

THE CASTELLORZIAN ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA

THE CASTELLORIZIAN NEWSLETTER

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Castellorizian Newsletter No. 50 is the final Newsletter for 1987. We print details of our Xmas Party and a Xmas message from our President.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

1987 has been a year of successes for the Castellorizian Association of Victoria. The Members of the Board have worked hard to organise the social functions for the year and I thank them, also the members and friends who continually support us. Our differences with the tenant are soon to be resolved with the signing of a new lease. I welcome as a co-opted member of our Board Phyllis N. Kailis who I am sure will be an asset to us. On behalf of the Board of Directors I wish all the members a **Merry Christmas and Prosperous Bi Centennial Year** and we hope to see many old faces again as well as some new ones in 1988.

Steve Zombos
President

CHRISTMAS B.B.Q.

13th December, 1987 Jells Park, Mt. Waverley

Santa Claus will arrive at noon to distribute gifts to the children of Financial members.

The B.B.Q. lunch will follow

Cost: Adults \$12.00 Children 12 to 16 years \$6.00
Children under twelve years - free

Please **Book Now** Return slip for Xmas Picnic
by 1st December, 1987

Don't forget
All Welcome 13th December, 1987 Jells Park.
(return slip at end Newsletter)

Due to continuing increases in administrative costs we urge you to return your membership fees as soon as possible.
(membership forms also at end Newsletter)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

Memorials

Would Members please note that in future the Board of Directors will only accept and acknowledge Memorials and donations for the **Castellorizian Association and the Medical Clinic in Castellorizo**. Because of the increasing work load we cannot accept or acknowledge memorials for other charities or organisations. Please send your donations direct to the charity of your choice. It would also help the Board if all donations are placed in envelopes with the name, address and amount clearly printed on the envelope. This will assist in the correct issue of receipts and correct information to the involved Members.

To help Members these are the correct names and addresses of the organisations requested by most Members.

The Castellorizian Association of Victoria
P.O. Box 112, South Melbourne, 3205

The Medical Clinic Castellorizo
C/- P.O. Box 112, South Melbourne, 3205

The Society for the Care of the Elderly
96 Springs Road, Clayton, 3168

The Castellorizian NEA Athens Greece,
C/- Mr. Nick Patiniotis
54 Tower Street, North Balwyn, 3104

A 40 day Memorial Service was held at Evangelismos Church on Sunday 8th November, 1987 for the late Luke Nicholas Lucas who died on October 5th, 1987.
From Sydney for the Memorial Service Mrs. Helen Gregory and Mrs. Rose Shephard.

HOLIDAYS

Back from Honolulu and the Hawaiian Islands Gina and Con Gekas: Gina is the daughter of Michael and Nina Kyriakos.

Back from an overseas holiday John C. Kanis.

Back from an overseas trip to Greece, Israel and Egypt George B. Bisas.

WEDDING

On Saturday 9th January at St. Anargyrou Church, Oakleigh. Paul Pavlou will marry Judith Telfer. Reception will be held at Meteora Receptions, Ashwood.
Paul is the only son of Jim and Christina Pavlou and grandson of Mrs. Nina Papacotis of Sydney.

ENGAGEMENT

George Miriklis to Helen Augustis, George is the son of Jack and Katina Miriklis, and Helen the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. G.N. Augustis of Townsville, Queensland. Reception at Meteora Receptions, Ashwood.

WEDDING

On Sunday 24th January, 1988 at 'The Annunciation of Our Lady Evangelismos Church,' East Melbourne. Christina Adgemis will marry George Papadopoulos. Christina is the daughter of Peter and Koula Adgemis, and George the son of Mrs. Anastasia Papadopoulos. Reception at Palatas Receptions, Ascot Vale.

CHRISTENING

On Saturday 12th December at St. Katherines Church, Andy and Tasia Ioannidis will baptize their son 'Alexander Spiros' Tasia is the daughter of Dr. Spiro and Margaret Moraitis. A party to celebrate at Andy and Tasia's house.

