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PAN-ICARIAN BROTHERHOOD OF AMERICA "ICAROS"
Headquarters of the Supreme Lodge
SUPREME PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
Spring 2017



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

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

Supreme Lodge Meetings

Lefkas Chapter

The Supreme Lodge traveled to Washington, D.C. on Saturday, November 19, 2016 for its fall Supreme Lodge meeting, which was hosted by the Lefkas chapter. A big thank you to President George Moratis, Demetra Tsantes and the entire Lefkas chapter for hosting us. The chapter arranged a great day for the visiting Supreme Lodge members. Following a productive Supreme Lodge meeting, the chapter hosted us at their annual dinner dance. The dance was nicely attended, full of glendi and great pareia. Once again, thank you Lefkas chapter for your hospitality.

While in Washington, D.C. we had a chance to tour the Grand Hyatt Washington, which will be the Convention hotel in 2018. The Grand Hyatt Washington is located in the heart of downtown D.C. and offers the convenience and comfort the Brotherhood seeks. The hotel offers modern guestrooms and state of the art meeting spaces and ballrooms. This hotel is a perfect space for our needs and grants us a perfect opportunity to explore America's capital city.

Helios Chapter

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



2017 Youth Conference

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



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

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tools to reach out to the membership and especially our Youth who are the key to our survival and continuity. If somebody from your chapter would like to be the liaison but was unable to attend the conference, please have them contact Erica Aivaliotis at ericanna17@gmail.com.

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

Athletic Group of Mesaria

As some of you might already know, the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood recently received a request from the Athletic Group of Mesaria / Αθλητικός Όμιλος Μεσαριάς (AOM) seeking financial assistance. For many years, AOM has provided much needed athletic opportunities to the youth in Northern Ikaria. Team coaches are all volunteers, but the cost of equipment, uniforms and participating in athletic events is approximately 20,000 euros annually. The Greek government and the municipality of Ikaria have stopped funding AOM due to the current economic crisis. AOM is now struggling to find ways to cover expenses through funding from athletes, parents and friends. However, this has proven to be a difficult task due to the economic situation in Greece.

The Brotherhood believes that it is important that AOM be able to continue its mission of providing athletic opportunities for youth living in Ikaria. The Supreme Lodge is starting a fundraising drive, beginning immediately, to help raise money for AOM. Please help by sending in an individual donation. We also urge each local chapter of the Brotherhood to make a chapter donation and/or host a fundraiser for this worthy cause. We hope you can lend your support for this worthy cause! Two methods of donations are accepted:

Credit card donations can be made through our PayPal account: <http://www.pan-icarian.com/shop/>
Please say your donation is for AOM: Click on the "+ Comments" and then write AOM.

OR... You may send your donations to:

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

Checks should be made out to "Pan-Icarian Brotherhood" Please reference "AOM" on the memo line.

Membership

It's time to pay your 2017 membership dues! Please submit your dues to your local chapter. I cannot emphasize enough how important your dues are to the continued success of our Brotherhood. Your contribution will help your chapter cover its administrative costs and help keep it strong and prosperous. By being a member, you are part of a rich and historic family that cares for its community, education and Hellenism.

Our Treasurer, Katerina Mavrophilipos, has already contacted each chapter to assist in verifying and updating all the membership info in the database. This will ensure that all our member information is current. We kindly ask that each chapter cooperate and provide their latest email lists to us as soon as possible. By utilizing email and expanding our social media tools we are hoping to increase interest and membership.

Website

The Lodge, along with Brother Dean Tripodes and Sister Anastasia Kefalos, has concluded the process of updating our website at Pan-Icarian.com. One of many important updates to the website was the introduction of a new shop page where our members at large can easily pay their dues or donate to our many philanthropic causes. We hope you enjoy the new look and want to make sure you Like Us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/PanIcarian and Follow Us on Twitter at twitter.com/PanIcarian or instagram.com/panicarian.



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Archives

The Lodge and Foundation, with the leadership of Joanne Melacrinos, has started the lengthy but vital process of digitizing all our rich archive material. Once this project is completed the stored material will be available for viewing by all our members and friends around the world. The digitizing of the archives will also help safekeep our texts and photos for generations to come.

Ikaria Magazine

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

June is Pan-Icarian Volunteer Month!

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

In closing, please note that the Supreme Lodge would like to know what ideas or issues you have. We want to hear from you regardless of how large or small your concerns, questions or suggestions may be. Please email me anytime at Icaros@aol.com.

Until next time...

Fraternally yours,

George Paralemos
Supreme President



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Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be of Icarian or Fournian descent through at least one parent (see #8 below)
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- 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 not eligible to apply for a Need-Based Scholarship

A Completed Scholarship Packet Must Include All of the Following:

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- Only Item Not Mailed by Applicant
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- 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
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Pan-Icarian Scholarship Application Form Undergraduate Merit-Based 2017

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 before? Yes _____ What year(s) _____ No _____

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

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 (for any applicant under the age of 25) _____ Date _____

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Mail Completed Scholarship Packet to:

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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 not eligible to apply for a Merit-Based Scholarship

A Completed Scholarship Packet Must Include All of the Following:

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- 9___A description of applicant's family's participation and involvement, if any, with their local chapter
- 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 2017

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 before? Yes _____ What year(s) _____ No _____

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

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:

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Student's Signature _____ Date _____

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

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Pan-Icarian Scholarship --- Requirements for Graduate Merit-Based 2017

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

The primary variable in determining eligibility for this scholarship is merit however financial need will be considered as a secondary variable.

Eligibility Requirements:

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- 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 university graduate program (including law, medical, dental, and business school) (see #4 below)
- Applicant must have a cumulative undergraduate GPA of not less than exactly 3.0 (incoming graduate students must have a final cumulative high school GPA of not less than exactly 3.0) (see #1 below)

A Completed Scholarship Packet Must Include All of the Following:

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- 2___A completed Application Form (including this signed instruction sheet)
- 3___Incoming graduates students must include a copy of their letter of acceptance to the academically accredited graduate program.
- 4___A list of previous higher education schools attended, dates attended, major(s), and degrees received
- 5___A list of all relevant honors and awards received
- 6___A list of all extra-curricular activities and employment positions held in last five years
- 7___A letter from a Pan-Icarian Chapter Officer verifying that applicant (or one of applicant's parents) meets the membership eligibility criterion
- 8___A description of applicant's family's participation and involvement, if any, with their local chapter
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Pan-Icarian Scholarship Application Form Graduate Merit-Based 2017

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 before? Yes _____ What year(s) _____ No _____

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

Graduate program you are attending or will attend _____ Location _____

Field of Study _____

Undergraduate college/university attended _____ Location _____

Final Undergraduate GPA _____ Current cumulative GPA _____

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Student's Signature _____ Date _____

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PAN-ICARIAN FOUNDATION OF AMERICA Scholarship Recipient Letter of Appreciation

To Dr. Nikitas Tripodes and Pan-Icarian Foundation Board Officers,

I would like to thank you all for the generous scholarship I received. It has been put to good use in continuing my undergraduate education at Illinois Wesleyan University. I am proud of my Icarian heritage and will do all I can to preserve it for years to come.

Thank You,
Constantine Vessol

Panou Installed as Tsantes Professor

STONY BROOK, NY

Nikolaos Panou, PhD, was formally installed as the inaugural Peter V. Tsantes Professor in Greek Literature and Language at Stony Brook University. "It is an understatement to say that I am delighted that Nikolaos Panou has been named to this distinguished professorship," said President Samuel L. Stanley Jr. during the ceremony. "And we are grateful to Peter V. and De-spina Tsantes for endowing this professorship. It will be a lasting tribute to the Tsantes family and enable us to continue to attract and retain prominent scholars in the field of Hellenic studies."

Recognized for his long history of visionary generosity in providing valuable resources and leadership among the Greek community, Long Islander Peter V. Tsantes' passion and enthusiasm was encouraged by Stony Brook's own educational reputation and commitment toward advancing the study of Hellenic culture. He also noted that he and his family have dedicated the professorship to the memory of his adoptive mother, Aikaterini Spanou Haralambou Batuyios, who sponsored his trip to the United States in 1951. "How can you forever show your love and remembrance?" Tsantes' said of Batuyios.

Throughout Tsantes' life Batuyios encouraged him to give back, which led to his involvement in the American Foundation for Greek Language and Culture (AFGLC). Before long, he turned his philanthropic focus closer to home, where he formed the New York Chapter of AFGLC. He currently serves as treasurer for its executive board.

To Tsantes, the professorship was a fitting tribute to not only his adopted mother and home-land, he hopes it will spur others "toward an increased energy in philanthropy and education." The professorship, he believes, will be the base for a plethora of Hellenic activities on campus, supported not only by his family, but also by the generosity of other members of the Long Island Hellenic community.

In his professorship, Panou will promote scholarship, teaching, and research in all aspects of Hellenic civilization, from antiquity to the present. One of Panou's principal goals at Stony Brook is to build a stronger Center for Hellenic Studies that will serve as a forum for the study of Greek society, history, and culture, and which will cultivate a comprehensive understanding of classical, post-classical, and modern Greece.

"The vision is here, and so is the will, the determination and the expertise," Panou said. "We now have to direct all of our effort – and with a great sense of urgency, I might add – to the creation of a robust, radiant, magnetic Center for Hellenic Studies that will serve as a hub for the study of Greek society, history, politics, and culture that will become an indispensable point of reference within Stony Brook and beyond."

