

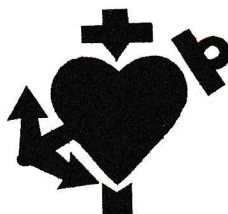
THE CASTELLORIZIAN NEWSLETTER

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Castellorizian Newsletter No. 85 September, 1992

Castellorizian Newsletter No. 85 gives details of our Annual General Meeting held at our Club Rooms on Sunday August 30th, 1992.
The meeting which was attended by 50 members made the following decisions:-

1. Passed the New Constitution
2. Voted to elect an Executive Committee comprising of 5 members.
3. Voted to elect a Social Auxiliary Committee to organise all functions and Youth activities.
4. Elected Michael Spartels as Public officer of the Association.
5. Passed a motion that all Members who reach the age of 65 become Honorary Members.
6. That the current Committee be asked to stay on as a caretaker Committee until a new Board can be elected at an Extraordinary A.G.M.
7. That a sum of \$500 be sent as a gift to the West Australian Castellorizian Society to help with the purchase of their new Club Rooms.

It was disappointing that a new Board was not elected, many nominations were made at the A.G.M. but not one of those members were prepared to accept the nomination.

Apologies were received for the A.G.M. from Maria Katris, Theo Conos, Eva Lucas, Andrew Caripis.
Let me thank Anna Adgemis once again for her loyal service and hard work she has given to our Society, Anna has resigned and will not be a member of the Interim Committee. Also resigning Eva Lucas who has served the Society well as Treasurer. We also farewell Eva together with her mother and father who are leaving Victoria to live permanently in Ingham, Queensland.

The remaining Members of the Committee are Jack Bisas, Michael Spartels, Dianne Spartels, Christina Pavlou, Christine Dimer and Theo Conos.

The above six members will form the Executive Committee until the next extraordinary Meeting at which time hopefully a new Board will be elected.

VIDEO CASSETTES

There are two types of cassettes available of Evangelia Xenopoulos:

One is available from West Australia and its title is "History of Castellorizo and Traditional Wedding and Songs and Dances" - cost is \$35.00
West Australian address:- Mr. A. Athanassiou Panellinon
67 James Street, Perth, West Australia, 6000

The second tape was filmed by Kathy Adgemis and Anna Adgemis and was taken at our Club Room at the Concert held on Sunday August 12th, 1992.
The tapes are \$20 each and available from our Secretary Box 112, South Melbourne.

FRIDAY AUGUST 28th, 1992 at Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology The 7th Greek Australian Oral History Symposium"

The oral symposium was attended by many servicemen and women from the 1939-45 war who are of Greek origin.

Personal accounts of war experiences were given by Mr. John Etrelezis, Mr Michael Kyriakos, Mr. John Fermanis, Mr. Alex Jackomos and Mr. Pino Livery.
A keynote speaker was Mr. John B. Salvaris who spoke on "Castellorizians in the Australian Army"
Convenor of the above symposium was M.A. Sophodeous.

NEW SOUTH WALES

The following figures are from the Annual General report of the N.S.W. Castellorizian Association.

Active Life Members 653
Ordinary Members 999
Associate Members 1469

BIRTHS

On Saturday September 5th a girl - Rosemary at Mercy Hospital to Dr Terry and Tracey Bisas. 1st child for Tracey & Terry and 1st grandchild for Aleck & Maria Bisas.

To Peter and Glenif Koutsoukis a girl - Thea Katarina. 1st child for Peter & Glenif and 5th grandchild for Mrs. Shirley Koutsoukis and the 20th great grandchild for Mrs. Evangelia Koutsoukis.

BAPTISM

On October 11th at St. Johns Church, Lygon Street North Carlton, George & Effie Josephidis will baptise their son (Fortis). Fortis is the grand son of Forde & Roza Josephidis and great grandson of Mrs. Maria Karpoozes. A party to celebrate will be held at Parkville Reception.

INTERSTATE WEDDING

On Saturday July 18th, 1992 Dr Jim M. Aroney of South Coogee, Sydney married Evelyn Spartels, accountant of Brighton, Victoria. The wedding was held at the Greek Orthodox Church. St. Eustathios of South Melbourne, followed by a wedding reception held at the Grand Ballroom of the Melbourne Hilton on the Park Hotel. 260 guests attended including over 100 interstate guests from every State in Australia. An unforgettable evening was had by all. Jim is the eldest son of Professor Manuel and Mrs. Ann Aroney of Sydney, and Evelyn is the eldest daughter of Michael & Dianne Spartels (nee James) of Brighton, Victoria. The couple will spend six weeks honeymooning in Europe. Congratulations to the newlyweds. Evelyn is the first married grandchild of Maria James of Sydney.

WEDDINGS

On August 23rd George Bisas married Lara Ryan. Wedding at St Andrews Church, Forest Hill and reception at Albert Argentis Receptions. From interstate - from Queensland Mr. & Mrs. M. Boyiatzis and son, Mrs. Tasia Koutsoukis and grand daughter, Mrs. Chrisa Bollos (Townsville); from South Australia Mr. & Mrs. G. Kostoglou. George is the youngest son of Christulla and the late Nick Bisas.

