

# THE ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S GUILD VOCE DELLE DONNE

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## IAWG Executive Leaders and Board of Directors JANUARY 2023 Message

### Greetings from your Officers and Board,

Buon Anno! We welcome the new year and everything new it represents. The new Board members and some Board members in new positions. **Lana Vorrises** has some new and exciting events looking forward to in the new year. Many new surprises ahead.

As we say arrivederci to 2022 we want to thank **Joycelyn Firenzi-Pine** for a lovely, although unusual, Italian Christmas dinner. Everything was lovely. We all thoroughly enjoyed being entertained by **Maria Pignati**. Singing along was fun and brought the spirit of Christmas to all of us. Grazi to both ladies for a special evening. Hopefully you all experienced the spirit with us and with your family and friends.

At this time, as in previous years, we are remitting our donations to charities. Those who will receive \$1,000.00 each are **Mission Hospice** and **CORA**. **The Bay Area Cancer Connection** will receive \$500.00. Thanks to our fundraising we are able to add two other charities. **Help A Mother Out** and **Caring Hands in Health** will also receive \$500.00 each. We should all be proud that together we made these donations possible.

**Pat Armanino** will be emailing as well as mailing the newsletter for the next three months. The point is emailing is cost efficient. We do understand that some of you do not have an email address therefore you will receive your letter by mail. This is a trial and gives us an opportunity to make a judgement. Ultimately her desire is to email the newsletters.

Regarding **New Year's** here are some customs and beliefs simply passed down through the ages. For abundance in the new year fill your pockets and cupboards today. Today the **Italians** let their church bells peal, the **Swiss** beat drums, and the **North Americans** sound sirens and party horns to bid the old year farewell. **New Year's Day** was once the time to swap presents. Gifts of gilded nuts or coins marked the start of the new year in Rome. Looking forward to the new year **2023**. Without gifts, sirens, or much ado the **Officers and the Board of the Italian American Women's Guild** wish you a very **Happy New Year**.

Newsletter correspondent,

Corinne Verili Courtney



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS 2023

#### JANUARY – MARCH

Newsletters will be emailed out  
to those with email addresses

**JANUARY 1**  
**MEMBERSHIP DUES DUE**  
(See page 2)

**MONDAY JANUARY 9**  
Installation dinner meeting  
(See page 5)

**FEBRUARY 13**  
February Meeting  
(Flyer attached)

### NAME TAGS! NAME TAGS! NAME TAGS! NAME TAGS!

Making New Friends and Getting  
Reacquainted!

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easy. Please contact **Sally Pratali** at  
[sally.pratali@att.net](mailto:sally.pratali@att.net) to request a

**NAME TAG** and it will be available  
at the next meeting!



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IN COLOR!!! CHECK OUT OUR  
WEBSITE!!!

[HTTPS://IAWGSM.ORG](https://IAWGSM.ORG)



## MEMBERSHIP DUES

Payment for your 2023 membership is due on JANUARY 1st. Dues not paid by FEBRUARY 1st shall be delinquent.

The yearly membership fee is **\$75.00**

Please mail your check to:

Joycelyn Firenzi-Pine

275 Uplands Drive

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IAWG BOOK CLUB NEWS		
All members are welcome to join us if they have read the book we are discussing. Please contact me if you have any questions.		
Cathy Borrone	650-242-1685	email: minirose_sonoma@yahoo.com
MONTH	TITLE	AUTHOR
NOVEMBER 16TH	WOMEN IN SUNLIGHT	FRANCES MAYES
JANUARY 18TH	ONE ITALIAN SUMMER	REBECCA SERLE
MARCH 15TH	THE SHOEMAKER'S WIFE	ANDRIANA TRIGIANI
MAY 17TH	THE CIELO	PAUL SALSINI
JULY 19TH	DEATH AT LA FENICE	DONNA LEON
SEPTEMBER 20TH	THE GOOD LEFT UNDONE	ANDRIANA TRIGIANI
NOVEMBER 15TH	PICK BOOK SELECTION FOR 2024	

## EMAIL CHECK

The newsletter will be emailed out to all members that have email addresses.



