



# The Galilean

## RICHMOND GALILEO CLUB

### NEWSLETTER 2024



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### IMPORTANT DATES IN APRIL

- April 3<sup>rd</sup> General Membership Meeting 7:00 pm
- April 6<sup>th</sup> Bocce Ball Tournament Noon
- April 7<sup>th</sup> BUNCO & Ravioli Lunch 12:15 pm
- April 18<sup>th</sup> Men's Birthday Diner 7:00 pm
- April 21<sup>st</sup> BAGNA CAUDA Sunday 4:00 pm

**General Membership Meeting - Wednesday,  
 APRIL 3rd - Bar opens at 6pm / Meeting at 7pm**

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 21<sup>st</sup>**



### **Joe Meneghelli BAGNA CAUDA DINNER**

**Bar opens at 3:00 p.m. Dinner served at 4:00 p.m.**

MENU Main Ingredients: Hot Olive Oil, Anchovies and GARLIC. Items to be cooked: ♣ Flat Iron Steak ♣ Prawns or Rock Shrimp ♣ Mushrooms, Bell Peppers, Pickled Bell Peppers, Artichoke Hearts, Zucchini, Celery, Nappa Cabbage, Endive, Broccoli, Brussels Sprouts  
 \$65.00 / Adult (NO ONE UNDER THE AGE OF 18)

Reservations are due by Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>

**Please note: This event has "sold out" the past two years, so it's first come, first served! Reserve NOW!**

### **MENS BIRTHDY DINNER on the 18<sup>th</sup>**

Our main course for the APRIL men's dinner will be Chicken Marsala and Pasta. Add our famous salad, wine, coffee & Ice Cream, and you have another fulfilling meal fit for a King.

\$30 per person, \$15 for those under 12, and free for our 50 year members and April birthday boys.  
 Cocktails 6:00 / Dinner at 7:00

### **The reservation deadline is Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>**



### **APRIL Birthday Boys**

Louie Catalano 1 <sup>st</sup>	Walter Russey 9 <sup>th</sup>	George Norris 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Jim Russey 1 <sup>st</sup>	Wally Trujillo 10 <sup>th</sup>	James Vonich 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Bruce Witt 1 <sup>st</sup>	Anthony Traverso 12 <sup>th</sup>	Dan W. Martin 24 <sup>th</sup>
Bill Kauppinen 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jan Palarczyk 13 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Murray 25 <sup>th</sup>
Harry Hansen 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Frank Lee Call 14 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Workman 25 <sup>th</sup>
Herbert Cole Jr. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Gino Mirabella 14 <sup>th</sup>	Colin Davies 25 <sup>th</sup>
Robert Smith 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Robert Perata 15 <sup>th</sup>	Philip Sturiale 27 <sup>th</sup>
Jim Tippie 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Milton Barney 15 <sup>th</sup>	Kevin Greco 27 <sup>th</sup>
Jeff Frazzitta 4 <sup>th</sup>	John Ziesenhenn 15 <sup>th</sup>	John Traverso 28 <sup>th</sup>
Dean Shreve 4 <sup>th</sup>		Chris Rodrick 29 <sup>th</sup>
Robert Betti 5 <sup>th</sup>	Donald Amantite 20 <sup>th</sup>	John McDermott 29 <sup>th</sup>
John Hunt 6 <sup>th</sup>	Al Narasaki Jr 21 <sup>st</sup>	Joe Coppi 30 <sup>th</sup>
Mark Traverso 8 <sup>th</sup>	Stan Taylor 21 <sup>st</sup>	Gary Noe 30 <sup>th</sup>

### **ANNIVERSARY NIGHT A BIG HIT!**

It was another historic night at the Galileo Club as we celebrated our 91<sup>st</sup> anniversary. An outstanding dinner of creamy pesto tortellini, garlic mashed potatoes topped w/chicken Marsala, salad, veggies, and a special dessert, was a real treat. Our Outstanding Service Award went to 45 year member Manny Gutierrez, and two new 50-year members were honored. The Fargo Brothers Band had the dance floor jumping until well after 10 o'clock. It was a fun night!



