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#### PAN-ICARIAN BROTHERHOOD OF AMERICA "ICAROS"

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IKARIA MAGAZINE Summer 2014 SUPREME PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

June 11, 2014

#### Dearest Brothers and Sisters,

At the time of this writing the Supreme Lodge and Foundation are preparing to meet in my hometown, Detroit-George Spanos No. 9, on June 21st, for our final session before this year's Clearwater Convention. Following our joint meetings the Detroit Chapter will host its annual Kastikaki cookout. Amongst topics to be discussed by the Lodge will be our fundraising for the Ikarian Firefighters, agenda creation for the upcoming convention, updates on our Youth association, membership, Florida and Pittsburgh convention updates potential future convention bidders, magazine funding, visits to Ikaria over the summer, the old age home (of course!) and general housekeeping (taxes, insurance, should we invade Samos? ((A popular notion...but probably too much fasaria!)) Look for my July newsletter with details of how the meeting went and how much kastikaki was consumed.

#### Recent Travels and Events

Congratulations to our youth for holding yet another very successful Youth Conference in Cleveland (Chapter Pharos) this last March. I, together with California Gov. Alexandra Katsas and Vice President Terry Platis were able to attend. Again the conference was well attended. (Over 22 delegates from 11 different chapters) Our Youth Governor, Katina Mavrophilpos, together with Cleveland chapter members Sam Tripodis and George Karnavas, put together a great program which included marching in the Cleveland areas Greek Independence Day Parade, meeting for 3 hours in a very well organized business session. This of course was followed by dancing at the Cleveland Chapter's annual Greek Independence day dance. The Youth Conference continues to grow in size and scope and has already paid dividend to our Brotherhood. Many of those who attended serve their home chapters as officers and will most assuredly join the Supreme Lodge in the not too distant future. Please make it a priority for your home chapters to continue to send delegates and thank you to Chapter Pharos for the hospitality you provided to our delegates.

Congratulations also to Chapter Atheras on its 75th Anniversary dance. Brother and PSP George Horiates, together with his able committee threw a party that will be talked about for the ages. Chapter Icaros of Pittsburgh also recently concluded its annual Golf outing and Mini Convention Dance. Myself, together with Detroit's Chapter President Steve M Papalas, PSP Nick Tsalis, and brother Nick Siringas came from Detroit and played a round of golf that will also be talked about for the ages.....just not in a complementary manner! Anyway a good time was had by all and proceed went to the Steve Manners Scholarship fund.

#### Firefighters Fund

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

#### Florida Convention

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

# Pan Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros" June 2014 Supreme President's Message (continued)

#### Congratulations to our Graduates!

June is Graduation month. I and the Brotherhood salute our newest crop of High School and College Graduates. Our Ikarian graduates are a great example of what we, as Ikarians, be we parents grandparents, uncles and aunts do best....send our children out into the world educated, confident, compassionate, and ready to tackle all challenges! Congratulations again to all our young men and women.

#### **Scholarships**

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

#### Send in your Dues!

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

#### Agenda topics/ Convention Delegates

As previously mentioned, please forward any items you would like to see discussed at the upcoming convention to our National Secretary. As per the mandate of our last convention in Boston, we are going to try to have the Agenda for the upcoming convention in Clearwater established ahead of time. Ideally you should submit these agenda items by chapter, but individual contributions are also welcome. The hope for this idea is that we can get more members/ delegates to the convention floor by informing them ahead of time as to when items of particular interest will be discussed. I am aware that this idea may be complete anathema to our particular Ikarian concept of time management ...but hey, you gotta try! And speaking of delegates, please make sure to submit your attending delegates list to our National Secretary...again sooner is better than later!

#### And a Thank You....

This will be my last magazine letter to you as your Supreme President. Two years have flown by. I sincerely thank all of you for your support and cooperation during my tenure. It has been indeed a great honor to serve the Brotherhood and all Icarians. I leave you in very good hands....the upcoming members of the Supreme Lodge are a very bright, very energetic group of young men and women who have already demonstrated a love for this Brotherhood and for our little Island in the Aegean Sea. Please continue to offer your support to them.

With much Love,

George N. Koklanaris President of the Supreme Lodge



# Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros" 2014 Youth Leadership Conference & Other Updates



Pan-Icarian Youth Report Katerina Mavrophilipos Youth Governor

On March 21st 2014, youth from all over the United States came together in the charming city of Cleveland, Ohio. There were over 20 official delegates and a dozen others that joined in; they didn't want to miss all the fun! Thank you Chapter Pharos for hosting the 2014 Youth

Leadership Conference. It was a great success full of hospitality and organization.

#### Cleveland Hosts and Youth Governor

Friday afternoon was full of old friends reuniting with hugs and laughter in the lobby of the hotel. There were also many new faces and new friendships forming. Sorry Hyatt Place Hotel for eating all of the apples that were meant to be decoration! After we found our rooms

and settled in, we were taken to the Chapter Pharos Leski for dinner. Many thanks to our amazing chauffeurs Sam Tripodis and George Karnavas; they were our personal drivers for the weekend and did a great job dealing with our loud conversations and obnoxious singing. Friday dinner was catered by Mars Bars. After devouring the gyros with extra tzatziki, we did an ice breaker session so

everyone got to know each other better. We also celebrated Emily Bara's (Detroit Chapter) Birthday. Before we piled into our vans to get ready for our night out, we obviously had to lie about what time to meet in the lobby. (Trying to avoid Ikarian time.)

Once the 30+ of us finally arrived to the lobby, we tried taking a group picture. A very kind staff member from the hotel offered to take our picture; poor thing didn't know it would be a 20 minute process. Then we jumped in our vans and made our way to Drop Bar for Greek Night where we met up with even more Kariotakia. The night was full of dancing, pictures, and the smell of sweat and left over tzatziki. After we closed out the night with a final ikariotiko, we headed back to the hotel but not before we took a parking lot cone...which we re-discovered Sunday morning in the trunk of one of the vans. Don't worry, even though we only slept for a few hours we all made it to breakfast. We couldn't pass up the waffles!



Youngstown and Cleveland Delegates

#### 2014 Youth Leadership Conference & Other Updates

After we destroyed the complimentary breakfast, we were off to participate in the Greek Independence Day Parade at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church. We all marched with the Chapter Pharos holding our Greek Flags and dancing with our own real Ikaros! (Thank you Pandiki Chapter for bringing a boom box) Once the parade finished, we headed to the Leski for our meetings and more food. Yes, we actually conduct meetings at the Youth Conference! We also had a few special guests join us; Supreme President George Koklanaris, Supreme Vice President Terry Platis, and District 5 Governor Alexandra Katas.



First on the agenda was discussing "Why is the Youth Conference important to you?". After a lot of discussion and input, we concluded that it is a vital phase in continuing the Brotherhood's mission and livelihood. Being the next generation and having a platform to start from is an essential step in learning and connecting. Next, we discussed membership and becoming more involved in your local chapter. Paying your membership dues is easy

and there are even student rates. It helps your chapter and the Brotherhood. Also, it allows you to attend the youth conference, to vote, to receive the magazine, and to be a delegate at the National Convention

Youngstown delegates with George Karnavas

Getting involved on the local chapter level should be easy and the youth



should be welcomed. Just go to meetings, maybe chair some social events, be the Youth Point of Contact, or get on your chapter board (so you can be the next Youth Governor).



Kevin LaRocca, Peter Panagopulos and George Vatagios

Next, we discussed the upcoming Supreme Convention in Clearwater. This year there will now be an agenda for the meetings with topics & times! Because of this significant improvement, I STRONGLY encourage the youth to be selected as a delegates and to attend the meetings. There is no reason not to now (except for the gorgeous beach waiting for you outside). It really is a great opportunity to learn about what is going on: there are Chapter Reports, Foundation Reports, Philanthropic endeavors, Scholarship Reports, Voting, MY YOUTH PRESENTATION, and so much more! AND THERE IS AN AGENDA PEOPLE!!



Baltimore Crew

#### 2014 Youth Leadership Conference & Other Updates

Speaking of the Youth Presentation, this is where I will give my report and updates. It is also where we will decide who will host the 2015 Youth Leadership Conference. If your chapter is interested, please email me (ekatmavro2@gmail.com) for more information. It is also when the new Youth Governor Position will be opened up and voted on. Requirements are you have to have held a position on your local board. Some responsibilities will be to attend & participate in Supreme Lodge Meetings, coordinate Youth Leadership Conferences, provide reports, and make presentations. If you are interested or have any questions, please email me for more information.



Teddy Poulos aka Ikaros

Funding was another topic discussed at our meeting. While the Supreme Lodge helps support the Youth Conference, we eventually would like to create our own means of funds. The option to host a

Supreme Convention is on the table; however we are first going to try our online store. We put together a team and have begun the process; keep a look out for Youth Online Store and the link on the Pan-Icarian Website!! We are



going to start off with our famous puzzles. There were many other topics and great ideas discussed, more will be in my final report at the convention. I sent the delegates back with some homework:

- -Be a delegate and attend meetings at the convention this year
- -Tell your Chapter about your experience this weekend -Get Involved



Pittsburgh Delegates

After our productive meeting, we all enjoyed a delicious dinner catered by Tick Tock Tavern, then headed back to get ready for the dance. First we napped, and then got ready for the dance. Again, we tried to take a group picture in the lobby; however, the staff didn't offer to help this time.



Katie Kefalos, Erin Cope, George Vatougios, Fani Seindanis, Lemonia Mavrophilipos

While we all extremely enjoyed the dance and of course help shut it down with the final ikariotiko, it was bitter sweet knowing that our weekend was coming to an end. During the dance, we also helped Supreme President George Koklanaris sell raffle tickets for the Fire Fighter Fundraiser. I think this really hit home with the youth, many went back to their chapters to discuss this cause and make donations.

#### 2014 Youth Leadership Conference & Other Updates

Sunday Moring, the lobby was filled with suitcases and goodbyes as we all departed. Here are people that we connect with, some who we only see once a year and some who we just met. We connect over an island that is



Pittsburgh and Wilmington Delegates

22x12 miles, this bond is unexplainable. I know when I go to Ikaria in the summers, I hang out with my American Kariotakia friends more than the islanders. I know there is no happier place than Ikaria, but more importantly no better parea then these Kariotakia. They love soufiko, kopanisti, and sika as much as I do, they love dancing that one special song, and they appreciate the Brotherhood for bringing us together and keeping us together.



Mathew Horiates, Philadelphia, and Liz Bara, Detroit

Please believe me when I say that the future of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood is in good hands and that our culture, traditions, and mission will continue for many years. I am extremely grateful for the opportunity to hold position as the first Youth Governor and to display how much the youth has to offer.

Again thank you Chapter Pharos for hosting the 2014 Youth Leadership Conference, you did an excellent job, especially Sam Tripodis and George Karnavas. I want to thank all the chapters for sending delegates and for helping with the travel expenses. And thank you to the delegates and other friends that participated in such a productive and fun weekend.



Pittsburg Delegates

Thank you to Chapter Pandiki – New York for sending George Vatougios and Peter Panagopoulos; Chapter Icaros – Pittsburgh for sending Erin Cope, Katie Kefalos and many other friends; Chapter Pramne – Youngstown for sending Dana Patrick, Jaclyn-Sarah Elias, and other friends; Chapter Lefkas – Balitmore for sending Lemonia Mavrophilipos, Despina Costalas, and many other friends; Chapter Atheras – Philadelphia for sending Matthew Horiates, Fani Seindanis, and other friends; Chapter Spanos/Areti – Detroit for sending Elizabeth Bara and Emily Bara; Chapter Therma - Wilmington for sending Gabriella

Livanos and Zaharoula Katsikis; Chapter Oinoe – Southern California for sending Erini Katopodis; Chapter Chembithes – Akron for sending Kevin LaRocca; and Chapter Pharos – Cleveland for sending Theodore Poulos, Stamati Tripodis, and many other friends. Sincerely, Katerina Mavrophilipos Youth Governor



Sam Tripodis

#### **FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

May 2014

Dear Pan-Icarian Scholarship Foundation,

My name is Nick Parianos and I study business and play soccer at Marquette University. I want to thank Peter J., Nikitas and Dena Tripodes; and Dino and Virginia Lappas for awarding me with the Jack and Mary Tripodes Memorial Scholarship. I am extremely grateful for being gifted this scholarship to help attend Marquette University. Tuition is not cheap and every penny makes a difference. My freshman year is coming to an end, and now I can look back on all my experiences from my first year of college. There were many highlights from my freshman year. Marquette won the Big East regular season and Big East tournament. This was a first for any school to win both the league and tournament in the same year. Also, Marquette qualified for the NCAA tournament and made it to the final 16. On a personal note, I was able to score my first collegiate goal in the Big East finals to help the Golden Eagles clinch the Big East title. It was very enjoyable to be a part of the most successful team in Marquette history. The only con I can remember from my freshman year is walking to class in -20 degree weather. The Milwaukee winter weather is not quite as nice as the summer breeze in Ikaria. However, the pros definitely outweigh the cons. I am very happy to attend school here and grateful for the assistance given to me by Peter J., Nikitas and Dena Tripodes; and Dino and Virginia Lappas. I take a lot of pride in my Greek heritage. The Greek community has always supported me in my endeavors enabling me to reach my goals in life.

