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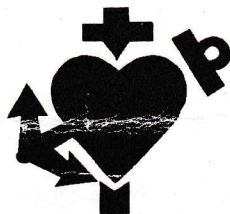
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THE CASTELLORIZIAN NEWSLETTER

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Newsletter gives details of our first function for 1992 and an interesting family re-union to be held in Western Australian (the Kannis family re-union).

As this is the first Newsletter for 1992 let me on behalf of the Board of Management wish all members a healthy and Happy New Year.

What 1992 will bring to our Association is in the hands of Members as we announced in Newsletter No. 80. An Extraordinary Meeting will be held in April, 1992 (date to be finalised on receipt of advice from Corporate Affairs Commission), at this Meeting subject to the above advice all current Members of the Board will stand down and new elections will be held for all positions. Following the unsuccessful A.G.M. held in September, 1991 to which so much work had gone, your Board has decided that a new start with a new Constitution, and a new Board would be the best answer for your Society.

Letters to the Editor

From this edition of Cassie News we print letters in full as received from Members and contributors.

AUSTRALIAN GREEK WELFARE SOCIETY

A.G.W.S. in 1992 will celebrate 20 years of service to the community. The Society during 1992 will organise many events to celebrate this important milestone including a Commemorative album, and culminating in a 20th Birthday Ball in September at San Remo Ballroom. Any members wishing to make a contribution to the history could do so in writing to the Convenor Mrs. Margaret Moraitis at A.G.W.S. C/- 8 Corsair Street, Richmond, Victoria 3121 or Mr Jack Bisas at Box 112, South Melbourne, Vic.3205.

The first function for 1992

A Pokies Bus Trip to Mulwala, Yarrawonga

March 22nd, 1992

Bus leaves our Club Room at 7.30AM SHARP
returning at 8.30PM.

Cost \$15 single - includes lunch.

All bookings must be made with full payment
by 6th March, 1992.

Cheques to be sent - Treasurer - Castellorizian Club
Box 112, South Melbourne, 3205

Bookings to:- Eva Lucas - Tel: 654 3866 (business hours)
Tina Pavlou Tel: 598 2925

BIRTH

To John & Maria Argyropoulos a girl at Monash Medical Centre (Bianca - Tara) 3rd child for John & Maria and 3rd grandchild for Elaine Platis.

BAPTISMS

Michael, Dianne Spartels and family attended the christening in Sydney of Anthea Con James fourth child of Diannes brother Dr. Con James. Over 130 guests attended the reception held at the Garden Room of the Wentworth Hotel, Sydney.

Nick & Maria Georgoulis baptised the daughter of Julie Constandas on December 7th, 1991, the babies name (Krista) is the granddaughter of Nina & Spiro Mangos.

At St. Andrews Church, Forest Hill on Sunday January 26th Pete & Vivien Kostoglou baptised their daughter Karissa (Evdokia) godfather was Peters brother from Adelaide John Kostoglou. A luncheon was held at St. James Court, West Melbourne. Karissa is the granddaughter of Mrs. Christulla Bisas and George & Eva Kostoglou. From Adelaide - Angela & Nick Markou; Michael & Angela Kostoglou with children Peter, Valerie & George; Jack & Ann Kandilaftis with children Alex & Thespina. Eleferie & Katina Chryssohoos, Steve & Mary Chryssohoos, Evan & Thespina Pappas. From Sydney Mary Cardakaris; from Townsville Roselle Krisohos.

ENGAGEMENT

We congratulate George N. Bisas on his engagement to Lara Ryan. George is the son of Christulla Bisas.

WEDDINGS

At St. Haralambos Church on Sunday March 1st, 1992 Denise Galatis will marry Roberto Cappai. Denise is the daughter of Spiro & Eva (Krisohos) Galatis. Reception at Hawthorn Receptions.

On December 11th, 1991 at Spyridon Church, Michael Jack Mangos married Madeline Schopoulos. Madeline is the daughter of George & Nina Schopoulos, and Michael is the son of Jack & Thespo Mangos, Madeline is the granddaughter of Mrs. Fantini Koutsoukis of Sydney. In Sydney for the wedding - from Melbourne - Mrs. Chrissie Zervos, Dr. Peter Mangos, Michael & Roslyn Zervos and Kominos Zervos.

