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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Little goblins are preparing their costumes for a fun Halloween!!!

September 10th was the White Elephant Dinner. There were a 145 members and friends attending. A big *thank you* to Jean Allard and her team for putting the evening together. Great food and wonderful "treasures" to purchase made this a fantastic evening.

Birthday wishes were extended to our members having September birthdays. We celebrated with cupcakes for members present at this meeting and a rousing rendition of Happy Birthday was sung.

A concern has been brought up by some of our non-dinner members about when to arrive on General Meeting nights. As stated in the May newsletter, meetings do start at 6:30 p.m. with some of the basics (pledge of allegiance, roll call, etc.), then dinner is served and the major part of the meeting will usually start around 7:00 p.m. Hopefully, this will help the non-dinner members decide when they want to arrive.

October 8th will be our next dinner meeting. We will have a guest speaker at this meeting. Michelle A. Carter, author and journalist, will be speaking about her experiences in Russia. Her latest book is *From Under the Russian Snow*. (See page 5 of newsletter)

At the October meeting we will be collecting your charity designation forms. *Woman of the Year* nominations forms will be passed out at this meeting (flyer enclosed & at IAWGSM.org under Resources). Also, the Nomination Committee will be completing the slate for our Officer and Board elections in November.

October 14, 2018 is our Bingo Brunch fundraiser. The flyer was inadvertently left out of our September newsletter. However, it was emailed out to all members with email address in the roster and can be found on our website. The flyer needs to be returned by October 9, 2018. The Bingo Brunch committee is creating an exciting afternoon, hope to see you there.

November 7, 2018 is the IAWG luncheon at *The Vans* (flyer enclosed). The luncheon will be hosted by Susan DeVincenzi and Arlene Callegari.

November 12, 2018 will be the IAWG Hosted Pizza Dinner Meeting for members only. It is important to acknowledge your attendance as outlined on the flyer (flyer enclosed). During the evening, the Nomination Committee will be conducting a vote for 2019 Officers and Board. The results will be announced at the end of the meeting.

This evening we will be selecting charities the members would like to contribute to. Also, we will be collecting the *Woman of the Year* nomination forms. For your nominations to be reviewed by the Board, the form must be complete with the reason you think your selection would qualify for this honor and the form must be signed by you.

December 10, 2018 will be our member Christmas Dinner. More news will be in the November newsletter. Mark your calendars!!!

Ciao for now,

Gail Mozzini

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The longer I live, the more beautiful life becomes. -- Frank Lloyd Wright



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

October 4, 2018 Graton Casino Bus Trip

October 8, 2018
Pasta Dinner Meeting

October 14, 2018 Bingo Brunch

October 15, 2018 stuffing of surgical dolls PIASC 11:30 - 4:00 pm

November 7, 2018
IAWG Luncheon @ The Vans
(Flyer enclosed)

Monday November 12, 2018
Pizza Dinner Meeting
(Flyer enclosed)

December 10, 2018 Christmas Dinner (more info to follow)

(Check out these and other events)
https://iawgsm.org

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Minutes of General Meeting September 10th, 2018

President Gail Mozzini called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and welcomed all to the White Elephant sale. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Jean Allard chaired this event. Jean and her team priced donated items and arranged them on the tables for purchase. Gail announced there would be meeting items and shopping between courses.

The evening agenda was placed at the entrance along with October 14th Bingo Brunch flyer, Charitable Nomination form and flyer for the October 4th Graton Casino bus tour. The forms can also be found on the IAWG website, https://iawgsm.org. At the October 8th Pasta Dinner meeting the completed charity donation forms will be collected. At this meeting Woman of the Year nomination forms will be distributed; the Nominating Committee will be asking for names of candidates for the elections in November. Members of the Nominating Committee are listed in the September newsletter with their phone numbers.

Valerie Schick spoke about the Graton trip. It costs \$35 which includes \$15 slot play or \$20 match table play, and \$5 food credit.

