



MEGISTI MESSENGER



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Launch of the *Megisti Messenger*

By Allan Cresswell

WELCOME to the Castellorizian Association of Western Australia Inc newsletter – the *Megisti Messenger*!

Here you will find various items of interest to the Cazzie community. Items of a social nature, forthcoming events, photographs and articles on past functions, Church News, Family History articles and anything that may be thought appropriate to inform our members and friends, will be included.

Although this publication is not in colour, the online website version of the newsletter has photographs and graphics in full colour. The website link is at:

<http://www.castellorizo.org/newsletter/>

Our recently appointed President, Jim Manifis, saw the wonderful ongoing newsletter produced by the Kastellorizian Association of Victoria for the first time in November 2007. I was sitting next to him at the Men's Friday Night Dinner and he said to me, "We have to create something like this also – this is a terrific way to communicate and interact with our members".

I agreed wholeheartedly with his observations and so grew the plan to create a newsletter for our Association. It must have been providence that he was speaking to a person who had previously been involved as editor of a newsletter, and was computer literate. I had also opened my big mouth a bit too quickly! The next thing I was co-opted onto the committee and so the newsletter came into being. But all jokes aside this is a great concept and an exciting development which goes well for our Association's future.

The success of the newsletter relies on contributions from our members and we look forward to many and varied articles from you all - over many years to come. The prosperity of the *Megisti Messenger* is something that your committee is committed to and will promote with enthusiasm.

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CASTELLORIZIAN ASSOCIATION OF WA

**Cordially invites you to the
ST CONSTANTINE & HELENE
ANNUAL DINNER DANCE**



To be held at
**IBIS Function Centre
344 Murray St, Perth WA**

Sunday 18th May 2008 at 6pm

Cost: \$60 food

Refreshments available at the bar

DJ

Floorshow

*****Please Contact Committee Members for Tickets*****

SOCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prepared by Catherine Papanastasiou
and Allan Cresswell

Every issue of *Megisti Messenger* will display details of Birthdays, Engagements, Anniversaries, Marriages, Deaths, Get Well, Congratulations, Travelling Abroad/Interstate and other announcements of interest to the Castellorizian community. It is **not** a requirement that a person be a member of our Association. Please contact the Editor or a Committee Member to advise of the event so it can be included in the next newsletter. **This initial newsletter contains a sample only of known items for announcement and has been supplied by our committee members.**



BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to Jack Pitsikas who celebrated his 89th birthday early in April. Congratulations to our committee member, Peter Kalaf, for keeping his 70th birthday in February so quiet!



MARRIAGES

Congratulations to Chris Zounis and Monica Mateo; Perisse Spartalis and Steve Paradiss; Terry Efsthatis and Pamela Moutzouris (from Queensland).



ENGAGEMENTS

Congratulations and best wishes to: Cameron Palassis and Lenise Rompotis, Anthony Magriplis and Melissa Ryall, Katie Lucas and Gabriel Pergamalis.



BIRTHS/BAPTISMS

Congratulations to Leon Apostolos Boyatzis and Irene (nee Foundas) on the baptism of their daughter, Elissea. The godfather was Steven Kikiros. Michael and Leah Papas welcomed baby Vass into the world recently. Florence Elder (nee Manolas) became a proud grandmother when Mia Anastasia Champion was born to Nerelle and Greg Champion. Congratulations to Michael and Yvette Karalis (nee Andony) on the arrival of their first born - a son Anastasios.



GET WELL SOON

Best wishes and a speedy recovery to our Committee Member and friend, Michael Paul.



VALE

Our deepest sympathies are passed onto the families and friends of Nicholas Michael Anastas, Margaret Manifis (nee Anastas) and George Philip Petrides.



HOLIDAYS/TRAVELLING

Catherine Papanastasiou (nee Samiotis) and her mother Chrissie Samiotis (nee Drimatis) are leaving for a cruise of the Mediterranean and visiting Greece in May. We wish them a safe and memorable holiday. Also Fay and Arthur Katris who are visiting Greece in May.



ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to Jack & Nina Pitsikas (nee Yiannakis) who celebrate 55 years of marriage in April.



