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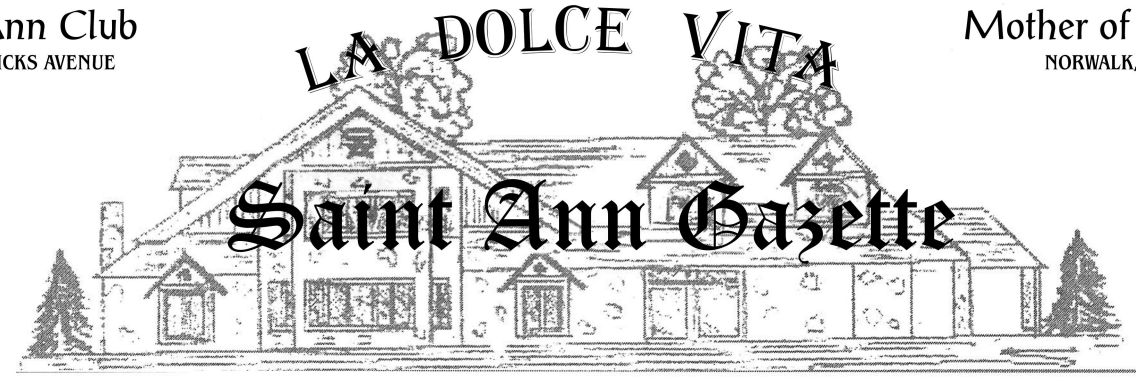
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Saint Ann Club  
 16 HENDRICKS AVENUE

Mother of Mary, Inc.  
 NORWALK, CT 06851



April - May - June - 2023

PUBLISHED QUARTERLY

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**EVENTS**

**APRIL**

- 3 Bingo 5:30
- 4 Blood Drive 12:00 till 5:00
- 5 Mens Meeting 8:00
- 6 Ladies Meeting 7:30
- 10 Bingo 5:30
- 15 Private Party
- 17 Bingo 5:30
- 20 Ladies Dinner 7:30
- 24 Bingo 5:30
- 26 Mens Dinner 7:30
- 30 St. Ann Craft Fair 10:00 till 4:00

**MAY**

- 1 Bingo 5:30
- 3 Mens Meeting 8:00
- 4 Ladies Meeting 7:30
- 8 Bingo 5:30
- 10 Blood Drive 9:00 till 2:00
- 15 Bingo 5:30
- 18 Ladies Dinner 7:30
- 20 Scholarship Dinner 6:00 till 11:00
- 21 Private Party
- 22 Bingo 5:30
- 29 Bingo 5:30
- 31 Mens Dinner 7:30

*We do our best to be accurate however, times and dates are subject to change.*

**JUNE**

- 1 Blood Drive 9:00 till 2:00
- 1 Ladies Meeting 7:30
- 5 Bingo 5:30
- 7 Mens Meeting 8:00
- 12 Bingo 5:30
- 15 Ladies Dinner 7:30
- 19 St Ann Classic Golf Outing  
All Day Contact Ken Romano
- 24 Private Party
- 26 Bingo 5:30
- 28 Mens Dinner 7:30

**JULY**

- 5 Joint Meeting 8:00
- 21 S.A. Feast 6:00 till 10:00
- 22 S.A. Feast 6:00 till 10:00
- 23 S.A. Feast 4:00 till 10:00
- 24 S.A. Feast 3:00 till 8:00

**A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

**Greeting to all Saint Ann's Club Members:**

I want to first thank all of our dedicated volunteers who work tirelessly month after month for the success of this club. At this time of the season, we await the blossoms of Spring and pray for the Blessings of Easter.

In my heart, I look forward to continuing on a path as President to uphold our traditions and keep our focus on maintaining our Italian Heritage, remembering our brothers and sisters in Jelsi; Campobasso as the original founding members of this club. Recognizing how we have branched out from those beginnings to become a successful and diverse Italian Social Club.

For those who do not know my background. I was born in Settefrati, Italy in the region of Lazio and migrated with my parents and my brother to this country in 1967. I grew up in Stamford and have lived in Norwalk since 1983. I always brought my daughters to the Saint Ann Feast starting with my oldest daughter in 1986 and always thought how wonderful it was to have this tradition here in our city of Norwalk.

I want to take a moment to thank all of the members ahead of April, May and June who will be volunteering their time to the club to support our upcoming events.

In closing, I look to Saint Ann for guidance.

- Your President, Guiseppe Tamburro

**A NOTE FROM THE AUXILLARY PRESIDENT**

Hello Members, Welcome to Spring, hope everyone is doing well. Our Superbowl Sunday was a fun day with many winners. Thank you to the committee for putting that together so we were all able to enjoy the day. Thank You Camille and all who worked at the Valentine dance. It was a great night. The dinner was fabulous thanks to Mike and Jen and the committee. Our bingo is doing great, many bingo players. Our bingo volunteers are there every week with different dinner menus, pasta fagioli, hot dogs, pasta, sausage and peppers, great fun and St. Ann's food. Thank you all for making it such a success. Our entertainment committee has many events planned. There will be a Spring fair April 30th. Vendors, food, raffles and bake sales. Contact Patty Murphy or Virginia Tartaglia. Virginia Tartaglia will be selling our famous St. Ann's sauce at the Ladies dinners. \$10 a quart, she will be taking orders at dinners or contact her by the tenth of each month at 203-252-0082. We are not always aware of people ill or in the hospital so if you know of anyone please contact Ellen Marucci at 203-847-5536 so we can send a get well from our auxiliary.

