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May Tertulia

Saturday 11th May, 2013

Guatemala
” The Land of the Eternal Spring”

@ 7:00pm



The HSV is proud to invite Angel Calderon who will present very interesting facts about this beautiful Central American country. Guatemala is a magical place. If you are into the Maya culture, the mountains, the markets ... you are bound to be captivated. “People come and they stay. Or they leave and return”. After his presentation enjoy typical Guatemalan cuisine and music/dancing.

Venue Address

Box Hill Community Arts Centre
470 Station Street, Box Hill 3128
Melway reference 47D11

Members \$15 Teens \$ 10 Non Members \$20

Booking

For catering purposes, please let us know if you are attending the Tertulia and also if you have any vegetarian requirements.

Please contact Gloria - HSV treasurer:

(m) **0400 157 353** - (h) **9943 6714** or by email to societyhispanic@gmail.com by Wednesday 8th May 2013.

Message from the President

Dear members and friends of HSV,

Firstly I would like to thank your support for being re-elected President. It constitutes an honour and I will display the same level of enthusiasm and commitment as before with the support of the new Committee and members and friends of this Society.

This section will be dedicated to briefly analyse my report in the April AGM. The approach takes only into account two consecutive periods 2011- 2012 and 2012 – 2013 mainly because there is no similar data from previous periods. For instance, members increased from 74 to 94. Total attendance to the programed Tertulias increased from 476 (in 2011 – 2012) to 619 (in 2012 – 2013). The average attendance per Tertulia was then 59 and 77 respectively. The item raffle/donations increased from \$1316 to \$4455. Sponsorship experienced a pronounced growth (we had 19 sponsors this year). One index that helps to visualise closely our expenditure is the cost of catering per person; it was reduced from \$13 to \$9.8. Another big saving constituted the public liability insurance. Normally the HSV paid \$760/year and now we are only billed by the Box Hill Community Arts Centre \$15 per Tertulia (total amount now is $8 \times 15 = \$120$). In addition, the cost of hiring a better venue didn't imply a significant increase in expenditure. This positive financial position was finally reverted into the members of the Society as it should be: prices to attend the Tertulias (for members and friends) and membership have not increased for this period. In conclusion I would say that 2012 – 2013 was a period of consolidation and expansion as can be seen from the financial report presented by the HSV Treasurer, Gloria Madrigales.

We all need a factor of motivation to reach our targets and I would call this year the year of “cooperation”. We are not a small group anymore and if we really want to keep the momentum, it is necessary that each person in this Organisation can see and feel the necessity of helping this Committee and the Society in different self-rewarding ways.

Hasta pronto,

Luis Alban

Committee Members for 2013 - 2014

President: Luis Alban (re-elected)
Vice-president: Octavio Martinez (re-elected)
Secretary: Esther Gómez
Treasurer: Gloria Madrigales (re-elected)

General Members:

Hugo Otálora (re-elected)
Juan-Carlos Guzmán
Maribel Gómez

It is important to mention that no nominations were received for the different Committee positions with the exception of only one nomination for the Secretary office. In previous newsletters it was stressed the importance of considering nomination options as this Society has very capable people with the capacity of leading successfully the Organisation. As President I would like to extend a warm welcome to the members who joined this Committee: Esther Gómez (Secretary), and Juan-Carlos Guzman and Maribel Gómez as General Members.

This Committee thanks those members who attended the April AGM. It was a positive meeting with encouraging comments about the performance of the former Committee and also suggestions for improvement.

Special thanks to Juanita Stewart, Esther Gómez, Corine Briceño and Marleny González, enthusiastically involved in the lunch activities. Also special thanks to the volunteers who helped cleaning the venue and in the packing up process after the AGM.

“Hispanic Day” Party

The 2012 – 2013 Committee in its March ordinary meeting approved the venue for the “Hispanic Day” Party to be held the 19th of October.

It will be at a very convenient location: The Box Hill Golf Club – 202 Station Street, Box Hill 3128. Enjoy two separated areas: Receptions room for the dinner/artists presentations and ball room with bar facilities. Don’t miss the opportunity of being part of a great night!

Prices already decided are: \$45 for financial members and \$55 for non-members. It is expected to have tickets for sale by the end of June.

Membership Renewals

We are in the process of receiving payments for annual membership renewals for the period 2013 – 2014.

The benefits of being a financial member include:

- Heavy discount (\$10) for the “Hispanic Day” Party
- Reduced prices to attend monthly Tertulias
- Free entry to December event and AGM (both including lunch)

The current prices for annual membership are:

Single: **\$23**
Family: **\$29**

NB: Joining fee no longer applicable

On behalf of the HSV I would like to extend a warm welcome to the 55 former members who have already renewed their membership.

Save These Dates

Sat 11 May	Guatemala (Angel Calderón)
Sat 15 June	Chile (Chile General Consul)
Sun 14 July	Christmas in July
Sat 10 August	Argentina (Silvia Wright-Davies)
Sat 19 October	“Hispanic Day” party Celebrating Hispanic culture in Victoria

Reports 2012 – 2013 AGM

Complete reports can be seen or downloaded from the website:

<http://www.hispanicsocietyinc.org>

President’s report: Luis Alban

Treasurer’s report: Gloria Madrigales

Survey report: Octavio Martinez (HSV Vice-president)

Other Events of Interest

melbourne
filmoteca
latin american, spanish and portuguese film group

Tacvba: Seguir Siendo


7th May 2013
7pm, ACMI




Director: Ernesto Contreras, JM Cravioto
Country: Mexico
Year: 2010
Running Time: 85 mins
Language: Spanish with English subtitles
Unclassified 18+

Tickets: Full \$15
Concession & Latin Lover Members \$12
ACMI Members \$11
On sale at ACMI Box office: 8663 2583
or online at:
www.acmi-net.au/ticket

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<http://www.melbournefilmoteca.org/next.html>

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