



THE ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S GUILD

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Greetings from your IAWG Officers and Board of Directors maggio 2025 Message

105 members attended our first Luncheon Meeting of the year. The tables were decorated with Easter holiday rabbits in a carrot basket with decorative eggs and a spring ambiance. Birthday Bags also followed the Easter theme in orange fabric carrot bags. Thank you to Barbara Valle our April Hostess and also to Yvonne Bushman for taking the reservations and organizing the seating.

Our nominating committee lead by our Chair Mary Pardini expressed the need for **Board of Director candidates** to occupy the **four** vacancies for **2026**. Mary also expressed that **co-presidents** may also be an option. **Without a 2026 President, our club will have to close.** We have many capable members to represent our Guild. No one works alone!

You have the support of the **Officers and Board** members. Please contact the Nominating committee if you may be interested for information.

This was our first meeting that we implemented our new **Wear Your Name Tag** policy. **No Name Tag-No Raffle Ticket!** If you need a name tag, please email ambindinitto@gmail.com. Your name tag will be available for you at the next meeting that you attend.

We will be initiating new members in **June** and also presenting members with **10 and 20-year pins**. Our June dinner will begin at **5PM** and our Meeting will start at **5:30 PM**.

The **Knitting and Sewing Committees** are in need of additional volunteers. Please contact the committee chairs if you are interested and available.

The **Events committee** have been working enthusiastically to provide enjoyable outings for us. Be sure to check our flyer table for upcoming events.

All events, dinner & lunch flyers are available 2 months in advance.

Mother's Day is celebrated on different days in many parts of the world. Here in the **United States**, we celebrate this lovely day on the second **Sunday in May**. We take this time to remember the endless love, support, strength and kindness we accepted from the woman we call or called **Mother**.

**The IAWG Officers and Board of Directors wish you
A Very Happy Mother's Day!!!**

SAVE THE DATE 2025

Monday, May 12,
Mother's Day Dinner
(see page 5)

Sunday, June 8
Rose Viscuso Bocce
Tournament
(See Page 6)

Monday, June 9
Dinner Meeting
(see page 7)

Monday, August 11
Dinner meeting Scholarship
Recipients Event
(see page 8)

Thursday, August 28
Coyote Point Stroll
(See Page 9)

Wednesday, September 17
KEVIN BLAKE
(See page 10)

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greeter's table

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Arlene Bin Di Nitto

ambindinitto@gmail.com to

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Buon

compleanno maggio



JEAN	ALLARD	5/1
ANNA	DUPONT	5/2
JEANETTE	RUDDEN	5/2
MARVELLE	MARSHALL	5/4
ELISA	DONATI-KLUNIS	5/5
CONNIE	TALLERICO	5/4
JEANNETTE	ROSSI	5/8
JANICE	SALVATO	5/10
VICTORIA	VOZZA	5/11
DONNA	CERVELLI	5/12
CATHERINE	LUCCI	5/12
MAVIS	DIANDA	5/13
GINGER	TANTILLO	5/14
LISA	WILSEY	5/15
DOLORES	BAUER	5/16
ADELE	DELLA SANTINA	5/16
MARIE	SATTUI	5/17
JANET	ALLARA	5/18
NANCY	HOFFER	5/20
JANET	EDDY	5/21
LORETTE	BERTON	5/22
JANET	INGERSOLL	5/23
CELIA	CAVALLINI	5/25
GLORIA	LAGOMARSINO	5/25
STEPHANIE	CORTI	5/28
JUNE	ERRICO	5/30

Reach out to the Officers and more...

