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PAN-ICARIAN BROTHERHOOD OF AMERICA "ICAROS"

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SUPREME PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dearest Brothers and Sisters,

Membership

It's time to pay your 2016 membership dues! Please submit them to your local chapter. And local chapters: please send in your per capita dues throughout the year as you receive them. It is never too early to send them in! Also, when you notify us of address changes, please let us know what the old address was, as many of our members have the same name.

I cannot emphasize enough how important your dues are to the continued success of our Brotherhood. Among other things, they help pay for the publication of *Ikaria* magazine, our website and the Youth Conference. And paying membership dues is not purely a financial matter. By paying your membership dues, you are choosing to be part of a group with a rich, 110-year-old+ history and continue our unique heritage.

Ikarian Centre

The Brotherhood is pleased to announce that the Ikarian Centre, a Greek language school based in Arethousa, Ikaria, will again be offering free Greek language instruction this summer for up to 2 members of the Brotherhood. This opportunity is open to any members of the Brotherhood age 18 and up and all skill levels (from beginner to advanced) are welcome. Greek language courses will be offered on the following dates: July 16 – August 1, 2016 and August 6 – 22, 2016. Note that each course includes 15 lessons in 17 days but students with limited time may elect to attend only the first 9 lessons of the course in the first 10 days of the course. This year all of the courses will take place at Hotel Kerame, near Evdilos.

All other costs to participate in the language instruction (e.g., travel to Ikaria, accommodations in Ikaria, transportation, meals, etc.) would be the responsibility of the participant. As a condition to participating in this program, participants agree to (i) take a short language skills assessment prior to beginning the course, so that the participant can be placed in the appropriate class, and (ii) following completion of the program, write a review of the program (good or bad), which will be published in *Ikaria* magazine. Please see the website www.ikariancentre.com for more information about the Ikarian Centre and its language course offerings.

If you are interested in participating, please email Supreme President Terry Platis at terryplatis@hotmail.com by no later than Tuesday, May 31. If there are more than 2 members of the Brotherhood interested in participating, a lottery will be held to determine the participants. As spots are limited, we ask that only members that intend to take the language classes if offered a spot apply.

We also wanted to let everyone know that this year the Ikarian Centre is launching a new program for children ages 7 – 17. For 10 days, children will be immersed in Greek language and culture at the Ikarian Centre in Arethousa, Ikaria as part of an innovative program of lessons, workshops and contact with local Greek children. There will be groups for 7– 11 year olds, 11– 14 year olds and 14– 17 year olds. This summer, the courses for children will run from July 13 – 23 and July 25 – August 4. On campus accommodation is an option. The Ikarian Centre has committed to donate a portion of the proceeds from the children's program to the Old Age Home or the school for children with disabilities in Ikaria. There is also the possibility of receiving a scholarship for this program, so please contact us if you are interested. More information, including registration forms, can be found at: kids.ikariancentre.com.

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Spring 2016 SUPREME PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE (CONTINUED)

2016 Youth Conference

The Nisos Ikaria chapter will be hosting this year’s Youth Conference in Toronto, Canada the weekend of April 15-17. This year, the Youth Conference will be held in conjunction with the chapter’s “Ikariotiko Paniyiri” on Saturday, April 16, staring Peter Karnavas on the violin. Even if you aren’t participating in the Youth Conference, we hope to see you at the dance!

PAS IKAROS

Thank you to everyone that donated to our fundraising drive for PAS IKAROS! Our fundraising drive was successful thanks to your generosity!

Winter Supreme Lodge Meeting Recap

A big thank you to the Christ E. Aivaliotis chapter for hosting the winter Supreme Lodge and Foundation meetings in Columbus, Ohio on February 20 and their generous show of Ikarian hospitality, and to all of the members of the Akron and Columbus chapters who attended the Supreme Lodge meeting!

While in Columbus, the Supreme Lodge and Foundation members also had a chance to tour the Hyatt, which will be the Convention hotel for 2017. Not only is the Hyatt a beautiful hotel, it is also perfectly situated in downtown Columbus, which has become a hip and bustling city in recent years. We are looking forward to returning to Columbus for the Convention in 2017 after a more than 40-year absence!

Attention Chapters!!!

Chapter Events. Are you hosting a chapter event and would like to spread the word? Please let us know and we will do our best to notify the Brotherhood’s membership base of your event via our website, email and social media. Please feel free to email me at terryplatis@hotmail.com and/or Dean Tripodes, our webmaster, at dean@baywalk.net about your events.

Chapter Facebook Pages. If your chapter has a Facebook page, please let Dean Tripodes at dean@baywalk.net know so that we can post a link to the Facebook page on the Brotherhood’s website under the “Chapters” tab. We would like to gather a comprehensive listing of all chapter Facebook pages in one place as a resource to our members.

Convention Bids. If your chapter is interested in bidding on the 2018 Convention, now is the time to get organized and start exploring your chapter’s interest and hotel possibilities.

Chapter Email Lists. In order to make sure that as many of your members as possible receive Brotherhood news, we ask that each chapter President/Secretary send to Dean Tripodes at dean@baywalk.net their latest email list.

Follow Us on Social Media

Stay up to date on the latest Brotherhood news by following us on social media. If you haven’t already done so, please like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/PanIcarian and follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/PanIcarian.

Fraternally yours,
E. Terry Platis
Supreme President



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May 2016

Dear Fellow Icarians and Friends:

Greetings from the Big Apple! As the summer approaches, we draw closer to the annual Pan-Icarian Convention. We have been working very hard to prepare for your long-awaited visit to this great City.

The convention will be held at the Sheraton New York Times Square, located at 811 7th Avenue W 53rd Street in the heart of New York City. The hotel room rate is \$245 a night, a very discounted price for the City. We encourage you to make your reservations as soon as possible due to the limited availability of rooms. You may do so by going online at www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/PanIcarian or by calling the hotel at **212-581-1000**. Ask for the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood block. These rates will be in effect from September 1 - 5, 2016.

We have also enclosed a reservation card for the Grand Banquet, which will be held on the evening of Sunday, September 4, 2016. The hotel policy requires us to inform them of the number of Sunday night dinners in advance. We would greatly appreciate that you return your dinner reservations to us as soon as possible. We have arranged for several guest appearances, including our **Keynote Speaker Nick Buettner, Blue Zones Team Leader**.

Please consider being a sponsor to our convention or submitting a journal ad in the convention album. Enclosed you will find a sponsorship form and album contract for your consideration. We hope to receive your support in order to make this a successful convention album.

Finally, we hope that you won't miss the exciting New York boat cruise and other tours we have planned for you. The boat cruise, circling Manhattan, will enable you to experience this impressive city by water. The social activities committee has enclosed a letter describing this and other events in greater detail. Since we can only accommodate a limited number of people, send in your reservations as soon as possible to ensure your place on the tour(s).

We look forward to meeting you on Labor Day Weekend. Make plans now to attend the convention as we promise to make this an unforgettable weekend.

Fraternally Yours,

The Executive Committee
Pan-Icarian Brotherhood Convention

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Pan-Icarian Scholarship Requirements Undergraduate Merit-Based **2016

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*******The Pan-Icarian Scholarship is NOT guaranteed to any applicant*******

Scholarship recipients who drop or withdraw from any courses, resulting in a matriculation status of less than full-time in the academic period the award covers, will not be eligible to receive a scholarship for the following academic year. The primary variable in determining eligibility for this scholarship is merit however financial need will be considered as a secondary variable.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be of Icarian or Fournian descent through at least one parent (see #8 below)
- Applicant (or one parent) must be a member of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood at time of application and for a minimum the 4 years immediately prior to application year (see #8 below)
- Applicant must be enrolled full-time in an academically accredited college or university (see #4 below)
- Applicant must have a cumulative undergraduate GPA of not less than exactly 3.0 (incoming freshmen must have a final cumulative high school GPA of not less than exactly 3.0) (see #1 below)
- Applicant must not have received more than one previous Pan-Icarian Undergraduate Scholarship
- Applicant for a Merit-Based Scholarship is ineligible to apply for a Need-Based Scholarship

A Completed Scholarship Packet Must Include All of the Following:

- 1 An official, sealed copy of applicant's most recent college/university transcript mailed directly from the school
(or incoming freshmen should provide an official, sealed copy of final high school transcript)
THE ABOVE IS THE ONLY ITEM NOT MAILED BY APPLICANT
- 2 A completed Application Form, (Both sides)
- 3 Incoming Freshman Only: A sealed and signed confidential letter of recommendation from at least one teacher
- 4 Incoming Freshmen Only: must include a copy of their letter of acceptance to an academically accredited college or university
- 5 A list of previous higher education schools attended, dates attended, major(s), and degrees received
- 6 A list of all relevant honors and awards received
- 7 A list of all extra-curricular activities and employment positions held in last five years
- 8 A letter from a Pan-Icarian Chapter Officer verifying that applicant (or one of applicant's parents) meets the membership eligibility criterion
- 9 A description of applicant's family's participation and involvement, if any, with their local chapter

A completed scholarship packet (which includes 1-10 from the list above) MUST NOW BE

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B) MAILED IN A SINGLE ENVELOPE (with the exception of #1), and

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Pan-Icarian Scholarship Application Form Undergraduate Merit-Based 2016

Name(Last)_____ (First)_____ (Middle)_____ Date of Birth _____

Home Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Place of Birth _____ Hometown(s) in Icaria or Fourni (optional) _____

Father's Name _____

Father's place of employment and title/position _____

Mother's Name (including maiden name) _____

Mother's place of employment and title/position _____

Parents' Combined Annual Gross Income from all sources last year \$ _____

Number of siblings under age 25 _____ Number of siblings (and parents) currently in college or university _____

Chapter Name _____ Location _____

Number of years you (your parent) have been a member in good standing in the PIB _____

Have you ever applied for a Pan-Icarian Undergraduate Scholarship? No _____ Yes _____ What year(s) _____

Have you ever received a Pan-Icarian Undergraduate Scholarship? No _____ Yes _____ What year(s) _____

College university you are attending or will attend _____ Location _____

High school attended _____ Location _____

Student status fall semester: Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior _____

Current cumulative GPA (incoming freshmen provide high school GPA) _____

Certification: I, _____, do hereby certify and attest that I meet the eligibility requirements stated above. Furthermore, I do hereby certify and attest that the information provided, in confidence, on the application form is accurate, complete, and true. I also do hereby certify and attest that all required supplemental materials (i.e., transcripts, letters, and lists) are authentic, accurate, and true. I acknowledge that providing misleading or false information in this application automatically disqualifies my application and may prohibit me from applying for future Pan-Icarian scholarships.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature (required of any applicant under age 25) _____ Date _____

ANY ADDITIONAL INQUIRES SHOULD BE EMAILED TO: icarian.scholarship@yahoo.com
NO PHONE CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED

Mail Completed Scholarship Packet to: Georgia N. Pandeladis
Chair, Pan-Icarian Scholarship Committee
423 Fielding Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15235

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Scholarship recipients who drop or withdraw from any courses, resulting in a matriculation status of less than full-time in the academic period the award covers, will not be eligible to receive a scholarship for the following academic year. The primary variable in determining eligibility for this scholarship is financial need however academic merit will be considered as a secondary variable.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be of Icarian or Fournian descent through at least one parent (see #8 below)
- Applicant (or one parent) must be a member of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood at time of application and for a minimum the 4 years immediately prior to application year (see #8 below)
- Applicant must be enrolled full-time in an academically accredited college or university (see #4 below)
- Applicant must have a cumulative undergraduate GPA of not less than exactly 2.8 (incoming freshmen must have a final cumulative high school GPA of not less than exactly 2.8) (see #1 below)
- Applicant must not have received more than one previous Pan-Icarian Undergraduate Scholarship
- Applicant for a Need-Based Scholarship is ineligible to apply for a Merit-Based Scholarship

A Completed Scholarship Packet Must Include All of the Following:

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- 10 A list of all other sources of financial aid (including parents/legal guardians) and scholarships received (or to be received), including the amounts, dates, and duration of such funding

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Pan-Icarian Scholarship Application Form Undergraduate Need-Based 2016

Name(Last)_____ (First)_____ (Middle)_____ Date of Birth _____

Home Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Place of Birth _____ Hometown(s) in Icaria or Fourni (optional) _____

Father's Name _____

Father's place of employment and title/position _____

Mother's Name (including maiden name) _____

Mother's place of employment and title/position _____

Parents' Combined Annual Gross Income from all sources last year \$ _____

Number of siblings under age 25 _____ Number of siblings (and parents) currently in college or university _____

Chapter Name _____ Location _____

Number of years you (your parent) have been a member in good standing in the PIB _____

Have you ever applied for a Pan-Icarian Undergraduate Scholarship? No _____ Yes _____ What year(s) _____

Have you ever received a Pan-Icarian Undergraduate Scholarship? No _____ Yes _____ What year(s) _____

College university you are attending or will attend _____ Location _____

High school attended _____ Location _____

Student status fall semester: Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior _____

Current cumulative GPA (incoming freshmen provide high school GPA) _____

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Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature (required of any applicant under age 25) _____ Date _____

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Home Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Place of Birth _____ Hometown(s) in Icaria or Fourni (optional) _____

Father's Name _____

Father's place of employment and title/position _____

Mother's Name (including maiden name) _____

Mother's place of employment and title/position _____

Parents' Combined Annual Gross Income from all sources last year \$ _____

Number of siblings under age 25 _____ Number of siblings (and parents) currently in college or university _____

Chapter Name _____ Location _____

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Have you ever received a Pan-Icarian Undergraduate Scholarship? No _____ Yes _____ What year(s) _____

Graduate program you are attending or will attend _____ Location _____

Field of Study _____

Undergraduate college/university attended _____ Location _____

Final Undergraduate GPA _____ Current cumulative Graduate GPA _____

Certification: I, _____, do hereby certify and attest that I meet the eligibility requirements stated above. Furthermore, I do hereby certify and attest that the information provided, in confidence, on the application form is accurate, complete, and true. I also do hereby certify and attest that all required supplemental materials (i.e., transcripts, letters, and lists) are authentic, accurate, and true. I acknowledge that providing misleading or false information in this application automatically disqualifies my application and may prohibit me from applying for future Pan-Icarian scholarships.

