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*The Ruins of St. Paul's is Macau's most famous landmark
and officially listed a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2005*

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President's Message

Warmest Greetings! November is quickly approaching and soon almost 500 participants from our USA Casas will be heading to Asia for the "Macau 2019" Encontro das Comunidades Macaenses. This will be the 10th Encontro since 1993 with participants from the USA casas being the largest contingent once again. Thank you to the Macau organizing committee and the SAR Government of Macau for planning this illustrious gathering and we look forward to meeting our new and old friends. Thank you also to Club Lusitano for their invitation to a cha gordo at their newly renovated facilities in Hong Kong on November 30th (*see preliminary program on page 6*).

Upon our return from Macau, we will be celebrating our Annual Christmas Party on December 14th at the San Mateo Elks Lodge. This has always been our most well attended event with close to 300 members and this year we will be showcasing a new Portuguese band "The Kopi-Katz". Don't forget to RSVP early (*see page 5*).

We have also initiated the first Portuguese Community Night with the Golden State Warriors on January 22, 2020 at the Chase Center in San Francisco. We hope you can join us in celebrating our Portuguese heritage along with members of various Portuguese organizations to make this a fun and successful event. Contact us now to reserve your ticket (*see page 3*).

Our 2020 Club trip will be to Budapest, Vienna, Munich, Oberammergau, and Prague from Aug 29 - Sept 9. Highlight of the trip will be to see "The Oberammergau Passion Play" which is held every ten years. Space is limited so book your spot now (*see page 8*).

Thank you for your continuous support.

Yours truly, Maria Roliz

2019 Calendar of Events

LUSITANO

Nov 17-23: Pre-Encontro Trip to Taiwan

Nov 23-29: 2019 Macau Encontro, Macau

Nov 25-29: Mae Macau Art Exhibition, Albergue SCM, 8 Calçada da Igreja de São Lázaro, Macau

Nov 30-Dec 3: Post-Encontro Trip, Hong Kong

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

MACAU CULTURAL CENTER

Sun, Oct 13: Nossa Senhora de Fátima Mass & Lunch, Rossmoor

Nov-Dec: Portuguese Language Classes

Portuguese Community Night



Golden State Warriors

vs. Utah Jazz

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

7pm Chase Center



Lusitano Club has taken the initiative to promote the 1st Portuguese Community Night with the Warriors at the new Chase Center in San Francisco. Teaming up with several Portuguese organizations, we hope to make this a grand success and continue with an annual Portuguese Heritage Night. Please come and celebrate our Portuguese heritage on January 22! First 10000 fans will receive the All Star Voting Nesting Dolls. The first 20 youths 5-17 years old that reserve their tickets with Lusitano will also get to High Five the Warriors before they get on the court after halftime.

Order your tickets now! Contact lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com or 415-990-5534 to purchase from our blocked seats in upper level sideline or corner baseline. **TICKET COST: \$90**

Congratulations to UMA!



UMA, the oldest of all the 13 worldwide Casas established in 1959, celebrated its 60th Anniversary on August 3rd with a top notch banquet at Rossmoor, Walnut Creek, CA. This milestone was commemorated with a fun and sold out event with 170 participants. Congratulations on this great achievement in celebrating the preservation of the Macanese Culture!



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US Census 2020

PALCUS is working with the U.S. Census Bureau to ensure that all U.S. residents of Portuguese ancestry are counted in the 2020 Census by establishing the first national Complete Count Committee in the bureau's history. The Portuguese-American community has a unique opportunity to be accurately counted in the next 2020 census. The Federal Government's support to communities is largely determined by the size of each ethnic community makeup. The proposed Question #7: Race/Origins will give a clear option to identify our numbers and our voice. We urge all Portuguese to write in the word "Portuguese" on the Race/Origin Question. You can mark more than one ethnicity if you are part Portuguese, but please do not forget to write in "Portuguese". Help us spread the word. We are Portuguese and we count!

The **Macau Cultural Center** continues to operate positively. Please join us in celebrating our Lady of Fatima mass and lunch October 13; and consider signing up for some Portuguese classes.

Yours truly, Maria Roliz, *President, MCC*



NOSSA SENHORA DE FÁTIMA

Sponsored by
Macau Cultural Center, USA
& Fundação Oriente, Portugal

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2019

11:15 AM MASS

ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

1600 ROSSMOOR PARKWAY, WALNUT CREEK, CA 94595

12:30 PM LUNCH

FAIRWAY ROOM, CREEKSIDE CLUBHOUSE (ROSSMOOR)

1010 STANLEY DOLLAR DR, WALNUT CREEK, CA 94595

Directions: Tell Security you are going to Creekside Clubhouse.

After clearing Security, go straight on Rossmoor Parkway.

After the 3rd STOP Sign, turn Right into Parking lot.

