

SONS OF SICILY SAN JOSE WOMEN'S CLUB

Carte Di Donne



PANORAMIC VIEW OF THE ANCIENT THEATRE IN TAORMINA, SICILY, ITALY



KAREN'S CORNER



Our next meeting will be on **Monday, August 13th** at Three Flames. We will have our regular dinner service begin at 6:30pm.

Thank you to our dessert volunteers for our upcoming August Meeting: Patti Brunetti, Lisa Chairamonte, Gae Tina LaTorre, Jessica Trumble, Sharon Vignato & Julia Zambataro will each bring cut up watermelon for our August meeting.

Keep bringing your friends and family to our meetings. Guests are always welcome.

This month we will be having another member raffle. Please bring a new item for the raffle table if you can, and come prepared to purchase 3 tickets for \$5. These member raffles are **all profit** for our club.

On July 12, the combined boards of the SOS San Jose and the SOS San Jose Women's Club met to plan upcoming events. The Italian Festa, a combined meeting, and the SOS Christmas party were a few of the events planned.

With that, our meeting taking place on **Monday, September 10th will be a combined meeting with the Sons of Sicily at Napredak Hall**. Both clubs will enjoy dinner together, and then break off for our respective meetings. Our Women's Club will provide dessert for that meeting and member cost will be \$20.

Thank you to everyone who paid their dues at the July meeting. We had about 60% of our membership pay their dues that night! You all received your notice for 2018 - 2019 dues. The envelope included a pre-addressed return envelope. You can mail it back or bring your dues to our August meeting. The dues are payable by September 1, but if you pay your dues at the August meeting, **you will receive a free raffle ticket!**



VOLUNTEERS UNITE!



The volunteer response in our club has been amazing! We still have a few time slots to fill for the Italian Festa in the Ravioli, Sausage & Women's Club booths. The schedules are attached to this newsletter. Please let Karen know via email if you can cover any of the open shifts.

During our July meeting we discussed some initiatives for the coming holiday season. Please see our proposed events here.

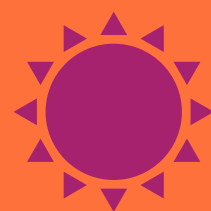
Ramona Marr will be collecting money at our October and November meetings to donate to City Team for Thanksgiving turkeys for their families. Thank you, Ramona!

Denise Vaccaro has volunteered to bring a fun, lively twist to our Christmas Ornament Exchange this year. Thank you, Denise, for organizing that fun night!

Barbara Sunseri and Sharon Vignato will be collecting coats and blankets at our October meeting. Thank you for organizing this, Barbara and Sharon!

Kayla Masini will research organizations that need our donations of toys for Christmas. She will also coordinate the toy drive. Thank you, Kayla!

UPCOMING EVENTS



Monday, August 13th

Monthly Meeting
at Three Flames

Monday, Sept. 10th

Combined SOS & Women's
Club Meeting
at Naperdak Hall

Sunday, Sept. 30th

San Jose Little Italy Festival
at Little Italy San Jose

Saturday, Aug. 25th & Sunday, Aug. 26th

SJ Italian Family Festa
at Kelley Park

Saturday, Sept. 15th

Simply Good Works
Wounded Warriors Benefit
at San Jose Elks Lodge

Saturday, October 27th

Making Strides Cancer Walk
*at Arena Green -
Guadalupe River Trail*

CULTURAL CORNER

Madreterra: Sicilian National Anthem

Madreterra is the official anthem of Sicily since 2003 and was the first regional anthem in Italy. Written by Vincenzo Spampinato, whom was chosen after an official competition, the song name translates to "Mother Earth."

Madreterra was performed for the first time at the Ancient Theater of Taormina on June 14, 2003 by the Sicilian Symphony Orchestra and the Musa 2000 Choir.

To enjoy the anthem in Italian, go to : www.youtube.com/watch?v=bOsZYgrCR6Q

Madreterra in English:

You Are a smile with which you know light
You Are the mountain of heart and wealths.
With the universe I will never change you.
Mother Earth of men and gods..

You're a winter that is able to warm.
An ancient summer that makes you fall in love.
You're a comet that points the way.
Mother Earth of men and gods.
Sicily my Earth.

