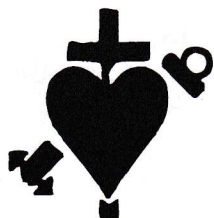


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# Cassie NEWS



## the NEWSLETTER of the CASTELLORIZIAN ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA

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Welcome to the Castellorizian Newsletter Number 109.

## Annual General Meeting

On Sunday 4th October 1998 our A.G.M. will be held. All board positions will be declared vacant. Current board members who wish to continue on the board will have to be nominated. All nominations must be in writing on the correct nomination form which is included with this newsletter and send to:

The Secretary,  
Castellorizian Association Of Victoria  
P.O. Box 112,  
South Melbourne

and to be received no later than 20th September 1998.

1998 will be an election year of our Association. Some of our current directors have served the association for many years. We hope this year that some of our younger members will be able to join the board and take the Castellorizian Association into the year 2000. Since 1996 the current board embarked on a youth policy which up until now has experienced tremendous success, so therefore don't allow this to diminish. Step up, come forward on October 4th 1998 and help to continue the tradition, the

culture and beliefs that this association has enjoyed and experienced since 1925.

Michael N. Spartels

## PREMIER'S VCE AWARDS

To Tele Demetrious being one of only six students to receive the 1997 premier's V.C.E. award. "The young people honoured, possess the drive and aspiration to be great leaders in



Teles Demetrious third from left.

their chosen fields in the future", Premier Kennett said. Minister for Education, Phil Gude, paid tribute to the students dedication. He also said, "such outstanding results in a diversity of subjects showed that young Victorians were well equipped for the challenges of the future." Tele is one of our students who will be receiving a V.C.E. award from the Association.

Other students who completed their V.C.E. year in 1997 were:

Paul Plafadellis  
Phillip Georgoulas  
Alexander Paltos  
Nicoletta Kaponis

We congratulate the above mentioned students on their achievements and wish them every success for the future.

## CONGRATULATIONS

To Peter Kritikides for receiving the honour of being selected school captain of Brighton Grammar School. We wish him every success in his role as leader of this school.

## New date for the Castellorizian and V.C.E. Awards Presentation

**Date:** Sunday 23rd August  
1998

**Time:** 5.00 pm  
Cocktail Function

**Place:** Cassie House  
250 Dorcas Street,  
South Melbourne





Left to Right: Kathleen Adgemis, Katina Kostos, Vivienne Mihalos, Loula Black, Anna Plafadellis, Loula Vlass, Florence Livery and Olga Black.

## Memorabilia Afternoon

Over seventy members and friends attended an enjoyable afternoon which was held at the clubrooms to appreciate a rich and diverse display of memorabilia. The sub-committee which was responsible for the afternoon had gathered interesting documents, photos and handicrafts of bygone Castellorizian life. There was a cookery demonstration of our traditional katoumaria and a bountiful table of sweets. All of which ensured that it was a most pleasant afternoon. Thank you to Mrs. Anthi Baltatzis from the Greek Consulate who officiated in the absence of the Greek Consul. Thank you also to our friends from the Ithacan Historical society for their presence. Our gratitude to the many members who generously brought along their treasured belongings and allowed us to reminisce and appreciate the artistry, and history of our beautiful Castellorizo. Finally, congratulations to the ladies who were responsible for organising the afternoon. It was evident that there had been much planning.

## Cocktail Party

Joint cocktail party function to be held with the Ithacan Society on Sun 15th November at Ithacan house in Elizabeth Street. The focus of this function will be our early history here in Melbourne.

## Cassies for 2000.

The questionnaire that has been mentioned in previous correspondence is now in its final stages and will be posted out to members in the not too distant future. We are looking forward to a positive response from members in what would count as one of the major initiatives of the Association in securing documentation on the lives of early Castellorizians.

## Christening

On Saturday 25th July, Anastasios Evangelou, son of Evan and Zefi Evangelou was christened at St. Haralambos. A reception to celebrate was held at Mihalos Tavern in Box Hill. Anastasios' godfather is Angelo Mihalos.

