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Greetings from your IAWG 2026

President's Message

maggio 2026 Message

Buon Maggio! As the spring flowers bloom, my thoughts turn to appreciation, heritage, and the successful future of our Guild. May is a special time for us to honor the nurturing figures in our lives and look forward to the upcoming summer months.

A very Happy Mother's Day to all the wonderful mothers, grandmothers, aunts, friends and mentors within our community. You are the heart of our families and the strength of our traditions. We hope you are celebrated with love and joy on May 10th.

To ensure the Italian American Women's Guild can continue to support our philanthropic activities, scholarship program and manage rising operational costs, the Membership has voted to adjust our annual dues, effective January 1, 2027 to \$100 annually. This moderate adjustment will allow us to maintain our charitable work and continue fostering connections within our community.

To our current members who plan to sponsor new members, thank you for your commitment to our sponsors and the success of our programs. We are in the final stages of closing our June new member paperwork and need your assistance to complete the process.

- **Please Remember:** Always be sure your candidate is either Italian or married to an Italian before submitting a membership application. This is one of the main criteria for membership to our club and spelled out in Article II, Section 2 of our Bylaws.
- **Action Required:** Please ensure you have followed up with your candidate(s) to submit all remaining paperwork and their June 8 dinner check *by May 22, 2026*. Candidates whose checks are not received by May 22 will be included in the January 2027 installation.

Thank you for your energy, your time, and your dedication to the Guild. Together, we make the IAWG a wonderful organization.

Alla prossima, amici!

Lori
President
Italian American Women's Guild



SAVE THE DATE 2026

Monday, May 11
Mother's Day Dinner
(see page 6)

Tuesday, May 19
Land's End Stroll
(see page 7)

Monday, June 8
Dinner & Installation
of new members
(see page 8)

Sunday July 26
Rose Viscuso
Bocce Tournament
(see page 9)

Tuesday, July 28
SF Giants Italian
Heritage Night
(see page 10)

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available on our website
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& on the table **behind the**
greeter's table

Pop-Up Events See page 4

NAME TAGS! NAME TAGS!
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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Buon compleanno maggio

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Sunshine and Mani Di Angeli Notices
Speedy recovery to:

- Rosalie Steinway



HAPPY 92 Dolores HAPPY 90 Janet

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

IAWG DINNER MEETING MINUTES-APRIL 13, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Lori asked if there were any questions regarding the published budget. **No questions.**

Lori asked the membership about raising the IAWG yearly dues from \$75.00 to \$100.00. She asked for a show of hands in favor of raising the yearly dues. The vote was a unanimous yes. Two members motioned and the vote was accepted.

Lori announced that there were volunteer sheets on each table and to please sign up if you are interested in helping with the events listed.

Andrea read the March dinner meeting minutes.

Events Chair **Anna Zammataro** announced that 82 people signed up for the Kevin Blake Magician on April 20th. On May 19th there is a tour of the **Golden Gate National Recreation Area Land's End** and **Sutro Heights Park** and you can purchase lunch after at the **Park Chalet** behind the **Beach Chalet**. Flyer available in the May newsletter. **Giants Italian Heritage Night** is July 28th and 15 seats need to be confirmed before 15 more seats can be added. August 28th is the **Rosie the Riveter tour**. November 5th is the **Graton Casino** bus trip. There will be a pop-up event on April 28th at the Cinapolis Cinema in Hillsdale with the showing of the movie Michael at 2:30 pm.

Chair **Lucy Romoli** gave an update on the cookbook. So far there are 50 recipes and more are needed.

Doreen read the Trivia answer.

Arlene Bin-DiNitto presented two 10-year pins to **Rita Quinn** and **Hope Bartke**.

25 April and May birthdays were celebrated.

Nancy and Mary did the raffle for the centerpieces and the complimentary dinner raffle was won by **Marie Cohn**.

Thank you, **Nancy Pyle and Mary Pardini** for hosting our dinner.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Andrea Bin

POP UP EVENT

Event: "Michael" movie about Michael Jackson

Location: Cinepolis, Hillsdale Shopping Mall

Date: Tuesday April 28, 2026

Time: 2:30 PM Show

Other info: Tickets <https://www.cinepolisusa.com/san-mateo>

Cost: \$18.00

Option: Meet at 12:30 @ Pinstripes for lunch

For further info: Lana Vorisses 650.703.7473 lanaladuca@comcast.net

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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IAWG COOKBOOK 2026

Book Title Contest

Winning Prize

A Free Cookbook

Email your idea to Lucy Romoli Lucy5247@sbcglobal.net

Submit your title for IAWG 2026 cookbook by May 2026 dinner meeting
Winner will be announced at June 2026 dinner meeting



IAWG COOKBOOK 2026

History, Heritage and Legacy

Version 2

(Resubmit recipes from 2007 cookbook, "La Cucina")

Pictures and words will tell the history of IAWG San Mateo and highlight its achievements. Members' recipes that have been passed down from generation to generation along with a brief description will bring our Italian heritage to life and become part of our legacy.

