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Dearest Brothers and Sisters,

The Supreme Lodge and Foundation will be meeting in my hometown, Detroit - George Spanos No. 9 , next week June 21st, for our final session before this year's Clearwater Convention. Following our joint meetings the Detroit Chapter will host its annual Kastikaki cookout. Amongst topics to be discussed by the Lodge will be our fundraising for the Ikarian Firefighters, agenda creation for the upcoming convention, updates on our Youth association, membership, Florida and Pittsburgh convention updates potential future convention bidders, magazine funding, visits to Icaria over the summer and general house keeping (taxes, insurance, should we invade Samos? - A popular notion... but probably too much fasaria!) As always our meeting is open to all members and we encourage participation. At this meeting we throw in the extra incentive of roasted kastiki... so please join us!

Firefighters Fund

Thank you to the chapters of Chicago, Detroit, New York (Pandiki), Cleveland, Akron, and Pittsburgh for your donations. To date we have raised, together with individual donations, close to \$7,500.00 for this worthy cause. I'm still waiting for our other 20 plus chapters to chime in! Brother Gus Mavrophilipos has acted as our go between with the fire fighters (and has provided a generous contribution himself) and is handling the logistics. For the skeptics amongst us, please note that all monies raised are being held by the Lodge until an order has been placed with the vendor of the equipment. We will pay the vendor. In this fashion we can guarantee accountability for all monies raised. So please contribute... fire season is rapidly approaching!

Florida Convention

Rooms are filling quickly! If you have not booked your rooms please do so. Also please make sure to show your support and purchase an ad for the ad book. The Brothers and Sisters of Clearwater are preparing a great convention for us... let's show our appreciation by supporting all the events!

Congratulations to our Graduates!

June is Graduation month. I and the Brotherhood salute our newest crop of High School and College Graduates. Our Ikarian graduates are a great example of what we, as Ikarrians, whether we are parents grandparents, uncles and aunts do best... send our children out into the world educated, confident, compassionate, and ready to tackle all challenges! Congratulations again to all our young men and women. And while I have your ear, a special shout out to my own graduate, my daughter Olivia, who graduated from Grosse Ile HS phi beta kappa, with high honors , 11 varsity letters in 3 sports and enough athletic awards to fill the rest of this page! (A Dad can brag a little!) Olivia will be attending Michigan State University in the fall.

Scholarships

Graduates, especially HS grads, need scholarships! As you should all know by now, the application deadline for this year has been extended until August. Applications are available on-line and in the upcoming issue of the magazine. Please be thorough in your applications and good luck to all our applicants.

Send in your Dues!

Per Capita dues are now due to the Lodge. Chapter Treasurers please send in your dues as soon as possible. Our treasurer, Damianos Skaros, wants to be dancing the Ikariotiko at the convention, not counting out late dues payments... please send them in.

Agenda topics/ Convention Delegates

As previously mentioned, please forward any items you would like to see discussed at the upcoming convention to our National Secretary. Ideally you should submit these topics by chapter, but individual contributions are also welcome. We will create an agenda prior to the start of this year's convention in the hope that we can get more members/delegates to the convention floor. And speaking of delegates, please make sure to submit your attending delegates list to our National Secretary.

Until next time...

George N. Koklanaris

Supreme President