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27th Annual Dia de Portugal Festival
History Park San Jose - June 8, 2024*

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President's Message

Dear Members & Friends,

We hope this message finds you and your family well with a happy and fun-filled summer ahead. We have had a busy month of June celebrating our Portuguese heritage and culture, and we look forward to enjoying a relaxing picnic with everyone on July 21st at our Annual Summer Picnic at Beresford Park.

We are also very excited to celebrate the Club's 40th Anniversary in the next few months at our black-tie optional Gala on October 6th at Dominic's at Oyster Point in South San Francisco. We would love to see as many of you there especially all our past and current directors and officers. There will be a live band, plenty of food, prizes, and a great evening to be enjoyed. As there is limited seating on a first come first served basis, please book early so you can join us in celebrating 40 years of Lusitano.

The Encontro das Comunidades Macaenses "Macau 2024", a prestigious event that aims to bring together individuals of Macanese heritage from around the world to celebrate their culture, has been confirmed from November 30th to December 6th with the generous support of the Macau SAR Government through the Macau Foundation. Below is the provided program from the Macau organizers at this time. There may be more events, but we do not anticipate in having this information until October or November.

- Dec 1. Cultural session promoted by the International Institute of Macau
- Dec 1. Opening ceremony of the Encontro and dinner
- Dec 2. Macanese Cuisine Competition
- Dec 4. Visit to HengQin, China
- Dec 6. Closing ceremony dinner party of the Encontro

All those attending the Macau Encontro should have completed and submitted their registration forms before the June 10th deadline so a name badge will be provided on November 30th at our Club's designated hotel "Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau" in order to attend any of the Macau events.

Thank you to all our traveling members that have submitted their booking information and deposits. We look forward to another great gathering in Macau to meet our friends of the Macanese diaspora, and also a fun time for those signed up for our pre-Encontro trip to Japan November 25th to 29th and our post-Encontro trip to Hong Kong December 7th to 10th organized by Braga Travel.

If you are not currently on our e-Bulletin list and would like to get your Bulletin and Club news faster via email, please contact us. Special thanks to Fundação Oriente, Portugal for sponsoring our quarterly bulletins so we can keep everyone abreast of our Club events. Please also remember applications for the 2024-2025 Lusitano Scholarship are being accepted only until July 31.

Thank you for your continuous support and making Lusitano what it is today! Wishing all a Happy 4th of July and a wonderful Summer!

Sincerely,
Maria Roliz, President

Lusitano Scholarship Grant

Lusitano offers two \$1000 scholarship grants each year towards a trade school or college tuition for current Lusitano members ages 18 & over. Applications for the school year 2024 - 2025 are now available. Email lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com to apply.

Deadline to apply is July 31, 2024.

2024 Calendar of Events

LUSITANO CLUB

Sun, Jul 21: Annual Picnic, Beresford Park, San Mateo

Wed, Jul 31: Application deadline for Lusitano Scholarship grant

Tues, Sep 3: SF Giants baseball game night, Oracle Park, SF. Email us to purchase tickets in lower box section 126. Cost:\$35

Sun, Oct 6: Lusitano 40th Anniversary Gala, Dominic's, SSF

Nov 25-29: Optional Pre Encontro trip to Osaka/Kyoto, Japan

Nov 30-Dec 6: Encontro das Comunidades Macaenses "Macau 2024"

Dec 7-10: Optional Post Encontro trip 3-nts to Hong Kong

Sat, Dec 14 6pm: Annual Christmas Party, San Mateo Elks Lodge

MACAU CULTURAL CENTER / PORTUGUESE EVENTS

Fri, Sept 13: LAEF Memorial Golf Tournament Fundraiser, Manteca

Sun, Oct 13: Our Lady of Fatima Mass/Lunch, Rossmoor

Volunteers needed! If you would like to volunteer at any of our events or would like more information on any of the above events, please email us at lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com

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Lusitano Annual Picnic **Sunday, July 21, 2024**

