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PAN-ICARIAN BROTHERHOOD OF AMERICA "ICAROS"

Headquarters of the Supreme Lodge

Supreme President's Message Spring/Summer 2021



Dear Brothers & Sisters,

I hope you and your loved ones are safe and enjoying the summer season. This is always an exciting time of year, as we anxiously await our National Convention to reunite with family/friends from around the country. For many years, my family has made the convention an annual tradition, and I hope you do as well. By staying connected to the Brotherhood, we ensure our strong Ikarian culture and heritage lives on for future generations.

As this is my last Presidential message to you, I would like to personally thank you for your strong support and trust. It has been a humbling experience and privilege to have served as Supreme President of this great organization and I am proud to have followed in the footsteps of the inspiring individuals who have served before me. I'd especially like to thank the members of the Supreme Lodge, Foundation Board, and Chapter Presidents for their hard work and dedication. The accomplishments of the Brotherhood has been a true team effort.

In closing, over the past three years of my presidency I have made countless friendships and memories, all of which I will cherish forever. Serving the Brotherhood has brought great satisfaction and perspective to my life and my hope is that we have inspired others to serve as well. We must continue to support and encourage members to take active leadership roles in their local chapters as well as on the Supreme Lodge. By doing this, and keeping members actively engaged and vested in the Brotherhood, we will further enrich our base with new ideas and perspectives as we evolve as an organization.

I promise to continue to support the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros" and stay involved in the future. Thank you for your trust and support and I look forward to seeing you at this year's National Convention in Cleveland!

Fraternally Yours,

Damianos T. Skaros
Supreme President
Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros"

Cover: Niagara Falls lit to commemorate biennial of Greek Independence Day.

At right: members of PIB and AHEPA visit during that time.



Dear Ikarian Family and Friends,

As we continue to support philanthropy and education for our Ikarian family and friends, let me share with you our continuing Pan-Icarian Foundation efforts.

Medical assistance:

We are pleased to have been able to purchase needed reagents for COVID molecular tests for the Hospital in Ikaria. The reagents were critical in diagnosing coronavirus cases during the sudden rise in the virus during Pascha. We are sending a second round of needed reagents so the Hospital will have adequate supplies for this summer when many of us may be visiting our beloved island.

Your Foundation has also sent ongoing medical assistance to a family in Ikaria and a need for living expenses to another family in Ikaria. We have also been able to help pay medical expenses to a family here in our country as well.



US and Greek Scholarships:

The Scholarship season is upon us! Graduating seniors from high schools and graduate students whose families are Pan-Icarian Brotherhood members are welcome to apply.

The US Scholarship submission process for 2022 is open. Look for the application form online on our website: Pan-Icarian.com. Date for submission of all materials is July 15, 2021. Email questions to US Scholarship Chair: scholarships@pan-icarian.com

The Greek scholarship application process for 2022 is open. Look for the application information on our website: Pan-Icarian.com. Date for submission of materials is August 31, 2021. Email questions to Greek Scholarship Chair at: kesses@athenslegalfirm.gr

It is with the help of our donors that we can fund so many of our deserving students as they pursue their academic careers. Please think about endowing a scholarship. Thank you to our donors for coming forward and endowing scholarships for our students! We are grateful for your investment in our students' futures.

Fundraising:

In this issue, you will find our list of contributors for this quarter. These donations come from individual donors mostly in memory of a loved one, for scholarships, and for our projects. Thank you all for continuing to donate to our Foundation.

Cultural Mini-Grant:

The Supreme Lodge and Foundation has opened a call for proposals for the 2022 min-grant award. Information and application form can be found on the Pan-Icarian website: Pan-Icarian.com. Total funding available is \$3,000. Due date for applications is July 1. For questions, please contact Cultural Grant Chair at: terryplatis@hotmail.com

I wish you a wonderful and healthy summer. Safe travels to those of you who plan to enjoy it on our welcoming island of Ikaria!

Warm Regards,

PSP Ellene Tratras Contis
Pan-Icarian Foundation Chair

Vision: The Pan-Icarian Foundation shall administer the philanthropic endeavors of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of North and South America.

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Αγαπητοί Ικαριώτες και φίλοι της Ικαρίας,

Καθώς συνεχίζουμε να υποστηρίζουμε τη φιλανθρωπία και την εκπαίδευση για την Ικαριώτικη οικογένεια και τους φίλους μας στους Ικαριώτες, επιτρέψτε μου να μοιραστώ μαζί σας τις συνεχιζόμενες προσπάθειές μας στο Παν-Ικαριακό Ίδρυμα.



Ιατρική βοήθεια:

Είμαστε ευγνώμονες ευχαριστημένοι που είμαστε σε θέση να αγοράσουμε τα απαραίτητα αντιδραστήρια για μοριακές εξετάσεις COVID για το Νοσοκομείο στην Ικαρία. Τα αντιδραστήρια ήταν κρίσιμα στη διάγνωση περιπτώσεων κοροναϊού κατά την ξαφνική αύξηση του ιού κατά τη διάρκεια του Πασχα. Στέλνουμε έναν δεύτερο γύρο απαραίτητων αντιδραστηρίων, ώστε το Νοσοκομείο να έχει επαρκή εφόδια για αυτό το καλοκαίρι, όταν πολλοί από εμάς μπορεί να επισκέπτονται το αγαπημένο μας νησί. Το Ίδρυμά στελνει επίσης συνεχώς ιατρική βοήθεια σε μια οικογένεια στην Ικαρία για ανάγκα για έξοδα διαβίωσης σε μια άλλη οικογένεια στην Ικαρία. Επίσης να βοηθήσουμε να πληρώσουμε ιατρικά έξοδα σε μια οικογένεια εδώ στη χώρα μας.

Υποτροφίες ΗΠΑ και Ελλάδας:

Η περίοδος υποτροφιών είναι κοντά μας! Οι απόφοιτοι από τα γυμνάσια και οι μεταπτυχιακοί φοιτητές των οποίων οι οικογένειες είναι μέλη της Παν-Ικαριανής Αδελφότητας είναι ευπρόσδεκτοι να υποβάλουν αίτηση.

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Με τη βοήθεια των δωρητών μας μπορούμε να χρηματοδοτήσουμε τόσους πολλούς από τους άξιους μαθητές μας καθώς συνεχίζουν την ακαδημαϊκή τους σταδιοδρομία. Σας ευχαριστούμε για τους δωρητές μας για την παρουσία και την παροχή υποτροφιών για τους μαθητές μας! Είμαστε ευγνώμονες για την επένδυσή σας στο μέλλον των μαθητών μας.

Ερανος:

Σε αυτό το τεύχος, θα βρείτε τη λίστα με τους δωρητες μας. Αυτές οι δωρεές προέρχονται από μεμονωμένους δωρητές κυρίως στη μνήμη ενός αγαπημένου προσώπου, για υποτροφίες και για έργα μας. Σας ευχαριστούμε όλους που συνεχίζετε να κάνετε δωρεές στο Ίδρυμά μας.

Πολιτιστικό Mini-Grant:

Το Supreme Lodge και το Ίδρυμα θα ανοίξουν σύντομα πρόσκληση υποβολής προτάσεων για το βραβείο ελάχιστης επιχορήγησης 2022. Πληροφορίες και έντυπο αίτησης μπορείτε να βρείτε στον ιστότοπο μας: Pan-Icarian.com. Η συνολική διαθέσιμη χρηματοδότηση είναι 3.000 \$. Η προθεσμία υποβολής αιτήσεων είναι 1 Ιουλίου. Για ερωτήσεις, επικοινωνήστε με την Πρόεδρο του Πολιτιστικό Mini-Grant στη διεύθυνση: terryplatis@hotmail.com

Σας εύχομαι ένα υπέροχο και υγιές καλοκαίρι. Ασφαλή ταξίδια σε εσάς που σκοπεύετε να το απολαύσετε στο φιλόξενο νησί μας, Ικαρία!

Θερμές χαιρετισμοί,

PSP Ellene Tratras Contis

Πρόεδρος του Ιδρύματος της Παν-Ικαριακης

Όραμα: Το Ίδρυμα Pan-Icarian θα διαχειρίζεται τις φιλανθρωπικές προσπάθειες της Παν-Ικαριακης Αδελφότητας της Βόρειας και Νότιας Αμερικής.

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Facaros, John & Sophia	In Memory of Franzee Barlamas	100.00	\$100.00
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If you have any corrections regarding donations, please contact Executive Secretary Christina Contes at christinacontes@gmail.com

ΙΚΑΡΙΩΤΙΚΕΣ ΡΙΜΕΣ

Τούρκε, να κάτσεις
φρόνιμα, γιατί
έχεις πάρει δρόμο...

Shown here as first published in 1996 is a poem by Eva Cambetes, who was a member of Chapter Lefkas. Her daughter submitted it as a tribute to her mother who passed away this year. May her memory be eternal.

Κύριε Διευθυντά,
Σας παρακαλώ αν θέλετε ας δημοσιευθεί το ποίημά μου.
Σας ευχαριστώ.

Τούρκε να κάτσεις φρόνιμα
γιατί έχεις πάρει δρόμο,
τον αμανέ πολύ τραβάς
και δεν αλλάζεις τόνο.

Εσύ μας κάνεις τον τρανό
με ξένα μπράτσα κι' όπλα,
το δίκιο το έχομε εμείς
κι' αυτό νικά τα όλα.

Όταν το γλυκοχάραμα χρυσώνει
τα νησάκια,
τότε τα βλέπουν πιο κοντά τα λαίμαργά σου μάτια.

Και δεν μπορείς, ζαλίζεσαι
αμάν!... Αλλάχ!... φωνάζεις,
δεν νταγιαντώ που ο Ρωμιός
σφιχτά τα αγκαλιάζει.