After a long freshman year filled with countless hours studying in the library and training on the soccer field, I am ready for a nice summer break. I am excited to be spending 3 weeks in Ikaria with my Yiayia and Papou at the end of summer.

Sincerely,
Nick Parianos
Marquette University

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April 2014

Dear Members of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America,

I (Julia Horiates) was the recipient of the George and Archontoula Adams Memorial Scholarship. It is such an honor to have been selected to receive this scholarship. The financial support that all of the Icarian families have shown, through establishment of the various Memorial Scholarships, is a true testimony of the caring love and support to its youth that will never be forgotten. I know it took hard work and sacrifice to allow families to be able to establish these scholarships and for that I am thankful. I feel honored and take great pride in being a descendant of Ikaria. On behalf of my family and myself, thank you for this most generous scholarship and the support I have received.

Currently, I am working through my first year in college towards a double major (BS Biology/BA Chemistry) along with a minor in English Literature. The financial assistance you provided will be of great help in paying my educational expenses, and it will allow me to concentrate more of my time for studying.

Thank you again for your generosity and support through the George and Archontoula Adams Memorial Scholarship.

Sincerely,

Julia M. Horiates

#### Pan-Icarian Foundation Board of Directors Meeting

Visitation of Oinoe Chapter #14 St. Anthony Greek Orthodox Church, Pasadena, CA Saturday, February 22, 2014

Meeting opened at 3:20 PM by Chairman Gus Yiakas. Three officers of the Pan-Icarian Foundation were physically present: Gus Yiakas, Chairman; Nikitas Tripodes, Vice-Chairman; Ellene Tratras Contis, Director & Past Supreme President; Steve Stratakos, Director – participated via teleconference; Paul Collaros, Director – participated via teleconference. Also participating were Supreme Vice President Terry Platis; Supreme; District Governor Alexandra Katsas, Past Supreme Presidents: George Contis and John Lygizos and Oinoe chapter president Bryan Gittings.

The following topics were discussed:

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the December 7, 2013 meeting were approved.

Finances - Based on our most recent bank statement our total assets are \$4,854,200 of which a bit over one million is in the Souroumanis fund.

Souroumanis - A ruling by Justice Janice A. Taylor in Queens County, New York entered December 24, dismisses "in its entirety" the case against the remaining defendants in the suit brought against members of the Pan-Icarian Brother-hood by the Metropolitan of Samos. According to a memo from our attorney, Michael De Santis "the Court accepted in full our argument concerning the settlement agreement entered into between the parties in 2010". This refers to the November 22, 2010 meeting between Foundation Chairman Kostas Yiakas, the Metropolitan of Samos, and others in which they signed an agreement for the disbursement of the Souroumanis bequest by the Foundation to the Home for the Aged. "The court agreed that the Metropolitan had the authority to execute the settlement agreement; that he did execute the settlement agreement and that the [Pan-Icarian Foundation] did not breach the settlement agreement". In other words the agreement between the Foundation and the Bishop was valid and was not violated so the case was dismissed. De Santis also stated that "this is among the best possible outcomes for us" and that the order issued by the court will deny the "plaintiff the opportunity to start another action in another venue for the same relief". The plaintiff does have a 35 day period to file an appeal but as of this meeting the opportunity has expired.

Anticipating the possibility that the Souroumanis funds may need to have been disbursed quickly, depending on the outcome of the lawsuit, PNC had kept the Souroumanis funds in a separate, very liquid account which accumulated almost no interest for years. Now that the lawsuit is over the Foundation can start sending Souroumanis money for repairs and the Souroumanis funds held by PNC can be invested and allowed to grow like the rest of our accounts.

Old Age Home - The municipal council in Ikaria voted to ask for a 20 year lease from the church for the Old Age Home. The council was authorized to do this by the regional governor (nomarchios). If a lease can be obtained the home will be run by the municipality. A non-profit financial entity needs should be formed in Greece on behalf of the Old Age Home to receive funds from the Foundation.

Insurance – Our directors and officers insurance is carried by Zurich Insurance.

Scholarship for Greece – Paul Collaros will discuss the possibility of an additional endowed scholarship for Greece with a possible donor.

Chrysostomo wall – About \$2000 has been collected for a protective road barrier in memory of Stephanos Facaros who was killed in a road accident near the village of Chrysostomo. The Foundation can release the funds to an appropriate organization to oversee the project.

Karkinagri Storm Relief – Supreme Vice President Terry Platis reported that a 5,500 euro estimate for engineering studies has been received by the Syllogo Kavo-Papas in Athens. Once the studies are complete and permits obtained the \$58,000 collected by the Foundation can be used for the project.

Meeting adjourned at 4:27 PM Minutes submitted by Nikitas Tripodes

#### ICARIAN SPOTLIGHT

#### WWII History Buff and Re-Enactor

John E. Manolis has a lively interest in World War II history including participating in re-enactment events. John is the son of Elias J. and Bessie (George) Manolis, may their memories be eternal.

John's interest began in his youth, stemming partly from family members' experiences during that time. His father worked in the shipyards during the German occupation of Greece and would tell him stories about British air raids. He collects WWII memorabilia which led him to meet others with similar interests. They formed groups to perform battle re-enactments around the country.





The photos with fellow actors were taken during reenactment scenes.

John is pictured below in period clothing with his father at an event several years ago in Tarpon Springs, FL.

John's interests led to acting roles in a number of television programs including the series "The Lost Evidence" airing on the History Channel. If you watch the credits at the end of two of those episodes, "Luzon" and "Peleliu" which refer to major battles, you will see his name. The series was filmed in Florida where John lives with his wife Kathy and he is a member of Helios Chapter 19.



# Pan Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros" DISTRICT GOVERNORS' REPORTS

#### District #2 – Governor's Report

Pramne #1, Youngstown – I attend all meetings of my home chapter, Pramne #1. There have been suggestions of activities to increase involvement, including a wine tasting event. Members enjoyed their annual spring picnic at the Elias home in June. Three members attended the Youth Conference in Cleveland; they continue to enjoy connecting to their fellow Ikarians. Pramne has also increased their membership this year and will continue to seek new members and plan enjoyable events.

V.I. Chebithes #2, Akron – I visited this chapter in March and received a very warm and hospitable greeting from President Lia Spithas Fresty and all the members. They make their meetings interesting by having events which include a winery tour as well as a lamb roast in June. This year, for the first time, the chapter sent a delegate to the Youth Conference; he had a wonderful time. They donate money for scholarships and are making a donation for the Ikarian firefighters. It was suggested to have combined Chapter meetings to connect with fellow Ikarians.

Pharos #3, Cleveland – When I visited in April, Pharos was hosting a spaghetti dinner fundraiser. They raised over \$1,000, which will be donated for repairs of a church in Ikaria. They had previously held a loukoumathes fundraiser for a guard rail in Ikaria. Pharos will also make a donation for the Ikarian firefighters. Bravo to this chapter for all of their donations!

Pharos has new officers, all of whom were hospitable and hard working. The youth members are very involved in the chapter, and chaired the tenth annual Youth Conference and dance this past March, which Chapter Pharos catered themselves. The youth discussed possible fundraisers to benefit all Ikarian youth, such as an online store and having a youth table at the national convention.

Daedalos #4, Warren – This chapter has new officers with new ideas, which they hope will revitalize the chapter. In order to increase interest, they plan on having exciting events for their meetings. They have already increased their membership – well done! I am looking forward to visiting with this chapter at their summer picnic. Doliche #6, Steubenville – I have not been able to communicate much with this chapter, but I am hoping to meet with them this summer.

Icaros #7, Pittsburgh – I am so grateful to always receive correspondence from this chapter; Corresponding Secretary Anna Aivaliotis is very diligent about sending updates and keeping everyone informed. I plan on visiting them at their meeting on August 3. Congratulations on a successful Mini-Convention!

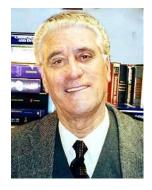
Christ E. Aivaliotis #17, Columbus – The chapter held a successful meeting on April 27, where they accomplished a great deal of new business. They selected delegates for the upcoming national convention. The chapter has scheduled a Golf Outing in August, and other activities have been suggested, including a "Movie Tavern Night." They will also be contributing \$1,000 to the Ikarian Fire Fighters Fund. Bravo! There are still 20 Ikarian cookbooks left at \$20 each – contact the chapter if interested.

Drakanon #24, Parma – This chapter also has new officers, including a new president. They were organized and very welcoming during my visit in May. They have several ideas for activities, such as a racino trip. Drakanon selected delegates for the national convention and are sending a donation for the Ikarian firefighters.

Submitted by Aspasia (Tourvas) Elias District #2 Governor

#### ICARIAN SPOTLIGHT

Ikaria - Paradise in Peril

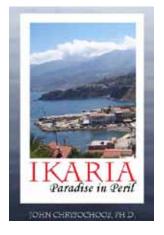


**John Chrysochoos**, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus of Chemistry at The University of Toledo, published the book *Ikaria - Paradise in Peril* in 2010. Following are brief extracts from a chapter of the book titled "Literary and Cultural Summer Activities on Ikaria".

As summer vacations are about to begin and many Ikarians living in North America, as well as many descendents of Ikarians, are planning their trips to Greece in general and to Ikaria in particular, it may be quite useful to point out several cultural and literary activities available on the island of Ikaria during the summer, activities that many Ikarians may be totally unaware of. I had been equally unaware of such activities although I was born on Ikaria and we visit the island every

second or third summer. The literary activities of several Ikarian writers enjoyed a significant boost by the Panikarian Brotherhood of Athens, via its official publication of IKARIAKA that appeared timidly as a monthly publication in 1958. Another type of literary activity, pertaining to Ikaria, was established in Athens in 2003, namely, The Society of Ikarian Studies. It had been founded by a number of professional Ikarians, and from all indications it had kept pace with time. One very little known literary activity that has been taking place in Ikaria over the past decade is The Ikarian Centre of Greek Language (Etaireia Ellinikes Glossas kai Technon). it was established in 1995 in the village of Arethousa. It operates from Easter to October and it is open to anyone over seventeen years of age wishing to improve their skills of the Greek language while expanding their knowledge of Greek and Ikarian culture. A few years ago another cultural activity was established on the island of Ikaria: Icarus Festival for Dialogue between Cultures (Festival Politismikon Dialogon Ikarias). The goal of such a non-profit activity is to host performances by artists and groups whose music and art is multicultural and inspiring. The festival is held during the months of July and August at Aghios Kirykos, Evdilos, and Raches. Another activity that has been taking place in Ikaria for more than thirty years, but unfortunately receives very little publicity on the

island, is Ikaros International Chess Tournament. It takes place at Aghios Kirykos during the month of June and July and lasts two to three weeks. Archaeological and historical sites on Ikaria include the Palati (palace) as well as the Byzantine Odeon in ancient Oenoe, current Campos, and several museums located at Aghios Kirykos, Kataphygion, Perdiki, Vrakades and so forth. There are obviously many other archaeological sites on the island, particularly ancient churches, some of them early Christian and a couple of them pre-Christian, all over the island. For example, the Church of Saint Irene (Aghia Eirene) was built on the twelfth century in the village of Campos on the site of an ancient temple of Dionysus. Ruins of early Christian Churches can be seen in outer Pharos (Monasteria), in Pera-Meria (Kellia), in Plagia (Ele), and in several other places.



*Ikaria-Paradise in Peril* (2010) is available at Amazon.com, RoseDog-Books.com, Google, and other online sites.