12 – 5 pm

**Beresford Park “Picnic Shelter Area”
27th Avenue & Parkview Way, San Mateo, CA**



Food & Soft Drinks Provided

12:30 – 1:30 pm Lunch

3 - 4 pm Games

Cost per member \$15.00

Cost per non-member \$18.00

Kids of members 12 & under free

Non-member kids 3-12 yrs old \$5.00

Please RSVP by July 10th

*with names of attendees including ages for kids 12 & under
to Jessica Xavier at 925.354.7999 or lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com*

*Please make check payable to “Lusitano” and mail by July 10th
to 7222 Cutting Blvd, El Cerrito, CA 94530*

Lusitano 40th Anniversary Gala

*Please join us for an elegant evening of food,
friends and fun as we celebrate 40 years of Lusitano*

Sunday, October 6, 2024

6pm - 11 pm

Dominic's at Oyster Point

911 Marina Blvd, South San Francisco, CA 94080

6-7 pm Hosted Bar

7-8:30 pm Buffet Dinner

Music by Airwave

Attire: Formal (Black tie-optional)

Cost per member: \$80

Cost per non-member: \$100

Limited seating. First come first served.

Please RSVP by Sept 15th to Jessica Xavier at 925.354.7999 or





**LUSO-AMERICAN
EDUCATION FOUNDATION**
*Pelicas & Rosario
Memorial Golf Classic*

Friday, September 13, 2024

Manteca Park Golf Course

305 N Union Rd, Manteca, CA 95337

8am Shotgun Start Scramble Format

1pm Lunch & Awards to follow

Cost: \$135 per golfer

(includes green fees, golf cart, goodie bag & lunch)

Additional award lunch tickets - \$55 per guest

To attend or be a Sponsor for this fundraising event,
please contact Maria Roliz at 415.990.5534 by August 31.

Details at www.luso-american.org/education/

*All proceeds benefit the many Scholarship Awards and Grants given
out by the Foundation each year to the Portuguese community.*

*The Lusitano Club is a proud sponsor of this event and appreciates
the summer youth programs provided to our members ages 13-17*



NOSSA SENHORA DE FÁTIMA

Sponsored by Macau Cultural Center

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024

11:00 AM MASS

St. Anne's Catholic Church

1600 Rossmoor Parkway, Walnut Creek, CA 94595

12:15 PM LUNCH

Fairway Room, Creekside Clubhouse (Rossmoor)

1010 Stanley Dollar Dr, Walnut Creek, CA 94595

COST:

\$12.00 (Members of Casa de Macau, Lusitano or UMA)

\$20.00 (Non-members) *No refunds for no shows*

RSVP by October 4th with names of attendees to Robert Leitao at
510-406-4184 or macauculturalcenter@gmail.com and mail check to
Macau Cultural Center, 7222 Cutting Blvd, El Cerrito, CA 94530

Annual Clambake

by Sheila Jun

Somehow “Mother Nature” played a trick and gave SPRING a BREAK on the day of the Clambake on April 13th. Fortunately, the cessation of rain allowed the show to go on. Bracing the weather faithful members trickled in, adorned with creative warm gear, coats, colorful jackets, caps and blankets; combined with smiles and warm greetings, made up for the chill. Not a complaint was heard as all awaited the Macanese lunch. Dorothy and Jessica graciously prepared Porco Vinho d’Alho (saffron pork with roasted potatoes), Portuguese chicken, minchi, napa cabbage, and rice. After a hearty chow down, Hunter, Chris and Maria got down to starting the coals for the “Clams a Algarvia”. Quite a few huddles around the fires to enjoy the warmth and inhale the aroma of wine and spices. You can be sure they were appreciated and devoured. Dorothy treated us to bebinca, pão de leite, and Jessica made gummy gummy. Thank you to our President, board members, and volunteers for the effort of putting this together.

It is heartening to observe the consistent attendance and forged friendship that takes us from one event to another. Let’s look forward to blue skies and warmer weather for our summer picnic.





Celebrating June “Month of Portugal”

by Maria Roliz



In recognition of June 10th “Dia de Portugal, de Camões e das Comunidades Portuguesas” (Portugal’s National Day), June has been celebrated and proclaimed as the Month of Portugal with many wonderful celebrations throughout the Portuguese communities around the United States. The Lusitano Club is pleased to be a sponsor of some of the community events in California this June as we celebrate our Portuguese heritage.

