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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I hope this communication finds you all well. As we look forward to the new year, we will continue to work hard to serve the needs of our Brotherhood and those in need. Please see below for recent updates/reminders...

Winter Supreme Lodge Meeting

The Supreme Lodge traveled to Clearwater, Florida on February 18, 2017 for its winter Supreme Lodge meeting, which was hosted by the Helios chapter. A big thank you to President Linda Tripodis Murray and other chapter members for their warm hospitality. The Supreme Lodge had the opportunity to meet with members of the chapter over lunch at their beautiful Helios hall, which was followed by our meeting. President Murray and the other chapter officers should be commended for the wonderful job they are doing. They continue to maintain a strong membership and hold great events throughout the year, like their recent annual glendi dinner dance. I was very impressed with the turnout of the dance. Both young and old danced the night away together. Once again, thank you Helios chapter for hosting us.

2017 Youth Conference

A big thank you to Youth Governor Erica Aivaliotis, the Helios chapter and chapter President Linda Tripodis Murray for hosting this year's Pan-Icarian Youth Conference during Presidents Day Weekend. The chapter was gracious enough to get all the preparations in place to ensure a successful conference.

The Youth Conference was successful and well attended. There were 25 impressive delegates from 13 chapters in attendance. However, there were approximately 40 "Youth" who participated in the weekend's events. During the business meeting many initiatives were discussed. Thirteen (13) new liaisons were appointed who are now responsible for hosting an event to fundraise for the Youth, increase participation and membership by organizing new outings and execute a Service Project in June. The Youth also agreed to create and sell merchandise at chapter events and online and to help with different events at the upcoming national convention in Columbus. Finally,

the Social Media Committee was reduced to two people – Katie Kefalos and Rainia Lardas. The Committee will help expand the social media tools to reach out to the membership and especially our Youth who are the key to our survival and continuity. If somebody from your chapter would like to be the liaison but was unable to attend the conference, please have them contact Erica Aivaliotis at ericanna17@gmail.com.

The Youth Conference is a great opportunity for our youth to connect, learn more about the Brotherhood and prepare for future leadership positions. I left Clearwater confident that their passion and dedication will help the Brotherhood succeed in the future. I ask all the chapters to encourage your Youth members to stay involved, participate and attend future Conventions and Conferences. Lastly, I hope more donations can be made to the Brotherhood to help sustain and even expand the Youth Conferences in the upcoming years. We hope you can lend your support.

Athletic Group of Mesaria

As most of you might already know, the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood recently received a request from the Athletic Group of Mesaria / *Αθλητικός Όμιλος Μεσσαριάς* (AOM) seeking financial assistance. The Brotherhood believes that it is important that AOM can continue its mission of providing athletic opportunities for youth living in Ikaria. Please help by sending in an individual donation. We also urge each local chapter of the Brotherhood to make a chapter donation and/or host a fundraiser for this worthy cause. We hope you can lend your support for this worthy cause! Two methods of donations are accepted:

Credit card donations can be made through our PayPal account:

<http://www.pan-icarian.com/shop/>

Please say your donation is for **AOM**: Click on the "+ **Comments**" and then write **AOM**.

OR

Please send your donations to:

Katerina Mavrophilipos, 2 Southerly Ct. Unit 407, Towson, MD 21286

Checks should be made out to "Pan-Icarian Brotherhood"

Please reference "AOM" on the memo line.

Membership

It's time to pay your 2017 membership dues! Please submit your dues to your local chapter. I cannot emphasize enough how important your dues are to the continued success of our Brotherhood. We kindly ask that each chapter cooperate and provide their latest email lists as soon as possible to Treasurer, Katerina Mavrophilipos. Katerina has already contacted each chapter to assist in this important project.

Website

Please continue to visit us our website - Pan-Icarian.com for news and current events. Members at large can easily pay their dues or donate to our many philanthropic causes. Also remember to Like Us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/PanIcarian and Follow Us on Twitter at twitter.com/PanIcarian or instagram.com/panicarian.

Ikaria Magazine

Ikaria Magazine now offers sponsorship ad opportunities. A sponsorship ad will help an individual or organization gain brand recognition and visibility within the Greek Community at home and abroad. More than 1,600 copies are mailed to households and many others read the online edition. Your sponsorship is tax deductible. For more information please contact Ikariamag@tampabay.rr.com.

June is Pan-Icarian Volunteer Month!

At the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood we're passionate about people volunteering and organizations taking positive action to help make a difference on various causes. That is why in the month of June we will be calling on all our members and chapters to participate in our first Pan-Icarian volunteer campaign. Through volunteering we can make a big difference to individuals and communities from improving the environment we live in, spending time with those who may otherwise be lonely and contributing to a range of other essential services and support. We hope you take part when the time comes.

In closing, we want to hear from you regardless of how large or small your concerns, questions or suggestions may be. Please email me anytime at Icaros@aol.com.

Until next time...

Fraternally yours,

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