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CELEBRATE THEIR ROOTS



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IKARIA Winter 2012 SUPREME PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greeting Brothers and Sisters,

Happy New Year 2012! May it be a great year for each of us, our families and the Brotherhood.

Members of the Supreme Lodge had a great visit with Clearwater's HELIOS Chapter during the M.L.King holiday weekend in January. We were able to conduct a very productive Lodge meeting with PIB Officers on site as well as via dual iPhone conference calls from Illinois, Indiana, and California. PSP Stan Tripodes and PSPs Gus and Sonja Stefanadis joined us in the lobby of the Dune-din Holiday Inn Express as we discussed several issues and made plans to improve upon the both the business of the Brotherhood and the promotion of its causes.

Supreme Vice-President George Koklanaris and I were especially pleased to have had the opportunity to tour the Chapter's nearly completed new clubhouse. It definitely reflects an Ikarian aesthetic, appearing as if imported from the island. Much praise is due to all the contributors and the generosity of those who continue to support the building fund. The leski is something that the HELIOS Chapter and the Brotherhood should be proud of.

Ikarian Storm Relief:

Please take a moment to review the PIB letter regarding Ikarian Storm Relief that is in this edition of IKARIA magazine and on the Pan-Icarian website. The Supreme Lodge asks that all Chapters of the Brotherhood focus fundraising efforts for the purchase of one of three biological compact sewage treatment units need to restore communities that were damaged by 2010's torrential October storms. The Pan-Icarian Foundation will match funds raised by the Chapters up to a \$50,000 level. PIB and PIF Officers in partnership with the Syllogo Kavos Papa in Ikaria will co-operate to facilitate this much-needed help. The FOUTRIDES Chapter has already kicked off efforts for this cause with a small event. My hope is that others will follow and we will be in a position to have a sizeable contribution ready by the 2012 celebration this summer.

2011 Convention Wrap-up:

As of this writing, the OINOE Chapter was finalizing its report on the wonderful 108th Supreme Convention in Los Angeles. We will announce the final contribution to our Pan-Icarian Foundation via email once it is completed.

2012 Convention:

On December 18, 2011, I was able to visit the THERMA Chapter as they continue preparing for our Myrtle Beach seaside stay. The entire Chapter is very hard at work



developing events and activities. They have asked me to relay to you their request to send in old photos of Ikaria and Ikarians for a special presentation video they are planning. You can either send your photographs or send pictures in jpeg format set at 600pics resolution. All sent photographs will be returned. More information on this and the 2012 Convention will be available on the new website IKARIOTIKO2012.com. Don't wait to make your reservations.

2013 Convention:

Philadelphia's ATHERAS Chapter is continuing to work towards the 2013 Convention as planned for Boston, MA. The Supreme Lodge Officers who visited in November had very favorable reviews of the facility and its proximity to so many great restaurants and attractions. Everyone eagerly looked forward to coming back. Unfortunately, the Chapter has run up against a citywide ordinance that prohibits live entertainment/music after 2pm. The Sheraton hotel is appealing to the Office of the Mayor on our behalf to resolve the issue. We remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Pan-Icarian Foundation and Scholarships:

The Brotherhood should be proud of the fact that the total of the 2011 Undergraduate and Graduate scholarship awards has exceeded that of 2010. Congratulations to all the recipients and best wishes for continued success in

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your endeavors. Scholarship Chair Georgia Pandeladis and her team of reviewers worked very hard evaluating each application. The Pan-Icarian Foundation Chairman Gus Yiakas has notified PNC and they are processing checks to the students. There were (27) Undergraduate scholarships totaling \$40,500 and (6) Graduate scholarships totaling \$12,000 awarded here in the US. To students in Greece, (18) Undergraduate scholarships totaling \$18,000 and (4) Graduate scholarships totaling \$6,000 were awarded. I am confident that all of the students will have a positive impact on their communities and on our organization.

Baltimore SP visit:

At the IKAROS Restaurant in Baltimore, MD on December 11, 2011, I attend the LEFKAS Christmas party. My wife and I were happy to meet with the members and participate in the Chapter meeting. The new Chapter Officers will be coordinating with the Lodge for the upcoming Youth Convention planned for the spring. More information on this event will be forthcoming soon.



At the dinner, I was able to present a PIB award plaque to Past Pan-Icarian Foundation Chairman Socrates Koutsoutis for his years of service to our organization. Although ready to make this presentation in Los



Angeles, Socrates had informed me that he could not attend the Convention. I was very glad for the opportunity to present the award to him before his home Chapter and thanked him on behalf of the entire Brotherhood for all his efforts.

PIB Membership and Dues:

Our current PIB Membership stands at 1,792 and is down from the year before as three Chapters failed to report membership for 2011. As we turn into 2012, let us work together to improve the overall membership of our organization. Reach out to all those Ikarians and relatives whom you know and invite into to the Brotherhood. Help your officers to get those submissions in on time. Your magazine subscriptions are dependent on timely responses.

Please be advised that the new \$20 Per Capita rate is now in effect for dues collected for the 2012 year. Each Chapter of the Brotherhood should review this increase with respect to the local dues collected in support of the Chapter.

Take care and best wishes until we meet in person over the coming months.

Fraternally yours,

Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis
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ICAROS		MEMBERSHIP												
No.	CHAPTER NAME	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2010 to 2011 change	2011 convention delegates			
1	PRAMNE	22	16	20	15	15	20	25	27	2	3			
2	V.I.CHEBITHES	58	54	65	52	67	74	53	73	20	5			
3	PHAROS	144	154	153	137	167	189	163	154	-9	7			
4	DAEDALOS	37	49	44	41	22	47	23		-23				
5	PANDIKI	209	205	207	186	159	156	161	166	5	8			
6	DOLICHE	64	59	59	56	51	50	35	38	3	4			
7	ICAROS	257	250	255	239	256	261	244	241	-3	9			
8	FOUTRIDES	155	128	121	99	146	115	118	117	-1	6			
9	SPANOS/ARETI	148	143	139	139	139	139	144	133	-11	7			
10	THERMA	96	92	76	56	62	73	86	51	-35	5			
11	LYCHNOS	41	43	55	46	35	41	49	37	-12	3			
12	ATHERAS	78	104	100	79	79	58	85	79	-6	6			
14	OINOE	197	140	132	113	104	82	121	106	-15	7			
15	NEA IKARIA	82	87	87	83	60	73	54	76	22				
16	LEFKAS	92	80	87	86	62	37	60	55	-5	5			
17	CHRIS AIVALIOTIS	42	46	37	32	32	33	34	36	2	4			
18	KOUSAROS	31	15	19	13	8	12	12		-12				
19	HELIOS	150	162	174	153	155	207	145	143	-2	7			
20	KAYO PAPAS	21	26	33	28	29	32	34	34	0	3			
21	NISSOS IKARIA	46	55	58	61	43	43	47	41	-6	4			
22	ICAROS OF MONTREAL	43	55	53	57	55	55	50	54	4	5			
23	LANGADA	50	50	51	56	55	54	34	31	-3	3			
24	DRAKANON	36	36	29	25	34	28	23	24	1	2			
25	NIKARIA	21	30	37	41	40	27	22	35	13	3			
26	PANAGIA	0	0	0	18	18	18	18	20	2	2			
27	MESARIA	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	11	10		-10				
28	EIRINI	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	16	16	19	18	-1	2			
29	AGIOS KIRIKOS	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	20	3	-17				
		2120	2079	2091	1911	1909	1951	1889	1792	-97				

TOTALS **1792****110**

Delegates

**Constitutional
Delegate
Allowance Per
Membership**

8 to 25= 2
26 to 35= 3
36 to 50= 4
51 to 75= 5
76 to 100= 6
101 to 150= 7
151 to 200= 8
201 to 250= 9
251 to 300= 10

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DISTRICT 1 - GOVERNOR REPORT

In September I was fortunate to attend the wedding of James Tsahas and Popi Sendanis at the Cherry Hill/Pennsauken chapter. Even though it was not an official dance, it seemed like it was. The chapter is strong and always pulls together along with non Ikarians. Unfortunately I was unable to attend their Ikarian Day at the Races or their Agora festival. I do plan on attending upcoming meetings and events.

In New York City the Pandiki Chapter had a very successful Fall dance. It was well attended and packed with "Kefi". As usual the dance ended somewhere around 6am the next day. The chapter also plans on running their annual New Year's Eve party. That too pulls in a large crowd and finishes late. The chapter has a growing list of members who prefer email notifications and have a 80+ email list. They have also set up collecting dues via credit card online that helps with the collection.

In the upcoming months I plan on attending more meetings and events at the Port Jefferson and Baltimore chapter houses.

Respectfully submitted,
Francesco Portelos, District Governor #1

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DISTRICT 4 - GOVERNOR REPORT

Greetings to my fellow Governors, and to the Supreme Lodge. I am Stan Pardos, District 4 Governor. It has been my pleasure and honor to serve as District 4 Governor for 2011, and looking forward to another year. I would also like to add I am very excited to be here today because this is my first visit to this historic city of Boston.

My District in the Southeast Region of the U.S. has six chapters: Therma Chapter #10 of Wilmington, NC; Helios Chapter #19 of Clearwater, FL; Kavo-Papas Chapter # 20 of Houston, TX; Langada Chapter # 23 of Atlanta, GA; Eirini Chapter # 28 of Norfolk, VA; and finally Agios Kirikos Chapter # 29 of Charlotte, NC.

Therma Chapter #10 currently has 86 members whom are all celebrating the induction of Doky Saffo into the 2011 Real Estate Hall of Fame, the wedding of Argie Karafas and Tony Tsahas that was held in Ikaria on April 30th, and the wedding of Angelique and Jack Brants held in Wilmington on May 7th.

My home chapter of Helios #19 currently has 150 members. Helios is currently in the process of applying for their 5013-C. The Clubhouse is almost ready to use, and are waiting for the certificate of occupancy. We are planning for our annual glendi this coming January 14th. I would like to invite all to attend. We are planning a golf tournament to help raise some funds for the clubhouse. We need all the support we can get. I would also like to invite the Supreme Lodge to bring their meeting to us that weekend. We are also producing an ad book this year if anyone is interested in placing an ad.

Kavo-Papas # 20 Chapter President George Tratras reports they currently have 34 members whom are all mourning the passing of longtime member George Sam Saphos.

Langada Chapter # 23 currently has 34 members. Cara Tripodis, daughter of Chris and Susan Tripodis was recently crowned Georgia National Teenager and will compete this summer in Miami, Florida for the National Teenager Pageant.

Erini Chapter # 28 currently has 19 members whom are all celebrating the birth of Kelly and Stelios Bredologos's daughter Erini, born on January 7th. Also congratulations to Mosca and Andrew Flint on the baptism of their daughter Amalia.

Agios Kirikos Chapter # 29; no correspondence.

In closing I'd like to send my appreciations to all the members of Chapter Oinoe for a wonderful Convention they hosted in Beverly Hills last September, and congratulations to Chapter Atheras for winning the bid for 2013. I am looking forward to returning to Boston. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted, Stanley Pardos, District 4 Governor

 **New Deadline Date** 
Please Take Note

THE IKARIA MAGAZINE SPRING-SUMMER
EDITION DEADLINE IS MAY 1, 2012

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1770 DOUGLAS AVE. DUNEDIN, FL 34698.

ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO MAY 1ST
TO BE CONSIDERED FOR PLACEMENT.

NO EXTENSIONS FOR THIS ISSUE - SORRY. THANK YOU.

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DISTRICT 6 - GOVERNOR REPORT

Greetings, my name is George N. Skaros and I was elected as the new District 6 Governor at the last Pan-Icarian Supreme Convention in L.A.

District 6 includes: Nisos Ikaria #21 (Toronto), Ikaros of Montreal #22 and Panagia #26 (Upstate New York). It will be my pleasure to serve both the Supreme Lodge and these fine chapters in order facilitate the communication between them.

I urge these chapters' leadership and members to contact me with any questions they may have.