COOKBOOK CONTENT:

- IAWG highlights of history and achievements
- Members' Recipes
 - Favorite Italian recipes that have been handed down from generation to generation.
 - Your name and the year you joined San Mateo's IAWG
 - Brief Description: 1 to 3 sentences that describe memories surrounding this recipe (from whom, when served, tradition, etc.)
 - Number of Servings
 - List of ingredients with measurements for each
 - Step by step instructions

SPECIAL DATES:

- January 2026 Dinner Meeting: Recipes will start to be submitted
- May 2026 Dinner Meeting: Final date to submit your recipe & cookbook title
- June Dinner Meeting: Winner of Cookbook Title Contest announced
- August 1, 2026: Submit purchase order with payment
- November and December 2026 dinner meetings: cookbooks available

SUBMIT YOUR RECIPE:

- Mail to: Deb Robbins: 144 Somerset Street, Redwood City, CA 94062-1824
- Email to: Lucy Romoli: lucy5247@sbcglobal.net
- Bring a copy to an IAWG dinner meeting and give it to one of the committee members.

Your Cookbook Committee,

Lucy Romoli, Laurie Donohue, Deb Robbins, Sally Pratali, Lana Vorrises



MOTHER'S DAY DINNER
ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S GUILD
MONDAY, MAY 11, 2026
PIASC 100 North B Street, San Mateo

5:00 p.m. No-Host Cocktails - 6:00 p.m. Dinner
\$52 Members & Guests



Rolls/butter
Spinach salad
choice of Entrée
Poached salmon with champagne sauce
Chicken Marsala
included with entrees
Green beans and Roasted potatoes
or
Eggplant Parmesan
&
Dessert, Coffee, Tea & Soft drinks



QUESTIONS: DONNA SILVERS ~ 650.238.4284 ~ donnaags@sbcglobal.com

PLEASE COMPLETE THE BOTTOM PORTION & ENCLOSE WITH YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO
IAWG MAIL TO: PAT ARMANINO, 135 EAST BELLEVUE, SAN MATEO, CA 94401

CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2026

No refunds or cancellations after APRIL 27

Name: _____ Phone: _____

CIRCLE Entrée Choice: **SALMON** **CHICKEN** **EGGPLANT PARMESAN**

Amount Enclosed: _____

I would like to sit with _____

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

This and all flyers can be found on our website <https://iawgsm.org> under Events and on the flyer table behind the greeters at all meetings



Lands End and Sutro Heights Stroll

Tuesday, May 19, 10 am - 2 pm.

The plan is to walk the Lands End trail on the base of the railroad track that once came from downtown SF to this remote area. Great views of the entrance to the bay where thousands arrived to San Francisco from all parts of the world.

Sutro Heights Park offers a vista of Ocean Beach from the patio of the estate once adorned by many European statues, only two lion sculptures remain at the entrance.

San Francisco - Golden Gate National Recreation Areas

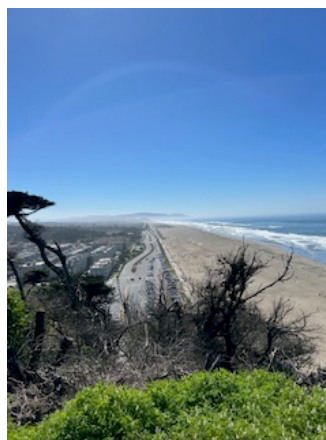
[Land's End](#) and [Sutro Heights Park](#)

Lunch to follow at the [Park Chalet](#) – behind Beach Chalet that houses [Diego Rivera murals](#). Register for this scenic walk and indicate whether you will stay for lunch by email to annazamm@yahoo.com or text 650-270-7689

Please respond before the due date: Tuesday, May 12, 2026



Lands End Trailhead.



View from Lands End and Sutro Height Park



June Summer & Installation dinner ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S GUILD



June 8, 2026 - Dinner/Meeting

PIASC 100 North B Street, San Mateo
5:00 p.m. No Host Cocktail ~ 6:00 p.m. Meeting/Dinner to Follow
\$52.00 (MEMBERS ONLY)

DINNER INCLUDES:

Antipasto platter, Spring Salad, Ciabatta rolls & butter

Entrée : Half rosemary lemon chicken

With seasonal vegetables & Polenta

OR

Pesto cheese tortellini with seasonal vegetables

Dessert: Bomba & Coffee

Please complete the bottom portion along with a check payable to **IAWG** and mail to:

Laurie Donohue~140 Parkview Drive~San Bruno, CA 94066

For questions or further information, please email:

Diana Cernobori at cernobori.diana@gmail.com or call Laurie Donohue 650-996-0762

Checks must be received by May 22, 2026. Checks will not be accepted after May 22, 2026.

