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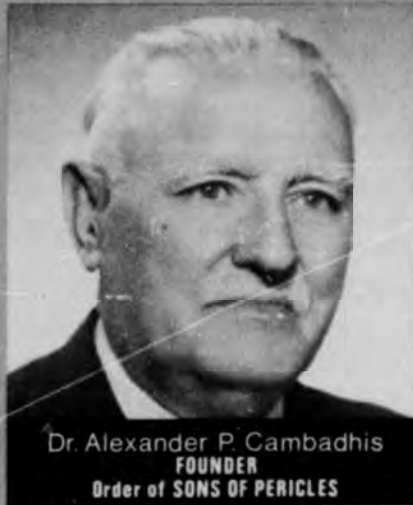
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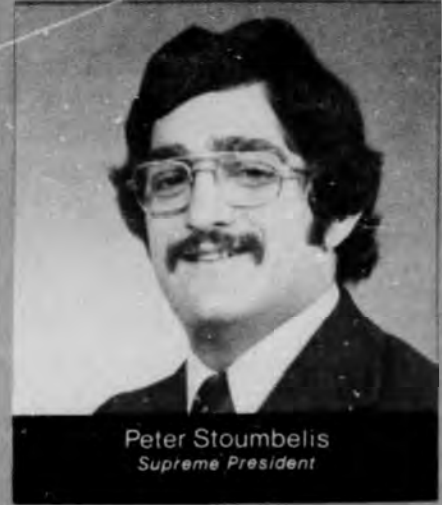
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The Message of the Supreme President

To the Members of the Ahepa Family:-

It has been said, that anniversaries are times of celebration, thankfulness and an opportunity to look back with pleasure, -and to look forward with anticipation.

All these elements are in my thoughts as I am reminded, that our junior auxiliary, the Sons of Pericles, conceived and organized in Manchester, New Hampshire, -will celebrate their 50th Anniversary on February 3rd, 1976.

Much has transpired during the past fifty years, -and today, more than ever before Ahepa's obligations toward our youth is daringly thrust upon us, and it is needless for me to say that, the lifeline of this fraternity and that of the entire Hellenic community in the United States, is our Hellenic youth.

Membership in the Sons of Pericles has proven over the years to be of invaluable service to our young people, by acquiring initiative and developing skill in parliamentary knowledge and procedures, to better prepare themselves when they finally join the Senior Order, or for the more serious responsibilities that lie ahead later in life.

I am certain, that under the wise and able guidance of Brother Harry P. Pappas, our National Chairman of the Sons of Pericles Advisory Board, their activities during the anniversary year will be guided in a progressive direction.

Our youth, symbolizes tomorrow's hopes and aspirations for the Order of Ahepa, and for our continued progress and growth. They will be the new leaders in our society; leaders in the fields of education, medicine, science and industry; leaders in our schools, organizations and communities and we look forward to the day, when they will step up and be counted, as leaders of our country.

In the hands of these young men, Americans of Hellenic descent, we entrust a proud background of Ahepa's 53 years of accomplishments; hoping that they will warmly embrace the Heritage of our ancestors, proud and privileged of the opportunity to live and work in these United States.

Thought of the Month:

The following quote, taken from the great Greek writer Hesiod who lived in the 8th Century, seems to overstate, much as we do today, the problem of our youth:

"I see no hope for the future of our people if they are dependent on the frivolous youth of today, for certainly all youth are reckless beyond words".

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

*William G. Chirgotis
Supreme President*



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from the editor

We regret to announce that, as we went to
 press, our dedicated Executive Secretary George
 J. Leber passed away on Tuesday, January 20,
 1976.

The next issue will cover George's life and con-
 tribution to the Ahepa and our people in general.

IMPORTANT 1976 MEMBERSHIP DUES CARDS

This year we will again follow the new Dues Cards
 system for the Year 1976, that was instituted last year with
 the exception that the Membership Cards will be mailed
 DIRECTLY to the individual member, and will be ready for
 mailing on and after January 25, 1976.