I can be contacted at:

Address: 5 Pauline Ct. Lancaster, NY 14086

Tel: (716) 406-7794 E-mail: gnskaros26@gmail.com

One of my main goals for this year is to increase District 6's visibility on the internet. Only one of our three chapters (Panagia #26) has a website. I plan on working with the other chapters to build websites that they can manage themselves that can be linked to the Brotherhood's main website. I feel that the internet is an increasingly important tool for reaching new members. All District 6 chapters will all be attempting to submit their dues in a timely manner. I plan on arranging a trip to meet with the Nisos Ikaria Chapter #21 in Toronto in the spring. I also hope to arrange a trip to Montreal in order to meet with Ikaros of Montreal Chapter #22 later this year.

Respectfully Submitted, George N. Skaros, District 6 Governor

Dear Pan-Icarian Brotherhood Supreme Lodge,

Unfortunately I am unable to attend the November meeting in Boston. I would like to report that the District 6 chapters have been notified of the increase in membership per capita approved at this year's convention. My goal for this year is to increase my District's visibility on the internet. Only one of our three chapters has a website. I will be working with the Toronto and Montreal chapters in building websites that they can manage themselves which can be linked to the Brotherhood's site. I feel that the internet is an increasingly important tool for reaching new members.

Respectfully Submitted, George N. Skaros, District 6 Governor

IKARIAN YOUTH

Save the Dates!

March 30 - April 1, 2012

Youth Conference - Baltimore, MD

Lefkas #16 Baltimore would love to host two Delegates (ages 18+) from each chapter. Must be members in good standing.

**Please contact Katina Mavrophilipos at
410-218-5191 or
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Scholarship Recipient Letters of Thanks

Dear Pan-Icarian Foundation,

I would like to thank everyone who took part in allowing me to be one of this year's scholarship recipients. My family and I are very honored and grateful. This award is allowing me to achieve my goals and receive the best education at The George Washington University in Washington, DC. My career goals could not be reached without the generosity of organizations such as this and for that I am very grateful. I am working hard to obtain a degree in International Business and Marketing and it is an honor to know I have the support of the Pan-Icarian foundation. Thank you again for your generosity!

Sincerely,

Giovanna Saffos

Development Intern | Meridian International Center

President | Alpha Delta Pi

B.B.A. Candidate, May 2013 | The George Washington University, International Business and Marketing

Dear Mr. Yiakas and Pan-Icarian Scholarship Committee,

I cannot express how truly grateful I am for receiving the National Pan-Icarian Scholarship. It means so much to me that you would think I am deserving of such an honor. My church and family encouraged me to apply and I am glad they did. They have always supported me in everything I have done and I know they are proud of me. I promise to work hard in school and I promise to put the money to good use. I hope to make you proud also.

Thank you again,

Zoe Yvonne Locascio

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SUPREME LODGE OF THE PAN ICARIAN BROTHERHOOD OF AMERICA, ICAROS
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS — NOVEMBER 12, 2011

Supreme Lodge members present at the meeting:
Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis,
Supreme Vice President George N. Koklanaris,
Supreme Secretary E. Terry Platis (present by phone),
Supreme Treasurer George Paralemos
District Governor (District #1) Francesco Portelos,
District Governor (District #2) Cathy Pandeladis
District Governor (District #3) Paul Collaros,
District Governor (District #4) Stanley Pardos

Supreme Lodge members absent from the meeting:
Supreme Counselor Anthony M. Horaites,
District Governor (District #5) Constantinos Z. Frangos-
District Governor (District #6) George Skaros

Others present at the meeting:
Past Supreme President George G. Horiates

I. Meeting Called to Order/Opening Prayer

Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m. Eastern time. Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis led everyone in prayer and then welcomed everyone to the meeting.

II. Treasurer's Report

Supreme Treasurer George Paralemos reported that as of November 11, 2011, the Brotherhood had \$49,112.72 in its Citibank checking account. The Brotherhood also has two CDs, one at PNC bank and one at the Private Bank, which total approximately \$50,000. Supreme Treasurer George Paralemos asked the Supreme Lodge to consider consolidating the two CDs into one CD. Supreme Vice President George N. Koklanaris suggested that the Supreme Lodge consider moving the funds currently in the CDs to a bond fund in the future. Supreme Treasurer George Paralemos and Supreme Vice President George N. Koklanaris will each investigate other CD and bond fund options prior to the next Supreme Lodge meeting. Supreme Secretary E. Terry Platis will contact the Brotherhood's contact at Citibank to see what Citibank offers re CDs/bond funds.

III. District Governor Reports

District Governor Francesco Portelos presented his report with respect to the District #1 chapters (Pandiki, Atheras, Nea Ikaria, Lefkas and Koursaros). A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.

District Governor Cathy Pandeladis presented her report with respect to the District #2 chapters (Pramne, V.I. Chebithes, Pharos, Daedalos, Doliche, Icaros, Christ E. Aivaliotis and Drakanon).

District Governor Paul Collaros presented his report with respect to the District #3 chapters (Aristedes Phoutrides, Spanos/Areti and N'Ikaria).

District Governor Stanley Pardos presented his report with respect to the District #4 chapters (Therma, Helios, Kavopapas, Langada, Eirini and Agios Kirikos). A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.

District Governor George Skaros was absent from the meeting although separately submitted a report to the Supreme Lodge with respect to the District #6 chapters (Nisos Ikaria, Ikaros of Montreal and Panagia). A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.

Supreme Vice President George N. Koklanaris read aloud the report that District Governor Constantinos Z. Frangos had sent him in advance of the meeting with respect to the District #5 chapters (Lychnos, Oinoe and Mesaria).

IV. Counselor's Report

Supreme Counselor Anthony M. Horaites was absent from the meeting and did not present a Counselor's Report. Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis indicated that the Atheras chapter will keep Supreme Counselor Anthony M. Horaites in the loop on the contract negotiations with the hotel in Boston.

V. Meeting Minutes

Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis indicated that he had not yet received the meeting minutes from the 2011 Supreme Convention.

Prior to this meeting, Supreme Secretary E. Terry Platis had circulated draft meeting minutes from the Supreme Lodge meeting in Los Angeles, California on September 5, 2011. Two corrections needed to be made to the minutes: (1) Supreme Vice President George N. Koklanaris was absent from the meeting but the draft minutes stated that he was present; and (2) District Governor Paul Collaros was present at the meeting but the draft minutes stated that he was absent. Supreme Secretary E. Terry Platis will correct the minutes. The Supreme Lodge approved the meeting minutes from the Supreme Lodge meeting in Los Angeles, California on September 5, 2011, as corrected.

VI. Correspondence

Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis reported that the Washington Oxi Day Foundation had invited him to come to Washington D.C. for an Oxi Day celebration.

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VII. Foundation Report

Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis provided meeting attendees with an update of Foundation matters that he had received from Foundation Chairman Gus Yiakas:

- The Foundation ultimately awarded 27 undergraduate and 6 graduate scholarships to students from the U.S. and 18 undergraduate and 4 graduate scholarships to students from Greece for the 2011-2012 school year.
- The Lefkas chapter has inquired about hosting the 2012 Youth Conference.
- Foundation Chairman Gus Yiakas is worried about the decline in individual donations to the Foundation. Last year individual donations to the Foundation totaled approximately \$17,000.
- Storm relief efforts for Ikaria are underway. Supreme Secretary E. Terry Platis is currently working on a letter requesting that individual members of the Brotherhood donate money to the Foundation for storm relief efforts. Foundation Chairman Gus Yiakas indicated to Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis that the Foundation plans to open a separate bank account for the storm relief funds. The Brotherhood will need to obtain the details of the account information for the letter.
- Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis also reported on the status of the pending litigation related to the Souroumanis estate. A discussion among meeting attendees followed.
- Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis did not have an update on the proposed restructuring of the Foundation that was discussed at the 2011 Supreme Convention.

Following Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis' report on Foundation matters, Past Supreme President George G. Horiates inquired as to why no Foundation board members were present at the meeting and indicated that at least one Foundation board member should be in attendance at all Supreme Lodge meetings.

The following motion was made by Supreme Treasurer George Paralemos and seconded by District Governor Paul Collaros and approved by all Supreme Lodge members in attendance:

Resolved, that the oral report regarding Foundation matters made by Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis be rejected, and as previous custom dictates, with respect to all future Supreme Lodge meetings, at least one Foundation board member shall be present in person at the meeting or the Foundation shall have sent the Supreme Lodge a formal written report about its activities in advance of the meeting.

VIII. Convention Reports

Myrtle Beach: Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis reported that the Therma chapter will be hosting a Christmas party on December 18, which he will likely attend, and he will try to get an update on the Myrtle Beach Convention at that time.

Boston: Meeting attendees toured the Sheraton Boston Hotel earlier that day. Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis reported that the facilities were very nice and that everyone was pleased with the location of the hotel and its surroundings. There are still several challenges with the hotel that will need to be addressed, chiefly that last call for serving alcohol at Convention functions would be 1:00 a.m. and all dances would need to be shut down by 2:00 a.m. Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis indicated that these were not hotel-specific issues, but rather, were city-wide issues. Certain meeting attendees expressed concern about excessive hotel security. The Atheras chapter is continuing to work with management at the Sheraton to resolve these issues and is hopeful that an acceptable resolution of all of these issues will be reached in the near future.

IX. Committee Reports

Constitution/By-Laws: The Brotherhood's Constitution and By-Laws will be posted to the Brotherhood's website.

Youth Committee: The Lefkas chapter will host the 2012 Youth Conference.

2012 Celebration: In connection with the 2012 Ikarian independence celebration, the Agios Kirikos chapter is working on organizing an attempt to set a record for the Guinness Book of World Records by having the most people dancing the Ikariotiko (in multiple locations). District Governor Stanley Pardos will coordinate with the Agios Kirikos chapter.

Ikarian Cookbook: The Brotherhood's current stock of Ikarian Cookbooks is dwindling- Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis currently has 18-20 cookbooks left. The Supreme Lodge had decided to hold off on placing another order of cookbooks for the time being.

Ikaria Magazine: Niki Plutis Salame recently provided the Supreme Lodge with information regarding the per-issue cost of the Ikaria magazine. Once the fall issue is complete, Niki plans to obtain quotes from other printers. At this time, the Supreme Lodge discussed the possibility of adding an e-commerce storefront to the Brotherhood website. Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis

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indicated that the Foundation is willing to share the cost of this increased functionality. The Supreme Lodge will re-visit the issue once it receives more information on the subject from Dean Tripodes. The possibility of creating a link on the Brotherhood website for the archives was also discussed. District Governor Cathy Pandeladis will discuss this with Joanne Melachrinou to see if she would like to proceed with this idea.

Membership: Supreme Treasurer George Paralemos reported that since September 1, 2011, membership has increased by 147 members, bringing total membership up to 1,782 members for 2011. He noted that this is a decline from 2010 when the Brotherhood had 1,889 members. Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis reminded everyone that at the 2011 Convention, the Convention delegates approved an increase in per capita dues from \$15/member to \$20/member and that all Supreme Lodge officers will need to keep informing/reminding the chapters about the increase. Supreme Treasurer George Paralemos reported that there were still three chapters – Daedalos, Koursaros and Mesaria – that have still not paid per capita dues for 2011.

X. Old Business

Chapter Best Practice Survey: Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis will continue to follow up with chapters on the “best practices” survey. So far he has received responses from 11 chapters.

Convention Database: Supreme Vice President George N. Koklanaris is continuing to work on the Convention database. He is currently waiting on actual numbers from the Los Angeles Convention.

Banner Project: Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis will be placing the order for the new Brotherhood banner and flag.

XI. New Business

Foundation Restructuring: Already discussed (see Section VII – Foundation Report).

Ikaria Storm Relief Efforts: Already discussed (see Section VII – Foundation Report).

2014 Supreme Convention Bids: The Supreme Lodge discussed which chapters may be planning on bidding on the 2014 Supreme Convention. So far the N’Ikaria and Helios chapters have indicated that they are considering bidding on the 2014 Supreme Convention.

XII. Upcoming Visits/Meetings

The next Supreme Lodge meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 14, 2012 in Clearwater, Florida.

Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis is planning on visiting the Lefkas chapter on December 11, 2011 and the Therma Chapter on December 18, 2011.

XIII. Meeting Adjourned

Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis adjourned the meeting at 4:20 p.m. Eastern time.

