## Bocce News By Barbara Orlando



Friends Kathy Warren, Renee Woolard & Sheila Ryckewaert



Retiring President, Marion Logie, Court Manager, Paul Andersen & newly installed President, Barbara Orlando

On February 9<sup>th</sup>, members and friends gathered at the Clubhouse for our club's Installation Dinner/Valentine's Day Dinner. The evening started with socializing and then the Installation of all the newly elected officers by the membership this past November. "Thank you" to all the retiring officers who took part in an Appreciation ceremony. Also, thank you, to Leona McCaskey, Gail Leslie and their committee for a great first-time event. Everyone really enjoyed the evening. Check out more photos of the Installation/Dinner on our club's website <a href="https://www.villagesbocceclub.com">www.villagesbocceclub.com</a>.

**Note:** The next social event for the year will be the club's BBQ/Bocce picnic at the Gazebo on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Save the date** and plan to have a great time with fellow members and friends.

**Boot Camp** has brought out some new players to bocce, but has been hit or miss because of all the rain. We have managed to get in a couple of days here and there. Everyone who has come out to play has received excellent instruction. A heartfelt "thank you" to all our bocce club's faithful volunteers. Our club couldn't do it without you. Only one more day of Boot Camp is left on Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for those who haven't been able to get down to the courts. We're excited and look forward to seeing you there.

The Beginners Tournament is a one-day tournament on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for anyone who attended Boot Camp this year and has become a member of the club. If you haven't signed up yet for this one-day tournament, please call Barbara at 408-300-1230 or Jeanne-Anne at 650-493-3638 to get on the list of players ASAP. We wouldn't want anyone to miss out. You'll be assigned a team and have an experienced non-playing Captain to guide you through the process. Everything is taken care of and all we need from you is the commitment to your team on tournament day. Even lunch is on us for those participating.

**Referee Training:** On February 27<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to Noon, Michael Sunzeri will hold a training session for any bocce member interested in becoming a qualified referee. For questions contact Michael at twosunzeris@comcast.net.

The first Bash of the season is on Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> from 3-5 p.m. Members and non-members are encouraged to come by and play bocce and socialize. Please bring your own beverage and an appetizer to share if you like. Gerri McCoid our Bash Director and her committee will be there to greet and help you sign up for playing. It's a great way to spend the afternoon!!!

**Spring Mixer** starts on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> and finalizes Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> with the Championship game. Your tournament coordinator is Jeanne-Anne Whitacre for any questions at 650-493-3638 or email at jawhitacre@live.com.