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Haseeb, Zizi & Sandy	In Memory of Constantine Safos	75.00	
Karatzas, Daniel	In Memory of Constantine Safos	25.00	
Karras, Kalliopi	In Memory of Constantine Safos	100.00	
Katinos, Blanca	In Memory of Constantine Safos	30.00	
Kayafas, Anthony & Anna	In Memory of Constantine Safos	100.00	
Koutsoutis, Angela	In Memory of Constantine Safos	75.00	
Koutsoutis, Socrates & Anne	In Memory of Constantine Safos	50.00	
Lardas, Sophia & Stephen	In Memory of Constantine Safos	100.00	
Lardas, Dina	In Memory of Constantine Safos	50.00	
Lardas, Nicholas & Zoe	In Memory of Constantine Safos	75.00	
Miliaresis, Cleo	In Memory of Constantine Safos	50.00	
Mirth, Karlo	In Memory of Constantine Safos	100.00	
Moraitis, John & Vasiliki	In Memory of Constantine Safos	150.00	
Paralemos, James	In Memory of Constantine Safos	100.00	
Rooney, George & Allison	In Memory of Constantine Safos	100.00	
Saffos, Georgia	In Memory of Constantine Safos	50.00	
Safos, Catherine	In Memory of Constantine Safos	100.00	
Scaros, Nicholas & Kiki	In Memory of Constantine Safos	100.00	
Seindanis, Nick & Kiki	In Memory of Constantine Safos	50.00	
Tripoulas, Harry & Lisa	In Memory of Constantine Safos	80.00	
Vasquez, Cecile	In Memory of Constantine Safos	100.00	
Vassilaros, Kathy	In Memory of Constantine Safos	50.00	
			\$2,460.00

Evangeline Lardas Scholarship Fund

Lardas, Nick & Zoe	In Memory of Sam Lardas	75.00	
			\$75.00

General Fund

Salonika Imports	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00	
Chapter Icaros	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00	
Saffo Contractors, INC		500.00	
Chapter Icaros	In Memory of Sam Lardas	100.00	

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Niko Contracting Co., Inc.	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	75.00
Aivaliotis, Mike & Elaine		250.00
Aivaliotis, Anna	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	250.00
Amorgianos, Emanuel & Aphrodite		50.00
Andrews, Charles	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Andriotis, Eugene & Vasie-Leigh	In Memory of Constantine Andriotis	100.00
Anonymous	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Apostolos, Henrietta	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Binikos, John & Chrisanthe 50.00		
Calaboyias, Peter	In Memory of Dimitra & Zaharia Calaboyias	100.00
Cameron, Christopher & Alexa	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Catrickes, Pauline & James	In Memory of Phokion Lacas	100.00
Chapler, Dean 50.00		
Chrysochoos, John & Alexandra	In Memory of Michael, Irene and Paraskevas Chrysochoos	100.00
Chrytzypoula, Anthoula		100.00
Collaros, Paul & Stacey		50.00
Conaboy, Thomas & Vickie	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	75.00
Contis, George & Ellene	In Memory of Efthymios & Mary Tratras	100.00
Cummins, Efrosene	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Didomenico, Philip, Margaret & Lisa	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	20.00
Denillo Family	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Douris, Peter & Susan	In Memory of Antonios Douris	100.00
Facaros, Steve & Mary		100.00
Fall, Tom & Suzanne	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Fleming, Mary Ann Dana	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	25.00
Fountas, John		50.00
Frangos, Georgios & Sofia	In Memory of Caliope Gemelas	50.00
Gemelo, Evangelos & Evangelia	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Grant, Marc & Susan	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Herouvis, Emanuel & Sophie	In Memory of Sam Lardas	30.00
Herrmann, Allen & Anna		25.00
Hollister, Carl & Cynthia	In Memory of John & Vasiliki Viores	100.00
Horiates, Dimitrios & Nancy		100.00
Isanhort, Georgene & c/o Michelle Isanhort	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	20.00
Kaczenski, Robert & Demetria	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Kantounis, Louis & Tena		100.00
Karakatsanis, Grace & Perry	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	40.00
Karnavas, Diane	In Memory of John & Leon Karnavas	100.00
Karras, Nikoulas		150.00
Katsaros, Constantine & Sharon	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Katsas, Alexandra	In Memory of Andreas Katsas	50.00
Katsas, Gus & Mary	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	25.00
Kefalos, Mary	In Memory of Sam Lardas	50.00
Kokkas, Bessie		50.00
Koutoufarris, Tina & Simon	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Koutsoutis, Socrates & Anne	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00

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Koutsoutis, Socrates & Anne		50.00
Kratsas, Linda & John	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Kyres, Andrew		50.00
Lardas, Constantina	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Lardas, Nicholas & Rita Marie		100.00
Lardis, Alexander & Victoria		50.00
Lardis, Nicholas & Betty		25.00
Lewis, Gus & Carol		25.00
Lucas, Rhea	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Lygizos, Nicholas & Karen	In Memory of Nick Koklanaris	100.00
Malachias, Nicholas	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Mamatas, Mary	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Mamatas, Konstantinos	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Marks, John & Niki	In Memory of Hope Andreakis	100.00
Mavrodontis, Zacharias	In Memory of Stavros Pasamihalis	100.00
Mavrogeorgis, Alea & Dimitrios	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	75.00
Meehan, Michael & Marianne	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Meek, Alice & Ronald	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Myrianthopoulos, Erene		100.00
Ott, Paul & Sherrie	In Memory of Sam Lardas	50.00
Pandeladis, Cathy	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Pandeladis, Nick & Georgia	In Memory of Stavros Pasamihalis	50.00
Papalas, John	100.00	
Papathanasis, Katherine	In Memory of Mary Facaros Gemellos	100.49
Pappas, Spiro & Georgia	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	40.00
Parianos, Steve & Helen	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Parianos Family		100.00
Passodelis, Michael & Julie	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Pastis, Gus & Vivian		200.00
Pastis, Bill & Connie	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Patras, Louis		100.00
Perrelli, Tony	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	20.00
Platis, E. Terry		100.00
Ploutis, Alexandrios & Adroniki		100.00
Plutis, Nick & Despina	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Raptis, Fotis & Mary Ann		25.00
Regan, John	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Reilly, Richard & Gloria		100.00
Rice, Paul & Diane		20.00
Saffo Skandalakis, Kay	In Memory of Bill and Angeline Saffo	50.00
Sakoutis, Steve & Sophia	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	500.00
Santos, Irene	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Savvides, Marios & Anastasia		300.00
Simakis, George & Efty	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Siringas, Nickolas & Athina	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00
Skezas, Jacob & Rula	In Memory of Nicholas J. Skezas	200.00
Soulis, Tom & Dora		20.00
Stavropoulos, John & Liz	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	100.00

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Thomas, Stella	In Memory of Hope Andreakis	100.00
Thomas, George & Crystal		100.00
Tratas, Nick & Kiki	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Tripodes, Nikitas & Dena	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	300.00
Tsantes, John	In Memory of Stelios Tsantes	50.00
Tseperkas, Aristarchos & Mary		50.00
Vassilaros, George & Maria	In Memory of Sam Lardas	50.00
Vassilaros, Maria & George	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Vassilaros, Leonidas & Maria	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	150.00
Vassilaros, Leon & Maria		400.00
Vassilaros, Leonidas & Maria	In Memory of M. Papalas	150.00
Vassilaros, Leonidas & Maria	In Memory of Dorothy Morris	150.00
Vassilaros, Leonidas & Maria	In Memory of Sam Lardas	150.00
Vassilaros, George & Stella	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Veck, Bessie		20.00
Voutleipsis, George & Angie	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Warren Chapter Daedalos No. 4,	In Memory of Bessie Chimbadis Boyazis	25.00
Xenakis, Ted & Colleen	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	40.00
Xenakis, Roxanne & John McBennett	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	40.00
Xenakis, Ergetti	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	40.00
Xilas, Gus & Argie	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00
Zarnas, Stephen & Sylvia	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	250.00
Zoccola, Nicholas & Catherine		50.00
		\$11,050.49

George A Horiates Scholarship Fund

Horiates, Stavroula	In Memory of George A. Horiates	200.00
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\$200.00

George Spanos & Areti #9 Scholarship Fund

AHEPA V.I. Chebithes Chapter 391		100.00
Aivaliotis, Mike & Elaine		100.00
Avalotis Corporation,		200.00
Breckenridge, Cherise & Craig		200.00
Contis, George & Ellene		225.00
Dehumidification Technologies LP,		100.00
Industrial Coatings LLC,		150.00
Koklanaris, George & Stamatoula		100.00
Lygizos, John		100.00
Pandeladis, Cathy		100.00
Platis, E. Terry		200.00
Plymouth Hospitality LTD,		200.00
Siringas, Nickolaos & Athina		100.00
Sittas, Nicholas & Christina		120.00
Stefanadis, Gus & Sonja		200.00
Tripodes, Nikitas & Dena		200.00

\$2,395.00

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Konstantinos Lardas Scholarship Fund

Kefalos, Chris & Annie	In Memory of Sam Lardas	100.00	
Kefalos, George & Katherine	In Memory of Sam Lardas	100.00	
			\$200.00

Kyriaki Speis Doumazios Scholarship Fund

Speis, Haralambos & Vasiliki	In Memory of Constantine Safos	50.00	
Voyiatzoglou, Mike & Kathy	In Memory of Kostas Koutsoutis & Nicko Safos	100.00	
			\$150.00

Magazine Fund

Xenakis, Despina		15.00	
			\$15.00

Nick & Alexandra Koklanaris Scholarship Fund

Koklanaris, George & Stamatoula	In Memory of Nick Koklanaris	3,100.00	
Koklanaris, Dr. Nikki		375.00	
Moraytis, Louis & Pat	In Memory of Nick Koklanaris	100.00	
Plutis, Nick & Dessi	In Memory of Nick Koklanaris	200.00	
			\$3,550.00

Scholarship Fund

Aivaliotis, Jackie	In Loving Memory of Christ E. and Maria (Pastis)Aivaliotis	500.00	
Kaczenski, Robert & Demetria	In Memory of Constantine Safos	50.00	
Pandeladis, Nickolas & Georgia	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00	
Paralemos, James	In Memory of Mary Paralemos	100.00	
Parianos, Steve & Helen	In Memory of George Chiotis	50.00	
Politis, Gus & Nellie	In Memory of Sam Lardas	50.00	
Scaros, Nicholas & Kiki	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	50.00	
Tsacle, Al & Edith		100.00	
Tsahas, Patty	In Memory of Mary Palemos	100.00	
Xenakis, Despina	In Memory of Maria Aivaliotis	30.00	
Xenakis, Despina		20.00	
			\$1,250.00

Stavros Pasamihalis Scholarship Fund

Horiates, George & Lisa		200.00	
			\$200.00

Grand Total: \$52,429.99

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Scholarship Recipient Letter of Appreciation

To the Pan-Icarian Foundation,

I wanted to write and thank you so very much for the incredibly generous scholarship you've awarded me. My first semester of medical school has been absolutely amazing, and this education really would not have been possible without organizations like this one.

With love,
Marina Horiates

From Ikaria to Everest



Pamela Pappas, a member of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood, was a featured speaker at the 2015 National Convention in Pittsburgh. Following are photos and excerpts from her presentation.

(Edited to fit the space available)

When the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood first approached me about speaking...at this convention, I was very hesitant. I don't like to speak in public, I don't like to be the center of attention, and I don't find myself that interesting. I'm just a person who had a passion and worked hard to pursue a dream. I reconsidered...and I thought what an excellent opportunity to recognize all of those women: mothers, grandmothers, and great grandmothers...that have contributed so much to the success of our community.