On June 10th, the Portuguese flag was raised once again at SF City Hall and proclaimed in San Francisco June 10th as “Portuguese-American Friendship and Heritage Day”. It was an honor to observe the flag raising by Pedro Pinto, the now Chief of Staff to the Prime Minister of Portugal, on his last day as San Francisco Consul General of Portugal. In the evening, SF City Hall was also lit up with our Portuguese colors in red, green, and yellow.



On June 24th at the Sacramento State Capitol, the State Assembly of California adopted a joint resolution honoring Dia dos Açores, Dia de Portugal, and declaring June as Portuguese National Heritage Month in California. We were honored with the presence of the Vice-President of the Regional Government of the Azores, Artur Lima, in receiving the resolution. Thank you to CPAC and Diniz Borges for organizing the wonderful lunch reception prior to the resolution.



Dia de Portugal Festival



In celebration of Dia de Portugal, for the 27th year, Lusitano participated with our food booth showcasing our Macanese cuisine at the Dia de Portugal Festival in History Park, San Jose on June 8th. This year, we were honored to collaborate with Chef Telmo Faria of UMA Casa (San Francisco's only Portuguese restaurant) and featured his piri-piri chicken in our booth. It was a perfect day with beautiful weather and a great festival organized by the Portuguese Historical Museum. Thank you to all our amazing and hard-working volunteers making this another great event celebrating our heritage!



This festival also served as a farewell gathering for our San Francisco Consul General of Portugal Pedro Pinto, the now Chief of Staff to the Prime Minister of Portugal since March. Pedro has been a great friend of Lusitano and the Portuguese community. We are truly grateful for all his accomplishments during his 30 months as Consul General and we wish him all the best and congrats on his new post in Portugal. He will be dearly missed.



Farewell to Pedro & Catarina Pinto

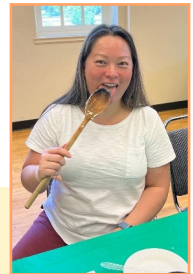
Lusitano Cooking Class



In celebration of Dia de São João, members enjoyed a fun afternoon at the Macau Cultural Center with Dorothy Oliveira learning how to make bebinca and pão de leite, and were even treated to some minchi and veggies to take home for dinner!

If you missed the class, here are the recipes on the next page.

Thank you Dorothy!



*Why is June 24th
Dia de São João
so important?*

We share this video
“The meaning of the 24th of
June in Macau”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gTRfFP2w38k>



RECIPES by Dorothy Oliveira

Bebinca de Leite

Coconut & Milk Pudding (An old popular Macanese dessert)

Ingredients:

- 4 (14oz) cans coconut milk
- 1 can condensed milk
- 1 cup cornstarch
- 3/4 cups sugar
- 8 egg yolks
- 1/4 lb sweet butter



Method:

- In a pot add and dissolve cornstarch, condensed milk and coconut milk. Add all other ingredients. Mix well.
- On top of a slow fire, stir constantly until the mixture thickens. After it thickens, stir quickly until you see it coming away from the side of the pot.
- Pour into pan, then broil until top browns a bit. Watch it as it can burn very fast. Let it set overnight.
- Cut into squares and place in paper cups and serve.

Pão de Leite *Coconut Cream Pudding*

(Note that it bears no relationship to the Portuguese pão de leite with the same name, which is a sweet bread made from yeast)

Ingredients:

- 2 (14oz) cans coconut milk
- 1 can condensed milk
- 1 cup cornstarch
- 2 tablespoons sweet butter
- 2 cups coconut water (or dilute 1 can coconut milk)



Method:

- In a pot add cornstarch and coconut water until combined. Add coconut milk, condensed milk and butter.
- Put the pot on a slow fire and keep stirring the mixture until it thickens. Make sure you are stirring and the mixture is not burning on the bottom. After it thickens keep mixing quickly until the mixture starts coming away from the side of the pot.
- Pour into pan and let it set overnight, covered with a plastic wrap on top so the mixture will not have a film on top.
- Cut into squares and place in paper cups and serve.