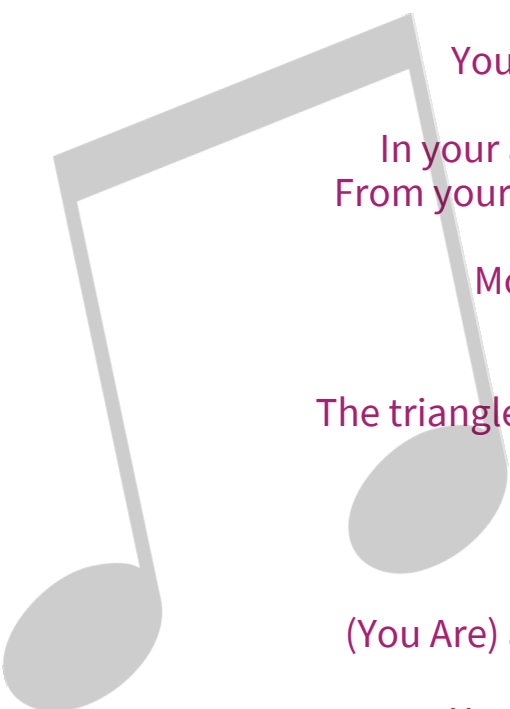
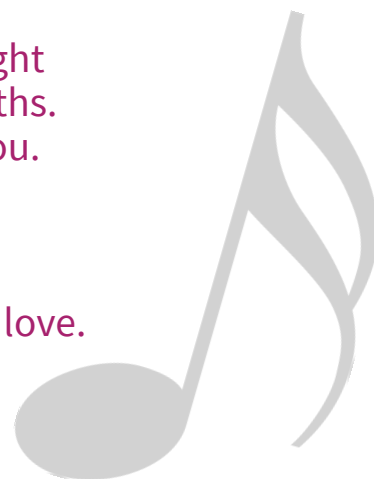
Triangle of lights in the midst of the world.
Sicily my Earth.

Daughter of a Sun that never sets...
Sicily you so as you are
You are the paradise in the Earth!

In your arms born the history of the world
From your mouth are the flowery words of love
I'd die to defend you
Mother Earth of Men and gods.
Sicily my Earth

The triangle of peace of in the midst of the world.
Sicily my Earth
Immense Love Beloved
Sicily My Earth

(You Are) as freedom flag released in the wind
Sicily you so as you are
You are the paradise in the Earth!



WORD OF THE MONTH

SPACCHIUZO

(spac-keyo-zo)

The coolest Sicilian word, because it means cool! Use when talking about the sights, the architecture, the beaches, and the island in general.

JOKE OF THE MONTH

My Italian girlfriend bet me I couldn't make a working car out of spaghetti....

You should have seen her face when I drove **pasta!**

LOOKING TO BE A SPONSOR?

If you have a business, you can have your business card appear in our newsletter every month for just \$25 a year.

Please let Karen Heverling know if you are interested.

BUON COMPLEANNO! AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

12 Rose Sunseri
20 Arlene Taormina
26 Maryann Quartuccio



HEALTH AND WELNESS

Please continue to offer your prayers for James Taormina, son of Arlene Taormina. James has been hospitalized for several weeks and is improving.

Beverly Cusimano's husband, Jack, is recovering from back & neck surgery. Please pray for his speedy recovery.

Connie Esposito is recovering from knee replacement. Please send prayers and positive thoughts her way!

If you have any news for the membership, please contact Janet Salciccia.

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Member Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2018

Meeting was called to order by Karen Heverling, President presiding at 7:23pm

Call to order

Flag Salute

June minutes sent to members via mail/email, no questions. Grace Vacarro Accepted and Seconded by Maryann Quartuccio.

Financial Report presented by Esther Zambataro. Accepted and Seconded, motion carried.

Member-At-Large, Janet Salciccia presented the ideas discussed at the June 18th Board Meeting. Prayers were requested for James Taormina and MaryEllen Cancilla..

Picnic Committee report given by Lauren Salciccia written report: cake wheel successful, ice cream should be served later, raffle very successful, post schedule of workers at booth. Lisa Chairamonte suggested potato sack races or 3 legged races, concerns about injuries came up.

Old Business

Logo – Cart filled with plumeria is completed, thinking of shirts with logo for members. Searching for vendors.