Meeting minutes submitted by Supreme Secretary E. Terry Platis



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Headquarters of the Supreme Lodge

Dear Brothers, Sisters and Friends of Ikaria,

As many of you know, in October 2010, the Western part of Ikaria was hit by a devastating storm that resulted in flooding and landslides. The destruction caused by the storm was severe - one person was killed, numerous public spaces, houses and businesses were destroyed, roads were washed away, rivers in the area were clogged with debris and public water and sewage systems were ruined. The people living in the villages of Western Ikaria, together with Ikarians from Athens, have been trying to rebuild the area using their own funds and resources, but they have received little financial support from the Greek government. The most pressing need in the region that impacts the most people and that we can help with is for a new sewer system in Karkinagri, the largest village in the Western part of Ikaria.

At the Supreme Convention of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood this past September, the Convention delegates approved measures to raise funds to purchase a biological compact sewage treatment unit for the village of Karkinagri, which will serve as a permanent solution to the existing public health hazard in the area. The Convention delegates approved (1) initiating a fundraising drive to solicit individual donations from members of the Brotherhood and individual chapters of the Brotherhood to purchase the biological compact and (2) a commitment from the Pan-Icarian Foundation to match individual donations. Our fundraising efforts are intended to supplement the ongoing efforts of the local residents in Ikaria and the Syllogo Kavos Papa in Athens. A working group has been established to oversee and implement the purchase of the biological compact. The working group is comprised of four individuals: one representative from the Supreme Lodge, one representative from the Pan-Icarian Foundation, one representative from the Syllogo Kavos Papa, and one independent representative from Ikaria.

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Headquarters of the Supreme Lodge

We are writing to you today to urge you to make an individual donation toward the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood's storm relief efforts. The Pan-Icarian Foundation will match dollar-for-dollar all individual donations received with respect to the storm relief efforts, up to a maximum of \$50,000.

Individual donations should be sent to the Pan-Icarian Foundation at the address below:

Pan-Icarian Foundation
Post Office Box 79037
Pittsburgh, PA 15216-0037
Attn: IKARIA STORM RELIEF

Please note on your check that your donation is for "Ikaria Storm Relief". As with all donations to the Pan-Icarian Foundation, your donation to the Pan-Icarian Foundation for storm relief efforts is tax deductible.

Pictures of the damage in Ikaria can be seen at the Brotherhood's website: www.pan-icarian.com. The website also contains more information about the working group and the full text of the resolutions passed by the Supreme Convention regarding storm relief.

The Pan-Icarian Brotherhood has a long and proud tradition of helping our home island of Ikaria in its time of need. Let's keep this spirit of philanthropy alive by donating to the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood's storm relief efforts.

Fraternally yours,

The Supreme Lodge of the
Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros"

Undergraduate Merit-Based Pan-Icarian Scholarship Application for 2012

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 transcript
- A sealed and signed confidential letter of recommendation from at least one professor
- Incoming undergraduate students must include a copy of their letter of acceptance to the accredited undergraduate 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 SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Certification:

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

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature Is Required of Any Applicant under the Age of 25.

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

THIS FORM MAY BE PHOTOCOPIED

Undergraduate Need-Based Pan-Icarian Scholarship Application for 2012

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.

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. The primary variable in determining whether or not to award this scholarship is financial need however academic merit 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 2.8 (incoming freshmen must have a final cumulative high school GPA of not less than 2.8)
- 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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Name _____ Date of Birth _____
 Last First Middle Month/Day/Year

Home Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Place of Birth _____

Hometown(s) in Icaria (optional) _____

Father's Name _____

Father's Place of Employment and Title/Position _____

Mother's Name (including Maiden Name) _____

Mother's Place of Employment and Title/Position _____

Parents' Combined Annual Gross Income from All Sources Last Year \$ _____

Number of Siblings under Age 25 _____ Number of Siblings (and Parents) in College or University _____

Chapter Name and Location _____

Number of Years You (Your Family) Are a Member(s) in Good Standing in the PIB _____

Have You Ever Applied for a Pan-Icarian Undergraduate Scholarship Before? Yes _____ No _____

If Yes, What Year(s) Did You Apply? _____

Have You Ever Received a Pan-Icarian Undergraduate Scholarship Before? Yes _____ No _____

If Yes, What Year(s) Did You Receive It? _____

College or University You Are Attending/Will Attend _____

Location of College or University _____

High School Attended _____ Location _____

Student Status Next Semester: Freshman _____ sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior _____

Cumulative GPA So Far (Incoming Freshmen Provide High School GPA) _____

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature Is Required of Any Applicant under the Age of 25.

ANY ADDITIONAL INQUIRES SHOULD BE EMAILED TO: icarian.scholarship@yahoo.com

**APPLICATIONS POSTMARKED LATER THAN JUNE 30, 2012 WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY REJECTED
 FURTHERMORE ALL SUBMITTALS MUST BE MAILED AND POSTMARKED - IN OTHER WORDS YOU CANNOT
 PHYSICALLY DROP OFF YOUR SUBMITTAL AS IT MUST BE POSTMARKED**

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Graduate Merit-Based Pan-Icarian Scholarship Application for 2012

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
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 Last First Middle Month/Day/Year

Home Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Place of Birth _____

Hometown(s) in Icaria (optional) _____

Father's Name _____

Father's Place of Employment and Title/Position _____

Mother's Name (including Maiden Name) _____

Mother's Place of Employment and Title/Position _____

Number of Siblings under Age 25 _____ Number of Siblings (and Parents) in College or University _____

Chapter Name and Location _____

Number of Years You (Your Family) Are a Member(s) in Good Standing in the PIB _____

Have You Ever Applied for a Pan-Icarian Scholarship Before? Yes _____ No _____

If Yes, What Year(s) Did You Apply? _____

Have You Ever Received a Pan-Icarian Scholarship Before? Yes _____ No _____

If Yes, What Year(s) Did You Receive It? _____

Graduate Program You Are Attending/Will Attend _____

Location of Graduate Program _____

Field of Study _____

Undergraduate College/University Attended _____

Location of Undergraduate School _____

Final Cumulative Undergraduate GPA _____

Cumulative Graduate GPA So Far (Incoming Graduate Students Skip This Line) _____

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Pan-Ikarian Brotherhood of America
August 31 – September 3, 2012
The Hilton @ Kingston Plantation
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

2012 Supreme Convention
109th Year
Therma Chapter #10
Wilmington, North Carolina

Greetings from Wilmington, North Carolina!

We are honored to have been chosen to host the 109th Pan-Ikarian Brotherhood of America National Convention, Labor Day weekend, August 31 – September 3, 2012. The convention will be held at the Hilton Kingston Plantation, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

We are planning many activities for a fun-in-the-sun family weekend. It is not too early to start thinking about your travel plans. To book a room, we recommend you call the Hilton at 1-800-876-0010. Please be sure to mention the convention code – Pan-Ikarian to get the convention rate.

For your convenience, the Hilton offers a bonded, licensed and insured babysitting service – Doe's Nanny Service (contact Delores directly at (843) 650-4088). The Hilton uses this service exclusively for all of their functions.

We are all excited about being your host city and look forward to having you "*Come Back to Carolina.*" Visit our website www.ikariotiko2012.com for updates and schedules. Please feel free to contact us with any questions as our telephone numbers are listed below.

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Pan-Ikarian Brotherhood of America
Chapter Therma #10
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Pan-Ikarian Brotherhood of America Chapter Therma #10 Tentative Convention Schedule

Friday, August 31

- Golf tournament and lunch, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
- Delegate registration, 2 p.m. – 6 p.m.
- Souvenir sales, banquet tickets, etc., 12 p.m. – 6 p.m.
- Opening of Business Meetings 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.
- Ikarian Night at Mykonos Restaurant \$___/person 6 p.m. – ? Kids menu available and busses will run from the Hilton every 15 minutes.
- Poolside with Greek D.J. 8 p.m. – 12 a.m.
- Breakfast café is open until 3:30 a.m.

Saturday, September 1

- Delegate breakfast 8:30 a.m. – 10 a.m.
- Delegate Meetings 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- Delegate registration 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- Souvenir sales, banquet ticket sales, etc. 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- Volleyball Tournament 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Casino Gambling Boat – shuttle departing from Hilton, times TBA
- Poolside BBQ \$___/person at the Hilton 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.
- Ikariotiko Glendi 10 p.m. – 3:30 a.m.
- Breakfast café is open until 3:30 a.m. ??

Sunday, September 2

- Church service 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Busses will depart the Hilton property at 9:30 a.m.
- Business meetings 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.
- Souvenir sales, banquet ticket sales, etc. 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Grand Banquet 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.
- Youth Banquet 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. (ages 5 – 12)
- Grand Banquet Cocktail Hour 6 p.m. – 7 pm.
- Grand Banquet Dinner 7 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
- Grand Banquet Dance 9:45 p.m. – 3:30 a.m.
- Breakfast café is open until 3:30 a.m.

Monday, September 3

- Business Meetings, if needed, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Check out of Hilton
- Kalo Taxidi!



Pan-Ikarian Brotherhood of America
Therma Chapter #10
109th Annual Convention
Hilton – Kingston Plantation
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
August 31 – September 3, 2012

CONVENTION RESERVATION FORM

- #1 Golf tournament and lunch, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. \$125/person # of tickets _____
- #2 Mykonos Restaurant
 Seating is limited, reserve your tickets now \$___/person # of tickets _____
- #3 Delegate Breakfast, 8:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. \$25/person # of tickets _____
- #4 Volleyball Tournament 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. \$___/person # of tickets _____
- #5 Poolside BBQ 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. \$___/person # of tickets _____
 Seating is limited, reserve your tickets now
- #6 Youth Banquet 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Ages 5-12 \$45/child # of tickets _____
 Doe's Nanny Service will supervise the children and **all children must be picked up at 9:30 sharp.**
- #7 Grand Banquet and Ball 7 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. \$95/person # of tickets _____
 (includes Dance ticket)
 Seating is limited, reserve your tickets now
- #8 Church Service Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
 Opportunity to attend church service and memorial service.
 Bus will depart the Hilton at 9:30 a.m. # of tickets _____

**THE DEADLINE TO PRE-ORDER ANY
TICKET FOR ANY EVENT IS JULY 31, 2012**

NO EXCEPTIONS – NO REFUNDS
Order your tickets now as seating is limited.



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Therma Chapter #10
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CONVENTION ALBUM AD AND CONTRACT

FOR THE FUNDS RECEIVED, THERMA CHAPTER #10 AGREES TO ENTER THE MESSAGE OF THE PURCHASER IN THE WILMINGTON CONVENTION AD BOOK.

Gold Page \$250	Silver Page \$225	White Page \$200
Half Page \$100	Quarter Page \$75	Photo \$25 per each photo

Place your message in this area. Email or attach a camera-ready copy. Email to prepress@linprint.com
Advertisement accepted with payment only. Your check must accompany your ad.

Purchaser _____ Amount paid \$ _____
Address _____
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V.I. CHEBITHES

AKRON #2

Happy New Year to all our Brothers & Sisters from Akron! Our chapter has been very busy over the past few months and is excited about starting 2012!

On October 10th, we held our annual Reverse Raffle fundraiser at Guy's Party Center in Akron, Ohio. This is our main fundraising event each year and we thank the raffle committee and officers for all their hard work. Over 160 guests attended, we enjoyed a delicious buffet, live music by local jazz musician Josh Rzepca, and many silent raffle baskets and giveaways! Also many thanks to MC Pete Rizopulos ~ it wouldn't be the same without you!

Congratulations to all the winners! We look forward to another successful raffle next year!

In December, our chapter gathered again to celebrate Christmas. Our annual party was graciously hosted by Venette LaRocca at her home. Over 50 people ate, drank and told stories about Chapter #2! Santa Claus stopped in for a pre-Christmas visit and passed out treats to all our young Ikarians, and members participated in a white-elephant gift exchange! A fine time was had by all!



Alexis Rizopulos w/Daughter Calli



Gus & Carol Charnas enjoy the evening!



Hostess Venette LaRocca pauses for a photo with Argie Spithas-Miner



Lou Chibis shares his gift list with Santa Claus!

For 2012, VI Chebithes is planning a busy year, which kicks off with our annual member appreciation luncheon & membership drive and office election! All returning members and new members are welcome! For more information e-mail lsmithas@gmail.com. We'd love to have 80 official members in 2012.

