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Happy New Year ! Gung Hei Fat Choi!
*Wishing you and yours a very Happy New Year
blessed with the Best of Health, Happiness, Peace and Prosperity*

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President's Message

Dear Members,

Welcome to Spring 2023. As the winter storms continue to bring an abundance of snow in Lake Tahoe and torrents of rain in the Bay Area, we look forward to a drought free year and clearer skies soon.

Thank you for welcoming me as your President for 2023. We have a variety of events planned over the next few months and hope to see you all there. Please take a look at our Calendar of Events.

I would like to thank our outgoing directors, Vice-President Leonardo Xavier and Emma Casey, for all the work they have contributed in support of our Macanese Heritage. Also, many thanks to our entire Board of Directors and volunteers this past year for their time, effort and support organizing all the events for our members. Lastly, a big thank you to our bulletin contributors, editor, webmaster, photographers and Fundação Oriente Portugal in enabling us to provide our members with our quarterly bulletins.

This year we welcome back to the Board, Maria Roliz as Vice-President and directors Dorothy Oliveira, Maria Joao da Cruz and Kirk Harper. It is great to have them back.

Many of you have inquired about the Macau Encontro which normally takes place late November, early December. Unfortunately for now it is still pending due to the ongoing pandemic, with Macau only just re-opening its borders. Once we know for sure, we will send an email broadcast sharing all the information with everyone. Meanwhile, if you have not been receiving email communications from us, please do let us know your contact information to update our roster.

Hope you all have a wonderful Easter with family and friends. Feliz Páscoa!

Yours truly, Chris daRoza, President

Be Green! *Help us cut down on paper and stamps. Sign up for a Lusitano e-Bulletin today if you are receiving this hard copy in the mail and would like to switch to an e-Bulletin.*

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2023 Calendar of Events

LUSITANO CLUB

Sat, Apr 15: Annual Clambake, Beresford Park, San Mateo

Sat, Jun 10: Lusitano Food Booth, Dia de Portugal Festival, San Jose

Sat, Jul 15: Annual Picnic, Beresford Park, San Mateo

Mon, Jul 31: Application deadline for Lusitano Scholarship grant

Sat, Dec 16 6pm: Annual Christmas Party, San Mateo Elks Lodge

MACAU CULTURAL CENTER / PORTUGUESE EVENTS

Th, Mar 30: Portuguese Heritage Night, San Jose Sharks vs Knights

Sat, Apr 22: San Joaquin Valley Portuguese Festival, Turlock

Sat, Jun 10: Portuguese Heritage Night, San Jose Earthquakes vs Union

Sat, Jun 24: Dia de São João Mass/Lunch, Macau Center, Fremont

Jun 25-29: LAEF Cultural Youth Summer Camp, Santa Cruz.

Qualified youths ages 12-17 will be sponsored by Lusitano Club

Th, Jul 20: Portuguese Heritage Night, Oakland A's vs Astros

Wed, Sep 27: Portuguese Heritage Night, SF Giants vs Padres

Sun, Oct 15: 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*

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 2023-2024 are now available. Email lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com to apply. Deadline is July 31, 2023.

Annual General Meeting & Elections

On February 4, 2023, the Lusitano Club held its Annual General Meeting and Elections at the Macau Cultural Center. Congratulations to the newly elected 2023 Lusitano Board of Directors.

Director & President: Chris daRoza

Director & Vice-President: Maria Roliz

Director & Secretary: Dominique Troost

Director & Treasurer: Jessica Xavier

Directors: Maria Joao da Cruz, Suzie Ferras,

Lucille Figueiredo, Jackie Gutierrez, Kirk Harper, Dorothy Oliveira

Thank you to all our past and current directors and volunteers
for their dedication and time in preserving our
Macanese heritage and in keeping the Club vibrant.

For group ticket sales
Contact: (415)990-5534 or
lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com



PORTUGUESE HERITAGE NIGHT

 VS 

MARCH 30, 2023 at 7:30PM

TICKETS ARE
\$75 IN LOWER BOWL | \$35 IN UPPER BOWL

EACH TICKET INCLUDES A PORTUGUESE HERITAGE SCARF!
BUY TICKETS: [HTTPS://FEVO.ME/SHARKSPN2023](https://fervo.me/sharkspn2023)



*Join us for a group photo on the ice after
the game with Consul General Pedro Pinto*



CARLOS VIEIRA FOUNDATION
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY
PORTUGUESE FESTIVAL

PRESENTED BY PFSA
TO HONOR NACFON

APRIL 22, 2023

Free admission! 4th Annual at Stanislaus County Fairgrounds in Turlock. All day event to experience the culture and heritage of the Portuguese people and honor their contributions to the San Joaquin Valley and California.