Macau Cultural Center “MCC”

Dia de São João Celebration

by *Maria Roliz, President*

June 24th “Dia de São João”, the Feast Day of St John the Baptist, is celebrated around the world; many with big festivals, partying, dancing, fireworks, bonfires, eating barbecued sardines and meat.

In Macau and for the Macanese diaspora worldwide, this also marks a very important day known as “Macau Day” which is celebrated each year ever since 1622 in celebration of Macau’s victory and its heroes who repelled the Dutch invaders and saved Macau.

As the legend goes, with little hope of victory in this 3-day Battle of Macau, a Jesuit priest from Forteleza do Monte shot a perfect hit that blew up a load of gunpowder in the midst of the Dutch formation with devastating results on that faithful day that scared the Dutch away. With this much celebrated victory on June 24, 1622, the Portuguese attributed this to the intervention of “Sao Joao” who’s Feast Day it was “Dia de Sao Joao” the 24th of June, and has been celebrated in Macau ever since also known as Macau Day, the day Macau was saved.

In line with this Macau tradition, a beautiful mass was held at the Macau Cultural Center on June 22nd officiated by Fr. Rafael Lee celebrated with members and friends of Casa de Macau, Lusitano and UMA. A wonderful lunch was served with some Macau favorite dishes – minchi, African chicken and vegetables with linguica prepared by Dorothy Oliveira and Maria Joao da Cruz; followed by Robert Leitao’s signature flan and a fresh fruit salad



with lychees prepared by Joann Ribeiro.





Thank you to all our volunteers for making this another fun and successful celebration dear to our hearts that we will continue to celebrate each coming June.

Viva Macau !



2024-2025 MCC Board of Directors
L-R: Joanne Ribeiro, Dorothy Oliveira (*Treasurer*), Elsa Denton, Robert Leitao (*Secretary*), Geraldina Wong, Maria Joao da Cruz, Sandy Souza (*Vice-President*), Maria Roliz (*President*), Robert Wong



Our ballroom is available for your party rental needs. Please email us for details. Hope to see you at our next event in Rossmoor on October 13th to celebrate Our Lady of Fatima.



LUSITANO CLUB OF CALIFORNIA

40 Years of History 1984 – 2024

by Maria Roliz

It all began in May 1984. I remember as if it was yesterday, attending my first field hockey match in America with my dad Rigo in Marin County. It was an exciting day for many as some hockey players from Club de Recreio, Hong Kong were visiting and a friendly game was arranged to be played against the Macaenses in California that once played for Club de Recreio or another hockey club in Hong Kong for the first time. It was a great opportunity for many of the Portuguese from Hong Kong, Macau, and Shanghai days to reacquaint themselves and enjoy the sports that was so popular as they were growing up and see their friends play.

There were thirty or more enthusiastic players in their twenties to sixties that showed up on the field that day; many I remembered seeing them play at Clube de Recreio when I was a kid. Amongst them were Antonio “Toneco” Jorge da Silva, Tony, Joe and Mike Delgado, Tony and Gino Reyes, Pablo Oliveira, Eddie and Michael Vas, Vince, Lionel and Ed Guterres, Robbie da Costa, Junior Remedios, Vic Pedruco, Tony Barradas, and a few others that played for the California “Macaenses” team. They all seemed to have a lot of fun whether goals were scored or not especially since the newly formed California team "Macaenses" were not as well practiced as the seasoned Recreio players. Everyone cheered on for both teams as they had friends playing on both sides and I don't think it really mattered who won that day. It was just another opportunity for everyone to get together and have a good time. Printed T-shirts by the Delgado boys were sold that day to commemorate the event and the “Macaenses” team also had shirts on with their new emblem.





After the game that afternoon, most of the players and some of the attendees were invited to a BBQ at “Toneco’s”. As the players had so much fun that day, they could not stop talking about their next game. This thus led to the beginning of the “Lusitano Club of California”

which was the registered name for the once “Macaenses” hockey team so they could play in the 1984 – 1985 season under the Northern California Field Hockey League which required all teams to be a California registered club. Inspired and coached by 1964 Olympian Lionel Guterres who also played in the early years the team performed extremely well maintaining its position at the top of the league.