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*The Greek National Herald Magazine ran a feature on Mr. Petros Tsantes,
a Pandiki and Nea Ikaria member, and Past Supreme Lodge President.
The feature is in the issue published February 28, 2021.*



Πέτρος Τσαντές: Να ιδρυθεί Ελληνικό Πανεπιστήμιο στην Αμερική

Της Γιάννας Κατσαγεώργη

Είχαμε τηλεφωνικό ραντεβού στις 9 και 30 το πρωί μιας Πέμπτης. Οι πληροφορίες που είχα για τον Πέτρο Τσαντέ και ο κύριος λόγος της συνέντευξής μας, ήταν η υποστήριξή του στα Ελληνικά Γράμματα, τον Πολιτισμό μας και την Ορθοδοξία μας και το πάθος του για την Ελλάδα και το πανέμορφο νησί της Ικαρίας, όπου γεννήθηκε το 1930. Όταν ξεκινήσαμε την

κουβέντα μας για το οδοιπορικό του, δεν μπορούσα ποτέ να φανταστώ, ότι θα με συνέπαιρνε τόσο πολύ η ιστορία ενός ακόμα Ελληνα μετανάστη, που οι δυσκολίες και οι κακουχίες που πέρασε θα τον δυνάμωναν τόσο, ώστε, όχι μόνο να δημιουργήσει μια σημαντική περιουσία και μια ανεκτίμητη οικογένεια, αλλά και να βοηθήσει το νησί του, που ποτέ δεν ξέχασε, την ενορία του Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption, και κυρίως τη «μικρή Ελλάδα της Αμερικής», που την έβαλε μέσα στο πανεπιστήμιο του Stony Brook, χρηματοδοτώντας και ιδρύοντας την πρώτη έδρα Ελληνικής Γλώσσας και το πρώτο Κέντρο Ελληνικού Πολιτισμού στο πανεπιστήμιο του Λονγκ Αϊλαντ. Η ζωή και οι προσπάθειες του Πέτρου Τσαντέ, είναι ένα πολύτιμο δείγμα, αλλά και υπόδειγμα, του τι μπορεί να κάνει ο άνθρωπος, όταν το πεπρωμένο τον προκαλεί να έρθει αντιμέτωπος με τον μόχθο και τη στέρηση. Ας ρωτήσουμε τον ίδιο... έχει πολλά να μας πει...

Κύριε Τσαντέ, τι σας παρακίνησε να ιδρύσετε την Εδρα Ελληνικών Σπουδών στο Stony Brook και να κάνετε επίσης δωρεά στο κολλέγιο Richard Stockton στο Νιου Τζέρσεϊ, για την εκμάθηση της ελληνικής γλώσσας; Και εγώ και η οικογένειά μου έχουμε μέσα μας πάντα την Ελλάδα, τη γλώσσα, ιστορία, τον πολιτισμό, την προσφορά της σε όλο τον κόσμο. Τη χώρα αυτή που εμπλούτισε την υφήλιο με τους θεούς και τους ήρωές της, τους φιλόσοφους και τους επιστήμονες. Σκέφτηκα λοιπόν, πως κάτι πρέπει να αφήσουμε κι εμείς, όπως άφησαν οι πρόγονοί μας. Ηρθα αμέσως σε επαφή με το πανεπιστήμιο του Stony Brook στο Λονγκ Αϊλαντ, συγκεκριμένα με την κυρία Στέλλα Συρτά, η οποία δούλευε τότε εκεί, και την ρώτησα, αν έχουν ελληνική έδρα. Μου απάντησε πως δεν είχαν. Τότε της είπα, πως εγώ και η οικογένειά μου θα θέλαμε να ιδρύσουμε μία τέτοια ελληνική έδρα. Έκανε όλες απαραίτητες προετοιμασίες με τους καθηγητές και ξεχώρισαν μία αίθουσα, όπου δημιουργήθηκε η ελληνική έδρα. Παράλληλα δημιουργήθηκε και ένα Κέντρο Ελληνικού Πολιτισμού, στο οποίο συγκεντρώνονται οι καθηγητές και δίνουν διαλέξεις στα θέματα που αφορούν την Ελλάδα, τη γλώσσα μας και την ιστορία του Ελληνισμού. Το κολλέγιο Richard Stockton στο Νιου Τζέρσεϊ, ήταν η πρώτη μου προσπάθεια να βάλω τη διδασκαλία της ελληνικής γλώσσας σε αμερικανικό πανεπιστήμιο και χρηματοδότησα τη συγκεκριμένη εκμάθηση, χωρίς να δημιουργηθεί έδρα. «Αυτό το περίσσευμα του μυαλού και της οικονομικής ακμής των μορφωμένων Ελλήνων της Αμερικής, κάπου πρέπει να στεγαστεί, να προστατευτεί, με μια συνεχή παρουσία μέσα στην πανεθνία της Αμερικής»

Η έδρα που έχετε ιδρύσει στο Stony Brook δεν φέρει το όνομά σας, αλλά είναι αφιερωμένη «στην μνήμη της Αικατερίνης Σπανού, Χαραλάμπου Βατούγιος». Θα μας εξηγήσετε τον λόγο; Εγώ γεννήθηκα στο Καραβόσταμο της Ικαρίας και έχασα τους γονείς μου πολύ μικρός. Η μητέρα μου πέθανε από την πείνα του Β' Παγκοσμίου Πολέμου στα 30 της χρόνια. Ο πατέρας μου δούλευε στην Εύβοια νητο,

σκορπιστήκαμε σε συγγενείς και οικογένειες που μας πήραν σαν παραγιούς και δουλεύαμε στον κάμπο. Είχαμε και μια αδελφούλα, την Φιλιά, που πέθανε τριών χρονών από την πείνα. Εμένα στα 10 μου χρόνια με πήρε μια οικογένεια σαν παραγιό και δούλεψα στα κτήματα. Το δεύτερο χρόνο που ήμουν μαζί τους, με είδε μια μέρα στο δρόμο ρακένδυτο και ταλαιπωρημένο παιδί, όπως ήμουν, η Αικατερίνη Σπανού Βατούγιου, σύζυγος του Χαράλαμπου Βατούγιου, η οποία με λυπήθηκε και μου είπε «έλα μαζί μου, θα σε έχω σαν παιδί μου». Ετσι από το πουθενά, λυπημένος και ορφανός, βρέθηκα να έχω μια ζεστή οικογένεια και μια μητέρα. Ο σύζυγός της ήταν στην Αμερική και δούλευε. Ετσι με έβαλαν μες την οικογένεια, με ένυσαν, με τάισαν γιατί ήμουν πολύ αδύνατος και απόκτησα 5 αδέρφια, τον Δημήτρη, την Αγγελική, τον Νίκο, την Δέσποινα και την Άννα. στα κάρβουνα και με τον πόλεμο χάσαμε τα ίχνη του. Μάθαμε ότι κρυβόταν και μετά πέθανε. Εγώ με τα αδέρφια μου, τον Αντρέα πρωτογέννητο και τον Φώτη τριτογέν-Πρέπει να ήμουν 12 χρονών τότε. Σ' αυτήν την γυναίκα που με υιοθέτησε, αφιέρωσα την έδρα, γιατί αυτή μου έσωσε την ζωή.

Στην Αμερική πώς βρεθήκατε;

Το 1946 ο Χαράλαμπος Βατούγιος κάλεσε την οικογένεια στην Αμερική, αλλά εγώ έπρεπε να μείνω στην Ικαρία και να πάω το Γυμνάσιο στον Άγιο Κήρυκο. Η θετή μου μητέρα έφυγε με τα παιδιά της για την Αμερική και εγώ νοίκιασα ένα δωμάτιο με άλλα παιδιά δίπλα στο σχολείο. Μου είχε αφήσει χρήματα, για να καλύπτω όλα μου τα έξοδα και μου έστελνε και από την Αμερική, όταν δεν είχα. Εκείνη την εποχή τα γυμνάσια ήταν εξαιρετικά στην Ελλάδα και οι δάσκαλοι ήταν πάρα πολύ ευσυνείδητοι. Μας δίδασκαν όλη την Παγκόσμια Ιστορία, την Οδύσσεια και την Ιλιάδα. Μόλις αποφοίτησα το 1951 μου έκαναν πρόσκληση και ήρθα στο Wilmington (Γουίλμινγκτον) στη Βόρεια Καρολίνα. Με έκριναν κατάλληλο να αρχίσω να μαθαίνω αγγλικά από την προτελευταία τάξη του Γυμνασίου, γιατί όπως είπαν στην μητέρα μου «αυτός ξέρει περισσότερα απ' αυτούς που αποφοιτούν από τα κολέγια μας». Τελείωσα το γυμνάσιο με άριστα, αλλά δεν είχαμε κολέγιο να συνεχίσω τις σπουδές μου. Είχα έναν εξάδελφο στην Πενσυλβάνια, ο οποίος μου πρότεινε να πάμε μαζί να γραφτούμε σε μία Αεροπορική Ακαδημία. Εγώ καταγόμενος από την ιχθυόεσσα Ικαρία, από τη θάλασσα που έπεσε ο πρώτος πιλότος της ιστορίας, ο Ικαρος, αποφάσισα να πάω στην Ακαδημία και εκεί έγινα Μηχανικός Αεροσκαφών. Εμείνα δύο χρόνια εκεί στη σχολή και μετά έπιασα δουλειά στην TWA στην Πενσυλβάνια. Επειδή όμως εργαζόμουν μόνο τη νύχτα και δεν έκανα καλά χρήματα, παρουσιάστηκε μία ευκαιρία με την North East Airlines στη Νέα Υόρκη, που ζητούσε μηχανικούς και πήγα.

Ψάχνατε πάντα το καλύτερο! Πότε φτάσατε στη ΝΥ;

Γύρω στο 1953 με κάλεσαν στη Νέα Υόρκη στο La Guardia. Δούλεψα σκληρά και έκανα πολύ καλή δουλειά, γεγονός που με αναβάθμισε σε επιθεωρητή των μηχανικών και σύντομα προβιβάστηκα σε πρώτο επιθεωρητή. Εμπαινα μέσα στο αεροπλάνο, ξεκινούσα τις μηχανές, να ελέγξω αν οι μηχανικοί έκαναν καλή δουλειά, υπέγραφα και έπρεπε να πάρω το αεροπλάνο από το υπόστεγο και να το πάω στο σημείο της εκκίνησής του, στην πύλη δηλαδή, που θα το έπαιρνε ο πιλότος. Εκεί έμεινα τέσσερα χρόνια και μετά παρουσιάστηκε μία άλλη ευκαιρία. Ένας γνωστός μου στο Τζάκσον Χάιτς, ο οποίος προμήθευε με λαχανικά τα εστιατόρια, μου λέει μια μέρα «πόσα χρήματα κάνεις;». Του είπα «180 την εβδομάδα» και μου απαντά «θέλεις να κάνεις 350 και πάνω και να μάθεις πώς να αγοράζεις και να πουλάς λαχανικά;». Δούλεψα μαζί του δύο εβδομάδες, έμαθα τη δουλειά και μου πούλησε την επιχείρησή του μετά από λίγο καιρό. Αγόρασα το φορτηγάκι με 3.000 δολάρια τότε και ξεκίνησα την πρώτη μου επιχείρηση, η οποία κράτησε από το 1960 έως το 1966.