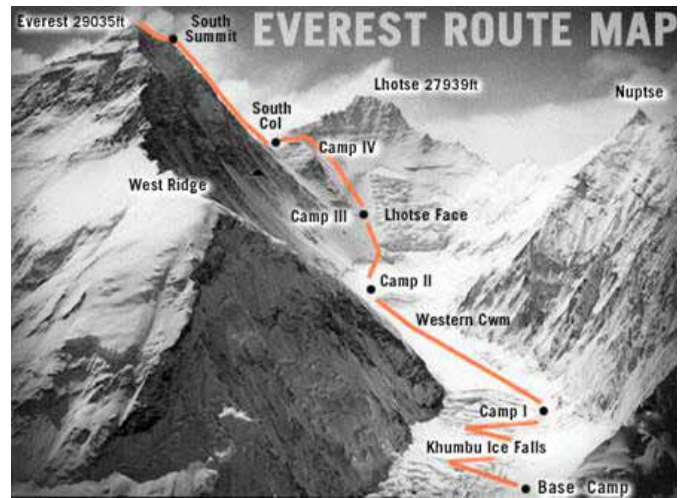


On the left is a photo of my Yiayia, Vasiliki; on the right is a photo of me at the top of Mt. Everest. I show these photos together because my story can't be told without her story. Yiayia is 12 years old in this picture and the following year, 1914, she was sold as an indentured servant to Northern Africa and worked as a governess in a German household in Egypt. She worked there three years learning German and Arabic, and raising small children. She was shipped back to Ikaria for a short time then told she would be sent to the U.S. where she



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would be married to a stranger in a place called Verona, Pennsylvania. Having gained some skills of adaptation and survival, and having faith in the universe that everything would be fine...to the U.S. to start another life. She would pass those skills down to her children and eventually her grandchildren. She married and had four children...he was working in a mill and things were going fine until something unexpected happened...and (he) was killed instantly. This was in 1928; no welfare, no insurance policies, no social security. She didn't complain. She took boarders into her home, she took in ironing and laundry, baked bread, raised chickens, had a garden and sent her children out to collect scrap metal for money. (Hers) is a story of true survival and resourcefulness. She struggled through those years ...until she met my grandfather, John Viores, married again and had a much easier life. She had two more daughters, one of which was my mother Georgia (Viores) Pappas. Because I grew up in Verona with my grandmother in our home...teaching me these ideals and showing me what real survival required, I would continue to use these lessons throughout my life. I was surrounded by an entire community of people that were happy to work 7 days a week...never complained...a community of people that were passionate about life and about making a better life for their children. That's why I feel that my upbringing in Verona, surrounded by Ikarians, helped me the most when I trained for Everest.



*(left) Lukla air landing strip; no motorized vehicles beyond here
(right) Hiking up Khumbu Valley from Lukla airport on the way to Everest base camp*



Sherpa support team

My own story starts with a passion for the outdoors...so strong that I would often sneak away to the woods or the rivers by my house. Watching (Yiaya) work in the garden every day...knowing that for things to improve you have to have a work ethic and dedication, and the knowledge that your work will pay off...is exactly the work ethic, dedication, and faith I used to train for all the mountains I've climbed. A lot of people ask me about Everest and the logistics of climbing it so I'd like to tell you a little bit about the mountain. Everest is a beautiful mountain in a beautiful valley populated by the Sherpa people who are strong and giving, and have faith in the order of the universe possibly like no other group of people I've ever seen. Except maybe the Ikarians.

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In our Western culture we tend to push things that aren't right. The Sherpa people know that what is meant to be will happen... There are no expectations in their culture... which, in my opinion, cause so much of the depression we suffer. We'd be much better served to acknowledge that the universe is in control...listen to the signs around us that tell us...to pursue whatever passion, or to climb a mountain. That's the calling I heard.



I was in the right place at the right time, and had the opportunity to embark on this incredible journey. I was taught what hard work was. So I got up at 4:30 every morning to train, knowing that if I wasn't trained properly it could be death for me. 7% of climbers that attempt Everest die. I wanted to be part of the 13% that summit.

There were people that told me I was crazy or couldn't do it, or do you know what the chances are? This didn't matter to me. The universe had driven me to get to the base camp of this mountain for some reason. My only job was to be prepared to be there. And I was.



*(right) Base Camp 1
(left) Pam at Base
Camp 2 wearing a
summit suit*

So, on May 13, 2011, I sat on top of Mt. Everest. With the help of my Sherpa, the Universe, and all the powerful lessons I learned from my Yiayia about hard work, about

survival, and about faith. I never once thought about turning back. I never once thought I had made a mistake. I was meant to climb this mountain. I didn't know why.

I continue to climb, hike, kayak, cycle, and do anything outdoors to pay respect to a universe that's so beautiful, that allows us to stretch ourselves and challenge ourselves in ways that we can only do outdoors. So, that's my story.

But I want to leave you with one thought. I want to thank my Yiayia and my community in Verona for giving me qualities that I'm not sure I could have learned in too many other places. Qualities that I've used not just on Everest, but in every area of my life. So I want to shout out to this community for teaching me things, teaching us all things that have served us and made us the people that we are. People that are hard working and kind and educated, and talented, and giving, and that love life with a passion that not too many people can attest to. Look at us now. Teachers, doctors, lawyers, authors, artists, scientists, community leaders. All of us successful...all of us proud of our heritage and all of us...

mountain climbers...climbing our own personal Everest every day in an attempt to respect our history and show our children and our children's children what a good life really is. We don't complain. We don't ask for favors. We don't question the universe. We just get on with it.



Pam on summit morning

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Minutes of the meeting of the Supreme Lodge of the
Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America
Chicago, Illinois
October 3, 2015

Supreme Lodge Members present: President Terry Platis, Vice-President George Paralemos, Secretary Damianos T. Skaros, Treasurer Cathy Pandeladis, District #1 Governor Katherina Mavrophilipos, District #3 Governor Steve Stratakos, District #6 Governor Nikolaos G. Skaros, District #7 Youth Governor George Karnavas, Supreme Counselor James Lakerdas

Supreme Lodge Members absent: District #2 Governor Jaclyn Elias-Senich, District #4 Governor Evangelos Fragos, District #5 Governor Athena Charnas

Foundation Members present: Chairman Dr. Nikitas Tripodes, Vice Chairman PSP George Horiates, Director PSP El-lene Tratras Contis, Board Member Paul Collaros

Others attending: Chapter President (Chicago) John Karnavas

Meeting Called to Order / Welcome

Supreme President (SP) Terry Platis opened the meeting by thanking the host chapter for the hospitality and asking the attendees to stand for an opening prayer

Meeting Minutes

SP Platis presented the minutes from the past Supreme Lodge meeting which was held in May 2015 in Montreal, Canada. A motion to accept the minutes was proposed and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Supreme Treasurer (ST) Cathy Pandeladis presented her report covering the Brotherhood's finances since the last Supreme Lodge meeting. ST Pandeladis reported \$71,834.12 in the Citibank checking account and \$59,789.17 in the Edward Jones investment account for a total value of \$131,623.29. ST Pandeladis also reported that the current membership for the Brotherhood was 1,660 members in good standing. The Treasurer's Report was approved and a copy attached to these minutes.

District Governor Reports

Katerina Mavrophilipos presented her report with respect to District #1, chapters Pandiki, Atheras, Nea Ikara, Lefkas, and Koursaros.

SP Platis announced that she received a written report from Jaclyn Elias-Senich with respect to District #2, chapters Pramne, V.I.Chebithes, Daedalos, Icaros, Christ E. Aivaliotis, Pharos, Doliche, and Drakanon. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.

Steve Stratakos presented his report with respect to District #3, chapters Aristedes Phoutrides, Spanos/Areti, and N'Ikaria. In addition, Governor Stratakos suggested that each chapter attempt to hold an annual fundraiser to support at least one charitable entity that the Brotherhood focuses on and make it a tradition.

SP Platis announced that she received a written report from Evangelos Fragos with respect to District #4, chapters Therma, Helios, Kavo-Papas, Langada, and Eirini. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.

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Nikolaos Skaros presented his report with respect to District #6, chapters Panagia, Icaros of Montreal, and Nisos Ikaria.

George Karnavas presented his report with respect to the Pan-Icarian Youth. He announced that the annual Youth Conference is to be held in Toronto, Canada, in the Spring of 2016, held in conjunction with a glendi hosted by Chapter Nisos Ikaria. Governor Karnavas also stated that the youth members are planning to assist the Akron and Columbus chapters during the 2017 convention. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.

Governors' Reports were approved unanimously.

Convention Reports

2015 Supreme Convention – Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

SP Platis presented an interim convention report from the Co-Chairs. The convention was a major success that was highly attended and exceeded all of the hotel contract requirements. In summary, a total of 1540 room nights were purchased, 300 people were in attendance at the welcoming event on Friday night, 630 dinner tickets were sold for the Sunday night gala with an extra 500 ticket purchases taken at the door following dinner, and 150 members attended church on Sunday morning. A full interim report is attached to these minutes with a final report to be received in the coming months.

2016 Supreme Convention – New York, New York

Supreme Vice President George Paralemos presented a report on behalf of the New York convention committee. After a series of negotiations the convention committee reached an agreement with the Sheraton New York hotel for the 2016 National Convention. The hotel is located in the heart of NYC where guests will be able to find numerous attractions within walking distance. The prime location of this venue was a major factor in selecting the Sheraton and there will be a series of events and sightseeing tours available for all who attend.

2017 Supreme Convention – Columbus, Ohio

SP Platis presented a written report from Akron Chapter President and Convention Chair Evangelia Spithas-Fresty on the upcoming 2017 convention which will be held in Columbus, Ohio. The convention committee is very excited to host and feels as though the City of Columbus will be a great choice for the event. The convention committee has toured potential hotels but is awaiting the contract details used for the Pittsburgh convention in order to compare initial offers and continue negotiations. More information will be available in the coming months.

Old Business

Membership / Best Practices initiative

Supreme Vice President George Paralemos provided an update on the efforts he and Damianos Skaros have made developing "Best Management Practices" to help boost chapter involvement and brotherhood membership. The written practices were emailed and mailed to each chapter president in order to provide examples of successful methods and new ideas on how best to involve current and potential members. Understanding that each chapter is unique, this initiative is intended to serve as a framework on how to reach out and reinvigorate involvement among members.

New Business

Pas Ikaros – Pan Ikarian Athletic Association

This is the largest athletic association in Ikaria, consisting of over 250 active players and providing training and involvement for the youth. The organization has been in existence for more than 60 years consisting of volunteer staff. The organization's funding source has been cut off recently and they have requested support from the Brotherhood to sponsor the association for the 2015/2016 seasons. Funds are needed primarily for travel costs of teams for competitions throughout Greece.

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At this past convention delegates approved a motion to act as a sponsor for the organization by providing \$3,000 in funds. This is a one-time sponsorship that will be revisited at the next convention. In addition, a fundraising initiative is to be started until the end of 2015 to support the organization. SP Platis asked that members and chapters support this initiative as it provides a worthwhile service to the people and youth of Ikaria.

It was suggested by Damianos Skaros that for future donations/sponsorships requests that organizations requesting funding from the Brotherhood should be required (or asked) to provide a form of community service in order to receive the funds. Because the funding was already agreed to during the National Convention this condition will be considered for future requests.

Youth Service Project in Ikaria

This past summer's youth service project was very well attended and appreciatively received by the nursing staff and residents and the Mayor of Ikaria. A discussion on establishing the next youth service project was had and a committee consisting of Katerina Mavrophilipos, James Lakerdas, and George Karnavas was established to plan and coordinate with the Mayor of Ikaria. Considerations for the next project should consist of location, date, and type of project.

Director of Member Communication position

SP Platis initiated a discussion on the creation of a new position which will primarily focus on member communications, social media information and outreach, and website design components for the Brotherhood. The Lodge feels this position is necessary and will enhance communication among the various members throughout the organization.

The position will be created on a one-year trial basis without a stipend. SP Platis asked that resumes be provided to her for consideration and discussion at the next Supreme Lodge meeting.

Raches Philharmonic Request

The Raches Philharmonic made a request for financial assistance to purchase musical instruments for their organization. This request was initially discussed during the National Convention but ultimately postponed until the Supreme Lodge was able to fully evaluate the proposal. SVP Paralemos agreed to look into this proposal by contacting the philharmonic and evaluating their needs and financial request.

Ikarian Firefighters Equipment

Discussion on how future firefighter equipment will be sent to the island. Concern that the logistics on sending equipment and other supplies should be explored and coordinated with other efforts in order to determine the best means to transport equipment. Foundation Chairman Dr. Nikitas Tripodes informed the Lodge that he and the Foundation will look into possible options.

Foundation Report

Prior to this Supreme Lodge meeting a Foundation Board meeting was conducted. Chairman Tripodes presented a summary of the meeting to the Lodge. Total Foundation assets consist of approximately \$4,950,000 which is lower from last year primarily due to overall stock market impacts. Dr. Tripodes also discussed the evaluation of the proposal for a CT scanner for the island's hospital. It concludes that a series of factors need to be addressed before the purchase of a CT scanner is appropriate. The Foundation will be issuing a record number of scholarships this year consisting of 50 scholarships to students in the USA and Canada and 25 to students in Greece. This year was a record year for donations and we hope that this generosity continues. A copy of the Foundation report is attached to these minutes.

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Final Remarks and Closing

District Governor Nikolaos Skaros informed the Supreme Lodge of the passing of George Douras, a longtime member of the Brotherhood and former President of Toronto's chapter, Nisos Ikaria. Governor Skaros suggested that the Supreme Lodge present a plaque of appreciation to the widow of Brother Douras for both of their efforts, great dedication, and support of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood at this year's youth conference in Toronto, Ontario.

Supreme President Terry Platis thanked the host chapter for their hospitality and made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was approved.

PAS Ikaros funds

The Supreme Lodge would like to thank the following chapters and individuals for their generous donations to our PAS IKAROS fundraiser.

A total of \$6, 221.00 was raised!

Chapter Pandiki
George Livanos
Chapter Pharos
George / Stamatoula Koklanaris
E Terry Platis
Zach Facaros

Chapter Icaros
Chapter Phoutrides
Anna Maria Lambidis
Chrissa Lefes
Erin Buzuvis

The Brotherhood is teaming up again with the Ikarian Centre!