This means that members will not have Membership
 Cards for 1976 UNTIL Ahepa Headquarters has received
 their Per Capita Tax from the Chapter. For example, upon
 receipt at Headquarters from the Secretary payment for
 1976 Per Capita Tax for 15 members, the 1976 Member-
 ship Cards for those 15 members will be mailed from
 Headquarters directly to the individual member.

The Membership Card will contain the member's full
 name and address, National Serial No., and Year for which
 Tax has been paid to Headquarters. The member will still
 be required to return the mailing card to Headquarters for
 verification of his beneficiary, and mailing address. We
 recommend that upon receipt of dues, each Secretary give
 the member a temporary receipt for such payment (use
 receipt forms available at any stationery store) until the
 Membership Card is available for mailing to the member.
IMPORTANT: PLEASE forward 1976 Per Capita Tax
 payments to Headquarters immediately after collecting
 Chapter Dues.

Letters To The Editor

Future issues of the Ahepan
 Magazine will feature a "Letters to
 the Editor" page which will reflect
 the thoughts and ideas of the
 Ahepa family. We want to know
 what your opinions and recommen-
 dations are regarding the Ahepa and
 its activities. This will be an open
 forum and we urge you to make use
 of it by sending in your "Letters to
 the Editor" today . . .

The Editors

THE CYPRUS QUESTION

December 5, 1975

STATEMENT AND TESTIMONY

of the

COMMITTEE ON ASIA

HOUSE OF

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS
UNITED STATES SENATE

Subject: Pending Legislation on U.S. Foreign Security Assistance Legislation for Fiscal 1976

In behalf of the members of the Order of AHEPA, a national fraternal association composed largely of American citizens of Greek descent, we offer the following position of the AHEPA concerning the Administration's proposal for U.S. Foreign Security Assistance Legislation for fiscal 1976, now under study by your Committee.

We are concerned with the following:

- (1) Military aid and sales for Turkey must NOT be approved.
- (2) Military and economic aid for Greece is necessary.
- (3) Economic aid for Cyprus should be increased.

TURKEY

ITEM (1): We are strongly opposed to any U.S. military aid or sales to Turkey so long as Turkey's armies occupy Cyprus. Since August, 1974, Turkey has occupied 40% of the island of Cyprus, resulting in some 200,000 Greek Cypriots being displaced from their lawful homes and businesses.

Turkey's occupation of Cyprus through the use of U.S.-supplied military arms and equipment was a direct violation of the U.S. Foreign Military Sales Act, and is a CONTINUING VIOLATION so long as any Turkish troops with American weapons and equipment continue to remain on the island of Cyprus.

Turkey has REFUSED to negotiate the Cyprus situation, except on her own terms. If the United States continues military aid to Turkey, we will only be strengthening her hold over Cyprus, with no possibility of resolving the Cyprus situation.

Turkey has been conducting a purposeful COLONIZATION of the island of Cyprus almost from the first day of the July, 1974 invasion, with Turks from the mainland of Turkey.

More than 18 months have elapsed since the Turkish invasion of Cyprus in July, 1974. During this period of time, the Greek Cypriot refugees have been living in makeshift homes and tents, and are now in their SECOND WINTER, existing under intolerable conditions, with no foreseeable hope for a return to normal life, in the immediate future.

It is our belief that the Administration and the State Department should have taken strong diplomatic efforts, long ago, to resolve the Cyprus tragedy. This view has been expressed by many others. We have not seen any concrete evidence from either the Administration or the State Department these past 18 months of diplomatic action which would impress Turkey with the fact that the United States would support the sovereignty of Cyprus, and was against Turkish aggression. Instead, the Administration and State Department actions to date would seem to CONDONE Turkey's actions.

Only the United States Congress, instead of the Administration and State Department, expressed America's disapproval of Turkish aggression against Cyprus by placing an embargo against U.S. military aid and sales to Turkey.

The world has seen a curious facet of international history during the Cyprus tragedy—the Administration, the State Department, and Turkey allied as one, against the United States Congress. We congratulate the Members of Congress for upholding our American principles of justice, freedom, and sovereignty.