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

\$20.00 (Non-members)

No refunds for no shows

Please RSVP by October 1 with names of attendees to Flavia Greubel at 925-285-2051 or macauculturalcenter@gmail.com

with check payable to Macau Cultural Center,
582 Market Street # 2001, San Francisco, CA 94104

MACAU CULTURAL CENTER "MCC"

Portuguese Language Classes (all levels)

**resumes in November with more classes in 2020
at "MCC", 109 J St, Fremont, CA 94536**

*with Prof. José Luis da Silva sponsored by Macau Cultural Center
and Fundação Luso-Americana para o Desenvolvimento*

Cost per series of 5 classes (Saturday mornings)

\$30 for Casa members

Please inquire and pre-register for the Classes now to
macauculturalcenter@gmail.com or 415-990-5534 Maria

LUSITANO CLUB
proudly presents our
**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS
DINNER DANCE**



Saturday, December 14th 6-11pm

San Mateo Elks Lodge

233 W. 20th Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94401

(Enter from right side of building/parking lot)

6pm Visit from Santa/Childrens' Gifts/

No Host Cocktails/Hors d'oeuvres

7pm Dinner Buffet

8:30 - 11pm Live Music/Dancing

with "The Kopi-Katz" (main room)

8:45pm Childrens' entertainment with Magic Dan

(lodge room)

10pm Raffle/Prizes

COST

\$32.00 Lusitano members (ages 19-61)

\$18.00 Lusitano senior & youth members,

& children (ages 5-12) of current members

\$22.00 Children of non-members (ages 5-12)

All Children under 5 years of age no charge

\$42.00 Non-members

\$42.00 All reservations received after Nov 20th

*Please remember to advise names/ages of children 12 &
under when you RSVP so Santa can bring a gift from the North
Pole and be present with your kids at 6pm to welcome Santa*

RSVP BY NOVEMBER 20, 2019

to Tila at 415-661-3027 or lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com

Mail check to Lusitano, 582 Market St #2001, S.F., CA 94104



MACAU ENCONTRO 2019 PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

modified for Lusitano members subject to changes

23/11/2019 (Saturday)

18h00 - Welcome reception at the “Jardim de Infância D. José da Costa Nunes”. Official Encontro badges for Lusitano members will be available for pick-up at the entrance (*Dress code: smart casual*).

24/11/2019 (Sunday)

10h00 – Cultural section promoted by International Institute of Macau (IIM) at Macau Science Center (*Dress code: smart casual*)

14h30 – Gastronomy Conference at Macau Science Center (*Dress code: smart casual*)

19h00 – Opening Ceremony of the Encontro, followed by dinner at Sheraton Grand Macao Hotel, Cotai (*Dress code: Semi-formal/suits for men*)

25/11/2019 (Monday)

09h00 – Macanese Cooking Contest (for cooking contestants only). Free day to visit MAE MACAU Macanese Inspired Art Show at Albergue SCM.

26/11/2019 (Tuesday)

10h00 – Meet at Leal Senado Square for a free 1-hr walking visit to places of historical interest.

*Recommended: Participate in the Braga Travel half-day Macau guided tour by coach for interested Lusitano participants to include entry to Macau Giant Panda Pavilion, Taipa Village, and other locations to end at Macau Museum/St. Paul Ruins for official Encontro Group Photo. Cost US\$25 **

15h00 – “Official Encontro Group Photo” at St. Paul Ruins. *All Lusitano participants are encouraged to be in this group photo with your official Lusitano Encontro t-shirt to be distributed onsite for souvenir keepsake.*

18h00 – Mass at Sé Catedral (*no tank tops or shorts*)

27/11/2019 - 28/11/2019 (Wednesday/Thursday)

08h00 – Overnight Visit “Grande Baía”, China (Fat San) with the support of the “Gabinete de Ligação do Governo Central da China” in Macau. Pick-up location to be advised. Only for members that have pre-registered and hold a China visa. COST: US\$100 per person sharing a double room. US\$150 per person for single room. Please mail check to Lusitano by Nov 1.

*NOTE: Braga Travel will have a day trip Nov 27th to Zhuhai with China group visa, lunch, sightseeing, and shopping time included. Cost US\$75 **

29/11/2019 (Friday)

19h30 – Closing Dinner Party at Macau Tower (*Dress code: Semi-formal/suits for men*)

30/11/2019 (Saturday)

14h00 in Hong Kong - Cha Gordo at Club Lusitano, 16 Ice House Street, Hong Kong (*Dress code: smart casual*)

01/12/2019 (Sunday) - BRAGA/Lusitano optional day tours in Hong Kong.

**Please sign up with Maria by October 15th for the BRAGA optional tours.*

Macau Literary Festival Short Story Competition



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FESTIVAL LITERÁRIO DE MACAU • 澳門文學節 • MACAU LITERARY FESTIVAL

Deadline 11.30.2019

The 8th edition of The Script Road – Macau Literary Festival Short Story Competition is now accepting submissions in Chinese, Portuguese and English. The stories no more than 6000 words in Chinese or 3500 words in Portuguese or English should be delivered at the premises of the newspaper Ponto Final, at Travessa do Bispo, No. 1C, 6th Floor, Macau, up to 8pm of **November 30, 2019**; or by email to **shortstories.thescriptroad@gmail.com**. The competition is open to all people without any restrictions on age, nationality or residence. Winners (one in each language) will receive prize money of MOP 10,000 with awarded texts published in a book along with collections from other writers to be released during the 9th Macau Literary Festival, to be held March 2020.

Competition rules are available at www.thescriptroad.org. The theme for all short stories must be about Macau.

ABOUT THE FESTIVAL

The Script Road – Macau Literary Festival was founded in 2012 by Ponto Final newspaper. The festival is the first grand meeting of literates from China and Portuguese-Speaking Countries ever to be organized in the world. The Script Road also welcomes guests from other geographies and brings to city renowned writers, publishers, translators, journalists, musicians, filmmakers and visual artists. Macau Literary Festival is supported by the Cabinet of the Secretary for Social Affairs and Culture, Macau Cultural Affairs Bureau, Macau Government Tourist Office and Macau Foundation, as well as for several private entities, with SJM – Sociedade de Jogos de Macau being one of its main sponsors.

