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IAWG Executive Leaders and Board of Directors

APRIL 2024 Message

Greetings from your Officers and Board,

As we welcome the month of **April** remember this is the time of year Mother Nature is known to play tricks on us all with unpredictable changes in the weather – fooling us. This month is also represented by April Fool's Day which is all about getting someone to fall for a prank or a made-up story. No tricks and no foolish nor unpredictable events took place at our March meeting. 144 members attended our **March Dinner** and **Easter Boutique** hosted by **Cathy Lucci** and **Cathy Borrone**. Our heartfelt thanks to these ladies welcoming us into Spring with their lovely presentation and arduous work.

Our Events Chair, **Lana Vorrises** updated the members on the following events: Unfortunately, the **Heritage Night Giants game** is cancelled due to the **July 4th holiday**. The **Limoncello** event address has been changed. Please see the enclosed flyer for the new address. The **Rose Viscoso-Al Sacco Bocce Tournament** is **April 21st**. The flyer is enclosed. Magician-Illusionist and Mentalist, **Kevin Blake** Event is scheduled for **September 18th**. The **Casino Bus Trip** is planned for **November 14th**. Flyers will be available in the Newsletter and on the Flyer Table two months in advance.

Charlene O'Malley, our new Sewing Committee Chairperson was introduced, along with 11 committee members, **Carmela Di Mauro**, **Anna DuPont**, **Donna Silvers**, **Andrea Bin**, **Barbara Valle**, **Janet Shapiro**, **Lori Jean Bates**, **Geri Travins**, **Geri Gagliardo** and **Regina Bortolus**. They will be assembling scent hearts for **UCSF Benioff's Children Hospital Intensive Care Unit**. UCSF was very grateful for such an immediate delivery of 136 hearts.

Events, Nominating, Knitting, Mani de Angeli, Scholarship, Greeters, Flyer Table and **Sewing Committees** were acknowledged individually for their valuable time and efforts in supporting our Guild. You are very appreciated!

Our **June Flyer** will be sent by email within the next 2 weeks, and be available at our **May Dinner Meeting**.

Ladies for your information, in the near future, **plastic bags** will be banned in California. The Club will no longer be providing them for your take home meals. Please bring your own bag.

If you don't want to miss a Dinner or Lunch meeting, perfect solution, bring your checkbook with you at a meeting and visit the **Flyer Table** where you can peruse all the information.

At our **Mother's Day** and **October Bingo**, we have a large attendance of 200. If you have a large party that you wish to sit with, please have one contact person in your group collecting checks and return them together to insure your reservation. You cannot reserve without payment. This is the only way you are guaranteed a reservation. If you have any questions, please contact an **Officer** or **Board Member**.

All interested members are welcome to volunteer for **the Greeters table, Flyer table** or co-hosting a Dinner/Lunch Meeting, or available Committee openings. Please visit the flyer table for volunteer sign-up sheets.

Don't get fooled, any questions, concerns, or suggestions are always welcome. Our Officers and Board of Directors are here for each member.

Newsletter correspondent,
Corinne Verili Courtney



SAVE THE DATE 2024

Monday, April 8

Lunch Meeting
(See page 5)

Sunday, April 21

Al Sacco Bocce Tournament
(See page 6)

Monday, May 13

Mother's Day Dinner
(See page 7)

Saturday, May 18

Limoncello Event
(note change of address)
(See page 8)

Monday, June 10

Installation of new
members
(See page 9)

All flyers are always
available on our website
[HTTPS://IAWGSM.ORG](https://IAWGSM.ORG)
& on the table behind the
greeter's table

NAME TAGS! NAME TAGS!

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Making New Friends and Getting
Reacquainted!

Wearing **NAME TAGS** makes this

easy. Please Contact

Arlene Bin Di Nitto

ambindinitto@gmail.com to

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



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Birthdays
of the
Month



APRIL




JO ANNE	MILLER	4/1
MARIA	BROSTROM	4/3
NERINA	DI BELLA	4/4
SANDRA	BAUMGARTEN	4/5
STEFANIE	LUCCHESI	4/5
DONNA	SALVATO	4/5
POLA	PIGNATI	4/6
SUSAN	DALY	4/7
DANA	AYOOB	4/8
JOANNE	VOLTATTORNI	4/10
ADRIANA	DEL CARLO	4/11
ROSEMARY	ARMANINO	4/14
HELEN	BIRKELAND	4/15
MARIA	GIULIANETTI	4/15
TONI	WOOTTEN	4/15
PIERA	SICCO	4/17
CORINNE	SILVESTRI	4/18
KATHRYN	FLANAGAN	4/19
HELEN	NARDI	4/19
MARILYN	DACHAUER	4/21
ROSALIE	STEINWAY	4/21
NIKKI	HUTH	4/22
DORENE	LUCCHESI	4/23
FRANCA	MARCHETTI	4/24
STEPHANIE	THOMSON	4/24
ALBA	TOBONI	4/24
GERI	DEL CARLO	4/25
BARBARA	TYSON-CAVALIERI	4/25
LISA	DISCO	4/28
TERESA	PIPER	4/28
ADELE	POLLANO-PERSONENI	4/29
BEVERLY	FEDERMANN	4/30
GAIL	MOZZINI	4/30
KARIN	PAYNE	4/30

Reach out to the Officers and more...