This new professorship is yet another example of how endowed faculty build on the University's dedication to excellence across campus. That's why one goal of the \$600 million Campaign for Stony Brook is to create a total of 100 endowed faculty positions by 2018, aiming to attract more eminent scholars and researchers and retain outstanding faculty across a wide range of disciplines.

In the past six years, the number of endowed chairs and professorships at Stony Brook has increased more than seven-fold, to a total of 42 endowed chairs and professorships.

"At a time when the humanities are being increasingly marginalized, to say the least, the establishment of an endowed chair in Hellenic studies is an event and an opportunity of singular importance," Panou said. "The truth is, what's happened here at Stony Brook is the result of extraordinary actions that require inspiration, zeal, commitment, generosity, and a lot of hard work."



(L to r): Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Sacha Kopp, Peter V. Tsantes, Asst. Professor of Comparative Literature Nikolaos Panou, Stony Brook University President Samuel L. Stanley Jr., and Stony Brook University Provost Michael Bernstein

Η Καριώτισσα μάνα

(όπως την έζησα στα παιδικά μου χρόνια)

Γιάννη Μουλά, ε. Δικηγόρου

Ήταν ένα τάμα των παιδικών μου χρόνων. Εντυπωσια-σμένος από την Καριώτισσα μάνα, που στο παιδικό μου μυαλό φάνταζε σαν ηρωίδα και αγία μαζί, ήθελα πάντα να γράψω κάτι γι' αυτήν, κάτι σαν ύμνο, δείγμα ελάχιστου του θαυμασμού και της αγάπης που γι' αυτήν ένοιωθα. Και να που το τάμα αυτό έμελλε να το εκπληρώσω σήμερα, σε μιαν ηλικία που ο συναισθηματισμός, η αναπόληση και η νοσταλγία ομορφαίνουν, αλλά ταυτόχρονα και καταδυναστεύουν τη ζωή μας. Πιστεύω, πως όσοι έχουν ζήσει προπολεμικά τα παιδικά τους χρόνια στην Ικαρία, θα μου συγχωρήσουν κάποιο ξεχειλίσμα συναισθηματισμού και νοσταλγίας, που όσο μεγαλώνω πλημμυρίζουν το μυαλό και την ψυχή μου. Για την Καριώτισσα μάνα, που η εικόνα της, ηρωίδας και αγίας ταυτόχρονα, έχει μείνει για πάντα στο μυαλό και τη καρδιά μου.

Όσοι έζησαν την εποχή εκείνη στην Ικαρία, γνωρίζουν πόσο δύσκολη ήταν η ζωή τότε. Η φτώχεια, η απόλυτη φτώχεια, μάστιζε το νησί από την πρωτεύουσα μέχρι και το τελευταίο του χωριουδάκι, με στέρηση και του ψωμιού ακόμη. Κι αυτό, παρά τις τεράστιες νυχθημερόν προσπάθειες των γονιών να εξασφαλίσουν τα στοιχειώδη για τα παιδιά τους και ιδιαίτερα της μάνας, που ακοίμητος φρουρός της οικογένειας, πάσκιζε, δουλεύοντας μέρα-νύχτα, να εξασφαλίσει το καθημερινό φαγητό των παιδιών της. Το νησί όμως, πάμπτωχο, άγονο από την μια άκρη ως την άλλη, χωρίς ίχνος σχεδόν πεδινής έκτασης, μια "κατρακύλα" από το βουνό ως την θάλασσα, χωρίς καθόλου τρεχούμενο νερό, δεν έδινε περιθώρια για οποιαδήποτε καλλιέργεια, σε βαθμό τέτοιο, που πολλές φορές η "συγκομιδή" δεν έδινε ούτε το σπόρο. Κάποιοι κήποι μόνο, κι' αυτοί σε "αναβαθμίδες", δηλαδή σε μικρά πεζουλάκια, το ένα πάνω στ' άλλο, με τα "πηγάδια", το γερανό και το ντενεκέ να παίζουν κάθε πρωί και κάθε απόγευμα τη δική τους συμφωνία, έσωζαν κάπως τα πράγματα, με τα κηπευτικά κάθε είδους που το καλοκαίρι αποτελούσαν το μικρό "σούπερ μάρκετ" των νοικοκυριών.

Μέσα σ' αυτές τις τραγικές οικονομικές συνθήκες, που έφθναν μέχρι το έσχατο όριο της φτώχειας, η μάνα, φρουρός άγγελος της οικογένειας πανταχού παρούσα, σαν τον Άτλαντα σήκωνε στους ώμους της την οικογένεια. Πάντα καλοσυνάτη και καλόκαρδη, χαμογελαστή και αισιόδοξη, ακούραστη και αεικίνητη, στο σπίτι, στο χωράφι, στο κήπο, στα ζώα, έκανε πάντα το θαύμα της και κάποιο φαγητό ήταν έτοιμο στην ώρα του, αφού πρωϊ-πρωϊ, "συνύχτερα" όπως λέμε στην Νικαριά σηκώνονταν και ετοιμάζε πρώτα τα παιδιά για το σχολείο, για το οποίο η μάνα είχε κυρίως τη φροντίδα, έτοιμη σε κάθε περίπτωση να κάνει το παν, να γίνει "ολοκαύτωμα" για το αντικείμενό της λατρείας της, τα παιδιά της. Που έπρεπε "πάση θυσία" να μάθουν γράμματα, που ήταν το άσβεστο όνειρο και των πιο φτωχών γονιών και ιδιαίτερα της πάντα ανήσυχης μάνας. Της μάνας που σε καιρούς ολοκληρωτικής φτώχειας, είτε γιατί ο καιρός δεν βοήθησε τις καλλιέργειες είτε γιατί θεομηνίες καταστρέφανε τη μικρή παραγωγή είτε γιατί ο πατέρας επέστρεφε από τα κάρβουνα χωρίς δραχμή και σοβαρά άρρωστος με ελονοσία που ήταν η μάστιγα των Καριώτων καρβουνιάρηδων, κάνοντας τη καρδιά της πέτρα, κρύβοντας τα δάκρυά της και την απελπισία της, επιστράτευε τη γριά μάνα της, τη "καλομάνα", όπως λέμε τη γιαγιά στη Νικαριά, για να μείνει στο σπίτι με τα παιδιά της, που ήταν πάντοτε πολλά, κ'εκείνη να φύγει για την Αθήνα, την Αίγυπτο ή τη Σμύρνη παλιότερα, για να δουλέψει σαν υπηρέτρια ή σαν παραμάνα θηλάζοντας ξένα παιδιά, για να εξασφαλίσει έτσι το φαγητό της οικογένειας, τα ρούχα, τα παπούτσια αλλά και τα έξοδα του σχολείου των παιδιών. Και δεν είναι τυχαίο, που οι πρώτοι Καριώτες που έμαθαν γράμματα, στο τέλος του 19ου αιώνα και τις αρχές του 20ου τα έμαθαν με τις μανάδες τους παραμάνες στα ξένα.

Εκείνο όμως που δεν ξεχνώ ποτέ και που και σήμερα με συγκλονίζει όταν το σκέφτομαι, ήταν ότι ποτέ δεν παραπονιόταν για τίποτα, ποτέ δεν καταριόταν τη μοίρα της, αντιμετωπίζοντας και τα πιο δύσκολα με μια απίστευτη δύναμη κι ένα ζεστό χαμόγελο, με μόνη ανταμοιβή τη χαρά που ένοιωθε μολ' αυτά, που τα θεωρούσε πηγή χαράς και ευτυχίας, άσχετα αν πολλές φορές ξεπερνούσαν τις αντοχές της. Της έφτανε το χαμόγελο των παιδιών και η αναγνώριση του συζύγου (αν υπήρχε), ενός καλοσυνάτου Καριώτη συνήθως, που με κάθε τρόπο της έδειχνε την αγάπη του, για να είναι απόλυτα ευτυχισμένη, άσχετα αν αυτή η υπεράνθρωπη προσπάθεια, αυτή

η εξοντωτική δουλειά και η συνεχής έννοια της την γερνούσαν πριν την ώρα της, εικόνα που δεν μου φεύγει ποτέ από το μυαλό, γιατί πάντα με πονούσε, βλέποντάς τες πρόωρα γερασμένες, χωρίς ποτέ να ξεστομίσουν και το παραμικρό παράπονο για τη τύχη τους.