A family friendly event with traditional Portuguese dancing, music & food. Bloodless bullfight tickets available for April 23rd.
www.SJVportugueseFestival.com

Lusitano Annual Clambake **Saturday, April 15, 2023**

12 – 4 pm

**Beresford Park “Shelter Area”
2720 Alameda de las Pulgas, San Mateo, CA**



Cost per member \$25.00

Cost per non-member \$30.00

*Come and enjoy a delicious lunch with us featuring our
specialty clams “Amêijoas na Cataplana a Algarvia”
Soft drinks & wine provided*

Please RSVP by April 4, 2023

to Jessica at 925.354.7999 or lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com

*Please make check payable to “Lusitano” and mail by April 1st
to Jessica Xavier, 646 Foothill Dr, Pacifica, CA 94044*

The Portuguese Historical Museum Presents

Dia de Portugal

Saturday, June 10, 2023
10:30 am – 4:30pm
Free Admission!

HISTORY SAN JOSE PARK
635 Phelan Ave, San Jose

Enjoy a day of delicious food, dance, music, and fun!
 There will be a traditional parade, art and book expositions, children's activities, wine garden, and more!
 Volunteers are greatly appreciated at the Lusitano food booth and at the Festival!
 If you can help, email us at lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com



PORTUGUESE HERITAGE NIGHT
IS
DIA DE PORTUGAL
6.10.23

5:30pm San Jose Earthquakes vs Philadelphia Union

PORTUGUESE HERITAGE night

Details to come

THURSDAY, JULY 20
6:40 PM

2023
LUSO-AMERICAN EDUCATION FOUNDATION
Cultural Youth Summer Camp

The Luso-American Education Foundation Cultural Youth Summer Camp is designed to prepare youth (ages 12-17) for college, while simultaneously teaching them about Portuguese culture. This 5-day program is held at colleges throughout California. This year's summer camp will be at the U.C. Santa Cruz from June 25 to June 29, 2023.

Save the date and request an application before we fill up!



U.C. SANTA CRUZ
JUNE 25 - 29, 2023
\$500 / CAMPER

For more information, or to request an application be sent to your home, contact us:
 Phone: (925) 828-3883
 Email: education@luso-american.org
 Facebook: [facebook.com/groups/Luso-american.education](https://www.facebook.com/groups/Luso-american.education)
 Website: luso-american.org/education







Lusitano Club will sponsor 4 qualified youths ages 12-17 from our membership to this Summer Camp. It's a great and fun experience! Please email lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com

PORTUGUESE HERITAGE NIGHT
SF GIANTS
VS SAN DIEGO PADRES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
6:45PM

For the 9th consecutive year, we're proud to celebrate Portuguese Heritage Night at Oracle Park with other Portuguese organizations. Purchase your special event ticket now to include a Giants-themed Portuguese Beanie and join the Lusitano Club to cheer on the SF Giants in Lower Box Section 129.

Ticket Cost: \$40.00
 Email lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com

Macau Cultural Center “MCC”

by Maria Roliz, President

It has been a while since the Macau Cultural Center organized an event in Fremont for members of our three Casas due to the pandemic. But now, we are happy to announce that on June 24th, we will celebrate Dia de São João *aka* Macau Day with a mass and Macanese lunch at our center again. We also have the honor of our San Francisco Consul General of Portugal Pedro Pinto joining us and hope to see as many of you there.

We plan to restart our Portuguese and Mandarin classes at the center once we have enough interest. Please email us at macauculturalcenter@gmail.com if interested.

Come Join Us for a Day of Celebration on

Saturday, June 24, 2023

DIA DE SÃO JOÃO

at the

MACAU CULTURAL CENTER

109 J Street (corner of 37695 Niles Blvd), Fremont, CA 94536

Event organized by the Macau Cultural Center

11:00 – 12:00 PM Mass Celebration

12:30 – 2:00 PM Macanese Lunch

Cost per Person:

\$15.00 Casa de Macau, Lusitano & UMA Members

\$20.00 Non-Members

RSVP by June 10, 2023 to Flavia Greubel

Tel: 925-285-2051 Email: macauculturalcenter@gmail.com

Please make checks payable to

Macau Cultural Center

and mail to 7222 Cutting Blvd, El Cerrito, CA 94530

Please list names of attendees and contact info when making your reservations.

Thank you.