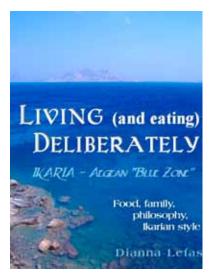
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#### ICARIAN SPOTLIGHT

LIVING (and eating) DELIBERATELY Food, family, philosophy; Ikarian Style



**Dianna Lefas** is a journalist turned playwright / novelist. While dealing with surgery she felt a peculiar nostalgia for her parents, grandparents and the Ikarian way of life. Dianna drew on her memories of family and how their close-knit ties have colored her entire life and the lives of her children. The result is an Ikarian cookbook that is filled with stories about the island and Ikarian ways. Her father, a Lefas, was from Perdiki and her mother was a Vassilaros whose father was from Oxe. Following are brief extracts from the stories in the book.

"If you see an Ikarian running, then his house is on fire."

When I first laid eyes on the Aegean, a crystal blue that hummed under a steaming, transparent azure sky, and the miles of glistening Ikarian beaches reflecting off shimmering white buildings that seemed to explode under the sun like erratic camera flashes, my first instinct was to put on sunglasses. Here it was that I came face to face with my past as well as my present. I thought that the oral history of my people and the old masters of philosophy could be my tools to a deeper under-

standing of who I was. But, in an odd way, the first gleam of embryonic understanding came from the one commonality that sustains the whole of the human race – food.

Local folklore has it that after creating the earth, God found Himself with a pile of leftover rocks for which He no longer had any use. These He flung over His shoulders – and the island of Ikaria was born.

When I stayed in Ikaria, I was immediately and eagerly swept into the large circle of family and friends whom I had never before met. There, walking down the main drag of Agios Kirykos was as much a family reunion – every single time – as it was a path on which I did my errands. Cousins owned shops and cafes, and homes were always open for impromptu visits. This is what I miss the most – the casual ambling about, dropping in an unsuspecting relative's home and being treated like a queen. But their hospitality and ease of life was not confined to wayward American relatives. Once, while sitting in a cousin's house, I saw a man walking up to my cousin's almond tree in the front garden and, in broad daylight, stripping it of almonds. I alerted my cousin to the casual theft and he just shrugged his shoulders carelessly with, "That's OK. I took two pounds of his olives yesterday."

To understand Greek food, particularly Ikarian food, one must understand the land from where it is cultivated. Ikaria, like most of Greece, is a land of two colors; the blue, cloudless sky reflecting radiantly off the bluer Aegean, and white buildings that glisten mutely under the blinding light of a white sun.

When my father, a chef in Manhattan whose first inklings of cuisine blossomed in the small Ikarian village of Perdiki, would ask his American-born progeny if we would like almond and rice stuffed grape leaves soaked in wine sauce or braised octopus for dinner and we would reply, "peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, please," he would throw up his hands in despair and proclaim, "You Americans don't know how to eat!"

Turkish coffee is like regular coffee... actually no, it isn't. It's espresso mixed with rocket fuel. It's coffee you might actually try to eat with a fork. It is boiled thrice, watched over and protected. It is only made in small quantities. If made well enough, you can use it for barter at the World Bank – or even use it as a corner stone for the World Bank. It is not for the faint of heart. The grounds are never quite fully separated from the rest of the coffee and you must be prepared to chew your coffee as much as drink it. You have to allow most of the grounds to settle gingerly at the bottom of the cup on their own time – not yours. That may be one reason why the Ikarians are notoriously late for any appointment – for they have to wait for the grounds to settle first (that and they religiously ignore clocks).

The book is currently available as a digital download. The author can be reached at Dianna.lefas@gmail.com

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Dear Mr. Yiakas and the Pan-Icarian Foundation,

I would like to express my greatest thank you! It is such an incredible honor to be a recipient of this year's scholarship. The most beautiful thing is to feel such support by a community of my own people. As always, I will continue to make the brotherhood and my family proud through my success.

Thank you again! **Demetrios Frangos** Atheras chapter 12

#### February 2014

Dear Pan-Icarian Foundation,

I would like to thank you for awarding me the Pan-Icarian scholarship. As a student at the University of Pittsburgh this generous scholarship will be helpful in furthering my education. I greatly appreciate the support of the Icarian community in my academic endeavors. As I continue my journey I will never forget my proud Heritage and all of the help and support it has given me.

Sincerely,

Demetri Lardas, Chapter Icaros

#### **ICARIAN SPOTLIGHT**

Connor Stevens of Bayport, NY, was recently awarded first prize in a Hellenic Poetry Contest. The event was hosted by Stony Brook University NY Chapter of the American Foundation for Greek Language and Culture (the George and Olga Tsuis Center for Hellenic Studies). The evening included a musical tribute to Poet/Lyricist Manos Eleutherious, all made possible through the University Seminars Program of the Onassis Foundation USA.

Connor attended Bayport Blue Point High School where he was a member of the Honor Society, on the varsity tennis team, and lead bass player in the orchestra. He is attending Genesco College where he is majoring in political science and journalism. He is the son of Connor Sr. and Theresa Stevens and grandson of Dick and Gloria (Mavrikis) Reilly. Below is the poem Connor wrote and read at the event.



#### Trip to Ikaria

His father told him they would melt, not to fly too high, But Icarus did not listen, and soared in the summer sky.
His wings began to melt, but his body remained,
As he dropped in the sea, so the spectators claimed.
His head became the mountains, his chest the terrain,
An island was formed, Ikaria it was named.

My plane ride was hell, Hades was my pilot,
With turbulence and babies that would not keep quiet.
With all the strain and stress, I wondered if it was worth it,
To spend my summer in a country deemed so far from perfect.
I was going to Greece whether I liked it or not.
A backwards nation; smelly, humid, and hot.
I didn't want to go. Six weeks was too long.
Why couldn't I go to France? Italy? Hong Kong?
I thought I'd be miserable all vacation long,
But never in my life have I been more wrong.

A week into my trip, I fell in love with the land, From the towering mountains to the soft, silken sand. The sun shined brightly upon the shimmering sea, As the summer breeze rolled through the leaves of the olive trees. Ikaria was magical. At night it came alive. From the paniziris to the weddings, the Greek culture thrived. The beauty was unmatched, and the food was divine. The gyros were delicious, and even better was the wine. I met incredible friends, and long-lost relatives. I had never been more proud of my dated Greek heritage. But August came quick and my six weeks were up. I was forced to say goodbye to the place I came to love. However short my stay, Ikaria became my second home. A beautiful Greek island, so unique and so unknown. Though I have a mixed heritage, I will always be a Greek. And never in my life will I forget those six weeks. Though the wings of Icarus melted, his legacy survived. He created an island of eternal beauty that will simply never die.

# Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros" Convention News

2014 Clearwater Pan-Icarian Convention Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros" Hosted by Helios Chapter #19 Sheraton Sand Key Resort 1160 Gulf Blvd. Clearwater Beach, Florida 33767 Aug 29 – Sept 1, 2014



June, 2014

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Helios #19, your host Chapter for the 2014 Supreme Convention. We are busy making plans and preparations for a memorable Convention.

To remind you, the Convention will be held Aug 29th thru Sept 1, 2014 at the beautiful Sheraton Sand Key Resort on Clearwater Beach, Florida, which has been the location of several previous Supreme Conventions. The standard room rate is \$155 per night, which is a great deal for staying on Clearwater Beach. For reservations, you may call 727 595-1611, or go to sheratonsandkey.com. Our overflow hotel is the Clearwater Beach Marriott Suites on Sand Key, located directly across the street from the Sheraton, with identical room rates. For reservations, you may call 727 596-1100, or go to Marriott.com and search for Clearwater Beach.

Our Supreme Convention website with direct link for hotel reservations and lots of other information is http://www.pibclearwater2014.com

We plan to hold an Icarian Golf tournament on the morning of Friday Aug 29th. The entry fee will be \$100. For more information, please contact Gus Tsambis at 727 243-2723.

There will be a Friday Night Bar Crawl, featuring some of the most popular spots on Clearwater Beach. On Saturday, those who are interested can join fellow Icarians for a private Bus Tour of Tarpon Springs. And there will be plenty of things to do on the Sheraton Hotel's beach, including volleyball, water activities, and more.

The Clearwater area offers many attractions. There are boating, sightseeing, and fishing excursions available a short distance from the Hotel. The Sheraton is close to the Clearwater Aquarium, the home of Winter the Dolphin, star of the movie 'Dolphin Tale', and of the upcoming movie 'Dolphin Tale 2'. Nearby is the charming town of Tarpon Springs with its many Greek shops and restaurants. Tampa, just 30 minutes away, is home of Tampa Bay's professional sports teams the Rays, the Buccaneers, and the Lightning. There's also Busch Gardens, Adventure Island, and the Florida Aquarium. St. Petersburg, just to our south, is home of the Museum of Fine Arts and the world renowned Salvador Dali Museum.

Please show your support for the Brotherhood and purchase an ad in our Convention Album. An ad contract form may be found in this Magazine.

The members of Helios are truly excited for the opportunity to put on a great Convention. We hope you will make plans to attend Clearwater Beach this Labor Day weekend.

Sincerely,

PSP Dr. Stanton P. Tripodis Convention Chair sptripodis@gmail.com 727 787-0045 PSP John Sakoutis Convention Co-Chair 727 595-6026

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#### **Convention Events**

#### Friday-

Registration/ souvenirs - 8am to 6pm \$ 15 Golf tournament - 9am to 1pm \$ 100

Excursion/ beach activities/ exhibits Business meetings - 3pm to 6pm

Evening poolside welcome event - 6pm to 10pm Free admission

Bar crawl - 9pm to 1am \$ 20

Late night café - until 3:30am

#### Saturday-

Registration/ souvenirs-8am to 6pm

Business meetings - 9am to 12noon, 2pm to 6pm

Excursions/ beach activities/ exhibits

Bus Tour of Tarpon Springs - 10am to 1pm TBA
Lunch - poolside casual lunch buffet - Noon to 2pm a la carte

Evening Dance in Grand Ballroom - 9:30pm to 3:30am \$ 25 Adults / \$ 15 Students

Late night café - until 3:30am

#### Sunday-

Bus to Church services, Holy Trinity Greek Orth. Church, Clearwater - 9am to 1pm

Excursions/ beach activities/ exhibits

Souvenirs - 12pm to 6 pm

Business meetings - 2pm to 6pm

Children's banquet, Sand Key Room - 6pm to 9:30pm \$ 20

Teen banquet, Island Grille - 6pm to 9:30pm \$ 20

Grand Banquet, Ballroom

Cocktail hour: 6pm to 7pm \$ 95

Dinner: 7pm to 9:30pm

Dance only: 9:30pm to 3:30am \$ 25 Adults \$ 15 Students

Late night café - until 3:30am

#### Monday-

Business meetings (if needed) - 9am to 12pm

# Visit us at <a href="http://pibclearwater2014.com">http://pibclearwater2014.com</a>

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Can you identify this beach?

#### **ICARIAN SPOTLIGHT**

In the Spring-Summer 2013 edition of Ikaria Magazine, I shared a short version of my battle with the NYC Department of Education. That battle ensued after I blew the whistle on corruption in my neighborhood school. Since the system is full of corruption, the Department decided to go full steam attack on me, my family and career instead of addressing the issues I uncovered. Over 30 investigations were lodged against me only after I raised concerns that affect the students and every tax payer. I ended that article with "Investigations [against me] basically concluded with nothing, yet the NYC Department of Education is now moving to have a hearing to terminate me. No sign of when the hearing is, but they woke a sleeping giant and I attribute my Ikarian blood to my courage and fight."

Since the writing of that article I was able to squeeze an 11 day trip to Ikaria and recharge my batteries. It definitely worked. From cruising around our beautiful island on a papaki, hitting the beach and panigiria to taking afternoon naps under the shade of a large roadside tree, Ikaria was working its magic. I left in August ready for my battle and termination hearing. The hearing for my termination was slated to take 8 days, but instead it took 21 days to finish. This was due to the fact that the NYC Department of Education dragged it out with ridiculous evidence and testimony and I was armed to the teeth with documentation to rebut their case. Parents, teachers and community members came in to speak on my behalf.

