

FRATELLANZA WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB BULLETIN

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2020 Club Dues Now Payable

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

Member's New Year's 2020 Resolution

To become more active in the club by helping with at least one event this year.

2020 is an Election Year

If you are interested to run for Office, be a Board Member, or Trustee, you must have attended nine (9) meetings from September 1, 2019 - August 31, 2020. Contact Marilyn Sibitz at 1-510-215-1567 for more information.

President's Message By Marilyn Sibitz

Felice Anno Nuovo mi amici,

Now that our holidays are behind us and we have wonderful memories to reflect on, it is time to enjoy the fun events we have planned in 2020.

Our Women's Club kept us busy in December with our Spuntino before our meeting, the Children's Christmas Party, and our Member's Christmas Dinner. I thank everyone who worked on these activities. Together, with our Men's Club, we had a great New Year's Eve party. Seeing 2020 in with a balloon drop and a glass of champagne made for a wonderful beginning to a new year. Our delicious dinner was cooked by Art Parziale, Karl Cerruti, and Vito Muscardin who also washed the dishes. Sante Missaggia made our drinks, and the evening was chaired by Ron Blair, who along with his wife Jackie, and Russell and Cindy Carroll served our dinner. Set up and decorations were done by Gianfranco Sciacero, Roland and Becky Lazzaroto, and Michael and me. Tante grazie a tutti.

Our January meeting began with speaker, Adele Negro, who is involved with the Italian American Studies Association, which puts on programs relevant to Italian Americans. She presented us with some very interesting information about Italians that immigrated to the United States and the hardships they met as they integrated into their neighborhoods. Members have indicated that they would appreciate more discussions on this topic in the future.

January 21 is our first birthday dinner of the year. We are in desperate need of chairs for this dinner. Please give me a call (1-510-215-1567) if you can help with this event. If you can help set up at 4:00 on January 20, or serve at this dinner, please give Sally Accurso (1-510-908-0706) or me a call. Raffle prizes are appreciated.

At our February meeting we will be separating into our committees. If you have forgotten which committee you chose I will have the list at the meeting. If you have not signed up yet, you may do so that night. We are also going to discuss the responsibilities of being a chair of a dinner, bringing refreshments to a meeting, and answering any other questions you may have. Please do your best to attend this meeting.

Our Men's Club will be celebrating their 88th Anniversary on January 25. See the "Upcoming Events" page for more information. The officers, board, trustees, and any members who would like to help set up or serve for this evening are welcome. Please call Sally Accurso (1-510-908-0706) or me (1-510-215-1567) if you can help.

Remember, our 75th Anniversary is on March 28. Bring your family and friends to this gala evening. More details will be coming next month.

Our 2020 club calendar is out. Please put all the dates on your personal calendar, so you won't miss our events so that you can be an active member of our club.

May 2020 be filled with good health, many memory making moments and lots of fun attending the many events of our club.

Con amore, Marilyn



JANUARY - CALENDAR OF EVENTS - JANUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
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5	6 	7 Members Meeting & Speaker 7pm/ <i>Spuntino 6pm</i>	8 Bocce League	9	10	11
12 Bocce League Awards Banquet	13	14	15	16 Men's Bagna Cauda <i>Dinner 7pm/ Cocktails 6pm</i>	17	18
19	20	21 Members Birthday Dinner <i>7pm/Cocktails 6pm</i>	22	23 Men's 2nd Birthday <i>Dinner 7pm/ Cocktails 6pm</i>	24	25 Men's 88th Anniversary <i>Dinner 7pm/ Cocktails 6pm</i>
26	27	28	29	30	31 Friday Club Luncheon <i>12noon</i>	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY LADIES!

Remember the birthday dinners are held every other month. This is a great way for members to get to know each other, volunteer and promote activities. If your birthday falls within these two months, your birthday is complimentary on **Tuesday, January 21, 2020!**

RSVP to Loretta Iacobitti at 510-524-6903 by Friday, January 17, 2020.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Elizabeth Addiego	Mary Ann De Pianto	Riana Lane
Joanne Angerame	Carole M Delucchi	Carol Lazzaro
Emma Arrington	Padlo	Adriana Matteucci
Mary Bartalotti	Antonina Estrada	Giulia Matteucci
Lillian A Bayer	Linda Felice	Evelyne Mittone
Vicki Berndt	Nicole Ortega Focht	Linda R. Montano
Pina Campilongo	Lynnette Franks	Sharon Parmelee
Murray	Karen Garcia	Carla Pierce
Anna Marie Canepa	Anna-Marie	Pola Robertson
Nancy L. Cerruti	Hendrickson	Catia Saroni
Jo Ann Cola	Pat Hines	Rose Tsaguris
Pamela Coleman	Donna Houser	Gloria Verner
Victoria Cooper	Cathy Kenny Wright	Jennifer Vernon