The Brotherhood is pleased to announce that the Ikarian Centre, a Greek language school based in Arethousa, Ikaria, which will again be offering free Greek language instruction this summer for up to 2 members of the Brotherhood. This opportunity is open to any members of the Brotherhood age 18 and up and all skill levels (from beginner to advanced) are welcome. Greek language courses will be offered on the following dates: July 16 – August 1, 2016 and August 6– 22, 2016. Note that each course includes 15 lessons in 17 days but students with limited time may elect to attend only the first 9 lessons of the course in the first 10 days of the course. This year all of the courses will take place at Hotel Kerame near Evdilos.

All other costs to participate in the language instruction (e.g., travel to Ikaria, accommodations in Ikaria, transportation, meals, etc.) would be the responsibility of the participant. As a condition to participating in this program, participants agree to (i) take a short language skills assessment prior to beginning the course, so that the participant can be placed in the appropriate class, and (ii) following completion of the program, write a review of the program (good or bad), which will be published in Ikaria magazine. Please see the website www.ikariancentre.com for more information about the Ikarian Centre and its language course offerings.

If you are interested in participating, please email Supreme President Terry Platis at terryplatis@hotmail.com by no later than Tuesday, May 31. If there are more than 2 members of the Brotherhood interested in participating, a lottery will be held to determine the participants. As spots are limited, we ask that only members that intend to take the language classes if offered a spot apply.

Ikarian Centre Review – 2015

“Despite my initial frustrations, caused by my lack of basic Greek language skills, the teachers of the Ikarian Centre were able to recognize my learning style and provide me with coursework that allowed me to recognize the alphabet, read simple texts and develop applicable day-to-day language skills. The Ikarian Centre provides its students with structured thematic classes each day and cultural, historic or culinary classes in the evening, which allows students to apply the morning lessons outside of the classroom in a natural and cohesive way. I had the opportunity to work closely with a teacher who teaches English to native Greek speakers, and because of her teaching experience she was able to pinpoint what I was struggling with and able to explain how I was using the English language to make sense of the Greek language. It was invaluable instruction and I learned how I learn from her and became a more thoughtful student. Prior to my time at the Ikarian Centre, I thought I could not acquire a new language, I just didn’t have the skill, but without fanfare and stereotypes I learned that I can – maybe slowly, but I can. And that is the treasure of the Ikarian Centre, also the treasure of Ikaria; it is a beautiful and embracing place that only asks that you try your best.”
-Magdalena Sosa, Student July 2015

New Ikarian Centre Program for Children

We also wanted to let everyone know that this year the Ikarian Centre is launching a new program for children ages 7 to 17. For ten days, children will be immersed in Greek language and culture at the Ikarian Centre in Arethousa, Ikaria as part of an innovative program of lessons, workshops and contact with local Greek children. There will be groups for 7 to 11 year olds, 11 to 14 year olds and 14 to 17 year olds. This summer, the courses for children will run from July 13 through 23 and July 25 through August 4. On campus accommodation is an option.

The Ikarian Centre has committed to donate a portion of the proceeds from the children’s program to the Old Age Home or the school for children with disabilities in Ikaria. There is also the possibility of receiving a scholarship for this program, so please contact us if you are interested. More information, including registration forms, can be found at: kids.ikariancentre.com.



Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros"
Letter from the Deputy Regional Governor of Samos

Dear Compatriots,

As we had informed you via the first invitation, the vision of the deputy governor of Samos, Mr Nikolaos Katrakazos, is to record all the expatriate associations of Samos, Ikaria, Fournoi as well as singularly compatriots, recognizing the fact that you are an integral part of Samian, Ikarian and Fourni communities. In this way, we hope to open a communication channel with all of you and be able to keep you informed about everything that happens in our islands, as you are also our ambassadors all over the world. Considering that you are a vital part of our society, despite the great distance that separates us, we would like to become recipients of your own considerations and proposals.

Since December 2015, we have arranged meetings with the presidents and the citizens of the villages in Samos, Ikaria and Fournoi in order to make a timetable of the necessary improvement works which must be done. Until now we have visited Drakaioi, Kallithea, Neochori, Skoureika, Koumeika, Manolates, Ambelos, Stavrinides, Vourliotes to record the problems on the roads. In addition, we contributed to the works of the schools of our county, to ensure the smooth and orderly functioning. Works were carried out in the primary schools of: Platanos, Kallithea, Ydrousa, Karlovasi, Pythagoreion, Ano Vathy, and in the kindergarten of Heraion. Also, we have visited Ikaria to store the problems but also to supervise the works that have already been started on the road Kalamos- Nas and marina of Agios Kirykos. Although the financial crunch plaguing the country and consequently the regional Unit of Samos, we never stop striving for additional funding to improve the daily life of the inhabitants in even more small and isolated villages.

As for the tourism, the Regional Unit of Samos participated in January in the fair of Istanbul, the fourth largest fair in the world, making important meetings with executives and representatives of tourism of the neighbor country. Also, we participated in the tourism fair in Utrecht as the Netherlands is one of the major tourist market that visits our islands. Finally, the Tourist Department received the updated travel guide of our islands, which is a useful tool for a first contact of our potential visitors. Simultaneously, the site of the regional Unit of Samos, visit.samos.gr, has been translated into six languages (English, Italian, German, Dutch, Turkish, Sweden) and also other changes are in progress in order to become the main tool for Tourism Promotion of our islands. Our goal is a modern promotion that will provide all the necessary information.

After coordinated and persistent actions, we managed to ensure daily connection with Piraeus by two seaworthy companies, Hellenic Seaways and Blue Star Ferries as well as a six-day connection with Dodecanese, enabling the possibility of one-day excursions. Moreover, we have ensured the arrival of cruisers in Samos and Pythagorion and also for the first time in Fournoi. Finally, for the second consecutive year there will be two airlines flying to Samos, Aegean and Astra airlines with daily flights from Athens and one airline to Ikaria and flights to Thessaloniki from Samos and Ikaria.

On the matter of the refugee flows, the measures that we carried out from May 2015, providing the rapid developments in this matter, have limited the negative effects in everyday life as there is a direct identification of refugees which allows a short term stay on the island under the best possible human conditions until their departure.

Finally, we kindly ask you to inform other compatriots about our efforts and register on our platform <http://visit.samos.gr/index.php/greek-expatriates/>, so we can be in touch.

Regards

Deputy Regional Governor of Samos
Nikolaos Katrakazos

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Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros"
Letter from the Deputy Regional Governor of Samos

Αγαπητοί συμπατριώτες,

όπως σας είχαμε ενημερώσει στην πρώτη πρόσκληση που είχαμε αποστείλει, όραμα του Αντιπεριφερειάρχη Σάμου, κ. Νικόλαου Κατρακάζου, είναι να καταγράφουν όλοι οι σύλλογοι απόδημων Σαμίων, Ικαριωτών και Φουρνιωτών αλλά και μεμονωμένων συμπατριωτών μας. Με αυτόν τον τρόπο ελπίζει να ανοίξει ένα δίαυλο επικοινωνίας με όλους εσάς ώστε να ενημερώνεστε για όλα όσα συμβαίνουν στα νησιά μας με ένα εβδομαδιαίο newsletter, καθώς έχετε επωμιστεί και τον ρόλο του πρεσβευτή του τόπου μας στα πέρατα του κόσμου. Παράλληλα, θεωρώντας ότι είστε ένα ζωτικό κομμάτι της κοινωνίας μας, παρόλο τη μεγάλη απόσταση που μας χωρίζει, θα θέλαμε να γίνουμε αποδέκτες των δικών σας προβληματισμών και προτάσεων.

Από τον Δεκέμβριο του 2015, γίνονται συναντήσεις με τους προέδρους των χωριών των νησιών μας προκειμένου να καταστεί ένας πίνακας με τα αναγκαία βελτιωτικά έργα που πρέπει να γίνουν. Έως τώρα έχουμε έρθει σε επαφή με τους κατοίκους και τους προέδρους των χωριών: Καλλιθέας, Δρακαίων, Σκουρειακών, Κουμεικών, Νεοχωρίου, Μανωλατών, Βουρλιωτών, Αμπέλου και Σταυρινιδών με σκοπό την καταγραφή των προβλημάτων στο οδικό δίκτυο. Επιπλέον, συμβάλαμε σε εργασίες που κρίθηκαν κατ'ελάχιστο αναγκαίες στην συντήρηση των κτιριακών υποδομών των σχολείων του Νομού μας, ώστε να εξασφαλισθεί η ομαλή και εύρυθμη λειτουργία τους. Πραγματοποιήθηκαν εργασίες στα κτίρια των Δημοτικών Σχολείων: Πλατάνου, Καλλιθέας, Υδρούσας, Καρλοβάσου, Χώρας, Πυθαγορείου, Άνω Βαθέος, Πυθαγορείου και στον αύλειο χώρο του νηπιαγωγείου Ηραίου. Ήδη έχουν προγραμματισθεί ή είναι σε εξέλιξη εργασίες και σε άλλα σχολεία με σκοπό τον ευπρεπισμό και ασφάλεια των χώρων στους οποίους φοιτά η μαθητιά νεολαία των νησιών μας.

Επίσης, πραγματοποιήθηκε επίσκεψη στην Ικαρία για να καταγραφούν και εκεί τα προβλήματα αλλά και να επιβλεφθούν οι εργασίες που ήδη γίνονται για τη σύνδεση Κάλαμου- Να αλλά και τη μαρίνα Αγίου Κηρυκου. Παρόλο την οικονομική στενότητα που μαστίζει τη χώρα και κατά συνέπεια και την Περιφερειακή Ενότητα Σάμου, δεν παύουμε να αγωνιζόμαστε για επιπλέον χρηματοδοτήσεις προκειμένου να βελτιώσουμε την καθημερινότητα των κατοίκων ακόμα και του πιο μικρού και απομονωμένου χωριού.

Όσον αφορά τον τουρισμό, η Περιφερειακή Ενότητα Σάμου συμμετείχε τον Ιανουάριο στην έκθεση της Κωνσταντινούπολης, την τέταρτη μεγαλύτερη στο κόσμο, πραγματοποιώντας σημαντικές συναντήσεις με στελέχη και εκπροσώπους του τουρισμού της γειτόνας χώρας. Επίσης, συμμετείχε στην τουριστική έκθεση της Ουτρέχτης καθώς η Ολλανδία είναι μια από τις πιο μεγάλες τουριστικές αγορές που επισκέπτεται τα νησιά μας. Τέλος, παραδόθηκε στο τμήμα τουρισμού ο νέος επικαιροποιημένος τουριστικός οδηγός των νησιών μας, που αποτελεί χρήσιμο εργαλείο για μια πρώτη επαφή των εν δυνάμει επισκεπτών μας. Παράλληλα, το site της περιφερειακής Ενότητας Σάμου visit.samos.gr έχει μεταφραστεί σε έξι γλώσσες (αγγλικά, ιταλικά, γερμανικά, ολλανδικά, τουρκικά, σουηδικά) καθώς επίσης γίνονται και άλλες αλλαγές προκειμένου να καταστεί το βασικό εργαλείο τουριστικής προβολής και των νησιών μας. Στόχος μας είναι μια σύγχρονη προβολή που θα παρέχει όλες τις απαραίτητες πληροφορίες.

Σχετικά με τις ακτοπλοϊκές και αεροπορικές συνδέσεις, έπειτα από συντονισμένες και διαρκείς ενέργειες καταφέραμε να έχουμε καθημερινή σύνδεση με τον Πειραιά με σύγχρονα και αξιόπλοα μέσα με δυο εταιρείες, την Hellenic Seaways και την Blue Star καθώς και εξαήμερη σύνδεση με τα Δωδεκάνησα, παρέχοντας τη δυνατότητα μονοήμερων εκδρομών. Επιπλέον, έως τώρα έχει εξασφαλιστεί η άφιξη κρουαζιερόπλοιων τόσο στη Σάμο και το Πυθαγόρειο αλλά και για πρώτη φορά στους Φούρνους. Τέλος, για δεύτερη συνεχόμενη χρονιά θα υπάρχουν δυο αεροπορικές εταιρείες προς Αθήνα, η Aegean και η astra airlines με καθημερινές πτήσεις και συνεχίζεται η σύνδεση με Θεσσαλονίκη τόσο της Σάμου όσο και της Ικαρίας.

Στο ζήτημα των προσφυγικών- μεταναστευτικών ροών, οι ενέργειες που πραγματοποιήσαμε από τον Μάιο του 2015, προβλέποντας τις ραγδαίες εξελίξεις στο θέμα αυτό, έχουν ως αποτέλεσμα τον περιορισμό των αρνητικών επιπτώσεων στην καθημερινότητα των πολιτών καθώς υπάρχει άμεση ταυτοποίηση των προσφύγων- μεταναστών και αναχώρηση προς τον τελικό προορισμό τους, καθιστώντας την παραμονή τους ολιγόωρη ή ολιγοήμερη, κάτω από όσο το δυνατόν καλύτερες ανθρώπινες συνθήκες.

Τέλος, ζητάμε να κοινοποιήσετε σε όσους δυνατόν περισσότερους συμπατριώτες μας την προσπάθεια μας να συγκεντρώσουμε τους ομογενείς μας και να εγγραφούν μέσω της πλατφόρμας <http://visit.samos.gr/index.php/greek-expatriates/>.

Με εκτίμηση

Ο Αντιπεριφερειάρχης Σάμου

Νικόλαος Κατρακάζος

Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros"
PAN-ICARIAN FOUNDATION OF AMERICA

Pan-Icarian Foundation
Board of Directors' Meeting
Hyatt Regency Columbus Hotel, Columbus, Ohio
Saturday, February 20, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Nikitas Tripodes at 11:08 am.