Here we see Mark Maltagliati welcome John Traverso and Harry Hansen Jr. into our 50-year membership club. They later received their medals.

### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

*Boun Giorno!*

Well, March was a great month. It started out with our Anniversary Dinner on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a huge success with kudos coming in from all the other clubs in attendance. The Auxiliary did a spectacular job decorating our dining room and our chefs and servers outdid themselves! Thank you all who attended.

March continued with our Easter Brunch and Kid's Easter Party on the 17<sup>th</sup>, and then our Men's Birthday Dinner on the 21<sup>st</sup>. We were wondering if we could make April just as enjoyable. Of course we can, just look at our April line-up.

April brings a Bocce tournament and our Bocce season, where the competition is expected to be strong! We have Bunco on the 7<sup>th</sup> and our Men's birthday dinner on the 18<sup>th</sup>, and I'm really looking forward to the Joe Meneghelli Bagna Cauda dinner on the 21<sup>st</sup>. Be sure to invite your friends and family and let's fill the place up!

Thanks to all the volunteers who have manicured the bocce courts and do all the maintenance projects that keep our club in great shape!

Until next month ... *Ciao, David Giovannoli*

*In Memory*

Thomas Piazza 25-year Member



**Bunco is on April 7<sup>th</sup> - Please see auxiliary side of this newsletter for full details. Bunco is open to all!**

# Bollettino Donne

Good food, good friends & good times!



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The Anniversary Dinner was a huge success! Thanks to all the club members that gave their time to making the club shine on clean-up day and to everyone that helped with the set-up, decorations, and peeling potatoes and clipping beans. Thanks to Marie DeLauter for all her time and talents on the appetizer table and to Adrian Fulay and Adrienne Pearse for shopping for the flowers, the concept of the flower arrangements and the guidance on making the arrangements. See the attached flyer for pictures and thank you's of the event. At the February meeting, the membership approved a \$15,000 pledge to the Men's Club that will go towards the Men's bathroom remodel. This was presented at the Anniversary Dinner.

Congratulations to Alda Ronan and Manny Gutierrez recipients of the Outstanding Service Award for Auxiliary and Men's Club. To John Traverso Jr. and Harry Hanson Jr. on receiving their 50-year members medallion from the Galileo Men's Club, and Henry Marchitello who was made an Honorary member of the Galileo Men's Club.

We had 61 members in attendance at the March meeting, swore in 4 new members and approved 4 new member applications. Keep up the good work ladies!

One last thing, if you haven't paid your dues would you please get them in before you are dropped from our membership. We **ARE** still the best deal in town.

See you at the club!

*Beth*

## MONTHLY MEETING

Be Connected. Be heard. Be informed.

Our meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 3rd. Meeting starts at 7p.m. Club opens at 6p.m. So come down and join us.

## MEMBER NEWS



Claire Ramirez passed away on Tuesday, March 5, 2024. Claire was a 9-year member of the Auxiliary and attended most meetings, while sitting up front. She was also Vice President of the Italian American Federation.

Please keep Claire, her husband John, and daughter, Debbie, in your thoughts and prayers.

Mary Moran is the proud grandmother of Rose Madison Moran, born February 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:41pm, weighing in at 7.8 oz and 20 inches long. Madison joins cousins Bianca and Emilio, making Mary a grandmother of THREE.



## Don Diani Scholarship Application

Scholarship Applications are available for High School Seniors Class of 2024. Applicants must be of Italian ancestry, a graduating student from high school (son, daughter of grandchild) and directly related to a member in good standing, of the Galileo Club or Galileo Auxiliary.

Graduating senior seeking to further his/her education by obtaining a higher degree such as an AA, BA, BS or Certificated from a Trade or Vocational School. Scholarships will be awarded at the **EZ Friday kick-off to Mother's Day weekend Scholarship Dinner on Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> 2024.**

To apply for the **Don Diani Academic Scholarship**, please request an application by emailing [italiandiane@gmail.com](mailto:italiandiane@gmail.com) or calling Diane Diani at 510-685-3762.



