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MAY 2015 – CLUB NEWS

A Letter from the Vice President

I would like to begin this letter with a big thank you to everyone who attended the reception for Dr. Angelo Farrugia. Dr. Farrugia is the first Speaker of the House of Representatives to visit our Club while being in office. It was a fun and informative evening. If anyone would like to see the photos from that evening, please visit the Clubs web page.

In regards to our wonderful website, I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Dennis and Evelyn Simmons for their dedication to our page.

Lastly, but not least, a special thank you to the Entertainment Committee for the great job they did in putting on the Pasta Bingo night. It takes hard work and dedication to make an event such as this a success.

Do not forget to mark your calendars for the Mother's Day Dinner Dance which is on Saturday, May 9th. Please make your reservations early. For those of you who haven't been to the Club lately, you will be surprised at the outstanding decorations. Every Mother needs to be pampered. Don't miss this!

This month we might have set a new record for the shortest General Membership Meeting...just 20 minutes long!

We had a problem with the sewer system connecting to the outside. It has been fixed, and we hope that this will solve all the problems that we have had in the past. It was a pleasure serving you as the chairperson for the last two months. The President, Mr. Ciappara, will be back next month from his vacation in Malta.

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MEETING WILL BE
ON
05/31/2015
- 10:30A.M.-**

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*Our deepest sympathies to
the family of*

GRACE AGUIS



*Eternal rest grant unto her
O' Lord and may the
perpetual light shine upon
her...*

UPCOMING MALTESE AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB EVENTS

MOTHER'S DAY
DINNER DANCE

MAY 9, 2015
@ 6 P.M.

FATHER'S DAY
DINNER DANCE

JUNE 20, 2015
@ 6 P.M.

CACHE CREEK
CASINO TRIP

MAY 30, 2015

MYSTERY TRIP

JULY 18, 2015

THE PRESIDENT, MR.
BRIAN CIAPPARA
SENDS HIS WARMEST
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A MESSAGE FROM THE *Honorable Consul General of Malta*

During his recent travels to Malta, Hon Consul General (HCG)-Vella attended several meetings with government officials and other agencies to continue keeping the relationship between Malta and the US and especially with the Maltese American Community in California and nearby States, alive, well and enjoying the most recent developments that may have an impact. While in Malta, HCG Vella participated in the Fourth Convention of Maltese Living Abroad organized by the Malta Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Also attending from the SF Bay Area, were Ms. Mona Vella Nicholas, president of the Maltese Historical Society and Mr. Brian Ciappara, president of the Maltese American Social Club. More information about the Convention and other meetings will be shared at the next general membership meeting.

Congratulations and a huge thank you to anyone who had any part, big or small in making the visit of the Speaker of the Malta House of Representative, the Honorable Dr. Angelo Farrugia, in Millbrae and at the Club, such a memorable event. The comments that were shared through electronic social media are simply fantastic. Well done everyone. Preparations in Malta are well underway to celebrate and commemorate the Presidency of the Council of European Union by Malta in January 2017.

The Capital city of Malta, Valletta is also getting prepared to take on the role of **Cultural Capital City of Europe for 2018**. This is also another enormous honor for Malta.

HCG Vella is again reminding everyone that if they know of Maltese people who served in any branch of the US Military during the Korean War in the US, in Korea or in any other country to please let us know. Plans are in the works to recognize Maltese service men and women in November.

One more date that HCG Vella wants to remind us about is the largest and most important Maltese celebration throughout the year. The event is, of course, Malta Day. The date for Malta Day this year is Saturday, September 12th 2015 at the South San Francisco Conference Center. He encourages everyone to please mark their calendars and save the date.

Hon Consul General - Vella concludes by wishing everyone all the best and to keep up the good work.

Grievance Committee

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volunteers there time at the
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Club*

THIS MONTH IN MALTESE HISTORY

by Mona Vella-Nicholas

APRIL IN MALTESE HISTORY

April 15, 1942 - The "island fortress of Malta" is awarded the George Cross by King George VI of Britain. The George Cross is the highest civilian award for gallantry in the British Empire and is awarded to all the people of Malta and its defenders. The American equivalent of this award is the Congressional Gold Medal.

April 14, 1964 - The Guardian Angel School for Mentally Handicapped Children opens. The school is still operating and is located in Hamrun. It takes a holistic approach to teaching its students, focusing on their personal, social, educational, and spiritual development.