Και μετά με τι ασχοληθήκατε;

Είχα μαζέψει χρήματα και έβλεπα, όταν πήγαινα στα εστιατόρια, πως από ένα κεφάλι μαρούλια κάνεις τόσες σαλάτες και τόσο κέρδος και έτσι αποφάσισα και εγώ να κάνω τη δεύτερη δική μου επιχείρηση. Αγόρασα μία Dinner στο Λονγκ Άϊ-λαντ, που ονόμασα «Blue Dove Dinner», γιατί όταν δούλεψα στο εμπόριο λαχανικών ξύπναγα πολύ πρωί και έβλεπα την αυγή με τα μοναδικά της γαλάζια και μπλε χρώματα, κάτι που με εντυπωσίαζε πολύ. Την ξεκίνησα το 1970 με χωρητικότητα 90 καθίσματα, το 1978 η χωρητικότητα πήγε στα 175 και το 1986 έφτασε τα 250 καθίσματα.



«Και εγώ και η οικογένειά μου έχουμε μέσα μας πάντα την Ελλάδα, τη γλώσσα, ιστορία, τον πολιτισμό, την προσφορά της σε όλο τον κόσμο. Τη χώρα αυτή που εμπλούτισε την υφήλιο με τους θεούς και τους ήρωές της, τους φιλόσοφους και τους επιστήμονες»

Την κράτησα μέχρι το 2000. Είχα ήδη κάνει μια σεβαστή περιουσία, είχα αγοράσει κτήματα, ένα μεγάλο κτίριο, οπότε δε χρειάστηκε μετά να δουλέψω.

Τα αδέρφια σας τι απέγιναν; Όπως σας είπα τα αδέρφια μου ήταν και αυτοί παραγιοί σε συγγενείς και οικογένειες. Όταν ήρθα και μετά από λίγα χρόνια έγινα Αμερικανός πολίτης έφερα τα δυο αδέρφια μου εδώ και βρήκαν κάποια δουλειά, μάζεψαν χρήματα και γύρισαν πίσω στην Ελλάδα, γιατί δεν τους άρεσε η Αμερική. Στην Ελλάδα παντρεύτηκαν και επέστρεψαν στην Αμερική με τις γυναίκες τους. Τότε είχα την Dinner και ο Φώτης δούλευε μαζί μου, ενώ ο Ανδρέας έβαφε σπίτια. Ο Φώτης άνοιξε δική του Dinner και ο Αντρέας παρέμεινε στη δουλειά που είχε. Δυστυχώς πέθανε εδώ και πέντε χρόνια από μια ασθένεια των πνευμόνων, που οφείλεται στις εισπνοές της μιογιάς. Με τα άλλα μου θετά αδέρφια, τον Νίκο, την Δέσποινα, τον Ερρίκο, την Άννα συναντιόμαστε, δυστυχώς όχι τώρα με τον κορωνοϊό.

Στο Woodside (Γούντσαϊντ) που έμενα, εκεί κοντά μας είχαμε το Τμήμα της Πανικαριακής Αδελφότητας που λεγότανε «Πανδίκη». Εκεί κάναμε συνεδριάσεις, εκδηλώσεις, χορούς, τραγούδια και ξενύχτια και βρισκόμασταν όλοι οι Ικαριώτες φίλοι και γνωστοί. Μια βραδιά σε μια εκδήλωση τα κορίτσια χόρευαν Ικαριώτικο και «εκείνη» βαστούσε τον κύκλο. Εγώ με κάποιο φίλο καθόμασταν στην άκρη και τις κοιτούσαμε. Εκεί που ο κύκλος γύριζε γύρω γύρω, για κάποιο λόγο μια όμορφη κοπέλα μου έριχνε κρυφές ματιές. Αυτό ήταν η αιτία που αρχίσαμε να συναντιόμαστε, γνωριστήκαμε περισσότερο και παντρευτήκαμε το 1961, όταν ήμουν 31 ετών εγώ και 37 η γυναίκα μου, αλλά φαινόταν πάντα νέα. Μείναμε 60 χρόνια μαζί. Εφυγε τον περασμένο Σεπτέμβρη. Μαζί αποκτήσαμε δυο παιδιά, την Σοφία και τον Βασίλη και 4 εγγόνια, τρεις εγγονές από τον Βασίλη και μια εγγονή από την Σοφία. Αγόρια δεν κάναμε.

«Φωνή βοώντος εν τη ερήμω»! Εγώ τα λέω εγώ τα ακούω.

Εάν εμείς εδώ, σαν δεύτερη μεγάλη γενιά, δεν ιδρύσουμε Ελληνικό Πανεπιστήμιο, που να φοιτούν εκεί οι επόμενες ελληνικές γενιές για όλες τις επιστήμες, τις τέχνες, τον ελληνικό πολιτισμό και τη γλώσσα μας, ώστε να συνεχιστεί η παρουσία του Ελληνισμού στην Αμερική, θα ξεχαστούμε και θα πέσουμε στην αφάνεια! Αυτό το περίσσευμα του μυαλού και της οικονομικής ακμής των μορφωμένων Ελλήνων της Αμερικής, κάπου πρέπει να στεγαστεί, να προστατευτεί, με μια συνεχή παρουσία μέσα στην πανεθνία της Αμερικής. Αυτή τη γλώσσα μας την θεομίλητη, την γλώσσα της ψαλμωδίας, της μελωδίας, του χορού, της ποίησης, του δράματος, της φιλοσοφίας και της επιστήμης! Πώς την αφήνουμε έτσι άκαρδα να χάνεται; Και η Εκκλησία δεν βοηθάει πια στο να μην χαθεί η γλώσσα μας. Οι ιερείς φταίνε! Εγώ θέλω να ακούω ελληνικά όταν πηγαίνω στην εκκλησία. Πήγα τις προάλλες σε μία ελληνική εκκλησία στο Γουίλμινγκτον στην Καρολίνα σε μία λειτουργία και δεν άκουσα ούτε μία λέξη ελληνική από τους παπάδες. Λέω....«Θεέ μου χαθήκαμε στην Αμερική, αν πάψει η γλώσσα μας σβήσαμε τελείως».



Απο τα εγκαίνια της Εδρας Ελληνικής Γλώσσας και Λογοτεχνίας στο Stony Brook στις 9/11/2016 και την ανάθεσή της στον Νικόλαο Πάνου, PhD. Απο αριστερά: ο πρύτανης Sacha Kopp, ο Πέτρος Τσαντές, ο καθηγητής Νικόλαος Πάνου, ο πρόεδρος του Stony Brook, Samuel L. Stanley Jr και ο κοσμήτορας Michael Bernstein.

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This Oakmont native is coaching — and growing — football in Italy
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By Adam Bittner

When Dimitri Facaros learned he was going to be stationed in San Remo, Italy, a friend recommended he check out John Grisham’s 2007 novel “Playing for Pizza,” the fictional story of an NFL washout who keeps his football dream alive by joining up with an Italian club. The Oakmont native, who serves as a major in the U.S. Army’s Judge Advocate General Corp., read it and loved it, and it was on his mind one afternoon as he and his young family were touring their temporary hometown on the country’s northwestern coast.

The unit of four stepped into a clothing store, where pictures of American football players adorning the walls caught Maj. Facaros’ eye. The man in one of the pictures was working behind the counter, so Maj. Facaros asked him about them. It turned out he was a coach with the Savona Pirates, a second-division team based about an hour away. Maj. Facaros went home, did some research and promptly reached out to management. And it wasn’t long before he was living out Mr. Grisham’s literary plot in real life as he was offered and accepted a role as the Pirates’ special teams and quality control assistant. “I feel like I’m almost back in college,” Maj. Facaros told the Post-Gazette in a recent interview. “It takes me back to a different time. I’m in a locker room as if I’m back to 18 or 19. ... It’s been a cool experience.”

Maj. Facaros, like many from Western Pennsylvania, developed his love of the game at an early age, growing up as the son of a high school principal at Schenley and Peabody high schools and an industrial painter whose projects included Heinz Field and the Fort Duquesne Bridge.

He went on to serve as captain of the team at River-view High School before college stops at St. John’s and SUNY-Buffalo. Now he hopes his experience can help players who did not grow up in the game the same way he did.

The Pirates play in 2° Division, an amateur traveling division. Only Italians are eligible; Americans can play only in the top division, Serie A. And for most, the organization provides their first experience with American football. The club itself, however, is not a new phenomenon. Savona has played in one of the country’s three divisions since 1984, winning championships at the second and third division levels along the way.

Today, Italy has a total of 56 clubs, most of which are located in the northern and central portions of the country. Savona competes regionally and faces teams from farther away, in Italy or elsewhere in Europe, if it advances in the championships.

The organization fields senior male and female teams, as well as junior and senior flag football teams for younger players. Currently, about 150 players are members. And so far, they’ve been happy to learn from Maj. Facaros.

“Besides his technical abilities, he has the ability to convey, with enthusiasm, the spirit of American football. The aptitude for training and sacrifice,” vice president Eugenio Meini said in an email.

That’s appreciated in a country where no one’s really playing for money and soccer captures the bulk of public attention. The culture of the sport can understandably get lost in translation, so players, including quarterback Federico Burato, are happy to soak it up where they can.

Mr. Burato, 25, grew up in San Remo and now lives in Genoa, a bit down the road from Savona. Like many Europeans, he first became aware of American football through movies such as “Remember the Titans” and “Any Given Sunday.” Then one day, he discovered his friend’s father had a football, and the rest was history. “I threw one time, and it was pure love,” he said. He joined the Pirates soon after and has been with them ever since, eventually earning the starting job with a dual-threat skill set that’s compatible with the run-first style many European clubs use. He said



the mentality Maj. Facaros has helped to instill is rare and that the coach has pushed players hard, even though they typically only practice twice a week. "Having someone like him around helps us to understand what football is really like," he said.

At the same time, Maj. Facaros doesn't want to sell their own passion short. He said he loves the concentration in the locker room, describing it as something out of a "movie scene." And he's been impressed by how invested players are on a purely recreational level, with none of the financial interests that many in America have.

He's also enjoyed teaching the finer points of kicking between his career in the Army and tending to his family, including his 3-month-old, at home. Unfortunately, he'll have to give the job up eventually. He'll spend part of the summer in Italy before returning to the U.S. for his next posting at Fort Bragg in North Carolina.

For now, though, he's enjoying the unique opportunity to grow the game he loves with people who are eager to learn. "When I went to this field, I was just in awe because you could just see what brings together a bunch of folks," he said, describing his first game with the Pirates. "To see American football in Italy, to me, was just a little abnormal in a way that made it feel special."

