

Maltese-American Social Club of San Francisco, Inc.

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Club News

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Brian Ciappara
Vice President: Joseph Tanti
Secretary: Frank Agius
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Treasurer: Joseph Vella
Asst. Treasurer: Ninfa Pace
Parliamentarian: Mary Anne Fassler
Sergeant-At-Arms: George Borg
Auditors: Louis J. Vella
Mona Nicholas

At our last meeting, we had 69 members present. The meeting was presided over by Brian Ciappara. The President thanked all the members that attended the meeting. A minute of silence was held in memory of Charles Nicholas, late husband of Mona Nicholas.

Mr. Louis Vella gave out details about the meetings that are going on between him and the Fire Marshal with regards to the rear emergency exit. The meetings are very positive and we are still able to hold meetings and assemblies like we have been doing.

The President mentioned that while he was in Malta he had a meeting with the President of Malta, Her Excellency Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca. At the meeting Her Excellency expressed a lot of interest in coming to San Francisco for the 2015 Malta Day celebration. Meeting as many Maltese as possible is one of the priorities of her visit.

The President thanked Mr. Joe Tanti for taking care of the Club's business while he was on vacation. He also thanked Mr. Louis Vella and Mr. Joe Vella (Treasurer) for all their work to resolve the problem with the rear door emergency exit. Thanks also go to Manuel Micallef and Joe Vella (Treasurer) for installing a new garbage disposal unit.

Brian said that he hopes that as many members as possible, as well as, their families and friends would attend the Club's functions.

Our next event will be the celebration of Festa Santa Maria which will be held at our Club on Saturday, August 23, 2014. If you have children between the ages of 5 and 12 that would be interested in the procession, please contact Carmen Micallef. Boys must wear a white long-sleeved button down shirt, black pants, black shoes, black socks and a baby blue tie. Girls must wear a white dress, white shoes, white socks and white veil.

"Enjoy Life - It has an
expiration date!"

- Author Anonymous

**Next General Membership Meeting
will be held on Sunday, August 31, 2014
at 10:30 a.m.**

ENTERTAINMENT
COMMITTEE

Carmen Micallef,
Chairperson

Bette Bianchi
Rose Borg
Joe Caruana
Betty DeBattista
Beverly Dennehy
Mary Anne Fassler
Chris Grech
Ninfa Pace
Mary Smith
Rose Vassallo
Helena Vella
Mary Vella

Library

By: Mona Vella-Nicholas

Library hours are Sundays 10:00 am to 12:00 Noon. Mona Vella-Nicholas, Librarian, can be reached at info@maltese-americanscsf.org.

This Month in Maltese History

By: Mona Vella-Nicholas

July 19, 1967

Malta established diplomatic relations with the Republic of China.

July 19, 1969

Two tombs cut out of rock were found, one in Ghaxaq and one in Rabat. The tombs date back to the Punic era, between the 2nd and 3rd centuries A.D.

Message from the Consul General

HCG-Vella congratulated the women's committee for a wonderful and enjoyable mystery trip that took place the day before. HCG said that he heard so many great things about it he felt like he could easily give a report about it himself. However common sense prevailed and he opted to leave that part for those who were there.

HCG-Vella report covered events that are dominating the news and particularly issues that involve Malta and the United States including the tragic loss of the Malaysian Airliner in Europe. The HCG on behalf of the Maltese Community sent messages of condolences to the Consul Generals of the Netherlands, Australia, Malaysia, Philippines, and other countries who lost nationals on the ill fated flight.

HCG-Vella report covered the popular summer season of the Festas in Malta. Most popular of which are the feasts of St. Joseph, St. Sebastian, St. George, St. Helena, St. Bartholomew and of course Santa Maria. These feasts will be celebrated in various towns and villages all around Malta between the end of July and the end of August.

Emergency Exit at Maltese Club: HCG-Vella reported also on the latest status of affairs regarding the efforts to resolve the situation involving the rear emergency exit from the club's premises. HCG-Vella reported on a meeting he had with an attorney who is familiar with the situation and a high level meeting he had with the Fire Marshal of South San Francisco. It was shared that even though the situation is not entirely resolved yet, the club has the approval of the Fire Marshal to continue to operate the same way it has functioned for the last several years. As new developments emerge and present themselves, that club will address them and will keep the membership informed.

2014 Calendar of Events

- August 23 Santa Maria Dinner
- Sept. 27 Malta Day/Club 85th Anniv.
- Oct. 11 Family Pasta/Bingo
- Oct. 25 Halloween Party
- November Casino Bus Trip
- Dec. 13 Children's Christmas Party
- Dec. 31 New Year's Eve Dinner/Dance

Remember when you are paying for an event, please pay by check and not cash.



GRIEVANCE
COMMITTEE

Rose Borg
Barbara Fenech
Manuel Micallef
Delores Reinke
Joe Vella/San Bruno

CLUB HOURS

Sunday and Holidays
9:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Monday and Wednesday
Closed

Tuesday
Closed except the second
Tuesday of the Month

Thursday
5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Friday
5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

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businesses.

Women's Social Committee

Chairpersons: Ninfa Pace and Jane Healey

The WSC went on their Mystery Trip to Napa Valley and visited the Castello di Amorosa Winery, an authentic Tuscan castle that produces outstanding Italian-style wines. They had lunch at the Calistoga Inn. It was a wonderful, relaxing day enjoyed by 50 ladies. Thank you to Bette Bianchi, Beverly Dennehy and Chris Grech for another outstanding outing.

There will be no meeting in August. September 9, the ladies will be enjoying a pasta dinner cooked by Jimmy Frendo.

Knitting Group

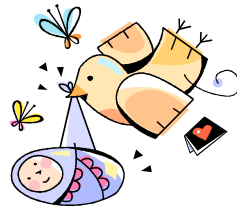
By: Marlene Ebejer

The knitting Group meets every Thursday at 6:30 at the Club. All are welcome to join.

Welcome and Well-Being

By: Ann Azzopardi

Get Well Cards were sent to Joseph Micallef and Joe Vella tal Mgarr.



Congratulations

Rose and Charlie Mizzi on the birth of their first grandchild born on July 3rd.

Hall Rental

The Hall is available for rental to members only. Contact Joe Tanti at vice-president@maltese-americanscsf.org for information. Please pick up form and guidelines from the Club.

Non-Responsibility Declaration:

All activities arranged for or by, or sponsored by the Maltese-American Social Club of San Francisco, Inc. are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. The Maltese-American Social Club does not assume any responsibility for the well-being or safety of the participants or their property in any matters pertaining to said activities.