Websites of Interest

Consulate General of Portugal in San Francisco

<http://www.portugalinsf.com/>

Macanese Families <http://www.macaneseibrary.org>

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

Instituto Internacional Macau (IIM)

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

(You can find videos and latest info on their published books
which may be purchased from Lusitano Club)

2020 LUSITANO TRIP

**Aug 29 - Sept 9,
2020**

**The Best of Budapest, Vienna, Munich,
Oberammergau, Prague with Braga Travel**

Day 1 – Aug 29 (Sat) BUDAPEST – Arrival (D)

Arrival at Budapest airport. Meet your English speaking guide at the airport. Transfer with panoramic city tour in Budapest. Check-in at Radisson Blu Beke for 2 nights. Dinner at hotel.

Day 2 – Aug 30 (Sun) BUDAPEST (B, L, D)

Breakfast at the hotel. Full day sightseeing in Budapest. Start your day in Buda Castle with entry to Mathias Church and Fisherman's Bastion. After lunch, pest side visit: Great Synagogues, Heroes Square, City Park with Vajdahunyad Castle (exterior only), Andrassy Avenue and its majestic buildings. Walking tour with entry to St Stephens Cathedral and visit of the Parliaments building, where the Hungarian Crown is on exhibition. Buffet Dinner-cruise on the Danube.

Day 3 – Aug 31 (Mon) BUDAPEST/VIENNA (B, L)

Breakfast at the hotel. Departure for Pannonhalma, visit of the benedictine monastery and arch abbey. After lunch, departure to Vienna for a panoramic city tour including visit and entry to Schonbrunn Castle (duration 3 - 4 hrs). Check-in and dinner at Hotel Mercure Biedermeier for 2 nights.

Day 4 – Sept 1 (Tues) VIENNA (B, L, D)

Breakfast at hotel. Discover the splendid of Imperial Vienna (duration 2.5 - 3 hours) – walking tour including inside visit of St. Stephens Cathedral and Hofburg Apartments and entrance fees. After lunch at a traditional Austrian restaurant, visit Belvedere Castle with Klimt (duration 2.5 hours). Dinner at hotel.

Day 5 – Sept 2 (Wed) VIENNA/MUNICH (B)

Breakfast at hotel. Departure to Munich via Salzburg including a 2-hour guided visit of Salzburg. Quick lunch on your own. (Driving time from Vienna to Salzburg – approx 3 hours and from Salzburg to Munich approx 2 hours). Check-in at Arabella Sheraton or similar for 2 nights.

Day 6 – Sept 3 (Thurs) MUNICH (B, L)

Breakfast at hotel. 6-hour Munich city tour by bus and walking including lunch at a local restaurant.

Day 7 - Sept 4 (Fri) MUNICH /OBERAMMERGAU (B, L)

Breakfast at hotel. Drive from Munich to Oberammergau to attend the Passion Play for the entire day. Check-in at a 4* hotel in Oberammergau.

Oberammergau Passion Play is a passion play performed since 1634 as a tradition by the inhabitants of the village of Oberammergau, Bavaria, Germany. It is performed on open-air stages in the village every 10 years. The play is a staging of Jesus' passion, covering the short final period of his life from his visit to Jerusalem and leading to his execution by crucifixion.

Day 8 - Sept 5 (Sat) OBERAMMERGAU/REGENSBURG/PRAGUE (B, D)

Breakfast at hotel. Transfer from Oberammergau via Regensburg to Prague including 2 hour sightseeing with local guide of Regensburg and 1 hour to have lunch on your own. Check-in at Hotel Leonardo for 4 nights. Evening River Cruise with buffet dinner/Prague by Night on Bohemia Rhapsody.

Day 9 – Sept 6 (Sun) PRAGUE (B, L)

Breakfast at hotel. Full day city tour of best of Prague (8 hours) including entry to Prague Castle and lunch.

Day 10 – Sept 7 (Mon) PRAGUE/KARLOVY VARY/PRAGUE (B, L)

Breakfast at hotel. Full day 10-hr Karlovy Vary tour including entry to Jan Moser museum + glasswork and lunch. *(Karlovy Vary, also known as Carlsbad, is a charming spa town located about 2 hours west of Prague and full of Art Nouveau buildings and wealthy Russian tourists. Legend has it that Charles IV discovered the spring while out hunting with his dogs and founded the town, hence the name. The town enjoyed a vogue in the 19th century when all manner of fashionable folk (including Beethoven and Chopin) rolled up to take the medicinal waters. Visitors can still indulge in a number of treatments here, including the drinking of the whiffy spring waters, but most Western visitors prefer to try out Becherovka, the town's signature herbal liqueur.)*

Day 11 - Sept 8 (Tues) PRAGUE/CESKY KRUMLOV/PRAGUE (B, L)

Breakfast at hotel. Full day 10-hr Cesky Krumlov tour including entry to Krumlov Castle and lunch. *Admire South Bohemia's countryside as you journey to Cesky Krumlov. On arrival in this UNESCO-protected town, head for its showpiece: 13th-century Cesky Krumlov Castle. On a rocky outcrop carved by the Vltava river, this picture-book fortress commands sweeping views of the old, red-roofed town below. Explore the rich interiors as your guide charts the castle's history, take a guided stroll in the old town and enjoy the opportunity to view Church of St. Vitus, another of Cesky's landmarks and home to a stunning baroque altar. Finally, use your ample free time to delve into the town as you wish: perhaps people-watching from a sidewalk cafe and shopping for souvenirs before returning to Prague.*

Day 12 – Sept 9 (Wed) PRAGUE/RETURN (B)

Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to airport for return flight from hotel.