I won. I won my case to be returned to the classroom and do what I did best...teach. However, in an effort to keep her job and appease everyone, the arbitrator fined me \$10,000. In addition, the NYC DOE had me falsely arrested in March 2013, after my case was over. I spent 33 hours in central booking for allegedly writing a satirical post on my blog. After that time, the District Attorney declined to prosecute. To answer your potential questions, "Yes I am suing and actually have several lawsuits."

It feels great to be back in front of the classroom. It also feels great to be able to use my story to help the many educators around the country who are also under attack. Without realizing it www.protectportelos.org has become an encyclopedia for those who say "Enough with corruption in our schools."

There is no trip to Ikaria planned for this summer, but I continue with the Ikarian "halara" mentality for whatever comes my way. I suggest you all do the same. When things get tough, think about your majestic blue Aegean, your favorite drink and your parea.

Francesco A. Portelos

Parent / Educator IS 49 UFT Chapter Leader EducatorFightsBack.org DTOE.org

#### Undergraduate Merit-Based Pan-Icarian Scholarship Application for 2014

The Undergraduate Merit-Based Pan-Icarian Scholarship, which is an award of \$1,500, covers one academic year; eligible students may receive the scholarship no more than twice provided that they:

(1) Remain enrolled full-time, (2) Maintain a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA, (3) Re-apply for subsequent annual scholarships and (4) Comply with all other scholarship rules.

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

#### Eligibility:

- Applicants must be of Icarian descent through at least one parent
- Applicants must be enrolled full-time in an academically accredited college or university
- Applicants (or at least one of their parents) must be members of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood at time of application and for at minimum the four years immediately prior to application year
- Applicants must not have received more than one previous Pan-Icarian scholarship
- Applicants must have a cumulative undergraduate GPA of not less than 3.0 (incoming freshmen must have a final cumulative high school GPA of not less than 3.0)
- Applicants for Merit-Based Scholarship are ineligible to apply for Needs-Based Scholarship

In addition to completing and mailing this application form, applicants must also provide in their completed packet:

- An official, sealed copy of most recent college/university graduate transcript (incoming graduate students should provide an official, sealed copy of undergraduate transcript in lieu of a graduate transcript)
- A sealed and signed confidential letter of recommendation from at least one professor
- Incoming graduate students must include a copy of their letter of acceptance to the accredited graduate program
- A letter from Pan-Icarian chapter officer verifying that applicant (or at least one of applicant's parents) meets the membership eligibility criterion
- A list of previous higher education schools attended, dates attended, major(s) of study, and degrees received
- A list of all relevant honors and awards
- A list of all extra-curricular activities and employment positions held in last five years
- A list of all other sources of financial aid (except your parents/legal guardians) and scholarships received (or to be received), including the amounts, dates, and duration of such funding
- A description of their families participation and involvement if any with their local chapter

PLEASE NOTE THIS APPLICATION, MOST RECENT SEALED TRANSCRIPT, YOUR SEALED LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION AND PROOF OF BEING A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING MUST NOW BE MAILED IN A SINGLE ENVELOPE TO THE SCHOLAR-SHIP COMMITTEE

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Mail Completed Application Packets To: Georgia N. Pandeladis, 423 Fielding Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15235

#### **APPLICATION FORM - Undergraduate Merit Based Scholarship**

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Additional inquiries can be emailed to: icarian.scholarship@yahoo.com

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FURTHERMORE ALL SUBMITTALS MUST BE MAILED AND POSTMARKED YOU CANNOT PHYSICALLY DROP OFF YOUR SUBMITTAL AS IT MUST BE POSTMARKED

#### **Mail Completed Application Packets To:**

Georgia N. Pandeladis, Chair, Pan-Icarian Scholarship Committee, 423 Fielding Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15235

#### Undergraduate Need-Based Pan-Icarian Scholarship Application for 2014

The Undergraduate Need-Based Pan-Icarian Scholarship, which is an award of \$1,500, covers one academic year; eligible students may receive the scholarship no more than twice provided that they:

(1)Remain enrolled full-time, (2) Maintain a minimum 2.8 cumulative GPA, (3) Re-apply for subsequent annual scholarships and (4) Comply with all other scholarship rules.

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- Applicants for a Need-Based Scholarship are ineligible to apply for a Merit-Based Scholarship

In addition to completing and mailing this application form, applicants must also provide in their completed packet:

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- A list of previous higher education schools attended, dates attended, major(s) of study, and degrees received
- A list of all relevant honors and awards
- A list of all extra-curricular activities and employment positions held in last five years
- A list of all other sources of financial aid (except your parents/legal guardians) and scholarships received (or to be received), including the amounts, dates, and duration of such funding
- A description of their families' participation and involvement, if any, with their local chapter

PLEASE NOTE: THIS APPLICATION, MOST RECENT SEALED TRANSCRIPT, YOUR SEALED LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION AND PROOF OF BEING A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING MUST NOW BE MAILED IN A SINGLE ENVELOPE TO THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

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#### **Mail Completed Application Packets To:**

Georgia N. Pandeladis, Chair, Pan-Icarian Scholarship Committee, 423 Fielding Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15235

#### **APPLICATION FORM – Undergraduate Need Based Scholarship**

Name		Date of Birth				
Last	First	Middle	Month/Day/Year			
Home Address						
Phone Number		Email				
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Chapter Name and Location _						
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If Yes, What Year(s) Did You	Receive It?					
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Student's Signature			Date			
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Parent's Signature Parent's Sig	nature Is Required of Any Ap	oplicant under the Age of 25.	Dutc			

Additional inquiries can be emailed to: icarian.scholarship@yahoo.com

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FURTHERMORE ALL SUBMITTALS MUST BE MAILED AND POSTMARKED YOU CANNOT PHYSICALLY DROP OFF YOUR SUBMITTAL AS IT MUST BE POSTMARKED

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#### Graduate Merit-Based Pan-Icarian Scholarship Application for 2014

The Graduate Merit-Based Pan-Icarian Scholarship, which is an award of \$2,000, covers one academic year. Eligible students may receive the scholarship only once. The primary variable in determining whether or not to award this scholarship is merit however financial need is often considered as a secondary variable.

#### Eligibility:

- Applicants must be of Icarian descent through at least one parent
- Applicants must be enrolled full-time in an academically accredited university graduate program (this includes law school, medical/dental school, and business school)
- Applicants (or at least one of their parents) must be members of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood at time of application and for the four years immediately prior to application year
- Applicants must have a cumulative graduate GPA of not less than 3.0 (incoming graduate students must have a final undergraduate GPA of not less than 3.0)

Requirements: In addition to completing and mailing this application form, applicants must also provide in their completed packet:

- An official, sealed copy of most recent college/university graduate transcript (incoming graduate students should provide an official, sealed copy of undergraduate transcript in lieu of a graduate transcript)
- A sealed and signed confidential letter of recommendation from at least one professor
- Incoming graduate students must include a copy of their letter of acceptance to the accredited graduate program
- A letter from Pan-Icarian chapter officer verifying that applicant (or at least one of applicant's parents) meets the membership eligibility criterion
- A list of previous higher education schools attended, dates attended, major(s) of study, and degrees received
- A list of all relevant honors and awards
- A list of all extra-curricular activities and employment positions held in last five years
- A list of all other sources of financial aid (except your parents/legal guardians) and scholarships received (or to be received), including the amounts, dates, and duration of such funding
- A description of their family's participation and involvement, if any, with their local chapter

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Certification:	
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Student's Signature	Date
Parent's Signature	Date
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#### APPLICATION FORM – Graduate Merit Based Scholarship

Name	Date of Birth			
Last	First	Middle	Month/Day/Year	
Home Address				
Phone Number		Email		
Place of Birth		Hometown(s) in Icaria (optio	onal)	
Father's Name				
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Student's Signature			_ Date	

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#### ICARIAN SPOTLIGHT

Icarian Argie Spithas-Miner is co-developer of the trip described below.



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#### GEORGE AIVALIOTIS MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Pan-Icarian Brotherhood Of America Helios Chapter 19 Golf Tournament August 29th 2014

> The Belleview Biltmore Golf Club 1501 Indian Rocks Road, Belleair, Florida 33756

#### 9:00 AM SHOTGUN START

#### Golf Registration Form

Participant			
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City			
Phone	Email		
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For more information: Gus Tsambis (727) 243-2723

Pramne #1 Youngstown has been enjoying fun and fellowship this past year. In addition to monthly meetings, the annual Christmas party was held at O'Charley's restaurant in December. In June, the Elias family hosted the chapter's annual Spring Picnic.



Congratulations and Best Wishes!

Dan and Alexis Spohn are expecting their second child in late August.

Jaclyn Sarah Elias became engaged to Tommy Senich in February and is planning a summer 2015 wedding. Congratulations! Syncharitíria!

Aspasia (Tourvas) Elias has been busy fulfilling her new role as District 2 Governor. In November, she and her daughter, Pramne President Jaclyn Sarah Elias,



visited the Wyndham Grand in downtown Pittsburgh,

site of the 2015 national convention. There they met with the Supreme President, chairpersons of the 2015 convention and other members of the Pittsburgh chapter. Thanks to all for a wonderful weekend! Aspasia has also started chapter visitations; in addition to Pramne, she has visited chapters in Akron, Cleveland and Parma. Each chapter was very welcoming.

#### Jaclyn Sarah Elias, Alexis Elias-Spohn and Dana

Patrick attended the 10th Annual Youth Conference in Cleveland this past March. They participated in youth meetings, as well as the Greek Independence Day parade and dance. Thanks to the Cleveland chapter for hosting an outstanding weekend for the youth.



Allison Rice graduated summa cum laude from Westminster College with a B.S. degree in chemistry. She received the top organic chemistry award from the college. Allison will attend the University of South Carolina where she will pursue a PhD degree in chemistry.



Julie Rice graduated cum laude from Westminster College with a B.S. degree in chemistry. She received the top analytic chemistry award from the college. Julie will attend Clemson University where she will pursue a PhD degree in food science.

In Memory of Demetria Steve. Demetria served as Treasurer of Pramne #1 for many years, and will be greatly missed by our chapter. May her memory be eternal!

Submitted by Jaclyn Sarah Elias, President

Spring has been a busy time for Akron Ikarians! March 30th we hosted our Annual Membership luncheon, thanking members for their 2013 participation and securing

members for 2014!

Anna Topougis and son Joseph (at right).

We had a great visit from District Governor Estee Elias and there were over 40 people in attendance! Chapter members discussed 2014 schedule and plans, including our annual reverse raffle, ideas about growing our chapter and re-invigorating members who haven't



been as involved lately...as well as their young families.

Left to Right Paula Kasapis, Nick Manolis, Venette LaRocca



Thank you to

the youth committee and Cleveland Chapter Pharos for hosting the Youth Convention in Cleveland this year! Our delegate Kevin LaRocca was excited to report what a great weekend he had! Kevin has attended many conventions throughout his childhood, and now he's excited



about our Brotherhood as a young adult now! Cheers!

Congratulations to Alex Plakas & Jenna Labinger on their May 2014 marriage, celebrated in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico and attended by family and friends from near & far! The couple lives and works in Chicago, IL. Na Zisete!!



Two generations of Dads in the Carpas Family

On Father's Day Akron Ikarians gathered at the home of Argie Spithas-Miner & Larry Miner for our Annual Lamb Roast and Panagyri! We had a great turn-out, with many familiar faces and some new ones! Ikarians know how to eat...the spread of Greek potato salad, vegetable dishes, grape leaves and desserts will be remembered for a LONG time!



Kalo taxidi to many of our members traveling to Ikaria this summer! We can't wait to hear your stories in Clearwater! See you at the convention! Join us on August 24th for our next chapter meeting. All Ikarians are welcome!





#### **Youth Leadership Conference**

Chapter Pharos hosted the 10th Annual Youth Leadership Conference in March in conjunction with our Independence Day dance. 19 delegates from 10 chapters attended the Youth Conference, along with about 10 others who joined in on the festivities. The weekend was filled with many activities that included a Greek night on Friday, the Independence Day parade, the Youth Leadership meeting and the dance Saturday night.

At the meeting, the youth discussed possible fundraising opportunities. We all decided to begin selling custom made puzzles by creating an online youth store. The goal

is to continue selling online while expanding our inventory in the future. Other topics we discussed were increasing youth membership in local chapters, being delegates at the supreme convention and possible locations for next year's Youth Leadership Conference.

The conference was coordinated and organized by George Karnavas and Sam Tripodis. A lot of planning went into it to make this an eventful and productive weekend for everyone.

