

# FRATELLANZA WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB BULLETIN

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Marilyn Sibitz



Cari amici,

Our beautiful holiday is with us, and we are enjoying the wonderful decorations that make this time of year very special. Hopefully, next year we can decorate our club with the beautiful tree in the ballroom and our Christmas scene in the dining room. And, maybe Santa can come back inside for our children's party.

December 20 is our member's only Christmas dinner. This is a free dinner for us, BUT you must make a reservation with Loretta (510) 524-6903, so we know how much food to purchase for our surprise dinner menu. Remember, we have a gift exchange so bring a gift with a value of \$25.00 wrapped and with your name on it. These are exchanged after dinner and the singing of 12 Days of Christmas.

My term as President of our Fratellanza Women's Social Club is coming to an end. It has been a very rewarding experience. I thank all of you for your support and loyalty during my seven years of office. I look forward to continuing my support of the club as the President of the Board.

I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Con amore,

Marilyn



# MERRY CHRISTMAS!

## DRIVE-THRU CLUB LUNCHEON

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2022

**Menu:** Salad, Pasta w/Pesto, Salmon, Veggie, Roll/Butter  
**Cost:** \$20 (Wine \$5 bottle)  
**Pickup:** 11am - 12:30pm

**RSVP by December 13**  
[fratreservations@gmail.com](mailto:fratreservations@gmail.com)  
**(510) 764-2365 ext. 4**

## MEMBER'S MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023

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

**6:00pm Social Hour & Spuntino/Men (Potluck)**  
**7:00pm Meeting Begins & Inauguration of Leadership**

## CLUB OPEN

**BOCCE COURTS & BAR ROOM**  
**1:00pm - 5:00pm**  
**Every Wednesday**

**LADIES MEMBERS ONLY  
CHRISTMAS DINNER & GIFT EXCHANGE  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2022**

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

**Gift Exchange - \$25 Minimum**

**Bring a wrapped gift. Be sure to put your name on the inside so  
the recipient can thank you! No food or drink items, please.**

<b>Menu:</b>	<b>Time &amp; Cost:</b>
A Surprise!	6pm Cocktails / 7pm Dinner
	This is a FREE dinner for the ladies members only (men serve)

**RSVP by December 16:**  
**Loretta Iacobitti at (510) 524-6903**



**PANETONNE  
THE ITALAN CHRISTMAS LEGEND**

The quintessential Italian Christmas cake, Panettone is eaten during Christmas and New Year, not just in the homeland, but all over the world. The dome-shaped sweet bread fruit loaf contains that special mix of raisins, candied orange, citron and lemon zest.

Ughetto Atellani was clearly onto a good thing back in the 15th century when the nobleman is said to have prepared a prototype Panettone to impress the baker's daughter, Adalgisa. Today, its value for money, ready availability and delicious taste add up to the perfect Christmas dessert. It can be enjoyed in many ways – whether on its own, with chocolate in the mix or with a dollop of Mascarpone cream on the side.

Preparation time for Panettone can take a fair while though. Proofing of the dough can take a long time – which results in the unique fluffy properties of the cake. Panettone dough is a similar deal to sourdough, rising and falling three times. The results are well worth the wait though – with that tasty mixture of fruit and freshly cooked sweet bread guaranteeing a booking at any Christmas table.

SOURCE: [www.italymagazine.com](http://www.italymagazine.com)

**Special Notice:**

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

**SANTA CLAUS  
IS  
COMING TO TOWN  
SPECIAL DRIVE BY EVENT  
SUNDAY DECEMBER 18, 2022**



**UPCOMING  
JANUARY 2023  
EVENTS**

**BIRTHDAY DINNER  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023**

**WOMEN'S 78th &  
MEN'S 91st  
ANNIVERSARY  
CELEBRATION  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2023**

MORE DETAILS TO COME!



## 2023 MEMBERSHIPS DUES NOW PAYABLE

**Please pay your 2023 Fratellanza Women’s Social Club dues.**

A member will be delinquent if dues are NOT paid by February 1, 2023 and will be charged a \$20 penalty fee along with the annual dues. If a member fails to pay dues and a penalty fee by March 1, 2023, 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 payable to: Fratellanza Women’s Social Club

**MAIL PAYMENT:**

Rose Marie Gish, 5456 Manila Ave., Oakland, CA 94618

### SUNSHINE REPORT By Irma Sericati Sunshine Reporter



**Patty Pistello** had knee replacement surgery on November 29th. She is recuperating at her son's home and is well on the road to recovery. We wish her a very speedy recovery and hope to see her at the club soon.

**Ernestine Warren** became a grandmother for the 3rd time of a baby boy on November 19th. Congratulations to the Warren family on this great addition to their family.

With sadness we report on the passing of our member, **Rose Tsaguris**. Rose has been a member since 1999 and would attend most of our events in the past. We extend our sincere condolences to her family and friends.

On November 7th, our member **Kathryn Taddei's** sister passed away. We send our sincere sympathy to Kathryn and her family.

**As we celebrate the upcoming holiday season, we want to wish all our members a very Merry Christmas and best wishes to a Healthy and Happy New Year.**

*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](mailto:dsramona@aol.com).*

## 2021-2022

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