CONGRATULATIONS

- Cerissa Papanastasiou graduated with a Bachelor of Health Studies (Addiction Major) and is currently doing her Honours Degree whilst working part time at the National Drug Research Institute.
- Congratulations to Mrs Christina Panos on being chosen to speak in Northern Greece, on 'Hellenism in Oceania' as well as speaking about her personal achievements within the Greek Community of WA. Mrs Panos is one of seven ladies who travelled to Greece from around the world. She was honoured for her services by receiving an award.
- Congratulations also to Tony Bellos for winning the WA Hellenic Bowls Championship and to George Moulatsiotis who was the runner up.
- Congratulations to Despa McDonnell (nee Papastatis) and Arthur Athans as recipients of the OAM at the Australia Day Awards 2008 (see also Page 12).

THANK YOU

Michael and Betty Paul would sincerely like to thank all their friends and relatives for their many phone calls, cards, flowers during Michael's recent stay in hospital and his current convalescence. It was greatly appreciated.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Written by President Jim Manifis

I would firstly like to say that it is a privilege to have been elected president of the Castellorizian Association of WA for 2008. My understanding of the history of the island of Kазzy was my visit in 1982, where the local people were quite happy to show my wife and I around the island, to explain its history. My mother has also told me stories of when she was on the island as a young child and the events that took place when she migrated to Australia.

The committee for 2008 has discussed many new ideas that we would like to introduce over and above the normal activities. We have already held three functions in 2008 with good reactions from our members. The first was our Sunday luncheon, held on January 13th 2008 which was well patronised by our members. The afternoon was an opportunity for all those that attended to reminisce on old times.

A cocktail party on the 17th of February was organised for the official opening of Castellorizian House renovations and I wish to thank all those who attended. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the renovation sub committee for all the work they have contributed over the last two to three years with the renovations. From my understanding the amount of hours that was placed on the feasibility and planning of the renovations resulted in the successful completion of the renovations.

This was followed by our Apokries Luncheon which included the entertaining of the Castellorizian Ladies Group visiting from Sydney who were touring Western Australia. I was in the Eastern States at the time on family matters. By all accounts the function went off well and was a great afternoon. Thanks to my committee in ensuring the luncheon was a success.

One of the new ideas that the committee has commenced is the newsletter that you are currently reading, which I am sure you will thoroughly enjoy. The opportunity came about where by I was sitting next to Allan Cresswell at the happy hour and I quickly mentioned to him how it would be a good idea for us to produce a newsletter on the same scale as the Kазzy's in Victoria. Allan indicated to me that he would like to take on the role as editor and I therefore like to take the opportunity of thanking him for his enthusiasm towards the newsletter. Other ideas which have been discussed around the table in our meeting include:

- Bingo nights
- Sunday luncheons
- BBQ luncheons
- Happy hour - father and son/invited speakers
- Cocktail parties

The next function will be our St Constantine and Helene Annual Dinner Dance to be held at the IBIS Function Centre 344 Murray Street Perth on Sunday 18th May 2008, commencing at 6.00pm. Due to the conflict with other happenings during the month we were required to switch to a Sunday evening. However the early start of 6pm and the readily available parking make it an ideal setting to have a great formal evening. The cost is only \$60 per ticket and refreshments are available to purchase at the bar. There is a DJ and a special floorshow provided. Contact our committee members for tickets (contact details on Page 6) and do try to make arrangement for 10 - 12 people per table.

To all our members and friends of the Association, I wish you all the best for the year and look forward to your support for 2008 and a Happy Easter!

MEMBERSHIP – Is your membership subscription current? If it is in arrears please forward your payment of \$10.00 per annum to the Castellorizian Association of WA Inc, 160 Anzac Road Mt Hawthorn WA 6016. This will ensure that you continue to be recorded as a financial members and continue to receive the *Megisti Messenger* newsletter. Thank You

ORTHODOX ACTIVITIES

Prepared by Catherine Papanastasiou

The Church of Evangelismos has been conducting Divine Liturgies in English on Saturday mornings for the past 2 years. This will again continue for 2008. The dates being:

10 May	31 May	21 June	12 July	9 August
30 August	13 September	27 September	11 October	
25 October	15 November	29 November	13 December	

The Liturgy commences at 8.45am and concludes at 10am.