Γιατί πραγματικά οι εικόνες, όπως μου έχουν μείνει ολοζώντανες από τότε, με συγκλονίζουν ακόμη και δεν μπορώ να πιστέψω πως αυτή η μάνα-Ανταίος τα κατάφερνε και ανταποκρινόταν σε τόσες δυσκολίες, που ίσχυαν καθολικά σ' ολόκληρο το νησί. Τι να πρωτοαναφέρει κανείς; Το σπίτι; Ένα μικρό παραδοσιακό Καριώτικο που δεν κάλυπτε ποτέ σχεδόν τις στεγαστικές ανάγκες της οικογενειας και δεν είχε ούτε και τις στοιχειώδεις ανέσεις; Που δεν είχε μπάνιο και η μάνα έπρεπε να κάνει το μπάνιο των παιδιών στη σκάφη; Που η τουαλέτα (ένα πρόχειρο αποχωρητήριο) ήταν έξω και σε απόσταση από το σπίτι; Που δεν είχε θέρμανση παρά μόνο το τζάκι στο οποίο μαγείρευε κιόλας και σαν την αρχαία Εστίαδα έπρεπε να συντηρεί τη φωτιά, με το νυχτόξυλο που δεν έσβηνε ποτέ, φροντίζοντας να υπάρχουν πάντα ξύλα; Το νερό, για πόσιμο και για τις λοιπές ανάγκες του σπιτιού, που έπρεπε να το κουβαλήσει με τη στάμνα ή τον κουβά από αρκετή απόσταση, αφού κανένα σπίτι δεν είχε νερό μέσα; Το πλύσιμο των ρούχων, η περίφημη "μπουγάδα" που γινότανε στο ρέμα, και το χειμώνα, λόγω των συνεχών βροχών δεν γνώριζε πότε θα στεγνώσουν τα ρούχα; Και τέλος, το χειρότερο ίσως το γνωστό "γουμάρι" δηλ. τα κλαδιά για τροφή των οικοσπιτών ζώων που έπρεπε κάθε μέρα σχεδόν να κόψει από το δάσος και να τα μεταφέρει στην πλάτη, δουλειά που συνήθως γινόταν την αυγή προτού ξυπνήσουν τα παιδιά; Κι' όμως, όλα αυτά, τα απίστευτα δύσκολα και κοπιαστικά στην πράξη, αποκλειστικής σχεδόν αρμοδιότητας της μάνας, αντιμετωπίζονταν από αυτήν σαν εντελώς φυσικά, δηλαδή σαν να μην μπορούσαν να ήταν αλλιώς. Τόση ήταν η καλοσύνη και η κατανόησή της, που έμενες αληθινά κατάπληκτος με την πραότητα της χωρίς ποτέ να δείχνει ότι κάνει κάτι σπουδαίο και χωρίς ποτέ να δείχνει κούραση έστω και αν ήταν έτοιμη να καταρρεύσει.

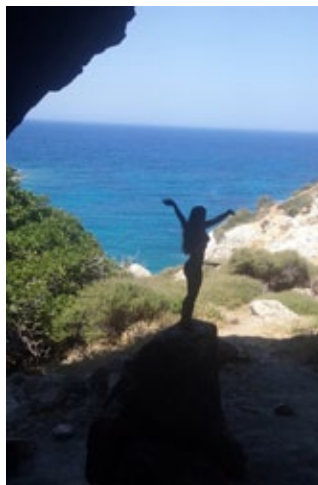
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Εδώ τελειώνει το τάμα μου. Ξέρω πως τα λόγια μου είναι πολύ φτωχά για να δώσουν την ολοκληρωμένη εικόνα και το μεγαλείο της Καριώτισας μάνας, όπως την έζησα και τη θυμάμαι πάντα. Τα καταθέτω όμως από το βάθος της καρδιάς μου σαν ένα "χερόβολο" Καριώτικα αγριολούλουδα αγάπης και σεβασμού στην άγια μνήμη της.

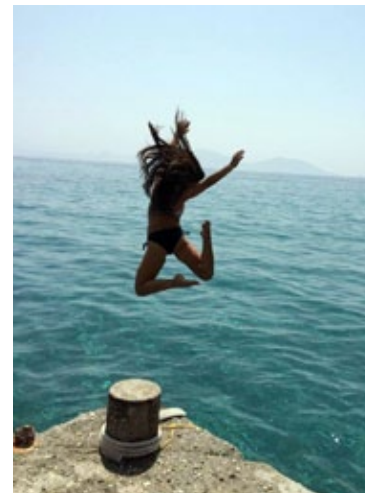


Pan Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros"
ICARIAN SPOTLIGHT

Eliana Fragos is currently a student at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. She is studying exercise sci-



ence and athletic training. Her past year has been full of adventure. During her senior year, she was involved in the National Honor Society, BETA club, KEY club, Spanish club, and the Exceptional Children Buddy club. She has been volunteering with the special Olympics for many years. Eliana took part in varsity track and field, cross country, color guard, and wind ensemble. She was also chosen to be an Azalea "Belle" for the annual North Carolina Azalea festival. Eliana, whose family are members of Chapter Therma, Wilmington, was selected for the AHEPA "Journey to Greece" scholarship, which allowed her to study abroad in Athens, at Webster University, from June 23rd through July 23rd. While there she was able to explore many regions of Greece and traveled to islands such as Poros, Aigina, Hydra, and Santorini.



After her journey in Athens ended, she was able to spend the rest of her summer in Ikaria with her family.

PAN-ICARIAN FOUNDATION OF AMERICA
Scholarship Recipient Letter of Appreciation

January 3, 2017

Pan-Icarian Foundation of America and the family of Kyriaki (Speis) Doumazios
Kyriaki (Speis) Doumazios Memorial Scholarship

Dear Pan-Icarian Foundation,

Thank you for awarding me the Kyriaki (Speis) Doumazios Memorial Scholarship. I am grateful that the Pan-Icarian Foundation has chosen to support me in my educational endeavors. This scholarship will help me in completing my undergraduate program for Mechanical Engineering at Rutgers University. I appreciate the opportunity I have been given, and the support that the Pan-Icarian Foundation provides to the students of its community.

Sincerely,
Yianni Frangos
Chapter Atheras #12
Philadelphia



V.I. Chebithes Chapter #2 of Akron, Ohio
and
Christ E. Aivaliotis Chapter #17 of Columbus, Ohio

jointly invite all Ikarians and their friends to the
114th National Pan-Icarian Brotherhood Convention.

It is being held at the beautiful Hyatt Regency in downtown Columbus, Ohio.

We have lots to see and lots to experience in Columbus,
like the world famous Columbus Zoo and the newly redesigned Art Museum.
Other points of interest are the Nationwide Arena
which houses the Columbus Blue Jackets,
the Columbus Clippers Baseball Stadium, and the famous Ohio State University.



Within walking distance of the Hyatt is the Short North Arts District,
famous for its restaurants, entertainment and art galleries.

For more information visit www.pan-icarian2017.com



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**CHRIST E AIVALIOTIS CHAPTER
ANNUAL GOLF OUTING**

Friday, September 1, 2017

2:00pm

Safari Golf Club

4850 W. Powell Road, Powell, Ohio 43065

- Shotgun Scramble
- \$100 per person
- Golf, Cart, Dinner, Drinks, and Prizes Included
- Shuttle provided from Hyatt Regency Downtown Columbus
- Sign up by August 20th
- Sponsor a Hole!! Contact Mike Moraitis

Send entry form & check payment to:

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Riverwatch Lane

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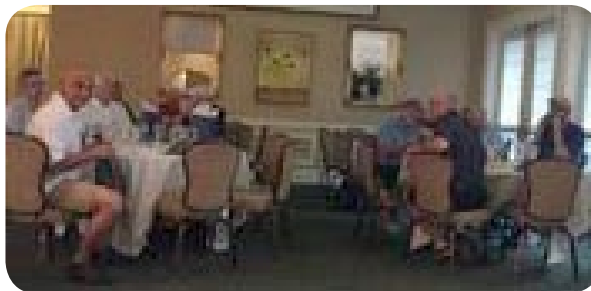
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Helios Chapter, Clearwater Florida
Weekend featuring the Youth Conference, Supreme Lodge Meeting, Glendi and Golf



YOUTH CONFERENCE REPORT

Chapter Helios hosted this year's Youth Leadership Conference February 17-19, 2017 in Clearwater, FL. There were 25 delegates from 13 chapters and roughly 20 additional youth. Representatives came from the east and west coasts and states in between. It was a great success that will surely yield positive outcomes.

On Friday, George Tsambis hosted the group at his restaurant, The Blind Goat. We all shared delicious food and danced to great music by two very special DJs, *Chris Tsambis and Chris Murray*. We laughed late into



the night. It was a wonderful evening and we are so thankful for our hosts.

Our meeting was held on Saturday afternoon at the Chapter Helios leski. I was filled with such pride as I looked into

the nearly full room. In addition to our youth delegates, almost all of the other youth attended as well. Chapter Helios President Linda Murray and Supreme President George Paralemos made opening remarks and shared what drives them to stay active in our beloved organization.



Then we recapped some of the events covered at the last Youth Leadership Conference while sharing a meal graciously prepared by members of Chapter Helios.

We agreed to move forward with our initiative to create and sell merchandise. Funds that we raise will allow us to assist chapters that host future Youth Leadership Conferences and to start having more frequent events. The hope is that by doing so, our youth will build relationships and develop a more deep-rooted commitment to each other and the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood. Lisa Kefalos, Isabella Aivaliotis, Anthoula Vlachos, and Despina Costalas agreed to help with this endeavor.

Old and New Friends at the Blind Goat



Above: Fragos Brothers with Supreme Treasurer Ekaterina Mavrophilipos. At right: Koula Fragos and Stravroura Horiates

We also agreed to continue with the Youth Liaison position. The liaison will be responsible for working with their chapter president to increase participation at the chapter level. They are encouraged to host an event to raise funds for the youth. We agreed to add their contact information to the website; this change will come soon. Currently, we have a Youth Liaison for each of the following chapters:

V.I. Chembithes Chapter 2 – Michal Parianos
 Pharos Chapter 3 – Theodore Poulas
 Pandiki Chapter 5 – Peter Panagopoulos
 Icaros Chapter 7 – Erin Cope
 Therma Chapter 10 – Yianni Fragos
 Lynchos Chapter 11 – Anthoula Vlachos
 Atheras Chapter 12 – Stavroula Horiates
 Nea Ikaria Chapter 15 – Cassandra Geralis
 Lefkas Chapter 16 – Tony Nicholas
 Christ E. Aivaliotis Chapter 17 – Theo Loizos
 Helios Chapter 19 – Nicole Tripodis
 Langada Chapter 23 – Cara Tripodis
 N'Ikaria Chapter 25 – Valanti Atsas

Additionally, our Social Media Committee now consists of two people, Katie Kefalos and Rainia Lardas. We are excited to see what they share! Katie Plakas from the Akron Chapter asked for our assistance during their national convention this year. All agreed to help. Despina Costalas suggested a monthly youth newsletter or Facebook post. She also suggested that people use their experience within their chapter to enhance their resumes and potentially count for internship hours. Anthoula Vlachos suggested an automatic renewal option for membership dues. George Paralemos confirmed that we offer this. Yianni Fragos encouraged the youth to attend meetings at conventions, a suggestion that was well received. PSP Mike Aivaliotis described the roles of the PIB Lodge and Foundation. He also spoke of the importance of the Brotherhood, how it has influenced his life, and our responsibility to maintain its health. Steve Stratakis shared this sentiment and encouraged all to pay their dues, attend chapter and convention meetings, and stay involved.