IN MELBOURNE

From Greece to visit her family, Tina Alexander, daughter of Sam and Cherry Alexander and sister of Chris from Adelaide. To welcome Tina, Mrs. Kaye Christofas with new baby (Daniel).

For the Prodromou, Pavlou baptism from Sydney great grandmother Mrs. Nina Papacotis.

For the Bisas, Miriklis baptism Mrs. Kostoglou of Adelaide, while here she stayed with her son Peter and daughter-in-law Vivienne.

Seen at the Melbourne Cup Interstate Visitors Mrs. M. James with daughter Dianne Spartels and Mrs. Nina Papacotis with daughter Mrs. Christina Pavlou.

Senator Nick Bolkus as guest of honour at the 15th Birthday Party of the Australian Greek Welfare Society which was held at Hawthorn Receptions. Amongst the guests were Mr. George Papadopoulos Chairperson of the Ethnic Affairs Commission of Victoria, Dr. Con Constantinou President of the Society for the Care of the Elderly, Mr. Steve Zombos President of the Castellorizian Association of Victoria and Mrs. Tryantafillou Consul for Greece.

DEATH

Basil Steffanou on November 11th, 1987 at St. Andrews Hospital: husband of Dulcie, father of Christina and Kevin, grandfather of Kate. From Sydney for the **Private Funeral** Basil's sisters Tasia Cooney, Katina Penglis and Valda Georgouras with husband Manoli, and son Stephen.

A Memorial Service to the late Basil Steffanou was held at the Democritos Club on Sunday 22nd November, 1987. To allow Members and friends to pay their respects. On Monday 9th November, 1987 on the Ethnic Broadcasting Service 3EA Eulogies to the late Basil Steffanou were given by Sam Papasauas President of the Greek Community of Melbourne and Victoria and Geroqe Zangalis of the Victorian Railways Union.

Basil was a regular contributor to our Castellorizian Newsletter and his letters were full of advice and historical facts: his many letters of corrections to our historical notes were greatly appreciated. Over many years at Annual General Meetings Basil was a contributor and took part in many interesting debates. We mourn his passing. Basil was a former trustee of the Castellorizian Association of Victoria.

Jack Bisas

EDITORS NOTE

Phyllis N. Kallis is the daughter of the late Nick and Magda Kaillis of Richmond. The late Nick Kaillis was well known for his community and welfare work for the Greek Community of Melbourne.

DONATIONS TO THE CARE OF THE ELDERLY

In Memory of the late Mr. Luke Nicholas Lucas
who died on October 5th, 1987

Mr. & Mrs. M. Kyriakos \$10 J.K.M. Miriklis \$20
Mr. & Mrs. Steve Adgemis \$10 Mrs. P. Diamandis \$10
Mr. & Mrs. A. Loizou & family \$20
Mr. & Mrs. P. Plafadlis \$10 Mrs. Christulla Bisas \$10
Mr. Jack & Katina Mirikis \$10 Mr. & Mrs. J. Konstas \$10
Mr. & Mrs. John Trellis \$20 Mr. & Mrs. Nick Fermanis \$20
Mr. & Mrs. Steve Bisas \$10 Jim & Yvonne Kaponis \$20
Mr. Con & Katie Koutsoukis \$20 Mr. Nick Delaportis \$20
Dr. J. & Mrs. McKee \$25 Peter & Tina Garrick \$30
Mr. & Mrs. D. Pavlou \$10 Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Kominos \$20
Tony, Nick, Michael Confos and families \$100 (Sydney)
Castellorizia Association of Victoria \$30

In Memory of the late Mr. Luke Nicholas Lucas who died on the 5th October, 1987.
To the Castellorizian Association of Victoria

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Zervos \$20 Mr. & Mrs. P. Exintaris \$10

In Memory of the late Mrs. Z Stabelos (Greece)
To the Castellorizian Association
Mr. & Mrs. P. Zervos \$10

In Memory of the late Mrs. P. Zervos
To the Castellorizian Association
Mr. & Mrs. N. Verginis \$10

In Memory of the late Stavros Passaris (Sydney)
To the Castellorizian Association
Mr. & Mrs. P. Exintaris \$10

We print a letter from Michael G. Kailis in connection to the recent problems concerning the World Brotherhood: The letter is self explanatory. Unfortunately we were not able to be represented at this Special Meeting held in South Australia on November 10th, 1987.