There has been a constant insistence from the Administration and the State Department to lift the arms embargo against Turkey, and to continue U.S. military aid, despite the fact that Turkey remains on Cyprus with her invasion forces, and despite the fact that the United States receives continuing threats from Turkey, amounting to outright blackmail, with no evidence of any good faith or intent by Turkey to negotiate and to resolve the Cyprus situation. Turkey's latest demands for more than \$1 Billion in "blackmail" money is a good case in point.

The United Nations has passed Resolutions requesting that all foreign forces be removed from Cyprus. Only Turkey has voted against such Resolutions, among all nations voting.

We ask that ALL U.S. MILITARY AID AND SALES TO TURKEY BE OMITTED IN ENTIRETY FROM THIS LEGISLATION, and that NO military aid or sales be made to Turkey until such time as the Cyprus situation be resolved to the satisfaction of all parties concerned.

GREECE

ITEM (2): We ask that full U.S. military and economic aid be granted to Greece. Greece has been a faithful friend and ally of the United States through two World Wars, Korea, extending back more than 100 years. The Greek people are in need of such aid, if they are to remain free of outside interference from the Communistic countries. Greece is ringed by Iron Curtain countries Albania, Yugoslavia, and Bulgaria. A strong economy and well-equipped military are necessary for continued freedom for this small country of only 8 million people.

According to reports from the press in Greece, the Greek people were stunned by the attitude of the Administration and the State Department following the Turkish invasion of Cyprus. All statements, all reports from both the Administration and the State Department were clearly "tilted" towards Turkey. The Greek and the Greek-Cypriot positions were left in almost total silence, in comparison. The Greek people felt that they had been "betrayed" by the American government.

Many observers both here and abroad felt that both the Administration and the State Department failed to keep a fair balance in communications with Greece and Turkey on the Cyprus tragedy. Much mention was made of Turkey as a "faithful ally" but little or no mention of Greece who had in reality been the "faithful ally" for more than 100 years. Turkey's alliance record with the United States is a matter of record: Turkey was a German ally in World War I, and also a German ally for all intents and purposes in World War II. American diplomacy in the Cyprus situation only served to alienate the Greek people, and in reality, weakened American influence in the entire Mediterranean.

We again ask full U.S. military and economic aid for Greece, as being in the best interests of the United States.

ECONOMIC AID FOR CYPRUS

ITEM (3): Economic aid for Cyprus is a humanitarian cause that needs no further enlightenment. Almost 200,000 Greek-Cypriots are struggling through their second winter, with poor housing, disrupted homes and families, and victims of disease and environmental dangers. They are a people who, prior to July, 1974, were progressive, industrious and healthy. They must not be denied their lawful homes, their businesses, and their farms. They have been displaced from homes and businesses by the Turks. The education of thousands of children has been disrupted. They are all but forgotten today.

We ask for increased economic aid for Cyprus.

In further reference to the above legislation now under consideration by your Committee, we offer the following in substantiation of our position as to why the Congress should NOT grant any U.S. military aid or sales to Turkey.

November 7, 1975

Subject: *Public Hearings on the Administration Proposal for U.S. Foreign Security Assistance Legislation for Fiscal 1976*

- (1) On November 20 the United Nations General Assembly voted 117-1 for: The withdrawal of all foreign troops in Cyprus without delay; recognition of the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Cyprus; and the ending of all foreign interference in Cyprus internal affairs, as well as the resumption of constructive talks between representatives of the two communities under the auspices of UN Secretary General Waldheim.

Turkey cast the one dissenting vote. The United States abstained from voting.

- (2) Turkish Prime Minister Demirel gave the following reply to newsmen on November 24, in reference to the UN Resolution: *"We have opposed that decision from the time it was taken because the Turkish armed forces in Cyprus are not foreign troops. They are not invasion forces. It is also impossible for us to agree to their immediate withdrawal. Moreover, the issue of the return of the refugees to their places would mean a return to the pre-July 1974 period in Cyprus. It is impossible for us to agree to that either."*
- (3) President Denktash of the newly federated Turkish State of Cyprus stated on November 24 that *"the time is ripe for a unilateral declaration of an independent Turkish State on Cyprus."*

It is quite evident that the partial lifting of the U.S. arms embargo against Turkey by the U.S. Congress has done nothing to bring about mutually beneficial negotiations.