Finally, we are thrilled to announce an organization-wide service project. We agreed that every chapter should perform a philanthropic project during the month of June. Chapters can host blood drives, donate time to shelters or community beautification projects, etc. This will allow us to give back to the communities that have supported us throughout the years.

It is worth noting that some of the youth opted to stay for the Supreme Lodge meeting following our own. They were engaged, interested, and eager to contribute.

Both the Youth and Supreme Lodge meetings left me with a feeling of empowerment, pride, and assuredness. While I know better than to take things for granted, I am confident that the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood has a healthy and long future. The diversity of our members, our physical distance from each other, and our ever-changing world cannot take away the passion that lives in each of us. I am honored to have seen this truth first hand over the weekend.

The festivities ended with Chapter Helios' 40th Annual Icarian Glendi Dinner Dance, where young and old enjoyed an evening of great food, drink, dance, music and most importantly *parea*! It was a wonderful event.



I would be remiss to not take this opportunity to acknowledge the hard work of Chapter Helios President Linda Murray. Because of her dedication and enthusiasm, we had an unforgettable weekend that will be hard to beat. On behalf of the participants, we extend our utmost gratitude to her and all of the members of Chapter Helios.

Youth Governor Erica Aivaliotis

Hello Brothers and Sisters! We are busy busy busy for us as we continue to plan the 2017 Convention along with Columbus Chapter #17!!

On February 26th, we held our annual membership luncheon and meeting at Niko's Sandwich Board (our unofficial chapter leski). We have almost 50 members in attendance to review our efforts from 2016 and plan ahead for 2017. Chapter officers were re-elected; Evangelia Spithas-Fresty, President; Niko Manolis, Vice-President; Dona Cardone, Treasurer; Andrea Utrup, Secretary. Thank you to all the members who attended and shared ideas with us! We appreciate your enthusiasm!

Over Presidents Day weekend our chapter sent two official (and a few unofficial) delegates to the Youth Conference in Clearwater, FL. Katie Plakas and Michael Parianos represented VI Chembithes proudly! Thank you to you both. We are thrilled that our chapter has young members excited about the future. Both returned with friendships and memories that will last for years!

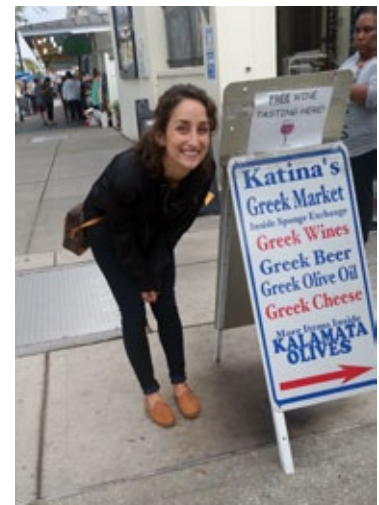
In December our chapter gathered for our annual Christmas party at the Brown Derby in Canton. We ate and drank, discussed convention plans and had a visit from Santa Claus. Adults and kids celebrated Ikarian-style!

Our next meeting will be March 16th and our next chapter event will be an annual lamb-roast in June!

Please book your rooms now for Labor Day weekend 2017 - www.pan-icarian2017.com



*Maryann Plakas & Donna Cardone
at the Chapter Christmas Party*



*Youth
Conference
Delegate
Katie Plakas
in
Tarpon Springs,
Florida*

In 1903, Ioannis Lefes, working in Pittsburgh as a painter at a steel mill owned by US Steel, was killed in an industrial accident at the age of 33, leaving his wife and children alone in Icaria. With no family in the US, the Pittsburgh Icarians gathered funds to give Ioannis Lefes a proper funeral and burial. This was the first unified act of compassion by the Icarians, helping a fellow Icarian brother, and was the impetus to form a society to promote the welfare of all Icarians. Thus, the Icarian Brotherhood of America was established.

A call to all LEFES Family Members

I am working on a family tree and would love your help! There are not many of us left so PLEASE contact me if your ancestry includes a Lefes in your family.

Chrissa Lefes (District 1 Governor)
(914) 582-9334 or email CHSJLS@AOL.COM





SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America will hold our 114th Supreme Convention at the Hyatt Regency Columbus Downtown, September 1st- 4th, 2017. Our “Forever Young” themed weekend boasts a vibrant location and activities, entertainment, and cultural connection for all ages.

Since 1903, this annual event brings together people of Icarian descent in a unique, family reunion-meets-fundraiser gathering. In, 2017 we anticipate setting record numbers, with several thousand in attendance, and strong “official” involvement by registered delegates.

Sponsorship is an opportunity to promote your business or organization to an energetic, loyal community while helping the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood continue our philanthropic endeavors across North America and Greece.

Thank you.

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Happy New Year from the members of Chapter Pharos. Hoping we've all survived the winter unscathed. We here in Cleveland are getting ready for our annual Independence Day Dance to be held on Saturday, March 25th at the Annunciation Church Hall. Hoping to see you all there. We're very excited that Peter Karnavas will be joining us with his "violi."

We've also been busy renovating the house located on our property, and hope to have it ready in early spring.



In early December we hosted a get-together in conjunction with our monthly meeting celebrating all the December Name Days and Christmas.



We had appetizers and desserts and, of course, our famous loukoumades made by our own Eleftheria Tsantes. Thank you, Eleftheria. This was also a fundraiser for our fellow Ikarian, John Ploutis from Indiana. We're all praying for you, John.

We hosted our annual New Year's Eve party and had many members in attendance. Even our very young Ikarians stayed up late to ring in the new year.



The younger members of the club hosted a Super Bowl Party in February. It's nice to see the youngsters get involved.



We also sent two of our members to the Youth Conference in Florida.

Greetings to all from sunny Warren, Ohio's
Daedalos Chapter #4

We missed the submission deadline for the magazine's previous edition because the chapter was sidetracked with a cold fusion project...we think we are pretty close to solving the world energy problems. In either case, we have a lot to catch up on.

Congratulations to New York for hosting a wonderful convention. Almost half of the Warren chapter's members attended and everyone had an amazing time in an amazing city hosted by an amazing chapter!



*Terri Platis and Chapter President Fontini Facaros
address members at the summer picnic*

We hosted our annual picnic in July and were excited to have then-Supreme President Terry Platis and then-Youth Governor George Karnavas in attendance.

The members asked a lot of questions and even though we weren't able to roast a goat as planned, we made due with hamburgers and soufiko.

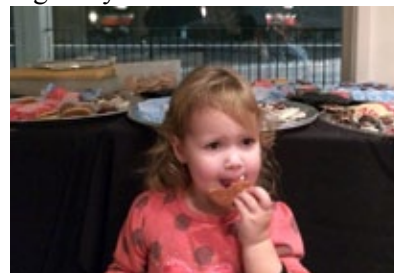
*Pete Mitchell
staying young*



We hosted our first dance the weekend after the convention and even though we didn't get as many people as we had hoped, everyone had a great time.

Many thanks to all the members who dedicated their time in helping plan and work this event...never is there a bad event when live music is played.

We had a snow-filled Christmas dinner with delicious food and wonderful conversation which centered on the presidential election, and as tasty as the food was, one of the younger members couldn't help from staying away from the cookies.



*Sophia Facaros
...cookies first*

We are looking forward to an exciting 2017, the upcoming Cleveland dance, the upcoming Pittsburgh mini-convention and the Columbus convention... all while sipping tsipouro and working on that cold fusion project in between.



Pandiki hosted a Coat Drive. Icarians donated coats to make sure those in need stay warm during the harsh winter. The drive was spearheaded by District Governor Chrissa Lefes.



Saturday, December 10, 2016; Pandiki hosted a Blood Drive. Icarians and local residents came out to help with this urgent need as the blood supply is critically low.



We were happy to host a Loukoumades fundraiser. Proceeds will be donated to the Foundation and Athletic Group of Mesaria 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.



The event was was put together by the leadership of District Governor Chrissa Lefes.

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.





Many Icarians chose the warm atmosphere
of our club to ring in the New Year
with friends and family.
What is more Icarian than
dancing our way into the New Year.



February 5, 2017 – 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.



Richard Reilly celebrated his 80th birthday at the NY Convention with 27 family members and three friends. Missing was grandson Christopher Bailey, a Marine serving in Iraq.



Richard's Ikarian connection is his wife Gloria Maria Mavrikis, daughter of George K. Mavrikis & Costia Papalas daughter of Anthony J. Papalas.

The celebration also included two graduations.



