dues are NOT paid by February 1, 2020 and will be charged a \$20 penalty fee along with the \$35 annual dues.

If a member fails to pay dues and a penalty fee by March 1, 2020, it will be assumed that the member is no longer interested in the Club, and shall be automatically dropped from the membership.

Regular Membership = \$35
Honorary Membership = \$15

Make your check out to:
The Fratellanza
Women's Social Club

Mail payment to:
Rose Marie Gish
5456 Manila Ave.,
Oakland, CA 94618



President's Message: By Marilyn Sibitz

Dear Members,

As we enter into our gala Christmas holiday celebrations and festivities, you can add additional enjoyment by joining our traditional club activities. I hope you will join us for these events and enjoy the beautiful Winter Wonderland at the club that has been created by the members of the Men and Women's Clubs.

Our huge Christmas tree was put up by members of the Men's Club and the next day the elves came to decorate the Dance Hall, Dining Room, and Back Room. Thank you to all for giving of their time to make the Fratellanza Club so beautiful. Mille grazie a tutti.

Irene Moore and Louise Wolfe did a wonderful job chairing our November Birthday Dinner. Vera Kaufman chaired our Boutique and Irma Sericati arranged the delicious goodies baked by our members. Those who helped set up and serve the dinner, and those that donated prizes, sold raffle tickets, gave out the seating tickets, and everyone that attended made for a very successful evening. We appreciate all that supported us, including the men who sat in the back room. Without our 'village' we would not have had such a wonderful event.

The Spuntino before our December Business Meeting was delicious. Our members are definitely the best cooks ever. Wouldn't we make a great cooking show - La Favolosa Fratellanza Famiglia, Il Cibo di Italia. Thank you to Mary Ann DePianto and Diane Sericati for coordinating the dinner.

Our Children's Christmas Party will be held on December 15. Lunch will begin at 11:30 and Santa will arrive at 1:00. (Note new time for Santa.) We have added more music to this fun day which the children (and adults) will enjoy.

The committees will remain the same for the next year. New members will get sign up sheets at the member's Christmas Dinner (if they haven't already received them) to choose what they would like to be involved in for 2020. There are also chair positions for birthday dinners for January 21, March 17, and July 21, and refreshments for January 7, July 7, and September 1. If all members worked on one event next year, how GREAT that would be.

A fun celebration will be at the Fratellanza Club for New Year's Eve. This evening begins with cocktails at 7:00 followed by dinner at 8:00. Dancing to the music of Gary Savelli will follow. After, a spuntino will be served. Please gather your family and friends and come to this terrific event. We would love to have you join us for this fun evening as well as showing your support for our club.

Buon Natale e Felice Anno Nuovo!

Con amore, Marilyn

DECEMBER - CALENDAR OF EVENTS - DECEMBER

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat |
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| 1 Christmas Brunch 9am-12noon | 2 | 3 Members Meeting 7pm/ <i>Spuntino</i> 6:00pm | 4 Bocce League (Spuntino) | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 Bocce League | 12 Beach Blanket Babylon | 13 | 14 Holiday Family Dinner 7pm/ Cocktails 6pm |
| 15 Children's Christmas Party! | 16 | 17 Ladies Members Only Christmas Dinner & Gift Exchange Dinner 7pm/ Cocktails 6pm | 18 Bocce League | 19 Men's Members Only Christmas Dinner | 20 Friday Club Luncheon 12noon | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 BUON NATALE! | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | 31 New Years Eve Party! | 1 JAN FELICE ANNO NUOVO! | 2 | 3 | 4 |

Christmas Tree Cake with Lemon Curd & Lemoncello



The sky is the limit on flavor and decorating, make it your own!

Source: www.prouditaliancook.com

Ingredients

- 1 large Pandoro
- ½ cup of Limoncello or other liqueur (optional)
- 1 small jar of good quality store-bought lemon curd 10 oz. (you won't use it all)
- 2 cups heavy whipping cream
- 1 cup mascarpone cheese, room temp
- 2 heaping tablespoons, powdered sugar
- Edible stars, white pearl sprinkles or anything else you want to decorate with
- A topper for your tree cake and cake platter