It is also quite evident that the Turkish invasion of Cyprus in July, 1974 was a well-planned and premeditated takeover of another sovereign nation, a nation which Turkey plans to permanently maintain under her national jurisdiction and control.

We can see no possible reason or justification for the United States to grant military aid and/or sales to Turkey at this time.

We trust that you will agree with our position, and thank you for the opportunity to be heard at this time.

JOHN G. PLUMIDES, Chairman
AHEPA Justice for Cyprus
Committee

WILLIAM G. CHIRGOTIS
Supreme President
Order of AHEPA

SUPPORT THE AHEPA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

IMPORTANT: Some funds are available from your STATE AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION for Bicentennial projects which focus on the contributions of women, youth, ethnic, racial and Native American groups. We strongly suggest that you seek to secure funds for presentation of the Ahepa Exhibit in your city and area. Also, inquire of your CITY BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION for assistance, either financial or by other type of help, such as various services, scheduling, publicity, or staff assistance. INVESTIGATE TODAY!

The Exhibit will be completed as scheduled—

Its full impact and success now depends on the officers and members of our Chapters and District Lodges.

We have done everything humanly possible, and now turn the matter over to YOU for a successful culmination with the hope that this outstanding Exhibit will be shown in YOUR CITY and many, many others throughout America, to be viewed, hopefully, by millions of Americans.

In behalf of the members of the Order of AHEPA, a national fraternal association composed largely of American citizens of Greek descent, we offer the following position of the AHEPA concerning the Administration's proposal for U.S. Foreign Security Assistance Legislation for fiscal 1976, now under study by your Committee.

Our position concerns the following

(1) The \$205 Million recommended by the Administration in military aid for Turkey, and

(2) The \$25 Million in humanitarian aid recommended by the Administration for Cyprus.

On the question of the \$205 Million in U.S. military aid for Turkey, we strongly oppose such aid at this time in view of Turkey's present occupation of 40% of the island of Cyprus, and Turkey's unwillingness to either remove her invading forces from Cyprus or allow the Greek Cypriot refugees to return to their homes.

Turkey's occupation of Cyprus through the use of U.S. supplied military arms and equipment was a direct violation of the U.S. Foreign Military Sales Act, and is a continuing violation so long as any Turkish troops with American weapons and equipment continue to remain on the island of Cyprus.

Authoritative reports confirm that Turkey is conducting a purposeful *colonization* of Cyprus with Turks from the mainland of Turkey. Turkey has refused to negotiate the Cyprus situation, except on her own terms. If the United States continues military aid to Turkey, the end result will be a strengthening of her hold over Cyprus, with no possibility of resolving the Cyprus situation.

Fifteen months have elapsed since the Turkish invasion of Cyprus in July, 1974, which has left almost 200,000 Greek Cypriot refugees homeless. The refugees now face their SECOND winter in makeshift housing and tents.

It seems a rather striking comparison that the Administration recommends only \$25 Million in humanitarian aid for the victims of the invasion, the Cypriots, and \$205 Million in weapons and equipment for Turkey, the invader, within the same legislation!

We do not know what progress or efforts the Administration has made to create proper negotiations on the Cyprus situation, with Turkey. We do know that there has been a constant insistence from the Administration to lift the arms embargo against Turkey, and to continue U.S. military aid. Meanwhile, the United States has received continuing threats from Turkey, amounting to blackmail, with no evidence whatsoever of any good faith or intent by Turkey to negotiate and to resolve the Cyprus situation.

These past months have seen many votes in the U.S. Congress, the arms embargo against Turkey, the adamant position of the Administration on the matter, and the partial lifting by the Congress of the arms embargo against Turkey, and threats from Turkey.

We ask that ALL U.S. military aid and sales to Turkey be omitted in entirety from this legislation, by this Committee.

We ask that no future aid to Turkey be considered until such time as the Cyprus situation is resolved satisfactorily to all parties concerned.

