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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thanksgiving Day will be here before we know - a perfect time to enjoy family and friends!!!

October 14th was our dinner meeting. Rickie Bolin spoke about the success of September's White Elephant dinner. Thanks to Rickie and her team. The Graton bus trip was successful and members and friends enjoyed a great day thanks to Carmela Di Mauro and her team. During this meeting Mena Fadelli discussed upcoming elections and the need for all positions to be filled for 2020. The board collected Charitable Contribution forms and passed out *Woman of the Year* forms. October birthday wishes were extended to our members at the dinner. They were recognized with cupcakes and *Happy Birthday* was sung.

The successful IAWG Bingo Brunch/Lunch Fundraiser was held on Sunday, October 20, 2019. There were 240 members and guests who enjoyed a delicious brunch with Sangrea. Adding to the festivities of the day was bingo, raffle prizes and a Live Auction. The bingo games were called by Jo Amoroso, Linda Watson and Mitch Juricich, local sports media personality. Mitch was also the Auctioneer for the Live Auction.

The successful bidders for the Live Auction were: Michelle Callegari for a Coastal Vacation Get-Away at Los Osos; Angela Bruno-Castro for a Boat Cruise in the Foster City Estuary with wine and appetizers as well as a gift certificate to the Fish Market; JoAnne Voltattorni for Hillbarn Theatre tickets with a gift certificate to Bellini's Restaurant; Mona Coffey for a customized Gingerbread House and Dave Courtney for two tickets to Andrea Bocelli Concert at the Chase Center. Congratulations to these lucky bidders.

A *big thank you* to the organizers for this great event. They are Arlene Callegari, Terry Goblirsch and Mary Dietrich. Their teams did a fantastic job on making this event a wonderful way to spend the afternoon.

IAWG Hosted Pizza Dinner Meeting for members only will be **November 11**, **2019**. It is important to acknowledge your attendance to Linda Koelling by phone or email by **November 7**th. (flyer on IAWGsm.org). At this dinner, we will vote on Charities the IAWG will be making donations to, election of officers and board members for 2020, and collection of *Woman of the Year* nominations.

At the November meeting *Mani di Angeli* will be collecting non-perishable food for the Annual Food Drive.

Joycelyn Firenzi-Pine and her team are planning a festive Christmas Dinner for members on **December 9, 2019** (flyer enclosed). Looking forward to celebrating with our IAWG members at this dinner.

New membership applications must be received by **December 23, 2019**. Applications are on our website (IAWGsm.org under Resources) or reach out to Joycelyn Firenzi-Pine.

Ciao for now,

Gail Mozzini



MARK YOUR CALENDARS 2019

November 6th
IAWG Movie Tour
(Flyer on website)

November 11th

Pizza Dinner Meeting

(Flyer on website)

December 9th

Members' Christmas Dinner

(Flyer Enclosed)



Everything looks better in color! Check out the newsletter on our website:

Strive not to be a success, but rather to be of value. - Albert Einstein

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Get Well wishes to member Gilda Tarzia

Condolences to Member Mirella Eiras, whose husband, Sebastiao passed away on October 19th. May he Rest in Peace.



MEMBERSHIP DUES

Payment for your 2020 membership is due on January 1st. The yearly membership

fee is \$75.00

Please mail your check to:
Joycelyn Firenzi-Pine
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Hillsborough, CA 94010
Be a part of our great organization!

Joycelyn Firenzi-Pine Membership Chairperson (650) 344-4949

The Nominations Committee continues to invite all IAWG members who are interested in being a candidate for **President** or **Treasurer**. A suggestion has been made and approved by the Board, for a "copresidency". In other words, two of our members can "job-share" the office of President. Please consider this and let any Committee member know if you are interested. We look forward to hearing from you.

Jo Amoroso 347-9309 Mirella Eiras, 595-4232 Marjorie Giordano 342-3900 Mary Ann Gnecco, 299-0826 Mena Fadelli 345-2553





Mani di Angeli News





Doll and Heart Pillow Stuffing
A group of IAWG women stuffed dolls and pillows on
Monday, October 1, 2019
They stuffed 75 dolls of which 50 were sewed and dressed and bagged.
They stuffed 45 Heart Pillows.
It was a fun day! Thanks to all!