B=breakfast included, L=lunch included, D=dinner included

LAND package COST: USD3459 sharing room; USD4403 single room

(Airfare not included, pricing available 2020. Limited to first 30 people)

FOR RESERVATIONS AND QUESTIONS, please contact

Maria Roliz at 415-990-5534 or lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com

PAYMENT: \$400 deposit required by October 20, 2019;

Balance due by May 1, 2020. Please make check payable to Braga Travel and mail to Lusitano, 582 Market St # 2001, San Francisco, CA 94104.

Disclaimer: Travel arrangements are being assisted by Lusitano Club on behalf of traveler and Braga Travel. Neither Lusitano, nor any of its officers shall be liable to any member or anyone else for any damages (whether direct or indirect, consequential, punitive or exemplary) resulting therefrom. All trip charges will be processed by Braga Travel Consulting, Miami, FL.

Lusitano Summer Events

Annual Picnic *by Sheila Jun*

It surely was a lazy dog day of summer on Sunday July 28th, however, over 100 of our members braved the heat to come support and enjoy the picnic. It was nice that the sheltered area provided shade and benches. Friends caught up with news since the last event.



Cards came out with the challenge and fun of winning while waiting patiently for the "Lunch Bell Chow Down". What an array of hot dogs, spicy sausage links, hamburgers with all the fixings, perfectly marinated BBQ chicken, salad, macaroni, corn on the cob, and yummy potato salad. A welcome break was taken, as fun and games went on for the adults and children. Cooling balloon toss, hilarious coordination in 3-legged race, and test of dexterity in the egg and spoon race. Everyone looked forward to dessert time, sweet watermelon and almond jello with mixed fruit cocktail.

Thank you for the generosity in our raffle participation to support the Club's scholarship fund and congratulations to the winners. What a lovely Family day! A huge **THANK YOU** to Maria, board members, cooks and helpers.



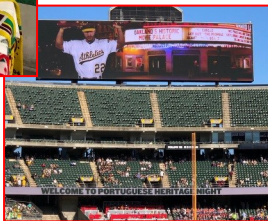


Portuguese Heritage Night with the A's

by Maria Roliz



Lusitano members celebrate Portuguese Heritage Night once again on July 27th at the Oakland A's game vs. Rangers as all cheered on with the A's 5-4 win. As an added bonus aside from our souvenir Portuguese t-shirt, we all enjoyed a magnificent Pixar themed fireworks show right from our seats and on the field after the game. What a treat! Viva Portugal and the A's!



Russian River Camp Canoe Trip by Maria Roliz

A perfect weekend for our annual camp canoe trip August 2 - 4. Close to 100 members and friends met up, some from as far as Seattle and Los Angeles, to camp at Burke's Canoe and Mirabel Park in Forestville for our annual leisure canoe ride down the beautiful Russian River. It was a weekend of camaraderie, story sharing, good eating, and fun time. Save the date!

See you next year weekend of August 7-9, 2020 at Russian River.



Mae Macau Art Exhibition: A Macanese Inspired Group Art Show



The Macanese inspired art exhibit, **MAE MACAU**, opened in San Francisco at CIQ Gallery on August 11th and will end on October 1st. Artwork from a variety of both Macanese decent and non-Macanese artists are featured (*artists photographed below*). All artwork will travel to Macau for exhibition November 25-29 at Albergue SCM, 8 Calçada da Igreja de São Lázaro during the Encontro. Info on Mae Macau exhibits are online at maemacau.com



Preliminary Macanese Cuisine Contest

On September 1st Lusitano Club held a preliminary cook-off in Fremont, California to pick a winning team of 2 to represent our Casa at the Macanese Cuisine contest competition on November 25th in Macau against the winning teams of all the Casas de Macau worldwide. With lots of food to taste and decisions to make by our panel of 5 judges (Antonio Jorge da Silva, Vivienne Xavier Jordan, Cecilia Orella, Lourdes Remedios, and Virginia Yoshida) based on the E.A.T. (Execution, Appearance, and Taste) judging methodology, the winning team was awarded to Ken Harper assisted by Marie Mennell.



Congratulations and best of luck to our Lusitano team in Macau!

Luso-American Education Foundation Cultural Youth Summer Camp

This 5-day summer camp program is designed to prepare youth (ages 12-17) for college, while simultaneously teaching them about Portuguese culture. Lusitano Club continues each year to sponsor our members to attend this most informative and fun camp. Muito Obrigado to all the volunteers in making this happen year after year.

Fun experience

by Connor Casey (age 14)



At the Luso-American Education Foundation Cultural Camp (June 24-28, 2019), I had such a fun and awesome experience. UC Santa Cruz had such a beautiful campus and I felt very comfortable staying there everyday. In addition, the camp was very well organized thanks to Joann and José Luis. Each day we learned valuable information but still had lots of fun. The theme was Seas of Adventure. On the second day of camp, we toured University of California Santa Cruz. The tour guides did a great job and it was really fun to learn about their campus.

During the tour, I learned that you can change majors frequently, adjust and choose your schedule the way you want and that the dorms are based on what major you study. This was all new information for me, and it was very interesting to learn how a big college like UCSC operates. On the other hand, throughout the week, we also learned a lot about Portuguese Culture. Beginning with art, we learned all about the different places Portuguese originate from and where they migrated to, shore whalers, instruments, popular songs, folk dancing, a card game named *Sueca* and different cultural identities. In addition to learning, my favorite experience was being able to play Soccer



every night with several campers and counselors who also loved soccer. Altogether, I had a very fun time at Luso camp and would definitely encourage other students to attend it in 2020.