President - Arlene Bin Di Nitto	ambindinitto@gmail.com
Vice President-Donna Silvers	donnaags@sbcglobal.net
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Membership-Joycelyn Firenzi-Pine	firenzi@comcast.net

TREASURER'S REPORT

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Sunshine and Mani Di Angeli Notices



CONDOLENCES TO:

- Member Diana Balestreri on the passing of her husband Bob
- Member Lubiana Chernobori on passing of her brother and member Iris Bagneschi's brother in law, John
- Member Connie Tallerico on passing of her Mother

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

- Linda Avelar
- Joycelyn Firenzi-Pine
- Franca Marchetti

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
2 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

APRIL LUNCHEON MEETING



Photos taken by our Historian Linda Watson. These and more can be found on our website <https://iawgsm.org>

NOMINATING COMMITTEE MESSAGE

At the April meeting, there were several women who had some interest in filling the positions available on the Board of Directors. Please reach out to Mary at paradinimc@gmail.com, Gail at gailmozzini@gmail.com or Doreen at dwmazzei@yahoo.com for more information.

4 Positions OPEN on Board of Directors for 2026

The Nomination Committee is looking for interested women to fill four positions on Board of Directors for 2026. If you enjoy the club and are curious about taking an active role in supporting the officers, attending board meetings and planning general meetings, please reach out to: Mary Pardini paradinimc@gmail.com
Doreen Mazzei dwmazzei@yahoo.com or Gail Mozzini gailmozzini@gmail.com

All questions welcomed!!

KNITTING COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED!!

Anyone interested in joining the **KNITTING** committee, please contact

Anna Dupont anna@annadupont.com 650.269.9024

Joyceyn Firenzi-Pine firenzi@comcast.net

SEWING COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED!!

Anyone interested in joining the **SEWING** committee, please contact

Charlene O'Malley charomalley@aol.com 650.759.1991

Cathy Borrone minirose_sonoma@yahoo.com

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NO RAFFLE TICKET

Beginning in **June**, we will make a change to our **Dinners**.
Cocktails will be at **5PM** — **Meetings** will begin at **5:30PM**.
PLEASE MAIL YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY!!

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**MOTHER'S DAY DINNER
ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S GUILD
MONDAY, MAY 12, 2025**

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

5:00 p.m. No-Host Cocktails
(Signature bar drink is a Lemon Spritz)
6:00 p.m. Dinner

\$48 Members & Guests
Dinner Includes:

Caesar Salad, Garlic Bread
Oven Roasted Pork Tenderloin
Rice Pilaf and Sautéed Green Beans
OR
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 2, 2025.
No refunds or cancellations after May 2nd.

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Please **CIRCLE** Entrée Choice: **Pork Tenderloin** or **Vegetarian Lasagna**

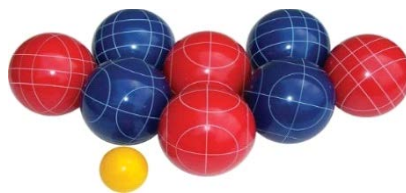
Amount Enclosed: _____

I would like to sit with _____

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

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ROSE VISCUSO AL SACCO BOCCE TOURNAMENT

- Date: Sunday, June 8, 2025
- Check-in time: 8:30 am
- Play begins at: 9:00 am
- Entry fee: **\$55.00** 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 **\$36.00** - IAWG members and non-members who are not playing bocce are all welcome to attend the lunch.

*****RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY MAY 30, 2025*****

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

Print Name: _____ Phone No.: _____

Print Name: _____

_____ Bocce Player(s) at \$55.00 each for a total of \$ _____

_____ Lunch Only at \$36.00 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



Italian American Women's Guild
Monday, June 9, 2025
Installation of new members Dinner Meeting



Peninsula Italian American Social Club
100 North B Street, San Mateo,
5:00 p.m. No-Host Cocktails 5:30 p.m. Meeting
Dinner to follow

Menu

Dinner Includes:

Caesar Salad Family Style and Garlic bread
Chicken Scallopini, rice pilaf, green beans
Eggplant Parmesan, green beans
Dessert, coffee, tea and soda



Cost - \$48.00 Members Only

Please return the bottom portion of this sheet with a check made payable to *IAWG* and mail to

Andrea Bin
1501 Sequoia Avenue
San Bruno 94066

For questions or further information, please call
Donna Silvers 650-238-4284

Reservation must be received by May 30, 2025

(No Refunds or cancellations after May 30, 2025)

PLEASE MAIL YOUR RESERVATIONS Early!!