Attendees: Chairman Dr. Nikitas Tripodes, Directors: Ellene Tratras Contis, Paul Collaros, Dr. Stan Tripodis
Guests: PSP George Contis, Supreme Lodge Counselor James Lakerdas, District Governor Steve Stratakos, Akron Chapter President Lia Spithas Freesty, Akron Chapter member Donna Cardone, Akron Chapter member Argie Spithas Minor, Oinoe chapter (Southern California) member Dena Tripodes.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the previous 11-04-15 meeting in Chicago were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes made by Paul Collaros, and seconded. Motion approved.

Account balances: Chairman Nikitas reviewed the account balances.

Income: received since the Supreme Convention in September.

Holiday Donation Drive	\$ 10,810
Magazine insert	\$ 500
Pittsburgh Convention	\$ 25,484
Detroit Golf tournament	\$ 2,395
General donations	\$ 31,435

Expenses: Chairman Nikitas reviewed expenses since the Supreme Convention. These include scholarships payments, medical assistance payments, and payment to IKARIA Magazine. Director's Insurance invoice for \$5,500 was paid.

Medical assistance: Director Stan reviewed the status of the Zografos case. The patient is in Greece, reportedly doing well since his eyelid repair surgery. The next step in his medical therapy is to have cataract surgery to restore sight in one eye. This surgery can be performed in Greece.

Director Paul gave update on the young boy in Ikaria with a rare disease who is getting chemotherapy.

The boy is doing well, he is reportedly on maintenance medications that are available in Ikaria. The Foundation has sent €3000 since the Convention.

Chairman Nikitas received information which he shared with the Directors about a medical request for which the Foundation has provided assistance.

Scholarships: checks were distributed. One check to a student in Greece was returned due to a misspelling and will be re-issued.

Old Age Home: We received a report from our representative in Ikaria, George Kesses. The Old Age Home currently has 4 residents, 3 of them have pensions that go to the Old Age Home, 1 has a pension that goes to the hospital. Due to mild weather fuel expenses have been minimal. Concerning the legal status, the Bishop of Samos has signed papers for the transfer of the Home but the government representative still has to sign off. Once that is done permits can be issued and repairs can be made. After repairs are made then the Home can begin to accept more residents. There are 3 pending lawsuits: The former employees are suing the Bishop of Samos, the government is suing the Old Age Home volunteers, and the government is suing the former mayor.

Storm relief report: Ellene gave us an update regarding the Karkinagri storm relief project. The engineer did not approve the plans, so therefore we are back to square one. So far \$58,000 has been raised, and is being held by the Foundation.

Report from Vice Chair George Horiates: George sent a written report to Chairman Nikitas about various matters. Regarding the CAT scan machine for the hospital in Ikaria, the Supreme Lodge has sent a letter asking for various conditions to be met before funding the CAT scan machine, they are awaiting a reply.

We received a report that a private CT scanner machine has recently opened on the north side of the island. They reportedly charges €60 for a scan. In view of this, the issue of funding a new CT scan at the hospital may have to be revisited to determine if there still sufficient need.

Regarding tax preparation, PNC Bank asked to prepare the Foundation taxes, to be done at no extra charge. They did in fact do it, but it took them a very long time, so we are evaluating whether to continue that arrangement.

PNC: Chairman Nikitas reported that we continue to have various ongoing issues in dealing with PNC Bank. The bank recently announced that checks intended for the Foundation but mistakenly made out to "Pan-Icarian Brotherhood" will not be deposited. This breaks a long standing practice that allowed these check to be accepted. We are also trying to arrange for the Foundation to receive credit card payments.

Board authorization: Currently PNC Bank is requiring all the directors to submit written agreement to them before any Foundation checks can be issued. PNC has notified us that with board approval, an authorized representative can make these requests. Ellene Tratras Contis made a motion to authorize Chairman Nikitas Tripodes and executive secretary Christina Contes to request payments from the Foundation accounts. Motion was seconded by Paul Collaros. Motion passed unanimously.

Other issues: An individual named Mr. Kochilas, of the Philharmonic Orchestra of Rahes, has made a request for \$5000 to pay for music lessons and instruments. Questions were raised if the group is properly organized at this time. The subject was tabled.

Diane Kochilas, the renowned cookbook author, is making plans to produce a TV series with Maryland Public TV. The series will be called "Delicious Greece" and will be shot all over Greece but feature Ikaria in each episode. She is seeking support for the project. It was decided that this request should be brought up at the Supreme Convention.

Meeting was adjourned 12:05 PM. Respectfully submitted Stan Tripodis, secretary

January 4, 2016

Nicholas & Jenny Yiakas and Pan-Icarian Foundation
Isabel & Nicholas Wallace Memorial Graduate Scholarship for Greece

Dear Nicholas & Jenny Yiakas and Pan-Icarian Foundation,

I am writing to thank you for your scholarship, that will enable me to continue my graduate studies at the University of Aegean. I would like to emphasize that long-term studies were always painful, both for young scientists, as well as for their families that support them financially and emotionally. Especially nowadays, the economic difficulties make studying a forbidden dream for many young people. For me this scholarship is not only a recognition of the effort I've made over the years, but it is also a substantial financial assistance.

Your scholarships not only help children who want to study, but also help the island, which has a dynamic, interactive connection with its people and with the sciences. Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely,
Theodora Kavoura
Agios Kyrikos, Ikaria 83300, Greece

Προς τον Διευθυντή και το Διοικητικό Συμβούλιο
του Pan-ICARIAN Foundation, Pittsburgh, U.S.A.

Μαριανίνα Α. Καλοκαιρινού
Λέσβου 31, Περιστέρι
12 133, Αθήνα

27 Δεκεμβρίου, 2015

Ευχαριστήριο

Αγαπητέ κύριε Τριπόδη και τα σεβαστά μέλη του Δ.Σ. του Pan-ICARIAN Foundation

Ονομάζομαι Μαριανίνα Καλοκαιρινού και κατάγομαι από τις Ράχες Ικαρίας όπου τελείωσα με επιτυχία το Λύκειο και στη συνέχεια έγινα δεκτή στη Φιλοσοφική Σχολή του Πανεπιστημίου Αθηνών όπου ήδη φοιτώ, διανύοντας το δεύτερο έτος των σπουδών μου.

Με αυτή την επιστολή ήθελα να σας ευχαριστήσω θερμά για την υποτροφία χιλίων δολαρίων που είχατε την καλοσύνη να μου χορηγήσετε ως βοήθεια για τα έξοδα των σπουδών μου στην Αθήνα. Η έμπρακτη συμπαράστασή σας σε μένα και στους άλλους παλιούς συμμαθητές μου που έλαβαν την ίδια υποτροφία, μας ήταν πολύτιμη και έγινε δεκτή από όλους με αισθήματα ευγνωμοσύνης.

Στην Αθήνα διαμένω στο σπίτι της θείας μου, αδελφής της μητέρας μου, η οποία καλύπτει τα έξοδα της διαμονής και διατροφής μου σε συνεννόηση και σε συνεργασία με τους γονείς μου. Έτσι δεν μπορώ να σας παρουσιάσω αποδείξεις ενοικίου και άλλων εξόδων διαβίωσης τις οποίες ζητάτε να επισυνάψω στο σχετικό έντυπο της υποτροφίας, ενώ η πρόσβαση σε βιβλία και διδακτικό υλικό γίνεται δωρεάν από τη Σχολή χωρίς διατυπώσεις.

Έτσι, το ποσό που είχατε την καλοσύνη να μου χορηγήσετε, προτίθεμαι να το διαθέσω στη θεία μου σαν μια στοιχειώδη ανταπόδοση από εμένα προσωπικά για την φιλοξενία που μου παρείχε στη διάρκεια του ενάμιση χρόνου που ήδη κατοικώ στην Αθήνα για τις σπουδές μου. Μπορώ να σας διαβεβαιώσω ότι θα γίνει δεκτό από εκείνη με μεγάλη χαρά.

Με αισθήματα ευγνωμοσύνης για την υποστήριξή σας στην προσπάθειά μου και την προσπάθεια όλων των σπουδαστών από την Ικαρία, καθώς και αισθήματα σεβασμού για το σπουδαίο έργο σας αλλά και για εσάς προσωπικά

σας ευχαριστώ και σας χαιρετώ

Μαριανίνα Α. Καλοκαιρινού

Dear Dr Tripodes and Scholarship Committee,

I would like to thank you for choosing me to receive the Gus Stefanadis Memorial Scholarship. I feel very blessed to be a part of such a prestigious foundation. Growing up, I would always hear stories of how my Papou and Theo came from Ikaria on the boat. These men started from nothing, overcame many obstacles and ended up with successful lives. This scholarship continues to remind me that hard work, dedication and perseverance will help me succeed in life.

Constance Pedos-Diclemente
(White Oak, Pa)

26 Δεκεμβρίου 2015

Προς την:

Ικαριακή Αδελφότητα Αμερικής

P.O. BOX 79037

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USA

Ευχαριστώ πολύ την Πανικαριακή Αδελφότητα Αμερικής που με συμπεριέλαβε στις υποτροφίες που χορηγεί. Εκτιμώ πάρα πολύ την κίνηση σας αυτή να βραβεύετε Ικαριώτες μαθητές, πολύ περισσότερο στις δύσκολες συνθήκες κάτω από τις οποίες ζει ο περισσότερος κόσμος.

Με εκτίμηση

9 Ιανουαρίου 2016

Κωνσταντίνα Α. Τσαρνά

Απολλωνος 15, 1Κ 111/8
Ταύρος, Αθήνα

Προς

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Αγαπητέ κ. Τριπόδη,

Στις 8 Ιανουαρίου 2016 έλαβα το γράμμα σας με την υποτροφία, που ευγενικά μου χορήγησε το Ίδρυμα της Πανικαριακής Αδελφότητας, με βάση την ευγενική δωρεά της χορηγού ΔΗΜΗΤΡΑΣ ΤΣΑΝΤΕ.

Σας ευχαριστώ θερμά και σας αποστέλλω εκ νέου την αίτηση της υποτροφίας συμπληρωμένη, καθώς και όλα τα απαραίτητα δικαιολογητικά των εκπαιδευτικών μου εξόδων που μου ζητήσατε.

Ακόμα, σας τονίζω πως ορισμένα από αυτά τα έξοδα είναι στο όνομα των γονιών μου, καθώς εκείνοι πλήρωναν για τις φοιτητικές και εκπαιδευτικές μου ανάγκες. Τέλος, σας επισημαίνω ότι κάποιες αποδείξεις είναι αντίγραφα επειδή οι πρωτότυπες επέχουν θέση εγγύησης για τα μηχανήματα.

Η υποτροφία αυτή αποτελεί μια σημαντική βοήθεια για τη συνέχιση των σπουδών μου καθώς είναι μια βαθιά ανάσα στις δύσκολες οικονομικές συγκυρίες που περνάμε.

Με εκτίμηση

Αληθινή Μ. Βενάρδου

Αγαπητοί συμπατριώτες,

Ικαρία 4 Ιανουαρίου 2016

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2016

2:00 PM	7:00 PM	Delegate Registration & Hospitality - Souvenirs
3:00 PM	7:00 PM	Convention Opening - Business Meeting
9:00 PM	2:00 AM	Welcome Reception
9:00 PM	4:00 AM	Bar Crawl

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2016

9:00 AM	6:00 PM	Delegate Registration
9:00 AM	1:00 PM	Business Meeting
9:00 AM	5:00 PM	Hospitality - Souvenirs
11:30 AM	3:30 PM	New York Sightseeing Boat Cruise
1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Selected Tours of New York
3:00 PM	7:00 PM	Business Meeting
7:30 PM	9:00 PM	Comedy Show
9:00 PM	4:00 AM	Ikarian Glendi

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

9:00 AM	12:00 PM	Divine Liturgy
1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Business Meeting
1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Hospitality - Souvenirs
1:30 PM	3:30 PM	9/11 Memorial Museum
1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Selected Tours of New York
2:00 PM	5:00 PM	Broadway Show
6:00 PM	7:00 PM	Cocktail Hour
6:00 PM	10:00 PM	Kids Zone
7:00 PM	10:00 PM	Grand Banquet
10:00 PM	4:00 AM	Grand Ball

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2016

9:00 AM	12:00 PM	Closing Business Meeting
9:00 AM	12:00 PM	Hospitality - Souvenirs

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Banquet Reservation Form

We have been hard at work preparing for a memorable Grand Banquet. Several guest appearances have been arranged, including our Keynote Speaker Nick Buettner, a Blue Zones Team Leader. Nick Buettner is committed to informing, inspiring and connecting people and ideas. Nick's first hand travels to the 5 Blue Zones with brother and Blue Zones founder Dan Buettner, has given him unique insight and knowledge into these populations' secrets to living longer, better lives. Nick's numerous travels to Ikaria, have opened his eyes to the recipe for longevity that Ikarians have woven into their culture and lifestyle. Join Nick as he presents the common practices of Ikarians that result in incredible longevity.

Please note that in order to keep the banquet affordable we are subsidizing the first 300 dinners at a discounted rate of \$150 per person. Once the 300 dinner reservations have been met, the dinner price will increase to the unsubsidized price of \$180. Therefore, please make your reservations as soon as possible.

Please select the number of people attending and your entree preference.