21st BIRTHDAYS

Friends and relatives attended a party to celebrate the 21st birthday of Angelica Papadopoulos at the home of her parents George & Melody (Hetrelezis) Papadopoulos on Sunday December 4th, 1991.

Congratulation to Anna A. Miriklis on 20th November, 1991. Anna is the daughter of Angelo & Katina Miriklis. A party to celebrate the 21st was held at Mykonos Tavern.

Betty Exintaris celebrated her 21st birthday on 26th November, 1991 with a party for family and friends at the Aegean Restaurant. Betty is the daughter of Apostolis and Maria Exintaris.

40th BIRTHDAY

A party to celebrate the 40th birthday of Nick Georgoulas was held at Nicks Tavern, Croydon on January 18th, 1992. Friends and family had a very pleasant evening. Happy Birthday Nick!!

CONGRATULATIONS

To Renie Adgemis who was awarded a Life Membership at Box Hill Elderly Citizens Club for her work over the last fifteen years. Well done Renie!!

To Jacob Fronitsas President of the Australian-Greek Society for the Care of the Elderly, for his Hellenic Award in the welfare field. The Society conducts, the Pronia Hostel and Steyi Nursing Home Clayton South.

To George C. Katris grandson of Con & Chrissie Adgemis for his appointment as Prefect and House Captain for 1992 at Mentone Boys Grammar School.

Congratulation to all those who passed their V.C.E. Certificate -we wish them well in the future:-

Linda Michelle Christofas - congratulation on attaining your V.C.E. Certificate from Mum (Christine) & brother Stanley. Linda is the granddaughter of Nina & Michael Kyriakos and the great granddaughter of Eva Koutsoukis; they extend congratulation to Linda their eldest granchild and eldest great grandchild on her achievement.

Ilias son of Christine & George Dimer - congratulations on your excellent result in your V.C.E. year.

To Phillipa Adgemis for her performance in the film "Antamosi" which was screened at the Annual Presentation of film video and Animation by Swinburnes Graduating student at the State Film Centre from December 6th-17th.

Phillipa played the role (in Greek) of Katina in a film about Katinas mother: "It is 18 years since Katina last saw her mother, Katinas children have never met their Yiayia. Now at last the whole family will be together: but the grandmother brings with her the secrets and scars of the past which can no longer be avoided.

ORDER OF AUSTRALIA MEDAL

In the Australian Days Honours list we congratulate Angelo George Hatsatouris on his award of the O.A.M. Angelo has been very active in community work and in particular with the Castellorizian Nursing Home in New South Wales. Angelo is the son-in-law of Nick & Betty Adgemis of Melbourne. Congratulation Angelo - an award well deserved!!

In MELBOURNE

Visiting her parents Nick & Maria Patiniotis from Brisbane Zephi & Basil Barboutis with their children.

Visiting her mother Mrs. Evangelia Koutsoukis who recently celebrated her 89th birthday Lily & Peter Peters from Sydney.

"CAKES"

One of our members has gone into the decorated cake business. Yvonne Giandinoto (Constance) is now making special occasion cakes for weddings, christenings, 21st and all special occasions. If you require a special cake please ring Yvonne at Tel: 337 0449. Yvonne is the daughter of Con & Vera Constance.

We print a recipe for an exclusive Castellorizian sweet.

"Strava"

this is for the benefit of our younger members who are looking for an original Cassie sweet. "It derives its name from the oblique angle on which it is cut. It is considered to be the ultimate in Kastellorizian sweets and is therefore only made for weddings and name-days.

Pastry: 2 lbs. plain flour
1 cup olive oil
water

Syrup: 3 lbs. honey
1 cup sugar
1 cup water

Peanut oil for deep frying

Filling: 1 lb. walnut pieces
1 lb. almond pieces
1 cup coconut
1 cup sugar
1 level teaspoon each cloves, nutmeg & cinnamon

Bring the syrup ingredients to the boil. Set aside to cool. Rub oil into flour and add sufficient water to make a soft dough. Knead for at least 10 minutes until dough is smooth in texture and whitish in colour. Divide into 3 sections. Roll out fairly thinly. Brush with olive oil and sprinkle all over with nut-coconut filling and roll up firmly. Cut on oblique lines at approximately 3" intervals.