As for Mr. Burato, he hopes more Americans follow in Maj. Facaros' footsteps in helping get the game established in Europe generally and Italy in particular. It remains hard to watch NFL games in the country, and he feels there's an appetite for more organization that can capture the imagination of more players and fans. "All we need is just a little bit of help to help the game grow," he said. "We are not so professional about it, and that's something I hope one day can change."

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We hope this finds you and yours in good health and good spirits. Our thoughts and prayers are with everyone who has been impacted by the pandemic. It's been a difficult time for "Kariotes" who by nature believe in smiles, hugs and two cheek kissing, which is hard to do from a distance of six feet from the people we know and love.

The Hilton Cleveland Downtown has assured us our event can be held this Labor Day weekend. The host property is a 32 story, newly built, 600 room hotel overlooking Cleveland's waterfront, the perfect backdrop for the 2021 Cleveland National Air Show. The restaurant scene has returned to near pre-pandemic levels. Locals will tell you that weather in early September is as good as you'll find. Our chapter has forty plus years of experience, hosting well organized, well attended events as many "Kariotes" from across the country will agree.

We're again offering top notch entertainment with authentic Greek music provided by Stigma, also known as Pharos Chapter's house band. They will be accompanied by local, young violinists so that the Kariotiko can make you feel as though you're enjoying yourself at a "panigiri". Missing out on our annual convention last year was a major disappointment. Let's rebound from this pandemic, keep our traditions alive, and party like "Kariotes" this Labor Day weekend in Cleveland!

Room reservations can be made at (800) HILTONS using the code PIB. Enclosed is our commemorative album contract.

For continuous updates, visit our website at
www.icarianconvention2021.com

Fraternally,

James Gemelas

Maria Tripodis

Gus Katsas



Commemorative Album Contract

All ads appear in **COLOR**

For the funds received, the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood, Cleveland Chapter Pharos agrees to enter the message of the purchaser in the Commemorative Album for the 2021 Pan-Icarian Convention.

All album ad buyers will receive a complimentary copy of the album.

Full Color Page: \$300.00 Half Color Page: \$200.00

Deadline for submittals of all ads is July 29th, 2021

Contracts, artwork and checks can be sent to Nick Tripodis

3804 Spokane Ave., Cleveland, OH 44109 or emailed to pibadbook2021@gmail.com

You may use the PayPal account PIB21CLE

For more information, contact Nick Tripodis at (216) 470-1495

The Pan- Icarian Brotherhood of America, Cleveland Chapter Pharos is a nonprofit organization.

Visit our website at www.icariancovention2021.com for more information

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Event Reservation Form

Sunday Grand Banquet Ticket (Includes Sunday's Dance)

Cocktail Reception 6:30pm/Dinner 7:30

Tickets _____ Price: \$125.00

Saturday Night Glendi Ticket

9:00pm – 4:00am (yes, you're reading that right)

Tickets _____ Price: \$30.00

Sunday Night Grand Ball Dance (only) Ticket

9:00pm – 4:00am (comfortable shoes are in order)

Tickets _____ Price: \$30.00

(note: children 12&under dance for free)

Purchaser: _____ **Amount Paid** _____

Address: _____ **City, State, Zip Code:** _____

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Send this completed form and your payment to:

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You may use PayPal account PIB21CLE. For more information: Gus Katsas (440) 223-9380

Checks may be made payable to Pan Icarian Brotherhood of America Chapter Pharos

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Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros"

March 25: Landmarks around the world were lit in blue and white to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the Greek Revolution of 1821, Αγώνας, the struggle for independence.



Niagara Falls



Boston



Detroit

Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America "Icaros"



Acropolis



Sydney



San Francisco



Tarpon Springs



New York City



Pittsburgh



Toronto



Los Angeles

VI Chembithes is so excited to announce that we are starting to slowly and safely resume chapter gatherings. The first gathering we've had in over a year and a half will be our annual lamb roast. It is to be held in late June in Bath, Ohio. We hope to see Ikarians from near and far!



We would like to congratulate Alex (son of Leonidas and Mary Ann Plakas) and Jenna Plakas on the birth of their son, Miles Alexander Plakas. Miles was born on March 16th in Chicago, Illinois. Miles is welcomed by big sisters Eleni and Ella and big brother Leo. Na sou zisei!



We would also like to send our condolences to the Charnas family on the passing of Elizabeth Charnas. Elizabeth was born in Brooklyn, New York but lived most of her life in Akron. She was a beloved member of our Ikarian Club and the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church in Akron. She will be greatly missed by our club and the community. May her memory be eternal.

Much like the rest of you, us Akron Ikarians are looking forward to the upcoming Convention in Cleveland and can't wait to finally be reunited and dance the Ikariotiko with you all!



Alexandra Chloe Wells, daughter of Mike and Ann Maria (Kane) Wells, graduated Summa Cum Laude from Green High School. Alex was a member of National Honor Society, The Academy of Scholars, Class of 2021 Top 25 students, and the GHS Wall of Fame. She was also involved in numerous clubs. Alex has been accepted into the Honors Tutorial College at Ohio University and will study Astrophysics.



Greetings from the Members of Cleveland Chapter Pharos.

We hope this finds all of our fellow Icarians well.

We've been busy here in Cleveland preparing to host the Pan-Icarian Convention Labor Day Weekend. We did not get the go ahead from the hotel until mid-March, so it has been a bit of a whirlwind, but we are getting there. We are looking forward to seeing everyone. (It's been a long time, and we miss you all!!)

We want to assure everyone that we are doing all we can to make this a successful convention and keep everyone safe at the same time. It has been a bit of a struggle making sure that we had enough hotel rooms, keeping up all of our normal traditions, and making sure everyone has a great time. We hope that you all consider putting in an album ad, as this is one of the ways we can make this a success. We ask that if you've booked a room, and decide that you won't be using it, to please contact us ASAP so that we can get it back into our room block so that someone on our waiting list can have it.

Chapter Pharos has been hosting our monthly meetings. Sometimes live and in person, sometimes via ZOOM. But we've kept in touch through all of this. We are very proud of our younger members who have become very involved in our convention planning and have stepped up to take on a lot of the responsibilities.

In May our chapter hosted a webinar with attorney Irene Mavrogeorgis regarding property in Ikaria. It was well attended and very informative.

In the past few months, we were saddened by the loss of several of our fellow Icarians, George Achedafty, Leonidas Koutsouflakis, and Nick Vroutos. May their memory be eternal.



George and Kalli Karnavas are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Katerina Georganna Karnavas, born April 28, 2021. Katerina is the grandchild of George and Katerina Karnavas, and Bill and Kim Kontoveros. She is the great-grandchild of the late George and Eirini Karoutsou; Dorothea and the late Foti Karnavas; Vivian and the late James Herouvis; and the late Dimitri and Anna Kontoveros.



Polyxeni (Xenya) Maria Safos graduated on May 15, 2021 from Cleveland State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Early Childhood Education. Her internships were through the Cleveland Metropolitan School District. Xenya stayed on the President's List and Dean's List throughout her college career. She graduated Summa Cum Laude. Xenya is the daughter of Zach and Maria Safos, granddaughter of Yianni and Polyxeni Safos and the late George and Ethel Achedafty. She

is very grateful to the Pan-Icarian Foundation for the scholarships and support from family and friends.



Vasiliki "Vikki" Gemelas is a 2021 graduate of Baldwin Wallace University. She has earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology with a minor in Family and Communication Studies.



She will be pursuing her Master's Degree of School Counseling at Cleveland State University in the Fall of 2021. She is the daughter of Themistoklis and Clio Gemelas of Xylosirtis and Cleveland Ohio, the granddaughter of the late Tom and the late Bessie Binikos Sarris of Xylosirtis and Cleveland, and Argyro Gemelas and the late Nikolaos Gemelas of Xylosirtis, Ikaria.



Christina and Nick Busch are excited to announce the arrival of their daughter, Adrianna Penelope Busch!!!
Born on March 18, 2021.
Proud Grandparents are Ilias and Joanne Kalessis and Mark and Tami Busch.



The Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of New York along with other Greek Federations and Associations requested that New York State join other American cities and the world in lighting up our most iconic landmark buildings and bridges in the blue and white colors of the Greek flag for one night on March 25th to commemorate Greece's 200 years since the declaration of its War of Independence.

Landmark buildings and bridges were lit up to honor the nation of Greece as well as the many millions of Greek Americans here in the United States, especially in New York. They included: Empire State Building, One World Trade Center, Governor Mario M. Cuomo Bridge, Kosciuszko Bridge, H. Carl McCall SUNY Building, State Education Building, Alfred E. Smith State Office Building, and Niagara Falls. Several Pandiki members visited some of the local landmarks.



Lefteri Vroulos, Lefteri Karoutsos
and Nicole Vroulos



Loula Lambrakopoulos, Sophia Vroulos, Nicole Vroulos,
Lefteri Karoutsos, Lefteri Vroulos and John Vroulos



In March, Pandiki hosted a Loukoumades Spring Fundraiser. There was a nice showing during these trying times. Also, we were able to raise some money to help continue our mission of helping and educating the community.



In June the chapter hosted a Wine & Cheese movie night with a screening of the Greek directed movie "In this Land Nobody Knew how to Cry" which has filmed on Ikaria.



In appreciation of all the fathers, we hosted a Father's Day BBQ to bring yet again our members and their families together to enjoy a fun filled afternoon. We also had a special guest, PSP Nicholas Tsalis and his son visit and help with the event.



Thank you to all the volunteers for making this event possible and the members for showing up.



We celebrated the new year with the baptism of William Nicolas Anderson on his name day on January 1, 2021. He is the son of Enza (Tsouris) and David Anderson and the first grandchild of Nick and Vincetta Tsouris. He is the great-grandson of Stella and the late Sarandos Tsouris.



Godparents and sponsors for the ceremony were uncles Sarandos Tsouris, Vasilios Tsouris, and cousin Ryan Dugan and aunts Stellina (Tsouris) Casto and Jami Anderson.

God bless William! "Na Mas Zisi!"



We are happy to note that after a year of virtual meetings, Chapter Icaros 7 officers gathered in person at the home of Interim President Joanne Melacrinos for a meeting on May 24, 2021. We plan to begin in-person meetings with our members soon.

We were disappointed to be unable to host the annual Memorial Weekend Mini Convention for a second year, but we have several plans in the works as we begin to gather once again, including a Bingo Brunch in September, our Annual Halloween Dinner in October, a dance in November, and our Annual Member Appreciation Dinner in December.