PHAROS

CLEVELAND #3

Congratulations to **Sam Tripodis and Stamatios C. Tripodis** on their recent graduations. Sam is the son of John Tripodis and Maria Collaros Tripodis. He graduated from Cleveland State University with his Master of Business Administration (MBA). Stamatios is the son of Chris and Kathryn Tripodis. He also graduated from Cleveland State University with his Doctorate of Physical Therapy. "Kai s'anoterá"



Pandiki held a successful “Fall Dance” where we honored Antonios “Tony” Kayafas for all his years of service and dedication to our club. We had an excellent turnout from Ikariotes young and old, each one of them enjoying the “panigiri” atmosphere of the event.



Pandiki hosted a Halloween Party for the community. Both children and adults enjoyed an afternoon of crafts, games and goodies which were provided by our members.



Pandiki hosted their annual Christmas Party. All of the kids received a memorable gift from Santa Claus and had a great time making crafts with Santa’s helpers.





Pandiki held its annual New Year's Eve Gala. Many Icar-ians with their families and friends chose Pandiki's warm environment to celebrate and welcome the New Year 2012.



DOLICHE

On December 17, 2011 Doris Maria Locascio of Steubenville, Ohio graduated from Kent State University with her Masters Degree in Early Childhood Education. Before Dori was in Grad School, for her MAT she had also received her Bachelor's Degree at Kent State. Dori's family belongs to the DOLICHE Chapter in Steubenville. Her grandparents were the late Steve and Mary (Manuras) Collaros and her parents are Alan and Joyce (Collaros) Locascio.

Submitted by, J. Collaros-Locascio



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

Recent events include our annual Halloween/Oxi Day Celebration on October 23, 2011 hosted by the George Chiotis family, our annual Pizza with Santa Party on December 10, 2011, and our New Year's Eve Celebration on December 31, 2011.

Upcoming events include our annual Super Bowl Party on February 5, 2012.



Santa with his fans.



Halloween/Oxi Day dinner hosts L to R: Heather Dezayas, Despina Insogna, Heidi Dezayas, Ioanna Ladefian, and Maricela Dezayas (daughters and granddaughters of George and Elsa Chiotis).



Santa arrives at Chapter Icaros!



Caliope Gemelas and Maria Aivaliotis sitting pretty with Santa.



Full house at our annual Halloween/Oxi day dinner



Our costumed Halloweeners!

Chapter Icaros elections were held on January 8, 2012. Chapter Icaros 2012 officers are: President Joanne Melacrinos; Vice President Theologos Facaros; Treasurer Elaine Aivaliotis; Recording Secretary Koula Facaros; and Corresponding Secretary Anna Aivaliotis.

We were greatly saddened by the death of longtime Chapter Icaros member Dr. Constantine "Doc" Moraitis. May his memory be eternal.

Submitted by Chapter Icaros Corresponding Secretary Anna Aivaliotis.



Chapter Icaros members enjoy the annual Christmas outing at Jack's

Fotini Raptis and Theologos Facaros were united in marriage during a wedding ceremony held October 1, 2011 at Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church in



Warren, Ohio. Officiating at the event was Father Constantine Valantasis. A reception was held following the ceremony at the Greek Community Center in Warren. The bride is the daughter of Ilias and Marianne Raptis of Warren. Parents of the groom are Yianni and Sophia Facaros of Oakmont, PA.

The new Mrs. Fac-

aros is a graduate of Howland High School and a 2005 graduate of Youngstown State University with a Bachelor of Science in business administration. She is currently an owner of Raptis Coffee.

Mr. Facaros is a graduate of Riverview High School, a 2000 graduate of Case Western Reserve University with a Bachelor of Science in biomedical engineering, and a 2008 graduate of the University of Sioux Falls with an MBA. He is currently employed by Lincoln Electric and recently returned from a three year assignment in Singapore.

After returning from their honeymoon in France, the couple now reside in Auburn Township, OH, a suburb of Cleveland.

Submitted by Theologos Facaros

Congratulations to **First Lieutenant Dimitri Facaros** for his promotion to Captain, effective February 7, 2012. First Lieutenant Dimitri Facaros, an officer in The Judge Advocate General's Corps - U.S. Army, recently graduated from the 185th Army Judge Advocate Basic Course. The course consisted of three phases:



Dimitri Facaros (center) with proud parents Yianni and Sophia Facaros

Basic Officer Leader's Course I and II, held at Fort Lee and Charlottesville, Virginia, and the Direct Commission Course, held at Fort Benning, Georgia. While at Fort Benning, and under the guidance of the 1st Battalion - 507th Infantry Regiment, Dimitri also completed the Basic Airborne Course. He is currently stationed at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, Alabama.

Previous to graduating from the 185th Army Judge Advocate Basic Course, Dimitri was a 2002 Riverview High School graduate, from there he went on to play Division I football at the University at Buffalo, where he graduated magna cum laude in English and communication. Dimitri then received his law degree from the University of Pittsburgh before joining the Army JAG Program.

Dimitri is the third son of four boys of Sophia (Calaboyias) and John Facaros of Oakmont, Pennsylvania.

Submitted by Sophia Facaros



The annual **Pan-Icarian Turkey Bowl** was held again on a sunny, warm Thanksgiving Day at Riverside Park in Oakmont, PA. Participants ranged from 7 to 52 years of age. The large turnout resulted in a defensive struggle with approximately 17 turnovers in the game. Team Z. Farkos edged out team Frentzos 3-2.

Submitted by Dimitri Tsambis

The 2011 Northeast Conference Co-Champions, Duquesne Dukes were undefeated at home and finished the season 9-2. The Dukes Defense was ranked 4th Nationally in the FCS (formerly Div.1-AA), and was anchored at the defensive nose guard/tackle position by **Mike Passodelis #50** with 54 tackles (24 solos), and a team leading 3 quarterback sacks. Recovering from off-season shoulder surgery, Passodelis, 6-2, 265 senior, captain and defensive leader, finished with 5.5



tackles-for-loss and a forced fumble, despite being routinely double teamed. Mike had a stand-out game with 7 tackles including 4 solo tackles and a sack in a 16-0 shut-out of the Monmouth Hawks at West Long Branch, NJ. He was honored as a Second Team All-Northeast Conference pick by the Northeast Conference Football Coaches with the release of Annual Postseason Awards this week (PITTSBURGH Nov. 25, 2011).

Back-to-back WPIAL AAAA Champions, the North Allegheny Tigers finished the 2011 season with a 14-1 record. With the #1 offense across all WPIAL divisions, the Tigers attacked with a deep-threat-passing and an old-fashion-running game behind senior fullback and captain **Nick Passodelis #25** with 563 yards rushing on 86 carries, and 177 yards receiving on 12 receptions. Passodelis at 5-10, 220, pounded in a 4-yard-game-winning touchdown in the semi-final game against the Gateway Gators on a 4th-down fullback blast through the well-defended A/B-gap with 40 seconds remaining. Starting at fullback for both his junior and senior years, Nick was a leader in the Tigers' two-year campaign which included a 29-2 record and a 21-game winning streak; two Northern 7 Conference Championships; two WPIAL AAAA Championships, including an overtime thriller against the nationally ranked Upper Saint Clair Panthers; and a



Pennsylvania PIAA State Championship AAAA Title. The Tigers were ranked #1 in Pennsylvania, and ranked nationally in the Super-25 by USA Today throughout both years, including a national ranking of #15 in the country in December 2011. Nick finished the season with 11 touchdowns, and was selected as Player of the Week,

and named as Wright Automotive Player of the Game by the MSA Sports Network Broadcast Team during the season with over 100 yards rushing against the Seneca Valley Red Raiders, as well as First Team All-Conference pick by the Northern 7 Football Coaches with the release of Annual Postseason Awards this week (PITTSBURGH Dec. 13, 2011).

SAVE THE DATES!

**Join Pittsburgh's Chapter Icaros for the
12th Annual Steve Manners Icarian Open**



Saturday, May 26, 2012

For more info, contact Anna Aivaliotis at 412-310-7290

**NEW LOCATION
WESTWOOD GOLF
CLUB!**

**Join Pittsburgh's Chapter Icaros for the
37th Annual Mini Convention Memorial Day Dance**

Sunday, May 27, 2012

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

**Live Greek music by Ikaros, featuring
Pete Karnavas on the violin!**

Raffle Prizes/Chinese Raffle • Cash Bar/Mezethes

For more info, contact Michelle Kotsagrellos at 412-680-1416



Happy 2012! Kalh xronia!

Our chapter celebrated the, always fun, annual Halloween Pizza Party which featured a children's parade and their adorable costumes.



Also, New Year's Eve 2011 was a success as Kariotes gathered together to ring in the new year and start off 2012 on the right foot! Raquel Kohilas did a fabulous job chairing the party! Everything was so festive. Bravo!



FOURIDES

CHICAGO #8

Fotis & Terry (Platis) Karnavas hosted a party benefiting the Disaster Relief Fund in Ikaria. Live music and beautiful artwork made this event a great time enjoyed by all. Money was raised to help those in need in the village of Karkinargi. Bravo paidia!



SPANOS/ARETI

DETROIT #9

Greetings from Detroit to all our fellow Ikarians . We would like to wish everyone a happy and prosperous New Year. After a wonderful and eventful weekend in Beverly Hills we have had a relatively quiet fall season. First of all, congratulations to our new officers: Steve M. Papalas –President, Leach Moraitis-Vice President, Kathy Mourselas-Secretary, Kay Batsakes-Treasurer, Nick Fakaros, Grace Patterson, and Antonia Bittner- Governors

Our major fall event was a goat dinner at the Ikarian Hall. Our new president and vice-president, along with the help of Alex Tzelepis roasted the goat in the parking lot behind the hall. At least 60 people attended and everyone raved about the food, even those who never tasted goat before. It was quite an event, something we had never done before. Thank you to everyone who worked hard to make this event a great success.



Officers Bottom Row, Kathy Mourselas, Kay Batsakes, Grace Patterson. Top row, Nick Siringas, Steve Papalas, Leach Moraitis, Antonia Bittner, Nick Fakaros



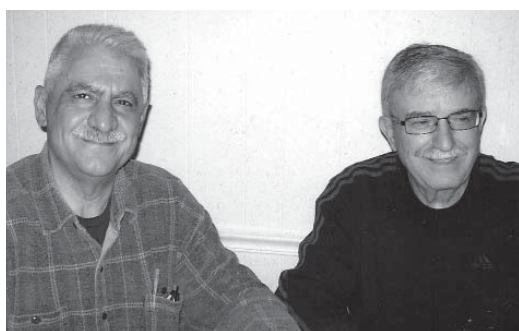
Chapter President Steve Papalas and Past Chapter President Nick Manolis



Connie Chibis
Manolis, and
Kathy Papalas
Mourselas



John Papalas, Marily Balog, Dr. Greg Balog and Jim Achidafty



John Lygizos,
and George
Contis

Congratulations to our
June graduates.

Paige Grinstead, daughter of Jim and Alisia (Harris) Grinstead, graduated from Riverview Community High School and is now enrolled at Michigan State University pursuing a career in nursing.



Nick
Koklanaris,
Maria Tsalis,
Zack Tsalis,
and Nick Tsalis



Nina Contis and
Athina Siringas



Achilles Manolis son of Nick and Maria (Kountoupis) Manolis, is a graduate of Melvindale High School and is now attending Wayne State University working on a degree in Mechanical Engineering.



Kay Batsakes,
and Gus Stone


Have a wonderful New Year, and we hope to see everyone in Myrtle Beach if not sooner.

Happy New Year from Chapter Therma!

We wish everyone a happy 2012 and we look forward to seeing everyone at our convention in Myrtle Beach. Our main event for these past few months has been preparing for the convention. We were honored to have a surprise visit by the Supreme President, Nick Pasamihalis at our December meeting. We also hosted our annual Christmas dinner with a visit from Santa for the children! We had a wonderful time and it was a wonderful evening for young and old to enjoy. We ended our year with our annual Icarian New Years Eve dance. Our Icarian chefs did a wonderful job preparing our meal and we had many visitors from WA State, Pittsburgh, Florida, and other places who were in attendance to celebrate with us. We are working hard to prepare a memorable Labor Day weekend for all. It is in everyone's best interest to book your rooms early and check our website for updates. We saw the passing of one of our members, Mrs. Connie Batounis. May her memory be eternal.