Instructions

1. Turn the Pandoro on its side and carefully cut six slices horizontally.
2. In large mixing bowl, add mascarpone cheese and powdered sugar, beat well with mixer.
3. Add heavy cream into the mascarpone mixture, beat well into stiff peaks.
4. Fold in lemon curd, start with a heaping tablespoon and keep adding more to taste and stiffness of the cream mixture, remember you don't want it runny.
5. Place the largest slice onto your serving platter.
6. Brush first layer with limoncello (If not using liqueur just brush the layer with a thin swipe of lemon curd).
7. Spread cream mixture all over the top.
8. Top with the next largest slice making sure to angle it so the points of the star do not align.
9. Repeat with the limoncello and cream mixture on each layer and finally the top.
10. At this point you can refrigerate it over night and decorate it closer to the time you will be serving it, or serve right away. Try not to serve it ice cold from the fridge, let it sit out a little.
11. To cut, remove layer by layer and cut into serving size, when you get towards the bottom you can cut into wedges.

UPCOMING EVENTS

“Ladies Members Only Christmas Dinner & Gift Exchange”

Tuesday, December 17, 2019

**Cocktails 6:00pm /
Dinner 7:00pm**

This is **FREE** dinner for the ladies members only (men serve).
You **MUST** RSVP!

Warm up your vocal chords and be ready to sing the “12 Days of Christmas”!

Gift Exchange - \$20 Minimum
(Be sure to put your name on the gift so the recipient can thank you!)

Menu:
A surprise!

RSVP by 12/13/19:
Loretta Iacobitti
1-510-524-6903

“Holiday Family Dinner & Dance”

Saturday, December 14, 2019

**Cocktails 6:00pm /
Dinner 7:00pm**

Chair Person(s):
Russel Carrel

Menu:
Fratellanza Salad, Minestrone Soup, Roast Beef, Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable, Dessert

Music: Steve Balich Band

Cost:
Members = \$25
Guests = \$30
Children 2-12 = 1/2 Price
5 and Under FREE

RSVP by 12/12/19:
fratreservations@gmail.com
or 1-510-764-2365 x3

“New Year’s Eve Dinner & Dance Party”

Tuesday, December 31, 2019

**Cocktails 7:00pm /
Dinner 8:00pm**

Chair Person(s):
Fratellanza & Ligure Clubs

Menu:
Special Salad, Bone in Pork Chop, Scalloped Potatoes, Fresh Italian Green Beans, Cannoli

Music: DJ Gary Savelli

Cost:
\$35 per person
Family and Friends Welcome!

RSVP by 12/29/19:
fratreservations@gmail.com
or 1-510-764-2365 x4

SAVE THE DATE:

OUR 75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION & DINNER

Saturday, March 28, 2020.

Please plan on attending this gala event!

Friday Monthly Club Luncheon

December 20, 2019 - 12noon

Tortellini, Salmon, & Vegetable

Cost \$TBD

RSVP: 1-510-547-9435

Member’s Business Meeting - Tuesday, January 7, 2020:

6:00pm Spuntino (by the men) and meeting starts at 7pm

Come early to socialize and meet new friends!

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

**Buone Feste e Tanti Auguri a Tutti!
Happy Holidays and Best Wishes to All!**

2019 Scholarship Information

Scholarship (college or technical school) applications are available now by contacting Rose Marie Gish. Minimum 3.0 GPA is required. Each recipient of the scholarship will receive a minimum of \$1,000. Deadline to submit applications with essay is Feb 1 and grades with letters of recommendations due by 3/15. Anyone is able to make a donation. For more details please contact Loisann Vittone at 510-233-8416 or Melinda Brignone 510-235-2852.

Sign up for a 2020 Committee!

**Signup lists at upcoming events.
When you are more involved, you have more fun!**

- 1) Scholarship/Membership
- 2) Anniversary Dinners
- 3) Speakers for Meetings
- 4) Christmas Activities
- 5) Special Activities
- 6) Special Dinners
- 7) Meeting Refreshments
- 8) Birthday Dinners

Sunshine Report

By Irma Sericati,
Sunshine Reporter



We wish to express our sincere condolences to Board Member, **Loisann Vittone**, on the recent passing of her beloved husband, **John**. Loisann and John enjoyed coming to our various events and will be missed by his many friends and acquaintances at the club. May he rest in peace

On a happier note: **Lori Framsted** became a grandmother to a baby girl named Siena Grace. Congratulations to Lori and her whole family, what a blessing to be thankful for.

**We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year, Stay Healthy!!!**

*If you have news of a club member who is ill, hospitalized,
or deceased, please contact Irma at 1-510-526-6470.*

2019-2020

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