Happy blessed Easter to all,

- President JoAnne Guaglione

**MESSAGE FROM WALTER CERRETANI, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

Thank you all for voting and electing me to serve. I am proud to continue to work very hard for the good of the Club. We have a very good team at the helm, and we hope to continue to achieve great things.

To reach our goals this year I will ask the following:

1. Our next big event will be the Saint Ann Feast, July 20-23. We need volunteers in all areas. I will be running the pizza booth, and over the next few meetings/dinners will send around sign-up sheets. I encourage everyone to participate to help ensure the Club has another successful, safe, and profitable year.
2. I would like everyone to put aside their differences, and I ask you all to unite in the interest of the Club. All of us should focus our efforts on the prosperity of the Club and work to make it a place all members can enjoy.
3. I ask that you all communicate respectfully with one another and that if an issue arises, as per Club policy, you reach out to the Board for peaceful resolution.

God Bless Saint Ann, our Club, and all our members.

Thank you in advance,

- Walter

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## OUR ANNUAL ST. ANN FEAST

The Feast will be held on July 20th, 6:00 till 10:00, July 21st, 6:00 till 10:00 July 22nd, 4:00 till 10:00 and July 23rd, 3:00 till 8:00. at the club. We are excited to announce that BISHOP FRANK GAGGIANO will be participating in our traditional march on Saturday, July 22nd. to St Thomas church to celebrate mass.

All marchers will assemble at the club at 9 A.M. to march to St. Thomas for the mass.

After the mass, a free breakfast will be held at the club.

Let's have a tremendous turnout show that our Italian heritage and faith is alive and well. Your participation for this great event is truly appreciated

- The Management.

## EASTER MEANING TODAY

For Christians worldwide, the importance of Easter is praising and acknowledging Jesus Christ's resurrection from the dead, and His glorious assurances of eternal life for all who believe in Him. While there are plenty of non-religious traditions, such as the easter bunny, baskets of candy, and Easter egg hunts, there are also meaningful traditions for Christians today. Some include;

Sunrise services - many churches meet at a special sunrise service time to celebrate the risen savior

Resurrection rolls - these are a cute way to teach children about the empty tomb of Jesus. Resurrection rolls are baked with a large marshmallow inside that disappears while baking, symbolizing the empty tomb of Jesus!

Easter Lilies can be found decorating churches and homes as a reminder of the purity of Jesus' sacrifice and the new life we have through his resurrection.

## BIBLE VERSES ABOUT EASTER & RESURRECTION OF JESUS

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead - **1 Peter 1:3** ESV*

We celebrate Easter because this holiday recognizes that we can die to our old way of living and resurrect into our new life with Christ. Christianity does require a death to self. But the resurrection we experience in a spiritual sense and the resurrection of the body we have yet to experience give us ample cause for celebration.

*Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, - **John 11:25** ESV*

We have full confidence that no matter what happens to us on this Earth, we can experience eternal joy with God in heaven. No wonder many brothers and sisters continue praising Jesus even when they experience persecution and martyrdom. Because we have a greater hope and promise than earthly life.

*Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.*

- **Romans 10:9**

It is integral to our faith that we believe in the Resurrection. Our faith has no foundation if we don't believe Jesus rose again on that Easter Sunday.

*If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you. - **Romans 8:11***

*Because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead." - **Acts 17:31***

*We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. - **Romans 6:4***

The Christian faith has many symbols. We often replicate the process Jesus underwent on the cross in a symbolic sense. We die to our old selves. We also are "buried" through the sacrament of baptism and experience a resurrection and new life in Christ. Christ gives us a new life holistically. We experience some of that new life during our time on Earth and look forward to experiencing the rest of the resurrection in Heaven.

*For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. - **Romans 14:9***

We celebrate Easter because God lived the life we should've lived, and died the death we deserved to die so that we could live. What a wonderful cause for celebration. That we can experience the resurrection with Him!

## \* \* BINGO HAS ARRIVED AT ST. ANN CLUB! \* \*

Join your fellow Bingo players every Monday night for an evening of luck and fun. Doors open 5:30 and games begin at 6:45. Our kitchen crew prepares delicious food with a different menu every week. Come on down! Who knows . . . you may go home with your pocket full of \$\$\$\$.

## HISTORY OF BINGO IN EUROPE

Italy is the birthplace of bingo, but in the form of a national lottery, “**Lo Giuoco Lotto Italia**”. This was all the way back in 1530 when bingo was invented. We guess that makes the Italians trendsetters from the word go- quite literally- as this was just after the country became unified. It has been played weekly ever since, almost without pause (aside for a national catastrophe here and there).