Liam Bailey (above left) son of Christina Reilly Bailey & Chris Bailey, graduated from Sayville H.S. and is now attending Maritime College.

Chad Stevens (left) graduated Brooklyn College and is the son of Theresa Reilly Stevens & Scott Stevens.



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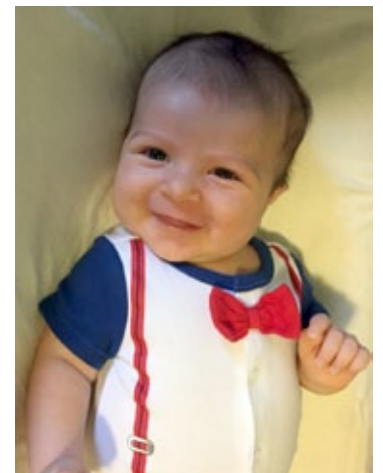
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Chapter members celebrated Christmas 2016



Congratulations to Hillary and Chris Hart on the birth of their daughter, Kelsie Marie Hart, born December 13, 2016, in Columbus, Ohio. Paternal Grandparents are Dave and Georgiann (Pasvanis) Hart of Steubenville, Ohio

Welcome to the Doliche Family! Tommy Kotsanis born November 7, 2016. Parents are Tom & Jen Kotsanis, Big Sister is Lilliana. Grandparents are Tom & Stacey Kotsanis and Fred & Susan Schoppe



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 a chicken marsala dinner on November 20, 2016, hosted by the family of John and Vasiliki Viores, our annual Pizza with Santa Party on December 10, 2016, and our annual Super Bowl Party on February 5, 2017.

Upcoming events include a dinner on March 26, 2017 hosted by the Kouknas/Karakatsanis families, and our annual Memorial Weekend Mini Convention (see 'Save the Dates' info within this issue).

Chapter Icaros elections took place on February 5, 2017. The officers are: President Georgia Barlamas, Vice President Joanne Melacrinis, Treasurer Niko Kouknas, Corresponding Secretary Anna Aivaliotis, Recording Secretary Lisa Kefalos.

Congratulations go out to Cory and John Vlahos on the birth of their son Zachary, born October 11, 2016.

We were greatly saddened by the loss of long-time member Nickolas Pandeladis. May his memory be eternal.

Submitted by Chapter Secretary Anna Aivaliotis

SAVE THE DATES!

**Join Pittsburgh's Chapter Icaros for the 42nd
Annual Memorial Weekend Mini Convention Dance**

Sunday, May 28, 2017

Dormition of the Holy Theotokos Greek Orthodox Church Hall, Oakmont, PA

Live Greek Music with the Panigiri Orchestra,
Featuring Victoria Mavrogeorgis on Violi!

For more info, contact Michelle Kotsagrelis at 412-680-1416 or mmk8317@hotmail.com

**Join Pittsburgh's Chapter Icaros for the 17th Annual
Memorial Weekend Steve Manners Icarian Golf Open**

Saturday, May 27, 2017

Westwood Golf Club
<http://westwoodlinks.com>

For more information, contact Anna Aivaliotis at 412-310-7290 or annaca@pitt.edu

We look forward to seeing you over Memorial Weekend and hope you will support Chapter Icaros by placing an ad in the Mini Convention Ad Album and/or sponsoring a hole at the Golf Open (see forms within this issue).

Fun crowd for our annual Super Bowl Party, where we debuted our new floor, tables, and big screen TV!



Enjoying the Super Bowl Party. From left: Judi Contes, Elaine Aivaliotis, Katherine Manners and Michelle Kotsagrellos.



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Full house at the November dinner, hosted by the family of John and Vasiliki Viores



Our youth enjoying the November dinner. From left: Katerina and Georgia Tsambis, Victoria and Christos Mavrogeorgis, and Martina and Leyla Fevola



The lovely Barlamas family preparing a delicious chicken marsala dinner on November 20. From left: Connie, Alex, Kosta, Georgia, and Diane



Ryan and Angie (Karakatsanis) Katora of Washington, D.C. welcomed twins on April 24, 2016. Paraskevas Paul Katora (far left) and Grammatiki Mary Katora (far right) were born at 4:11 PM and 4:12 PM, respectively. Proud grandparents are Paraskevas "Perry" and Grammatiki "Titika" (Kouknas) Karakatsanis & Jeff and Terri Katora, all of Pittsburgh, PA. Just when they thought it couldn't get any better, Perry and Titika became a pappou and yiayia for the third time when they were blessed with another new grandson! On October 21, 2016,



Bill and Smaro (Karakatsanis) Caras of Great Falls, VA welcomed their first little boy, Zachary William Caras (center) to the world. Zach's other pappou and yiayia, George and Sophie Caras of West Palm Beach, FL, are overjoyed as well! Na mas zisoun!

Annual Santa Party



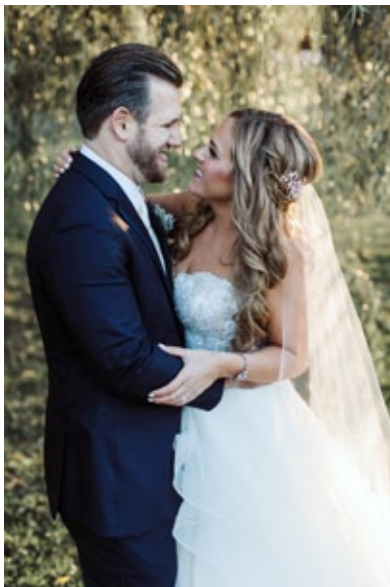
Greetings from Detroit to all our fellow Ikarians . We would like to wish everyone a happy and prosperous New Year.

First of all, we would like to extend our condolences to the family of William (Binky) Papalas who passed away last year. Binky was originally from Warren, Ohio, but came to work for the John A. Papalas company years ago. He was a dear, sweet man and will truly be missed.

Every January we celebrate the name days of all of our members named Nickolas, Steve, Gregory, Vasili, and John. Every year we are able to plan a great party with lots of wonderful food, music, and para. This is something we all anticipate during the dark days of winter. This year was not a disappointment. It's always so great to see everyone and celebrate their special days.



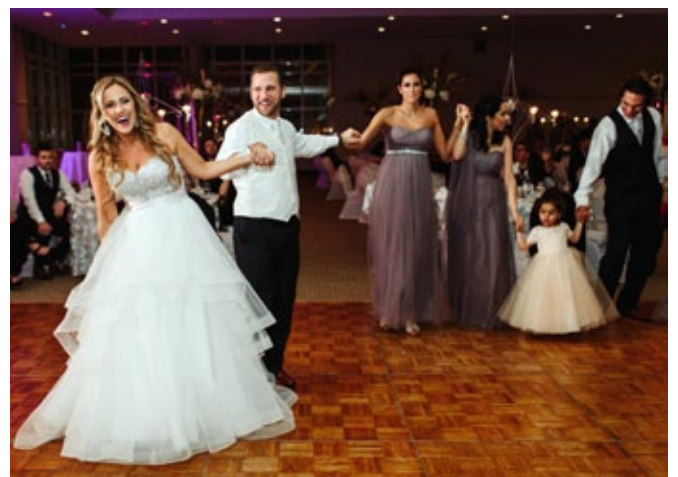
On November 12th many of us joined together for the wedding of Anthea Mourselas and Jason Paul from Edmonton Canada. Anthea and Jason were married at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church in Windsor, Ontario, Canada.



The koumbada was Marina Tsapalaris from Chicago, and the Maid of Honor was Thea's long time best friend, Antonia Kyrlangitses. The reception was held at the Saint Clair Center for the Arts, also in Windsor, which had an awesome view of the Detroit skyline from across the river. Music was provided by the Levendes, the food was amazing, and everyone had a great time.

The bride and groom left for a long honeymoon in December which included trips to Hawaii, Fiji, New Zealand, and Australia, where they welcomed in the New Year at the Sydney Opera

House. They couple plans to stay in Las Vegas for a while until they decide where they eventually want to settle.



Our next planned events are our annual macaronada for March 17th and the goat roast which will be planned for Saturday, June 24th at the Icarian hall. The goat roast will coincide with the annual Downriver Cruise. Join us for great food and a fun party. If you're interested in seeing some beautiful classic cars cruising by, this is the place to be.

Submitted by Katherine Mourselas

"Happy New Year 2017! We wish everyone good health and Icarian happiness!

Our chapter has been busy this past year. In July we held our annual memorial service for all of the departed members of our chapter. May their memories be eternal!

Our delegates had a wonderful time in New York at the convention. Upon returning, we had our picnic and we got the reports from New York.

The Christmas dinner was a successful and fun night!



We managed to raise \$600 to help three families with our church so that they could have a happy holiday.

We also held our 2017 elections and now we have some new officers. They are as follows:



George Livanos-President, Yianni Fragos and Angelo Horiates-Co-Vice Presidents, Kay Saffo Skandalakis-Secretary, and Peter Malahias-Treasurer. We would like to thank our outgoing President, Jack Poulos for his years of service.

We also had some exciting things happen this past year.



In March, Angelique Skandalakis, daughter of Kay Saffo Skandalakis and Mitch Skandalakis, became engaged to Louis Simpson, who is a Hospital Corpsman Chief in the United States Navy. They are to be married in June of this year. Angelique's 5 year old daughter, Mia, will serve as the flower girl. We are very happy for them all!

In July, Dean David Poulos, son of Jack and Danielle Poulos was baptized. He is the grandson of Mike and Pat Poulos.