We also ask that the \$25 Million in humanitarian aid to Cyprus be INCREASED to a more realistic figure so that we may all say, as Americans, that needless human suffering is at least as important a problem as guns, planes and tanks.

WILLIAM G. CHIRGOTIS
Supreme President
Order of AHEPA

SENATOR JACKSON ON CYPRUS

Senator Henry M. Jackson (D-Wash.) said that strong support for Greek democracy and Cypriot independence will be key foreign policy priorities of a Jackson Administration. "As President of the United States," Jackson said, "I am going to do everything I can to help maintain democracy in Greece and protect the freedom and integrity of Cyprus."

Jackson criticized the administration for its continued diplomatic passivity in the face of the ongoing Turkish military presence on Cyprus.

"I don't think we should give up and simply reward aggression," Jackson said. "I have worked closely with Senator Thomas Eagleton and Congressman John Brademas to maintain the embargo on U.S. weapons for Turkey. We are going to continue our efforts in behalf of the independence of Cyprus," Jackson said.

Jackson also called for stepped up assistance to aid the Cypriot refugees made homeless and destitute as a result of military operations on the island.

Jackson recalled the long Greek tradition of resistance to tyranny.

"On October 28, 1940—Ochi Day—Greece said a resounding 'no' to a fascist ultimatum and launched a legendary resistance movement. In the late 1940's, Greece's determination to resist totalitarian rule was equally strong. Today, Greece is a valued member of NATO, and the Greek people make an important contribution to the security of all the democratic states," Jackson continued.

Jackson said that the strong American support for the Cypriot cause was grounded in the history of the Greek-American cooperation in the cause of freedom.

"The struggle of the Greek people for independence and democracy has always had the strong support of the United States. For hundreds of years, Greece resisted the rule of the Ottoman empire. Even though that struggle was victorious in the nineteenth century, the Greek people have had to remain strong and vigilant. Because of the democratic values Greece and America have in common, we have been able to work together toward the great goals we share," Jackson declared.



Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D-Wash.) has announced his intention to seek U.S. Senate re-election in the 1976 election. Jackson is a member of Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and is serving his third term on the U.S. House of Representatives as well as the Senate in 1975. He is a Rhodes Scholar, and has been awarded the title of Honorary Citizen of Cyprus. In 1968, he is a member of the Advisory Committee on the Middle East. He is also a member of the U.S. Senate, and is a member of the National House of Representatives for the year 1968-70.

PELL ISSUES REPORT ON GREECE— CYPRUS MISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Senator Claiborne Pell, in a report to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, commended the Greek government for its efforts to resolve the Cyprus crisis and said the burden now rests with Turkey to engage in good-faith negotiations.

Senator Pell, a ranking member of the Committee who visited Greece and both the Greek and Turkish-controlled sectors of Cyprus in August, said the governments of Greece and Cyprus "have acted responsibly and demonstrated statesmanship in seeking grounds for a realistic accord to end strife and conflict on Cyprus."

Regarding Congressional action in September lifting the embargo on arms shipments to Turkey, Senator Pell said: "In the face of continued Turkish intransigence in the negotiations and the clear illegality of their use of American arms in invading and occupying Northern Cyprus, I believe the lifting of the embargo on arms shipments to that country was a mistake."

Senator Pell urged that the United States inform the Turkish government that this country considers progress on the Cyprus peace talks an essential and high priority matter. He also urged that the United States "press hard for a resumption of the peace talks and particularly for the presentation of specific proposals by the Turkish representatives."

In his report to the Committee, Senator Pell reviewed the progress made by the Greek Government of Prime Minister Constantine Caramanlis after the collapse of the Greek military junta in June of 1974. He concluded that the Caramanlis government has made "substantial and in some cases extraordinary progress" in restoring democracy and in clearing away "the debris from seven years of harsh, repressive, undemocratic and often bumbling and brutal military dictatorship."



From the
SUPREME PRESIDENT'S MAILBAG



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GEORGE A. ATHANSON
MAYOR

August 29, 1975

Mr. William Chirgotis
37 Mountain Avenue
Springfield, New Jersey 07081

Dear Mr. Chirgotis:

Congratulations on your re-election as the Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa! Your victory is an indication of your past, outstanding record of performance.

