

THE HISPANIC SOCIETY OF VICTORIA INC. (ESTABLISHED IN 1952)

September 2014



The Hispanic Society of Victoria's
62nd Anniversary Gala Night
Celebrating 62 years of promoting Hispanic culture

Saturday 18 October 2014
6.30 till 12 midnight

Box Hill Golf Club
202 Station Street, Box Hill South

Tickets: \$45 members, \$55 general admission

RSVP 14th September 2014

(Includes three course meal, tea, coffee, beer, wine and entertainment. Other drinks available at bar prices.)



Tickets can be purchased at the Society's Tertulia on 16th August. Please contact:

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Payment accepted by cheque, cash, credit card or electronic transfer.

Email societyhispanic@gmail.com for details

Message from the President

Dear members and friends of HSV

On behalf of the Hispanic Society of Victoria I would like to thank Mr Ernesto Dueñas Azucena, Consul of El Salvador, for donating half of the cost of our August Tertulia. We deeply appreciate his generosity.

Many thanks to "NUEVO LATINO" Los Rodriguez Catering, their food and hall decorations were excellent. We also thank Jorge Portillo, an artist from El Salvador, for displaying his "decoupages" during the Tertulia.

GALA NIGHT

We would be grateful to all our members and friends to support this night; it will be full of entertainment, celebrating our Hispanic culture.

NEW PROJECT

We are planning to organise Spanish conversation classes. These classes would be informal and free. They would take place in either Box Hill, Vermont Area, or at the "Colmao Flamenco" restaurant in Johnson Street Fitzroy. We hope that our young generation will continue with our culture and language. I would like to receive your feedback as soon as possible to enable us to start these classes. Please get in touch with us, by email or phone (email and phone numbers to be given).

OUR SOCIETY

We appreciate the participation of our members and the steady growth of our membership. Invite your friends to come to our tertulias and the Gala Night.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to the new members who joined in August: Victor and Margarita Medrano, Carlos and Elly Lopez, Barbara and Ian Wills, Oscar and Veronica Panameño, Leah and Alex Pearson, Delmy and Herbert Trabanino, and Ernesto Dueñas Azucena.

Finally, thank you to Silvia Wright for sharing her experience with HSV.

Your support is very important to our Society.

With kindest regards

Gloria Madrigales
HSV President

Letter of the Month

Thinking back over my 23 year association with the Hispanic Society brings a flood of great memories.

It was former member Alicia Opper who introduced me to the Society, and I was so excited to learn that such a society existed, providing opportunities to befriend others from my home and neighbouring countries, to practice my Spanish (rapidly deteriorating because of lack of use) and enjoy cultural events and entertainment.

Amongst the flood of delightful memories are the committee meetings, especially those when Dick Dixon was president. We'd all turn up at his home, each bearing a delicacy to share, and Dick would delight us with one of his popular homemade cakes. He was always so proud of them. Dick always had a few jokes to share, and somehow amongst chattering and laughter and a glass of vino, we also managed to get on with the business of the day.

Another amusing memory was when we held a tertulia at my home in Templestowe. One of the visitors was this voluptuous, sexy, beautiful and talented Colombian girl who had just arrived in Australia the day before. When the entertainer for the evening was playing the piano and singing, this visitor mesmerized us all by joining in. The men especially could not keep their eyes off her. Fast forward 10 years and a group of us members were reminiscing - we had a good laugh when none of the female members could remember her but every male member did!

Thanks to the wonderful efforts of the committee members both past and present, the Hispanic Society continues to enrich our lives culturally and socially. It is my understanding that as a Hispanic "Society" it is unique in Australia – and how lucky we are to be part of it!

Silvia Wright-Davies

Membership Renewals

We are in the process of receiving payments for annual membership renewals for the period 2014 – 2015

The benefits of being a financial member include:

- 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**

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

Save These Dates

Sat 13 September No Event

Sat 18 October "Hispanic Day" Party
Celebrating Hispanic
Culture in Victoria

Sat 13 Nov To be confirmed

Sunday 7th Dec Christmas lunch

<http://www.hispanicsocietyinc.org>

Other Events of Interest



Chilean Latin American SEPTEMBER FESTIVAL 2014

20 & 21 SEPTEMBER

- DJs & SALSA BANDS
- FOLK DANCE GROUPS
- MULTIPLE STAGES
- TRADITIONAL FOOD
- TRADITIONAL DRINKS
- ARTS & CRAFT
- ANIMAL FARM
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Saturday doors open: 10am till 1am / Sunday doors open: 10am till 10pm / No B.V.O. / No pass out after 6 pm

<http://www.septemberfestival.com.au/>



Sunday 21 September @ 7.30pm

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