New members from July: Sandra Burriesci.

Dessert volunteers for August meeting bringing cut watermelons: Patti Brunetti, Jessica Trumble, Julie Zambataro, Sharon Vignato , Gae Tina LaTorre & Lisa Chairamonte.

Raffle for August will be a member raffle, bring in your items for the raffle.

Festa will be Aug. 25 & 26 at the San Jose Historical Park. Volunteers were asked for and will ask for the schedules to be filled at next meeting for Ravoli's , Sausage and the Women's Club Booth.

Simply Good Works was presented it benefits Disable Veterans, Wounded Warriors Sept 15 at the Elks Club for \$55 per person.

October Blanket & Coat Drive to be chaired by Barbara Sunseri and Sharon Vignato.

November Thanksgiving Turkeys – benefit City Team, Ramona Marr to purchase and deliver.

December Christmas Ornament Exchange with a twist, Denise Vaccaro will coordinate the event. Baskets to nursing homes....to discuss further
Kayla Masini will chair the toy donation drive for Christmas.

Cultural – Thank you Esther & Joe Zambataro for muffulettas.

Thank you to Lynn diSalvi for purchasing raffle prizes, they were great.

Thank you to ~~Barbara Sunseri, Krista Taormina, Denise Vaccaro~~ Dottie Gingerelli, Marie Gingerelli, Lisa Chairamonte & Serina Adams for bringing cupcakes, they were delicious.

Subject of Flash emails for Movies, Judy Taormina and Gae LaTorre,
Sept Cancer Care Point.

Meeting was adjourned by Karen Heverling, President at 8:18pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Vento, Secretary

Sausage	SHIFT	FRI., AUG. 24	SAT., AUG. 25	SUN., AUG. 26
SET UP		1.		
		2.		
		3.		
BOOTH	10:00 – 12:00		1. Janet Salciccia	1.
			2. Maryanne Quartuccio	2.
	12:00 – 2:00		1. Lisa Chairamonte	1.
			2. Ramona Marr	2.
	2:00 – 4:00		1. Grace Vaccaro	1. Karen Ravizza
			2.	2. Pat Charlton
	4:00 – 6:00		1. Grace Vaccaro	1.
			2.	2.
	6:00 – 8:00		1.	
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Ravioli	SHIFT	FRI., AUG. 24	SAT., AUG. 25	SUN., AUG. 26
SET UP		1.		
		2.		
		3.		
BOOTH	10:00 – 12:00		1. Pat Carlton	1. Pat Serio
			2.	2.
	12:00 – 2:00		1.	1. Barbara Sunseri
			2.	2.
	2:00 – 4:00		1.	1.
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	4:00 – 6:00		1. Lauren Salciccia	1.
			2. Lynn DiSalvi	2.
	6:00 – 8:00		1.	
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WC Booth	SHIFT	FRI., AUG. 24	SAT., AUG. 25	SUN., AUG. 26
SET UP		1.		
		2.		
		3.		
BOOTH	10:00 – 12:00		1.	1. Sandra Burriesci
			2.	2.
	12:00 – 2:00		1. Maryann Quartuccio	1. Maureen Psomas
			2. Janet Salciccia	2.
	2:00 – 4:00		1.	1. Gae Tina LaTorre
			2.	2.
	4:00 – 6:00		1. Tonnie Jones	1.
			2. Sharon Vignato	2.
	6:30 – 8:30		1.	
			2.	

Making Strides of Silicon Valley

Saturday, October 27, 2108

**Arena Green - Guadalupe River Trail
352 W St John Street (near Henry's Hi-Life)**



Check-in opens at 7:30pm

Program begins at 8:30am

Walk begins at 9am

5k (3.3 mile) walk benefiting breast cancer research, programs, and services funded by the American Cancer Society. There is absolutely NO fundraising minimum. While the Society asks each participant try to raise a minimum of \$100, everyone can walk, regardless of funds raised.

Walk is flat, relatively easy with no time limit, and is wheel chair and stroller accessible.

Festival area features activities for children, great entertainment, live music, sponsor booths, Strides Shop, and more!

To register for Bella Bambinas (Lynn DiSalvi's team) - click here: <http://bit.ly/BellaBambinas2018>