Grand Banquet: # tickets _____

Date: Sunday, September 4, 2016

Time: 6:00 pm - Cocktail / 7:00 pm - Dinner

Price: \$150 [First 300 People Only - Includes Three Course Dinner & Wine]

Grilled New York Strip Steak _____

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Activities Reservation Form

☐ **Boat Cruise** # of Adults _____ # of Children 7-15 _____ **[Lunch & Open Bar Included]**

Date: Saturday, September 3, 2016

Time: 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm (Buses will leave 1 hour earlier – Approx. 11:30 am)

Price: Adults - \$ 85
Children (6-15) - \$ 50
Children under 6 - FREE

☐ **Comedy Show** # tickets _____

Date: Saturday, September 3, 2016

Time: 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Price: \$30

☐ **9/11 Museum** # Adults _____ # of Seniors _____ # of Children 7-17 _____

Date: Sunday, September 4, 2016

Time: 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Price: Adults - \$ 25
Seniors (65) & Children (7-17) - \$ 20
Children under 7 - FREE

☐ **Wicked** # tickets _____ **[Great Value!]**

Date: Sunday, September 4, 2016

Time: 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Price: \$85

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This year's Youth Leadership Conference was held April 15 – 17 and hosted by Chapter Nisos Ikaria. This was the first time the Youth Conference was held in Toronto! Based on how the weekend went, it is safe to say it will not be the one and only time it will be held up north! There were 18 youth delegates that attended the conference as well a handful of other youth that came for the activities for the weekend. We had delegates from Akron, Cleveland, New York, Pittsburgh, Baltimore, Detroit, North Carolina, Virginia, Philadelphia and Atlanta. The whole weekend was a success.



Besides the fun we had, we had a very productive meeting that we discussed important topics and came up with great ideas that will help the youth grow and to contribute more to the PIB.

On Friday, it was nice to see friendly faces and meet new people as everyone was coming to the Radisson Hotel Toronto East. We kicked off the conference by having a traditional Greek dinner (xoriatiiki salata, tiganites patates and gyro's) Then we went to Greek night bouzoukia that we took over the place by having



our very own Peter Karnavas play the violi and dancing the night away!

On Saturday, we held our business meeting. I was very pleased of how the meeting went. We discussed many important topics and came up with great ideas. We discussed other merchandise we can sell such as: t-shirts with quotes on them; i.e. "I am your cousin." Key chains with the different villages in Ikaria, bottle openers and cups or water bottles that we can engrave on them.

Also, we did discuss on what will be our goals for this coming year. First, we decided for each chapter to have a fundraiser to raise money to help contribute to the Youth conferences. I expect that each chapter will bring a check to the convention this year to help achieve our goal in making the Youth conferences better and helping the hosting chapter with the cost. Second, we need to get the word out about the Youth in the PIB. We established youth liaisons that can go to their local chapters to talk about the Youth conference, activities that we are doing and talking to our Youth about considering attending the



Youth conferences and being more involved. This is very important since we are the FUTURE of the PIB.

The youth liaisons are:

Chapter Pharos Cleveland: Sam Tripodis, Teddy Poulos
Chapter Icaros Pittsburgh: Lisa Kefalos
Chapter Lefkas Baltimore: Hrisoula Mavrophilipos
Chapter Langada Atlanta: Eleni Champagne
Chapter Spanos Detroit: Kali Siringas, Olivia Koklanaris
Chapter Therma North Carolina: Vasili Brown
Chapter Atheras Philadelphia: Dimitri Frangos
Chapter Chembithes Akron: Joe LaRocca

For those who couldn't the Youth conference, please let me know who will be the youth liaison by May 16.



Also, we set up a Member Communication Committee; Hrisoula Mavrophilipos, Fani Seindanis, Katie Kefalos, Kalli Siringas, Rania Lardas, Olivia Koklanaris, and Anastasia Raftis.

was on the violi the band H Parea that was in the movie “My Big Fat Greek Wedding” The panigiri took place in a great venue and everything to the decorations, layout, and food was fantastic! The dance was a great time filled with great food, great parea and of course lots of dancing. I hope they continue to have this dance every year; I would definitely go back!

As I was traveling back and had time to reflect on the conference, I believe this was one of the most successful ones. I was glad to see new people who came. Now that we have goals we all can work together to accomplish them. The PIB Youth gets stronger every year and we are making great strides in continuing the culture and traditions of this great organization. We all know that we are the FUTURE and it is up to the Youth to carry on the Pan Icarian Brotherhood of Amerixa!



Again, I want to say THANK YOU to Chapter Nisos Ikaria and Renos Manolis for organizing a great and successful conference.

George Karnavas
Youth 7 Governor

For next year’s Youth conference, we agreed at the start of the meeting to have an overview of the Brotherhood and the Foundation. Also, we agreed that the Youth governor will appoint a secretary at the start of the meeting. Since this is my last year of being Youth Governor of the PIB, I mentioned to everyone to consider in being the next one. I do want to stress the importance of attending your local chapter meetings to discuss your experience during the Youth Conference. Don't stop there, please continue going to the meetings, and think about holding a position in your chapter and spreading the word about the Youth!

Saturday night of the conference we attended Chapter Nisos Ikaria Ikariotiko Panigiri featuring Peter Karna-



Aletheia Zoe Spohn was baptized on May 3, 2015. She is the daughter of Alexis and Dan Spohn. Aletheia was baptized by Jaclyn-Sarah and Tommy Senich, with the name Zoe. Na sas zisi!



Jaclyn Sarah Elias and Thomas Julian Senich were united in the Holy Sacrament of Marriage



on June 27, 2015 at St. John the Forerunner Greek Orthodox Church in Boardman. Jaclyn is the daughter of David and Aspasia Elias. She is also the District #2 Governor for the Pan Icarian Brotherhood. We wish the newlyweds many happy, healthy years. Sycharitiria! Na zisete eftychismeni!

Members of Pramne #1 enjoyed the 2015 National Convention in Pittsburgh. Aspasia (Tourvas) Elias was honored at the Sweetheart Luncheon, which honored women with significant contributions to the Brotherhood. Aspasia has served as President of Pramne #1 for many years, and also served the past two years as District #2 Governor. Her daughter, Jaclyn Sarah Senich, became the new District #2 Governor at the Pittsburgh convention.



Pramne #1 held its annual Christmas party in December at the Olive Garden. Meetings will resume in April.



Jaclyn Sarah Senich attended the most recent Supreme Lodge meeting in Columbus on February 20, along with past District Governor Aspasia Elias. There they toured the Hyatt Regency, site of the 2017 National Convention. This was followed by the lodge meeting, where Jaclyn presented a report for District #2. It was a very enjoyable weekend that included business as well as fellowship.

Breast Cancer awareness was honored at St. John Greek Orthodox Church during the month of October.



On October 14, Dr. Dean Economus gave a lecture to the ladies of the church on breast cancer prevention and the latest updates. On October 25, breast cancer awareness was celebrated in church with each woman receiving a pink carnation and a breast cancer awareness pin. Donations were collected from all the church organizations, including The Icarian Club, Chapter Pramne #1. St. John Greek Orthodox Church in Youngstown presented a check to the local Breast Care Center to continue the fight against breast cancer.

Submitted by Jaclyn Sarah Senich, District Governor #2

The past several months have been exciting and busy for Ikarians in Akron! 2016 kicked-off with a visit to Columbus for the National Lodge & Foundation meeting in February! We toured the hotel and ballroom spaces that are likely to host the 2017 National Convention!



Thank you again to all the delegates in Pittsburgh who voted for the Akron & Columbus chapters as co-hosts for the convention in 2017. Our planning has officially begun and we are enjoying collaborating with our neighbor chapter to brainstorm and plan for the best convention Ikariotes have ever imagined.



In early March, we held our annual membership luncheon at Niko's Sandwich Board & Cafe. Owner and Akron chapter VP Nick Manolis served delicious home-made fasolada, spanakopita and sandwiches.

We elected officers for 2016, reviewed budgets and expenses and updated our members on the status of local chapter plans and convention planning efforts!

We are also looking forward to sending two delegates to the Ikarian Youth Conference! We appreciate the efforts of the national lodge and the Toronto chapter. Our delegates from previous years have enjoyed the weekends, connected with fellow Ikarians, and come back with a renewed sense of community and excitement!

Congratulations to our members Alex and Jenna Plakas (Chicago, IL) on the birth of their daughter Leni June Plakas in December 2015! We are so thrilled for you! Na sas zise!



We are looking forward to a successful year with events for members of all ages. Next up is our Annual Lamb Roast Panygiri the weekend of June 18th-19th. We welcome all Ikarians to attend! Find us on Facebook for more information and details!



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Greetings from Chapter Pharos. Hope everyone had a good winter. We're all looking forward to summer. Our members had a busy winter. In December we hosted a Christmas party in conjunction with our December meeting. Santa even came with gifts.



Once again we had a very successful Independence Day Dance here in Cleveland. Thanks to all who came and helped us dance late in to the night. Thank you to the band Stigma who entertained us all night. And a special thanks to Victoria Mavrogeorgis for coming all the way from Pittsburgh to play the violin for us. "Kai tou xronou"



The Chapter also hosted our annual New Year's party at the club hall. It was very well attended and we were even serenaded by our own Teddy Poulos and DJ George Karnavas. Bravo Palikaria!



We were treated to loukoumades by Sister Eleftheria Tsantes at our January meeting. Thank you Eleftheria!!



We've done some more work on our hall. We even got a foosball table donated for the young folks. We are planning several events for the spring and summer.

We were saddened by the loss of fellow Ikarians Anthoula Karnavas and Nick Moriatis. May their memory be eternal.

Congratulations to Marina M. Tripodis, daughter of Chris and Kathryn Tripodis, and Nicholas T. Papafil on their recent marriage. Nico and Marina were married at St. Paul Greek Orthodox Church in North Royalton, Ohio in August. Joined by family and friends, they brought the beautiful feeling of an Ikarian πανηγύρι to their wedding, as they danced to the violin playing the Ikariotiko all night long.



We wish them happiness and health as they start their new life together. "Να ζήσετε!"



We hosted another Greek Night the evening before Thanksgiving and we had a wonderful turnout. We also held our annual Christmas Party which was well attended and a wonderful event to catch up with everyone.

This year we are planning a craft show, June 18th, with a number of vendors already signed up. We are very excited about this event as it will be our very first craft show that we are hosting. No two vendors are repeated, so there will be a lot to choose from.

We will also be hosting a dance the weekend after the convention, September 10th. We are also very excited about this as we are having "Ta Filarakia" as our band and Peter Karnavas on the violi.

We have a picnic scheduled for this summer, a Halloween Party to support Children Services and of course, our annual Christmas Party in December. We have had wonderful turnout at all of our events and can't wait to get things going.

We are looking forward to the Cleveland Dance coming up, the mini convention and also the NY Convention this year! A lot of things going on and we are so happy to be a part of it!

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Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2016 - Stony Brook Medicine Briefing Huddles Message - Staff Recognition Day!

Congratulations and best wishes to Blanca Katinos, Hospital Attendant in the Pharmacy, who retired in December



after 28 years at Stony Brook. Blanca started her career in 1987 in the Housekeeping Department. After two years, she transferred to the Pharmacy Department where she remained ever since. Her official responsibilities included the Pharmacy Transporter, but throughout the years she has become an unofficial hospital

ambassador of good will. As a transporter, Blanca travels the hospital halls each day, ensuring that nurses receive their "STAT" medications, chemotherapy or controlled substances in a timely fashion. She has come to know practically every employee, from Chiefs of Departments to the Chef in Dietary. As a result, she has developed the "talent" of putting people in touch with others who can help when problems arise. Blanca has been asked thousands of times to help expedite events by just connecting people, because she knows practically everyone! She has become well loved and respected through her patience, kindness and acts of true friendship. We will miss her and wish her the best in life. Congratulations, Blanca!

December 19, 2015: Children's Christmas Party

Santa took time out of his busy schedule to bring presents to the children of our community. While waiting for his arrival the children sang Christmas carols and made holiday crafts with the help of Santa's elves.

The children feasted on goodies and treats, and all went home with a special gift.



December 31, 2015: New Years Eve Gala
Many Icarians chose the warm atmosphere of our Leshi to ring in the New Year with friends and family. We had a great time ringing in 2016, and dancing our way into the New Year.



February 21, 2016: Loukoumades Fund-Raiser
We were happy to host a Loukoumades fundraiser. One thousand dollars from the proceeds were donated to PAS Ikaros who are in dire need of funding for their athletic youth programs. The fundraiser was very successful thanks to the generosity of those who attended.

March 19, 2016: Icarian Glendi
We held a great "Icarian Glendi". Everyone who attended had a great time dancing the night away. That said...We want to thank Foundation Vice Chair & PSP – George Horiates and members of Atheras Chapter # 12 who took the time and journey to New York to attend the dance. They all made it a memorable night.

February 7, 2016: Super Bowl Party
Our youth hosted their annual Super Bowl Party. As always, they did a great job creating a well put party with food, beverages and good company.

February 12, 2016: Election Meeting
We held our annual spirited elections meeting. Our newly elected officers are as follows:, Stamatis Tsantes, President; Gus J. Tsahas, Vice President;, Evangelos Karoutsos, Acting Treasurer; Menelaos Panagopoulos, Acting Secretary. We thank the previous board for their time, effort and good work.



April 2016: Greek Independence Day Parade
We participated in the annual Greek Independence Day Parade on Fifth Avenue in Manhattan. We had an excellent participation and the Pan Icarian float proceeded down the heart of Manhattan. During the parade we had the honor to be joined by Foundation Vice Chairman George Horiates. The event was televised on one of NY's primetime TV channels, as well as the Greek channel. The parade followed that evening with our annual Parade Macaronada.



Irene Tsahas shows off a few paintings.