The choir is always seeking new members (both genders). Anyone interested may contact Catherine on 0434 332 032 for further enquires.

The Greek Orthodox Church of Evangelismos has established a Bookshop which is housed in the building next to the Church (within the church grounds) which was opened in December 2006 with an Agiasmos Service by Fr Emmanuel Stamatiou.

The bookstore exists for the purpose of being a resource for Orthodox Christianity and for anyone seeking information and truth about the true and original Christian Church in all of her richness.

The bookstore staff is constantly searching avenues to obtain additional resources for the purpose of communicating our faith to all who come. The bookstore is here to educate, serve and augment the Orthodox Christian faith.

There are many types of books available for sale such as books on the lives of the saints, theological texts, guides to religious practise, information booklets, prayer books, liturgical texts, texts on spiritual guidance by the Holy Fathers, children's religious story and poetry books.

Besides reading material, the bookstore supplies the faithful with religious items for the home such as icons, kundillia, fragrant incense, incense burners (thymiatyria), and religious cards.

Many items are suitable for name-days, birthdays and baptisms.

The hours of operation are after Liturgy on Sunday. Weekdays, 4-6pm and after English Liturgies on Saturdays or ring Catherine Papanastasiou on 0434 332 032 outside of the above hours for any purchases.

The Inter-Parish Council of WA has commenced two programmes within our Perth community.

1) The commencement of Byzantine chanting classes for both men and women. The classes take place each Tuesday evening between 6 and 7pm in the hall of the Church of Evangelismos. These lessons are bilingual and the aim is for students to be able to read Byzantine music within six months.

2) The commencement of Byzantine Iconography classes for both genders above the age of 16. These classes are held at two venues: males at the Monastery of St John of the Mountain and the female classes are at the Hellenic Community of WA lesser hall. The classes are held on alternate Saturdays. These classes are conducted by Peter Kakulas who has a Diploma in Byzantine Iconography.

For further information on either of these two initiatives, please contact Fr Evagrios on 93592988.

CASTELLORIZO AND THE INTERNET - PART 1

Written by Allan Cresswell

It was only a few years back that when you typed in the “Google” search engine the words *Castellorizo* or *Kastellorizo* you received under 50 hits. These days if you type *Castellorizo* it says, “**about 14,200**” results, and for *Kastellorizo* it states, “**about 62,900**” results. Such has been the explosion of new Internet Websites coming online. There is a wealth of information online these days. But how do you locate what you are after? In this short article I will list the best known genealogy/historical websites relating specifically to Castellorizo/Kastellorizo and in the next newsletter I will provide the best websites for travel and accommodation information for the island (seeing I’m off to Castellorizo in September 2008!).

www.castellorizohistory.com - Great Forum discussing Castellorizian Family History, the History of Castellorizo and a Photography Section - Moderator is Nicholas Pappas of NSW – highly recommended.

www.kastellorizo.com.au - Terrific site of the Kastellorizian Association of Victoria. Many items of interest including their newsletter online.

www.kastellorizo.org - Gives links to many Castellorizian websites – has not been updated for some time but includes links to great photographic sites portraying Castellorizo.

www.castellorizo.org – Genealogy site with over 9,300 names on the website containing various Family Trees. Initially stated out as a private website for the family history of Allan Cresswell, expanded to include WA Castellorizian families and recently is now including all families of Castellorizian descent. Over 500 photos on the site.

www.australianfriendskastellorizo.org - The Australian Friends of Kastellorizo was established to help create a positive future for Kastellorizo recognising our proud heritage and giving something back to the island of our forefathers.

www.komminos.com.au – Komminos Zervos (the Poet) site about his Zervos/Mangos families with some great footage in his younger years and terrific poems.

www.stvezervos.com – Website by Steve Zervos of Melbourne with genealogical content about his family and of his wife, Chrissie (nee Mangos).

www.saintsimian.com/genealogy/kazzie/kaz_translation.php - Castellorizo Cemetery Headstone Transcriptions compiled by ‘Saint Simian’ and translated to English by Nicholas Pappas of Sydney.

www.castellorizo.org/newsletter - This is where *Megisti Messenger* newsletter is available online. Photos and graphics are in full colour. Quality of photos have been reduced for online display. Required copies of photos should be requested from the Editor.