Why the “Lusitano Club of California”?

The founding members chose the name "Lusitano" for a variety of reasons. One: since many of their fathers were involved with the social club Lusitano in Hong Kong and Shanghai. Another: as with all Portuguese people throughout the world, we trace our lineage to a spirited, hardy, and tenacious Lusitanian. The Lusitanians were descendants of the Celts that migrated into the western Iberian Peninsula as early as the 8th century B.C.E. The courage and resistance they displayed in battle with the



Lusitano Hockey Team 1984

Top Row: Tony Reyes Arthur Britto (President) Robbie Costa Eddie Guterres
 Raimundo “Zamorra” Jorge Joe Delgado Tony Delgado Pablo Oliveira
 Lionel Guterres Tony Jorge da Silva Ralph “Chandu” Pedrucco (Club’s Umpire)
Bottom Row: Francis Gomes Mike Delgado Gino Reyes Cipriano Bernardo
 Joe Gomes Vic Pedrucco Vincent Guterres

*Thalia Prata da Cruz,
the woman who
inspired the
change in 1992
with the
Lusitano Board
of Directors
in Oakland*

LUSITANO



invading Roman legionnaires over almost two decades were legendary. Eventually conquered by the Romans "Lusitania" became a Roman province almost corresponding in location to modern day Portugal.

The constitution and by-laws of the Club, let by our first president, Arthur Britto, with 28 members set its goals to promote sports, and to preserve the heritage of the Macanese people. In 1986, Mario Britto took over the presidency until 1992 when Antonio "Toneco" Jorge da Silva was then elected as president and began the Club Renaissance.

As the hockey team players were getting older and ready to retire from the league, the Lusitano Club decided to emerge from a field hockey team to a social club with its credo to preserve the history, culture and heritage of the descendants of the Portuguese people from the Orient.

Credit must be given to Thalia Prata da Cruz (Nuno's mother) for her persistence in urging the club to include social activities and offering the hall of her building at 464 3rd Street in Oakland in 1992 for the functions of the club and installing the name "Lusitano" in large letters on the front of the building. (Prior to this, the Club held its meetings and used the address of Ted Almeida's glass business at 1160 Chess Drive in Foster City. In 1995, when the Oakland Hall was no longer available, meetings were held at various directors' homes or Maria Roliz's office on Market Street, San Francisco which then became the official address of the Club. Since the 2020 pandemic, the official address of the Club has been changed to 7222 Cutting Blvd in El Cerrito.)

On May 13, 1992, the Club's eleven directors formally signed into effect its By-laws and Constitution. In effect at this point the Club changed its image from a hockey club to a social, cultural, and sporting club which included softball and 10-pin bowling and adopted its new constitution.

- *To preserve the history, culture and heritage of the descendants of the Portuguese people of the Orient.*
- *To build and reinforce a bond between the Portuguese Macanese people and the descendants of the Portuguese people from other cultural backgrounds.*
- *To educate its members of their history, language, literature, art, music and foods.*
- *To promote sports and any other cultural activity as may be approved by its Board of Directors.*

These basic articles of the constitution were received with enthusiasm and a great sense of purpose. The club was to continue to sponsor sporting activities, and to start concentrating on the history, art, food, music, and other cultural aspects.



Antonio "Toneco" Jorge da Silva, President 1992-1994. The start of the Club Renaissance

To build up our funds the Directors donated prizes for auction at the many functions held at Toneco's backyard in Los Cerros. As the hockey team and many supporters enjoyed the BBQs and Clambakes as early as 1985, the Clambake was adopted as an annual Club function in the spring of 1992. As of today, we are still using the special wok built for the occasion and enjoying Toneco's signature dish *Amêijoas na Cataplana* which he continues to cook for us whenever he is available or by his successor Hunter Choi (Maria's husband).