Submitted by Kay Skandalakis, Chapter Secretary

**See pages 21-24 in this issue for
2012 Convention information**



and help preserve your history.

Send in your old photos of Ikaria and the people of Ikaria. Photos will be a part of a centennial video of Ikaria to be unveiled at the 2012 convention. Please list the names of the people in the photos. Photos accepted will be from 1912 through the 1980's.

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Καλή Χρονιά και χαιρετίσματα από τον Αθήρα!
Wishing everyone a very happy and healthy New Year.

Chapter Atheras and The Ladies of Agia Marina are diligently preparing for our Annual Ikarian Dinner Dance celebrating 100 years of Freedom for Ikaria. The dance will be held at St Thomas Community Center in Cherry Hill, NJ, on Saturday, February 25, 2012 and will be featuring the Nisiotes with Leonidas Tsantiris on the violin.

On Friday, October 14 we had our Annual Golf Outing. It was well attended and very enjoyable. Low score was awarded to Marco DiBattista, longest drive went to George Baker and highest score was awarded to our President Jim Houtridis. It was voted to rename our annual golf outing as the George A Horiates Memorial in honor of the late George A Horiates.

This year we hosted **two Halloween parties**. Our little kariotakia got dressed as ghosts and goblins and enjoyed a fun evening filled with candy and games. Our big kariotakia also



had a great time at our annual Halloween party with special appearances by Maverick and Goose, Red Riding Hood, a hot air balloon pilot, static cling and one very spooky Father Time.

We welcomed in the New Year with great para and the sounds of Basili Hatzinakis violin and kariotes signing the kalanda.

Our 2013 convention plans are full steam ahead having picked a brand new convention venue in Boston, Massachusetts. We will be sharing more information with you as our plans progress.

Ο νέος χρόνος που 'ρχεται, χαρές πολλές να δώσει, κι αν μας τις στερήσει ο παλιός, να μας τις συμπληρώσει . . .
Καλή Χρονιά!

Simone Miliareisis, daughter of Nicholas and Kaliopé Miliareisis and granddaughter of the late Themistocles and Vasiliki (Bessie) Speis is currently in Cyprus on the Fulbright Program for approximately one year. The Fulbright Program is one of the most prestigious awards program worldwide. Through this program, Simone is teaching the English language and the American culture to high school students. She is also teaching at a school for Autistic children where she is implementing American standards and creating new programs for teaching Autistic children. Upon returning to the United States of America, Simone plans on attending graduate school. Submitted by the Miliareisis Family



We wish all of you a wonderful new year from Sunny Southern California - πολλά χρόνια.

We are so proud of our chapter brother Dean Papadakis who was awarded the 2011 High School Teacher of the Year Award. Dean credits his mentor teacher in college Dr. Nicholas Nicolaides of the U.S.C. Medical School for encouraging him to enter the teaching profession and specialize in chemistry and even helping him obtain his first job as a chemist which led him to the teaching field as a big influence in his career. We are all very proud of his accomplishments. Opa Dean!

Teacher of the Year Recipient Dean Papadakis

Konstantine (but usually called Dean) Papadakis received his BA in chemistry from Westmont College in Santa Barbara in 1981. After working for three years at the USC School of Medicine, where he co-authored two papers, Dean completed his teaching credential in 1984, and has been a chemistry teacher at South Pasadena High School since 1985. In addition to teaching high school, Dean taught summer school at Cal State LA in 1996 and 1997, and later earned his Master of Science in 2008 from Cal State Northridge. In addition to his chemistry teaching, Dean also teaches physics, and has been involved in many activities using astronomy, particle physics and nanotechnology. Dean was the advisor to the Science club from 1994 through 1997, participant in the Goldstone Radio Telescope from 1998 to 2000, and helped build 3 portable cosmic ray detectors in 2003 for his students. He has taught his students how to use a GC, a transmission electron microscope, and has introduced computer software programs to his classes to enhance learning difficult chemical concepts.

The letters from his students describe Dean as someone who "puts his whole heart into teaching his student." "He does more than is asked of him by hosting weekly after-school study sessions and evening review sessions." "I watched as an extraordinary person taught an extraordinary subject. Chemistry is not easy to learn, but Mr. Papadakis combines straightforward lectures with captivating demonstrations to make chemistry both accessible and exciting." "He deserves to be nominated for this award because he doesn't teach chemistry because it is



his job; he teaches with passion for the subject and with true care for each and every one of his students."

Dean's colleagues use such words as "humble and genuine," "works amazingly hard for his students," a "caring attitude about student," and "a remarkable teacher."

It is statements like these above that make Dean a very worthy recipient of this year's SCALACS High School Chemistry Teacher of the Year.

- Dr. Gerald Delker, Education Chair

After the 2011 Convention in Beverly Hills Chapter Oinoe Members were exhausted so we did not hold any meetings until December.

We were very saddened on October 20, 2011 to hear of our beloved past president James Anthony Bornino passing away.

James Anthony Bornino

(December 25, 1925 - October 20, 2011)

James Bornino died at Cedar Sinai Hospital at 1 pm on October 20, 2011 after suffering from cancer for the previous year. He is survived by brother Joseph Bornino and his sister Rose Montagnese. James was married for 50 years to his loving wife Bessie who passed away April 12, 2010 after suffering a debilitating stroke in 2008. James was continuously by her side until she passed. James was born in Kent, Ohio and grew up in Cleveland. He served in the US Navy during WW II on the USS Quick, a mine sweeper in the Pacific. James received a degree in business from John Carroll University. He met Bessie while working in Cleveland, Ohio and together they moved to Southern California where they worked in the Aerospace industry. James retired from the U.S. Civil Service in 1986 and became very active with the Saint Sophia Greek Orthodox Cathedral and was a past president of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood Chapter Oinoe. Jim was also a past president of the Pasadena AHEPA Rose Bowl Chapter #373. Bess and Jim enjoyed traveling all over the United States and the world. Zoi se sas. We will miss you Brother James.



We ended the year with a Christmas Party at President Nicolas and Hilda James Home in Glendale, California on Sunday, December 11, 2011. We had a delicious pot-



Nicolas and Hilda James with Sophia, Alexander and Peter James

luck dinner, we sang Christmas Carols and enjoyed some wonderful Icarian fellowship before the Christmas Holiday.

Past President George Achedafta a Korean War Veteran talking with the James' two Korean exchange teachers. Hyunsuk Jung and Inhye Jo



James and Gittings Families



Nikitas & Dena Tripodes, Asimina and Andreas Katsas, Alexandria Katsas, Koula Tripodes and Maria Katsas-Gittings



Jim Horaites, Dean & Steve Tripodes, George Achedafta, Marianthe Pamphilis, Themis & Koula Katsaros

On January 8, 2012 we had our first meeting of the year at the home of Gus & Argyro Yiakas in beautiful Palos Verdes Estates, CA. Argyro cooked enough delicious food to feed a small village. We congratulated and thanked President Nicolas James and Treasurer Bryan



Katerina Gittings

Gittings for their past 7 years of dedicated service to chapter Oinoe. Both men decided to step down and not run this year. We held our general meeting and discussed the outcome of the 2011 Convention. We congratulated and thanked all of our loyal members who worked so long and hard on putting the convention together. Then we voted on raising the chapter dues by \$5 for the new year. We will now pay \$30 per member and \$20 per student. Our final order of business was voting in our new 2012



Chapter officers. A big congratulations goes to our new Chapter President- Constantinos Z. Frangos, Vice President- Demosthenes Yiakas, Secretary- James Horaites, and Treasurer- Niko Yiakas. We also voted in Gus Yiakas, Steve Tripodes, and Nikitas Tripodes as our financial officers. Congratulations to all the new chapter officers. Yia sas

submitted by Nicolas James



Hilda and Peter James with Dimitra and Maria Gittings



Nicolas James & Bryan Gittings

On December 18th **Nick and Stella Tripodes** celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with their children, grandchildren and close friends. Congratulations! Wishing you many happy and healthy years together.



2031 Convention
Chairmen and
Chairwomen



LEFKAS

BALTIMORE #16

Chapter Lefkas would like to congratulate some new and some re-elected members.

President -Toula Manolis

Vice President -Panayioti Karoutsos

Secretary -Sophia Krome

Treasurer -Georgia Frangos

We were honored to have with us at our last meeting our Supreme President Nikolaos J. Pasamihalis with his family. Supreme President Nikolaos Pasamihalis honored our long standing member Socrates Koutsoutis for his dedicated service to the foundation of the Pan-Ikarian brotherhood. We all enjoyed our annual Christmas dinner at Ikaros restaurant (photos next page).

Submitted by Toula Manolis

Save the Dates!

March 30 - April 1, 2012

Youth Conference - Baltimore, MD

Lefkas #16 Baltimore would love to host two Delegates (ages 18+) from each chapter.

Must be members in good standing.

Please contact Katina Mavrophilipos at 410-218-5191 or Emavro2@students.towson.edu



CHRIST E. AIVALIOTIS

COLUMBUS #17

James Kalas

Published in the Advocate on October 31, 2011

James "Jim" Kalas, 73, of Newark, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday. A Service will be held at 12:00 p.m. Tuesday at Brucker and Kishler Funeral Home, with Father Nicholas Hughes officiating. Burial will follow in Newark Memorial Gardens, where military honors will be conducted by the Licking County Veterans Alliance.

Mr. Kalas, retired from Metropolitan Insurance Agency and former owner of Jim's Homestyle Restaurant, passed away October 27, 2011, at Licking Memorial Hospital. He was born November 14, 1937, in Cambridge, Ohio, to the late Andrew and Stella (Raptis) Kalas.

Mr. Kalas was a 1956 graduate of Cambridge High School. He served in the U.S. Air Force. He was an avid sports fan, loved collecting classic cars, was a handyman, proud of his Greek Heritage, member of Christ Aivaliotis Ikarian Chapter, and was a loving and devoted husband and father who loved his family. He is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Frances



"Fran" (Brown) Kalas; son, Andrew (Elli) Kalas of Newark; daughter, Carol Marie (Heath) Skeese of Frazeysburg; sister, Creesa BeBout of Cambridge; grandchildren, Rebekah Marie Kalas and James Kalas, Kaylin Skeese and Jaden Skeese, several cousins; and one niece.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by many special aunts, and one uncle.

The Kalas family would like to give a special thanks to the Department of Veterans Affairs, Dr. Nemoli and Staff and the Licking County Aging Program.

On November 13, 2011, The Christ E. Aivaliotis Chapter #17 had a quarterly meeting at Fisherman's Wharf in Columbus, Ohio on Polaris Drive. Nikki, the owner of the restaurant, gave us a beautiful private room and his Greek food was fresh and delicious!

In Attendance were Dessine Frizioni, Nickie Mercier, Mike and Jackie Moraitis, Nick and Helen Moraitis of Cleveland, Ohio, Chris Pardos with Ruth Bingham, and George Pardos. At the meeting we agreed to send the Scholarship Fund \$500.00, these funds were profit from a Golf Outing that we held in August. We had a great time, great food, and great friends!

Submitted by Jackie Moraitis

Happy New Year and greetings from Helios chapter 19. Fund raising has been the biggest focus for our chapter this year. Our leski has at last come to fruition. Our first meeting at our completed clubhouse will be February 28 and we can hardly wait. All are welcome to join us in Florida at our new home.

Special thanks go out to Argie, Bill and Nick Pastis for allowing our chapter to meet and eat in their restaurant during the construction process. Big thanks also go out to Despina and John Cantounis for hosting our meetings at their condo clubhouse for several potluck dinners.

We had a very successful and enjoyable Christmas party! During this meeting we held our elections and swore in our officers for 2012. The food was unbelievable and we even had a visit from Santa's elf who came bearing gifts for the children.