Big thanks to Lusitano Club for sponsoring me!

Great Camp! by
Marco Segovia (age 14)



I would like to thank the Lusitano Club once again for sponsoring me to the LUSO-American Cultural Camp. When I went last year, I could not wait to go back. This year our theme was “Seas of Adventure”, so we focused on the Portuguese fishermen of Madeira, the Portuguese trading empire in the 1500’s, the Azores and many more. To make it even more exciting, we visited the Seymour Oceanography Discovery Center and the Santa Cruz Boardwalk!

The things I really enjoyed about this camp were the activities that we did. We did a lot from painting, theater, card games, fiestas and most importantly, meeting new people. Like last year, the campers and mentors were very friendly, kind and fun to be around. Not to mention the food at the cafeteria was delicious! Overall, I had a lot of fun, and I liked the fact that I could experience college life, explore the campus, and dive deep into my cultural heritage to better understand where I come from.

The Gem That is Macau

by Leonor Marquez



Leonor Marquez visiting for the first time “Rua do Padre Antonio Roliz”, the street named after her great grand uncle in Macau. She is also the recipient of our 2019-2020 Lusitano Scholarship Grant.

Congratulations and Thank you for sharing your story!

On the beautiful coast of China sits a magical gem, a place unlike no other. A place where China and Europe come together in the most extraordinary way. On any given day you can walk along its beautiful cobble stone streets while on the way to grab your favorite Dim Sum for

lunch with a group of friends or family. Macau began its story in 1557 when it was leased to Portugal as a trading post. Portugal governed this part of China for 442 years. My great, great grandfather was one of many to leave Portugal with his sights on Macau and all its possibilities. Macau is where he met his wife and had my great grandfather, uncle and aunt. As an adult my great grandfather decided to make his way to Shanghai. It was very common for people to move around from Hong Kong, Shanghai and Macau for work. Many years passed and my father was born, even though he was born in Shanghai, he was born to Macanese parents which made him Macanese and a Portuguese citizen as well. A few years after he was born China took Shanghai back from the French. After this took place my dad and his family were forced out of their home and required to go back to Macau, however, this time as refugees. My dad and his family had spent several decades in Shanghai and had no home to return to. Refugees lived in camps that were set up on the famous dog racing track called the *Canidrome*. Families like my dad's lived there close to three years. Despite the struggles they encountered in their return back to Macau they still deeply admired Macau and all its traditions. It's who they were even if it had been a long time since they lived there. They were Macanese to their core and that's all that truly mattered. Their time in Macau was short, after a few years they made the choice to make the journey to Brazil. Since my dad was a Portuguese citizen,

he decided to join the Portuguese army as an adult and made his way there to see what it had to offer. During his time in Portugal he met my mom, married her and then had me. While my dad was living in Portugal his family made their final journey, they left Brazil and set their sights on the United States. After having me my dad decided that the best thing for our family's future was to join his family in the United States. My childhood was amazing, I have so many fond memories of family gatherings. It was pretty common to find one of the elders telling stories of their childhood and all their adventures. Even though my dad and uncles left as children they still had a strong connection to a place that made them who they were. This is thanks to my grandparents and grand uncles and aunts always telling their stories and reinforcing how important family and tradition were. When my family moved here from Portugal my grandmother made sure she taught my mom how to make the many wonderful and unique dishes of Macau. My favorite dish is Minchi, this is definitely a comfort food for me. I love cooking this dish for my own family. It's perfect on a cold night when we're all sitting around the table talking about our day. Just the smell alone reminds me of the times I would spend the night at my grandma's house and she would share stories with me about my dad and uncles as kids. We would spend hours looking at her many photo albums. When I looked through their photos, I would often think about how difficult it was for them during their years in Macau. But then I would see their smiling faces and I was suddenly reminded that I come from a very special family. My family has the amazing ability to always find a way to keep pushing and moving forward no matter the situation. As my own daughters started to grow older, I began sharing many of the countless stories I heard during my childhood with them. Even some of my friends have heard some of my family's stories as well. I'm very proud of my family's history. In October of last year, I was blessed with my first trip to Macau and honestly, I came back a changed person. What I knew up to that point was just the tip of the iceberg. Once I landed, I felt complete, to walk the streets that my family once did was incredible. To finally fully understand what they meant when they talked about the beauty of Macau and for myself was something that I will always cherish. I knew right away why they could never forget a place like Macau. Meeting people from all over the world whose stories were just like my family's made my heart full. Knowing there are people out there who have the same unique background and who are equally proud of their heritage is what makes being Macanese so special. Telling my family's stories is one way I plan on keeping our

culture going strong for generations to come. I plan on taking my girls there when the youngest one is a little older. Even though the stories are enough to make a connection, trips to Macau are a must. It's one thing to hear about it but a completely different experience to actually see it. Last year I became a member of the Lusitano Club of California and that was honestly the best decision I made for myself and my family. I love getting all the updates of all the activities going on around the Bay Area. Even though my plate is a little full right now with being a mom and a full-time student I plan on making it a point to attend as many activities as possible. I want my children and their children to have a clear understanding of where my family came from and how special it is to be Macanese.