November saw a double baptism of two cousins, Antonis Tsahas and Maria Antonia Karafas. Proud grandparents are Maria and Tony Karafas.

In December we welcomed a new Icarian, Elena Sophia! She is the daughter of Josh and Aimee Tracy. The proud grandparents are Sophie Fragos Tracy and Ernie Tracy.



Julia Colton married Nicholas Batuyios on New Year's Eve. In true Icarian fashion, it was quite the party! We wish them a lifetime of happiness.

In 2017 we lost a fellow Icarian. We wish to extend our sympathy to Tony Saffo and family on the passing of his father, George A. Saffo ("Duke"). May his memory be eternal.

In closing, we wish everyone a happy and healthy 2017, and hopefully happy spring to all!

Submitted by Kay Saffo Skandalakis "

Chapter Atheras has been fortunate to have several successful events. We hosted the annual George Saffos Golf Tournament in October. This event raises money for the chapter and promotes healthy competition among its members.

Chapter Atheras hosted a Beef and Beer fund raiser to



Atheras was able to donate \$5000 to the Plutis family medical fund. We hope this small amount will help in some way for this young man's treatment and recovery.



Foundation Vice Chair George Horiates with Atheras leadership \$5000 to St. Thomas Greek Orthodox Church of Cherry Hill, NJ

The New Year's Eve bash was another successful event with over 100 members participating. They enjoyed live music by several Atheras members, delicious food and of course dancing!



Maria Mantagas leads the dance with parents Dimitiri and Elena Mantagas



Nick S Pasamihalis and Angelo G Frangos celebrate New Year's Eve

We hosted our annual Super Bowl Hoagie sale. This is always a favorite among our members young and old.

(Right) Chapter President Nick Gasparinatos makes hoagies for the Super Bowl party



benefit the Plutis Medical Fund. With the generous combination of its members as well as the Chapter,

Our annual Ikariotiko dance with participation not only from our Atheras Chapter members, but also from our neighboring chapters and local community!



Left to right. Supreme President George Paralemos, Theologos Horiates, and Atheras President Nick Gasparinatos



Congratulations to Nick S and Ourania Pasamihalis on



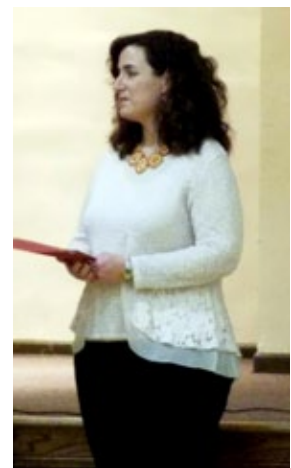
the christening of their daughter Stavroula Despina. Proud godparents are George Timothy Horiates, Kaliope Kritian and Vasilia Kokolis. Na znsei!

Chapter Atheras would like to congratulate two Greek School teachers that are Atheras members that received teacher of the year award. His Eminence Archbishop Evangelo presented the award to them



(Left) Christina Horiates received the award last year

Eleni Mantagas was this year's recipient of the Greek School Teacher of the Year



In November Chapter Lefkas hosted its annual dance at St. Katherines in Falls Church in conjunction with a meeting of the Supreme Lodge. Over 200 people attended from as far as North Carolina and Pittsburgh!!



The entertainment was provided by Mortes with member Theologos Fragkos playing the bouzouki and Giannis Fragkos on the violin.



We hosted the Supreme Lodge earlier in the day beginning with Lunch at the Capitol Brewing Company followed by a tour of the 2018 convention hotel, The Grand Hyatt in Washington, DC, and a Supreme Lodge quarterly meeting.



On December 4th we had the Christmas Dinner at the Ikaros Restaurant in Baltimore. The para and food was excellent. Thank you to Xeno Kohilas for hosting us.



On Sunday December 4, our fourth combined meeting of the Columbus Chapter #17 and the Akron Chapter #2 was held at the home of Marino and Jackie Moraitis to discuss plans for the upcoming 2017 convention in Columbus, Ohio. The meeting was well attended and a huge success. Thank you to all who attended. By Jackie Moraitis



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Helios Chapter enjoyed a wonderful Christmas party pot luck meeting in December. The children visited with Santa Claus as he gave them each a special toy.

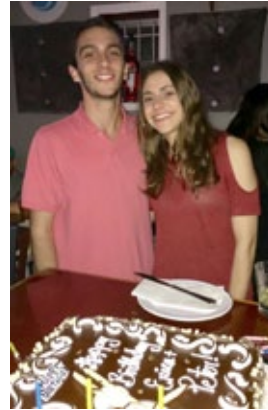
We also held our elections. Our new officers for 2017 are: President Dr. Linda Tripodis Murray, 1st Vice President Ann Andreson, 2nd Vice President Jim Mavres, Recording

Secretary Harry Portellos, Treasurer Mary Christopher, Corresponding Secretary Anna Tripodis, Membership Chairman Kathy Manolis. Officers for the Board are: PSP John Sakutis, PSP Sonja Stefanadis, Gus Tsambis, Lynne Stenger, Kaliope Poulianos.



January 28, 2017, two of our members, PSP Dr. Stanton Tripodis and our chapter president, Dr. Linda Tripodis Murray, were interviewed on WTAN 1340 a.m. radio by Mr. Steve Marmarinos who is the former editor of the Greek Herald in New York City about the history of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood as well as fundraising projects of Helios Chapter #19. They also discussed the 40th Glendi Dinner Dance Weekend activities which took place on February 17-19, 2017.

February 17, 2017 the Pan-Icarian Youth all enjoyed a night at the Blind Goat Restaurant in Tampa, FL which is owned by Helios members: Gus Tsambis and his son George Tsambis. The welcome night was a great time for youth to get to know each other. They danced to the



sounds of DJ's Chris Tsambis and Chris Murray. We also celebrated the birthdays of Erica Aivaliotis, Youth Governor from Icaros Chapter in Pittsburgh, and Peter Tripodis, Langada Chapter in Atlanta, GA.

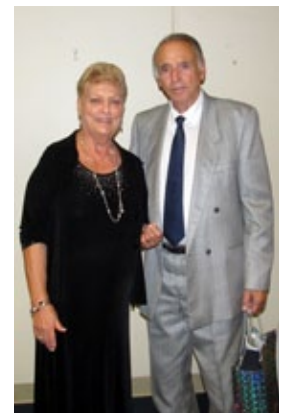
Saturday, February 18, the Pan-Icarian Youth conference lead by the Youth Governor, Erica Aivaliotis conducted their meeting at our Leski. Erica

did an outstanding job. There were 25 delegates who

represented their respective chapters. They discussed new fundraising ideas and why it's important to become more active in their chapters. The Supreme Lodge also conducted their meeting lead by Supreme President George Paralemos of New York, Pandiki Chapter. A delicious lunch prepared by Charlotte Pardos, Nick Plutis, and Thomas Tsakalos. was served to the youth and the supreme lodge. Thank you to Steve and Helen Parianos, Stanley Pardos, Harry Portellos, Rini Xilas, and Lynne Stenger who helped.



Our 40th Glendi Dinner Dance took place on February 18, 2017 at Spanos-Pappas Community Center in Tarpon Springs, FL. PSP Stanton Tripodis and current Supreme President George Paralemos presented Sculptor John Houtrides with a beautiful plaque in appreciation for the exquisite statue of Icaros that was donated to our Leski and commissioned by PSP



Sonja Stefanadis in memory of her beloved husband, PSP Gus Stefanadis.

Leonidas Tsantiris entertained our guests on the violi as they danced to the Ikariotiko.



The kefi was felt by all those in attendance! Young and old enjoyed themselves.



Steve & Helen Parianos on a volunteer shift



Charlotte Pardos

Gus Tsambis

*Manolis men
arrived early to
help with prep;
John, Michael
and Alex*



Perry Kratsis and Dean Andreson



*Andrew Thomas, PSP George Koklanaris,
Steve Burgess and PSP Emmanuel Aivaliotis*

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to help us host a memorable 40th Anniversary Winter Glendi, Youth and Supreme Lodge Conference, and Golf Tournament! We could not have done this without you.
Respectfully submitted,
Linda Tripodis Murray, Chapter President

A very special thank you to Niki Plutis who was the editor of our beautiful 40th Glendi Ad Album and to everyone who helped make our event a success.

On Sunday, February 19, Helios Chapter hosted the George Aivaliotis Golf Tournament. The golfers enjoyed a great day of golf at Wentworth Golf and Country Club in Tarpon Springs, FL. Thank you to Gus Tsambis who organized the event and to Ann and Dean Andreson, Harry Portellos, Kaliope Poulianos, Nick Caggia, and Mary Christopher for assisting with the Golf Tournament. We thank all of our sponsors who helped make this event possible.

Maria Tripodis, daughter of PSP Dr. Stan and Anna Tripodis, graduated December 2016 from Florida International University, Miami, with a Master of Science in Dietetics and Nutrition. She began working in January as the head Dietitian at Miami Medical Center. Her family and friends are very proud of her and wish her much success!




Greetings Brothers and Sisters from Houston, Texas, proud host of Super Bowl LI.

All is quiet with our small Kavo-Papas Chapter, well that is until we have our Bake Sale which is held annually on the Sunday before Thanksgiving. All members come together and bake wonderful Greek goodies for the congregation of the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church in Houston. These wonderful church goers are excited to see us every year and help our small chapter by buying our wide array of homemade baked goods.

On a another note, just this week I saw two different news feeds featuring our Beautiful island of Ikaria and how it is referred to as a Blue Zone. My heart feels with pride watching these news stories and knowing that is our island they are focused on.