## Christening

Dr. Jim and Evelyn Aroney (nee Spartels) christened their baby son, James Emmanuel at St. George church in Rose Bay Sydney N.S.W. Following the church service a celebration marking the occasion was held at the Ritz - Carlton Double Bay.

## Births

To Ian and Popi Bisas a son (Jack Bartholomew Bisas) at Jessie McPherson Hospital on the 8th July 1998.

4th grandchild for Jack and Marika Bisas and 2nd Grandchild for Spiro and Gannella Kostarakis.

To Dimitri and Ana Adgemis a son (Nicholas Dimitrius Adgemis), another grandchild for Betty and the Late Nicholas Adgemis, and Mr. & Mrs. Mavridis.

To Michael and Olga Howden a son, Luke. 1st grandchild of Michelle Hondros and the Late Bill Hondros.

To Lea and Stephen Lemke a daughter, Felicity. 5th grandchild for Dimitri and Christina Pavlou.

## Acknowledgment

To Jack Bisas who has often supplied information and items of interest that have been published in our newsletter.

Remember this is your newsletter so any items, topics, or photos that you would like to be published please send details to the editor:

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## Castellorizian Seniors Club

The Castellorizian Seniors have been experiencing a drop in numbers lately. Where are all the retired Castellorizians? We do not have a minimum age for members to attend our monthly gatherings - so don't let the name seniors put you off attending. All are welcome.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on the 2nd September 1998. This will also be the celebration for Fathers Day

Unfortunately the proposed excursion to Sydney planned for June had to be postponed due to unforeseen circumstances. Members will be informed when a new date has been set.

## Visitor from Abroad

The Hellenic Institute of South Australia invited Castellorizian Constantine E.A. Passaris, Professor of Economics University of New Brunswick Canada to speak on the economic profile of Hellenic Canadians in the 21st Century at a conference recently held in South Australia.

Whilst visiting Victoria he contacted our president Michael Spartels who invited Constantine to visit our clubrooms and meet our board after their monthly meeting. Constantine was accompanied by well known ethnic affairs advisor, Savas Avgoustakis.

## Mothers Day Function

Due to the cancellation of the Mother's Day function in May, the Mother's Day function was held in June.

Donations have been received in the memory of the Late Mrs. E. Koutsoukis from:

Mr. & Mrs. N. Exintaris  
Mrs. M. P. Exintaris & family  
Mrs. R. Malaxos & family  
Mrs. A. Adgemis  
Mr. & Mrs. C. Adgemis  
Mr. & Mrs. D. Pavlou  
Mr. & Mrs. P. Pavlou  
Mrs. M. Prodromou  
Mr. & Mrs. S. Lemke  
Mrs. Maria E. Adgemis  
Mrs. E. Karis & family  
Mrs. E. Peters  
Mr. & Mrs. S. Mangos  
Mrs. S. Coates  
Mr. & Mrs. A. Loizou

Mrs. B. Adgemis

In memory of Late Mr. K. Tarlamis

Mr. & Mrs. J.A. Adgemis

Mrs. B. Adgemis

Mrs. A. Adgemis

In memory of Late Mr. Nick Adgemis

Mr. & Mrs. A.C. Mangos (S.A.)

Mr. & Mrs. N. Exintaris

Mrs. M. Exintaris

Mr. & Mrs. S. Zombos

Mr. & Mrs. D. Pavlou

Mrs. S. Coates

Mrs. T. Anastasiou

## Cassie Girls Abroad

Two of our Cassie girls are teaching English in Japan.

Natasha Mingos has left Melbourne to teach in Japan on a 12 month contract. She is staying at Kobe which is a very cultural country town. Natasha has settled quickly in her new position and is enjoying it immensely.

On September 3rd 1998 Lisa Christofas, daughter of Peter and Kathy Christofas, left Australia to work in Tokyo, Japan. Lisa who graduated in May with a Bachelor of Recreation Management, is off to Tokyo with friend, David Kennedy, to teach English as a second language to Japanese adults.