Book Launch Event of António M. Jorge da Silva's new book

The book “The Macau Portuguese – Courage, Endurance and Adaptation” (Chinese edition) by António M. Jorge da Silva, was launched and presented on September 26th at the University of Macau. A collaborative project between the Centre for Macau Studies and the International Institute of Macau, the book aims to shed some light on the history and the unique culture of Macanese people in Macau.

The book took two years to complete. It was written by António M. Jorge da Silva and translated into Chinese by UM alumnus Davis Ip, and published by Chung Hwa Book Co (Hong Kong). During the book launch, António also shared his experiences of writing the book and presented precious historical documents and hand-drawn maps and paintings about the old Macau.

António M. Jorge da Silva has written many books, all mainly to preserve and make known the history of the people of Macau. In July, his cookbook “Macaense Cuisine – Origins and Evolution” was recognized and awarded with a Certificate of the World Gourmet Cookbook (Gourmand) during the 2019 Macau International Book Fair in Macau.

Congratulations!



“Miss Macao”

One of the World’s 1st Hijackings

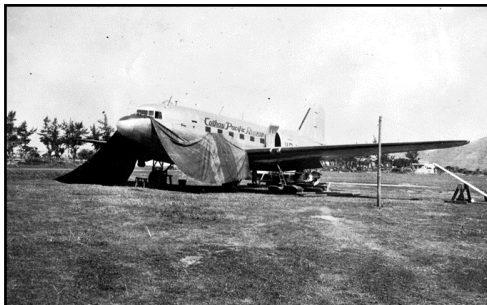
by Stuart Braga

One of the world’s first hijackings of a commercial flight occurred on 16 July 1948 with the attempted take-over of a Cathay Pacific Catalina en route from Macau to Hong Kong. The attempted hijack went badly and the aircraft, named ‘Miss Macao’, crashed into the Pearl River estuary with only one survivor, Wong Yu, who was one of the hijackers.

What gave the hijackers their opportunity was that Portugal was not a signatory to the Bretton Woods agreement. This was an international monetary arrangement, agreed upon by all 44 Allied nations in 1944 at the United Nations Monetary and Financial Conference at Bretton Woods, New Hampshire, USA. It created the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank and set up a system of fixed exchange rates with the US dollar as the international reserve currency. It also placed an embargo on the movement of gold and silver bullion. Portugal, a neutral country in World War II and thus not a signatory to the agreement, was not subject to the embargo. The absence of these controls in the Portuguese territory of Macau meant that it quickly became an important gold trading centre. It was the premier unregulated melting pot of East Asia in the wheeling and dealing in the precious metal. Air transport, high above any eager criminals, came to be seen as a safer option than sea transport for moving gold.

This opportunity brought a new player into a risky game. Soon after Hong Kong returned to civilian rule in May 1946, a new airline, Cathay Pacific Airway, was established on 24 September 1946. It acquired seven ex-military DC-3 aircraft, one of which, VR-DHA attempted to inaugurate the airline’s shortest hop between Hong Kong and Macau. However, in February 1947 it crash-landed on the racecourse, the only piece of open ground available, in front of a packed grandstand of VIPs brought together to celebrate the occasion, after clipping its undercarriage on the sea wall. Not for many more years would Macau possess a safe landing strip.

The aircraft was out of commission for several months, and the incident highlighted the unsuitability of the landing ground. The day after the crash, Roy Farrell, one of Cathay Pacific’s founders, dashed off to the Philippines to buy two war surplus amphibious Catalinas from the U.S. Government Liquidation Commission to fly on the gold contract. Cathay Pacific set up a subsidiary, the Macau Air Transport



VR-DHA, Cathay Pacific's DC-3, under repair at the Macau racecourse, 1947

Company, to fly its Catalina aircraft between Macau and Hong Kong. This service continued until October 1961. The Catalina was the ideal aircraft for operations between Macau and Hong Kong as both had suitable harbours for flying boat operations and the amphibious Catalinas could land at Kai Tak in Hong Kong.

One of the 'Cats' was numbered VR-HDT and was given the name 'Miss Macao'. It had logged less than 1,000 hours of operations in its military service and was in good condition. It soon became famous for all the wrong reasons. On 16 July 1948, four gangsters boarded 'Miss Macao' for the flight to Hong Kong, which took off at about 6.00 p.m. There was ample daylight left, as sunset that day was at 7.10 p.m. The short flight was known locally as the One Cigarette Hop, this being the time taken to smoke a cigarette.



Catalina VR-HDT, possibly at Kai Tak Airfield, Hong Kong

The leader of the 'air pirates' as they became known, Choi Tok, had been studying Cathay routine for months and had learned to fly Catalinas in Manila. He was accompanied by two clansmen from his village. These three carried pistols. The fourth member of the gang was Wong Yu, a rice farmer, who had local knowledge of the remote

coastal location to which they planned to fly the Catalina. Here it would be beached and plundered. The gang expected that there would be gold bullion carried on the flight.

The pilot in command was Captain Dale Cramer, a former US Navy pilot who had served in Patrol Squadron 45 during the war and had left the Navy in 1947. His co-pilot was Flying Officer Ken McDuff, a 23-year-old Australian. There was one other crew member, Flight Hostess Delca Da Costa, a 21-year-old Macanese. Seven or eight minutes after take-off from Macau, F/O McDuff left the cockpit to attend to retraction of the wing floats. This was necessary to enable landing on the runway in Hong Kong. The hijackers made their move and at pistol point attempted to take

control. A scuffle broke out and McDuff attacked one of the hijackers with a mooring flag. Choi ordered Cramer to relinquish the controls of the aircraft. Their plan instantly failed when Cramer refused to comply, and Choi shot him in the head.