We saw the most participation at a Youth Leadership Conference in the last few years. It was a great success and an honor to host the 2014 Youth Leadership Conference.

It was great to see all the youth Kariotes together having a great time and also thinking of ways to keep the foundation going in the future.



The members of Chapter Pharos have had a busy few months. We hosted a Loukoumades fundraiser and a Spaghetti dinner during the winter. In March the chapter hosted our Annual Independence Day Dance in conjunction with the Youth conference. The conference and dance were very well attended.

That same day we also participated in Cleveland's Greek Independence Day Parade.





We danced the kariotiko all night with Ormi Orchestra and **Peter Karnavas** on the violi.

On August 17th Chapter Pharos will be hosting our annual picnic at St. Sava's Picnic Grove in North Royalton. Come join us for souvlakia, loukoumades and entertainment by Stigma Band.

We were saddened by the loss of long time member Socrates Panas, may his memory be eternal.

Hope everyone has a great summer. See you all at the convention in Clearwater.

We have some exciting events planned for this year. including a picnic next month, a Casino trip in August and Greek Night the day before Thanksgiving. We are looking forward to a year full of events and some great memories!

We would like to congratulate Cleveland on their Independence Day Dance and also Pittsburgh for their successful mini convention

Congratulations to our recent high school graduates, George Koupiaris, Aris Charnas and Louie King.

George Koupiaris went to Howland High School and has been accepted to Toledo with a concentration in pharmacy.

Aris Charnas went to TCTC and completed the Power Equipment Program and will pursue a career in that field.

Elias (Louie) King went to Howland High School and has been accepted to Youngstown State University for the STEM Engineering Program.







George Koupiaris

Ari Charnas

Συγχαρητηρια! Daedalos, Chapter #4

Louie King

PANDIKI New York #5

**Konstantinos Mavrikis**, member of the Pandiki Chapter New York, on March 8, 2014, during the 75th Anniversary Gala held by the Federation of Hellenic-American Societies of Greater New York. Konstantinos Mavrikis was the guest of honor during the celebration and recognized for his service as Federation's President from 1983 to 1987. The event was well attended with numerous Icarians present to support Mr. Mavrikis on this special day.



The Federation supports patriotic, philanthropic, and humane pursuits of Americans and Greeks, promotion of Hellenic culture, and the interests of the numerous individual Societies that make up the organization. Additional information about the



Federation can be found at http://www.hellenicsocieties.org/index.html

PANDIKI New York #5

On Sunday, March 30, 2014, we participated in the annual Greek Independence Day parade on Fifth Avenue in Manhattan. We had excellent participation and the Pan Icarian float proceeded down the heart of Manhattan rominently displaying the Pan-Icarian logo of Icaros. The event was televised on one of NY's primetime tv channels, as well as the Greek channel. The parade was followed that evening by our annual "Macaronada."







On Sunday, June 15, 2014, we had a Father's Day BBQ. It was a great event with many of our members and their children enjoying a fun filled afternoon and evening.





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

Recent Chapter events include:

A fish dinner on March 30, 2014, hosted by Despina Xenakis and family in memory of Tony Xenakis.



Dinner hostess Despina Xenakis (front right) and family

Our annual Memorial Weekend Mini Convention (May 24-25, 2014), which included the Steve Manners Golf Outing and our big Glendi. Thanks to all who contributed towards making this another fun and successful event!

Congratulations go out to:

Maria (Pantazes) and David Alcaide, who were married on June 27, 2014.

Michael Aivaliotis, graduate of The Gow School. Michael will be attending the University of Denver.

Teriann Despina Faatuiese, graduate with honors of Keystone Oaks High School. Teriann will be attending Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Yianni Tsambis, graduate of Riverview High School. Yianni will be attending Penn State Behrend.



Jason Tsounos, graduate of Central Catholic High School. Jason will be joining the Marines.

Anthony Xenakis, graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, with a BS in Industrial Engineering. We are looking forward to hosting the 2015 National

Convention and have already begun planning great events and activities!



We wish you all a happy and healthy summer and hope to see you in Florida over Labor Day Weekend.

Submitted by Chapter Icaros Corresponding Secretary Anna Aivaliotis



Above, Despina Xenakis with sons Mike (left) and Teddy. Below are more family and friends.





# Chapter Icaros hosts another successful Memorial Weekend Mini Convention with a wonderful Sunday Night Glendi on May 25!



All the way from Athens, Greece to enjoy the Sunday night dance is Chrisse Aivaliotis (left) hugging her sweet niece Maria Aivaliotis.



Despina Xenakis (center) working the raffle table with daughter Ergetti (left) and Mini Convention Chair Michelle Kotsagrelos







PSP George Horiates with Nick Koutoufaris



Mezethes queen Zoe Lardas (left) and Bunny Manners



## **ICAROS**

Another beautiful day for the 14th Annual Steve Manners Golf Outing on May 24, 2014. From front to back: Chris Kefalos, Rusty Hughes, Lee Mamatas, and Sean Bell.



The next generation of golfers, from left to right: Theo Loizos, Steve McCarthy, Stathi Mamatas, and Stathi Loizos.



After the Steve Manners outing, we gathered for an evening out, continuing the tradition started by the Cleveland golfers.



Chapter Icaros member and Truth Lounge owner John Frentzos - host extraordinaire - pictured with Cathy Pandeladis and Michelle Kotsagrelos.



L to R: Clevelanders Nick Tripodis, Joe Fouts, and Jim Gemelas with Pittsburgh's very own Alex Barlamas.



We were honored to have three past supreme presidents (George Horiates, Nick Tsalis, Mike Aivaliotis) and the current supreme president (George Koklanaris) at the 14th Annual Steven Manners Golf Outing! Pictured here from the left is PSP Nick Tsalis, Nick Siringas, Leo Vassilaros, George Vassilaros, Sam Vassilaros, Emanuel Lardas, and Steve Papalas.

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## **ICAROS**

Teriann Despina Faatuiese graduated from Keystone

Oaks High School with Honors in June 2014. She has been accepted at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, where she will major in Criminology and minor in Asian Studies. Teriann is the daughter of Ergetti Xenakis Faatuiese and grandaughter of Despina and the late Anthony Xenakis



**Kelly Mantagos,** daughter of John and Kathy Mantagos and granddaughter of Despina and Anthony Xenakis, was married in Ikaria, July 2013. The handsome groom, **Sebastian Rosenberg**, son of Helge and Mona, brought 70 Norwegian family members and friends who partied



hearty with the bride's side from Greece and U.S. for three days. The couple live and work in Oslo, Norway. Anthony Emanuel Xenakis, son of Emanuel and Dee Xenakis, grandson of Despina and the late Anthony Emanuel Xenakis, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering Degree from the University of Pittsburgh. Anthony's mother and his two sisters, Despina and Dolores, also hold Engineering Degrees from the University of Pittsburgh.

Anthony's engineering accomplishments include Lean Six Sigma Certification, development of new medical

packaging technology for UPMC, streamlined patient wait time in UPMC's Otolaryngology Department by more than 70%, and an internship with Westinghouse Nuclear Engineering.

Throughout his university studies, Anthony was an active member and Assistant Scholarship Chair of Sigma Chi Fraternity. Anthony loves his Ikarian heritage and

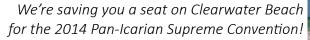


enjoyed 6 weeks with his cousins in Greece last summer. Anthony is now working for the Industrial Engineering Technology (IET) Company, which is a full service industrial and manufacturing engineering firm. Congratulations to Anthony!

On March 12, 2014, Evangelia and Eric Peck celebrated the birth of their son, **Alexander Alfonso Peck**. Papou

& Yiayia Armando Romero and Constance Lardas of Pittsburg, and propapou James (Demetri) Lardas, are full of joy for Alexander.







**Pamela Pappas**, daughter of **Georgia** (Viores) and **Spiro** Pappas, was honored at an awards ceremony on January 11, 2014 as a "2013 Riverview Distinguished Alumni."

While att verview High School, Pamela played volleyball, tennis, powder puff football and ran track. She was co-valedictorian and a member of the National Honor Society, participated in Key Club, orchestra, Student Council, and other group activities. Pam was also the newspaper staff editor and yearbook proofreading editor. After graduating Riverview High School in 1988, Pamela received an academic scholarship to Duquesne University and graduated Magna Cum Laude in 1993 from the School of Pharmacy with a minor in bionucleonics. While at Duquesne, Pamela was a member of Rho Chi and Mortar Board and served as president of her sorority.

Pamela started climbing and becoming an award winning mountaineer eight years ago after 15 years of adamant thru-hiking. Since she started climbing, Pamela received the leadership 100 Achievement Award. Pamela is the 20th American woman in history to climb Mt. Everest and will complete the Seven Summits (the highest peak on each continent) next year. Additionally, Pa-



mela has built and maintained trails for the American Hiking Society through the U.S. and has built homes for Habitat for Humanity in Botswana and in the U.S. She also participated in a reforestation project with Genesis in Costa Rica and raises funds for Bike MS.

Currently, Pamela is a Board Certified Nuclear Pharmacist with Cardinal Health and is licensed as a nuclear pharmacist in five states.

# **FOUTRIDES**

CHICAGO #8

Spring and Summer Greetings from the Windy City!

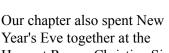
On October 25, 2013, Moshoula Stratakos and Rozina Janis Karnavas hosted our annual Halloween Party fea-



turing a craft table, face painting and a costume parade.

Everyone who attended had a "spooktacular" time!







Harvest Room. Christina Sirigas and Carri Sirigas helped coordinate an event complete with champagne toast, vasilopita and of course, the 'Kariotiko. Happy 2014!

We marched in Chicago's annual Hellenic Parade on March 30, 2014 with over 50 other organizations. Members gathered proudly with their Ikarian flags as well as Greek and paraded down Halsted Street in Chicago's Greektown with real Ikarian energy and pride. Bravo kai tou xronou!



A spaghetti dinner fundraiser was held on May 4, 2014 for the Ikarian Fire Department on the Island. Apostolis Parianos and Fotis Karnavas cooked up a delicious home cooked meal of "macaronia me kokkini saltsa" and raised money for a worthy cause with a silent

Congratulations to Michael and Maria Campas on the

birth of their daughter, **Sophia Melina Campas,** born April 10th, 2013. She weighed in at 7lbs 11oz and measured 22 inches long. Proud big brother is Seraphim and proud grandparents are

members, Philip and Sophia Manolis (Magganitis, Ikaria) and Mike and Julia Campas. Na sas zhsei!



Congratulations to Tony and Erika Roditis on

the birth of their daughter, Eleni! Eleni Theresa Roditis was born May 22nd, 2014 and weighed in at 7lbs 7oz and measured 20.5 inches long. Proud

siblings are Isla and Nikolas and proud grandparents are members, Nick and Elena Roditis (Arethousa & Cyprus)

and Edward and Theresa Langle. Na sas zhsei!





auction of photographs from our island. Our chapter proudly raised \$1,600, the most amount here in the US. This truly shows how powerful our brotherhood bond is and displays our charitable spirit of Ikarians, when it comes to helping one another. This is what it is all about. We also had a real Chicago Ikarian Fireman in attendance. Bravo se mas!

Congratulations to John and Elpida Spanos on the birth of their son, Nickolaos! Nickolaos Ioannis Spanos was born on January 22, 2013. Proud sister is Stamatoula Spanos. Proud grandparents are members Nick and Dalia Spanos (Mandria) and Emmanouil and Stamatoula Lomvardas (Lomvardaro, Ikaria). Na sas zhsei!

**Maria Roditis and Josh Highter** married on November 9th, 2013. The wedding took place on a gorgeous fall day



at Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Palos Hills, Illinois. A dinner reception followed with lots of dancing at Ruffled Feathers in Lemont. Maria is the daughter of members, Nick and Elena Roditis (Arethousa, Ikaria and Ora, Cyprus), and Josh is the son of Ron and Mary Highter of Vermont. Maria and Josh currently reside in Berkeley, California. Congratulations to the newlyweds, na zhsete! Greetings from Detroit to all our fellow Icarians. The long hard winter is finally over, spring came and now we are so ready for summer. Spring began again with the traditional macaronada that we have every year. It's our time not only to observe the beginning of lent but to celebrate the end of winter and the arrival of spring. Many members turn out, regardless of the weather, and this year was no different. We would like to thank the Manolis family for their donations in memory of George and Anna, Chris, and Larry.