Many thanks to Chapter Icaros Interim President Joanne Melacrinos, who graciously hosted our first in-person meeting in over a year. *From left: Supreme Vice President Cathy Pandeladis, Michelle Kotsagrelas, Joanne Melacrinos, Alea (Melacrinos) Mavrogeorgis, and Alea's daughters Yanna and Victoria.*

JOIN CHAPTER ICAROS FOR A GLENDI / DANCE ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2021, at the Dormition of the Holy Theotokos Greek Orthodox Church Hall in Oakmont, PA with live Greek Music by Ta Filarakia, featuring Victoria Mavrogeorgis on Violi! For more information, contact Michelle Kotsagrelas at 412-680-1416 or mmk8317@hotmail.com.

Congratulations to:

- Demetri and Brittany Xenakis on the birth of their son, Emmanuel "Emmett" Markos Xenakis, born February 20, 2021.
- Isabella and Joti Kang, on the birth of their son, Axillias Aivaliotis Singh Kang, born May 30, 2021.
- Zoe Marie Futules, who graduated with a Doctor degree in Family Medicine from the University of Pikeville Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine.
- Marcus Galie, who graduated from St. Francis University, School of Health Sciences, with a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree.
- Constantine Politis, who graduated magna cum laude from the Juris Doctor program at the University of Richmond School of Law.
- Kassiana Politis, who graduated summa cum laude from Emory University with a Master in Public Health degree.
- Stephen Tripodes, 2021 graduate of Upper St. Clair High School.
- Peter Wyrick, 2021 graduate of Central Catholic High School.
- Eleni Wyrick, 2021 graduate of Riverview High School.

We were greatly saddened by the death of Franzee "Frank" Barlamas and Irene Patrinos. May their memory be eternal.

We look forward to gathering with our brothers and sisters once again and wish you all a great summer.



Demetri and Brittany Xenakis are happy to announce the birth of their son, Emmanuel "Emmett" Markos Xenakis, born February 20, 2021 at 6:01am, weighing 7 lbs. 14 oz., and measuring 21 inches long. Emmett is the grandson of Manuel and the late Veronica Xenakis, and the great-grandson of the late James and Mollie Xenakis.



Constantine Stephen Tripodes, great grandson of the late Rose and Dr. Stephen Pamphilis, grandson of Joanne and Frank Tripodes, and son of Maria and Nicholas Tripodes, graduated from Upper St. Clair High School in June 2021. Constantine was Student Body President, a 4-year letterman in Tennis, a member of the Chanteclairs and Pantheon Choir, Musical, and USC Odyssey of the Mind. He was also in the National Honor Society and a National Merit Scholarship

finalist. Constantine will be attending the University of California, Berkeley in the fall majoring in Business and Film, but not before spending three weeks in Ikaria this summer with his high school friends!



Kassianna Politis, daughter of Alexis and Mike Politis, completed her Master Degree in Public Health summa cum laude, from Emory University's Rollins School of Public Health. This fall Kassianna will begin medical school at the Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine in Blacksburg, Virginia.



Zoe Marie Futules, daughter of Nick and Michele Futules, graduated with a Doctorate degree in Family Medicine from the University of Pikeville Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine in May 2021. Zoe will begin her residency in Family Medicine at Shadyside Hospital in Pittsburgh in July 2021.



Congratulations to twin siblings Peter and Eleni Wyrick, who are 2021 high school graduates.



Peter is a graduate of Central Catholic High School in Pittsburgh and will be attending the University of Vermont in the fall.

Eleni is a graduate of Riverview High School in Oakmont and will be attending Ohio University in the fall.



Peter and Eleni are the children of Bill and Dianna (Calaboyias) Wyrick and the grandchildren of Peter Calaboyias and Panorea Bouris.

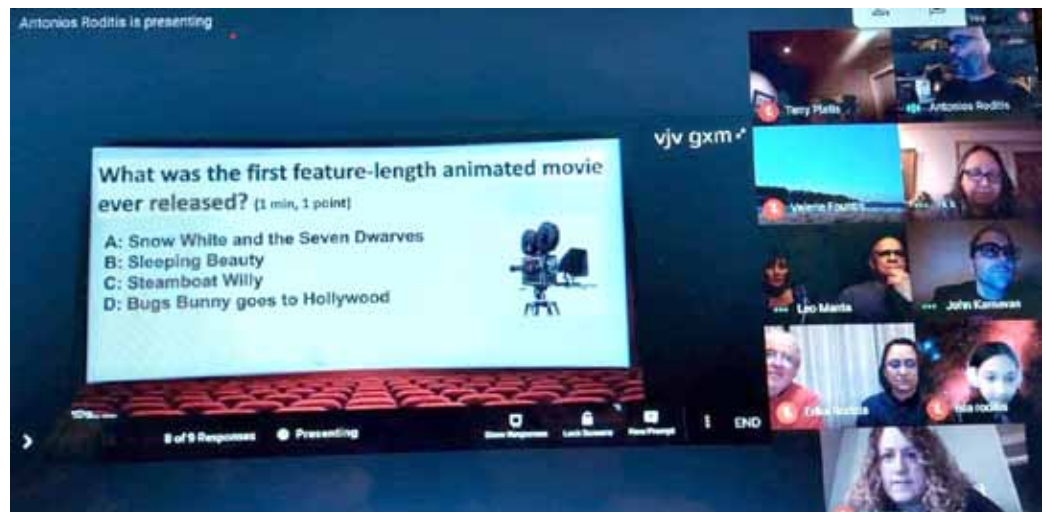
Marcus Galie, son of Mark and Katina Galie, graduated from St. Francis University, School of Health Sciences, with a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree. Marcus was selected as an inductee to the National Physical Therapy Student Honor Society, a society established by the American Council of Academic Physical Therapy (ACAPT) to recognize current Doctor of Physical Therapy students who demonstrate excellence, integrity, and professionalism in areas of academic achievement, leadership, and service. Marcus completed his final clinical rotation at West Penn Hospital and hopes to be able to obtain full-time employment at a Pittsburgh hospital once he completes his boards in July 2021.



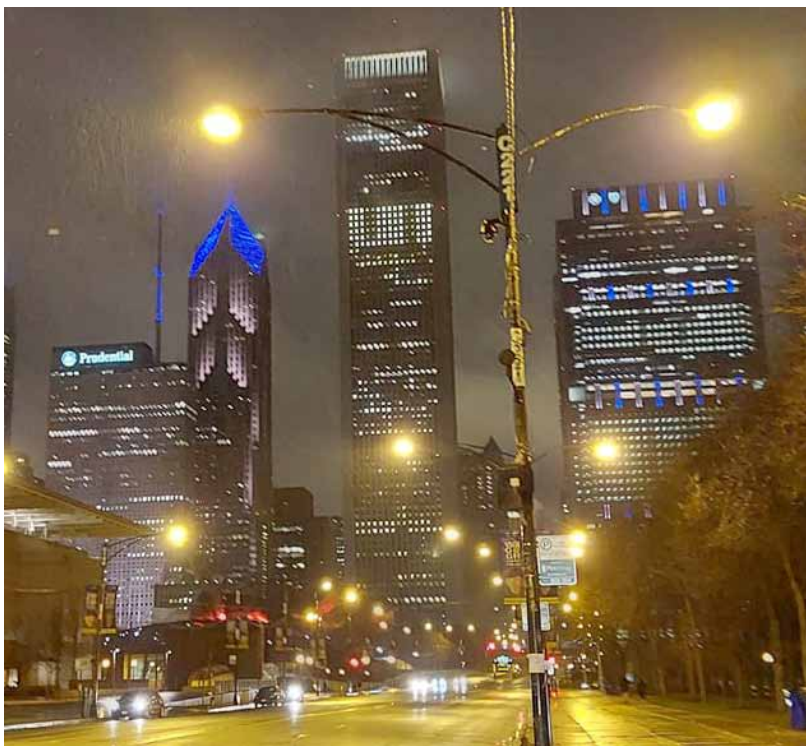
Constantine Politis, son of Alexis and Mike Politis, graduated magna cum laude from the Juris Doctor program at the University of Richmond School of Law. While at Richmond Law, Constantine was a member of The Richmond Law Review, President of the Federalist Society, and was a Member of the Client Counseling Negotiation Board. He will begin a Judicial Clerkship with the Honorable David E. Johnson of the 12th Circuit of Virginia.

Summer Greetings! Hope this summer provides a recharging that we all so need after a difficult year. We are looking forward to the convention and celebrating what we all love, Ikaria!

Our chapter gathered virtually for a Trivia Night on March 13th. It was so wonderful to see familiar and smiling faces. Our knowledge and drawing skills were put to the test. Special thanks to Tony Roditis for a fun and interactive night! Congrats to Isla Roditis and her partner, Nick Roditis, on winning!



Chicago celebrated the Greek bicentennial by lighting up its skyline line ELLAS BLUE! Our chapter got to enjoy the sights and even had a special surprise by our District Governor and fellow member, Steve Stratakos. Moraine Valley Community College Fine & Performing Arts lit its building blue and white in honor of the anniversary! Thanks, Steve, for making that happen!



Congratulations to all our 2021 Graduates! We are so proud of you all and wish you all the best.

We lost some dear friends that will always hold a special place in our hearts.

Larry Poullman passed away in November 2020. Our deepest sympathy to Vasilia Poullman and their family. May his memory be eternal.

Maria Collaros passed away in January 2021. Our deepest sympathy to Costa, Sophia, and Zachary Collaros, and Stacey, Erini, and Fotis Collaros, and their family. May her memory be eternal.

Annette Kelaiditis passed away in January 2021. Our deepest sympathy to Demetrios Kelaiditis, Luciana and Byron Kelaiditis, and Paul and Amanda Kelaiditis, and their family. May her memory be eternal.

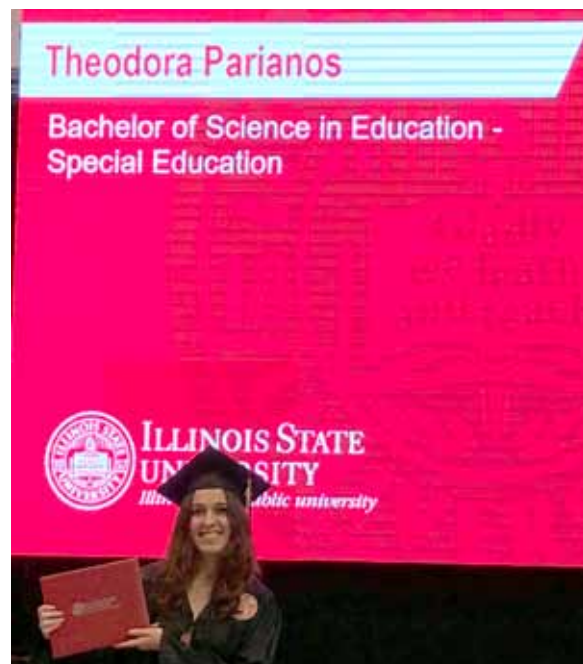
Ilias Karnavas passed away in May 2021. Our deepest sympathy to Sara Elaine Karnavas and Lambrini, Kostas, and Ismini Papadoulakis, and their family. May his memory be eternal.



