

## **PIB Supreme President's Message, February 2012**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

February has flown by in the blink of any eye. Since it is a leap year, however, I thankfully can get an extra day to send out some Brotherhood news. First, let's start by getting out the word for the upcoming Youth Conference hosted by the LEFKAS Chapter this coming March 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>, and April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. The Supreme Lodge encourages each of the Chapters assist this effort by helping to financially support and send two delegates ages 18-30 to participate. Our group will be staying at the Sheraton Baltimore North Hotel in Towson, Maryland. The Hotel room rates will be \$99.00. Please see the attached Conference fliers and contact LEFKAS member Katina Mavrophilipos at [emavro2@students.towson.edu](mailto:emavro2@students.towson.edu) so that accommodations can be made. The Youth Conference delegates will be learning about the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood and the Foundation as well as sharing ideas on ways to contribute to the organization. More information will shortly be available on the PIB website and through Facebook.

I was happy to bookend this month with two ATHERAS Chapter events including their Super Bowl Party Fundraiser and more importantly their Icarian Dinner/Dance. As one of the only Chapters in the Brotherhood with a women's auxiliary, the members of ATHERAS and the Ladies of Agia Marina have a great history of working together for their Dance. This year's theme was dedicated to the 1912 Ikarian Independence. The Saint Thomas Community Hall was decorated with flowers, island blue colored balloons and a map of Ikaria on each table. A brief primer on Ikaria and its history was made available to the over 400 guests. The Chapter was very pleased to have media coverage from the WYBE Greek Spirit Program, The Hellenic News of America and Cosmos Philly TV. As we enter March and the annual celebrations of Greek Independence, please spread the story of Ikaria and her special year in your local area.

Lastly, I would remind everyone to begin submitting dues to your Chapters. Let us together try for a record membership goal. Thank you.

Regards,

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