

ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN OF IOWA (IAWI)

MEETING TUESDAY, January 22, 2019

6:30 PM-Board & 7:00 PM – Membership Meeting

Belle e Forti Le Donne Italo-Americane (Beautiful Strong Italian American Women)

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Years with your family and friends we sure did. We had a nice turn out for our Christmas Party thanks to everyone who were able to attend. The food was outstanding our ladies know how to cook! Thanks to Blank Golf Course for letting us host our party there. Thanks to everyone who donated hats, mittens & scarfs for Bidwell Riverside it will make someone have a better day.

Lisa Vivone Cruchelow, President

2019-2020 BOARD

These ladies will be installed in January:

President- Lisa Vivone Cruchelow, Vice President/ Auditor- Jennifer Bertagnolli, Secretary- Frances Graziano, Treasurer- Darlene Cross, Sgt. At Arms/Auditor- Deb Pane, Membership- Vicky Leverich & JoAnn Miller, Greeter- Jody Carlino, Cheer & Sympathy- Mary Cosimo, B-Day & Anniversary- Dee Dee Underwood, Special Events & Social Outings- Gloria Stefani & Angie Funaro-Wessel
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MONTHLY MEETINGS

We meet the 4th Tuesday of the month! Please cut out the dates below so you don't miss out. July we will be meeting earlier. We are meeting at South Side Senior Center.

Mark Your Calendar for 2019 all meetings are at 7pm

1/22	2/26	3/26	4/23	5/28	6/25	7/16	No meeting in Aug	9/24	10/22	11/26	No meeting in Dec
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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

REMINDER:

Our dues are due in January: \$20.00 for members under 65 and \$10.00 for seniors 65-84 and 85 and older are Life Members and you don't have to pay anymore.

Make your checks out to IAWI and send your dues to: IAWI, PO Box 21116, Des Moines, IA 50321

NEWS LETTER **CHANGES** The Italian American Cultural Center is changing the distribution of the Newsletter it will be every other month starting in Feb. If you want to receive this newsletter put out by the Cultural Center to stay in touch with the Italian community you would need to pay **\$7.00** and mail it to the Cultural Center **NOT TO THE IAWI** or you can get it online at no charge.

I will still do a monthly newsletter to keep everyone informed.

Any questions contact the Cultural Center of Iowa.

BLESSING BAGS ...

We are teaming up with Jennifer Eaton's "Ken Eaton Foundation" again this year. If you can donate any of the following items we be great: **Individual Tissues, Grief Books, Macaroni & Cheese, Encouragements Books, Ramen Noodles, Adult & Kid Coloring Books, Microwave Popcorn, Crayons & Colored Pencils, Fruit Snacks, Battery Operated Candles, Hard Candy, M&M, Hershey Kisses (no nuts), Journals & Pens, 4x6 or 5x7 Picture Frames, Gift Cards to: Target, Walmart, Hy-Vee, Walgreens & Gas Cards.**

VARIETY CLUB TELETHON:

March 9th our time is **Saturday 10:30pm-Midnight (Same as last year)** and it is held at the Grand Ballroom in the Community Choice Credit Union Convention Center at Vets Memorial Auditorium (downtown) We can have 20 people so let me know if you can join us? Email me at lisa@paper-systems.com or sign up at our Jan. meeting. We also want you to start collecting donations, so ask your friends and family if they would like to donate to this GREAT cause. We will meet at Tumeas at 9:00 for Cannoli's ;) We will leave to go to the Telethon at 9:45pm

CHEER AND SYMPATHY

If you would like a card sent to one of our **members** contact **Mary Cosimo at 280-6553 or email mcosimo@msn.com.**

MONTHLY TREATS

Please sign up at the Jan. meeting to bring treats. If you have a group of gals and you know your month feel free to email Lisa and she will mark you down.

THANK YOU TO...

January refreshments will be provided by the club.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Elizabeth Houge 1/1, Cheryl Fontanini 1/2, Christin Wilson 1/7, Sarah Burkhead 1/15, Elizabeth Loffredo 1/17, Stephanie Moore 1/17, She-la Heitman 1/20, Rose Houston 1/21 Megan Fontanini 1/23 & Lisa Lacona-Turner 1/30

ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Gina & John Nelson 1/17 (**15 years**) and Patti & Michael Branco 1/23 (**36 years**)

Dates to Remember:

1/22-Jan. meeting at the Southside Senior Center- bring items for our Blessing Bags.

3/9- Variety Club telethon 10:30pm-Midnight

HAPPY NEW YEAR! LET'S MAKE IT A GOOD ONE!