Submitted by Isabel Mitchell





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On December 11th, we had the Ikarian children's Christmas party with a suprise visit from Santa. Our ikariotakia played together in the playground, enjoyed food and treats and then got to open their presents. Big smiles all around!



On February 19th, we had a chapter meeting and cut the vasilopita. It was nice seeing fellow ikarians and catching up on everyone's news.



Sissy Makris accepted the role of our new secretary. We discussed the upcoming ikariotiko panagiri the Toronto chapter will be hosting on Saturday May 20th, 2017. We are very excited that Nikos Facaros will be flying from Greece to play the violin at our event. Can't wait to dance the ikariotiko!



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Ήρθαν δημοσιογράφοι απ'όλο τον κόσμο
και τους είπαμε ότι το μυστικό της
μακροζωίας μας είναι ο ελληνικός καφές, τα βότανα κι ο μεσημεριανός ύπνος
και αυτοί το 'χαψαν... Δεν τους είπαμε όμως όλη την αλήθεια!
Το μυστικό μας κρύβεται στον χορό και το καλό κρασί

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Langada Chapter held its first meeting of the year at the White House restaurant in Buckhead. The meeting was well attended, with several members returning to the fold after a few years away.

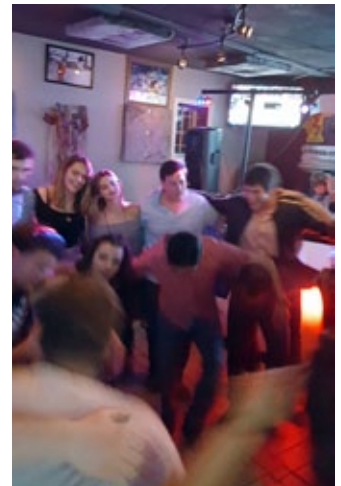
Our past chapter president, Steve Alexander recently became a papou with the birth of Phoenix "Phoenoula" Alexander, beautiful daughter of Mr and Mrs Constantine Alexander. We are always excited for new members. Speaking of new members, we recently had



Laura Maggois-Finch and Elena Champagne join our midst. They are both bringing new ideas and energy to our chapter.

This February we sent two delegates, Cara and Peter Tripodis, to the National Youth conference in Clearwater Florida. The conference was highly successful with

attendees from around the country. A welcome reception held Friday night at the Blind Goat pub of George Tsambis kicked things off. Saturday followed with conferences and a dance Saturday night. A golf tournament was held Sunday with over 40 golfers participating. A very successful weekend for all.



Langada Chapter is making plans for its annual diplo bake sale which is always a huge success.

Submitted by Chris Tripodis

Ikarian Spotlight

Hobby, sport, travel, creativity, internship, achievement, mission, discovery, adventure...

Ikarians have all of these in abundance.

If you or someone you know would like to share these highlights or other items with fellow Ikarians in the Spotlight feature of this magazine please contact the Editor at IkariaMag@tampabay.rr.com

Panagia, Chapter #26 (Buffalo, New York) has had a very busy and enjoyable winter season, celebrating Christmas and New Years with family events and Chapter gatherings.



We held a meeting at the Skaros household, where we discussed the upcoming National Convention, Cleveland's annual Independence Day

dance, and possibly going to visit our Ikarian neighbors to the North (Nisos Ikaria – Toronto, Ontario) this spring. Many of our members are looking forward to attending each of these events and have already begun making plans to do so.

Even though we had a mild winter in Buffalo, New York, our youngest chapter members are looking forward to the upcoming spring baseball and soccer season.



We would like to wish our fellow Ikarian brothers and sisters, a healthy and happy year in 2017, and look forward to seeing everyone at all the upcoming chapter and national events.



Share Your Stories With Us!

Last year the Supreme Lodge asked members to share their individual stories with the Brotherhood. So far we have received numerous stories, but we know that there are thousands more. So please share your stories with us!! Please send us quotes, vignettes and/or short anecdotes about your Ikarian relatives/friends (or yourself) which you believe in some way chronicle or reflect the Ikarian spirit and that you would like to share with your fellow Brothers and Sisters. For example, you could send us:

Quotes – that inspire, make us laugh, etc.

Advice – on life, matters of the heart, etc.

Memories – of Conventions, dances, picnics, family life, friendship, etc.

Stories – of Ikarians fleeing war and economic hardship in Greece, of their immigrant lives here in the U.S. and Canada, both the challenges and the triumphs, of returning to, or traveling to, Ikaria for the first time, etc.

And those are just some of the possibilities. The quotes/stories can be inspiring, heartbreaking, funny or all three! There is no limit to how many quotes/vignettes/anecdotes you are allowed to submit, however, please limit each individual quote/story to a couple of sentences or one paragraph at the maximum.

The exact format of how these stories will eventually be shared with the members of the Brotherhood is a work in progress and will depend on how many stories we receive. We hope to one day compile these stories into some type of publication that touches, entertains and inspires our members, chronicles the Ikarian experience in the U.S./Canada, and provides people with a glimpse of some of the amazing personal/family histories of Ikarians in the U.S. and Canada. We also hope that this project will serve as inspiration for some of you to record your own individual family histories, if you haven't already done so, so that you can preserve those stories for future generations. Please send submissions to Past Supreme President Terry Platis by email at terryplatis@hotmail.com and don't forget to include your name and chapter.

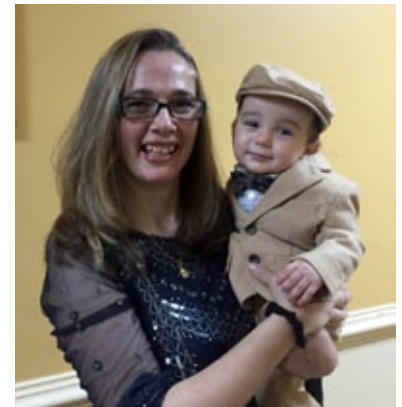
Thank you for your help! We hope that all members will participate in this project!

It is with great pleasure that George and Jan Alexiou announce the wedding of their eldest daughter Melena to Michael Ammons on September 23, 2016 in Raleigh, North Carolina. Melena was born in Pittsburgh and lived with her many Ikarian relatives in Adelaide, Australia until age 5. Melena is the granddaughter of Angeliki Alexiou, nee Tsounis, from Frantato, Ikaria who emigrated to Australia in the mid 1930's and lived there until her death in 2012. We are very grateful to our Ikarian relatives who traveled from Pittsburgh and Virginia Beach to be with us at the wedding.



Cousins bonding: Stelio Bredologos, Louie Halvas, George Halvas, and Darek Alexiou

Congratulations to Kelly Pedos and Stelianos Bredologos, and big sisters Evangelia and Eirini, on the baptism of son Alexandros Stefanos. Godparents are Dr. Spero and Ami Tryphonas. Na mas zhsh o neofoths!



Our chapter is holding its annual fundraiser for the Annette Mavrophilipos Memorial Dance Scholarship. We sell illuminarios "In Health of" and "In Memory of" to light the procession on Holy Friday. Proceeds go to scholarships to graduating seniors from our Cathedral's dance troupe.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the convention in Ohio!

Do you have photos from Ikaria that you'd like to share in this magazine? They can be old or new, village or beach, panegyri or mountain hike, from the air, land or sea, people, churches, goats, olive trees, friends and family at home or a cafe; anything Ikarian. Please contact the Editor at IkariaMag@tampabay.rr.com



IN MEMORY OF



Nickolas (Nicko) Pandeladis

Nickolas (Nicko) Pandeladis was born in Perdiki Ikaria on November 1, 1930. Nickolas was the youngest child of Leonidas and Aikaterina (Tripoulas) Panteladis. His three loving sisters were Kaliope Skaros, Angeliki Papalas and Zacharoula Tsantes.

Nickolas lived in Ikaria as a child and during the hard times of the occupation. After the war, he traveled with his parents and sister Zacharoula to the United States as American war refugees. They arrived in New York City on February 2, 1947. It was an eye opening experience. New York was not Ikaria and to top it off he had never seen snow like he encountered in his life.

The family settled briefly in Camden, New Jersey and then moved to Verona, Pennsylvania. Nicko lived the remainder of his life in the Pittsburgh region as a life-long member of Chapter 7 Icaros. Nicko quickly acclimated to life as an American and became an avid baseball fan and especially of his beloved Pirates. One of his fondest memories was of the 1960s World Series where the underdog Pirates beat the dynastic Yankees in seven games. While many people who were not in Forbes Field on October 13, 1960, alleged to have seen Bill Mazeroski hit the only walk-off home run in World Series Game 7 history, Nicko was maybe the only person who was there who admitted that he did not see the ball flying over Yogi Berra's head and out of the park because he had to leave in the top of the ninth because he was working a split shift and had to get to work at the Pittsburgh Athletic Association. "Big Nick" was a fixture at the PAA having worked there for 55 years after having lied about his age in 1948 in order to get a job there as a seventeen year old kid.



In 1966, Nicko married his loving wife of the next 50 plus years Georgia Stefanakos. He took his Spartan bride and quickly indoctrinated her into being Ikarian. They had two children, Catherine Elaine and Leonidas (Leo) Pandeladis.

In the early 1960s Nicko became a member of the Masonic Lodge and was subsequently inducted in the Shriners. He also became a member of AHEPA around the same time and was active in both organizations the rest of his life. Nicko was an active member of Saint Nickolas Cathedral in the Oakland neighborhood of Pittsburgh as well as the Dormition of the Theotokos in Oakmont, Pennsylvania. After his retirement, he cooked for both of the Churches' Food Festivals including making thousands of lamb shanks for Oakmont Church over the years.