At this time we would like to express our condolences to sister Georgia Charnas and her mother Alexandra for the untimely loss of her brother, Spyro Tsacomangos to cancer. Spyro was a sweet and gentle soul and he will truly be missed. Also our sympathies go to Alayne Batsakes Blumberg and her family for the loss of her father, John Batsakes. May their memory be eternal.

Every issue we can always count on our youth to bring us some happy news. Congratulations to all of our graduates. **Thea Mourselas**, daughter of John and Kathy Mourselas, graduated from Touro University in



Las Vegas with a master's degree in Occupational Therapy. While studying at Touro, Thea helped raise money for Muscular Dystrophy and volunteered to work at the Muscular Dystrophy camp in California. She also developed an assistive technology device featured on the local news. Right now she is finishing up her fieldwork at the University Medical Center of Southern

Nevada, and will be taking her board exams next month.



John, Thea, Kathy, Dean and Gianni Mourselas

Anastacia (Ana) Harris has earned her bachelor's degree with honors in mathematics and elementary education from The University of Michigan. While attending the University of Michigan Ana played on the women's ice hockey team. She was the Alternate Captain of the team. In addition Ana was the Vice President of the women's Ice Hockey team. Ana will spending part if her summer in Greece and going to Ikaria. She is currently applying for teaching positions in Michigan.





The Harris
Family
on campus at
the
University
of Michigan
Stephan, Harry,
Ana, Christine
and Nadia

Congratulations to **Olivia Koklanaris**, daughter of Supreme President George Koklanaris and Toula Koklanaris. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Grosse Ile High School in Michigan. She was awarded a Michigan Scholar

Athlete Award, an AP Scholar Award and several recognitions from her teachers and the community. In addition, Olivia earned eleven Varsity letters in three different sports, and won numerous league, regional



and district titles. She was also named All-State Competitor for both academics and sports. She will be attending Michigan State University in the fall. Go Green!

## SPANOS/ARETI

Best wishes and congratulations to **Drs. Melissa and Steve New** who were married in Denver on May 10th.

Melissa is the daughter of Dr. Nick and Karen Lygizos.

Melissa finished her undergraduate studies at Harvard

University then went on to attend medical school at The



University of Michigan. She had also traveled to Peru and South Africa to do volunteer work in a medical capacity. Steve is originally from Pittsburgh where he attended Duquesne University. Steve and Melissa met in Denver where they

had re-located to complete their residencies. Steve is specializing in gastroenterology and Melissa is a pulmonologist. With their residency completed they will continue to practice and live in Denver. We wish them a very happy live together.



Dr. Nick Lygizos escorts daughter Melissa down the aisle

**Kali Siringas**, daughter of Nick and Athina, is now starring in The TriArts Sharon Playhouse in Connecticut playing the part of Eponine in the production of Les Mis-

erables. The musical will run from June 18-29th. Break a leg Kali, we know you will be great!

We are hosting the Supreme Lodge Meeting June 21st. The meeting will be followed by agoat roast. At this time we would like to express our gratitude to our Supreme President George Koklanaris for all of the hard work he has



put forth for the local and national brotherhood. Thanks for everything George!

Or annual picnic is being planned for July 13th at Lake Erie Metropark in Rockwood. We have a shelter, with a nice view of the lake, reserved and there will be plenty of food and fun. The park also has a very popular wave pool that the old and young kids really enjoy.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in Clearwater this Labor Day.

Submitted by Kathy Mourselas.

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Greetings from Chapter Therma where our summer has begun!.

Ikarian youth at Christmas party hosted by Kay Skandalakis



We rang in the new year by hosting our annual New Year's Eve Party. The party was well attended and fun was had by all.



At left, Julia Horiates and friend. Below, Chapter VP Angelo Horiates and wife May





children performed traditional Greek dances. They were proud to show our culture to the city of Wilmington.

Five of our children graduated High School this June. We would like to congratulate:

- Vasili Brown son of Doug and Argie Poulos Brown
- Koula Fragos son of Angelo and Olympia Fragos
- Kathryn Franck daughter of John and Argie Saffo Franck
- Gabriella Livanos daughter of George and Lisa Livanos
- Rena Poulson daughter of Elpetha Tsingelis Poulson

We would also like to congratulate Ari Livanos for his graduation form the University of North Carolina at Ashville

Congratulations goes out to Steve and Sarah Karafas on the baptism of their son Elias. Godparents are Tony and Jamie Saffo - Na mas zisei!

Wedding Bells rang for Joshua Tracy and Aimee Scholly. Joshua is the son of Ernie and Sophia Fragos Tracy. We wish them a long life filled with love and happiness. Na zisoun!

We look forward to celebrating our annual Convention with our sister city at the beach in the south. See y'all in Clearwater!

**Ari Stelios Livanos**, pictured here with parents **George and Lisa Livanos**, and sister **Gabriella**, earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Studies from The University of North Carolina at Asheville. While at UNC-A, he played for and co-captained the



Ultimate Club Team worked for and interned at Western North Carolina Alliance, and was heavily involved in Sustainability and Outdoors programs. He will be working the next two years before setting off for gradu-

ate school. Ari wishes to thank all that made it possible for him to attend university.

**Katherine Franck** is the daughter of Argie Saffo Franck and John Franck, and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Avgerinos Saffo from Wimington, NC. Katherine has attended Cape Fear Academy since pre-K. During



her high school years Katherine was involved in several aspects of her high school. She lettered in both Tennis and Varsity Lacrosse. She was the vice president of her sophomore class and Treasurer of The Student

body her senior year. Katherine was involved in the North Carolina Youth Legislature for all four years of high school, where she attended conferences In Raleigh, NC. Katherine was a member of the Beta club and the National Honor Society. She completed over 150 community service hours in her community. This fall Katherine will attend the University of South Carolina in Columbia, SC where she hopes to major in nursing or pre-med.

**Kyriakoula (Koula) Evangelia Fragos**, a member of Chapter Therma, is graduating from Eugene Ashley High school with a 4.3 GPA, participating in both Honors and Advanced Placement courses while she was there. She plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Charlotte in the fall to major in biology. Koula's hopes and dreams are to go into the medical field in a



pursuit to become a pediatrician. She received an honors cord for exceeding in the science programs at Ashley. She also participated in both the Beta Club and National Honor Society. Koula was a member of the Hospice club and of the EC Buddies club, a club that focuses on getting special needs students to interact and feel like they belong with the other students at the school. She ran cross country her sophomore year

and lettered in it during her junior year. Her passions are at the church and that's where she spends most of her time with both Romiosini dancing and participating with GOYA. She plans to join the OCF at UNCC and keep in touch with the church. She was honored at graduation with an honors cord for Sciences and is a North Carolina Scholar and received the President's Education Award

Gabriella Demetra Livanos graduated from Cedar Ridge High School of Hillsborough, North Carolina. Gabriella took courses in the International Baccalaureate Programme, for which she is a diploma candidate, and was a member of the Tri-M Musical Honors Society, Cedar Ridge Concert and Jazz Bands, Cedar Ridge Poetry Club, and St. Barbara's Traditional Greek Dance Troupe. Additionally, Gabriella served as Captain of the

Cedar Ridge JV and Varsity Cheerleading Squads in her time at CRHS. Gabriella currently works as a Camp Counselor with the Summer Programs at Carolina Friends School. In fall 2014. Gabriella will be attending



the University of North Carolina at Asheville to Double Major in Psychology and Philosophy, while Minoring in Creative Writing. She is just as excited to go to college as she is to go back to Ikaria to visit this summer.

Irene (Rena) Christina Poulson, daughter of Elpetha Tsingelis Poulson and daughter of Michael Keith Poulson, grandaughter of Christos Tsingelis and Evangeline Frankos Tsingelis, and great-grandaughter of Irene Xanthos Frankos and Andrew Evangelos Frankos, graduated

from New Hanover High School in Wilmington, North Carolina on June 14, 2014. Rena graduated with honors and was a member of the National Honor Society and the National Beta Club, and was a Presidential Award Honoree and varsity cheerleader her entire high school career. Rena will be attending the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, NC, in the fall where she will be



studying under the pre-med program.

Dale (Dionysios) Pappas, son of Stephan and Dori (Scaros) Pappas and grandson of Nicholas and Kiki Scaros

(Chapter Pandiki) and Mary (Halkias) Pappas, graduated magna cum laude from Saint Joseph's University in Philadelphia, PA on May 17, 2014. He double-majored in History and Italian Studies with a minor in International Relations. He was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest academic honor society, Gamma Kappa Alpha, the national Italian honor society, Phi Alpha Theta, the national History honor society and Omicron Delta Epsilon, the international Economics honor society. He was awarded the Italian Studies Medal of Excellence.

Dale was selected for a Post-Baccalaureate Fellowship by the Greek-America Foundation to study intensive Greek at the American College of Greece for the 2014-2015 academic year. He plans to pursue a Ph.D. in Modern Italian History when he returns. Συγχαρητήρια Dale!



## 2014 Pan-Icarian Convention

Hosted by Helios Chapter #19 August 29 - September 1

The Sheraton Sand Key, Clearwater Beach, Florida



Make Your Reservations Soon!

As we head in to another summer season, Chapter Oinoe is off and running with a busy calendar of events. The chapter went deep sea fishing in May on a private Ikarian Charter designed to test the Ikarian fishing prowess.



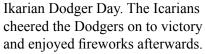


Needless to say, we were all out fished by seven year old Katerina Gittings who hauled in 12 fish throughout the day (with a little assistance from the deck hands).

In June, the chapter returned to Chavez Ravine to cheer on our Los Angeles Dodgers as part of











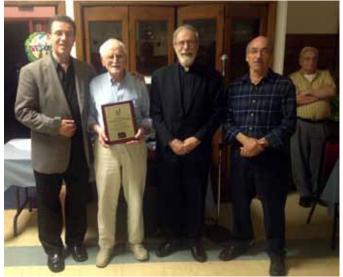


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On May 10 we honored our **Brother Zaharias Raptis** for his service and dedication to the Nea Ikaria chapter No.15 and the Greek Church of the Assumption in Port Jefferson, New York.

A glendi dinner with great music and dancing followed and everybody had a great time.





We also took the opportunity to honor a fine young Ikarian American man, Connor Stevens, who won a first place in the 1st Annual Hellenic Poetry Contest Readings and Awards which took place at the Center for Hellenic Studies at Stony Brook University. His award winning poem was about his first trip to Ikaria. His parents and grandparents were present at our club and accepted the honors on his behalf as he was unable to attend.

(See the Ikarian Spotlight feature for Connor's poem.)





LEFKAS

BALTIMORE #16

Greetings and Well Wishes from Lefkas Chapter 16 Baltimore, MD. We hope everyone has an enjoyable and safe summer. We wish the Helios Chapter 19 a successful convention in Clearwater Beach, FL.

Our chapter had a successful Ikarian Dance at which the band Melodia performed and we had Nikos Fakaros and Theologos Frangkos entertaining us into the night.





During one of our meetings in March we all came together to make sandwiches for the food bank.

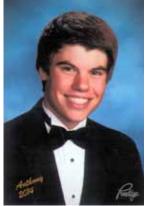


Congratulations to our recent high school graduates Anthony Nicholas and Christina Costals and college graduate Lemonia Mavrophilopos. We are saddened from the loss of our beloved longtime member Karolyn Skegas Krial, survived by her beloved husband of 56 years, Mr. Nicholas Krial. She is also survived by her sisters, Artemis Johnas and Evangeline Maier and loving nieces and nephews.

Lemonia Dimitrios Mavrophilipos recently graduated

from The Johns Hopkins University with a Bachelor of Science in Molecular and Cellular Biology and a Bachelor of Arts in Archaeology. Lemonia is the daughter of Dr. Dimitrios and Stella Mavrophilipos and granddaughter of lifetime members Mr. Vasilios and Lemonia Mavrophilipos and Mr. Theodossios and Georgia Kohilas.