To All Kastellorizian Societies in Australia From: Michael G. Kailis

1. During my recent trip to Greece, as instructed by the World Kastellorizian Brotherhood at the Annual Meeting in Perth, 21st & 22nd May, 1987, I contacted Dr. Hatzigiannaki, in regard to the above matter. I was accompanied by the General Secretary Stephan Scopelitis and my wife Patricia.
2. The Meeting was held in his surgery office. After considerable discussion I suggested that Athens should take the responsibility of the Presidency of the World Brotherhood, and asked if it would be acceptable to him. No firm answer or commitment was obtained. The matter was to be discussed by the Athens-Piraeus Association - and although specifically requested, to the time of writing - I still have received no reply or commitment from the Athens-Piraeus Association regarding this matter.

As a typical example of the Athenian-Piraeus Associations's uncoordinated approach to Kastellorizo, claiming that they are the Worldwide Kastellorizian Association (of Saint Constantine) donated a station sedan to the Island for transport to and from the Airport, which is redundant, as it is unsuitable and there is a more suitable vehicle in regular use supplied by the Geronikolas family of Rhodes.

3. I proceeded to Kastellorizo, pleased to see the Air Service operating and the airstrip and air terminal functioning. I would suggest that one item that the World Brotherhood might address, is the co-ordination of flights between Athens/Rhodes and Rhodes/Kastellorizo, and also the possibility of a coordinated weekend coordinated excursion timetable.
4. On arriving in the village I was far from impressed with the conditions on the island - and the progress or rather, lack of progress, in the last two years. There is no doubt the Island needs a lot of direction, support and assistance from the World Brotherhood.

Any evidence of projected planning of any description by architectural or town planning development is lacking, despite the fact that there has been a lot of work done in this direction, unfortunately the Island has deteriorated again.

Certainly the restaurants are cleaner, but otherwise the state of general cleanliness or tidiness has deteriorated. Specifically the area around the wharf is an absolute disgrace from unused drums, bottles and crates and broken down tractors. It is a disgrace that this provides the first impression of the Island for the majority of visitors. Also I was disgusted to find animals once more roaming the village and fouling church-yards - a tragedy at the St. George of the Mountain. Furthermore, I was dismayed to note that people have been running around again with paint brushes and erecting signs claiming block of land they have no intention of building on.

On my return to Rhodes, I met with the President of the World Brotherhood, Parascho Kaillis and learned that he is no longer the President of the Rhodes body. There is also evidence that he is at odds with the new Rhodes Committee - a situation I am far from happy with.

I contacted the Kastellorizian Brotherhood of Rhodes - via Jack Geronikolas and met the Committee. We discussed our predicament with the relationship of the Athens- Piraeus Association, Rhodes Brotherhood and the World Brotherhood. The Rhodians are also deeply concerned with the situation and proposed the following solution.

1. The World Kastellorizian Brotherhood's Constitution now be registered in Australia.
2. A President be elected in Australia.
3. Registered offices be established in Australia.

Personally, I feel this could resolve our problem in the short term with full support from major bodies.

However, the longer term problem will remain especially with the recalcitrant Athens-Piraeus Association or group.

I intend therefore to call a Meeting of all Presidents while Parascho Kaillis is in Adelaide early in November to make every effort to resolve this problem. I will be contacting you directly by phone to arrange the time and venue.

Michael G. Kailis
28-10-87

I/We will/will not be attending Christmas Picnic

Name

Number of Adults.....

Number of children under 12 years

Number of children over 12 years.....

return by 1st December, 1987

Castellorizian Membership
1st July, 1987 - 30th June, 1988

Please tear and return with your fee of \$5. 00
per person

Name

Amount \$ cheque/money order

Address

Signature