Terry Goblirsch, co-chair of the Bingo Brunch, reminded everyone that reservations need to be in for this great event by October 9th. Non- members are welcome. They are grateful for all the prize donations that have been made so far but they are still looking for more. Contact Terry Goblirsch, Arlene Calegari or Mary Dietrich if you have any questions.

Doreen Mazzei gave us the answer to the Italian trivia question: Zamponi is pork sausage from Modena.

The September birthday celebrants who were present were given a cupcake and a nice rendition of Happy Birthday. Kyla, one of the servers, was also recognized for her birthday.

Jean Allard announced the closing of the White Elephant sale. She gave heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped with the set up and all the aspects of this event. Everyone collected the items they purchased. It was a very happy event for all.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00.

Respectfully submitted by Fran Benson

WOMAN OF THE YEAR NOMINATION

IAWG 2018		
Return: Turn in at November meeting. If you can't attend the meeting, mail to		
Gail Mozzini, 575 Cedar Avenue, San Bruno, CA 94066		
NOMINEE:		
REASON FOR NOMINATION:		
SIGNATURE:		
For your vote to count you MUST be sure to state why you feel your nomination deserves this honor		
and you MUST sign your ballot. Any ballots missing this information will NOT be counted.		
This and other IAWG forms can be found on the website HTTPS://iawgsm.org_under Resources		

ANNOUNCEMENTS





- Lillian (Giuseppe) LaPira
- Rose Riley



MARLENE SPANO	October 4
DONNA SILVERS	October 5
JOYCELYN FIRENZI-PINE	October 7
SUZANNE BERTOLOZZI	October 8
LORENE MUMMERT	October 9
KIMBERLY CIMINO	October 10
ELISE PIEPMEIER	October 12
KATHLEEN SEMENZA	October 12
DENISE ARTAL	October 14
ROSETTA BIOSIC	October 14
DEBRA COSTANZO	October 15
LAURINDA BUSALACCHI	October 16
ANGELA SHEAKLEY	October 16
LIETTA ANDREATTA	October 17
LORETTA GRECO	October 17
ROBERTA BERNAT	October 18
SILVANA MASSA	October 18
CLARA PACINI	October 18
MARIA COLOMBO	October 20
JOYCE CAHALAN	October 22
CHARLOTTE CONWAY	October 22
ANNA RAMACCIOTTI	October 22
MARIANNE SMITH	October 23
VIVIAN SOUTHARD	October 24
LEONORA VENEZIA	October 24
JOANN PAGNAC	October 25
LUCIANA WITHERSPOON	October 25
SUSAN PUCCI	October 26
LINDA AVELAR	October 28
TINA CANEPA	October 28
CONCETTA SHACKLETON	October 28
MARIE BAEZA	October 29

DIANA BALESTRERI

October 31

Thank Amici Thank You! You! Thank I want to thank my committee: Arlene Rhorer, Thank You! Anna Dupont, Roberta and John Bernat, Sally You! Thank and Don Stevens. A special thank you to Gail Thank You! Mozzini, Doreen Mazzei and Roberta Bernat-You! *Thank* for rearranging the tables for me. Thank you Thank You! also to the many people that helped with the You! Thank *Thank* displaying of all the *White Elephant* items. You! Most of all thank you to all who donated You! Thank items and made the night such a success. We Thank You! brought in almost \$1200! Thank Thank You! Thank you, thank you! You! Thank Thank You! You! Thank Jean Allard Thank You! You! Thank Thank Thank Thank Thank Thank Thank Thank Thank



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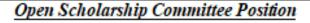
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IAWG Bingo Brunch Sunday, October 14, 2018

SEND \$40.00 PER PERSON TO: Mary Dietrich 24 Treeside Court South San Francisco, CA 94080

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The scholarship committee has an opening for a new member. If you are interested, please send me an email with your name and why you would like to join the Scholarship Committee. My contact information is:

gmozzini@sanbrunocable.com or 650-400-2494.