The IAWG will be sending out the **monthly newsletter** to email addresses on file. It will also be sent via USPS. This will be a test to see if members like getting the newsletter via email. If you have an email address and if you have not received an email from me [parmanino135@gmail.com](mailto:parmanino135@gmail.com) please email me back and I will check to be sure your email address is correct and on file. Please also check your SPAM or JUNK folders for my emails.

Pat Armanino

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## FUN FACTS ABOUT ITALY

How well do you know your Italian Trivia!!

**Answer to DECEMBER Trivia:**

Giorgio Chinaglia. ( soccer)

**JANUARY Trivia:** What Italian-American formally owned the NBA's San Francisco Warriors "

**Answer will be given at the next general meeting!**

Trivia submitted by Doreen Mazzei:

Source HERITAGE Italian-American Style by

Leon J Radomile



## ***ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S GUILD SCHOLARSHIP FUND***

It is the time of year for high school seniors to start thinking about scholarship monies to help with higher education costs. The Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce acceptance of scholarship applications for 2023.

The IAWG Scholarship Fund was established as an investment in the educational promise for our young men and women. Our members have a deep belief in the power of education to help young people achieve their dreams.

### **Eligibility:**

- Applicants must be relatives of IAWG members in good standing, (i.e. children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews).
- Scholarships will be awarded for full-time enrollment in an accredited community college, four-year college or university. (Minimum 12 units per semester.)
- Applicants must demonstrate academic ability as well as being well-rounded individuals. Also, applicants must express how their Italian heritage has influenced them.
- Awards will be for one year and recipients will be required to reapply for subsequent funding. An applicant may only be awarded a scholarship for a total of two years.

Please send the student's name, address and sponsor's name to Committee Chair, Gail Mozzini, to request an application packet. Her contact info is:

[gailmozzini@gmail.com](mailto:gailmozzini@gmail.com)

**Applications are due no later than April 15, 2023.**





# Italian American Women's Guild

## January 9, 2023, Installation Dinner Meeting

Peninsula Italian American Social Club  
100 North B Street, San Mateo, 5:00 p.m. No-Host Cocktails  
6:00 p.m. Dinner

### Menu

**Dinner Includes:**  
Caesar Salad & Roll

Filet of Salmon, Chicken Scallopini or Vegetarian  
Served w/Green Beans with onions

Dessert and Coffee

Cost - \$39.00 Members Only

Please return the bottom portion of this sheet with a check made payable to *IAWG* and mail to:

Yvonne Bushman  
181 Glenbrook Lane  
San Bruno, CA 94066

For questions or further information, please call  
Yvonne Bushman 650-619-6213

***Reservation must be received by Jan 3, 2023***

(No Refunds for cancellations after Jan 3, 2023 and no tickets sold at door)

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

If paying for multiple-people, please list their names on back of sheet

I would like to sit with: \_\_\_\_\_

ENTRÉE CHOICE: Salmon  Chicken Scallopini  Vegetarian   
Need a ride: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (If yes, someone will contact you.)

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS!

This and all flyers can be found on our website: <https://iawgsm.org> under Events



## SUNSHINE

If there is an IAWG member who is ill or having major surgery please call or email me so I can send a *Get Well Card* to them. Also, if a family member or relative has passed away, please let me know and I will send a *Sympathy Card*.

Jo Amoroso, Sunshine Chair

bestnonni44@gmail.com or 650-347-9309

## IAWG FACEBOOK PAGE

Our IAWG Facebook page is gaining new members each month. Join in the conversation about anything Italian and club events. Search for the:

**Italian-American Women's Guild** (exactly as written) Posts are limited to club members, however your friends will see them. If they want to get in on the action, have them join the club!

Any issues finding our Facebook page, please email me:

**watson1441@gmail.com**

Ciao,  
Linda Watson



## Mani di Angeli

If there is an IAWG member or family member who has suffered a death, injury or illness, please call or email me so that a memento from Mani di Angeli can be delivered.

Also, Volunteers are always needed to help support

Mani di Angeli

Lubiana Cernobori, Mani di Angeli Chair

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**Mission Statement**

The purpose of the Italian American Women's Guild is to bring together Bay Area women of all ages with common heritage to perpetuate Italian cultural traditions in a spirit of friendship and support. The Guild intends to promote the social and educational enrichment of its members and strives to work for the good of the community at large with its philanthropic efforts.

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