Anthony Nicholas Class of 2014 South River High. Congratulations! We Love You, Dad, Mom and Alexia

Christina Costalas graduated from Winston Churchill High School in Potomac, Maryland, in May. She is the daughter of John and Angela (Mavronicolas) Costalas,

and granddaughter of the late
Kosta and Despina (Mavronicolas) Nicholas, lifelong members
of Lefkas Chapter. Christina was
a member of the National Honor
Society and participated in many
activities including mentoring
teenagers with autism and tutoring children with disabilities.
She is an accomplished athlete
with numerous awards in soccer,
cross country team, competitive



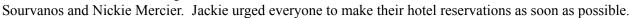
swimming and diving. She received an academic scholarship from the Metropolitan Washington Area Ahepa Awards and received an award for a photograph taken of Seychelles beach in Magganiti, Ikaria. Christina will attend the University of Maryland to pursue a degree in pediatric nursing. Congratulations!

After two cancellations this year because of bad weather, the meeting was called to order on April 27, at Anna's Res-

taurant, Columbus, Ohio.

At our 2013 Golf Outing, Mike Moraitis reported a profit of \$1,156.27. Jackie Michaelidis moved to send \$1,000 to the National Scholarship fund; Aris Hutras seconded. Motion passed, and the check has been sent. Our 2014 Golf Outing is scheduled for August 17, 1 p.m. at the Safari Course.

Delegates for the Pan-Icarian National Convention were chosen: Mike and Jackie Moraitis, Argiro



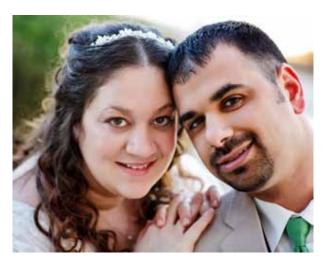


Fire Fighters of Ikaria: Aris Hutras moved to contribute \$1,000 to the Ikarian Fire Fighters Fund; Nickie Mercier seconded; motion passed.

In July our Chapter is taking a bus trip to "The Wilds", part of the Columbus Zoo.

Respectfully submitted, Jackie Moraitis, President

Congratulations to **Tim Leakas and Sophia Koulakis** on their January 18th wedding at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Northridge, California. Tim is the son of Sandy Tratras Thomas and Mike Thomas of Columbus, Ohio, Grandson of the late Efthimios and Mary Tratras of Warren, Ohio, and nephew of PSPs Ellene Tratras Contis and George Contis of Saline, Michigan. Sophia is the daughter of Katina and Mike Koulakis of Porter Ranch, California. They are currently living in Simi Valley, California.



The deadline to submit articles for the Fall issue of *Ikaria Magazine* is October 13, 2014.

Greetings to all of our Pan Icarian Brothers and Sisters from Texas' own Kavo-Papas #20. Hard to believe, but 2014 marks our 30th year as a chapter. In all those 30 years, we've experienced many great events...... births, marriages, graduations, bake sales, meetings, parties, and field trips, but unfortunately we've also had our share of bad times with the death of many of our loved ones. So congratulations to us, I foresee a party in our near future to celebrate our milestone.

In our chapter three young men graduated High School. Congratulations to our graduates, their parents, and Grandparents.

**Alec Magdaleno**, son of Lina Magdaleno, graduated from Morton Ranch High School. Alec was raised by an

extraordinary group of women, Lina, his Grandmother Anna Recine and Great grandmother



Vasiliki Psomas. Alec will be furthering his Education in Mechanical Engineering and Education.

**Reed McCollum Moss**, son of Chad and Melissa Moss, graduated from St. Pius X High School in Houston, TX.



Reed was a member of the National Honor Society. He received the President's Educational Award for Outstanding Academic Excellence. Reed Lettered both his Junior and Senior years by playing Varsity Football.

Reed will be attending the University of Mississippi in this coming fall. Reed is also the grandson of Stacey Moss and the Late Phil Moss. **Niko Demeris**, son of **Stathy** and **Chrissy** Demeris, graduated from Lamar High School with Honors. He played lacrosse and was active in the National Honor Society. Niko volunteered and created a work out plan with



the kids at Aspire Academy (A school for children with Autism). This was probably one of Niko's

most treasured experiences. He will attend the University of Texas in Austin in the fall. Niko is the grandson of Eleni Safos, and Nick and Eleni Demeris.

Kavo-Papas would like to give a Shout Out to member **Anna Sanctorum**. On April 12-13, Anna participated in the MS 150 Bike Ride from Houston, TX to Austin, TX. Anna trained for this 180 mile journey for many months. In response to my email she wrote: "Honey, Not only did

I do it, I made it and without walking the bike or taking the sag wagon. (Trust me there were a lot of people doing both). Won't lie, it was tough but I think I had a little more in the tank. Granted I



started from Waller the shortest of the three start points. The best part was coming into Austin. They had miles coned off for us, and when we got near the end they had these barricades for about half a mile with all the people behind them and all the streets closed. Then you come around this bend and behold there is this giant finish line with the capital building in the background and thousands of people cheering you on. I have to admit it was pretty awesome! I would totally do it again..."

Respectfully Submitted, Isabel Mitchell, Secretary We started our year 2014 with our participation in the Aegean Island Dance. We had our Potluck Party and kopi Vassilopitas at the end of January. We gave presents to our young members and there was a show with different animals for the younger children.





Our Chapter has now 38 members.

We participated with the Greek Community in the two Greek Parades in Danforth. We have also participated in the Aegean Island Dance for its 30th Anniversary.





Unfortunately this year we lost our dear members, Matheos Tsakalos and Arthur Moraitis. We send our deepest condolences to their families.

Our next Geniki Synelefsi and elections will be held in October.





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This spring, Langada Chapter held their annual bake sale on May 4th, featuring Catherine Alexander's renowned diples. The bake sale was held at the Annunciation Cathedral's Carlos Hall. In addition to diples, breads and other assorted goodies were sold. With thehelp of many of our members the chapter raised over \$700.00. A portion of the proceeds will go to the Church building fund and to St. Basils Academy which provides support for orphans and families in need.

We held our spring meeting which was well attended by our membership.

We were excited to be able to meet back at our home away from home,





the White House Restaurant in the Buckhead neighborhood of Atlanta. Langada member, Demos Galaktiadis recently reclaimed ownership of the White House and is as good as ever, welcome back Demos!





Look forward to seeing all of you in Clearwater.

## DRAKANON

**Peter Parianos** is a 2014 graduate of Mayfield High School. He is the son of Chris and Jeannie Parianos and grandson of Peter and Kostia Parianos of North Olmsted. All are long time members of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood. Peter

plans on pursuing a degree in computer science in the fall. Good luck Peter! We are so proud of you!





Claire Casey, daughter of Paul and Marina Casey, at her recital where she had a solo performance. It brought her Thea Maria to tears.

Members enjoyed a recent outing at the Hard Rock Casino in Northfield, Ohio. Everyone had a lot of fun and enjoyed each other's company.

Summer will be our annual picnic at the home of Tim and Maria O'Connell where the kids will swim and the members will go over plans for the fall. We plan on



attending an Indians game as well in the summer. We also plan on visiting some of the local museums and taking in a play at Playhouse Square downtown.

We wish the Chapter Helios good luck with the convention in Clearwater, Fl. We will see you soon! Submitted by Maria O'Connell

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## N'IKARIA

Greetings to all our fellow chapters. Hope all is well with everyone.

We are planning a group baseball outing for sometime in June or July. We are also working on hosting an after Thanksgiving Day dance where a portion of the proceeds will be donated.

We have had several high schools graduates, including:

Panteli Dalis Proud parents are Pete Dalis and Kim Dalis. Panteli will be continuing his education at Purdue North Central.

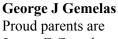




Dimitri Tsampis Proud parents are Michael and Maria Tsampis. Dimitri will be continuing his education at Union Ivy Tech Building Trades Program for Electrical Instrumental and Construction Management.



Nikki Kouknas Proud parents are Nick and Maria Kouknas. Nikki plans on continuing her education at Purdue University.



James G Gemelas and Stephanie Gemelas. George, from Carmel, Indiana, graduated this June from Carmel High School. During his high school career, he involved himself



primarily in student government, orchestra, and the city's mayor's council. He is a national finalist for the St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival, a member of the National Honor Society, a National AP Scholar, and a National Merit Commended Scholar. He will be attending Yale University this upcoming fall to major in Global Affairs.

Wishing everyone a wonderful summer. Respectfully submitted, Angie





PANAGIA

Buffalo #26

Chapter #26 Panagia – Buffalo, New York, has had a very busy Spring season starting with our Chapter members preparing the traditional magiritsa dish to the parishioners of the Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation in Buffalo, New York; after the midnight Pascha liturgy. This has become an annual tradition for our Chapter, one that our local Greek Orthodox community looks forward to each year.

Multi generation Skaros gentlemen



We are also pleased to announce the engagement of **Damianos T. Skaros**, son of Theodore G. & Marcia Skaros, to **Deanna Stepanovich**, daughter of John & Anna Maria (Contis) Stepanovich.

Damianos and Deanna, who first met during the Ikarian National Convention held in Philadelphia, are to be married in April at the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Norfolk, Virginia. Deanna and her family are members of Chapter Erini #28. Kala Stefana!!





In April, George T. & Erin Skaros celebrated the baptism of their son **Theodore George Skaros**. The ceremony was held at the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Wexford, Pennsylvania.

Many of our Chapter members will be traveling to this year's National Convention in Clearwater, Florida, where

we look forward to seeing our fellow Ikarian brothers and sisters.

Kalo Taxithi!



EIRINI SE VIRGINIA #28

Greetings from Eirini, Chapter 28! This Pascha season our chapter sponsored a successful fundraising event on Holy Friday evening. Our community members purchased Kandilia bags "in memory of" or "for the health of" their loves ones. The white Kandilia bags illumined the pathway of the burial procession of our Lord and Savior. All proceeds were donated to the Annette Mavrophilipos Dance Scholarship fund, sponsored by our Eirini Chapter. The scholarships are awarded to deserving graduating seniors who have participated in the Greek dance Ministry at our Annunciation Cathedral in Norfolk, Virginia. This Ministry was very close to Annette's heart. May her memory be eternal.



Members John and Anna Maria (Contes) Stepanovich are honored to announce the engagement of their daughter,

**Deanna Stepanovich** to **Damianos Skaros**, son of Theodore and Marcia Skaros of Buffalo, NY, (Chapter Panagia). Damianos currently serves as the Pan-Ikarian Brotherhood Treasurer. The families are excited to celebrate the engagement this summer in Virginia Beach. The happy couple will be joined in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony on April 25, 2015 at Annunciation Cathedral in Norfolk. Kala Stefana!



Congratulations to chapter member **Christina Stepanovich** who graduated May 17th from
George Mason University with a M.Ed. in Secondary Education. Christina currently teaches
AP Psychology and History at Paul VI Catholic
High School in Fairfax, Virginia. She is also the
Assistant Coach to the seven-time Virginia State
Championship girls' varsity basketball team. Way
to go Christina!

Our chapter is deeply saddened by the loss of our precious Chapter President, Stefanos Pedos. He passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 7th, surrounded by his daughters and family. He is pre-deceased by his wife, Irene, his sister,



Marianthi and his brother, Apostolo. Left to cherish his memory are his beautiful

daughters, Anna and Kelly, his loving son-in-law, Dr. Stelianos Bredologos and his precious granddaughters, Evangelia and Eirini. He also leaves his sister, Angeliki Halvas and brother, Gus Pedos and their families, and a loving extended family and friends. Steve was a kind and loving man who adored his family. We will all miss his sweet smile, his gentle spirit, and his love to share the stories of his life and his beloved Ikaria. May his memory be eternal. Eonia I mnimi.

Me agapi, Eirini-Chapter #28





## **Athena Binikos**

(August 31, 1917 - March 27, 2014)

On March 27, 2014, Athena Lewis Binikos, surrounded by her family, passed onto a better place. Born in Pittsburgh, PA on August 31, 1917, she was predeceased by her husband of 61 years, Nicholas, her son, Stephen and brother, Perry Lewis. She is survived by her daughters, Sonja (Gus) Stefanadis, Nikki (Peter) Limberis and grandchildren - Jim Stefanadis; Annette (Jim) Mavres; Arlene (Tony) Castelli, Athena Brom, Roxanne Xenakis and Stephanie (Brett) Moriarity. She is also survived by her brother John Lewis.

Known as "Cookie Yiayia" for her baking skills, she is survived by her 16 great-grandchildren: Gus Wm., Nicholas and Alyssa Stefanadis; Sophia and Eleni Mavres; Nicholas and Anastasia Castelli, Diamond and Zachary Goss, Stephen and Irini Brom, Athena, Irini, Philip, Ari and Ali Xenakis.