Heat oil and cook for about 12 minutes. Place in a colander to drain surplus oil. Place Strava into honey mixture and leave for 10 minutes.

This recipe yields approximately 60 Strava.

Still on the Sick List

Mrs. E.J. Mangos home after a stay in hospital.
Jack M. Miriklis home after a stay in hospital.

VALE

On November 29th, 1991 aged 87 years Mrs. Asimina Jackomos wife of Andrew (dec) mother of Alick, Mary (dec) Angelo, Stella, Maisie & Michael. Funeral at Evangelismos Church and to Carlton Cemetery. In Memory of the late Mrs. A Jackomos the following donated to the Castellorizian Club: Mr. & Mrs. Zographou \$10; Mr. & Mrs. John Trellis \$20.

On December 4th Constantine (Con) Livery aged 70 years. Husband of Irene father of Yvonne, Maria & Christina, father-in-law of Sandy & George and six grandchildren. Funeral at St. Nectarios Church, Fawkner on December 9th and to Fawkner Cemetery. We print a Eulogy from his brother Pino Livery in this Newsletter.

On December 7th, 1991 Mrs. Katherini Augustes aged 79 years. Wife of the late Manoli Augustes. Funeral at Evangelismos Church and to Cheltenham Cemetery. The following have donated to the Society for the Care of the Elderly. In Memory of the late Mrs. Augustes: Mr. & Mrs. Pearce \$40; Mr. & Mrs. A. Theodoulos \$25; Theo Conos \$25; Dr. & Mrs. Moraitis \$100; Peter E. Augustes \$500; Mr. & Mrs. Nick Loukides \$40; Pino & Mary Livery \$25.

Mrs. Edna Widdicome grandmother of Faye, Michael, Peter & Susan Conos aged 81 years (died Dec. 26th '91)

Great grandmother of Stefanie & Emma.
Private funeral - Memorial Service January 25th.

On January 21st, 1992 Mrs. Evangelia Salvaris mother of John, Nicholas, Pandora (dec), mother-in-law of Anna & grandmother of Yvette & Michael. Funeral January 24th from St. Catherines Church, Malvern to Melbourne General Cemetery.

From Sydney for the funeral Mrs. Stella Fandoulis.

We have received a card from Mrs. Vicki Paltoglou in acknowledgment of our condolences in memory of her husband who died in Sydney aged 67 years. (Stephanos Georgiou Paltoglou) Steve was born in Castellorizo in 1924 and died in Sydney on September 2nd, 1991. He is survived by his wife Vicki and two children Despina & Georgia.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Con Liveris 1921-1991

It made me feel so proud that you thought of him, and I'm sure he would have been honoured by the presence of the few that came to farewell him. Don't grieve for my Con, he had to go out the hard way, so now, God bless him, he's at peace, no suffering, just free from pain forever. Sincere regards,
His wife Irene
Thank you.

Memory of the late Catherine Augustes 1912-1991
Catherine was born in Castellorizo in 1912, the daughter of Dimitri & Maria Diamantaras. At an early age the family moved to a town deep in Russia, Irkutsk, near the Mongolian border. As a consequence of the Russian Revolution of 1917 the family fled back to Europe by way of a covered wagon and then by train, a trip of 5,000 km! The train was derailed by white Russian dissidents, caught fire and Catherine and her sister Helen were severely burnt. In fact the sister was left for dead until Catherine protested that Helen was still alive. Both carried severe scars for the rest of their lives. The family eventually reached Greece, settled in Athens where Catherine was educated, became multi-lingual in Greek, French, Russian & English and worked as an office administrator. In 1955 she migrated to Melbourne to marry Emanuel E. Augustes a widower with 5 adult children, and a grandfather. They lived together until his death in 1988.

Recently passed away on the 4th December, 1991 was the late Constantine (Con) George Livery.

Con was born on the island of Castellorizo in 1921, and in 1923 the family which consisted of his father, mother, himself (2 years of age) and his younger brother Pino (3 months old) migrated to Australia.

The father prior to migrating worked in the Turkish Tobacco Kilns in Smyrna, but as he couldn't stand the

turks, and work being very hard to acquire elsewhere, decided to come to Australia on the advice of his wives' brother, who ran a Kafenion in the sugar growing town of Ingham, in North Queensland, and that is where the family settled.

