



December 2025 Newsletter



Rescheduled Christmas Dinner, January 5, Montano's Italian Gourmet Restaurant



We will meet at Montano's Italian Gourmet Restaurant at 5 pm Monday January 5 for our rescheduled Christmas Dinner and visit from La Befana!

If you made reservations and paid for the dinner originally scheduled for December 8, and you plan to attend the dinner on January 5, you need do nothing except join us for the dinner.

If you made reservations and paid for dinner on December 8 and are unable to attend on January 5, contact Nancy Canova and advise her. The club will reimburse you for your dinner payment.

If you were unable to attend the dinner on December 8 but would like to make a reservation for the dinner on January 5, contact Nancy Canova and let her know. Use the attached receipt to pay for your dinner in advance, \$30 for 2025 members and \$40 for guests.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Bob Canova, Joe Rossman, Joe Colosimo, Amy Conforti, and Beth Sollecito celebrated birthdays in December. No December anniversaries that we know of. Michael Sollecito will celebrate a birthday in January. Sam and Shirl Lamanca will celebrate a wedding anniversary in January.

Sunshine Committee

The brother of new club member Fernando Vissani died in Italy in early December. Fernando and Bernadette have now returned to the United States. Remember Fernando and family. Also, continue to remember Lucy Burke and all our homebound members.

Wine Tasting at Stave and Cork, in Salem

In November, Donna Esposito and Linda Claussen checked out a wine tasting at Stave and Cork, 115 East Main Street in Salem. They sampled wine from a vineyard outside Palermo, served by the son of the vineyard owner. They recommend you attend a wine tasting there. Food was good as well, they reported.



Spring 2026 Meetings

We will meet for dinner meetings on Sunday February 8 at Mama Maria's and at the Salem Senior Center on Sunday March 8 and Sunday April 12. At the April meeting, we will make plans for Local Colors on Saturday May 16 in Elmwood Park and the June 14 picnic at the American Legion picnic pavilion.

Sherl Lamanca

Club Member Sherl Lamanca returned to her love for pottery after retirement. Here she is holding one of her signature fish-shaped platters.