I am sure that you will continue to serve the Order of Ahepa, as well as all of our Greek-American brethren, with the commitment and vigor which has earned you the position to which you have been elected.

Again, I express my warmest congratulations, and on behalf of your fellow Ahepans in the City of Hartford, I wish you a most successful and fulfilling tenure as President. May God bless you, always.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE A. ATHANSON
MAYOR

GAA:mf

"You have achieved a superb record in flashing the bright beam of Hellenism the world over, a matter of deep gratitude and true pride from all Hellenes."

"Your justified victory is surely an indication of the Order's appreciation of your efforts throughout the many years of distinguished services and especially of your leadership during your first term as Supreme President."

"I congratulate you on your re-election to the office of Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa. Your most commendable activity during the past year certainly merited the approval of the Ahepa membership."

"Congratulations for your re-election to the presidency of our beloved Order ... All of us wish you the best in health and enlightenment and the drive to lead Ahepa to greater heights of achievement in humanitarian service, cultural leadership and well deserved prestige.

Your administration has been commendable ... Lead us on!"

GEORGE CHRISTOPHER

San Francisco, California 94132

September 4, 1975

Mr. William G. Chirgotis
Supreme President, Order of Ahepa
37 Mountain Avenue
Springfield, New Jersey

Dear Bill:

While we all knew that your re-election was an absolute certainty, nevertheless the official tally does bring a sense of gratification, and I can assure you that your thousands of friends throughout the country share this elation with you. You have been the most energetic, farsighted and productive Supreme President in my memory, and your services have inured to the benefit of all.

Congratulations, Bill—and may your ensuing term be crowned with even greater success.

Regards to Mrs. Chirgotis, in which Tulsa joins.

Sincerely,

GEORGE CHRISTOPHER

GC/blc



FRATERNITY NEWS



PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Philadelphia Mayor Frank L. Rizzo addresses Ahepans at Hercules Spartan Chapter Dance. From left; A. Thomas Cosfol, Dance Chairman Angelo Angelopoulos, Hon. Gregory G. Lagakos, Mayor Rizzo, Evangelos Papanicolaou and Chapter President Peter J. Pakuris.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Chapter #26 of AHEPA held its annual dance on October 4, and Frank L. Rizzo, Mayor of Philadelphia, attended the dance along with hundreds of other Philadelphians and Ahepans.

"I am proud to be among so many friends of Greek heritage", the Mayor stated, "and you should be proud of the work of this great organization".

The dance was a tremendous success under the leadership of Brother Angelo Angelopoulos.

Distinguished guests attended the affair including State Senators H. Craig Lewis and Joseph F. Smith and their wives. Also in attendance was the Past President Judge of the Common Pleas Court of Philadelphia, the Honorable D. Donald Jamieson and Mrs. Jamieson. AHEPA District Governor William Mackrides and Mrs. Mackrides represented the Power District #4 at the dance.

The recipients of the chapter's Scholarship Program were presented at the affair. Brother Judge Gregory G. Lagakos announced the names of the scholarship winners; Andreas Athinaios, Ernest Julius, Constance Kahrilas, Savvas Koktzoglou, Irene Papanicolaou and Andrea Thomas. The Scholarship Committee included; George Kassianides (Chairman), Dr. Frixos C. Charalampous, Dr. Theodore S. Kallelis, Jerry S. Kyriakatos, Nicholas Panagopoulos and Dr. Charles A. Papacostas.

The chapter's 1975 "Man Of The Year" award was presented to Brother Angelo Angelopoulos, the Dance Chairman and Vice-President of the chapter.

The raffle drawing winner of the \$1,000.00 first prize was Stephen Sosangelis, son of Brother Constantine S. Sosangelis. The \$500.00 bond second prize was won by Brother Charles S. Besaras. The third prize, a portable television, was won by Semely Halkedus, daughter of Brother Haralambos Halkedus.