Our annual glendi has been an event that we look so forward to every year and this year was no exception. We had a visit from Supreme Lodge President, Nik Pasamihalis, Supreme Vice President, George Koklanaris and Governor, Cathy Pandaladis. Thanks to those members of the Supreme Lodge who made the trip down to Florida. The golf tournament was held the day prior to the dance at Clearwater Country Club. Several golfers came out to enjoy a crisp morning of golf and fellowship. The glendi was a great success thanks to the efforts of all of our members. Special thanks to Dessi Plutis for chairing the event this year. We had fabulous music all night by Leonidas Tsantiris, his amazing violi and his wife Linda. They certainly did a great job of keeping everyone dancing and a great time was had by all!

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte Pardos Helios, Chapter Recording Secretary

What Icaros Didn't Get To See

Icaros had good intentions when he ignored his father's warnings about the sun and sea. He wanted to see more of the beautiful island. Little did the daring lad with wax wings know that the Island would bear his name someday. I, on the other hand did listen to my mother most of the time about being an Icarian. During my childhood my Greek Heritage was always reinforced, as documented in the popular movie *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*. My Papou used to make me circle words in the newspaper that were of Greek derivatives. Thus, early on I began to see what made us unique as my family forged a life in the United States yet clung to the Icarian way of life. I wasn't just a Greek, I was an Icarian. For example, if I met someone at a church dance the first question always asked.....what part of Greece are you fromOr where were your parents born?



Oh how my cousins and I looked forward to the Icarian conventions! None of my American friends had an experience like this.....talk about a family reunion! I realized in my late teens that the convention was the one event that insured an Icarian would meet and marry an Icarian. My mother would view any young man interested in me that was not Icarian as unacceptable. If he was American.....God forbid!

My mother and grandmother taught me much about life and my heritage. Our Icarian roots were firmly planted as members of a local chapter of the Icarian organization.



I recently attended a **Helios Chapter Dance** and I watched as people came in and greeted each other warmly with hugs and kisses. Young and old displayed joy and a sense of anticipation for dinner and the glendi to begin. As the music began I closed my eyes briefly to listen. It was as though I was a teenager again. The music was the same. The people were different and yet all was the same. A middle aged man held his granddaughter's hand and walked to the dance floor and joined the line dancing. He moved with such passion and grace .The little girl followed her grandfather's steps perfectly. Obviously it was not her first time on the dance floor. I couldn't help remembering my family and cousins teaching me the various line dances many years ago.

In many ways the Icarian chapters have perpetuated our heritage and traditions. Icaros would not have flown away if he had landed safely. He would have stayed on the island and made a wonderful life for himself. Icaros did not get to see and learn about the Island and its people. My siblings and I are very fortunate to have lived with a front row seat observing and learning how to be Icarian.

~ Elizabeth M Gensante



Congratulations to **Stephanie Tseperkas and Jason Mackey** who became engaged on Saturday, January 7. Stephanie is the daughter of Peter and Marie Tseperkas formerly of Rocky Point, NY now living in Palm Harbor, FL. Jason planned a surprise engagement with a romantic proposal on the beach that later included friends and family to celebrate the happy occasion. A 2013 wedding is planned. Best wishes to you both!



KAVO-PAPAS

Congratulations to members Mike and Michelle Saphos on the birth of their son and our newest Kavo Papas member, **George Manoli Saphos**. George was born on July 2nd, 2011, and weighed in at 6 pounds 1 oz. Proud Grandparents are Maria Lardas Saphos and the late George Sam Saphos, and Ben & Estella Ledesma.



On November 20th, 2011, Kavo Papas held our 15th annual Bake Sale. This bake sale is our biggest fund raiser for our chapter. In fact, we would like to thank the wonderful congregation of the Annunciation Greek Orthodox church in Houston, for supporting us every year. Our awesome members made and sold delicious items such as koulourakia,



Eleni Safos & Despina Mallios at the bake sale



L to R: Georgia Safos, Maria Saphos, Kim Tratras, Teddy De Nino, Woody Mylonas, Anna Sanctorium, Despina Mallios

baklava, kourambethis, chourekia, harva, kariothopita, cookies and so on.

Congratulations to High School Senior **George Mitchell**.

George has earned a spot on the 2011-2012 Academic All State Texas Team in football. George's high school football coach nominated him for this award. Prerequisites for this honor go out to seniors who have an overall grade of 92 or above, and are of good moral character. Proud parents are Lee and Isabel Mitchell. Proud grandparent are Maria Lardas Saphos and the late George Sam Saphos.



NISOS IKARIA

Chapter #21 was honored with a visit from Leonidas Tsantiris who played his violi for all to enjoy.



TORONTO #21

On October 25th our chapter held a dinner dance to welcome the 3rd and 4th generation of the Ikarians at the Cypriot Community Hall.



NISOS IKARIA

TORONTO #21



On November 5th, the Toronto Ikarians participated in the *Greek Canadian Federation of Aegean Islands Associations* liberation celebration.



On the 28th of October, our chapter represented Ikaria in Toronto's Greek Parade.



Happy New Year to all fellow Ikarians from Chapter 22 of Montreal! May the year of 2012, bring you and your loved ones health, prosperity and happiness. We began this year with our annual New Year's dance which was held on January 1st.



Χρόνια πολλά σε όλους από το τμήμα 22 Ο Ικαρος του Μόντρεαλ ευχόμαστε το 2012 να σας γεμίσει με υγεία, ευτυχία και γαλήνη. Ξεκινήσαμε το καινούργιο έτος με την ετήσια Πρωτοχρονιάτικη γιορτή που έγινε στις 1 Ιανουαρίου. Η βραδιά είχε πολύ μεγάλη επιτυχία χάρη στην παρουσία των μελών μας ποθ μας τίμησαν με την παρουσία τους και έτσι μαζί με τις οικογένειες μας και τους φίλους μας περάσαμε μια θαυμάσια βραδιά.



All Ikarian members participated in the potluck by bringing delicious home-made food, drinks and desserts. We then received

Όπως είναι καθιερωμένο όλα τα μέλη έφεραν σπιτίσιες λιχουδιές,μεζεδάκια και γλυκά. Μετά μας επισκέφτηκε και ο αι Βασίλης και όλα τα νέα Ικαριοτοπουλα χαρήκαν ιδιαίτερα όταν τους μοίρασε πολλά δώρα. Κόψαμε και μοιράσαμε την καθιερωμένη βασιλόπιττα και γλεντήσαμε την υπόλοιπη βραδιά διασκεδάζοντας και τραγουδώντας τα κάλαντα και χορεύοντας τον Ικαριωτικο μεχρι το πρωι. Ευχαριστούμε θερμα όλα τα μέλη που υποστηρίζουν τον συλλογο τους και θα τα ξαναπουμε στο επομενο τευχος.

a visit from Saint Basil who surprised the kids by giving them gifts and treats. A basilopita was cut in honour of Saint Basil and distributed to all guests to bring good luck! The night continued by singing to the festive Kalandia and dancing to the Ikariotiko. We thank all of our members for supporting our chapter and we hope that we can look forward to organizing many more successful upcoming events such as this one throughout the entire year.

Με εκτίμηση, Χρυσά Ευστρατουδακη- Γραμματέας



Respectfully submitted, Chryssa Efstratoudakis, Secretary



LANGADA "SPIRIT OF IKARIA"

ATLANTA #23

Greetings from the Deep South! Wishing all our Brothers and Sisters a happy and prosperous New Year.

This past fall several members of Langada chapter assisted the Greek Orthodox Church in Atlanta in holding its annual **Greek Festival**. It raises a tremendous amount of financial support for the Cathedral in Atlanta as well as its many endeavors associated with the Church. Some of the volunteers to help out included past District Governor Nicole Androutsopoulos her husband Bill as well as several members of the Tripodis family as well as the Alexander family, Carroll family, Galaktiadis family and Zoe Pamfilis. Langada chapter also held a Christmas luncheon in which all members were asked to bring an un-wrapped gift to give to a young child. The gifts

were collected and donated to the **Foster Care Support Foundation of North Georgia** which helps provides goods and services for children in the foster care system. Our hope is that these gifts help brighten a young



child's Christmas. The chapter also provided a check for \$100.00 to the organization to assist them in providing their good work in the community. The toys and money were presented to the director by Cara and Peter Tripodis. This February our chapter will be holding a bake sale at the Cathedral with the proceeds going to St Basil's which provides for many orphaned children in need.

We hope to see many of you at the Convention in support of our sister chapter in Wilmington, North Carolina.

PANAGIA

BUFFALO #26

It has been a mild and enjoyable winter this year, in the Western New York region, with snow only coming after the Christmas and New Year Holidays. With weather not being a concern, the members of Panagia, Chapter #26 – Buffalo New York, were able to enjoy the holiday season together with family, friends, and chapter events.



PANAGIA

BUFFALO #26

Though initially starting with a small number of members, Chapter Panagia has steadily grown throughout the years, and is continuously searching for new members in the sur-



rounding (and not so surrounding) areas of Western New York. We are happy to report that in 2012, we will be welcoming an additional four members to our Chapter. The membership of the Brotherhood's chapters is important in strengthening the foundation of the Ikarian Brotherhood, and solidifying our heritage and traditions.

As 2012 begins, our members have begun to make plans for the upcoming year and are currently setting goals on ways to advance both the Chapter and Brotherhood.

We wish all of our fellow members a health and prosperous New Year. Kali Xronia!

Respectfully Submitted,
Nikolas G. Skaros President, Panagia Chapter # 26



EIRINI

SOUTHEASTERN VIRGINIA #28

Happy New Year from Chapter Eirini! We had a wonderful Holiday season, including a Christmas party at the Pedos home.

In 2011, members of the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Norfolk bought illuminarios in memory of loved ones or to the health of loved ones. The money collected was split between Chapter Eirini and the Annunciation Youth Dancers, who are under the direction of Anna Maria (Contes) Stepanovich. In the spirit of giving, the young children in the dance troupe voted to donate their share to the scholarship fund! Two scholarships were awarded

to graduating members of the Annunciation Dance Troupe, Christiana Vastardis and Yianni Manual both of whom now attend Old Dominion University in Norfolk.



Kelly (Pedos) Bredologos, Anna Pedos and Pari (Mavrophilipos) Smith at Pedos Christmas party



Our younger members, Evangelia Bredologos and Stella Smith enjoying the Christmas party



Our youngest member, Eirini Bredologos enjoying time with here Papou Steve



Stelios Mavrophilipos and Steve Pedos at our Christmas party

SOCIAL MEDIA ROUNDUP

PIB CHAPTERS ON FACEBOOK

As with many other business and organizations today, several Pan-Icarian chapters and groups are moving to social media to get the word out on dances, meetings and as a way to post photos. We encourage all Facebook users to "like" the PIB chapters as well as the main PIB page. This is a fast and convenient way to stay on top of chapter happenings, find out who is going to what event and to view and share photos. Chapters can even post survey questions to get the opinion of the Brotherhood and its members.



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Some of the chapters who have active Facebook pages are:

#3 Chapter Pharos
#5 Chapter Pandiki
#8 Chapter Foutrides
#9 Chapter Spanos/Areti
#12 Chapter Atheras
#19 Chapter Helios
and the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America

If your chapter isn't already on Facebook, start a page today! It's a great way to bring in youth, spread awareness and even find new members!



The position of *Ikaria Magazine* Editor will soon be up for grabs. I am turning over the magazine as of fall of 2013 - that is only 4 issues from now! I wanted to hold this position for 10 years and somehow, very quickly, that time is almost here.

If you are looking for a fun and creative way to get involved with the Brotherhood, *Ikaria Magazine* could be perfect for you. Becoming Editor is also a great resume booster and experience builder for any member who might be looking for creative control over a worthwhile project to call their own.

**WANTED:
EDITOR**

If any member is interested in learning more about the position, feel free to let me or any member of the Supreme Lodge know. I can be reached by e-mail at nplutis@yahoo.com or by phone 727-733-8401.

Thank you,
Niki Plutis Salame
Editor, *Ikaria Magazine*



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TO BE CONSIDERED FOR PLACEMENT.

NO EXTENSIONS FOR THIS ISSUE - SORRY. THANK YOU.



IN MEMORY OF



Kostas Mourselas

I remember when I first met Kostas, he walked up to me and insulted my dress. It was the early 1970s and I was wearing a long flowing brown dress that covered me from neck to toe. I didn't know who he was and I was really annoyed with him. About four years later he became my father-in-law.



