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Greetings from your Officers and Board,

DUES WERE DUE 1/1/2024! (SEE PAGE 3)

Ciao ladies. While ushering in the new year the Italian American Women's Guild held an enthusiastic January dinner meeting.

Joycelyn Firenze-Pine introduced and initiated thirteen new members. They are: Esther Calvillo, Joyce Carlson, Susan Dan, Linda DePalma, Denise de Ville, Judy Evangelista, Lisa Guerrero, Natalie Hoffer, Rose Moiseff, Lory Najac, Gina Rossi, Karen Toman, and Lisa Wilsey. Bienvenuti a tutti.

Joycelyn proceeded to initiate Arlene Bin-Di Nitto as our 2024 President. Arlene, in turn, initiated Charlene O'Malley as Vice President, Secretary Andrea Bin, Treasurer Yvonne Bushman and Board members Cathy Barrone, Tina Canepa, Arlene Garcia, Cathy Lucci, Deb Robbins, Donna Silvers, and Barbara Valle. President Arlene thanked Kerri Lewis for her service on the Board for 2023. Congratulations ladies!

Vice President Charlene O'Malley announced the Woman of the Year recipient for 2023 Arlene Bin-Di Nitto. Congratulations to our President for a well-deserved honor. Thank you for leading us forward.

In addition to our October luncheon meeting **February** and **April** have also been scheduled for **luncheon** meetings. I'm sure this will please many women who have difficulties traveling for the evening dinner meetings.

For your convenience flyers for the lunch and dinner meetings are available each month at the flyer table. Don't forget your checkbook. Your check is due at the time you make your reservation.

The ten and twenty-year anniversary pins for some of our members will be presented at the June installation meeting.

Ladies, our **Chocolate tasting event** for February 3rd has extended invitations to **non-members.** This is a great opportunity to invite a good friend or neighbor.

Event Chair **Lana Vorrises** shared some ideas and plans for 2024. Chocolate tasting on February 3rd and at the February 12th luncheon meeting we will have a speaker who will talk about the finding of his father's remains from the Vietnam War. At the **March meeting** we will have a **Boutique** and the "how to make **Limoncello"** will be in May. Stay tuned more to come.

Our hostess for the evening was **Yvonne Bushman**. Grazie Mille for all the extensive work to make the evening successful

As Valentine Day approaches just a little history. St Valentine was a nice guy who was kind to children, helped the early Christians, and was executed on February 14th. Some legends say he healed and befriended his jailkeeper's daughter and sent her a farewell note "**from your Valentine**'.

Newsletter correspondent, Corinne Verili Courtney SAVE THE DATE! 2024

Saturday, February 3 **Chocolate Tasting Tour** (See page 5) Monday, February 12 Lunch Meeting (See page 6) Monday, March 11 Dinner Meeting & Easter Boutique (See pages 7 & 8) Monday April 8 Lunch Meeting (See page 9) All flyers are always available on our website HTTPS://IAWGSM.ORG & on the table behind the greeter's table

MEMBERSHIP DUES Payment for your 2024 membership was due on JANUARY 1, 2024 (see page 3)





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FEBRUAR

CAROLYN	KRISTOVICH	2/2
SANDRA	STOPPOLINI	2/2
HOPE	BARTKE	2/3
RITA	QUINN	2/4
ELENA	QUILICI	2/7
ROSALEEN	NARDI	2/9
CAROLINE	CANNIZZARO	2/10
KAREN	FERGUSON	2/10
LORI JEAN	BATES	2/11
MARY	NUNZIATI	2/11
KAREN	CELENTANO	2/12
JEAN	GRANT	2/12
GINGER	FONTAINE	2/14
BARBARA	MILLETT	2/14
DANIELA	ROSSI	2/16
LISA	GUERRERO	2/18
ROSALIE	SHAW	2/18
ELIZABETH	MARR	2/19
NELLA	TAURIAN	2/19
MARY	DIETRICH	2/20
BEVERLY	MCDONALD	2/20
LISA	RUGGERI	2/20
LYNNE	GIOVINAZZO	2/22
DANIELA	BIN-OTEIZA	2/25
ROBIN	MAY	2/25
ELENA	TEALDI	2/25
MARY	GIUNTOLI	2/25

Mani di Angeli



Reach out to the Officers and more	
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- Jeannette Rossi on the passing of her husband Louis
- Arlene Di Nitto on the passing of her mother-in-law, Leonora Di Nitto

Sympathy To Member:

Sympathy To PIASC Manager:

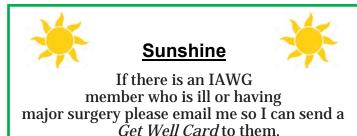
Jennifer Gauthier on the passing of her mother-in-law, Susan Trecroci

Speedy Recovery To Member:

Cammy Forchione

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Correction and apology for the January 24th Birthday Error. It should have read Deb Robbins not Rollins



Jo Amoroso, Sunshine Chair bestnonni44@gmail.com or 650.347.9309 <u>MEMBERSHIP DUES</u> Payment for your 2024 membership was due on JANUARY 1, 2024 Dues not paid by FEBRUARY 1, 2024 shall be Delinquent. There is a two week grace period until February 15, 2024, after that you will be dropped from the Guild <u>NO EXCEPTION!</u> The yearly membership fee is \$75.00 Please mail your check payable to IAWG to: Joycelyn Firenzi-Pine 275 Uplands Drive Hillsborough, CA 94010 Joycelyn Firenzi-Pine, Membership Chairperson firenzi@comcast.net (650) 678-8765 Be a part of our great organization!

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Scholarship applications packets are available. Please send the student's name, address and sponsor's name to Gail Mozzini. Her contact information is:

gailmozzini@gmail.com

Applications must be *received by* April 15, 2024.



More photos of the event can be found on our web site

HTTPS://IAWGSM.ORG under Photo Gallery

(Photos taken by Linda Watson-Historian)



IAWG JANUARY 15, 2024 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS, BOARD MEMBERS & NEW MEMBERS DINNER MEETING



These and more photos of the event can be found on our web site

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Italian American Women's Guild

JUST IN TIME FOR VALENTINE'S DAY! CHOCOLATE TASTING TOUR

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- Learn how to pick a great chocolate and not be deceived by mass produced chocolate.
- ➤ At closing you will rate and score chocolate according to your 5 senses.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2024

2-3:30PM

\$45

OPTION: You may bring your own bottle of wine - glasses are provided.

MEMBERS & GUESTS WELCOME♥ LIMITED TO 20 GUESTS ♥ FIRST COME- FIRST SERVE

PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTOM PORTION OF THIS SHEET WITH A CHECK PAYABLE TO IAWG AND MAIL TO: Kathy McKibben, 707 Somerset, Foster City, CA. 94404

For questions or further information, please contact Kathy McKibben at kamckibben@mac.com or 650-759-0934 Reservation and check must be received by January 30, 2024 (Absolutely NO refunds or cancellations)

Number of tickets	_@ \$45.00 per person	Amount Enclosed: _	
Member's Name:		Phone:	
Email Address:			
Please let us know if you are wi	lling to carpool or need a rid	le. 📮 Carpool	Need a ride

Italian American Women's Guild Monday February 12, 2024, Lunch Meeting



"HAVE A HEART"

Peninsula Italian American Social Club 100 North B Street, San Mateo 11:00 a.m. No-Host Cocktails 12:00 p.m. Lunch



LUNCH INCLUDES MINESTRONE SOUP -FAMILY STYLE-BASKET OF ROLLS MUFFALETTA SANDWICH WITH FRENCH FRIES OR GRILLED VEGGIE (VEG & CHEESE) MUFFALETTA WITH FRIES BOMBA ICE CREAM COFFEE, TEA, SODA

COST - \$40.00 MEMBERS ONLY RESERVATION <u>MUST</u> BE RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 5, 2024 (NO REFUNDS OR CANCELLATIONS AFTER FEBRUARY 5, 2024 AND NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR)

Please return the bottom portion of this form and check payable to IAWG to:

Andrea Bin 1501 Sequoia Avenue San Bruno, CA, 94066

If you have any questions, contact Andrea Bin 650-291-0993

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PHONE

ENTRÉE CHOICE: Muffaletta Sandwich Grilled Veggie Muffaletta (Circle choice) AMOUNT Enclosed

All event flyers can be found on our website iawgsm.org/events Please wear your nametags!

EASTER BOUTIQUE

BOUTIQUE WILL OPEN AT 4:30 PM. LOCATON: REAR OF THE ROOM



Easter items for your baskets and gifts to buy for yourself

LOOK FOR THE EASTER BOUTIQUE FLYER IN THIS NEWSLETTER

HAPPY EASTER

HAPPY SPRING

ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S GUILD Peninsula Italian American Social Club

100 North B Street, San Mateo, CA.

MARCH 11TH DINNER/MEETING

No Host Cocktails 5:00 pm Dinner/Meeting 6:00 pm

\$43.00 MEMBERS ONLY DINNER MENU:

Mediterranean Salad (family style) Roll & Butter, Baked Spiral Cut Ham with Pineapple Glaze or Chicken Piccata w/Scalloped Potatoes & Asparagus Bomba and Coffee

Please send the bottom portion along with a check payable to: IAWG and mail to: Cathy Borrone 425 N. El Camino Real #210 San Mateo, CA 94401

> For questions or further information, please call: Cathy Borrone at 650-242-1685 or email minirose sonoma@yahoo.com

CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 1st, 2024. CHECKS WILL BE REFUSED IF RECEIVED AFTER MARCH 1st, 2024 (RECEIVED NOT POSTMARK) AVOID THIS PROBLEM-SEND YOUR CHECKS EARLY.