Thanks, Gail Mozzini, Chair, Scholarship Committee



NOMINATIONS 2018

October is here and that means starting to think about nominations for the coming year. At this time the Nominating Committee would like to invite all Guild members to start thinking about running for an office or as a board member. As stated in the by-laws, Article IV, Section 4, "The term of office shall be for one (1) year" so all offices are open for your consideration. If you have an interest in running for any position or know of someone who might be interested please contact any member of the Nominating Committee:

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

We are looking forward to hearing from

Nominating Committee



Mani di Angeli News

Denice Barsi and Carol Young delivered 21 surgical dolls to Kaiser Santa Clara Please note: Next "stuffing of surgical dolls" on October 15 at PIASC 11:30 - 4:00 pm

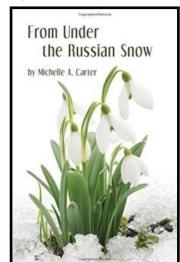


Peninsula journalist to discuss Russian memoir

Journalist Michelle A. Carter will discuss her critically acclaimed memoir, *From Under the Russian Snow*, and sign copies of the book at a meeting of the Italian American Women's Guild at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 8, at the Peninsula Italian American Social Club, 100 B St., San Mateo.

This searing memoir is punctuated with gutsy reporting and canny (and often humorous) observation of life in Russia during the post-Soviet, pre-Putin bubble of freedom. It would be just a coming-of-(middle) age story, sprawled across the 11 times zones of the planet's largest country — if life hadn't intervened.

Carter, who left her job as managing editor of a daily newspaper in the San Francisco Bay Area to serve as the USIA Journalist-in-Residence in Russia, has been traveling in and writing about the former Soviet Union for 30 years. Her first book was *Children of Chernobyl: Raising Hope From the Ashes* (Augsburg, 1993) and it focused on relief efforts to assist the children who were affected by the 1986 explosion and meltdown at the Chernobyl nuclear reactor in Ukraine.



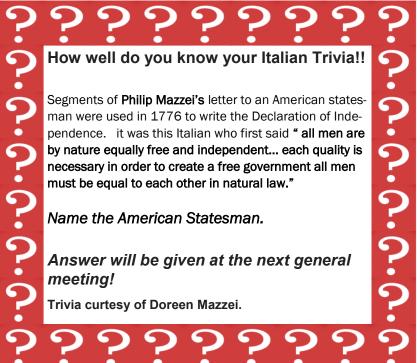
"From the outset, I was engaged Carter's realistic portrait of her marriage and family dynamics. I felt that I knew these ordinary people; more importantly, I cared about what happened to them," Story Circle Book Reviews wrote.

"From Under the Russian Snow provides insights into a different culture and into people like ourselves, with families, friends, jobs, struggles, losses, and resilience."

Visit http://www.FromUndertheRussianSnow.org for further information about future events and choosing this memoir as a book group selection.

FUN FACTS ABOUT ITALY





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

NEWS DEADLINE

Please submit any articles, recipes, births, get well wishes, sympathy or to place an ad in the newsletter

To: parmanino135@gmail.com (or call 650.347.8474)

by the 3rd Friday of the month.

Your input is appreciated! Thank you,



Pat Armanino
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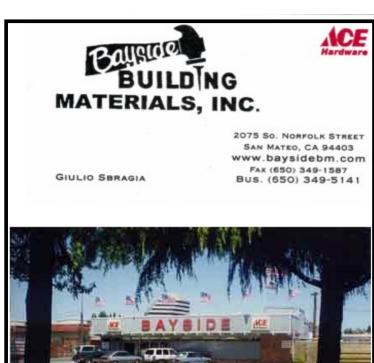


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The purpose of the Italian American Women's Guild is to bring together Bay Area women of all ages with common heritage to perpetuate Italian cultural traditions in a spirit of friendship and support. The Guild intends to promote the social and educational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

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