On December 7, 2020, Aristides Michael Malamatos was born at 8:14pm 8lbs 9oz 21.5in at Saint Anthony's Hospital in Crown Point, Indiana. Over the moon parents are Michael Malamatos and Maria (Skavdis) Malamatos. Ari is the first grandson to Proud Papou and Yiayia John and Toula Skavdis. Papou and Yiayia Aris and Aphrodite Leventis.

Theodora Parianos graduated with a Bachelor Degree in Special Education from Illinois State University. Theodora is the daughter of Apostolos and Valerie Parianos and granddaughter of Paris and Dora Fountis and Siona Kouvari.

Και εις ανώτερα!



Greetings from Chapter Therma.

We hope that everyone is well and getting vaccinated. We are finally seeing the light of day here in Wilmington. Our modified Greek festival was recently held at our church and as usual, we had a large turnout of volunteers from our Chapter Therma members.

The school year is coming to an end and with that we have some graduations to celebrate. The high school graduates are as follows: Angelia Saffo, daughter of Nicky and Tia Saffo. Our graduates are: Aggie (NC State) and Angel (UNC-Chapel Hill) Karafas, George Malahias (Appalachian State), Panteli Poulos (East Carolina University), Katherine Franck (UNC-Chapel Hill School of Law), Robert Franck (University of Georgia). We wish these graduates much success in the next chapter of their lives!



Congratulations to Courtney Malahias for being awarded Teacher of the Year for New Hanover County!

Wedding bells rang for Vasili Brown and Maddie Antor on May 22nd. We wish them many years of happiness.

Our sympathies to Sophia Tracy and family on the passing of her husband, Ernie Tracy. May his memory be eternal! We also wish to extend our sympathy to Mary Mavroles on the passing of her husband, Leon Mavroles. May his memory be eternal!

We hope that everyone has a safe summer, and we cannot wait to get back to normal hopefully soon! We wish Cleveland all the best for the convention.

Stay Ikarian strong!

Sincerely,

Kay Saffo Skandalakis



Angelia Argiro Saffo is the daughter of Stamatia and Nicholas Saffo of Wilmington, NC. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Avgerinos Saffo of Wilmington, NC, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Kratsa of Pittsburgh, PA, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Evans of Pittsburgh, PA. Angelia graduated from New Hanover High School on May 29, 2021. She is a member of the National Honor Society, the Beta Club and Key Club. Her cheerleading career was cut short by COVID-19, but she enjoyed two years as a "flyer". Angelia is also a member of the St Nicholas dance team, Zoyra, and has participated in the Hellenic Dance Festival for 6 years. Angelia will attend the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) in Georgia this fall to pursue a BFA in fashion design.

Greetings from Philadelphia! Here is the latest from Atheras:

Palm Sunday Luncheon:

Slowly but surely, the Atheras Chapter has weathered the 2020 pandemic year. Relying mostly on Executive Board meetings, safety-first fundraisers, and especially, the generous support of all the members, we were able to keep the Chapter going. Our latest venture, the Palm Sunday Luncheon saw the officers preparing a Lenten dish of fried flounder, mixed veggies and creamy skordalia. Thanks to our fry cooks, servers and volunteers for all your efforts. We are again grateful to every member of our Chapter for your generosity this past year. We are looking forward to summer events and the return of in-person meetings.



Kaliop Kokolis and Cathy Horiates



Theo Horiates and Nick S. Pasamihalis work the fry-o-lator station



*Above:
VP-Vasili Hatzinakis,
Pres-Kaliop Kokolis,
Angelo Horiates*

Shared Losses: Atheras Chapter is mourning the recent passing of one of its elder members.

Beloved brother Elias “Louie” Horiates passed away this May. He was both an AHEPAN and long-standing member of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood of America. In previous years, he had served as President of the ATHERAS Chapter, extremely patriotic in his Ikarian ideals and always encouraging to fellow members of our organization. He will be greatly missed by his wife Hrisoula, his daughter & three sons and their families, siblings, nieces & nephews, and many friends. May his memory be eternal.



Angelo and Cathy Horiates

To Our 2021 Graduates:

Atheras Chapter would like to congratulate all our recent 2021 graduates! You have made your parents - your #1 cheerleaders and greatest supporters – extremely proud. Take time to appreciate all your accomplishments and then onward towards your future goals! We wish you all continued success.

Lastly, Atheras would like to extend our best wishes to our friends the Cleveland Chapter for a fantastic Pan-Icarian Supreme Convention. We hope everyone has a rockin’ good time! We look forward to seeing you soon!



Marina Horiates (daughter of Angelo Horiates III and Cathy Horiates) will be graduating from Cherry Hill High School this June. Marina has been an outstanding student. She was on the field hockey team all 4 years and the swim team for 2 years. She was an active member in her local GOYA chapter and volunteered

in numerous organizations. She visited the Ronald McDonald house monthly and helped ease the kids and families during their trying times. Marina will be attending West Virginia University this fall. She will be majoring in Psychology with plans of pursuing a career as a child life specialist in the future. We are so proud of you Marina!

Congratulations to our daughter, Alexandra Pasamihalis, on her 2021 graduation with honor from the Rowan University, School of Communication and Creative Arts. We are so proud of all the hard work you have put into your studies. We remain ever amazed at your idealism and would like to warn the world to watch out for you. You are surely going to make an impact on everything you set your mind to! Sweet-heart, we wish you great success always.

We love you!

PSP Nikolaos J. and Jill Pasamihalis and Family



We are very proud of our daughter, Vasiliki Horiates, on her graduation from the St. Thomas Hellenic Afternoon School. Congratulations in her Academic Excellence and Outstanding Citizenship. Vasiliki takes much pride in her Greek Heritage and Orthodox Faith. Vasiliki's passion is in her Artistic nature as well as Mathematics. She hopes to one day major in business administration as well as study abroad in the Arts. Vasiliki, you fill our lives and those around you with Kindness and Sincerity. Μαμά, Μπαμπά, and Angelo are so very proud of you. We love you.

Christina & Theologos Horiates (and Angelo)



Congratulations to Miltiadis Papalas, son of Zacharias and Maria Papalas. Grandson to Vasilios, and the late Ekaterini Papalas and Irene (Horiates) Ekonomou of Perdiki. Miltiadis graduated with a distinction of Honors on Students Dean's List of Stockton University. He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Marine Science with a concentration in



Marine Biology. Miltiadis has done over 500 hours in marine life and ecosystem research opportunities. He held a position as a student officer in the student body government and served as the president of the Marine Biology Club at Stockton University. Miltiadis also has a National Association of Underwater Instructors (NAUI) Certified Diver accreditation. His family and friends are very proud of him and wish him much success!

Και σ' ανώτερα!

"Until you spread your wings, you have no idea how far you can fly" - Napoleon

Our chapter met on April 17 for a quarterly meeting. We did a round of check-ins and brainstormed chapter activities.



Our chapter president, Theodora Skeadas, is running for Cambridge City Council!

One of our chapter members, Erini Katopodis, organized a concert fundraiser for Theo with her band, Sappho and the Radishes, on May 15.

Ikarian Spotlight

Hobby, sport, travel, creativity, achievement, mission, discovery, adventure...
...Ikarians have all of these in abundance.

If you would like to share the highlights with fellow Ikarians in the Spotlight feature of this magazine, please send information and photos to IkariaMagazine@gmail.com

Greetings fellow brothers and sisters from sunny southern California! Things are starting to look very good recently with the pandemic and we are hoping to gather for our annual Ayia Marina picnic on July 17th! We held a couple of zoom meeting/socials and invited other chapters in February and March. Thank you to Harry Portellos of the Helios Chapter in Florida for joining us in March! Here are a couple of members that we would like to highlight during this report.

Lukos John Vodantis was recently awarded the Lieutenant Thomas Eadie award in December 2020 upon his graduation from Navy Officer Candidate School (OCS), class 04-21, at Naval Station Newport, RI. The award is given to the Candidate Officer with the highest overall academic, physical fitness, and leadership scores.

Prior to his commissioning as an Ensign in the U.S. Navy he graduated from San Diego State University (SDSU) Magna Cum Laude earning a BA in Economics and a BS in Finance in December 2019. Lukos is currently stationed at Naval Air Station Pensacola, FL attending Navy flight school.

Lukos is the son of Nicholas & Dana Vodantis of Thousand Oaks, CA, the grandson of John & Hope (Karnavas) Vodantis of Valley Forge, PA and Robert & Betty (Gallios) Sefer of Monroeville, PA and the brother to Leo and Eleni. Lukos' father and grandfathers also served their country in the U.S. Armed Forces. Submitted by Dana Vodantis.



Dina Ibrahimzade has one more year at UC Berkeley studying Physics and Astrophysics. This summer she has an internship with NASA-JPL-CalTech which is a dream come true for her and something she has worked very, very hard for. "Last night my wonderful little baby sister was offered a full time research internship at NASA-JPL (same people currently flying a helicopter on Mars). This would be an unmitigated achievement in awesomeness under any circumstances, but I'm particularly proud knowing everything she had to go through to get here.



To say Dina overcomes obstacles is an understatement. When we first moved back to the states, she was in middle school and still developing strategies to manage her rather severe dyslexia. The district unsupportive to say the least, with limited educational assistance and a lot of excessive, stress inducing red tape. At one point, they even conveniently lost paperwork for her legally mandated individual learning plan. She was actively discouraged from pursuing STEM-one teacher telling her she'd never even graduate high school, and instead pushed into art and architecture (something at which she's very talented, but it's not her calling).

After one year of architecture school she dropped out and enrolled in the local community college to study Physics. At Pasadena City College, she freaking thrived, working on two research projects, becoming president of the physics club, and completing the honors math track before transferring to UC Berkeley as a student in Astrophysics. Now, she's working for NASA.

Throughout all this, Dina's garnered a lot of doubt and skepticism from certain people who would rather she had pursued more "realistic" goals. Well, to put it kindly, forget those clowns. Dina's an unqualified badass. She is of course very smart, but more importantly she embraces her passions and cultivates her competence. Her work ethic is second to none, probably the best of anyone I know. She's endlessly sweet and kind to everyone she meets, and she's always refining herself as a person. (She also bakes the dopest of bread)!