On June 7th, 1992 George Verginis married Jacqueline Anderson at St. Haralambos Church and to a reception at Zeppos Tavern. Haralambos.

75th BIRTHDAY PARTY

On August 16th, 1992 Con Constance celebrated his 75th birthday. Relatives and friends attended a party held at the home of his son Nick & wife Helen. Con was born in Fremantle, West Australia. Katie and Con would like to thank all those friends and relatives for their kind gifts and good wishes.

VALE

Irene Jackmos pm July 17th, 1992. Funeral at Evangelismos Church and at Carlton General Cemetery.

In MELBOURNE

From Perth West Australia Bartley Kakulas Q.C., together with wife Nellie and son Anthony.

From Sydney Christina and Tony Kodos visiting her cousin Christina Pavlou.

In SYDNEY

For the 80th birthday of Mrs. Nina Cotis on June 30th from Melbourne daughter Christina & husband Jim Pavlou, together with Leah Lemke and Maria Prodromou with children James and Evan. Maria and Leah are the grand daughters of Mrs. Nina Cotis.

Happy Birthday Auntie Nina

BACK FROM OVERSEAS HOLIDAYS

Theo Conos and Jan who visited Castellorizo, Turkey and Germany while on holidays in Europe.

Nick Platis home after touring the Greek Islands.

Christine Dimer back after an European holiday including Castellorizo.

HOLIDAYS

In Castellorizo Paul Zervos who was recently joined by wife Peggy.

In Castellorizo to refurbish their family home Maria & Kevin Kominos.

Off to Canada and America Leah & Stephen Lemke.

In West Australia to see West Coast Eagles beat Carlton Theo Conos and Jan.

OFF TO QUEENSLAND

We say farewell to Eva Lucas who with parents George & Mary Lucas are leaving Victoria to live permanently in Ingham, Queensland. We wish them luck and thank Eva for her Committee work with our Society as Treasurer and George and Helen for their support of our Society.

TO AMERICA

To America as an exchange student Ross Christopher youngest son of Spiro & Mavis Christopher. He will spend six months in Dinuba, South California near Fresno.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

East Fremantle 12.19 (91) defeated South Fremantle 9.13 in the 1992 Grand final in Perth, West Australia. This is another first Steve Malaxos who captained East Fremantle

is the first footballer of Castellorizian background to captain a senior league team to a flag in Australia.

Congrats to Steve Malaxos and East Fremantle

MEDITERRANEO A CAPTIVATING EXPERIENCE"

We print the following letter from new Generation Page. Neos Kosmos by Peter G. Jasonides who is a financial member of our Society.

"Last Tuesday, in the company of five Castellorizians, two Macedonians (i.e. naturally Greeks from Northern Greece) and one Euvoian, this humble scribe, of Pontian descent arrived at the newly opening and elegantly plush Cinema Nova, perhaps as a result of my sense of loyalty to and love of the Castellorizian community in Australia. To be honest I was expecting to see an art-farty type film. I came out, though, enthralled, flabbergasted.

What we had the privilege of viewing was a work of film art. A captivating mix of sharp yet very sensitive dialogue, and a plot that kept us glued to our seats.

Mediterraneo is set on the acritic island of Meghisti (or Castellorizo as we now know it) during the second world war 1941). A group of eight misfit Italian soldiers and a donkey are sent to the island on what should have been a four month mission to guard Castellorizo in the name of Mussolini, as it was considered of strategic importance.

The soldiers have been more or less forgotten on the island after, upon their arrival, their boat was bombarded; stranded. Yet they all have hope that it is only a matter of time before their comrades come to their rescue.

Revealing more of the plot would spoil it for those who may go to see the film.

Though the film is in English sub-titles and predominantly Italian dialogue, it is simple and enjoyable to follow and not at all tiring, as many such films sometimes tend to be.

From an artistic perspective Mediterraneo certainly deserves the accolades it has received: 1992 Academy award for best foreign film, 1992 Italian Oscar for best film of the year. In the United States of America, Mediterraneo is the second highest grossing foreign film ever released.

The cinematography is, to say the very least, spectacular, with scenes of an island unspoiled of tourism even today. The scenery embraces the viewer with its characteristically natural beauty, a beauty that abounds the isle of Castellorizo.

I can recommend the film highly, as the experience is sure to remain vivid. On a scale of 1-10, a rating of 10 is justified.

Peter G. Jasonides

Note: Cinema Nova is situated at 380 Lygon Street, Carlton. The Film Mediterraneo is rated M. Sessions throughout the day, starting at 11AM.

90th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

On

Sunday October 25th

the family of Evangelia Koutsoukis are having an
Afternoon tea at "**Cassie House**"
to celebrate her **90th Birthday**

All welcome any time between 2.30PM and 5PM
for an afternoon tea with **Mrs. Eva Koutsoukis**

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