The Nova Language Institute is Japan's largest English language school, with over 300 schools founded throughout Japan since its beginnings in Osaka in 1981.

## Social Event

Cassie Trivia Night to be held Saturday 29th August at Cassie Hall.

B.Y.O. Drinks and Nibbles

Coffee/Tea and Sweets provided

The evening commences at 7.30 pm at a cost of \$10 per person.

For Bookings:

Dianne: 9596-8610

Vivienne: 9850-5294

## Bon Voyage

### Chrissy & Paul Vellisaris

To Rome & the Vatican Paul has been asked by a Melbourne couple to accompany them to photograph their wedding in the Vatican! After the wedding Chrissy & Paul will head to London. Chrissy is the second daughter of Steve & Nellie Zombos.

Well done Paul.

## Get Well

Home after a stay in hospital

Mrs Nina Kyriakos

Mr Theo Conos

Mr Leo Koutsoukis

Mrs Kathy Christofas

Mrs Melody Papadopoulos in Lismore N.S.W.

## Home after a trip overseas

### Michelle Hondros

Holidaying in Q.L.D. Vera and Con Constance

Off to Sydney to visit her mother Mrs Nina Cotis, Tina Pavlou.

## St Constantine & Helens Day

A pleasant Sunday was held by members, family and friends to celebrate the name day of our society. The church service was once again conducted by Father Dimitri. The traditional luncheon was held at our club rooms.

## Resignation

Due to ill health the board regret fully accepted the resignation of our honorary treasurer Mr. Jack Miriklis.

Jack has been an enthusiastic contributor to this club over many years and his presence, dedication, loyalty, and input will be sadly missed on our board.



# Eulogy of the Late Evangelia. G. Koutsoukis

(nee Savas)

Our mother and grandmother lived a long life. In a few minutes it would be difficult to talk about such a life but there is much about Evangelia Koutsoukis we, her family, would like to share with you today.

She was born in 1903 and spent her early years on Castellorizo. Marrying her beloved husband George Koutsoukis in 1923, they chose to migrate to Western Australia where their children Nina, Con and Lily were born. Remarkably, she made this arduous journey twice and after arriving and then returning to a business venture in Egypt. She then returned to Australia in 1934 with her husband and four children, Marika having been born in Egypt. They were penniless.

Evangelia, together with her husband George had to struggle to establish themselves in a new country, this time in Melbourne.

Throughout her life, Evangelia demonstrated an unwavering commitment to family. She was called upon to demonstrate this a number of times in her life.

Following the death of her widowed sister Katina, she took on the role of guardian of the Hetrelezi children. Basil, Margaret and Melody who remembered that she was always there for them after the death of their parents. They describe her as a guiding light in their early years.

Evangelia had to comfort two tragic events within her family. The death of her husband George and later her son Con. Both events had a profound effect on her. She was supported through these events and throughout her life by her great faith in God and her devout belief in the Greek Orthodox Church As Evangelia often said, Εχέρ ο Θεός

She remained a great comfort to many during her life but in particular to her grand daughter, her namesake, Vivien who describes her as a loyal friend who provided love and understanding always.

Loved dearly by her daughters Nina and Lily, and their husbands Michael and Peter.

The last forty years of her life she spent at the centre of Jack and Marika Bisas. Her daily devotion and involvement in every aspect of the life of the Bisas family will ensure that she will remain permanently in their memory. The Bisas grandchildren are grateful for the opportunity to have her so close for so long.

Evangelia was often described as a Grand Lady - that she was indeed!

She was held in very high esteem, generous of heart, loyal and much loved. She had a serenity and calmness and gentle nature which influenced many others.

Evangelia was a proud Castellorizian, devout Christian, devoted mother grandmother and great-grandmother (16 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren). She lived a long full life which would be impossible to explain in a few short minutes.

It is enough to say that her impact on our lives has left a special place in all of our hearts.

To many people in the family she represented a symbol of everything that was important about family: stability, love, devotion, and reliability.

We will always love her.

We miss her.

We were privileged to have known her.