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TREASURER'S REPORT	





Sunshine and Mani Di Angeli Notices



Get well wishes:

- For long time member Marlene Belluomini
- Cathy Borrone
- Marie Sattui

Thinking of you:

- Arlene Garcia

Sympathy To:

- Virginia Malaspina's on the passing of her husband C. Thomas

Both April & May Birthdays will be celebrated at our April Lunch



Mani di Angeli



If there is an IAWG member or family member who has passed away, please call or text me so that a memento from Mani di Angeli can be delivered.

Volunteers are always needed to help support Mani di Angeli
Barbara Valle, Mani di Angeli Chair
call or text 650.302.0667



Sunshine



If there is an IAWG member who is ill or having major surgery please email me so I can send a *Get Well Card* to them.

Jo Amoroso, Sunshine Chair
bestnonni44@gmail.com or 650.347.9309

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.

Mother's Day Dinner

If you have a large party attending our Mother's Day Dinner, please have one contact from your party, collect everyone's checks and send them all together to insure a table reservation.

Italian Heritage Night

The Special Events Committee has decided to not move forward with Italian Heritage Night at the Giants, because it is on a holiday week, there would be low attendance. Please consider gathering your group of friends, if you want to attend.

Lana Vorrises

Bring your own Bag!!

Regarding take home dinners or lunches, for yourself or a friend... the club will no longer provide plastic bags. If you are taking dinners or lunches for yourself or members that are unable to attend, **please bring a bag.**

DON'T GET SCAMMED!!

Attention Members: Some members have been sent hacking emails asking for money to be sent to cover certain club expenses. Please do not respond to these emails and delete immediately **Be Safe!**

[Visit our website!](#)



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[EVENTS](#)

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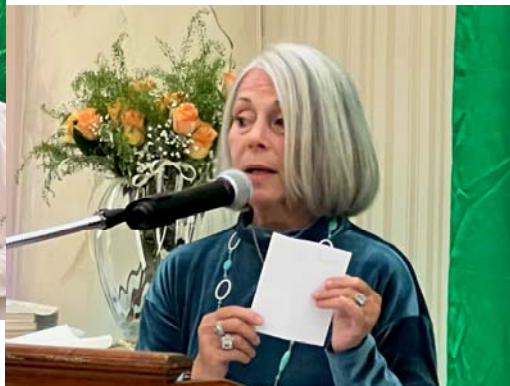
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MARCH 11TH DINNER/MEETING

No Host Cocktails 5:00 pm

Dinner/Meeting 6:00 pm



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

[HTTPS://IAWGSM.ORG](https://IAWGSM.ORG) under Photo Gallery

(Photos taken by Linda Watson-Historian)



Spring Has Sprung

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

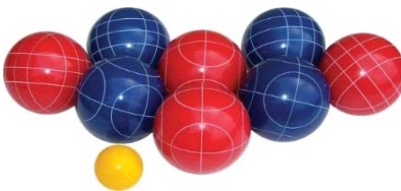
I would like to sit with: _____

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS

Need a ride: Yes ___ No ___ (If yes, someone will contract you)

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ROSE VISCUSO

AL SACCO BOCCE TOURNAMENT

- Date: Sunday, April 21, 2024
- Check-in time: 8:30 am
- Play begins at: 9:00 am
- Entry fee: **\$50.00** which includes Bocce, Continental Breakfast, and Lunch (Meat or Vegetarian Lasagna, Caesar Salad, and Garlic Bread).
- Where: Peninsula Italian American Social Club, 100 North B Street, San Mateo, CA 94401
- Participation is limited to the first 48 paid players. Non-members are also welcomed to play, although IAWG Members will be given first priority.
- Teams of four players. Points will decide winners. No Playoffs - USBF Rules - Live back boards.

Cash Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams

- Cost for lunch only is **\$35.00** - IAWG members and non-members who are not playing bocce are all welcome to attend the lunch.