If other Castellorizian Genealogy/Historical sites of interest are known to you - do let me know and I will place in the next newsletter.

SPONSORS FOR THE MEGISTI MESSENGER

We are looking for sponsors/advertisers for the *Megisti Messenger*. This is necessary to offset the costs of printing, stationery and postage, and to continue to keep the membership fees of our association to a minimum. All other costs to produce the newsletter are donated by the committee. Contact President Jim for further information on mobile 0433165601.

CASTELLORIZIAN ASSOCIATION OF WA INC MEET YOUR 2008 COMMITTEE

Prepared by Allan Cresswell

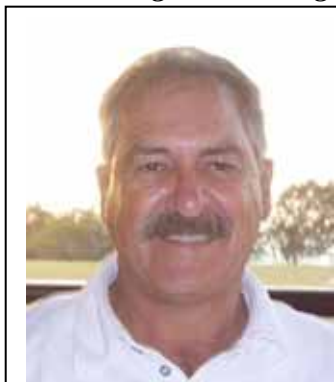
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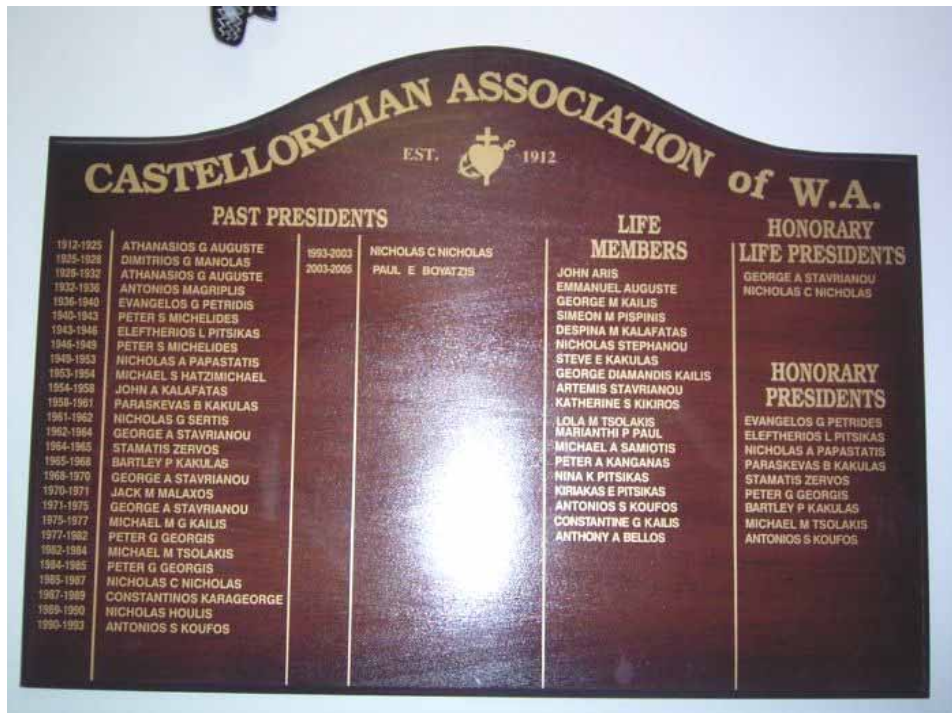
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CASTELLORIZIAN ASSOCIATION HONOUR BOARD

Prepared by Allan Cresswell



The next time you visit Castellorizian House please do have a close look at the Honour Board which identifies the Presidents and Life Members of this Association since 1912. In future editions of this newsletter we will be paying tribute to various persons recorded on the Honour Board. The board displays the following details:

