## ANNUAL SMBS SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

## **February**

Cracked Crab Dinner Dance. SMBS fundraiser.

San Francisco Tamburitza Festival featuring tamburitza performing groups, both local and out-of-state. Dancing, singalongs, and ethnic food service.

### March

Children's Celebration of Ethnic Dance.

## April

Festival of the Mandolins.

## May

Sts. Kiril & Methody Festival.

## September

Social Dinner Dance.

## **October**

San Francisco Croatian Heritage Festival.

## November

SMBS Formal Anniversary Dinner Dance. Evening of Bosnian Sevdah and Folkdance. San Francisco Kolo Festival.

## **Quarterly Member Dinner Meetings**

January, April, July and October. Members enjoy cocktails and a full dinner with wine, dessert and coffee. Quarterly meeting after dinner.

## Beyond the Borders: Ethnic & Balkan Music Performances

- Hungarian Dance House.
- Drone Magic- Bagpipe Festival.
- and more! TBA

Info & details: www.CroatianAmericanweb.org

## History of the Slavonic Mutual & Benevolent Society

On November 17, 1857, at 56 Government House near San Francisco's waterfront, seven Dalmatian immigrants organized the oldest Croatian Society in the United States of America.

The original objectives were to cultivate a spirit of reciprocity and brotherhood, and to promote common interests among its members and the Croatian people and their friends. Those objectives have been preserved and are demonstrated daily.

In 1979, the dream of a physical home became a reality, and the Croatian American Cultural Center on Alemany Boulevard opened its doors as a center to share the rich cultural heritage of Croatia.

The Center has become an important gathering place for enthusiasts of Croatia to enjoy and learn about the diverse music and dance traditions of Croatia and its surrounding regions.

Our membership includes six generations of Californians.

Our logo or coat-of-arms incorporates the United States flag, the red, white and blue Croatian flag, a marten (like a mink or ferret) and a star as found in the coat-of-arms of Slavonia.

We welcome all men and women of good will who have a desire to preserve our Croatian ethnic culture in the United States of America.



# Slavonic Mutual & Benevolent Society

Organized in 1857 and Owner of the Croatian American Cultural Center



## An Invitation to Membership



Croatian American Cultural Center 60 Onondaga Avenue San Francisco, CA 94112 415-584-8859

www.CroatianAmericanweb.org



From Gary Bozin, President to prospective members of the Slavonic Mutual & Benevolent Society:

After becoming familiar with the many social & cultural opportunities the Society offers, we invite you to

be considered for membership.

If admitted into the Society, we ask that you abide by its Constitution, By-laws, Rules and Regulations and support and participate in the social and cultural activities that interest you to the best of your abilities.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Address:		
Phone: ( )		
Email:		
Occupation:		
Marital Status:		
Birthdate:		
I was born in (City):		
(State):		
(Country):		
Mail completed application to:  Membership Committee c/o Croatian American Cultural Center 60 Onondaga Avenue San Francisco, CA 94112		

Recommended by:  Signature of Candidate:	
MEMBERSHIP COMMIT	TEE REPORT
above petition, respectful	Committee appointed on the ly report that we have made estigation and find that the nission into the Society.
Committee:	
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INITIATION FEES	
12 through 24 years	\$25 fee + one year dues
25 years and over	\$100 fee + one year dues
ANNUAL DUES \$100 per year	

## **SMBS COMMITTEES**

Our organization is entirely owned and operated by our members. We count on our members to participate in committees and events. Please circle one or more that suits your interest.

**Books, Photos and History Committee**Organize and catalog books and photos of our rich history.

Beautification and Building Committee

Identifies needed repairs, maintenance projects and enhancements.

## **Cultural Committee**

Produces a wide variety of cultural events, including concerts and dances.

## **Fundraising Committee**

Plans FUNdraising events, such as parties, theme dinners, concerts, BBQ's, and October Fests, etc.

## **Scholarship Committee**

Evaluates candidates for awards & helps coordinate fundraising events.

## Social Media and Tech Committee

Maintains and updates website, builds social media presence and upgrades technology.

Are you interested in: (Circle)

Bowling Cooking

Party and Event Planning

Fundraising

Folk Dance

Language Singing

Tamburitza



## **STATUS**

Balloted on:	
Initiated on:	
To Secretary:	
12-Month Dues: _	
History Book:	
By-laws:	