## **BUNCO IS BACK**

**SUNDAY, April 7<sup>th</sup>**

Bunco is a fun dice game that men and women can play. So men come on down to the club and join us, even if it's just for lunch. Ravioli's, salad, rolls, wine and of course dessert.

Bar opens at 11:30 am and lunch will be served at 12:15pm. Dice will start rolling when lunch is finished. The cost is \$28.00 for members and \$30.00 for non-members. To make reservations, email the club at [thegalileoclub@yahoo.com](mailto:thegalileoclub@yahoo.com) or call the club at 510-620-9797. All reservations are due Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. If you would like to help set up, come down at 10am on Sat. April 6<sup>th</sup>.

## **Joe Meneghelli Bagna Cauda Dinner**

Mark your calendar for Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. Get your reservations in. This event is sure to be a sellout. Seating is limited. The cost is \$65/adult. No one under the age of 18.

Bar opens at 3pm and dinner will be served at 4pm. Please note that you are responsible for the payment of all members in your party, including the "No Shows". To make reservations email the club at [thegalileoclub@yahoo.com](mailto:thegalileoclub@yahoo.com) or call the club (510) 620-9797. Any other questions contact Beth Rietdorf at (510) 222-2810.

## **Happy Birthday to all these special ladies!!!**

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|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Peggy Brown           | 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Marie Davies     | 19 <sup>th</sup> |
| Jean Gayer            | 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Desiree Elvira   | 21 <sup>st</sup> |
| Dede Heitman          | 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Alda Ronan       | 23 <sup>rd</sup> |
| Ruthie Abelson-Olivas | 10 <sup>th</sup> | Sue Pricco       | 29 <sup>th</sup> |
| Margaret Baker        | 14 <sup>th</sup> | Marie DeLauter   | 30 <sup>th</sup> |
| Carol DuPont          | 14 <sup>th</sup> | Kelly Driscoll   | 30 <sup>th</sup> |
| Karen Walker          | 14 <sup>th</sup> | Lillian Smithson | 30 <sup>th</sup> |
| Nancy Ingram          | 15 <sup>th</sup> |                  |                  |

## **Easter BRUNCH AND KIDS PARTY**



The bacon was sizzling and the Bloody Mary's were flowing. It was another day of **Good Food, Good Friends and Good Times!** Delicious scrambled eggs, made to order

omelets, biscuits and gravy, pancakes along with potatoes, sausage and fresh fruit were on the menu.

The Easter Bunny (Tom Betti) showed up and passed out candy to the little ones. There was face painting, that was arranged And donated by Jodie Capriotti. Thanks Jodie! There were cookies to decorate, Easter eggs to color and rocks to paint, along with a table to make fun magnet toys. Thanks Merilyn. Oh, and don't forget the traditional Easter egg hunt.



Thanks to all the members and a couple of non-members that helped make the event a success. Thanks to Tom and Sue Wright, Jay and Nancy

McDonough, Jodie Capriotti, Mark and Beth Rietdorf, Kevin Rietdorf, Alda Ronan, Lana Martarella, Garrick Ressler, Juels Klotz, Marion Kent, Phyllis Ciardo, Carole Swift, Peggy Brown, Lynette Franks, Jim and Elaine Findley, Tracy Viscarra, Judy Van Maren, Diane Ottaviano, Christina Hanski, Ruthie Abelson, Margaret Baker, Allison Rietdorf, Nancy Clabby, Maureen Speelman, Christie Beetz, Cindy Aiello, Tom and Mary Betti, Merilyn Garrett, Joanne Roman, Giuliana Callahan and Carole Padlo. These members shopped, set-up the dinning room and the "kids' room", cooked, served, baked homemade goodies for dessert, worked in the kids' room and cleaned up after. Many of these members participated in 1, 2 or 3 activities. THANKS TO ALL INVOLVED. I apologize in advance to anyone I might have missed. Looking forward to next year's event.

