

# Maltese-American Social Club of San Francisco, Inc.

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## Club News

At the May 25th General Membership Meeting, 49 members were in attendance. After a short prayer, a moment of silence was observed in memory of Mr. Sam Camilleri, who passed away on May 1st.

Vice President Joe Tanti officiated at the meeting in the absence of the President Brian Ciappara, who is vacationing in Malta. Mr. Tanti reminded the members about the Father's Day Rabbit Dinner coming up on June 14th. There will be three entrees to choose from: rabbit, steak or chicken. Only a certain amount of rabbits will be purchased. Once we get to a certain number, people will have to order steak or chicken, so please get your reservations in early. Your reservations should be made by mail and not by phone and sent to Ninfa Pace.

Malta Day celebration will be held on September 27th at the South San Francisco Conference Center. The Club will be having a display in the foyer of the banquet room. The Malta Day Committee would appreciate copies of photographs of the old Club band and soccer team. The committee does not want originals, but copies, and anyone donating should identify what the photo represents on the back, as well as the names of any individuals pictured.

Enclosed you will find the flyer for the Members' Appreciation and Annual Picnic which will be held on Sunday, July 27th. Enclosed you will also find raffle tickets for the following prizes: 1st Prize - \$200.00 (cash) and 2nd Prize - Two tickets to the Sept 27th Malta Day Dinner at the South San Francisco Conference Center.

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"Don't judge each day by  
the harvest you reap,  
but by the seeds that  
you plant."

- Robert Louis Stevenson  
Scottish novelist

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**Next General Membership Meeting  
will be held on  
Sunday, June 22 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](mailto:info@maltese-americanscsf.org).

A set of six books comprising a course in Maltese and entitled Maltese for Foreigners by Charles Daniel Saliba was generously donated to the library by Nazzareno Vassallo of Malta.

## This Month in Maltese History

*By: Mona Vella-Nicholas*

### May, 1565

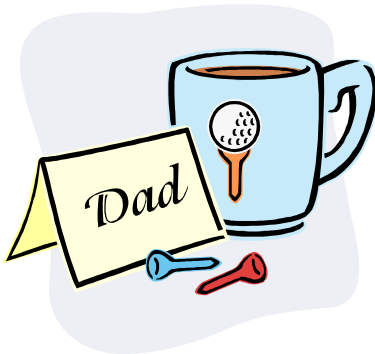
We know that on May 18th, 1565 the Turkish fleet was seen off the coast of Malta, marking the beginning of the Great Siege, but what was happening in Malta just prior to May 18th? Well, many Maltese, especially members of the nobility, were escaping to Sicily! This "evacuation" took place between April 16th and May 13th, 1565.

### May, 1803

Admiral Sir Alexander Ball of Britain was appointed Civil Commissioner of Malta with orders to remove Neapolitan (Southern Italian) forces from the island. (Malta was technically under the kingdom of two Sicilies at the time.)

## 2014 Calendar of Events

- June 14      Father's Day Rabbit Dinner
- July 19      WSC Mystery Trip
- July 27      Club Picnic at Central Park
- August 16    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



## 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*

At the last meeting, May 13th, we had 36 in attendance. The ladies enjoyed pizza, salad, and dessert. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 10th and the ladies will be enjoying finger foods.

## Knitting Group

*By: Marlene Ebejer*

The knitting Group will resume meeting on Thursday at 6:30 at the Club. The Knitting Group is asking for donation of yarn. All are welcome to join.

## Welcome and Well-Being

*By: Ann Azzopardi*

Sympathy Cards were sent to the families of Sam Camilleri and Jane Young, whose husband Ron Young passed away on May 3, 2014.

Get Well Cards were sent to Emanuel Micallef and to the husband of Mona Nicholas.

## Hall Rental

The Hall is available for rental to members only. Contact Joe Tanti at [vice-president@maltese-americanscsf.org](mailto: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.

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