Doliche welcomes a new baby, Theodore Kotsanis, born July 13, 2015, and baptized December 19, 2015, at St. Demetrios in Rocky River, Ohio.



Congratulations parents to Billy & Melissa Kotsanis from Cleveland, Ohio and Grandparents Tom & Stacey Kotsanis, Steubenville, Ohio, and Ed & Becky Reid, Washington, PA



Celebrating the holiday season above are
Dr. Paul & Pana Mastros, Dr. Niko Mastros,
Vasile Matzorkis, Greg Matzorkis,
Lou & Kalope Diniaco
and below
Angela Mastros, Stacey Kotsanis, Maria Matzorkis,
Joyce Locascio, Zoe Locascio



Chapter Christmas Party 2015

Congratulations to Dori Locascio and Justin Tabrosky on their marriage! The couple was married on October 10, 2015 at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Steubenville, Ohio. The ceremony was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Nicholas Halkias, Rev. Fr. John Loejos (cousin of the bride) and Rev. Fr. Michael Kallur. The bride is the daughter of Alan and Joyce (Collaros) Locascio and granddaughter of the late Steve and Mary (Manuras) Collaros, and the late Charles and Doris (Braham) Locascio. Dori's Godmother is Louise Loejos. The groom is the son of the late Cindy (Martin) Tabrosky and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs.



Vincent Martin of Pittsburgh. Brittany Rodgers (friend of the Bride) served as the Koumbara for the traditional Greek Orthodox Ceremony. Zoe Yvonne Locascio, sister of the bride, served as the Maid of Honor. The Newlyweds took a honeymoon trip to Grenada, in the West Indies. The bride is a 2006 graduate of Steubenville Catholic Central. In 2010 Dori completed her Masters Degree at Kent State University. She is employed by Steubenville City Schools as a Kindergarten teacher. The groom is a 2004 graduate of Shaler High School in Pittsburgh, Pa. He is employed by an environmental company as a field foreman. The couple currently resides in Wintersville, Ohio.

Chapter Icaros continues to meet the first Sunday of each month. Our discussions include event planning, hall maintenance, and decisions on charitable donations.

Recent events include an Appreciation Picnic on September 19, 2015 to thank our membership for their hard work in organizing the National Convention; our annual Halloween / Oxi Day Celebration on October 25, 2015; our annual Pizza with Santa Party on December 12, 2015, and our annual Super Bowl Party on February 7, 2016.

Upcoming events include a fried chicken dinner in March, a fish dinner in April, and our annual Memorial Weekend Mini Convention, which includes the Steve



Chapter Icaros elections were held on January 3, 2016. The 2016 officers are: Erica Aivaliotis, President; Joanne Melacrinis, Vice President; Nikolas Kouknas, Treasurer; Erin Cope, Recording Secretary; Anna Aivaliotis, Corresponding Secretary.

Congratulations to Shawn and Alex Watrous on the birth of their daughter Maria, born February 4, 2016

We were greatly saddened by the death of long-time member Stamatis "Sam" Lardas. May his memory be eternal.

Submitted by Chapter Icaros Secretary Anna Aivaliotis



Manners Icarian Golf Open on Saturday, May 28, 2016 and our big Glendi on Sunday, May 29, 2016 featuring live music with the filarakia and Peter Karnavas on the violi.



Minglin Mamatis

Congratulations Drew Michael (Ανδρέας) Walker, son of Emorfia Aimee (Kotsagrelis) and Jason Walker, baptized February 20, 2016. His Godparents are Peter Yannopoulos and Emily Dennis.



Congratulations to Despina Xenakis who had two great-grandsons born in 2015.



Ionas (right) was born in February to Paraskos and Emanuela Mantagos of Greece.

Luke (left) was born in September to Despina and Clint Dobbins of Pittsburgh.



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Greetings from Detroit to all of our brothers and sisters throughout the U.S. and Canada. We hope everyone was able to enjoy the holidays with friends and family. Every year it has become an important tradition of our chapter to hold a name day party for Saints Nicholas, Steven, John and Anthony. This is important to honor not only the men who are named after these Saints, but it also serves as a remembrance for those we have lost. This year our party was held on January 23rd. It is a celebration that all of our chapter members, and friends anticipate every January.



Sadly, we recently lost one of our most beloved members. Mary Papalas was taken from us and she will be truly missed. She was a kind and loving person and a mother figure for everyone who was lucky enough to know her. She is survived by her four children, Argie (Barry) Grunin, Steve (Vasiliki) Papalas, Clara (Roger) Gillard, and Louisa Consessi, five grandchildren and three great grandchildren. May her memory be eternal.

At right: holiday get-together of the families Papalas, Mourselas, Blumberg and Lygizos

Our annual Macaronada takes place April 16th where we will serve our usual spaghetti with a choice of meat and Lenten sauces. We always have a great turnout and are looking forward to seeing everyone at the Ikarian Hall that evening.

Another event coming up this summer will be a goat roast at the hall on June 25th, which will coincide with the annual Downriver Cruise. Fort Street from Lincoln Park, Southgate, Wyandotte and Riverview will be filled with an expected 300,000 cruising, antique and dream cars along with people lining the streets enjoying the festivities.

There will be music, souvenirs, and refreshments all along the route. But we Ikarians will be having our own private party at the hall. For more information contact Leach Moraitis at 313-383-0012.

Submitted by Kathy Papalas Mourselas



THERMA

Spring has sprung in Wilmington! Chapter Therma hosted our annual New Year's Eve dance. A good time was had by all. We are getting ready for summer here - graduations, vacations, convention, etc.

We want to offer our congratulations to Steve and Sarah Karafas on the baptism of their baby boy, Stavros.

Congratulations to Jack and Danielle Poulos on the birth of their third baby boy, Dean David! Proud grandparents are Pat Conzaman Poulos and Mike Poulos.

We are happy for Chapter Helios to have one of our members Sophia and Ernest Tracy, who have relocated to the Florida area. We wish them much happiness in the sunshine state. We will miss them!

Get well wishes to Lambra Koklanaris, who is coming home from rehab after her recent fall.

Happy Spring to all! Kay Saffo Skandalakis

We had a meeting on April 10, 2016 at the beautiful home of George and Toula Balanis. A luncheon was provided by our wonderful hostess.



The chapter recently held elections and our officers are: President Constantinos Frangos, Vice President Demosthenes Yiakas, Secretary Jimmy Horaites, and Treasurer Nick Yiakas.



The events planned for this year will include the James and Bessie Bornino Day at the Races, Hollywood Bowl Concert, Getty Villa excursion, Icarian Picnic, and a few more new events that display the talents of some of our members as well as promoting our Greek heritage. We look forward to your input.

Nicolas G. James





Aristotle Chacalos was baptized on December 12, 2015 at The Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Columbus, Ohio. The proud parents are Cassie and Shawn Chacalos of Delaware, Ohio. Pauline Hesske of Columbus is his Godmother. The Ikarian population of Columbus is growing and our membership in Chapter #17 is increasing.



HELIOS

CLEARWATER #19

The members of Helios Chapter enjoyed the Christmas Holidays with a wonderful Pot Luck Meal at our Leski at our December meeting and elected our new officers: President Dr. Linda Tripodis Muray, First Vice President Ann Andreson, Second Vice President Jim Mavres, Recording Secretary Harry Portellos, Treasurer Mary Christopher, Corresponding Secretary Anna Tripodis.

Our Ikarian Santa, Daniel Kaster, warmed the hearts of our "little Ikariotakia" and gave them their Christmas gifts on behalf of the chapter.

In January we celebrated with Vasilopita and loukoumades!

(Right)
Filio Moshovakis and her son Eugene Andreotis prepare loukoumades



(Left) Filio with Despina Kantounis and Kaliopi Tripodis-Kaster



We hosted our 39th Annual Icarian Dinner Dance at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Clearwater, FL and welcomed our guests and out of town dignitaries. We were entertained by Demitri and the Islanders and danced the Ikariotiko to Leonidas Tsantiris on his Violi! Lots of kefi, philoxenia, and fun was enjoyed by us all!



Sophia Koutoufaris and Stanton Tripodis lead off the dancing



Future members help with dance announcements



On February 6, 2016, members of Helios chapter cheered on their teams together at our First Super Bowl Party at our Leski on our big screen TV that was installed earlier this year. There were games, trivia, prizes and lots of great Super Bowl food to enjoy! A special thank you to Kaliope Poulianos and Nick Caggia for hosting such a great event for our chapter!



Kris and Kyra Christopher joined in the Greek Independence Day parade



Petra Dormeyer rode in the parade in Ikarian style



Greece's Minister of National Defense Panos Kammenos (on the left) visited Tarpon Springs for Greek Independence Day, pictured here with Helios member Koula Plakas and her brother Kosta Karoutsos.



Helios Chapter members participated in the Greek Independence Day Parade in Tarpon Springs, FL on March 20, 2016. We all had a great time!

At left, Helios member John Manolis leads off the parade in vintage gear and vehicle

Sadly, we have recently lost some dear Icarians: Alexandra Pappas, daughter of Stella Pappas; Helen Karafas, wife of Nick Kayafas; Lemonia Poumakis, wife of George Poumakis; Bessie Boyazis, wife of Michael Boyazis; Andrew Rigas, husband of Joanna Rigas, and Frosso Batuyios mother of Harry Batuyios. May their memory be eternal.

Submitted by Linda Tripodis Murray

GOYA participants representing Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Houston in the Metropolis of Denver GOYA Basketball tournament in Dallas in



2015 were (left to right) Christina and Charlie McGee, Nicholas Moss and Nick Tratras. Christina and Charlie are the children of Kris Diane & Richard McGee and the grandchildren of Helen & Charles Malachias. Nicholas is the son of Louise & Gary Moss and the grandson of Stacey Moss and the late Philemon "Phil" Moss. Nick is the son of Kim & George Tratras and the grandson of Nick and Kiki Tratras.



Christina and Charlie's Ikarian cousin, Athan, was able to participate in the basketball tournament. Christina, Charlie, Athan and Nick were cheered on by Athan's brothers Stefan and Michael Cosse. The Cosse's traveled to Dallas from Shreveport, Louisiana.

The members of Kavo Papas met at Theo's Restaurant to have a lunch and meeting and to swear in the new officers! From left to right: George Tratras, President; Kim Tratras, Secretary; Maria Saphos, Treasurer and Stacey Moss, Vice-President.



Eleni McGee, the daughter of Kris Diane and Richard McGee, graduated from St. John's School in Houston in May 2015. Eleni has completed her Freshman year at Tulane University. Eleni also studied at the Houston Ballet Academy for many years, and graduated from the Upper School in May 2016. Eleni is the granddaughter of Helen and Charles Malachias, and the great niece of Vange and the late Bill Malachias, all of New Orleans.





The chapter celebrated the holidays together, including Christmas and New Year with a Kariotiko Santa and vasilopita. Nisos Ikaria was pleased to host the Youth Conference this year for the first time. It was a successful event and we look forward to their visit again.



DRAKANON

PARMA #24

Greetings from all the members of the Drakanon Parma Chapter. We held our first meeting in January and elected the following club officers, Marina Casey (Parianos) - President, Icaros Chacalos - Vice President, Maria O'Connell (Parianos) - Treasurer and Chris Parianos - Secretary.

We are planning several club building activities throughout the year including a casino trip in April, a wine tasting event in the summer and a trip to a Cleveland Indians baseball along with a few other potential trips throughout the year. We are planning on sending a few members to the convention this year in New York and they are looking forward to representing our club and seeing all the other members of the PIB.

Morgan O'Connell, daughter of Timothy and Maria (Parianos) O'Connell and granddaughter of Peter and Kostia Parianos, is graduating with honors from North Olmsted High School in June. She is planning on attending college at Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio and majoring in pre-law. We wish Morgan all the best and congratulations to her and her parents.

We hope everyone has a great Spring and Summer and looking forward to seeing everyone in New York at the convention!

Submitted by Chris Parianos - Secretary





My Favorite Icon - By Nicholas Marcello, 3rd Grade
St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival - 2016 Elementary Div., Buffalo, NY
Hellenic Orthodox Church of the Annunciation

My favorite icon is my St. Nicholas icon. I like this icon for many reasons. One reason is it shows how Holy he was, wearing a robe with crosses and holding a Bible. Also, to me his face is very bold in the icon and he looks very focused. This icon doesn't just look nice to me, it is also important to me. This was my first icon ever. I got it for my baptism. And my Godparents gave this icon to me. I'm very grateful to have this icon.

Nicholas presented his Oratorical Speech to the entire parish, one of only three entrants in the elementary division. He is the son of Nicole Skaros Marcello and Chris Marcello, Panagia #26 members. His God Parents are Damianos Skaros and Carolyn Skaros.

Below, other Chapter Panagia members' gatherings.



EIRINI

Greetings from Chapter Eirini! This spring, our chapter enjoyed a dinner social and meeting at Amos restaurant. It was a perfect evening for fellowship and accomplishing agendas. Our chapter also held its annual Fundraiser - the selling of illumniarios or kandilia for Holy Friday. Members of the community were able to purchase lighted



bags for the memory of or for the health of their loved ones. These beautiful bags lit the processional for Holy Friday. Proceeds go to the Annette Mavrophilipos Memorial Scholarship for graduating seniors from our Cathedral's dance troupe. It was another successful and beautiful fundraiser.



