



SOS Women's Club

Carte Di Donne

Hello ladies!

We hope this newsletter continues to find you safe and well. It's hard to believe that summer is officially over and Autumn is here. With temperatures cooling off, please remember to bring a sweater to our meetings, as we may continue to meet outdoors.

As a reminder, dues are now past due. As per our By-Laws, if payment is not received by November 1st, you will be released from your membership.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday October 12th at 6pm at Palermo in San Jose. We'll be enjoying a completely new menu with a sampling of delicious appetizers, soup, and salad. Please RSVP to Lisa by Monday if you're planning to attend.

The Family Picnic last month was so much fun for those that attended. It was great to see friends and family gathering, children playing, and get back a bit of "normal" we've all been missing. Many thanks to the members that brought baked goods for the cake wheel, and those that volunteered for a shift.

Looking forward to seeing you on Tuesday!

Lisa, Ramona, Julie, Jessica & Lauren

Cultural Corner | Funghi Fest in Castelbuono

Autumn in the mountains means it's time for mushrooms. Locals take to the woods to pick the multiple varieties that grow on the slopes of the Madonie Mountains and this bounty is celebrated in Castelbuono.

Sicilian Style Mushrooms

❖ *Ingredients*

- 1 ½ lbs mushrooms, rough chopped (use what you like)
- 1 ½ tsp minced garlic
- ½ cup olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 3 tbsp. chopped parsley, for garnish

In a deep sauté pan, add the garlic and olive oil and cook on medium-high for about 1 minute. Add the mushrooms and turn the heat to high.

When the mushrooms have soaked up all the oil, add some salt and pepper and turn the heat down to low. Stir with a wooden spoon and wait for the mushrooms to release their water which should happen pretty quickly.

Turn the heat back to high and boil off the water, stirring frequently. This should take a few minutes. Taste and add more salt if needed. Add the parsley, give it a stir, then transfer to a plate to serve.



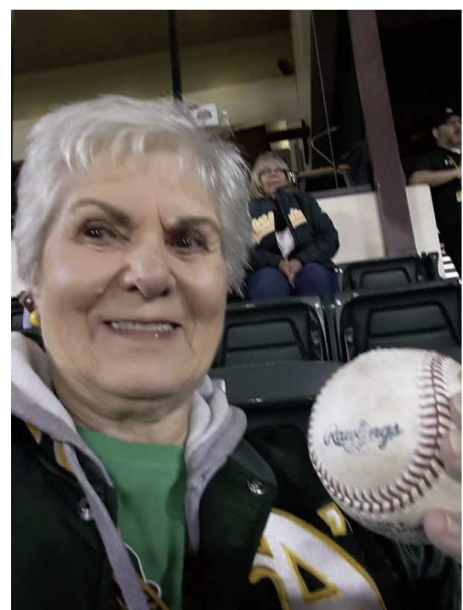
Getting To Know You | Grace Vaccaro

Grace has been in our club for many years, and is an active member for community. She sits on the board for the Tabbard Theatre and is active within Santa Clara County.

Grace enjoys visiting Monterey, going to the theatre, and cheering on the Oakland A's with her husband. She is known among her friends as being a good ear to vent and welcomes them with open arms.

Grace is a real estate agent with Better Homes and Garden and when she's not selling homes, she's making her famous potato or macaroni salad!

Be sure to say hi to Grace at our next meeting!



Holiday Giving Drive

As things have returned to a bit more “normal” and it’s easier to shop this year, we’ll be hosting a holiday drive. This year we’ll be supporting a non-profit organization that works directly with children in the foster care system in Santa Clara County. Lauren will have more information at the October meeting.

Health & Welfare

- Please continue to keep Catherine Daretta in your prayers as she endures cancer treatments
- Pray for Janet Salciccia’s son-in-law as he is currently deployed in the Middle East
- Help us welcome our newest members, mother and daughter, Dana and Rosemarie Palliyaguru!

If you have updates for Health & Welfare or prayer requests, please contact Lauren Salciccia: 408-410-7636
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October Birthdays

12 - Connie Esposito



Upcoming Events

October 12 Regular Meeting

November 9 Regular Meeting

December 17 Men’s Club Christmas Dinner



Sicilian Word of the Month

Funghi | Mushroom

See the recipe for Sauteed Mushrooms on Page 2!