Nicko passed away in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania on December 21, 2016. He will be missed for his gentle ways and the smile that was always on his face as evidenced by the way small children were always drawn to him despite his being a tall and rather large man who should have otherwise been intimidating to them. The sorrow of his passing is only buttressed by the knowledge of his being with his loved ones and friends who predeceased him and knowing that he has found a hell of a pinochle game with those guys.

Submitted by Leo Pandeladis



IN MEMORY OF



Theofanis (Ted) S. Lukes (Loukatsos)

Ted Lukes, was born on February 21, 1927 in Mobile, Alabama, to Stefanos and Ourania Loukatsos, (Lukes) of Kountouma and Xilosirti, Ikaria. Ted fell asleep in the Lord on October 10, 2016, surrounded by family and friends.



As a young child, Ted's family moved back to Greece during the Great Depression and he was raised in the village of Xilosirti. The family returned to the United States after the Depression and settled in New York. While in high school, World War II broke out and he was called to serve our country during his senior year of school. He served in the United States Army, achieving the rank of T-5 Tech Corporal. After the war, he returned home, graduated high school and later attended College under the G.I. Bill. He later obtained his pilot's license and would often take his Ikarian friends for plane rides.

While still single, Ted owned and operated two bakeries in New York City. During the summer of 1952, he went with his family on vacation to Ikaria, met and fell in love with Poppy (Bratsis). They celebrated for two days with a traditional Ikarian wedding, in which most of the people on the island attended. He returned to the United States, brought his bride to New York and set about raising his family.

Ted worked for the Union News Bakery and later owned and operated the Automatic Car Wash in Maspeth, New York. Ted later worked for Metropolitan Life Insurance and soon opened the Lukes Real Estate, Insurance, Notary Public and Income Tax office in Jackson Heights, New York and later in Astoria, New York, until his retirement.

Ted will always be remembered for his willingness to immediately drop whatever he was doing, in order to help anyone in need, giving valuable information and advice. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle. He is survived by his loving wife of 63 years Poppy; their two children, Irene (Ioannis) Flytzanis, Stephen (Brenda) Lukes, his grandchildren, Nicholas, Kally Elli, Daniel, and Theo and his sister Mary Stamoulis, along with many nephews and nieces. He is deeply missed by all who knew him. May his memory be eternal.





IN MEMORY OF



George D. Gemelas

George D. Gemelas passed away on August 24, 2016, at the age of 91, in Cleveland, Ohio. He was born in 1924, in Chrisostomos, Ikaria to Dimitrios and Stella Gemelas and was the oldest brother to four boys, Nick, Gus, Spiro, and John. As a teenager, George began working to help support his family. When he was



15 he got a permit to sail on boats and ships and began working as a crew member on several vessels. When World War II occurred and Germany occupied Greece in April 1941, George continued to work as a sailor until shipping ceased due to the war. Upon George's return home, his personal martyrdom began. Now seven people in his family were destitute with little food to eat. For the next seven months one "paximathe" and wild greens with olive oil were rationed for the day. In 1942, George's father began to swell from malnutrition and starvation. Thus George made the decision to go to the Middle East.



George found a villager with a 20 foot boat who agreed to take the whole family, along with seventeen others, to Turkey. The family hid the boat in a cove so the Italians would not see it and waited three weeks for the weather to clear.

During a lull the family decided to depart. Each member went one by one at night, gathering their clothes hidden in tree branches and caves and boarded the boat. February 2, 1942, the boat embarked for Turkey in blustery weather. While en route the storm worsened. Instead of sailing southeast as planned, ferocious winds forced the boat to go northeast while the passengers below prayed. After staying some time as refugees in the town of Tsesmes he and his

family were moved to the island of Cyprus.

In March of 1942, at the age of seventeen, George was drafted into the infantry of the Second Brigade of the Greek Army. He fought under the English General Montgomery, Allied Commander of North Africa, through the end of World War II, and was finally able to return to Greece in early 1946.



George went back to work on boats to fulfill a two-year requirement to sail on cargo ships. George then landed jobs as a cook on different ships and worked as a sailor until he abandoned ship in 1953, while docked in Baltimore, Maryland in hopes of a better life. He went to Pittsburgh, and then to Cleveland, where he met the love of his life at a Greek picnic sponsored by the Pan-Ikarian Brotherhood. George married Sophia Gerakis in 1954, and they settled down in Brooklyn, Ohio, where they had three children; Jim, Faye, and Gus. George worked to



learn the English language and received his United States citizenship. He then petitioned for his brothers to immigrate to the United States and eventually his parents obtained visas to visit him and his family, too. Over the years George worked several jobs as a cook, a dishwasher, and a sweeper until he became a mechanic for General Electric. He worked there for 25 years until his retirement. In retirement, George enjoyed bowling, gardening, hunting, and watching boxing. He was known by family and friends for his extraordinary cooking. George also made several trips back to Ikaria over the course of his life, often with his family.

George is survived by his two brothers Spiro and John, his loving wife Sophia, to whom he was married for 62 years, his three children, Jim, Faye, and Pharos members Gus and Debbie Gemelas, seven grandchildren, Chris, Alex, George, Nick, Sophia Alexis, Dina, and Dean, and great-granddaughter, Bella. His loving memory will be eternal in the hearts and minds of those who knew him. Submitted by grand daughter Sophia Alexis Gemelas





IN MEMORY OF



John N Contogianes

2/7/58 - 7/28/15

Gone too soon



John was the devoted son of Helen and Nick, and brother to Irene Contogianes of Port Jefferson, NY. He fought his disease bravely and with dignity.



John was an avid outdoorsman.

He liked to fish, sail, skeet-shoot, motocross, motorcycle, mountain bike, ski, and enjoyed many other sports.

After leaving Port Jefferson, John graduated college with a Business degree from the University of South Florida in Tampa. From there he went on to manage restaurants in Tampa and Atlanta for over 25 years before returning to Clearwater, Florida to work in whole food sales.



John forged many close bonds along the way and still remained in touch with his original buddies from high school. He certainly knew how to live life to the fullest. He is deeply missed by family and friends. Sail the universe, John. Hope you are still smiling.

Irene Contogianes



IN MEMORY OF



John Chrysochoos

John Chrysochoos, who as a University of Toledo chemistry professor, was respected for his teaching and research, and who in retirement was a prolific author of many books including autobiography, fiction, and nonfiction, passed away unexpectedly on October 23rd, 2017, in his West Toledo home. He was 82. Earlier in the day, he went for a walk through the neighborhood and then picked vegetables from his garden. Although he retired in 2004 he continued to regularly work at his University of Toledo office.

“One of his passions when he left academia was to write outside the realm of technical papers and abstracts,” his son Michael said. “It’s something he always wanted to do.” Dr. Chrysochoos’ first book, *Beyond the Blue Ikarian Sea*, tells of growing up on the Greek island of Ikaria, where his youth was interrupted by the German and Italian occupation of World War II. “Our mother always told him that he should write about his life experiences, which was the focus of his first book,” his daughter Irene remembered. His family was later rescued by the British and relocated as refugees to Palestine, then under British control. That experience “gave him a lot of insight and empathy to what was going on in the world,” his son said.

“He was a proud American, but understood and experienced much of the rest of the world.” Back on Ikaria after the war, he continued with his schooling. A placement exam confirmed his affinity for math and science. After high school on Ikaria, he went to the University of Athens, from which he received a diploma of chemistry. Following his two-year service in the Greek Navy, he left for North America. He received Master’s and Doctoral degrees from the University of British Columbia in Vancouver. It was during this time that he met Alexandra in Cleveland, Oh and they married in 1964. Post-doctoral studies then took them to Harvard University and Chicago.

He then came to The University of Toledo in 1967. During his tenure, he was Interim Chairman, Chairman of Undergraduate Advising, and Director of Graduate Studies. “We grew up with graduate students and research students coming over to dinner,” son Michael said. He’d also been a member of the College of Arts and Sciences council. “He was a valued teacher,” said A. Alan Pinkerton, a former department chairman and a distinguished University Professor Emeritus. His ongoing research, especially in the earlier part of his career, was valued as well, Dr. Pinkerton said. His background was in physical chemistry and spectroscopy, but still he taught introductory chemistry. “John was a gentleman. In many ways old school, you would say.” The University of Toledo became his community, and he was a devoted fan of Rocket sports and in particular the women’s basketball team.

After his first book, Dr. Chrysochoos wrote a novel, published in 2009, which told about the challenges of a young science teacher in an urban school. He also wrote volumes about the history of his home island, the challenges of growing old, and reason and objective judgment. He returned to his home island every few years with his wife and took his children and grandchildren several times. “He showed us where his house was and where he played. It’s amazing the stuff he did,” son Constantine said. Surviving are his wife, Alexandra; sons, Michael (Jo-Anne) and Constantine (Tracy); daughter, Irene; sister, Zoe Scaros, and five grandchildren including Alexa (Aaron), Zoe, Lauren, John and Dominick.

Dr. Chrysochoos was a caring husband, father, and grandfather. At his funeral, his children, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren all spoke and shared loving memories of him. His sister and niece, who had arrived from Greece, also shared stories and paid a tribute to him. Dr. Chrysochoos lived a wonderful life and was a positive influence on everyone he met. He will be greatly missed.



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