RECIPE

“BOLOS DE ARROZ”

(Portuguese Rice Muffins)

by Dorothy Oliveira

Makes 12

Ingredients:

1 cup rice flour
1 cup all purpose flour
100 ml milk
1 cup sugar
2 eggs & 2 egg yolks room temperature
Zest of 1/2 a lemon
113 g butter room temperature
2 tsp baking powder
Pinch of salt



Directions:

- Pre heat oven to 350F.
- Line your muffin pan with parchment paper or the larger cupcake liners. If using parchment paper cut into 2” high strips and around 3” long. Use two pieces for each muffin so that the paper overlaps each other in the muffin pan.
- Cream butter & sugar until light and fluffy.
- Add egg yolks and eggs, one at the time and mix well.
- In a bowl mix all dry ingredients together. Add to batter a little at the time and mix slowly. Add milk and mix well.
- Scoop into each muffin about 3/4 full.
- Bake at 350 for 20 minutes. Take out and sprinkle sugar on each and bake for another 10 minutes.
- These are best eaten when warm with a cup of espresso.



Dancing in the Moonlight with the Year of the Rabbit

by Vic Boisseree



The rabbit is the fourth in the **twelve-year** sequence of animals that appear in the Chinese zodiac related to the Chinese calendar. **2023 is a year of the Water Rabbit**, starting from January 22nd, 2023 and ending February 9th 2024. The sign of the Rabbit is a symbol of longevity, peace, prosperity in Chinese culture. **2023 is predicted to be a year of hope.**

Men born in the Rabbit year are extraordinarily polite and do whatever they can to avoid conflicts. They have control over themselves and are sometimes conservative. These men like organizing and decorating, and often help their wives with chores. Though a great friend, they don't like becoming too close to someone.

Women born in the Rabbit year love being social. They are thoughtful and treat everyone politely. They are very conscious of their public image and hate violence and arguments. There's a clear difference between who they love and who they don't. And they rarely pass that line. But if they love someone, they'll put everything into the relationship.

Men and women born in the Rabbit year often find creative jobs more attractive. Many are successful in art, music and literature.

Lusitano celebrated the 2023 Chinese Rabbit New Year with a great party on February 4th. We all missed the annual party the last two years. There were more than 90 attendees at the party. It was certainly nice seeing old friends, enjoying a great dinner, and dancing.

Maria Roliz, along with her husband Hunter Choi and directors



Maria Joao da Cruz, Jackie Gutierrez, Kirk Harper, Dorothy Oliveira, and Jessica Xavier put in the hard work to make the evening a success. Jessica Xavier made some very tasty prawns with the rest of the many Chinese dishes catered from a new restaurant this year. Dorothy Oliveira provided multiple delicious desserts. **Everyone** liked the food!

And the music Music for the evening was provided by DJ "Matt" of FM 94.9 the Bay Area's #1 Hit Music station. Goes without saying.... the dance floor was filled with happy dancers.







Word Scramble

Find the 12-year sequence of animals that appear in the Chinese zodiac below scrambled upwards, downwards, across, backwards, or diagonally.

**RAT OX TIGER RABBIT DRAGON SNAKE
HORSE GOAT MONKEY ROOSTER DOG PIG**

H	O	R	S	G	A	O	T	O	O	S	T	G	O	P	G
O	T	E	B	B	A	R	S	T	I	B	B	A	R	I	I
Y	E	K	N	O	M	E	E	S	E	H	O	R	S	O	R
E	V	A	R	G	O	S	A	B	B	I	A	O	T	G	E
M	E	N	O	K	R	E	Y	E	K	N	S	N	A	I	T
O	N	S	H	O	R	A	G	O	N	R	O	O	O	G	S
N	M	A	H	O	R	S	T	A	E	R	R	H	R	D	O
G	O	G	I	P	I	R	A	B	T	S	E	R	E	Y	O
A	O	C	H	A	N	Z	O	D	A	I	D	G	O	R	R
T	X	S	N	O	G	A	R	D	O	S	G	S	I	K	D
E	O	N	T	A	S	N	A	K	G	A	O	D	S	T	O
N	I	G	T	I	G	I	G	O	A	E	D	A	S	E	A

Portuguese Immigrant Week

March 4 - 11, 2023

by Maria Roliz

California is home to the largest population of Portuguese Americans across the nation. Since the inception of Portuguese Immigrant Week (2nd week in March) in 1967 by then Governor of California Ronald Reagan, the Portuguese American community has proudly attended a wreath ceremony annually to recognize and celebrate all the courageous Portuguese immigrants at Root Park in San Leandro.



This year the 56th Annual Portuguese Immigrant Week was held on March 4th, the start of a week long celebration by various organizations. Despite the rain, there was a great turnout followed by a wonderful lunch celebration at the Portuguese Band of San Leandro Hall. Thank you to the Portuguese Fraternal Society of Portugal (PFSA), Luso-American Financial and the Consulate General of Portugal for hosting this event.

The symbolic statue at Root Park created by Azorean sculptor Numidico Bessone was offered to the City of San Leandro in 1964 by União Portuguesa do Estado da California, now part of PFSA. This statue symbolizes a person carrying a heavy burden, the difficulties and struggles of the emigrant; yet it also shows a man in front of a ship's prow symbolizing the strength, courage and sense of adventure of the Portuguese emigrant.