As the pilot's body slumped over the steering column, the aircraft, out of control, spiralled into the Pearl River estuary, about six miles north-east of Macau. The remaining crew members, Ken McDuff and Delca da Costa (who were engaged to be married) were killed and 23 of the 24 passengers on board also died. Wong Yu was not armed and took no part in the hijack, remaining belted in his seat. This is probably why he survived the crash. A fisherman in his nearby junk who saw the crash rescued Wong, the only survivor he could find. He took Wong, suffering a broken leg, to a hospital in Macau, where he refused to cooperate with investigators.



*Wong Yu, sole
survivor of
"Miss Macao"*

A recording device was concealed near his hospital bed. In addition, police officers disguised as patients were placed in neighbouring beds, and from time to time elderly 'relatives' came to sit by them and hold their hands. In time Wong told all he knew, and from his confession and from the Al Capone-style clothing of his three confederates, the Macau police were able to round up six or seven other Macau Chinese for questioning.

They were taken into custody, but the authorities had difficulty with the legal aspects of charging Wong Yu for an act of piracy on a British registered aircraft in international airspace. Legislation had yet to catch up with the new phenomenon of hijacking. They suggested that he be handed over to the Hong Kong government, but the Hong Kong authorities doubted that there was enough evidence to bring him to trial. After being held in custody for three years Wong was released without charge and returned to his mainland village. He was never heard of again. One story has it that soon afterwards he was struck and killed by flying debris during a typhoon. He would not have been the first or the last person in China to disappear in mysterious circumstances.

Luís Augusto de Matos Paletti, the Macau Police Commissioner, revealed that four millionaires went to their deaths on 'Miss Macao'. The wife of one told Paletti that her husband was carrying HK\$500,000 when he boarded the plane. Was there any gold aboard 'Miss Macao'? The wreckage was soon recovered from the shallow waters of the Pearl River, but published accounts of the incident do not mention the recovery of any gold. If there was any, that too mysteriously disappeared.

The end of ‘Miss Macao’ also marked the end of Cathay Pacific’s gold-running flights. They were not illegal but were certainly not ethical from the British perspective. Cathay Pacific had already been in discussions with the big British firm of Butterfield and Swire which acquired a majority shareholding a few weeks earlier. Its chairman, Charles Roberts, became chairman of Cathay Pacific and decided that the Macao gold run did not sit well with the firm’s reputation. “We do not feel disposed to have our name associated with the trade”, wrote Roberts. “We would not like any such smell attached to us”. He had already during the war as an internee at Stanley Camp become respected for his tactful dealing with many difficulties.

That decision ended the likelihood of any more hijackings of aircraft flying from Macao, but the world would experience many horrors much worse than this one, culminating 53 years later in the terrible events of 11 September 2001.

CALL FOR OLD MACAU RECIPES!

The Government of Macao, through its Tourism Office, associated with UNESCO's Creative City of Gastronomy, are working in collecting and properly storing all relevant data on food and recipes. Of special interest to the Macao SAR are the old recipes of the traditional Macanese Gastronomy which are dispersed throughout the Diaspora and can be lost or become neglected. **WE ARE CALLING FOR YOUR HELP TO PRESERVE ALL GOOD “MACAU RECIPES”** by allowing them to be copied and incorporated into the existing Macanese Gastronomy Database. The authorship will be duly recognized, and any acknowledgement or fee that needs to be paid, can also be duly considered. By sharing your family recipes, we can keep our culture alive through the preservation and promotion of our Macanese cuisine. Please contact Maria Roliz at 415.990.5534 or lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com

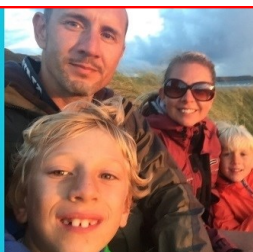
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Hong Kong Museum of History Revamping Project of the Permanent Exhibition of the Hong Kong Portuguese Community

Our community’s help is needed with the full-scale renovation of the permanent exhibition “The Hong Kong Story”, which will feature the Portuguese community. Old time Portuguese family stories from Hong Kong, suitable objects, and photos are needed for their gallery. Please contact museum curator Francisco da Roza via email at hollydr@biznetvigator.net to help.

Appeal to the Macanese Community

Ironman Pete

Donor Circle



Many of you know our friend Peter Costa McCleave from UK, who is battling myeloma, a blood cancer. He needs a bone marrow or stem cell transplant in order to survive, raise his

children, and continue his life with family and friends. To get a transplant, he and every patient in need of a stem cell transplant – must find a donor with a matching tissue type.

Tissue types, based on Human Leukocyte Antigens (HLA) are inherited from our parents and ancestors, like hair and eye color. But, the more different parts of the world your ancestors came from the more difficult it is to find a match, because each region has evolved its own HLA variations.

For the Macanese people with our unique heritage that blends Portuguese and Chinese as well as potentially Malay, Japanese, Sinhalese and Indian ancestors, the best chance of finding a match is from another Macanese, as they are most likely to share the same HLA types.

We urge each of you to order a cheek swab kit from Gift of Life Marrow Registry for every member of your family who are 18 to 35 years old and in good health. You might be a match for Peter, but if not him, you could be the lifesaving match for another member of our Macanese community around the world who is in desperate need of a transplant to save their life.

