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## Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America “ICAROS”

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Headquarters of the Supreme Lodge

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Happy New Year! I hope you and your family enjoyed a festive and joyful holiday season. 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...

### 2018 Membership Drive

In an effort to boost membership and encourage Chapters to submit their dues earlier, we have initiated a 2018 Membership Drive!

Our goal is to have all members pay their dues between the months of January and April. The Chapters need to submit their dues to Supreme Treasurer Katerina Mavrophilipos no later than **May 1, 2018**. Along with the dues, we ask that the Chapters provide member email addresses electronically so that we can update our database to ensure and promote more effective communication. This is of great importance.

In order to hit our goal of collecting all membership dues by May 1, we are offering an incentive to the Chapter who submits the greatest percentage of dues based on their last year's Chapter Membership numbers. The winning Chapter will receive a Plaque of Appreciation and Honorable Mention at the next PIB Convention. In addition, the Chapter will be given two complimentary seats to the Sunday Banquet at the upcoming convention.

We are also exploring the option where you can pay dues via the PIB website with a link to each chapter, but that will take some time and Chapter coordination. In the meantime, many Chapters have set up their own payment options via PayPal or Venmo to make payment of dues quick and easy. If you would rather send in your dues with a written check, please do so.

We hope you support our efforts and do your part to help us hit our membership goals by May 1! If you have any questions regarding the membership drive, please feel free to reach out to District Governors Chrissa Lefes at [chsjs@aol.com](mailto:chsjs@aol.com) or Erica Aivaliotis at [ericanna17@gmail.com](mailto:ericanna17@gmail.com).

## 2018 Youth Conference

The 2018 Pan-Icarian Youth Conference will be taking place in Pittsburgh, PA during Memorial Day Weekend. Thank you Chapter Icaros for accepting to host our Youth. I am confident it will be a successful conference/meeting. The chapter will also be hosting their mini convention that weekend.

## Internship and Mentoring Program

As you already know, the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America has completed the first part of the Internship and Mentoring Program that will serve as a career development resource for its members. For many years, the members of the Brotherhood have supported each other through our faith, culture and traditions. This new initiative now allows us to further support each other by offering professional opportunities and career development. **Please do your part and go online to [www.pan-icarian.com/members/](http://www.pan-icarian.com/members/) to submit a form to either provide internship opportunities or to be a mentor.**

## Archives

The Brotherhood still needs your memorabilia, photos and letters from past conventions, chapter events, and any other items that we can preserve for our future generations and add to our official Archive Center that is in Pittsburgh. Originals can be mailed, or scanned copies can be sent to me (George Paralemos) to tag and process. Let's all do our part to preserve our rich history.

## Diagoras Athletic Club

As most of you might already know, the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood recently received a request from the Diagoras Athletic Club seeking financial assistance. The Brotherhood believes that it is important that Diagoras can continue its mission of providing athletic opportunities to the 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/>

Click on the “+ Comment” and then write “**Diagoras**”.

OR

Please send your donations to:

**Katerina Mavrophilos, 2 Southerly Ct. Unit 407, Towson, MD 21286**

Checks should be made out to “**Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America**”

Please reference “**Diagoras**” on the memo line.

## **Ikaria Magazine**

Please plan to submit items for the next issue of *Ikaria Magazine* by **January 15th**. Whenever possible, please include the names of people and/or events along with photos. We encourage you or someone you know to contribute to the Icarian Spotlight feature. It could be about a hobby, an adventure, an achievement or other item of interest. Please send photos as attachments and limit to 6 at a time. You can send multiple messages with additional photos. If you receive a “mailbox is full” message, please allow a day before trying again.

Also, please consider taking out a sponsorship in the *Ikaria Magazine*! A sponsorship does not only help you gain brand recognition and visibility within the Greek Community at home and abroad. It also helps the Pan-Icarian Foundation. Your sponsorship is tax deductible. For more information please contact [Ikariamag@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:Ikariamag@tampabay.rr.com).

Thank you for your time. I wish everyone a wonderful Winter season!

Fraternally yours,

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