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS

MEMBERS NAME		PHONE	
CIRCLE YOUR CHOICE OF ENTREE:	НАМ	CHICKEN	VEGETARIAN
AMOUNT ENCLOSED:			
I WOULD LIKE TO SIT WITH			
Need a ride: Yes No	(if ye	s, someone wit	h contact you)

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Easter Boutique

Monday, March 11, 2024

Please join us before and after our dinner meeting for a shopping experience!

Many beautiful items for Easter will be offered by Teri Martin of Precious Memories.



Teri Martin operated a boutique store in San Bruno from 1985 and to 2017. She now sells her wares on ETSY under the name of Our Designer as well as holding private event events.

The boutique will be open from 4:30pm to 5:30pm, close during dinner and then reopen again after dinner. Accepted forms of payment are: credit card, cash, check and Venmo.









ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S GUILD

Peninsula Italian American Social Club 100 North B Street San Mateo, CA 94401

April 8, 2024 Lunch Meeting 11AM – No Host Cocktails 12PM Lunch

LUNCH MENU Italian Salad w/Rolls & Butter Chicken Scallopini, Ravioli Bolognese or Vegetarian Dessert & Coffee

\$41.00 MEMBERS ONLY

Please return the bottom portion along with a check payable To IAWG and mail to:

Andrea Bin 1501 Sequoia Avenue San Bruno, CA 94066

For questions or further information, please call Arlene Garcia at 650.455.3305

Reservations must be received by April 1, 2024 CHECKS RECEIVED AFTER APRIL 1ST WILL BE REFUSED (No refunds or cancellations after the due date - No tickets sold at the door)

Members Name	Phone:
Amount Enclosed: \$	

ENTRÉE CHOICE: (please circle) Chicken Scallopini Ravioli Bolognese Vegetarian

I would like to sit with: _____

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS

Need a ride: Yes____ No ____ (If yes, someone will contract you)



Anyone interested in learning to play Pedro can join on the last Wednesday of the month at Foster City Recreation Center at 1:30.



The IAWG will be sending out the monthly newsletter to email addresses on file. The newsletter will be emailed out by the 4th Wednesday of the month. If you do not receive a newsletter please email me

parmanino135@gmail.com

ADDRESS CHANGES, ETC.

If you have a change in your name, address, email or phone number, please contact Roberta Bernat

rbernat@att.net or 650.200.9095



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



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Learn to play or improve your skills. Monday, Wednesday, Friday or Sunday at 11AM Tuesday's at 11AM by reservation only. Foster City Recreation Center 650 Shell Blvd

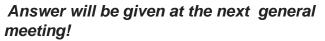
Foster City, CA Lana Vorrises 650.703.7473



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How well do you know your Italian Trivia!!

Answer to JANUARY trivia: Finocchios Nightclub FEBRUARY Trivia: The Farina Family, Italians living in Cologne France in 1709 are credited with what invention?



Trivia submitted by Doreen Mazzei: Source HERITAGE Italian-American Style by Leon J Radomile



IAWG BOOK CLUB BOOK SELECTIONS FOR 2024

WE MEET ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY EVERY OTHER MONTH TIME 11 A.M. UPSTAIRS Members and guest are welcome. Contact Cathy Borrone Phone: 650-242-1685 email: minirose_sonoma@yahoo.com

MONTH	TITLE	AUTHOR
JANUARY 17TH	THE HOTEL RIVIERA	ELIZABETH ADLER
MARCH 20TH	THE STAR-CROSSED SISTERS OF TUSCANY	LORI NELSON SPIELMAN
MAY 22 ND (Note date change)	ELIZABETH STREET	LAURIE FIABIANO
JULY 17TH	ETERNAL	LISA SCOTTOLINE
SEPTEMBER 18TH	LADY TAN'S CIRCLE OF WOMEN	LISA SEE
NOVEMBER 20TH	THE HONEY BUS	MEREDITH MAY
	PICK 2025 BOOKS	



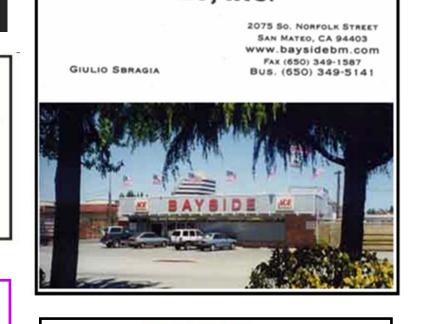
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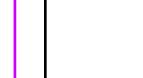
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The purpose of the Italian American Women's Guild is to bring together Bay Area women of all ages with common heritage to perpetuate Italian cultural traditions in a spirit of friendship and support. The Guild intends to promote the social and educational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