In March 1992, an informal picnic at Coyote Point in San Mateo, organized by Marc da Luz, Henrique dos Santos and Ray Xavier, was attended by about 200 Macaenses and their families. There were over 30 youngsters under the age of 20 who either played or cheered their youthful group in a softball game against the 'older' team. Subsequently, in 2012 we held one of our largest picnics with over 300 Macaenses spanning 4 generations. The annual Lusitano picnics continue to be a popular event since then and hosted annually at the San Mateo Beresford Park.

At the end of 1992, and for at least ten years after that, the Club hosted a Christmas dinner free for all our senior members. Portuguese and Macaense food included *Bacalhau à Gomes de Sá*, *Galinha à Portuguesa*, *Arroz carregado com Balichão Tamarinho* and *Capela*



prepared by Lusitano members Dorothy Oliveira, Brenda Xavier, Penny Jorge da Silva, and Gerry McDougall.

Over the years as the membership increased significantly it became too difficult to cook for the average 300 attendees at our Christmas party and the Club decided to have it catered at the Elks Lodge with a nominal subsidized cost to our senior members. To continue with a taste of our Macanese tradition, we continue to serve our Macanese hors d'oeuvres *calikok* and *chilicote* at our annual Christmas party.

In 1993, the Youth Program was introduced asking members to “encourage their children and grandchildren to attend our functions” and in 1994 it was proposed that “our Directors should include the ideas of our younger generation when planning our events . . .” also suggesting that “we give some real thought to scholastic and cultural aspects . . .” The inclusion of our youth proved to be the success of our Lusitano Club which continued to grow. Many directors of the Club since then are the “youths” of those days. Since, we have also implemented annual scholarship grants to further education and sponsored our youths to Luso youth cultural summer camp annually.

In April 1993, the membership was 90 (excluding spouses). As “Toneco” had left to work in Hong Kong in the fall of 1994, Luiz “Ozzie” Ozorio was elected as president in 1995 followed by Ed Collaco in 1996 and Merlinde Brown in 1997 with the membership increasing to roughly 200 members. As of present day 2024, our Club has grown to 950 members under the leadership of its president Maria Roliz and her Board of Directors. Maria started as our first Youth Director in 1993, then Treasurer in 1995, and President in 1998. She has served actively on and off the Board for the past 40 years and as President for 18 terms with mandatory and voluntary breaks off the Board. She is also the editor of the Lusitano Bulletin since 2008. Other succeeding Club

presidents include Philip Ozorio in 2000, Luiz Ozorio in 2003, Nuno Prata da Cruz in 2009, Dorothy Oliveira in 2015, Jessica Xavier in 2018, Chris da Roza in 2017, 2020-2023.

Committing to promote our history, cuisine and culture; the first Lusitano Bulletin was published in April 1992 with Antonio “Tony” Jorge da Silva as our first editor. The Club felt that it was imperative that we continue to concentrate on articles in our bulletin which will educate our readers in the Americas as to their history and heritage. Informative articles aimed at improving our daily lives and establishing and maintaining a bond between the descendants of the Portuguese of every race and culture were to be included. “Tony” remained as Editor from Hong Kong until 1996 when he proudly announced his successor, Michael McDougall, the new Editor of the Lusitano Bulletin. “An architect, a scholar, and a talented artist, Mike will take our Bulletin to new heights”. Sure enough, what a tremendous job Mike did! He dedicated his time as Editor for 11 years, 1996-2007, and sadly passed away in March 2007. In the interim, Ken Harper published the next two bulletin issues until Maria Roliz & Melissa Xavier volunteered to take over as the Lusitano Bulletin Editors in 2008. They changed its format to a color publication available both in electronic and hard copy formats producing one of the finest Club publications. In 2012, Maria Roliz became the sole editor when Melissa gave birth to her second child and needed more time with the kids.

One of the early goals of the Club was also to have a place of our own even if it was just a plot of land with our flag on it. This was finally accomplished in August 2007 when the 3 USA Macaense clubs (Lusitano, Casa de Macau, and UMA) jointly purchased the Macau Cultural Center with funds given by the Macau Government in 1999. The Macau Cultural Center celebrated its grand opening in May 2011 when its renovations were finally completed. Today the three USA Macaense clubs have their individual and joint functions at the hall where Portuguese and Mandarin classes are offered. It has its own Board of Directors comprised from representatives of the three clubs with Maria Roliz as its President.