That was the thing about this amazing Ikarian man. He always spoke the truth and you knew where you stood with him. He lived to be 100 years old (or 99, what's the difference) and he always had an opinion to give, whether it was about politics, family, or fashion. He had an incredible memory that would put younger men to shame. Until his very last day his mind never quit working.

Kostas lived and worked in the United States for a short time in the 1950s, but left after he was hit by a bus. He then came back in the 1970s and stayed for about 5 more years and then moved back to Greece. The bus accident had ruined his eyesight but while he was in Detroit he decided to get a drivers license. John and I were apprehensive about this but we knew we couldn't tell him no. He passed the written test with the help of an interpreter but when he went for the road test we knew something was not quite right when the car pulled up and the examiner jumped out of the car and kept running. Ironically, he almost hit a bus. He had to give up his dream of driving (thank God) but it certainly didn't stop him from living his life the way he wanted.

When John and I decided to build a house in Ikaria, my father-in-law became our representative. Anyone who has ever built on the island knows how long it can take to get the workers to show up. It also takes a great deal of effort to keep them from leaving. In two years most everything was done. When he called people came. They knew if they didn't he wouldn't leave them alone.

We're going to miss him terribly. In Gialiskari, the house we shared with him was always full of activity. People came to see him everyday. It was amazing to see how well respected and loved he was. He had so many

wonderful stories and he was also a great source of good advice. His mind was clear until the end. The cancer finally killed him but, true to the Ikarian Blue Zone, he lived his life in good health, mentally and physically. His spirit was so strong and he had a profound effect on the people who knew him. He is survived by his wife, Anthoula, and his sons, Theofani, John, and Stamati. He also has five grandchildren and three great-grandsons. May his memory be eternal.

Submitted by Kathy Papalas Mourselas.

Ethel Mittacos

Ethel Mittacos of Youngstown, OH passed away on February 24, 2011 at The Assumption Village Nursing Home where she had been a resident for over four years. Ethel was born in Wheeling, WV on December 16, 1917, the only child of Harry and Amelia Lakios Kefalos and had been a Youngstown area resident since 1924.

She worked as a waitress at the Mahoning Restaurant, which was owned by her father and then in 1957 she became employed by the Youngstown Public Schools starting at Elm Street School and then being promoted to head cook at Roosevelt Elementary School and finally ending her career at the Butler Kitchen before she retired in 1981.

Ethel was a long time member of St. John Greek Orthodox Church, the Ladies Philoptochos Society and their Senior Citizen group. She was also involved with the Daughters of Penelope, Methone Chapter from 1967, Pan Icarian Brotherhood, Pramni Chapter, where she served as corresponding secretary for many years, EAD (Greek American Organization of Women) and the School Employee Retirees of Ohio.

Before moving to Assumption Village, she enjoyed going to the mall with her friends and relatives for socializing. While at Assumption she made many friends and participated in all of the social activities.

Her husband of 39 years, James D. Mittacos, whom she married November 21, 1945, preceded her in death on December 12, 1984.

She leaves behind to cherish her loving memory, her daughter and son-in-law, Emily and Bill O'Dell of Boardman with whom she had made her home prior to entering Assumption Village.

May her memory be eternal.



IN MEMORY OF



Peter A. Zizes June 24, 1924 - March 20, 2011

Born in Steubenville, Ohio to Antonios and Irene Mavrikis Zizes, he was a longtime Cuyahoga Falls resident.



He was a graduate of West Liberty State College, W. Va., with a B. A. degree in Mathematics, Kent State University with an M.A. in Physical Chemistry; Industrial Statistical Analysis- New York University Extension; Quality Control, Akron University and Akron-Canton Section ASQ.

He began his career as a Math and Chemistry Instructor at West Liberty State College,

West Liberty, W. Va.; Math and Chemistry Instructor at Northwestern Military and Naval Academy, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin; Instructor of Math and Physics, Ravenna, Ohio; Process Control Chemist, General Tire and Rubber Co., Mogadore, Ohio. He was employed by Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. for 27 years having served as Section Manager, Quality Assurance Division Manager and president of Quality Improvement Survey Services.

He retired in 1986 as an instructor in statistical analysis and quality control and then was a quality control improvement consultant.

He was a member of the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, Akron Council of Churches, past chairman of Akron Council of Eastern Orthodox Churches, past chairman of Greek Orthodox Youth of America, Pan Icarian Brotherhood of America, AHEPA-Akron Chapter #63, International Platform Society, Goodyear Foreman's Club, American Chemical Society, American Institute of Chemists, American Society for Quality and Toastmasters International-District #10 Governor 1967-68.

Preceded in death by sister, Lamprine (Gus) Scavdis and brother-in-law, Hector Macri, he is survived by his wife, Wanda; daughter, Adriann (Jeff) Thornberry of Massillon; son, Tony (Corinne) Zizes of New Philadelphia; grandsons, Aaron and Drew (Julie) Thornberry; granddaughter, Angelina Zizes; sister, Alethine Glaros of Cleveland; brothers-in-law, Claude Macri of Wheeling, W. Va. and Harold (Betty) Macri of Bay Village.

Should friends desire, memorials may be made to the AHEPA Scholarship Fund, 3142 Ridgewood Rd., Akron, OH 44333.

Maria Maroudis 1906-2011

During her 100th birthday party, she said to her guests, "Όταν έφυγα από την Ικαρία, ο Θεός με ξέχασε." Five years later, Maria and the Lord found each other. She died peacefully in her sleep at home in Ashland, KY.

There will always be that lonely joy in our hearts for having known her. We are thankful we were able to enjoy her company and her humorous wit to the end. We loved her deeply. She will be missed.



Maria Maroudis was born in Panayia, Ikaria in 1906, daughter of the later John (Pathias) Batounis and Stamatoula Moraites Batounis. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Socrates Maroudis. Maria was a member of St. George Greek Orthodox Church in Huntington, WV.

Maria is survived by two sons, Xenophon S. of Wilmington, NC and Dr. Philip S. of Ashland, KY and a daughter, Dimitria (Jeanne) Maroudas of Williamson, WV. Her grandchildren are Celia Lubbers of Bettendorf, IA, Dennis Maroudas of Williamson, WV, Socrates Stefan Maroudis of San Diego, CA, Alexander P. Maroudis of Lexington, KY, and Sean, Dr. Socrates P., and Maria Christa Maroudis of Ashland, KY. She is also survived by her great-grandchildren, Alexandra and Kristin Lubbers of Bettendorf, IA, Eleni and Charles Maroudas of Williamson, WV, Xenophon J. Maroudis of San Diego, CA, and Sophia Maroudis of Ashland, KY.

Rest in Peace Beloved Mother.

Submitted by her son Xenophon Maroudis, Wilmington, MC

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ANATOLI

by Sossa Berni Plakidas

Translated by Despoina Spanos Ikaris, Ph. D. (Univ. of London) Edited by Christopher Ikaris

FROM THE TRANSLATOR'S DESK

ANATOLI (which means SUNRISE) is a remarkably vivid and often harrowing, eyewitness record of the author's childhood during WWII, the ensuing Greek Civil War, and then of her youth as a guest worker in post-war Germany. She tells of the struggle to escape from starvation under the Fascist Occupation of Ikaria, the Greek island in the Eastern Aegean. This novel is a unique personal record and a kind of poetic folk-epic about Ikaria. Just as Ithaka, it ties the characters to each other and to their native roots in Greece. The novel also has the ultimate Homeric dimension; it is quintessentially Western in the human bonds and qualities and ideals that determine its course of action.

This highly entertaining story is interesting on many levels, as history, cultural anthropology, psychology, and, of course, as literature. The events are remembered in a series of dramatic scenes, which are a blend of the real and the poetic. The first, The Prologue, connotes the Biblical Creation of Ikaria (based on local folk history), followed by scenes that shift in time and place. They are like pieces of a puzzle, the ineffable Puzzle of Life that is beyond human understanding, but the author is seeking throughout her story a resolution as poetic as its beginning.

ANATOLI reveals an obscure, little-known chapter of the Greek experience during WWII, the exodus from home to refugee camps in Africa. To escape from Ikaria—which was forbidden—many families risked being shot by the German guards. Hoping to reach the coast of Turkey and find safety with the Allied Forces in the Middle East, these Ikarians fled secretly by open boat through the stormy Ikarian sea whose perils are noted by Homer and Herodotus.

As the novel describes, some families were lost at sea. Others who managed to reach the Turkish coast were robbed and slaughtered by Turkish criminals. Luckily, the author lived to tell the tale because a kindly Turkish farmer (who had lost an eye fighting the Greeks in Smyrna), undertook to help her family evade the criminal gangs and reach the Allied Headquarters. There, the able-bodied men were enlisted in the Armed Forces and sent to the Front.

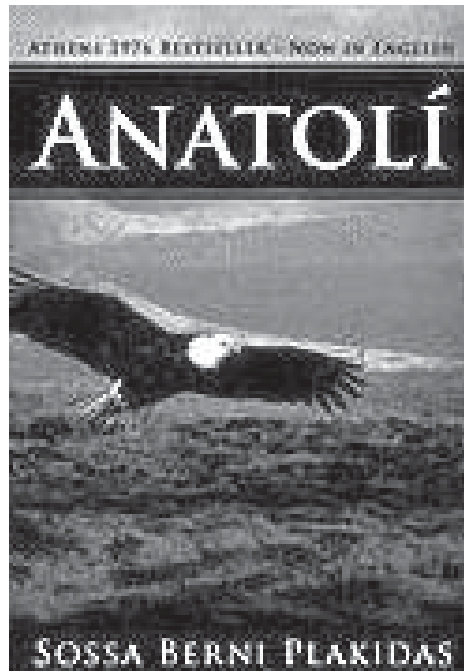
The other refugees, mostly women and children, were taken under Belgian Command, to camps in the Belgian Congo. There, through the eyes of the children, we see the meeting between African culture and traditional Western, i.e., Greek society. At the edge of the African jungle, a kind of Greek, or rather Ikarian, village sprouted where each family was assigned living quarters, and the mothers battled alone to create the semblance of civilized care

and discipline for the fatherless children. The Belgians provided a makeshift public school, but no one and nothing could keep the children away from the jungle that surrounded the camp and was a constant source of enchantment and danger.

To the author and her younger brother, ("Asimina" and "Phoebus" in the novel), the lure of the jungle was irresistible. There they found friends, little African boys, Piri-Piri and Makasi, who taught them jungle games and Swahili.

Perhaps, the most heart-stopping episode (which is not in the first Greek edition, but is the new conclusion to Chapter 14), describes the day when the pupils at school hotly argued. "Is God white or black?" That afternoon, when the author and her little brother were miraculously snatched from a huge python by the father of their African playmates, Akouarella, the children agreed, "God is black."

A central motif develops as the children, from one adventure to another, learn about Life - "How the World Works". Soon after Akouarella saved them from the python, they were entertained when they saw him in the jungle, running away from a crowd of men, and thought



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it was an African game played by grown-ups. The children were horrified to see the crowd, which falsely accused Akouarella of thievery, become a wild lynching-mob, seize him and drag him to a gallows tree where the lifeless body of Akouarella was left hanging. Thus, the children learn—and we are reminded—that Virtue is not always its own reward; nor, alas, does Good always triumph over Evil.

The author's message to the "Dear Reader" reveals that writing this novel was a form of psychotherapy. For many years after her return to a normal life at home in Stavlos, she was haunted by the violent images which had traumatized her childhood. Only after she wrote about them in her novel—described them as to a psychiatrist—were the monsters finally driven from her dreams.

The novel's sub-plot, "Maria's story" about a Greek schoolgirl and a German soldier was inspired by a visit to the German cemetery in Crete, where the author was shocked by the extreme youth shown on the gravestones; the fallen were hardly more than adolescent boys.

When she was writing in Stavlos, Ikaria, the author had no idea that "Maria's story" exemplifies the old adage, "Art imitates Life." My son Christopher's Afterword tells of a real Maria, his father's beautiful older sister (who grew up in the Ikarian village Xylosirti), and a real German soldier. The story of the real and the fictional Maria has a happy, wedding-bell ending. Love soon draws Phoebus and Eirini together; but to the lonely, tormented soul of Asimina, love comes with a sudden sexual awakening and finds her in the arms of her once hated school-day rival, Saki.