*****RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY APRIL 15, 2024*****

No shows at the event will forfeit the entry fee if they have not sent a replacement player

Print Name: _____ Phone No.: _____

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_____ Bocce Player(s) at \$50.00 each for a total of \$ _____

_____ Lunch Only at \$35.00 each for a total of \$ _____

Enclosed is my check in the total amount of \$ _____

Please make your check payable to: IAWG

Mail to: 1384 Parrott Drive, San Mateo, CA 94402

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT PHYLLIS TOGNOTTI AT (650) 796-2076



**MOTHER'S DAY DINNER
ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S GUILD
MONDAY, MAY 13, 2024**

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

5 PM Cocktails
(Signature bar drink is an Aparol Spritz)

6 PM Dinner
\$43 Members & Guests

DINNER INCLUDES:

English Garden Salad, Rolls & Butter
Chicken Milanese

Rosemary Roasted Potatoes and Asparagus
OR

Spinach Vegetarian Lasagna
Dessert, Coffee, Tea & Soft drinks

For further information please contact
Yvonne Bushman @ 650.619.6213
or ybushman@sbcglobal.net

PLEASE COMPLETE THE BOTTOM PORTION & ENCLOSE WITH YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO IAWG

MAIL to: **Yvonne Bushman**

181 Glenbrook Lane

San Bruno, CA 94066

CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024. Checks received after May 3rd will be refused and returned. No refunds or cancellations after May 3rd

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Please **CIRCLE** Entrée Choice: **Chicken Milanese** **Spinach Vegetarian Lasagna**

Amount Enclosed: _____

I would like to sit with _____

I need a ride: yes _____ no _____ (someone will contact you)

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAMETAGS!!

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Italian American Women's Guild
Make Limoncello!

Saturday, May 18, 2024

Italian Cultural Center, 322 W. St. John Street, San Jose

Gioia Company works directly with dedicated Italian artisans to bring the finest hand-crafted Italian art, ceramics, gifts and jewelry.

While at Gioia we will learn to make limoncello, enjoy lunch

and shop for unique Italian treasures.

Saturday, May 18th

Noon to 4pm or later

\$55 per person (Includes limoncello class, lunch, limoncello tasting and shopping.)

Bring 8 whole lemons, 34 oz. Everclear or vodka, a peeler and a glass jar w/lid to hold 34 oz. of liquor.

Members Only *Limited Space* First Come, First Serve

Please return the bottom portion of this sheet with a check payable to IAWG to:

Mary Pardini, 1428 Benito Ave Burlingame, CA. 94010

For questions or further information, please contact
 Mary Pardini at: pardinimc@gmail.com or 650-867-4331

Reservation and check must be received by April 26, 2024

(Absolutely *NO* refunds or cancellations.) Number of tickets _____ @ \$55.00 per
 person Amount Enclosed: _____

Member's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Please let us know if you are willing to carpool or need a ride. Carpool Need a ride

ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S GUILD

INSTALLATION OF NEW MEMBERS

MOVIE NIGHT THEME

MONDAY JUNE 10, 2024

\$41 MEMBERS ONLY

5PM NO HOST COCKTAILS--6PM DINNER

DINNER MENU

CAESAR SALAD/GARLIC BREAD

SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS

-OR-

GNOCCHI WITH PESTO

BOMBA

COFFEE, ICE TEA & SODA



Please complete the bottom portion along with a check made payable to IAWG

Mail To: Andrea Bin - 1501 Sequoia Avenue - San Bruno, CA 94066

CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MAY 29TH, 2024

Checks received after May 29th will be REFUSED

Please Mail early – NO REFUNDS OR CANCELLATIONS

FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR INFORMATION

PLEASE CONTACT - CHARLENE O'MALLEY: 650-759-1991

OR CHAROMALLEY@AOL.COM

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Please **CIRCLE** Entree Choice: **Spaghetti & Meatballs** -OR- **Gnocchi with Pesto**

I Need a ride: Yes _____ No _____ (If yes, someone will contact you.)

I would like to sit with: _____

REMEMBER all NEWSLETTERS and EVENT FLYERS are ALWAYS AVAILABLE on our WEBSITE [HTTPS://IAWGSM.ORG](https://IAWGSM.ORG)



Anyone interested in playing or learning to play Pedro. Please contact Mary Pardini. They gather on most Wednesdays at the Foster City Recreation Center at 1:30.

pardinimc@gmail.com



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

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Arlene Bin Di Nitto

ambindinitto@gmail.com to

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

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



"BOCCE CLINIC"

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

lanaladuca@comcast.net



How well do you know your Italian Trivia!!

Answer to MARCH trivia: Pistol from Italian city of Pistoia

APRIL Trivia: "As the Arabs of today make their fortune in oil, a 1000 years ago Venetians made their fortune in what substance? **Answer will be given at the next general meeting!**

Trivia submitted by Doreen Mazzei:

Source HERITAGE Italian-American Style by Leon J Radomile



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WEB SITE!

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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

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(Between Curtner and Union Avenues)

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720 Blossom Hill Road
(Corner of Blossom Hill Rd. and Los Gatos Blvd.)

BURLINGAME
1825 El Camino Real
(Corner of El Camino and Trcondale Drive)

BELMONT
1025 Alameda de las Pulgas
(Corner of Balston Ave. and Alameda)

SAN BRUNO
2801 San Bruno Avenue
(Corner of Skyline Blvd. and San Bruno Ave.)

WALNUT CREEK
1660 Palco Village Mall
(Near and Pleasant Hill Rd.)

DANVILLE
345 Railroad Avenue
(Between Church and School Streets)



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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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