Congratulations! Mary Anna Stepanovich was born at 11:52pm on December 28, 2015 to proud parents George and Kate. A healthy, beautiful 7 pounds 3 ounces, Mary is the first grandchild on both sides and has brought overwhelming amounts of joy to her family. She is a perfect mix of Ikarian blood from her Dad's side and Spartan blood from her Mom's side. Να μας ζηση!



IN MEMORY OF



Mary Papalas
May 22, 1930 - March 4, 2016

Born in Tsouredo, Ikaria, to Hariklia and Elias Tsouris, Mary became known as Maritsa. In the next few years Maritsa would become a big sister to Nickola, and right-hand to her mother who, in addition to raising her children, tended to the livestock and other duties typically reserved for the man of the house. Elias, a merchant marine, was often away for extended periods, so all the duties of home and farm were on Hariklia's shoulders.

World War II separated her father, already working in the United States, from his family. The situation in Greece had taken its toll and hundreds of thousands were dying from starvation. So, in 1942, along with her mother and brother, 12 year old Maritsa fled a blackened Ikaria toward uncertainty in search of salvation. They managed to escape their foreign occupiers and lived for four years in refugee camps, where life was a daily struggle.

Despite Maritsa's young age, her exceptional spirit and strength were evident even then. She protected Nickola from bullies in the camps, and stood her ground when Ikarian guards tried to confiscate her mother's post-war food rations. She survived Malaria. Instead of bitterness, she found faith, hope and appreciation. She emerged with a new strength. They immigrated through Ellis Island in 1949 to join her father in the United States, where there was hope for a better life. They lived in Pittsburgh, Dover, Ohio, and then settled in Detroit, where Maritsa graduated from Lincoln Park High School.

Maritsa eventually went to work at Papalas Co. where she met and subsequently married Marino. They were devoted and loving parents to their four children; Argy, Steve, Clara, and Louisa. Their home, overflowing with family, friends, neighbors, and children, was always welcoming, always giving, and always loving. It was everyone's home.

Maritsa was irrevocably tied to community and church both in Michigan and Ikaria. Her and Marino's unsolicited generosity provided infrastructure, clean drinking water, medical assistance, shelter and countless other benefits.

Maritsa was Marino's "Sweetie";

"Mom" to Argy, Steve, Clara and Louisa;

"Yiayia" to Maria, Alan, Ernie, Domenic, Marino, Devon, Marcella, and Clara;

"Mama Maritsa" to Aleco and Koukla;

"Maritsa", "Thia", "Aunt Mary"; regardless of what we called her, she was everyone's mother.

As a young girl, Maritsa knew fear, but she became fearless. Her strength made all of us feel safe just by being at her side. As a young girl, Maritsa knew hunger. No one would know hunger on Maritsa's watch. There was an abundance of food, glorious food. She fed all of us, all the time, even if we had just eaten, and we loved it! As a young girl, Maritsa knew illness, yet she tended to all of us in illness, and had the power to make us feel better, just by her gentle and loving manor.

How do we honor such an extraordinary woman?

We can follow her example by:

Finding strength, not bitterness, in the hardships we endure.

Being loving toward each other, and not judgmental.

Giving quietly....and often.

And.....by believing.

Respectfully submitted,
Vasiliki Vassilaros Papalas





IN MEMORY OF



Albert (Al) Fricioni



ALBERT (AL) FRICIONI, 74 years, of Dayton, Ohio, passed away on February 27, 2016. He was born in Tarentum, Pennsylvania, May 17, 1941, and called Pittsburgh his home for many years. He even cooked once for “Mean Joe Greene” of the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Al was 100% Italian, but when he married into a Greek family, that changed slightly. He met his wife, Dessine, on a blind date, proposed 6 days later and they married in 22 days! She brought with her two children, so he became an instant father, but he liked to say he was hit by the “thunderbolt.” He brought his family to Dayton just in time for their house to be hit by the 1974 Xenia tornado! The majority of his career was in real estate and as Property Manager for Dayton’s Good Samaritan Hospital, retiring in 2008. The family was proud to hear at his funeral, more than one person say that he was responsible for giving them an opportunity to get their business off the ground. One visitor said: “I came to see the man who enriched my life.”

Al converted to Orthodoxy wholeheartedly and was a long-time member of Dayton’s Annunciation Greek Orthodox church -- he could now receive communion as a family. And before he knew it, he was actively involved in church affairs, eventually becoming the only Italian who was president of

the local AHEPA chapter! He was the fastest Gyro sandwich maker at the annual Festival! He was a member of the Christ Aivaliotis chapter, blessed to visit Greece three times, and see our village of Karavostamo. After retirement, he loved having coffee with “the guys” even though they would sometimes slip into Greek and would back-up to translate.

Albert was considered a man of good humor, warm, friendly spiritual and kind-hearted. He loved his Greek mother-in-law, to watch his wife dance, and play golf with his buddies. He liked to putter in the kitchen, but could seldom capture the same good recipe twice!

He is survived by his wife, Dessine, of 43 years, was a kind father to children Jacqueline Kaiser (Matthew) and Stephen Fricioni, doting Papou to grandchildren Stephanie Price (Andrew), Dessine Ziehler (Andrew), Eleni and Sam Kaiser, and if he would not have passed so soon, he would have been thrilled to be a more active great-grandfather to Matthew and Zaharoula Ziehler.

This picture was taken when he was healthy and happy, long before Parkinsons Disease entered our lives which he handled with strength and dignity. May his memory be eternal.





IN MEMORY OF



Helen Plakas Condes

On Christmas Day 2015, Helen's grandson, Peter Nicholas (Pete), looked at his Papou Sam and teasingly asked, "Papou, what do you like best about Yiayia?" Sam looked across the table at Helen and replied, "She's beautiful." The very next night, Helen was taken home by the Lord.

Helen Plakas Condes was born Eleni Ioannou Plaka in Perivolia, Megalopolis, Greece. Her mother Dimitroula (Hatzidimitriou) was from Asia Minor and her father Yiannis hailed from the village of Pigi in Ikaria. Yiannis was a "karvouno emboras" with business across Peloponnesus. As a child, Helen spent many happy summers in Ikaria. She fondly recounted stories of her Papou Haralambos Plakas distributing her, her siblings, and her cousins between the saddle and the hanging baskets on his mule and taking them all to church, where he enjoyed chanting. Her third grade year was spent in the elementary school at Stavlos in the class of her favorite teacher, Miss Toulia Andriotis. In the summer, Helen would play with her siblings and cousins at Avlaki Beach.

Helen graduated from Megalopolis High School and though she had many offers of marriage in Greece, fate had decided she would marry Greek-American Sam (Sotirios) Condes. When Helen arrived in Chicago as Sam's bride, his relatives said she reminded them of a cross between actresses Rita Hayworth and Jennifer Jones.



Having a strong attachment to her family and homeland, Helen was homesick. Meeting patriotes in Chicago from the Foutrides Chapter helped her make the transition to life in the U.S. Her nostalgia was evidenced in the stories, proverbs, and songs she shared with her children. Helen had a melodic singing voice, perfect for the Greek island songs she later sang to her grandsons while rocking them to sleep. From the time Helen set up her home, it was a welcoming place for her friends, her husband's family, and her extended family. She loved having pareia.

Strong in her Orthodox faith, Helen acted upon her Christian beliefs. For ten years she worked at Harvstone Manufacturing Corporation. Initially, she was hired as an assembler of commercial lighting fixtures. Within a short time Helen had memorized all the details of the various fixtures. Because of her intellect and attention to detail, she was quickly promoted to inspector. Helen was happy and unaware that behind the scenes, another employee was upset at her rapid promotion. One morning as Helen sat in the lunch room talking with others, the disgruntled female employee attacked Helen from the back and started to choke her. After the incident, the owner called Helen into his office to apologize and say the attacker would be fired. "Please don't," Helen answered. "She has five children at home that depend on her."

Helen had the interesting combination of being religious but also cool. As she became older, others did not think of her as an elderly person. She was still an entertaining story teller with a clever sense of humor.

Helen is survived by her husband Sam; her children Harriette (Tassos) Zervakis and Johnny Condes; her grandsons Sam Condes and Peter Nicholas Zervakis; and many friends and relatives. She was predeceased by her sister and brother-in-law, Maria and Dimitrios Tsonopoulos of Athens, Greece.

Helen was beautiful inside and out. She loved others and was loved in return. Each year she was happiest when she visited Ikaria. May her memory be eternal.



IN MEMORY OF



Nicholals C. Moraitis



Nicholas C. Moraitis passed away peacefully on February 26, 2016 in Cleveland, Ohio, his wife Helen (nee Thomas) was at his side. He was a loyal member and one of the original six founders of the Christ E. Aivaliotis Chapter #17 in Columbus, Ohio. Nicholas was the devoted son of Constantine and Anastasia (Herouvis) Moraitis of Ikaria (both deceased). He was a dear brother to Helen Vianos (Nicholas) and Marino (Jackie); uncle of Kosta (Kelly), Nico, John (Diana), and Dino; great-uncle of Eleni and Niko Vianos; stepfather of Marie Pugliese; step-grandfather of Daniel Pridemore.

Nick was a restaurateur, businessman, and a good friend to many. Skiing, tennis, traveling, and wine making were his pastimes. He was the owner of Coventry Inn Steakhouse in Columbus, where he would stroll the dining room during dinner playing his violin. He was top

franchise salesman for Arthur Treacher's Fish and Chips, contributed to the growth of 800 stores and became President of Arthur Treacher's Fish & Chips in the late 1970's.

Nick was also President of Big Bite Inc. in the 1980's and Founder of Chico's Char Broiled Chicken. Nick was also proud that he was a U.S. Army Veteran.



His wife Helen was his childhood sweetheart. They spent the last twenty years in Cleveland, Ohio building beautiful relationships and memories. May his Life be Forever Eternal.

Submitted by Jackie Moraitis

Vacilia 'Bessie' Boyazis



Vacilia "Bessie" BOYAZIS (Chimbidis), loving wife for 57 years of Michael Boyazis passed away on November 25, 2015. Bessie was the devoted and loving mother of Spiro and Gina (Gary) Paronis. She was an wonderful fun yiayia to her 3 grandchildren Gabriel now 14 years, Carissa 11 and Nathan 7. She would play "row row your boat on the floor with them, read books and just have fun together. She was also survived by her sisters, Joanne (Hovanic) of Salem, Ohio, Maria Chimbidis of Warren, Ohio and her brother Lou Chimbidis of Naples, FL. In addition to her parents, Bessie was preceded in death by brother Phil Chimbidis of St. Petersburg, FL.

Born in Warren, Ohio July 27th, 1936 she was the daughter of the late Euripides and Argira Chimbidis. She married the love of her life, Michael in 1959 and raised their children on the farm in John-son, Ohio. After Michael's retirement they spent the winters in St. Pete Florida then eventually moved to Dunedin Florida to be their children and grandchildren full time.

Vacilia was a member of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, member of philoptochos society and life long member of the Pan-Ikarian Brotherhood of America.

She enjoyed dancing Greek and spending time with family and friends. Her smile and zest for life and others will never be forgotten.



IN MEMORY OF



Maria (Pastis) Aivaliotis
April 17, 1923 - October 21, 2015

Maria Aivaliotis' story is not unlike many of her peers. She was born into a large family in Xylosirti, Ikaria, demonstrated unimaginable perseverance during the occupation, immigrated to the U.S. knowing no English, married a wonderful man, and raised a beautiful family. The details of these feats are enough to fill the pages of a novel. However, it was more than these things that made her so special. It was her balance of courage, tenacity, kindness, and modesty that truly set her apart.

My Yiayia Maria was a friend in the truest meaning of the word, never judgmental, always appreciative, and incredibly thoughtful. As far back as I can remember, she was teaching us the importance of kindness and respect, for our fellow man and for ourselves. She noticed and acknowledged the good in every person. She always had complimentary things to say about those she knew, even when others had a difficult time finding the positive. I can hear her saying now that "We are all created in God's image and God is perfect, so we must all be perfect, too". And she acted on her words, demonstrating her love for people through humble, yet powerful, acts of kindness.

That being said, it was the combination of traits that made my Yiayia Maria so wonderful. While she was the sweetest woman you could know, she was also extremely strong-willed. When she wasn't singing the praises of mankind, she was standing up for her beliefs and for those who were not able to defend themselves. She was also extremely passionate about the success and longevity of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood. Along with her husband, PSP Christ Aivaliotis, she dedicated much of her time and energy to ensuring a strong future for the organization and Chapter Icaros. She never shied away from reminding others about the initial goals of the Brotherhood or from sharing her ideas on how to stay in line with them. She was truly a pillar in our chapter and the organization as a whole.



Another of the many incredible things about my Yiayia Maria is that it was truly a pleasure to be near her. Some grandchildren might tire of the stories of life in Ikaria (the famine that our families overcame, the hardships and happy times that came with being an immigrant), or small daily triumphs such as bargain shopping, gardening, etc., but we did not. She was our friend, one of our best friends. She taught us to play cards, to dance with our heads held high, to fully embrace joy and laughter, to love each other, and appreciate the gift that is our family.

When my Yiayia Maria passed away on October 21, 2015, it was hard to ignore the beauty that surrounded her. The room was full with her children, grandchildren, a loving niece, and a dear friend. We were together with her because we loved her. So many people loved her, and so many people will miss her. We will miss the genuine love she had for us, and we will mourn the feeling of her warmth, the sweetness in her voice, and kindness in her eyes. However, we will do our best to make her proud, to strengthen the Brotherhood, and laugh together as a family. By maintaining the things she loved, and doing so with love, Maria Aivaliotis will always be with us.

Submitted by Erica Aivaliotis

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