It may be hard to imagine, but 1530s Saturday night Lotto was incredibly similar to the 90 ball bingo we play today. Players had cards with rows, and winning numbers were pulled from a sack as players scrambled to match their numbers first, revealing the winners and losers. By the late 1770s, Lotto had become so popular it crossed borders for the first time, spreading to France as “Le Lotto”. The French shook things up a bit and the bingo cards were modified into the standard 3 rows, 9 vertical, that now make up a 90 Ball bingo card today. When Lotto found its way to Germany in the 1800s it was as a child’s learning game to teach anything from numbers to adjectives.

**History of bingo fact:** Did you know? You'll still come across bingo variants in schools today as it can be used to teach numbers and vocabulary!

## SAINT ANN CLUB CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC 2023

Held at Oak Hills Golf Course to benefit local charities on Monday June 19th, 2023. Registration & Check-in 10am till 11:15am. Shotgun start 11:30am. Lunch – Beverage cart on course – Dinner at St Ann Club with open bar following play. Hole in One...50/50 Hole...Longest Drive Men & Women...Closest to the Pin Men & Women...Closest to the Line Men & Women Prizes and Raffle....Gift for Every Player. For Information contact Ken Romano @ 203 442 3104. **RESERVE EARLY! 132 GOLFERS MAX WE WILL SELL OUT!**

## SAINT ANN SPRING CRAFT FAIR

Sunday April 30, 2023 From 10am till 4pm.

Crafts, Artisans, Food, Raffle Basket. Vendor tables: member \$35. non member \$60. Checks payable to Mother of Mary Inc. Due by April 7th.

Contact Patty Murphy at 203 853 6685 or Murphyp382@aol.com.

## ST. ANN'S SAUCE FOR SALE

I will be selling Saint Ann's sauce at each Ladies Dinner for \$10.00 a quart. For future orders bring back the same container with your name on it and you will only be charged \$9.00. Orders must be in by the 10th of each month.

Checks payable to Mother of Mary Inc.

Call Virginia Tartaglia 203-252-0082

## CLUB MARINA GEARING UP

The Marina Committee is preparing all the necessary maintenance to be completed soon to insure a pleasant boating season for all boaters. The way things look now, we will have a full marina this year. Good luck to all the fishermen and pleasure boaters this year.

## NEW P.A. SYSTEM

A new public address is being installed to make it easier to both hear and use at the club. Members are encouraged to attend club functions and check out the new system. James O'Brien is doing a marvelous job with this project. Thank you, James.

## IT’S BEEN REPORTED THAT....

All safety features that are required by state and local officials as well as the Health Dept, have been inspected and approved. Such things as the sprinkler system and fire extinguishers and fire exits as well as the cleanliness of the kitchen are covered. We thank the Maintenance Committee for running a tight ship.

## NEW MEN MEMBERS

**Ernest Ferrari**, of Westport, is retired and is sponsored by Vincent Scicchitano and is a regular member.

**Dean Brown**, of Stamford, is in sales and has been sponsored by Ralph Castelli and is a regular member.

**Erik C. Calderon Garcia**, of Bridgeport is a general contractor and sponsored by Ken Romano and is an associate member

**Gianpaolo DiGrazia**, of Hartford, is a performer (The Italian Show.com) sponsored by Walter Cerretani as a regular member.

**Robert Charles Moon**, of East Haven, is the owner of Moon Cutter Co. Inc. in Hamden, a world leader in milling and key seat cutter manufacture.

Sponsored by Andrew Troetti and is an associate member.

## NEW AUXILIARY MEMBERS

**Carole Hendrickson** was born in Brooklyn, NY and moved to Westport in 1986 with her husband and two sons. She has been a realtor for almost 30 years. She has 2 beautiful grandchildren - Maisie 6 and Mason 1-1/2 - who reside in Trumbull, who she calls her blessings, especially since her husband recently passed away.

**Gina Rinaldi**, who was sponsored by her sister-in-law Carmela Modugno, was born in San Rufol (SA), Italy but is now retired and living in Norwalk. She is the proud mother of two and grandmother of five who loves her veggie garden and cooking. Gina looks forward to meeting her fellow Saint Ann members.

**Diane Kurtessis**, sponsored by Virginia Tartaglia, is a life-time Connecticut resident who is married with two wonderful children. After working in financial marketing for over 20 years, Diane is now enjoying a new path while working in New Canaan. Diane already knows a few of the Saint Ann members but is excited by the opportunity of getting to know others.

## PLEASE READ

Anyone wishing to contribute to this newsletter is encouraged to do so. Please contact Eric Fleisch at (203) 847-7669 or by e-mail at bige101@optonline.net. The next edition will be sent on or about July 1, 2023.

If you know any member that is sick or hospitalized, please bring it to the attention of the Board of Directors or Eric Fleisch at (203) 847-7669 or by e-mail at bige101@optonline.net. For the Ladies Auxiliary contact Ellen Marucci at (203) 847-5536. A gift basket and card will be sent. If anyone knows of an auxiliary member who has been permanently placed in a nursing home, please contact Betty Brink with the information at 203 847-8133. We would like to keep in touch with them by sending a card.