PAST PRESIDENTS

Athanasios G Auguste	1912 – 1925	and 1928 – 1932	
Dimitrios G Manolas	1925 – 1928		
Antonios Magripilis	1932 – 1936		
Evangelos G Petridis	1936 – 1940		
Peter S Michelides	1940 – 1943	and 1945 – 1949	
Eleftherios L Pitsikas	1943 – 1945		
Nicholas A Papastatis	1949 – 1953		
Michael S Hitzimichael	1953 – 1954		
John A Kalafatas	1954 – 1958		
Paraskevas B Kakulas	1958 – 1961		
Nicholas G Sertis	1961 – 1962		
George A Stavrianiou	1962 – 1964	and 1968 – 1970	and 1971 – 1975
Stamatis Zervos	1964 – 1965		
Bartley P Kakulas	1965 – 1968		
Jack M Malaxos	1970 – 1971		
Michael M G Kailis	1975 – 1977		
Peter G Georgis	1984 – 1985	and 1984 – 1985	
Michael M Tsolakis	1982 – 1984		
Nicholas C Nicholas	1985 – 1987	and 1993 – 2003	
Constantinos Karageorge	1987 – 1989		
Nicholas Houlis	1989 – 1990		
Antonios S Koufos	1990 – 1993		
Paul E Boyatsis	2003 – 2005		
Terry A Pitsikas	2005 – 2007		

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CASTELLORIZIAN HOUSE HONOUR BOARD

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LIFE MEMBERS

John Aris
Emmanuel Auguste
George M Kailis
Simeon M Pispinis
Despina M Kalafatas
Nicholas Stephanou
Steve E Kakulas
George Diamandis Kailis
Artemis Stavrianou
Katherine S Kikiros
Lola M Tsolakis
Marianthi P Paul
Michael A Samiotis
Peter A Kanganas
Nina K Pitsikas
Kiriakas E Pitsikas
Antonios S Koufos
Constantine G Kailis
Anthony A Bellos
Arthur Athans
Darcy M Papanastasiou

HONORARY LIFE PRESIDENTS

George A Stavrianou
Nicholas C Nicholas

HONORARY PRESIDENTS

Evangelos G Petrides
Eleftherios L Pitsikas
Nicholas A Papastatis
Paraskevas B Kakulas
Stamatis Zervos
Peter G Georgis
Bartley P Kakulas
Michael M Tsolakis
Antonios S Koufos

HAPPY HOUR - FRIDAY NIGHTS

Contact Jim Manifis or Allan Cresswell
for additional information about the
Men's Friday Nights Happy Hour

Photo courtesy Allan Cresswell



SOME OF OUR GROUP AT THE REGULAR MEN'S FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER

The Castellorizian Men's Happy Hour on Friday nights continues to be a success. Why not come along to Castellorizian House around 6pm on a Friday night and enjoy fine food, wine, beer and fellowship – all for the sum of only \$25.00. Most evenings go to about 7.45pm so it is not a late night. Your friends are also most welcomed to attend with you.

HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS

This is a regular feature in the *Megisti Messenger* in displaying photographs from Castellorizo and Australia depicting people and events from times gone by. Submissions always welcomed and photographs always returned.



**CASTELLORIZO
GIRLS SCHOOL
MANDOLIN
CLASSES
1934**

**Photo Courtesy of
Ethel Xanthis
(nee Simeon)**

**Names courtesy
Ethel Xathis
(nee Simeon)
and
Nicholas Pappas
of Sydney NSW**

**Additional
information
welcomed**

Those in the photo from the left are:

Front Row: Ethel Simeon (later Xanthis), Anastasia Papasavas?, Zoe Tsambazi, Evangelia Pitsoni (later Kakulas), Evangelia Zombou

Middle Row: Evdokia Antona, Evdokia Tsakalou, Irini Kalaitsogolou (Peretsi), Irini Kalaitsogolou (cousins), Dialecti Pengli, Persefone Papadaki (teacher)

Back Row: Vaia Simonidi, Maria Pantazi, Katina Koufou (later Mougiali), Chrisafina Alayioti, Maria Veniti (later Zorbas).