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Jeanne Rose	Mary De Benedictis	Anna Minetti
Atkinson	Diana Y. De Simoni	Diane Marie
Teresa Azzolino	Annita Del Simone	Ottaviano
Rachelle Babb	Rochelle Flotten	Mary Ellen Panerio-
Frances Bienati	Frances Herrera	Page
Francis Bird	Renee Howley	Bette Piantanida
Christine	Adele Buscaglia	Marilyn Pricco Sibitz
Bonavolonta	Hunter	Renee Tomei
Donna Cannady	Charlene Iacobitti	Teresa Ventin
Mary Ann Piana	Louise N. Jones	Diane Warren
Chapman	Marisa Marmo-Renn	
Christina Davis	Laura Meiser	



UPCOMING EVENTS

“January Birthday Dinner”

Tuesday - January 21, 2020
Cocktails 6pm /Dinner 7pm

Chair: TBD

Menu:

Fratellanza Salad, Risotto,
Baked Chicken, Vegetable, &
Dessert

Cost: \$20 per person
(Free to December & January
Birthday Members)

Get your group together and
have a nice evening out!

Raffle prizes, service and setup
help, as always, are greatly
needed!

RSVP by 1/17/20:
Loretta Iacobitti
1-510-524-6903

“Polenta Dinner”

Tuesday - February 18, 2020
Cocktails 6pm /Dinner 7pm

Chair: Sally Accurso

Menu:

Salad, Polenta with Stew
Meat & Italian Sausage,
Vegetable, Dessert, Wine &
Coffee

Cost:
\$20 per person

Get your group together and
have a nice evening out!

Raffle prizes great needed!
Service and setup help also
greatly needed!

RSVP by 1/14/20:
Loretta Iacobitti
1-510-524-6903

“Men’s 88th Anniversary Dinner”

Saturday - January 25, 2020

Cocktails 5:30pm /
Dinner 6:30pm

Chair: Past President's

Menu:

Fratellanza Salad, Gnocchi
with Pesto Sauce, Prime Rib
& Shrimp, Vegetables,
Dessert

Music: George Campi

Cost:
\$28 Members/\$33 Guests
Children 6-12 1/2 Price

Don't miss the Fratellanza Club
photo memorabilia display presented
by Club Historian Gianfranco
Sciacero!

RSVP by 1/23/20:
1-510-764-2365 x3
fratreservations@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE:

OUR 75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION & DINNER

Saturday, March 28, 2020.

Please plan on attending this gala event!

Friday Monthly Club Luncheon
January 31, 2020 - 12noon
Polenta w/Beef & Sausage Stew
Cost \$TBD
RSVP: 1-510-547-9435

Men's Bagna Cauda Dinner - Thursday, January 16, 2020:
6:00pm Cocktails / 7:00pm Dinner

Chair: Alan Pricco & Bob Porta Cost: \$16 Members / \$21 All Others
RSVP by: 1/14/20 1-510-764-2365 x5 (seating limit ti 150)

Member's Monthly Business Meeting - Tuesday, February 4, 2020:
6:00pm Spuntino (by the men) and meeting starts at 7:00pm
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.

Sign up for a 2020 Committee!

Signup lists are at upcoming events or talk to Marilyn Sibitz.

When you are more involved, you have more fun!

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

2020 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.

Where Are They Now?

Fratellanza Women's Social Club Scholars

Thank you to all our scholarship recipients and their families who provided information for the Scholarship Survey. The data will be shared in March at our 75th Anniversary Dinner. Please consider attending this event as we celebrate the many accomplishments of the Fratellanza Women's Social Club and yours as well. We hope to see you in March. Grazie, grazie, grazie!. Joan Brignone

Sunshine Report

By Irma Sericati,
Sunshine Reporter



On December 10th, **Terry Ventin** had surgery, she is doing quite well, that she attended our meeting this month.

On December 1st our member **Ina Bardley's** husband passed away suddenly, our condolences to Ina and her family.

On December 16, **Joan Holland's husband Keith** passed away. Keith was a real supporter of the Women's Club, always helping Joan with anything she needed to do for the club. He was such a kind and gentle soul always with a smile even though he was in pain. He will truly be missed by all his friends and family. Keith is also the brother in law of Patricia Irvine. Our condolences to Joan and family.

On December 27th, **Lisa Kinney's son, Joseph**, passed away suddenly. Joseph is also the great nephew of Joan Holland and Patricia Irvine. We extend our sincere sympathy to his entire family. Please keep them all in your prayers and thoughts.

On January 5, **Mary Bartalotti and Egidia Manzone's mother, Maria Addiego**, passed away, 2 months before her 100th birthday.

Members, Diane Bartalotti and Brianna Manzone were Maria's granddaughters, along with many extended family members of our club. We extend our sincere condolences to all her family members especially Mary and Egidia, during this difficult time, May Maria rest in peace.

2019-2020

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