## Donations in Memory

Donations received in memory of the Late Nicholas J. Adgemis:

Mrs C. Virginis, Virginis family, Mr. Spiro Christophor, Mr. & Mrs. J. Stabelos, Mrs. M. Livery, Mr. T. Conos.

Donations receiving in memory of the Late Evangelia Koutsoukis:

Mrs. E. Platis, Mr. T. Conos, Mrs. M. Livery, Kari & Kathy Scopole, Evan & Zefi Evangelou, Alex & Vivienne Mihalos, Colin & Val Fermanis, Effie J. Trellis.

Donation received in memory of the Late Katholiki Anastasa:

Steve & Betty Lucas.

## Vale

### Nicholas J. Adgemis

Husband of Betty, father of Despina, John, Stephen and Demetrius, father-in-law of Angelo, Lyndel, Ana and grandfather of six grandchildren.

### Jack M. Miriklis

Husband of Katina, father of Michael, Anna, George, Barbara and Savvas, father-in-law of Zina, Peter, Helen, Jim, Marie, and grandfather to ten grandchildren.

### Michael Markos

Loved brother, uncle, of the Demetrius, Coates and Antonakakis families, and brother-in-law of Chiko.

### Maria Alexiou

#### (nee Tripolemou)

Loved mother of George, Con, Lou, Lena, Eve, Chrissie and Bill. Grandmother of nine grandchildren.

The Late Maria's Late mother's name was Evdokia Hatzilia.

## YOUTH DISCO

The youth disco night attracted a crowd of fifty six young revellers. This night once again proved to be a success, with the children begging for more music towards the end of the night. New techno numbers, old favourites like the Nutbush and Bus Stop along with traditional Greek dances were the flavours of the night. Dance competitions, prizes and a short supper break helped to punctuate the evening. Another success, with the young'uns was making us promise them to organise another one very soon.

Dance classes are well underway for third term under the direction of Olga Black. The children's next performance will be at the cocktail evening for the Cassie of the Year. We are looking forward to seeing the two groups and the progress they have made.

Interested in dance classes at Bulleen or South Melbourne? Then contact Vivienne or Kathleen.



# The Castellorizian Association

*invites*

**you and your family**

*to attend a Cocktail party*

*for the*

*Castellorizian of the Year 1998*

**Mr John Kiosoglous, MSE,KSA,AE**

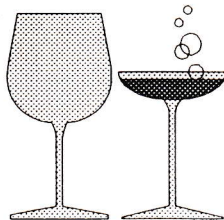
*to be held at*

**Castellorizian House**

**250 Dorcas Street, South Melbourne**

*on*

**Sunday August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5 pm**



*Presentations will also be made to our 1997 VCE graduates.*

*For catering purposes please telephone and confirm your attendance -*

*Dianne 9596 8610  
Vivienne 9850 5294*



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# Trivia Night

Saturday 29 August

Cassie Hall

7:30

\$10 per person

Organise your table of 8-10 now!

or

Let us organise a table for you!

BYO Drinks & Nibblies

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Vivienne: 98505294

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# **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Members are hereby advised that the Annual General Meeting of the Castellorizian Association of Victoria will be held on Sunday 4th October 1998. 2.30pm sharp at the Castellorizian House, 250 Dorcas Street, South Melbourne.

## **AGENDA**

1. Open meeting 2.30
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of last A.G.M.
4. Business arising from minutes
5. President's report
6. Treasurer's report
7. Senior Citizen's report
8. General business
9. General committee elections
10. Closure of A.G.M.
11. Meeting closed followed by refreshments

# CASTELLORIZIAN ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA

## NOMINATION FORM

NOMINEE .....NOMINATED BY .....

I wish to nominate for:

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Treasurer

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Secretary

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Committee Member

Nominee:

Nominated by:

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Address of person nominating:

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Signature of nominee:

Signature of person nominating:

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### PLEASE NOTE:

All nominations must be on this nomination form and must reach the Secretary  
Castellorizian Association of Victoria. (P.O. Box 112 South Melbourne).

By the 20th September 1998.