**Back of photo states:
COMMITTEE OF
THE HELLENIC
COMMUNITY 1948**

(Ed - for Perth WA)

**Photo Courtesy of
Jack Pitsikas**

**Names listed below
are as listed on back
of photo**

**No attempt made to
correct any spelling
errors**



BACK ROW: Seo Lekias, Nick Soufoulis, George Auguste, Eleftherios Pitsikas, Spiro Fermanis, Emanuel Kostarellos, Andrew Karas

FRONT ROW: Steve Sertis, Les Mandalis, Christoforos Manessis, "Theofilachtos" Archbishop, George Kailis (President), Archie Zorbas, Steve Kakulas

SUNDAY LUNCHEON JANUARY 13th 2008

Article and Photographs courtesy Tony Samiotis

A Sunday luncheon was held on the 13th January at Castellorizian House. It was pleasing to see familiar faces enjoying each other's company on this pleasant Sunday afternoon. Background music was supplied by Alex Levissianos and his son Michael while we ate. George Moulatsiotis embraced the casual mood of the afternoon and gave a solo performance on the dance floor.

A special feature of the afternoon was the handing out medals presented to the association by the Castellorizian committee in Greece honouring Saint Constantine and Helen's birthday celebrations. Mr Tony Coufos presented medals to himself, long serving members of the Kakulas family (Steve, Michael, George (dec) and Bartley), past Presidents Nick Nicholas, Michael Tsolakis and Peter Georges, President of the Castellorizian Ladies Association Fay Katris and current President Jim Manifis.

The committee is planning to have a number of these Sunday lunches throughout the year. Bring along someone new next time to share the word around.

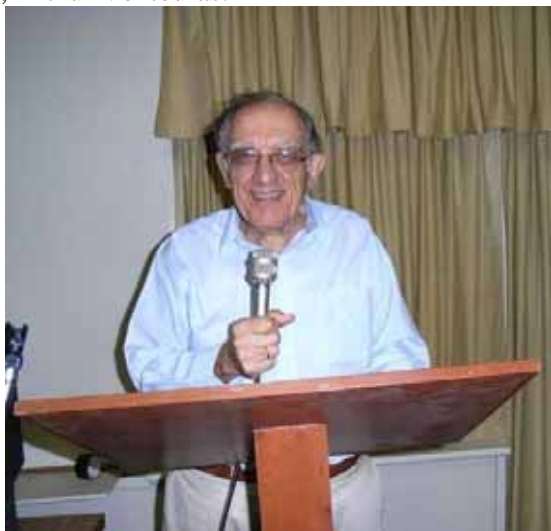


CASTELLORIZIAN HOUSE RENOVATIONS OFFICIAL OPENING STAGE 1 FEBRUARY 17th 2008

Article and Photograph courtesy Allan Cresswell

On Sunday February 17th 2008 a cocktail evening was held at Castellorizian House for the official opening of stage one of the renovations to the house. Donors and members were invited to attend the opening that was held between 7pm and 9pm.

Speeches were made by President Jim Manifis and by Bartley Kakulas who headed the Renovation Sub-Committee. An enjoyable evening to recognise the contribution by the many financial donors to the project, the work carried out by the Renovation Sub-Committee and the quality overseeing, supervision and support by the builder, Arthur Ventouras.



Bartley Peter Kakulas addressing the attendees at the Official Opening of Stage One Renovations to Castellorizian House

APOKRIES LUNCHEON MARCH 2nd 2008

Article by Allan Cresswell and Photograph courtesy Arthur Athans

The Apokries Luncheon held on Sunday March 2nd 2008 was well patronised. The function was attended by the Sydney Castellorizian Ladies Group who had arrived in Perth on March 1st and were about to tour Western Australia. Their attendance added a special atmosphere to the afternoon and they joined in well with the singing led by Dr Paul Boyatzis, Arthur Athans and Tony Koufos. Many of the visitors had WA based families who had attended the function also. President Jim Manifis was interstate at the time.

It was fitting that many of the visitors won prizes in the raffle, including the major prize donated by Neil Moulatsiotis.