The novel ends as it begins with the symbolic image of the marble-laden trolleys from Eagle Cliff to the sea. Indeed, the subtitle of the novel could be THE CHILDREN OF EAGLE CLIFF. Throughout the novel, Odyssean elements prevail: during their wandering in a war-torn world, the protagonists long for home. Just as Odysseus yearns to see the smoke curling from the hearth of his home in Ithaka, the protagonists long for the sight of Ikaria's singular, spine, the mountainous peak, Mt. Atheras that divides the north and south shores, and presides, with the eagle of Zeus, over the craggy terrain and the violet-blue Aegean as far as the eye can see.

Another Odyssean theme is the search for the father:

Eirini, Maria's daughter, grows up to learn that her father was not, as the children said, an eagle, but a German soldier whom she seeks in post-war Germany. Her mother, a true Penelope, rejects suitors and waits patiently and virtuously for the German soldier, her long-lost husband.

The Greek first edition of ANATOLI, was a best-seller in 1976. A copy of that Greek edition, now out of print, was given to me by the author. I was immediately drawn to the home-spun simplicity of her Greek, the charm of quaint, some-what unlettered Greek, with ancient grammatical expressions, still heard in remote villages, even as the vanishing voice of the nightingale that used to thrill along the fragrant heights of Mt. Atheras. I soon realized that ANATOLI is an extraordinary work that deserves an international audience. Hence, this first English edition, and soon the first German.

Today, almost half a century since the publication of ANATOLI, the question inevitably arises, "Does this novel pass the test of time? Is the sum - the author's vision of life, as of every significant creative work - greater than any of its parts?" This vision is delineated by the title, which means Sunrise and suggests the positive optimism of the characters the artist depicts for the reader to admire, imitate and/or love. The characters of ANATOLI are not ideal human beings but they are intensely human and rightly invite our empathy and affection. Although they have walked, literally through the valley of death - bestial cruelty and murder - the characters are not corrupted; nor do they become cynical, or vengeful. None ever cheats, deceives or betrays a trust or a love. In spite of hardships and disappointments, they hope for the sunrise over a better world. The quality of their Being is imbued with the ideals of Humanity defined by that single, marvelous, all-encompassing word, Man - *ἄνθρωπος*. It comes to us from an unlettered Ikarian who has ploughed his field since the days of Hesiod, even as from a classical forefather, thanks to the dazzling brilliance and incomparable genius of the Greek language - here from the pithy, single-line maxim of Menander: «Ὡς χαριεν εἶσθ' ἄνθρωπος, ἂν ἄνθρωπος ἦ.» ("How delightful to be a Human Being, if one is a Human Being.")

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Pericles and the Acropolis by Mary Lukes Stamoulis

Frederick, MD December 6, 2011 -- PublishAmerica is proud to present *Pericles and the Acropolis* by Mary Lukes Stamoulis from Holmdel, New Jersey.

Pericles as a youngster dreams of restoring the Acropolis shattered by the Persians. He grows to become the all-powerful General and Leader of the Delian League of Athenian city-states. He uses part of the money meant for mutual defense against invaders to restore the Parthenon and other buildings situated on the Acropolis.

After his wife leaves him, he meets and falls in love with the beautiful and intelligent Aspasia. She is well educated, rare for women at that time, and opens her school for education and philosophical discussions which the distinguished philosophers, statesmen, as well as women attend.

In spite of the devastating wars Pericles is forced to fight, he manages to introduce beauty and culture within an era which became admired and world-renowned as the "Golden Age of Pericles".

Mary Lukes Stamoulis received a B.A. in Literature from Edison State College in Trenton, N.J. She has also published: *Lost in Atlantis*, *Knights in Rhodes*, *The Last Emperor of Constantinople*, *Liberated in the Valley of the Kings*, and *Shadow War in Crete*.

She is a court approved Greek interpreter. Born in Mobile, Alabama, she lived as a child in Icaria, Greece. She is a founder of Kimisis Greek Orthodox Church in Holmdel, New Jersey.

"It has been an extreme pleasure to work with this talented and dedicated author," said PublishAmerica Public Relations Director Shawn Street. "For ordering information, please visit www.publishamerica.com."



Physical Attractions and Cultural Activities on the Island of Ikaria*

By John Chrysochoos, Ph.D. **

Surrounded by the blue Ikarian Sea (Ikarion Pelagos), mostly calm and cerulean during spring, summer and fall, although occasionally foaming white from the whipping strong wind blasting from the north (meltemi), there lies the island of Ikaria, my birthplace, the place where, according to the Greek mythology, Daedalos's son Ikaros drowned as they flew away from their forced confinement in Minoan Crete. The traveler that used to pass some distance from the island in the remote past did not feel particularly eager to stop and visit it. A very steep mountain with inhospitable granite summits, running along the island east to west, dominated the view and discouraged the early traveler from visiting the island, at least at first sight. Ikarians had actually exploited for thousands of years such an unflattering initial impression of the island for their own protection, discouraging pirates, raiders, conquerors, and many other undesirables from landing on their island.



The few early travelers who disregarded such a misleading initial impression caused by the formidable and apparently quite inhospitable mountain of Ikaria, and decided instead to visit the island, had always been stunned by its untamed and rugged beauty that is almost primordial. In spite of the steep, imposing and rocky mountain, Ikaria has been blessed for thousands of years with dense forests of all kind of trees, rich flora, wild and cultivated fruit trees and vineyards, wild and domesticated animal husbandry, countless springs of crystal clear water all over the island, several small rivers and rivulets roaring

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during the winter but calm and slightly active the rest of the year, a couple of small lakes and gorges, some surviving ancient ruins from antiquity, world-famous radioactive hot springs, and many beautiful and idyllic beaches located along the long coastline of the island, some of them sandy and some covered with smooth white and colored pebbles. In addition to those physical attractions, the celebrated Ikarian hospitality along with the friendliness and warmth of its inhabitants rendered Ikaria to be seen as a “Paradise” on earth by both the locals and by past and present visitors.

Ikaria attracts many visitors during the summer, both Ikarians living elsewhere in Greece and overseas, as well as many tourists. Visitors enjoy the natural beauty of the island, its inviting clean beaches, many outdoor restaurants and taverns located mostly by the sea where the customers enjoy delicious Ikarian hors d’oeuvres (mezedakia) while listening to the serene sound of the sea waves splashing softly on to the beach, some cultural and artistic activities on the island, a very relaxing lifestyle that seems to contribute to the well publicized long lifespan of the locals that has led to the classification of the island as one of the five Blue Zones of the world, as well as the radioactive medicinal hot springs. In other words, Ikaria offers the visitor both medicinal therapy, if needed, and a relaxing summer vacation. In recent years, however, there are some worrisome signs that such a “Paradise” may be somewhat in peril by some undesirable aspects of excessive tourism, causing concerns to everyone who loves Ikaria deeply, whether living on the island or overseas.



on the island’s physical beauty and natural resources. Some of the early victims of such abuse are some of the beautiful gardens and vineyards of the past as well as a couple of beautiful forests. Increased demand for water during the peak of the tourism season is causing a strain on several water springs on the island. The arrival of certain visitors, Greeks and non-Greeks alike, who decide to purchase property and stay permanently on the island fascinated by its peaceful and relaxing lifestyle, is slowly changing the fabric of the island’s population, endangering to some extent the celebrated Ikarian hospitality. Finally, some inevitable undesirable aspects of tourism are causes of concern to many who love Ikaria.

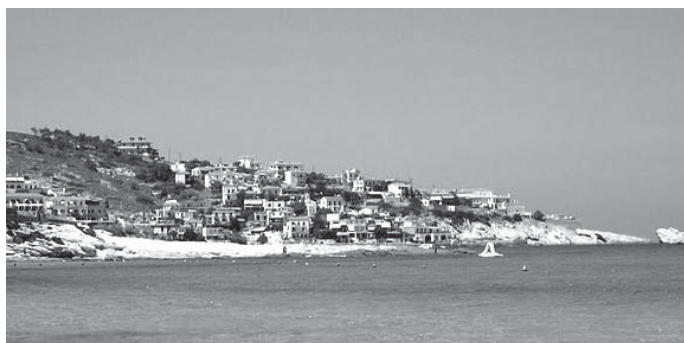


Excessive ill-planned building activities on the island to accommodate more tourists, as well as heavy traffic, particularly during the summer, are taking a toll

The visitor to Ikaria is provided with several opportunities to enjoy more than just a relaxing summer vacation and needed medicinal hydrotherapy in the radioactive hot springs and spas of the island. Depending upon their health and their personal interests, visitors may join hiking and trekking tours and clubs enjoying spectacular and scenic trails throughout the island, while others may decide to explore and enjoy some of the archaeological and historical sites of Ikaria. Most of the trails of Ikaria,

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and particularly those on the south side of the island that go over the mountain, are literally breathtaking. The spectacular view of several nearby islands scattered all over the horizon to distances up to twenty to thirty miles from Ikaria as well as the view of many hills below with small villages nested in between them, the view of caverns, deep ravines, and strange rock formations on the top of the mountain are breathtaking indeed. In addition, the effort needed to negotiate those steep uphill trails is literally breathtaking. Since the infrastructure of Ikaria was developed after the decade of 1950s, several of those trails of the past were converted to roads for vehicles. Driving, therefore, throughout Ikaria offers the visitor an equally breathtaking experience.



For visitors interested in archeological and historical sites, there are remnants from classical ancient Greece, from the Roman period, from the Byzantine period, as well as from the sixteenth to nineteenth centuries A.D. when Ikaria was under Ottoman rule, Venetian rule and Genoese rule. Ikaria has a recorded history of at least 3,500 years, if not 4,000-5,000 years according to some claims. The ancient ruins at Oinoe (current Campos), the Fortress of Drakanon at Cape Pharos, as well as the destroyed city of ancient Thermae (Chalasmena Therma) located a little east of the current Therma and the radioactive hot springs, are associated with the sixth and fifth century B.C. and with A.D. first or second century, respectively. Other fortresses are still surviving on several parts of Ikaria, like the Castle of Koskina located at the center of the island, a Byzantine fortress built during A.D. eleventh century, Kapsalino Castle at an altitude of about 3,200 feet above the village of Mavrato, the castle above the village of Kataphygion, and castles on several other parts of the island. Furthermore, there are several archeological and historical museums located on both sides of the island with exhibits from the Neolithic

Period, from the Classical Ancient Period, and from the sixteenth to twentieth century.

Visitors interested in cultural activities may take advantage of several meetings and conferences scheduled each summer in Ikaria, provided their limited vacation time allows for such a luxury. Conferences are normally held in some of the three star hotels located on the north side of the island, offering swimming pools, reception halls, and indoor and outdoor restaurants; in other words, an ideal combination of business and pleasure. Other activities held on Ikaria include the following: The Ikaros Chest Tournament that has been taking place on the island for more than thirty years, scheduled every year in middle June to middle July; the Festival for Dialogue between the Cultures (Festival Politismou Dialogon Ikarias), in its sixth year, scheduled every summer in July and August at several places of the island; and the Ikarian Centre of Greek Language (Etaireia Ellinikis Glossas kai Technis), which was established in 1995 in the village of Arethousa, operating from Easter to October and open to anyone over seventeen years of age wishing to improve their skills of Greek language while expanding their knowledge of Greek culture. Ironically, this latter cultural activity that is fairly well publicized among non-Greeks is not particularly well known among Ikarians other than those living nearby the village of Arethousa.

During the current critical times experienced by many Greeks due to the financial troubles of Greece, Ikaria along with several other Greek islands offer the tourist an excellent opportunity to enjoy the natural beauty of Greece mostly unaffected by the financial problems inflicted upon the country. Furthermore, since Greece's well being relies heavily on tourism, such visits would provide the financial help Greece needs badly while, at the same time, would offer an unforgettable summer vacation to the tourist. Ikarians are looking forward to seeing you in Ikaria during the summer; my family will certainly be among the visitors.

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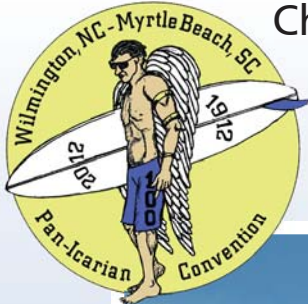
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