Con was raised during the period when racial prejudice was at its peak, and being the eldest son of a Greek migrant he certainly copped his share of the flak that was handed out to all migrants at the time.

I can remember when Dad made him take boxing lessons, three times a week, just so as he could, and would be able to defend himself.

And believe you me he certainly put those lessons to good use, later, constantly defending himself and his younger brothers and sister.

Con joined the Militia in 1938 and when the war (1939-45) started was one of the first to join the army, and saw service in New Guinea and other Pacific Islands before being de-mobilised in 1945.

1947 the family left the Ingham district and settled in Melbourne.

Prior to his retirement Con was a public servant where for many years he worked in the Titles office.

He is survived by his wife Irene (Piperlou), three daughters, and six grandchildren to mourn his passing.

Finally, may I say this, that damm war that came along while he was in his prime years of his life, did not help his health. An interruption of six years of war service certainly left its mark on my brothers life.

Thank you,
P.G. Livery.

Florentino Restaurant

We print the following article from the Melbourne Age. The article is by Kevin Childs. We congratulate Mr. Peter Paltos on his purchase of Melbourne's historic Florentina Restaurant.

"Tailor from the Greek isles now was the Florentino.

Mr. Peter Paltos, who emigrated from Greece to Melbourne in the 1930s and first worked as a tailor, yesterday paid \$2.76 million for the historic Florentino Restaurant, in Bourke Street.

Five bidders contested the property for nine minutes. It was sold by the liquidator of the Farrow group of companies.

A spokesman for the Paltos family said yesterday that there were no emotional overtones even though the Paltos family were close to the family of the former Florentino owner, the late Mr Floyd Podgornik. "He (Mr. Paltos) didn't get anywhere in business by being sentimental. It is a straight commercial decision, based on rent return." Mr. Podgornik, a self-made building millionaire, shot himself in March last year. His widow, Mrs. Lorraine Podgornik, holds a six-year lease on the restaurant, with an option for a further 24 years. Before the auction, however, she was talking of selling the lease.

She took it over about a year ago after a deal was said to have been struck with Mr. Podgornik's lover, Ms. Carolyn Palliardi, who had inherited the restaurant. Ms Palliardi was said to have received \$750,000 and a Porsche. Mr. Podgornik is said to have paid more than \$2 million for the Florentino, and \$3 million to refurbish it. Mrs. Podgornik pays rent of \$240,000 a year.

Mr. Paltos, who is in his mid 70s, lives in Brighton and belongs to a group who call themselves "Cassies", having come from the small island of Castellorizio, near Rhodes. He owned the Top Hat nightclub and the Belvedere Motel. in Richmond, and still has a tailor's shop.

About 150 people were at the auction.

The auctioneer, Mr. Geoff Sutherland, of Baillieu Knight Frank, said the sale showed that the bottom of the market had been passed. "Recent sales indicate that the market is on the way up. There is now a far greater degree of confidence."

His view was shared by the national and state president of the Restaurateurs Association, Mr. Richard Frank. "It's a sign of optimism, not only for the restaurant industry but also for properties in the city."

The famous 1934 Napier Waller murals upstairs in the 140-year-old building were not included in the sale, Mr Sutherland said the Florentino's listing as a historic building made their removal unlikely.

KANNIS FAMILY REUNION

In Perth West from January 25th to January 28th, 1992. There was a family reunion, a memorable gathering of the Kannis descendants.

The itinerary was as follows:-

25th January-Peter Kaillis Balchios Estate - Casual

Family Day

27th January-Theo Kannis at Mandurah Terrace Estuary -

Casual family Day

28th January-Celebration Dinner at the Heritage Reception & Function Centre.

Convenor:- Athena Pallassis (Kannis)

Over 100 relations from all over Australia were expected in Western Australia for the reunion.

A full report will be given of this historic event in our next Newsletter.

XMAS FAMILY PICNIC DAY

held at Doncaster Templestowe Gardens Sunday

15th December, 1991

A pleasant day was held by family & friends at our Annual Xmas Picnic Day, 47 children received presents from your Society and we thank George Verginis for his assistance as Santa Claus ably assisted by his guitar playing friend Jackie.