I am IMMEASURABLY proud, and not the SLIGHTEST bit surprised, of her great news, and I've just been completely overwhelmed with joy since finding out. Dare Mighty Things, little astronerd. I love you so much.

The position is on - forecasting constraints on properties of the interstellar medium of the Milky Way. What's that even mean???" -Max Ibrahimzade

Supreme Lodge members visited us in good ole' Baltimore, hun! We took them out to the Harbor East area for dinner by the water. This was our first outing since the lockdown! Then, they stayed the next day to attend our chapter meeting.

We picked just the right day for our board elections and picnic meeting! Great weather, great location, and great food for the kariotes' first in-person meeting! Just like a homemade pastitso, it was well worth the wait! We still social distanced while there, but with a little more smile on our faces. I mean, come on, look at these happy kariotes! We hope this is the start of safe gathering.

At the meeting, we honored one of our past presidents, George Moratis, in appreciation for his years served with Lefkas and as the past convention chairperson. Who can forget a convention like DC? The swag, the tours, the authentic music and 4 am hotel fire alarms (you know, just like the rooster in the χωριό)! Now, congrats to our new board member team! We are looking forward to our youth led Ikarian Independence Day event and all future plans!





Congratulations to Lia Karoutsos on her graduation from high school!
You made it through the notorious “2020”!
Best of luck in your future plans and dreams!

Miss Aryiro Kavarligos became the Nona on April 17th
at St. Sophia Cathedral in Washington DC to
her beautiful cousin, Stelios Nikolas Tsantes.
He is the son of Panayiotis (Peter) and
Stephanie Tsantes. Axia!
God Bless Stelios.



Submitted by Hrisoula Mavrophilipos

Yia sas Ikariotes near and far!

After 16 months of the Covid 19 Pandemic we are finally seeing light at the end of the tunnel! We hope everyone is starting to get back to our “normal” lives of social gatherings and camaraderie.

In March, we had our first in-person gathering at our Leski since last February 2020. We had a nice, boxed picnic lunch and enjoyed the great outdoor weather. In April, we hosted a Lenten Dinner at our Leski and with a great fish dinner with skordalia. We also had Leonidas Tsantiris play a few songs for us.



Dan Kaster and Demetra Shokkos reconnecting at our Leski



Maya and Demetra Shokkos, Harry and Julie Batuyios, Stella Thomas, Filio Moshovakis, Despina and John Kantounis listening to Leonidas Tsantiris

Congratulations to Katerina Portellos, class of 2021, Sickles High School in Tampa FL. Proud parents are Harry and Vicki Portellos and Sister Theodora. Katerina will be attending The University of South Florida in the fall and majoring in Computer Science. Here is to a bright future and we wish you good luck!!!.



Christina Murray Bulleit of St. Petersburg, Florida has received a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.) degree from the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) in Bradenton, Florida on June 6, 2021. She will continue her training in psychiatry at the University of Florida Health Shands in Gainesville, Florida.

Proud husband is Kyle Hamilton Bulleit; proud parents are Drs. John and Linda (Tripodis) Murray of St. Petersburg, FL; granddaughter to the late PSP Peter S. Tripodis and the late Clara Tripodis Kaster; granddaughter to Daniel Kaster of Clearwater, FL; niece to PSP Dr Stanton S Tripodis and Anna Tripodis of Clearwater, FL; niece to Mr. Chris S. Tripodis of Atlanta, GA.

She would like to thank the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood for their support throughout her education during high school, college, and medical school.

We are so proud of you, and we love you so much.

Congratulations Christina!

Love, Mom and Dad



On Saturday, May 8th, 2021 we held our Annual George Aivaliotis Golf Tournament. We had Supreme President Damianos Skaros and District 4 Governor Steve Alexander in attendance along with many other golfers. It was held at the beautiful Wentworth Golf Club in Tarpon Springs followed by a delicious dinner, tournament awards, and raffle prize giveaways. We kicked off the weekend with a nice dinner followed by a great night of authentic Greek music by Leonidas Tsantiris and the Aegean Breeze at the Tarpon Strings Music Store's outdoor stage.



Chapter President Harry Portellos, Supreme President Damianos Skaros, Nick Plutis, Gus Tsambis and PSP Dr. Stanton Tripodis enjoying dinner at Tarpon Springs Sponge Docks



Our 44th Annual Winter Glendi will be held February 18-20, 2022, that will include a Friday Welcome Night, Saturday Dinner Dance and Sunday Golf Tournament. Please mark your calendars!

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the Supreme Convention in Cleveland in September. Since we had to cancel last year's convention, this one should be off-the-charts!

Following are a few pictures from our golf tournament. Thank you again to all of our golfers and sponsors for a successful event. Special thanks go out to Avalotis Corporation for being our Platinum Sponsor!

Respectively submitted by,
Harry W. Portellos
President - Helios Chapter #19

Chapter Helios Annual George Aivaliotis Golf Tournament



Andrea Tripodis tees off



Dean, Anna, and James Andreson



Damianos Skaros sinks a putt



Steve Alexander, Gary Parsonis,
Kyle Bulleit,
Supreme President Damianos Skaros



PSP Stan Tripodis
Gus Tsambis



PSP Stan Tripodis, Andrea Tripodis,
Christina and Kyle Bulleit



Chris Tsambis, Ari Zeineddine,
Zach Facaros, Adam Zeineddine



Thanks to all of our sponsors and golfers

At 97 and still strong, Marika Glarou-Mantikos is the eldest member of the Ikarian Association in Toronto's Chapter. Born 1924 in Glaredes, Agios Kirykos and was one of seven siblings known as the 'Jimmakia'.



Marika Glarou, Glaredes, 24 years old

try, played the violin and upon his return from studying music in the United States, was affectionately called 'Jimmy.'

Jimmy Glaros not only played the violin but he played at all the Panigirgia, was invited to play for special celebrations, organized theater groups and performances, organized Panigirgia and was a violin teacher.

Of the seven Jimmakia, several played instruments and occasionally accompanied Jimmy. George and Yiannis played the mandolin while Dinos played the guitar. Marika has the gift of voice and could often be heard singing beautifully while working on the endless list of household chores. While music was a part of her life, she did not perform.

Marika moved to Canada in 1972 and by the 1980's, in her 60's, Marika was able to spend 3-6 months of the year in Ikaria with her husband George Mantikos. Their home on the island, with the beautiful ocean view, has created many cherished memories for the whole family as Marika always kept the door open for visits and vacations with scrumptious meals and nurturing care. Even at 97, Marika still cooks up treats when she is able, and the family continues to enjoy gathering at her table here in Canada - her French fries and Pasta Flora are a few of the family favourites.

Marika had two loves in her life: Ikaria and her children Jimmy, Stamatis, and Athena. With 3 children, 5 grandkids and 7 great-grandkids, Marika has a full and busy family tree. The grandchildren are Spiro, Angie, Anne Marie, Kostas, and Mario.

The great grandchildren are Olivia, Sophia, Evia, Dean, Erika, Zoe and the most recent branch, Leo.

Coincidentally, Olivia Daniolos, Marika's first great grandchild has inherited the love for music and violin and has been playing since she was 7 years old at Vaughan Academy of Music. Olivia has won several awards in music festivals, competitions and examinations. Now 11 years old, Olivia studies theory and plays violin, piano, guitar and ukulele. Papou Jimmy would surely approve of the musical aspiration continuing in the younger Jimmakia.

Dear Marikaki is a pillar of strength and courage, having faced many difficult circumstances throughout her long life.

Her generosity, integrity, perseverance and love are qualities that deeply nourish the roots of her family tree now and for generations to come.

*Olivia Daniolos, Violin,
December 2020*

*Marika's first of seven
great grandchildren*



Στα 97, και ακόμη γερή, η Μαρίκα Γλαρού-Μαντικου είναι το μεγαλύτερο σε ηλικία μέλος της Πανικαριακής Αδελφότητας παραρτήματος Τορόντο!

Γεννημένη εν έτη 1924 στο Γλαρέδο Αγίου Κηρύκου, η Μαρίκα ήταν ένα από επτά αδέρφια γνωστά ως τα Τζιμάκια. Ο πατέρας της Μαρίκας, ο Δημήτρης, ήταν βιολιτζής και μετά την επιστροφή του από σπουδές μουσικής στις ΗΠΑ, τον αποκαλούσαν χαϊδευτικά Τζίμη.

Ο Τζίμης Γλαρός έπαιζε το βιολί σε όλα τα πανηγύρια, σε γάμους και βαπτήσια. Επίσης διοργάνωνε θεατρικές ομάδες και παραστάσεις και συμμετείχε ενεργά στην διοργάνωση πανηγυριών. Ο Τζίμης ήταν και δάσκαλος του βιολιού.

Πολλά από τα παιδιά του Τζίμη, γνωστά πλέον ως Τζιμάκια, είχαν κληρονομήσει το μουσικό ταλέντο του πατέρα τους και κάποιες φορές τον συνόδευαν σε μουσικές εκδηλώσεις. Ο Γιώργος και ο Γιάννης έπαιζαν το μαντολίνο, ενώ ο Ντίνος έπαιζε την κιθάρα. Η Μαρίκα έχει το χάρισμα της μελωδικής φωνής και συχνά μπορούσε κανείς να την ακούει να τραγουδά καθώς δούλευε ατελείωτες ώρες στο σπίτι και τον αυλόγυρο. Ενώ η μουσική ήταν σημαντικό κομμάτι της ζωής της, η Μαρίκα ωστόσο δεν τραγούδησε ποτέ δημόσια.

Η Μαρίκα μετανάστευσε στον Καναδά το 1972. Από την δεκαετία του '80, και πλέον διανύοντας την 60η δεκαετία της ζωής της, η Μαρίκα

μπορούσε και πέραγε 3-6 μήνες κάθε χρόνο στην Ικαρία, συντροφιά με τον σύζυγό της Γιώργο Μαντικό. Το σπίτι τους στην Ικαρία, με την μαγευτική θέα της θάλασσας, έχει χαρίσει αξέχαστες και τρυφερές στιγμές για όλη της την οικογένεια, καθώς η φιλοξενία της Μαρίκας εξασφάλιζε την πόρτα να είναι πάντοτε ανοιχτή και το τραπέζι πάντοτε στρωμένο. Ακόμη και τώρα στα 97 της, η Μαρίκα

συνεχίζει και ετοιμάζει λιχουδιές για την οικογένειά της, όπου συγκεντρωμένοι γύρω

από το τραπέζι, πλέον στον Καναδά, απολαμβάνουν της νόστιμες τηγανιτές πατάτες της και πάστα Φλώρα!