Please visit our special Donor Circle page for Pete, <https://www.giftoflife.org/dc/IronmanPete> where you can order a swab kit or sponsor someone else to join the registry.

If you have already joined Gift of Life or another marrow registry, there is no need to swab again – you are already part of the worldwide database of donors.

Thank you for your support for our community here in San Francisco and around the world.

To order a kit right now follow this link:

<https://www.giftoflife.org/register?SPCODEPrm=IronmanPete>

To learn more about being a stem cell or marrow donor:
www.giftoflife.org



RECIPES *(from the cookbook of Lulu Xavier)*

MACAU PRAWNS

Ingredients:

Serves 4-6

- 1-1/2 lbs of large prawns with shells
- 3 tsp white pepper
- Salt to taste
- 2-3 bunches of green onions
- 1/2 tablespoon finely minced ginger
- 1 tablespoon finely minced garlic
- 1 tsp olive oil
- 3-4 tbsp olive oil for frying
- 1 tbsp Chinese wine

Method: Devein shrimp and split back of shells. Pat dry. Marinade shrimp with salt to taste and 2 tsp white pepper. Finely mince green onions, ginger and garlic. Add 1 tsp olive oil, 1 tsp white pepper and salt to taste to green onion mixture. Stuff shrimp with green onion mixture and marinade in fridge for at least 30 minutes. Heat oil on high heat in a frying pan. When oil is hot and begins to slightly smoke, fry shrimp 2-3 minutes on each side until cooked through and shells are slightly browned. Make sure to not crowd shrimp so cook in 2-3 batches. Put shrimp back in pan and add Chinese wine and let cook for 30 more seconds.



MOCHIKO

Ingredients:

- 6 eggs
- 1 box mochiko flour
- 1 stick of butter
- 2 cups half & half
- 1 cup coconut milk
- 2 tsp vanilla extract
- 1-1/2 cups sugar (or 2 cups if you want it sweeter)
- 3/4-1 bag dried sweetened shredded coconut

Method: Spray 9x12 baking pan with nonstick cooking spray. Melt 1 stick of butter and put aside. In large mixing bowl, mix eggs and sugar. Then alternately add flour and milk/coconut milk. Mix well as you alternately add the dry and wet ingredients. Make sure there are no lumps. Add vanilla and melted butter/mix. Pour mixture into prepped pan. Sprinkle shredded coconut generously over top. Bake at 375 deg for 45-60 minutes until edges are brown and crispy.



Word Scramble

Hidden in this word scramble are interesting sites in Macau. Search for them upwards, downwards, across, backwards, or diagonally.

**GUIA PENHA MONTE LILAU BARRA COTAI TAIPA
COLOANE CAMOES NAPE SE CAPITOL CHUNAMBEIRO**

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The 2019 Macanese Survey is now LIVE !

The 10 question survey is written in English and Portuguese, and asks general questions about Macanese communities, such as locations, cultural identity, family size, origins, travel and interest in international business. All the information obtained is kept private and only general summaries of the results will be published.

A key feature in this year's survey is that it will be open throughout the year (may be longer). Updates and results will be published periodically on FarEastCurrents.com.

We hope you will keep up with each new post as more people become aware of it. **Here's the link:**

[2019 Far East Currents Macanese Survey](http://FarEastCurrents.com)

Thank you, Roy Eric Xavier



Notice of Annual General Meeting of Members and Elections on February 1, 2020

Dear Members,

An Annual General Meeting of Members of the Lusitano Club of California, a California non-profit mutual benefit corporation (the “Lusitano Club”), will be held at 3pm on Saturday, February 1, 2020, at Macau Cultural Center, 109 J Street, Fremont, CA 94536, for the following purposes:

1. To elect a board of up to 11 directors, including 4 directors who will also serve as President, Vice-President, Treasurer or Secretary, to serve for the ensuing year and until their successors are elected; and
2. To consider and act upon such other matters as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Only Members of record at the close of business on September 28, 2019 are entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting or any adjournment thereof. For eligible Members who will not attend the meeting in person, absentee ballots and proxies will be mailed out by the Club by December 31, 2019. Absentee ballots and proxies must be signed, dated, and received by mail to the Lusitano Committee, 1527 46th Ave, San Francisco, CA 94122 by January 31, 2020 or by hand delivery before the call for votes at the meeting on February 1, 2020.

Nominations for directors and officers in writing stating the name of the Member nominated and, if applicable, the officer position for which such Member is nominated, must be submitted to the Lusitano Nominating Committee, 582 Market Street # 2001, San Francisco, CA 94104, by mail or via fax to 415-397-0835 to be received no later than December 19, 2019. All voting Members 18 years of age and over on record at the close of business on September 28, 2019 are qualified to be a director. List of nominees will be available after December 19, 2019.

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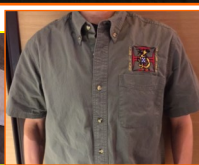
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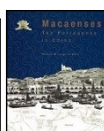
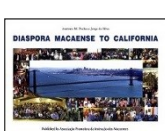
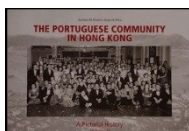
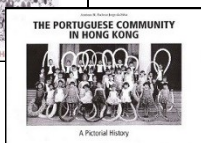
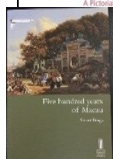
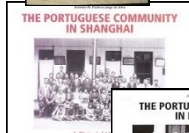
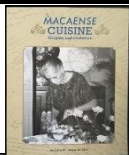
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