Viva to our Portuguese Immigrants!



Members of Lusitano enjoying the celebration with Consul General of Portugal Pedro Pinto



Portuguese Heritage Night with the Warriors



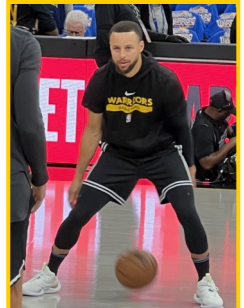
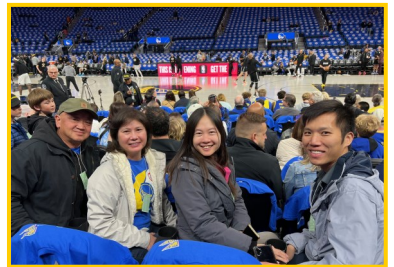
What a great way to end the week long celebration with a fun and exciting evening at the Chase Center on March 11th as many joined the Lusitano Club and SF Consul General of Portugal Pedro Pinto in celebrating Portuguese Heritage Night with the Golden State Warriors vs the Milwaukee Bucks at this sold-out game.

Our group was treated to a pregame courtside experience watching the Warriors and some of our favorite players up close as they warmed up. So awesome!

The game was a fantastic 150 minutes and we all cheered on the Warriors. It was a very close and thrilling game with a 125 to 116 win for the Warriors in overtime.

What an exciting game and great night to celebrate our heritage.

Força Portugal!



2022 Annual Report

BALANCE SHEET as of 12/31/2022

ASSETS	
Checking	19,890.96
Certificates of Deposit	292,752.63
Total Assets (Cash in Banks)	\$ 312,643.59
LIABILITIES	
Outstanding check	87.54
Total Liabilities	\$ 87.54
Total Net Worth	\$ 312,556.05
Statement of Change in Financial Position:	
Beginning Balance 1/1/22	309,174.41
Ending Balance 12/31/22	312,556.05
Increase in Funds	\$ 3,381.64

INCOME STATEMENT for year ended 12/31/2022

REVENUES:	
Donations	400.00
Donations (Scholarship)	1,000.00
Grant (Bulletin assistance) - Fundacao Oriente Portugal	1,090.00
Interest from Banks	1,031.76
Membership Dues	9,376.00
Sales - Books general	650.00
Social & Cultural Functions	13,796.00
TOTAL REVENUE:	\$ 27,343.76
EXPENSES:	
Bank Charges	15.00
Bulletins	2,489.00
Memorials	119.49
Office - Website/Zoom/meetings	603.99
Scholarship Grants	1,000.00
Social & Cultural Functions	19,234.64
Sponsorship - Luso-American Education Foundation	300.00
Sponsorship - Portuguese Heritage Society of California	200.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 23,962.12
NET GAIN FOR 2022	\$ 3,381.64

CERTIFICATION BY CORPORATE OFFICER

I, Jessica Xavier, certify that I am an officer of Lusitano Club authorized to make this certification and that the statement in the Annual Report were prepared from the Books and Records of the Club. **Feb 4 2023**

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2022 SOCIAL & CULTURAL EVENTS PROFIT & LOSS

SOCIAL & CULTURAL EVENTS	INCOME	EXPENSES
Portuguese Heritage Night Warriors	751.00	180.00
Cooking Class	180.00	-
Clambake	1,595.00	920.76
Dia de Portugal	2,470.00	1,156.06
Annual Picnic	647.00	606.24
Portuguese Heritage Night SF Giants	250.00	250.00
Christmas Party	7,903.00	16,121.58
Totals	13,796.00	\$ 19,234.64
NET LOSS:		\$ (5,438.64)

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.

WEBSITES OF INTEREST

Consulate General of Portugal in San Francisco

<https://www.saofrancisco.consuladoporugal.mne.gov.pt/en/>

Macanese Families

<http://www.macaneseLibrary.org>

Instituto Internacional Macau (IIM)

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

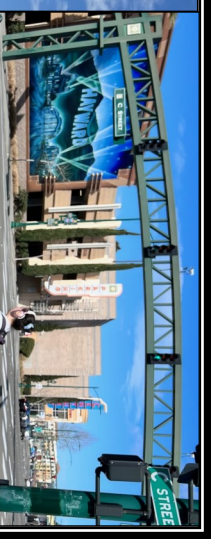
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*February 22, 2023 marked the historic
Rededication day of the Julio J. Bras
Portuguese Centennial Park located at the
corner of C St and Foothill, Hayward, CA
(sister city to Faro) with its azulejos and
calçadas recently restored after 44 years*