No CHECKS OR MONEY ACCEPTED AT CHECK-IN!!!

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

If paying for multiple-people, please list their names on back of sheet

I would like to sit with: _____

ENTRÉE CHOICE: Chicken Scallopini ☐ Eggplant Parmesan ☐
Need a ride: Yes _____ No _____ (If yes, someone will contact you.)



PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAMETAGS!

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This and all flyers can be found on our website: <https://iawgsm.org> under Events



Italian American Women's Guild

Monday, August 11, 2025

Dinner Meeting

2025 Scholarship Recipients Recognition Event

Peninsula Italian American Social Club

100 North B Street, San Mateo,

5:00 p.m. No-Host Cocktails 6:00 p.m. Dinner

Menu

Dinner Includes:

Family Style Salad with Rolls & Butter

Choice of One:

Chicken Marsala

Served with Wild Rice Pilaf & Green Beans with Onions

Vegetarian Lasagna

Dessert, Coffee, Tea, & Soda

\$47.00 Members Only

Please return the bottom portion of this sheet with a check made payable to *IAWG* and mail to:

Yvonne Bushman

181 Glenbrook Lane

San Bruno, CA 94066

For questions or further information, please call

Gail Mozzini, 650-400-2494

Checks must be received by July 30, 2025

Checks will not be accepted after July 30, 2025

PLEASE MAIL YOUR CHECK EARLY -- No Checks at the Door

Member's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Cost \$_____ per person - Members Only

Amount Enclosed: _____

If paying for multiple people, please list their names on back of sheet.

I would like to sit with: _____

CIRCLE ENTRÉE CHOICE: Chicken Marsala Vegetarian Lasagna

Need a ride: Yes

No

(If yes, someone will contact you.)



Coyote Point Stroll

Thursday, August 28, 2025

10:30 AM - Coyote Point

Did you know that at one time there was a Board Walk there
that rivaled Coney Island?
Let's walk together as Lana gives us the fascinating history of
Coyote Point!

Easy stroll - paved road, mostly flat, 2 miles

Entrance is \$6.00 per car and free for seniors weekdays
Meet at the Magic Mountain parking lot to the left of the
entrance kiosk

Bring a brown bag lunch and join us after the stroll in the
Magic Meadow picnic area, behind the parking lot. Bottled
water will be provided.
(Guests Welcome)

Please call or text your RSVP by August 25th to:

Deb Robbins (650) 678-2696





Italian American Women's Guild

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN EVENING WITH



KEVIN BLAKE

MAGICIAN EXTRAORDINAIRE

As seen on America's Got Talent, Penn & Teller: Fool Us, Thrillist and in his show *The Illusionist at the Palace Theater*, Kevin Blake is a San Francisco-based magician, mentalist and illusionist who is one of the most in-demand entertainers in the nation. His show is a mind-bending experience of sleight of hand and mind that must be seen to be believed!

ALL NEW SHOW!!

DATE: Wednesday, September 17, 2025
TIME: 5:00 p.m. no-host cocktails; 6:00 p.m. dinner; 7:30 p.m. show begins.
PLACE: Peninsula Italian American Social Club, 100 N. B Street, San Mateo 94401
PRICE: \$90.00 (Includes all-you-can-eat buffet dinner, soft drinks, coffee, tea, dessert, tax and tip) OPEN SEATING FOR DINNER AND SHOW

PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTOM PORTION OF THIS SHEET WITH A CHECK PAYABLE TO IAWG AND MAIL TO: Lana Vorrises 2265 Armada Way, San Mateo, CA 94404

For questions or further information, please contact Lana at lanaladuca@comcast.net 650.703.7473

Reservation and check must be received by September 3, 2025

Limited to the first 100 tickets sold! OPEN SEATING!

**THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO NON-MEMBERS ★ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS OR CANCELLATIONS
NO MONEY ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR!!**

If you are sending in a check for multiple guests, please list each guest's name

Number of tickets _____ @ \$90.00 per person Amount Enclosed: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

PEDRO

If you are interested in playing Pedro, a group of IAWG members gather on most Wednesdays @ 1:30. Locations may vary. If interested please email Charlene O'Malley
charomalley@aol.com

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

The IAWG sends out the monthly newsletter to email addresses on file. If you do not receive a monthly newsletter (except July) please email Pat Armanino
parmanino135@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

If you have a change in your name, address, email address, phone number or would like a copy of the roster please email Pat Armanino
parmanino135@gmail.com

How well do you know your Italian Trivia!

APRIL Trivia Question: Sylvester Stallone

MAY Trivia: "What is the meaning of La Festa della Mamma"

Answer will be given at the next general meeting!

Submitted by Doreen Mazzei

Source HERITAGE Italian-American Style by Leon J Radomile

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.
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Tuesday's at 11AM by reservation only.
Foster City Recreation Center
650 Shell Blvd
Foster City, CA 94426
Lana Vorrises
650.703.7473
lanaladuca@comcast.net

Cancelled until further notice



For more information, pictures of events and useful links, please check out our website!

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IAWG BOOK CLUB

BOOK SELECTIONS FOR 2025

WE MEET ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY EVERY OTHER MONTH

TIME 11 A.M. UPSTAIRS

IAWG Members Only (No Guests) Contact Cathy Borrone

Phone: 650-242-1685 email: minirose_sonoma@yahoo.com

MONTH	TITLE	AUTHOR
JANUARY 22nd (PLEASE NOTE DATE)	MURDER IN CHIANTI (a Tuscan Mystery)	CAMILLA TRINCHIERI
MARCH 19th	LOYALTY (the rise of the Mafia in Sicily)	LISA SCOTTLIN
MAY 21st	THE BRIAR CLUB (female boardinghouse in Washington DC in 1950)	KATE QUINN
JULY 16th	THE SPECTACULAR (Radio City Rockettes in 1956 and the Big Apple Bomber)	FIONA DAVIS
SEPTEMBER 17th	EAT AND GET GAS (a family own diner/gas station in 1960)	J. A. WRIGHT
NOVEMBER 19th	LEFT ON TENTH (a second chance at life: a memoir)	DELIA EPHRON
RECOMMENDED READING		
	ALL THE COLORS OF THE DARK (thriller. love story during 1975)	CHRIS WHITAKER
	THE SICILIAN INHERITANCE (murder, romance and ricotta)	JO PIAZZA
	THE RIVER WE REMEMBER (1958 murder in small Minnesota town)	WILLIAM KENT KRUEGER
	THE LAST BUS TO WISDOM (summer of 1951 Montana)	IVAN DOIG
	THE WOMEN (nurses sent to Vietnam in 1965)	KRISTIN HANNAH
	UNDER THE LIGHT OF THE ITALIAN MOON (Italian women resilience in WW11)	JENNIFER ANTON
	THE EXTRAORDINARY LIFE OF SAM HILL (coming of age story)	ROBERT DUGONI

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BELMONT
1085 Alameda de las Pulgas
(Corner of Alameda Ave. and Alameda)

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

WALNUT CREEK
1660 Palco Verde Mall
(Leaky and Pleasant Hill Rd.)

DANVILLE
345 Railroad Avenue
(Between Church and School Streets)

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Contact Pat Armanino
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Celebrating 30 Years!

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 education enrichment of its members and strives to work for the good of the community at large with its philanthropic efforts.

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