Για την Μαρίκα δύο ήταν οι αδυναμίες της: η Ικαρία και τα παιδιά της Τζίμης, Σταμάτης και Αθηνά. Με 3 παιδιά, 5 εγγόνια και 7 δισέγγονα, η Μαρίκα είναι μέλος ενός γεμάτου οικογενειακού δέντρου. Τα εγγόνια της ονομάζονται Σπύρος, Άντζυ, Άννα-Μαρί, Κώστας και Μάριος. Τα δισέγγονα της είναι η Ολίβια, η Σοφία, η Έβια, ο Ντην, η Έρικα, η Ζωή και το πιο πρόσφατο μικρό κλαράκι του δέντρου μας, ο Λήο.

Η πρώτη δισέγγονη της Μαρίκας, η Ολίβια Δανιόλου, έχει κληρονομήσει της γιαγιάς την αγάπη για την μουσική και το βιολί. Η Ολίβια παίζει το βιολί από ηλικία 7 ετών στο Ωδείο του Βον. Έχει κατακτήσει πολλά βραβεία σε μουσικά φεστιβάλ, διαγωνισμούς και εξετάσεις. Πλέον 11 ετών, η Ολίβια μελετά θεωρία και παίζει το βιολί, το πιάνο και το γιουκουλέιλι. Αναμφίβολα ο παππούς Τζίμης θα ήταν υπερήφανος που η μουσική παράδοση συνεχίζει με τις νεότερες γενεές των Τζιμακιών.



Ο Τζίμης Γλαρός στο κέντρο με το βιολί του, σε φωτογραφία στα τέλη του 1930 στους Γλαρέδες



Η αγαπημένη μας Μαρίκα είναι στήριγμα δύναμης και θάρρους, καθώς έχει περάσει πολλές δυσκολίες στην πορεία της ζωής της. Η γενναιοδωρία της, η επιμονή της και η ακεραιότητά της έχουν θρέψει βαθιά τις οικογενειακές ρίζες και για τις επόμενες γενεές των Τζιμακιών.



Η προγιαγιά Μαρίκα και η Ολίβια ως παρανυφάκι, στον γάμο της εγγονής της Άντζυ τον Οκτώβριο του 2015

Η ΙΚΑΡΙΑ ΜΑΣ

Ένα βουνό ριγμένο μες' τη θάλασσα
Μια χούφτα βράχια είναι η καθ' ακτή σου.
Ξέφυγαν του Αιόλου οι αέρηδες
και πάσχισαν να φτιάξουν τη μορφή σου.

Το όνομά σου το πήρες απ' τον Ίκαρο
σαν χάθηκε μες' τα βαθιά νερά σου.
Κληρονομιά θαρρώ σου άφησε την τρέλα του
σ' αυτόν χρωστάς αυτή την ξεγνοιασιά σου.
Ήρθαν Τούρκοι, Πειρατές, Εξόριστοι
μα όλοι μάθανε σ' αυτό το ξερονήσι
ν' απολαμβάνουν τη ζωή τους και τον έρωτα
κι όλα τα αγαθά απ' τη φύση.

Το άναμα, το θυμάρι, το φασκόμηλο
δίνουνε τ' άρωμα ξεχωριστό στο μέλι
και όλοι στα γλεντάκια γλυκοπίνουνε
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Έχουν πετάξει τα ρολόγια τους στο πέλαγος
επικρατεί έτσι μι' απάθεια παντού
θαρρείς πως σαν φυσάει αυτό το Νοτιαδάκι
διώχνει όλες τις έγνοιες απ' το νου.

Κανείς δεν βιάζεται τη μέρα να προλάβει
ειν' η ζωή τους ένας ήσυχος ρυθμός.
Το μόνο γρήγορο που όλοι τους δε κάνουν
στα πανηγύρια ειν' ο Καριώτικος χορός.

Είναι σαν έρωτας νεανικός που δεν ξεχνιέται.
Κοντά της όλοι μας θέλουμε να βρεθούμε.
Και αν η μοίρα μας σκόρπισε μακριά της
ειν' η Ιθάκη μας που πάντα νοσταλγούμε



- Αθηνά Δανιόλου

Aspasia Genouzou graduated the Performing Arts Honours Program from Sir Oliver Mowat Collegiate Institute this year. She was on the Principal's Honour Roll.

Aspasia has been accepted in the University of Toronto and will be pursuing her studies in Social Sciences and Criminology.



Asia is an avid football player (aka soccer) in Ontario's Soccer Association league and a well-rounded athlete as she enjoys a competitive game of rugby, frisbee and volleyball.

Η Ασπασία Γενούζου αποφοίτησε φέτος από το Πρόγραμμα Καλών Τεχνών του Λυκείου Sir Oliver Mowat Collegiate Institute με την τιμητική διάκριση του Διευθυντή.

Η Ασπασία πέρασε επιτυχώς στον Πανεπιστήμιο του Τορόντο και θα παρακολουθήσει σπουδές στον χώρο των Κοινωνικών Επιστημών και Εγκληματολογίας.

Η Ασπασία είναι ποδοσφαιρίστρια στον Ποδοσφαιρικό Όμιλο του Οντάριο, αλλά και μία ενθουσιώδης αθλήτρια καθώς απολαμβάνει ένα καλό παιχνίδι ράγκμπι, φρίσμπι και βόλεϊ.



Duncan Ecclestone 3D Artist

Duncan Ecclestone (grandson of Nikos Karras from Agios Kirikos) is an extraordinarily talented 3D artist, having studied Fine Arts and Game Development in college.

Duncan has developed character designs for Canadian game studios Always Mind and Smilegate West and contributed work to Toronto's Global Game Jam.

Duncan's portfolio can be viewed on his website
www.duncanecclestone.com



Chapter Panagia (Buffalo, New York) would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy summer season! We look forward to seeing our fellow Ikarian sisters and brothers at this year's convention in Cleveland, Ohio. Many of our members are attending this year's national convention and we look forward to gathering and dancing the Ikariotiko together.

We are happy to announce the High School graduation of Phillip Marcello, son of Christopher and Nicole (Skaros) Marcello. Phillip will be attending the State University of New York at Buffalo where he will be studying media studies. We are very proud of Phillip and wish him the best as he furthers his education!

It has been a gorgeous summer in Buffalo, and Chapter Panagia has enjoyed many family gatherings and BBQ events, where we discussed the Brotherhood and chapter news. As restrictions from this past year's pandemic continue to ease, it has been an amazing feeling to reconnect with family and friends. We hope everyone is doing well, staying safe, and would like to wish Chapter Pharos great success in the upcoming convention!



Congratulations to Stamatis and Christina Tripodis on the birth of their son! Yianni Stamati was born on March 17, 2021. Proud grandparents are longtime chapter Eirini members, John and Anna Maria (Contes) Stepanovich and longtime Chapter Pharos members John and Maria (Collaros) Tripodis. Yianni can't wait to dance his first kariotiko in Cleveland this year! Να σας ζήσει!



During Holy Week, we held our 10th annual Holy Friday Illuminarios fundraiser in memory of our beloved Annette Nickles Mavrophilipos.

The money raised goes to the Annette Nickles Mavrophilipos Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior who has been an active member of the Greek Orthodox Annunciation Cathedral church. As we all know, Annette had a passion for encouraging our younger members of the community to give of their time and talents to the church.

We are happy to continue to honor her memory through this fundraiser and scholarship.



Mary Stepanovich, daughter of George and Kate Stepanovich, celebrated a special milestone this May. She graduated preschool and will be starting kindergarten in the fall. Congratulations Mary!





IN MEMORY OF



Dorothy Martinos

My dear sister Dorothy Martinos was born November 21, 1930, and passed away at her home in Long Island, NY, March 24, 2021. She was buried next to her beloved husband George Martinos at our family cemetery in Cleveland, Ohio. Dorothy was born in Akron, where our parents lived for a very short time. Her youthful years were spent in Cleveland, and the last many years of her life she and George lived in New York and spent winters in Clearwater Beach, FL.

Throughout her life, Dorothy personified the two attributes instilled in our family by our parents: Resilience and Independence. Dorothy suffered many physical problems and shocks in her life and dealt with them with great resilience. Dorothy was born with hip dysplasia at a time when medical science was doing much research to correct this problem. Our parents agreed to several experimental surgeries, none of which were successful. But Dorothy never thought of herself as handicapped in any way. As a young girl she learned to dance, even the Kariotiko, she ice-skated, and became a good swimmer. During the last several years of her life she was confined to a wheelchair. In spite of all her physical problems, she did all she could to enjoy life and to remain independent in her own homes in New York and Florida.

In high school, in addition to all college academic classes, she also learned secretarial skills which helped her find work as a secretary to pay her way through college, along with what little help our parents could give her. She received her Bachelor of Science degree from Fenn College and her Master of Science degree from Case Western University.



Dorothy was a teacher when she met and married George Martinos, a recent immigrant from the Greek island Kythnos. After a short time, George enlisted in the army and was sent to Germany for two years during the Korean War. Dorothy accompanied him to Germany and spent those two years teaching English to German children.

George was adept in many technical skills. He was also a brilliant businessman. With Dorothy at his side, they achieved great financial success. They took many trips to Ikaria as well as to his island of Kythnos to see his parents, whom he supported.

In 2007, after George passed away, Dorothy successfully took charge of all George's financial responsibilities. Also, Dorothy and I took

countless flights from New York to Florida and Cleveland to spend the holidays with my son George Gary Thomas, his wife Crystal, and the family.

In Florida, during the most raging Covid month, when every was warned of the danger of taking airline trips, in spite of all our effort to dissuade her, she was adamant about flying back to New York. She wanted the family to respect her independence and to respect her wishes.

George and Dorothy were very dedicated to the Long Island Church of the Assumption where Dorothy's 40-day memorial was held.

Dorothy was also very proud of her Icarian heritage. She was a member of Helios Chapter in Clearwater. She was also a co-sponsor of a Pan-Icarian Foundation Scholarship in memory of our parents, George and Elizabeth Pastis.



IN MEMORY OF



Dorothy Martinos

During the most difficult time in her life, when Dorothy became ill and could no longer be independent, my son George Gary assumed complete responsibility of all Dorothy's personal needs and complex estate.



Dorothy Martinos, Stella Thomas, Vasilia Pastis, Bill Pastis, Diana Manos

Dorothy was the youngest of five daughters born to our parents. Our one brother, Bill, was born six years after Dorothy and she loved and cared for him like a mother. Dorothy was preceded in death by our parents and by our sisters Zaharoula Katsiikis, Vaselina Pastis, and Diana Manos.

May you rest in peace, my Dorothy. I will miss you.
Your sister, Stella Thomas (Τσουνοσ).

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