Over the past 40 years, we have well represented our Macaense community and informing other Portuguese communities of our heritage and culture at conferences and other events at U.C. Berkeley, San Jose State University, etc. We continue to introduce to the Portuguese community a sampling of our cuisine at our food booth since our first participation at the 1995 Newark Pavilion Dia de Portugal and since 1997 at the Portuguese Historical Museum’s Dia de Portugal in San Jose.

Lusitano Club of California has come a long way since its inception. It has grown significantly both in membership size, activities and services

offered. We have always promoted and encouraged the attendance and participation of youth in our activities, and it is rewarding to see their involvement on our Lusitano Board year after year.

The Board of Directors of each subsequent year has shown care and dedication by offering new and innovative ways to not only attract new members, but also to keep alive the excitement within the current membership, the pride and loyalty to the club over the long term. We now have several major functions that take place throughout the calendar year, and an ever-increasing series of smaller, interest-specific events that attract different members including our Portuguese Heritage Nights with the Warriors and Sharks organized by Chris daRoza, Maria Roliz, and Leonardo Xavier. The result to date is an activities calendar that struggles to find available time slots to the membership's benefit.

We have truly been blessed with the enthusiasm and generosity of all our directors since our inception that contributed immensely to the success and growth of the Club, and definitely its rebirth in 1992. To all of you, A huge THANK YOU! *MUITÍSSIMO OBRIGADO!*

The heritage and culture of the Macaense people will continue to live on for future generations as all is possible with the continued support, interest and enthusiasm of our members, particularly our younger generation.

2024 Luso-American Education Foundation Cultural Youth Summer Camp

On June 26th-30th, the Luso-American Education Foundation held its Summer Camp for ages 13-17 at C.S.U. Sacramento. It is a great experience for the youths to experience college life and to learn about our Portuguese culture. We have been sponsoring our youth members since 2015 and are pleased to have sponsored Marcus Carion to attend this year.



Happy 100th Birthday to Patricia “PATSY” Carneiro



By Linda Carneiro



Parabéns is in order to Patricia Carneiro aka Patsy.

As of her birthday on June 7, 2024, she turned 100 years old.

An amazing milestone.

Turning 100 is more than another year added to the calendar; it's a testament to resilience and a wealth of life experiences.

Born in 1924, this generation is named "the greatest generation". With their wisdom and strength, they guided their family through hardships during wars, exiled to Macau as refugees. Immigrated to the foreign country and rebuilt a prosperous life for the next generations. The common denominator is they stayed connected –

supported each other, a strong community. The frequent gatherings at each other's homes eating Macanese dishes are a treasured memory.

100 milestone is an opportunity to continue this legacy – to gather to celebrate a life well lived, a century in the making.

HAPPY 100th BIRTHDAY to one marvelous lady!

*Not everyday we get to celebrate a century of living, loving, and inspiring from such a caring person as you. May your days be filled with joy, surrounded by the love of family and friends. Happy Birthday! Parabéns!
The Lusitano Board of Directors*



BOOKS for Sale!

We carry a lot of interesting books instock on Macanese Cuisine and History. Email us if there is a particular book you like to purchase.

Word Search

Now that summer is here filled with fun activities, see if you can find these words related to the summer months that are scrambled upwards, downwards, across, backwards, or diagonally

**SUNSHINE BEACH PICNIC SUNGLASSES SWIM POOL
TRAVEL CAMPING VACATION SUNBURN SUNSCREEN
SWIMSUIT LEMONADE WATERMELON SANDCASTLE**

T A R V E L C A P S A N D E P E
V A C A S A T A C D N A S A N P
S O S W I M S U I T R A I B R O
L E M O N B U R B L E V A R T L
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<http://www.saofrancisco.consuladoportugal.mne.pt/en/>

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(A website dedicated to preserving and disseminating our Macanese culture, history, and genealogy)

<http://www.macaneselibrary.org>

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<https://macaneserecipes.org>

Instituto Internacional Macau (IIM)

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<https://www.iimacau.org.mo/>

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