Athena attended the Oakmont Schools and moved to Warren, OH, with the love of her life when they married in 1938. She was always supportive of her religion through the church membership and the ladies auxiliary. She was a life



member of the Daughters of Penelope and served as an officer in the Warren, OH chapter. She also joined her husband in becoming an ardent supporter of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America with membership in Warren, OH, New York and Clearwater, FL. During the founding years of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Clearwater, she was involved in sewing the altar stoles for the altar boys for the participation in the St. Nicholas Church Epiphany Service in Tarpon Springs. She also worked with the annual festivals with baking tirelessly for the ladies auxiliary. She was a manager in the family restaurant in Pinellas Park for fifteen years. She found time to knit beautiful blankets for her family and enjoyed walking in the local park and feeding the turtles in the creek. Education was important and although she was unable to obtain any diplomas, she encouraged her children, grandchildren and great grand-children to study hard and pursue their degrees.

Funeral services were held at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Clearwater. Pall bearers included Jim and Gus Wm. Stefanadis, Jim Mavres, Tony Castelli, Brett Moriarity, Stephen Brom, Nicholas Stefanadis, Zachary Goss and Nicholas Castelli.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox at 409 Old Coachman Road, Clearwater, FL 33765 or the Helios #19 Building Fund, PO Box 3474 Clearwater, FL 33767.

She will be missed for her honesty, humor and love of family and friends.

May she rest in peace and her memory be eternal

### Demetria Steve

**Demetria Steve** was born August 18, 1929 in Warren, OH, daughter of Greek Immigrants, Harry G. Simon and Mary Andrews.



Demetria was a Homemaker and devoted wife to her husband and children. She was a member of St. John's Greek Orthodox Church, an Active member of Daughters of Penelope, Pan-Icarian brotherhood of America, philoptochos society and Senior Citizens at St. John's.

Surviving are three sons; Fr. Polykarp Steve of Youngstown, Harry G. Stavrenos of Youngstown and George P. Stavrenos of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. A daughter; Marcy Steve of Columbus, Ohio, and a sister Rose (Richard) Cassimus of San Leandro, California. She was also an adoring Yia Yia of five grandsons. She will be also be greatly missed by many nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and her husband George P. Steve, whom she married June 10, 1951.

Demetria served as Treasurer of Pramne #1 for many years, and will be greatly missed by our chapter. May her memory be eternal!





## Stephen G. Pedos

Our father was our hero. He was an extremely strong man, both emotionally and physically. He was a true gentle man. He deeply loved his family and friends and we all loved him. He adored his granddaughters. He would not let one day pass without coming to play with them and often bringing bags of fruits and his own pureed vegetables to ensure they were eating healthy. As easy as it was for him to climb a ladder, he would also cook his slow simmering spaghetti sauce for the Ikarian Chapter meetings that he hosted at his home.

We feel very fortunate to be the daughters of Stephen and Irene (Batouyios) Pedos. They both taught us, not only

with words, but more importantly, with their actions, how to live a good Christian life. Every day before we would leave for school or work, our father would tell us, "Be good to



yourselves and to the rest of the people." These were the words he truly lived by and instilled in us.

Our father worked hard all of his life. He came to America to McKeesport, Pennsylvania at the age of thirteen with his brother Gust, when their father suddenly passed away. He was in mourning, left his mother and the only life he knew, travelled on a ship to another country with a different language to live with an uncle he had never met. It was a long way from his home in Pigi, Ikaria. He often told us that in school in McKeesport, his classmates would tease him because he did not know the language and looked different. He persevered. He went to school, learned the language, learned multiple trades, became an industrial painting contractor and married the woman he had loved and admired for years, and had a family. They settled in Norfolk, VA. When painting, he would say "I keep America looking beautiful." He lived every day to its fullest and did not want to waste a minute. He would judge the success of his day by how much he had accomplished, and his list had to be long. One of our favorite memories was during a trip he made to Greece. Our father had gone to take care of his ailing brother.

He stayed months with him, taking care of him without the conveniences and support of anything we have here. Sometime after his brother passed away, he told Kelly, "Let's take a little trip." So they went to Crete. From there they flew to Cyprus. One day at the beach in Cyprus, our dad was looking around and admiring all the beach activities and said, "Let's do one!" Kelly checked around, thinking what would a man in his seventies enjoy doing? She came back with, "How about a calm boat ride?" To which he said, "Where does it go?" Kelly said, "Just a circle around here." That wouldn't do. He sent her back to find something else. Again, "What would a man in his seventies enjoy doing? How about a GLASS bottom boat?" He laughed, "What am I going to see? Kelly said, "Fish." He replied, "We have the best fish at home." "Go find something else." Again, "What would a man in his seventies enjoy?" He was eyeing the parasailing. To Kelly's dread, that is exactly what this man in his seventies wanted to do. Within minutes, they were gliding over the water in a parachute. His eyes wide open, while Kelly's were closed shut. He admired the beauty of the moment the entire time. From there they were going to leave Cyprus to go to Ikaria. At the travel agency to book their return flight, he saw posters of the pyramids in Egypt. He asked the man, "How far away is Egypt?" Kelly shook in fear and with a spark in his eye, it was no denying where they were heading to. He saw the pyramids, the museums, the Nile, the surrounding cities, and the people all with such awe. He loved that trip and what a beautiful lesson for us. He was fearless. He was strong. He loved to learn and experience new things, always with his eyes wide open. Above all, he was true a gentle man and the best father and Pappou anyone could wish for. And dad, we will always be good to ourselves and to the rest of the people. We thank you for all that you did for us and we love you beyond words. You will always remain in our hearts.

At the age of 81 our father passed away peacefully Saturday, June7, surrounded by his family. He was born in Pigi, Ikaria, Greece, His beloved wife, our mother, Irene, his sister Marianthi, and brother Apostolo all passed before him. Left to cherish his memory are his daughters Anna and Kelly, son-in-law Dr. Stelianos Bredologos, his granddaughters Evangeila and Eirini, sister Angeliki Halvas and brother Gust Pedos and their families, and a loving extended family and friends. He was a member of the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Norfolk, VA and AHEPA. He was a founding member and current president of Chapter #28, Eirini Αιωνια η μνηνη σου.





## Evanthia "Eva" Rossi

Eva, nee (Aleles) of Clearwater, FL died on Tues. May 13, 2014 at the age of 96. She was born on October. 29 1917 in the town of Pigi, on the island of Ikaria, Greece. Her mother Asimina Kouloulias Aleles and father Ioannis Aleles. To all our relatives of the Cherouvis, Aivaliotis, Caravas, Kavulra, Karotos, Fiallou, Vardos, Foutinou. To her cousin Papas Costa Kouloulias, Uncle Papas Vasilli Kouloulias, Grand Father Papas Konstantinos Kouloulias and Megalo Papas Nicolas Koulouias. She came to this country when she was 8 years old and lived in Manhattan. After high school she attended The Fashion Institute of Technology to pursue a career in design and



fashion. She later worked for a millinery shop in NYC designing hats. Eva moved to Fort Lee in 1956 and opened a boutique making dresses, as well as working at Molfetas night club. In 1972 she moved to Clearwater FL and continued to sew. dance and teach the art of Greek belly dancing. She was

Past President of the AHEPA Family of the St. Athanasios Greek Orthodox Church, Paramas, NJ Eva is survived by her sister Maria Rodetis. Sons Peter and his wife Charlotte of Maywood, Andrew and his wife Rosemary of Wanaque, three Grandchildren, Christopher and his wife Pamela, Andrew and his wife Siobhan and Louis Rossi; Great grandchildren Libby and Katie and Ava and Henry. She was predeceased by her husband Andrew of Fort Lee. A 40 day Greek Orthodox memorial service was celebrated at St. John the Theologian Cathedral, 353 E Clinton Ave, Tenafly, NJ on June29th.



## **Angie Lakios**

Angie (Mylonas) Lakios passed away on December 27, 2013. She was married to George for 63 wonderful years. Angie was born on July 28, 1925 in Detroit,

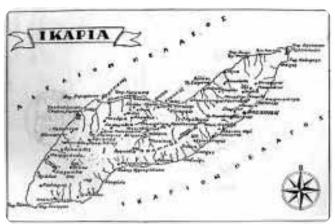
Michigan to Alex and Mary Mylonas who had migrated from Ikaria. The family moved to Cleveland Ohio where Angie met George and they were married in 1950. They were blessed with two children Gus and Caryn Cherpas and three grandsons, Ted, James and George Cherpas Angie was devoted to



Angie was devoted to her church and was

a lifetime member of Saints Constantine and Helen Cathedral in Cleveland Heights. She was active in many church activities including the Philoptchos Society. She especially enjoyed baking for the church and working in the Fleas Market during the annual Festival.

George and Angie loved to travel and especially enjoyed cruising to different areas. When they had the occasion to travel to Greece the highlight of their trip was to visit Ikaria and visit the villages of their parents. From the time she was a teenager she looked forward to attending the annual Pan-Ikarian Conventions to meet and catch up with all her relatives and friends. And continued to do so as long as she could. In her later years she enjoyed spoiling her grandsons and spending time with them watching them grow into fine young men. She will be missed by many. May her memory be eternal.







## **Mary Liadis**

Mary Liadis, 92, passed away Feb. 19, 2014 in Warren, Ohio. She was born Sept. 10, 1921, in Ikaria, Greece, the daughter of Anthony and Arhontoula Mougianis.



Mary came to Warren in 1923. She was a 1941 graduate of Warren G. Harding High School and graduated from Warren Business College. Mary retired in 1989 as head cashier from the Trumbull County Treasurer's Office after 30 years of service. She was a member of St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, Philoptochos Society, Yassou Club, Pan Icarian Society and the Senior Citizens' Club. She enjoyed reading, doing crafts, photography, traveling and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her three children, Joanne (Tom) Rach of Howland, Antoinette "Toni" (Tom) Madden of Solon and Diane (Paul) Rice of Poland; and five grandchildren, Maria (Gus) Kallergis, John Rach, Stephen Madden, and Allison and Julie Rice. She also had two great-grandchildren, Johnathan and Marios Kallergis; and one sister, Julie Gianakos of Warren. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Peter J. Liadis, whom she married Sept. 24, 1950 and passed away on Oct. 13, 2004; brother, Nick Mougianis; and two sisters, Catherine Manners and Grace Petsakos.

We all loved her so much, but for us, not only was there love, there was deep admiration and respect. She would always say to us, "Don't be a quitter" and "Believe in yourself" and "Always stick up for your rights" We thought about her words so many times in our lives. She never gave up. She was the sterling example of grit and resil-

ience. There were times that some people thought she might not pull through after certain bouts of illnesses. But we never for a minute doubted she would, because of her fighting spirit. Her sister Julie would call her "Gutsy Mary" and the name fit so well. Her brotherin-law Jim recanted the story of when our mom bought her new car and she decided to drive the whole family to Cleveland. Never mind that she had just learned to drive, never mind that she wasn't sure of the way, when she set her mind to something, she made it happen. Her family was so amazed by her determination.

She also taught us above all else love and concern for your family. She always had "your back." We will always remember that anytime there was an ambulance with its siren on in the downtown area, we would have to rush to yiayia and pappou's house to see if they were OK. She was a devoted, loving daughter. She also was such a hard worker. Her colleagues at the court house said that she had never seen someone work as hard as she did. We found letters from her employers that were amazing. Her bosses held her in such high regard. She valued education and was thrilled when all three daughters finished college and went on to earn advanced degrees.

One of her greatest joys was watching family videos and reliving all the happy times. She was so proud of her family, husband, children, grandchildren, great grandchildren. She loved nature (birds, trees, flowers) and always talked about her beloved azaleas, her favorite bird the cardinal and her magnolia tree. She would be so upset if the weather was cold and it burned the blooms. She loved spring and Easter and hearing "Defte Lavete Fos" on Holy Saturday and of course cherry pie.

She loved Christmas and everything that holiday entailed, collecting ornaments long after she no longer put up a tree. She made sure we wrote Christmas cards for her, for all of her friends and family. She loved everyone gathering at the house (of which she was so proud) and just spending time together. She was a classy lady always buying the best and admiring beautiful things.

If we could be half the woman she was, we know we would be so blessed. She touched so many lives. We know she is at peace with our dad in heaven, Here's to you mom, may your memory be eternal. We love you so much!

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