Origin of Maltese Last Names

Baldacchino

Is your last name **Baldacchino**? If so, you might be interested in knowing where your name comes from. **Baldacchino** is of Italian origin. It comes from the first name "Baldo", meaning "bold" or "brave." It is also an occupational name. In Italian, the word "baldacchino" means "canopy" and refers to someone who carried the canopy in a religious procession or marriage ceremony.

Women's Social Committee

The next Women' Social Committee meeting will be held on May 12th. This meeting will be a Mother-Daughter Tea wherein the committee will bringing in tea, sandwiches and finger foods. The ladies will also be bringing their own unique teapots and teacups. Also, mark your calendars for a Mystery Trip on July 18th.

The Ladies Knitting Group

The Ladies Knitting Group still meets Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join.

Club Hours

SUNDAYS & HOLIDAYS

9:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.

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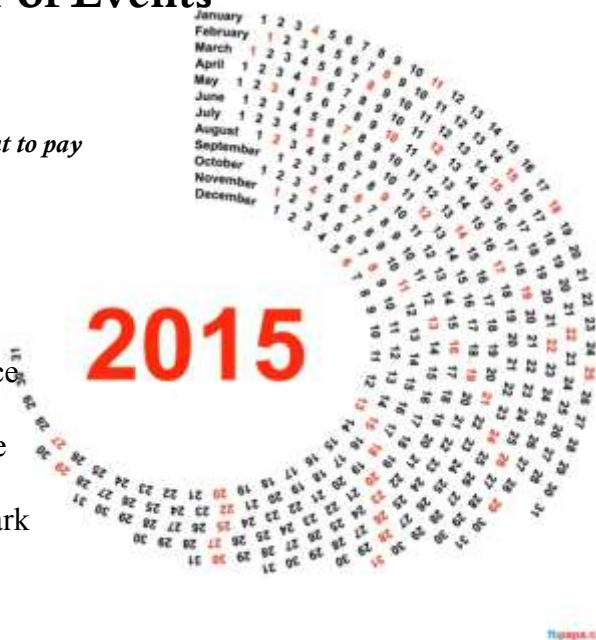
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2015 Calendar of Events

*Please Remember that when you are paying for an event to pay
by check not cash.*

May 9th	Mother's Day Dinner Dance
June 20th	Father's Day Dinner Dance
July 26th	Club's Picnic at Central Park
August 1st	Casino Bus Trip
August 15th	Santa Maria Dinner
Sept. 12th	Malta Day Celebration
Oct. 3rd	Family Bingo and Pasta Dinner
Oct. 24th	Halloween Party
Nov. 7th	Casino Bus Trip
Dec. 12th	Children's Christmas Party
Dec. 31st	New Year's Eve Dinner Dance



MESSAGE FROM THE
Entertainment Committee

On behalf of the Entertainment Committee, we would like to thank everyone who attended the Pasta/Bingo on Saturday, April 11. In attendance, we had 102 members, their families and friends.

All the comments have been very positive, from “let’s have more bingos” to “we should have at least one every month.”

We would like to thank the following helpers/volunteers:

- **Jimmy Frendo, Bob Smith** and **Joe Debattista** who did all the cooking and cleaning.
- **Terrie Aquino, Carmen Micallef** and **Karen Borg** for selling pull tabs and raffle tickets.
- **Ninfa Pace, Betty** and **Jennifer DeBattista** for selling bingo cards.
- **Danny Catania** for not only calling the bingo numbers but for also donating the good neighbor prizes which consisted of lottery scratchers to money and along with jackpot of \$100.00, he contributed \$10.00 cash and a \$20.00 gift card to Van’s on the Hill.
- **Gellu Muscat** for tending bar.
- **Mary Smith** for buying all the food and supplies.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the following people for their donations to our raffle:

Annie Abela	Mary & Charlie Abela	Mary Vella	Betty & Jennifer DeBattista
Beverly Dennehy	Barbara Fenech	Margie Belluomini	Annie & Richard Azzopardi
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FATHERS DAY 1950's DANCE

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Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner

Saturday, June 20, 2015 at 6pm

Dancing to DJ Busy B

COST: \$25.00 - Adults

\$10.00 - Children

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Fathers Day Dance – June 20, 2015

Members Name _____

Amount Enclosed \$25.00 x) _____

\$10.00 x) _____

Total Amount \$ _____





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