No checks at the door~no refunds or cancellations after May 22, 2026

Member's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Circle your Entrée Choice: **CHICKEN** **PESTO CHEESE TORTELLINI** **GRILLED PETRALE SOLE**

Amount Enclosed: \$_____ I would like to sit with _____

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

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAMETAGS!



ROSE VISCUSO AL SACCO BOCCE TOURNAMENT

DATE: Sunday, July 26, 2026

TIME: 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.

Players will be assigned to a team. 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 JULY 17, 2026*****

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

Print Name: _____ **Phone No.:** _____

Print Name: _____ **Phone No.:** _____

_____ **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: MARY PARDINI-1428 Benito Avenue, Burlingame, CA 94010

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

MARY PARDINI - 650 867-4331 or PHYLLIS TOGNOTTI - (650) 796-2076





**Italian American Women's Guild
San Francisco Giants vs Milwaukee Brewers
Italian Heritage Night
TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2026**

Join us at Oracle Park for the **Annual Italian Heritage Night** as the Giants take on the Milwaukee Brewers. Enjoy an evening of baseball, community and culture as we celebrate the traditions, flavors and vibrant spirit of the Italian community throughout the Bay Area. This special event package includes a seat ticket as well as a limited-edition Italian Heritage baseball T-Shirt.

Pick up shirt at View Reserve 334 at Top of Ramp until end of 4th inning.

Transportation Options: Drive car or CalTrain Amount enclosed _____

Members and Non-Members are welcome
\$54.00 per person ***Premium Box Left Field Sec 126***
Game begins at 6:45pm

Please return the bottom portion of this sheet with a check payable to IAWG and mail to:
Kathy McKibben, 707 Somerset Ln, Foster City, CA 94404
You will receive your electronic ticket via email from the SF Giants

For questions or further information, please call:
Kathy McKibben, 650-759-0934 or Anna Marie Zammataro, 650-270-7689

Reservation and check must be received by June 22, 2026
(Absolutely NO refunds or cancellations)

Number of tickets _____ @ \$54.00 per person Amount enclosed _____

Member's Name: _____

Phone: _____

Additional Participants _____

Email Address (electronic ticket will be sent to you) _____



PEDRO

If you are interested in playing Pedro, a group of IAWG members gather on most Wednesdays @ 1:00.

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 Answer: Tyrrhenian, Adriatic, Ionian, Ligurian Seas

MAY Trivia Question: Boiled candies were invented in Turin and a beverage from roasted powdered seeds was introduced to Italy by King Emmanuel Filiberto. What did he introduce?

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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650 Shell Blvd
Foster City, CA
Lana Vorrises
650.703.7473



ATTENTION MEMBERS

10- and 20-year Members that have not received their 10- or 20-year pin, please contact: Arlene Bin-DiNitto
ambindinitto@gmail.com



IAWG BOOK CLUB WE MEET EVERY OTHER MONTH ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY AT 11AM (UPSTAIRS) BOOK SELECTIONS FOR THE YEAR 2026 Members only!

Any questions contact Cathy Borrone 650-242-1685~email minirose_sonoma@yahoo.com

MONTH	TITLE	AUTHOR
JANUARY 21 ST	NINO'S HEART (BOOK 1 OF 3 SERIES)	JD KEENE
MARCH 18 TH	THE AMALFI CURSE (sunken treasure, forbidden love on the Amalfi Coast)	SARAH PENNER
MAY 20 TH	THE UNRAVELING OF JULIA (Psychological thriller set in a Tuscan villa and vineyard)	LISA SCOTTLINE
JULY 15 TH	AN AMERICAN BEAUTY (true story of Arabella Huntington who became the richest woman in the country during the gilded age)	SHANA ABE
SEPTEMBER 16 TH	PRETTY GUILTY WOMEN (one murder, four confessions)	GINA LAMANNA
NOVEMBER 18 TH	SOMEONE ELSE'S SHOES (mix-ups, mess-ups, and second changes)	JOJO MOYES
Pick book selections for 2027 RECOMMENDED READING		
	The Book Club of Troublesome Women	Marie Bostwick
	The Girl on the Boat (book 1 of 4 series)	Kate Hewitt
	The Wayward Girls	Susan Wiggs
	The Housemaid	Freida McFadden
	Time under Tension	Kristina Fox

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(Between Church and School Streets)



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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 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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