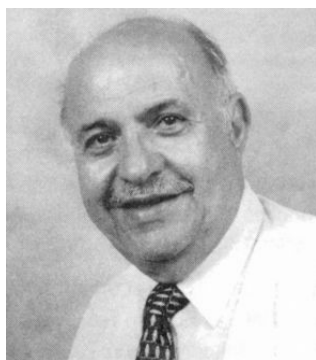
VISITORS FROM SYDNEY

Irene Zervos - Vice President
Mary Omeros - Secretary
Margaret Panaghis - Assist Sec
Nick & Esther Lucas
George & Chrissie Athis
Con & Kathy Lucas
Mary Kyriacopoulos
Angela Harmanis
Pauline Toparis
Despina Taifalos
Ann Theodore
Kath Stell
Achillea & Katie Tannos

Mrs Irene Zervos - Vice-President of the Castellorizian Ladies of Sydney addressing the Apokries Luncheon with Allan Cresswell – Vice-President of the Castellorizian Association of WA on the right

CAZZIE TRIBUTE

Compiled by Allan Cresswell



ARTHUR MICHAEL ATHANS

Arthur Michael Athans (Athanasios Athanassiou) was born at Castellorizo on June 30th 1931. When aged 20 years, he migrated to Perth Western Australia aboard the Orion and arrived at Fremantle on March 15th 1950. The following year he sponsored his widowed mother and unmarried sister to join him in Perth.

In 1953 Arthur was a member of the Athena Progressive Association and volunteered his time and services in assisting the newly arrived Greek migrant youth with a range of cultural and sporting activities. During a ten year period he progressed from a committee member to a range of official positions until he became President. During these years he also worked tirelessly with others to establish the first Greek-Australian water polo team in the State.

Arthur served on the committee of the Hellenic Community of WA for various periods between 1959 and 2000. He also served as a volunteer with the Australian Hellenic Educational Progressive Association from 1968 to 1971. Then from 1992 to 1994 joined the committee of the Greek Australian Professionals and Businessmen's Association and served as assistant Treasurer.

Arthur became involved and volunteered his time and services to produce and present the bi-lingual radio programme, "The Voice of Athena" for many years. This programme included Arthur staying up late at night and documenting the BBC's Greek News, then conveying it to his listeners in Greek the next day. In September 2005 the Floreat Athena Soccer Club recognised his efforts in this field by presenting him with the President's Commemorative Plaque. His first radio programme was known as the "Campana Parade" and was broadcast from 1963 to 1969. In the 1980s and 1990s he returned to radio offering his time and expertise to assist the HCWA's radio programmes and for most of the 1990s was both a dedicated announcer and convenor.

In 1965 Arthur opened the Pan Hellenic Emporium in James Street Northbridge which was an ethnic newsagency and record store. This shop was the first of its kind in Perth. Here he imported Greek newspapers, music, magazines and other European items that New Australians could not access elsewhere. This store became an ethnic landmark for many migrants and Arthur was always available to provide guidance and assistance to help new arrivals settle in Australia. Arthur and his wife, Eva, ran the store until 1993.

Arthur has been associated with the Castellorizian Association of Western Australia for over 50 years. From a fund raiser, to committee member, Vice President and Treasurer, has seen Arthur fully committed to an association which has now bestowed Life Membership to him in recognition of his services.

In more recent times Arthur has volunteered to visit and chat with the residents of the Hellenic Aged Care Facility where he is a most welcomed visitor and friend to the elderly who reside there.

On Australia Day 2008 Arthur received the Order of Australia Medal (OAM) which is the highest level of recognition by the Australian nation, for his outstanding achievement, contribution and community service. His life long contributions and efforts not only had a marked effect on the social, psychological and physical wellbeing of the State's Greek population, but has impacted on the broader community. Well done Arthur!

The summary in the Australia Day Honours List states: Arthur Athans, Dianella, WA, for service to the Greek Community of Western Australia through a range of cultural, charitable and media organisations.

This is the first of the regular back page feature that recognises and documents the special achievements of individual Castellorizians. The next issue will feature Mrs Despa McDonnell (nee Papastatis) who also received an OAM at the Australia Day Honours 2008.