If you would like to be notified the next time the group will get together to "stuff and sew" please send you name and email address to parmanino135@gmail.com and you will be sent an email notification. The more hands the better!







Delivery of surgical dolls with gowns to Kaiser Permanente Santa Clara. Denice Barsi and Carol Young did the delivery of 20 dolls Surgical dolls delivered today to UCSF San Francisco 40 surgical dolls with cute gowns

Mani di Angeli is having it's annual food drive for the Second Harvest Food Bank. We will be collecting non-perishable food items at the November 11, 2019 general dinner meeting night. Please bring non-perishable food items and place them in the collection barrels. Three barrels are going to be dropped off on November 5th at the PIASC and they will be picked up on Wednesday, November 27. Mani di Angeli is hoping we will fill all three barrels and help out the many families who are depending on this food. If you have any questions, please call me at 650-341-9522. Thank you!



Italian American Women's Guild Minutes of General Meeting

President Gail Mozzini called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and welcomed everyone. She then led all in the Pledge of Allegiance. Terry Gob-lirsch was unable to attend the meeting.

Secretary Fran Benson reminded all that the minutes from September meeting are in the October newsletter. She read the correspondence received consisting of thank you notes for cards and well wishes sent by IAWG and Mani di Angeli.

Sally Pratali, Treasurer,



Rickie Bolin reported the White Elephant Dinner had good results. It was successful as well as providing a fun time for all.

Carmela DiMauro reported that the Graton Trip was very successful: the weather was great, the bus ride enjoyable and a fun day for all! Jean Volkman reported that the Movie Tour on November 6th is almost sold out with only two seats available.

Mena Fadelli reminded us of the Election Nomination process. There is still the need to complete the slate with President or Co-president, Treasurer and a Board Member. Gail Mozzini and Doreen Mazzei both spoke on the importance of having Officers and Board Members who can provide their leadership to the organization and at the same, Gail and Doreen both said they have enjoyed their time as President and Vice President.

Arlene Callegari, co-chair of the October 20th Bingo fundraiser reported they have 230 confirmed. People attending will be putting their raffle tickets in front of the raffle prize they want. There will also be an Auction for some very nice auction items. And, of course, food and Bingo too!

Woman of the Year nomination forms are found on the IAWG website; <u>iawgsm.org</u> under Resources. The completed forms will be collected at the November meeting.

The November Hosted Member Dinner will be a nice pizza dinner provided by the Guild. Although there is no cost for the dinner, reservations are required with either an email or phone call to Linda Koelling. Flyer was in October newsletter and is on the website under Events.

Gail Mozzini spoke on the Suggestion Tracker which shows the suggestions make and what response has been made to the suggestions. Gail again asks that the suggestion author include her name so that she can be contacted if needed to discuss.

Doreen Mazzei gave the answer to the Italian Trivia: <u>Bologna</u>. Doreen also pointed out the wonderful Italian Ancestry article by Anna Murphy and Toni Wootten for the November newsletter. It was very enjoyable and hopefully other members will submit their articles about their Italian ancestry.

October birthdays were celebrated with each birthday celebrant given a cupcake and a rendition of Happy Birthday.

The three raffle prizes were awarded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. Minutes respectfully submitted by Secretary Fran **Benson**



My Ancestry

No one submitted a "My Ancestry" article for this edition. If you want your Ancestry to be featured in a future newsletter please send in via email to parmano135@gmail.com











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. Jeri Lucia-Johnson/Sunshine Chair jerilucianotes@msn.com or 650-574-3254

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Any issues finding our Facebook page, please email me:

watson1441@gmail.com

Ciao, Linda Watson

Please submit any articles, recipes, births, get well wishes, sympathy or to place an ad in the newsletter by the *3rd Friday of the month*.

NEWS DEADLINE

Your input is appreciated! Thank you,

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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 dl Angeli can be delivered.

Also, Volunteers are always needed to help support

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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.

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