The co-chairman of the dance was Brother A. Thomas Cosfol and other committee co-chairmen included Brothers

Thomas J. Macris (Raffles), George Bonatsos (Tickets), Nicholas Alvanitakis (Treasury), Evangelos Papanicolaou and Cary Mossaides (Publicity), Nicholas Bendos (Arrangements), Charles S. Besaras (Security), John Contoudis (Orphans Fund), the Tritonia Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope (refreshments) and the Maids of Athena (Flowers).

WEIRTON, W.VA.—More than 250 persons attended a special reception given by Ahepa Chapter #103 honoring U.S. Congressman John Brademas (Ind.) and Robert H. Mollohan (W.Va.), both of whom are members of AHEPA. The Congressman spoke on the Cyprus situation, and the role played by AHEPA over the past 15 months. Judge Callie Tsapis, of the 1st Judicial Court, introduced the honor guests.



WEIRTON, W.VA.—At AHEPA special reception honoring Congressman Brademas and Mollohan. (Seated) Magda Nicolopoulou, Judge Callie Tsapis, Philoptohos President Mrs. George S. Rigas, DOP President Mrs. Mike Giannirakis, Presvytera Prokopios Nika. (Standing) Scoutmaster Mike Apesos, Church President John Alatis, Ahepa #103 President George Antoniou, Congressman John Brademas, Congressman Robert H. Mollohan, Rev. Prokopios Nikas, Reception Chairman Mike Giannirakis.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Homer Chapter #98, DOP, commemorated their 35th year anniversary by honoring all the past presidents of their chapter on Nov. 1. Each past president was presented with a beautiful crystal and silver trimmed table ice bucket, and each guest was given an authentic 35-year old gold lead pencil. Honoring the Chapter with their presence from the Grand Lodge were: Grand Vice-President Anne Morris; Grand Treasurer Victoria Katsis; and Past Grand President Tina Zoumboulis. Also from the 13th District Lodge were Governor Constance Stathakis; Lt. Governor, Sue Kyriazopoulos; and Secretary Mary Laris.



CHICAGO, ILL.—DOP Homer Chapter #98 celebrates 35th anniversary. Left to right: Dist Secy Mary Laris, DistGov Connie Stathakis, Grand VPres Anne Morris, LtGov Sue Kyriazopoulos, Grand Treas Vicki Katsis.



WASHINGTON, D.C.—PastSupTreas John T. Pappas, Mrs. Pappas, and AFL-CIO President George Meany.

JOHN T. PAPPAS HONORED

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Past Supreme Treasurer John T. Pappas was honored by his Chapter, Washington, D.C. #31, with a testimonial dinner in November which was attended by several hundred persons. The dinner was held at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, and the Supreme Lodge was represented at the event by Supreme Vice President Peter N. Derzis. One of the honor guests was George Meany, President of the AFL-CIO, a personal friend of Brother Pappas. Speakers at the dinner included: Supreme Vice President Peter N. Derzis, Past Supreme President Louis G. Manesiotis, and Past Supreme President Judge Nicholas Coffinas.



WASHINGTON, D.C.—PastSupTreas John T. Pappas, Mrs. Peter N. Derzis, and PastSupPres Judge Nicholas Coffinas

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WASHINGTON, D.C.—John T. Pappas testimonial dinner: Past SupPres and Toastmaster Louis G. Manesiotis, Brother Pappas, the honoree, and dinner Chairman Dimitri Mallios.

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1976 EDUCATIONAL JOURNEY TO GREECE

The Ahepa Educational Foundation is making arrangements for the 1976 Ahepa Educational Journey to Greece. Applications forms for students and Counsellors will be available on January 1, 1976. Those interested in taking part as a student or Counsellor are asked to forward the form below.

To: Ahepa Educational Foundation, 1422 K St., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Please mail when available an Application Form for the 1976 Ahepa Educational Journey to Greece:

- _____ Student Application
_____ Counsellor Application

MAIL TO:

(Name) _____

(Address) _____

(City, State) _____ Zip _____



WASHINGTON, D.C.—U.S. Congressman Gilbert Gude of Maryland on the steps of the U.S. Capitol with Greek-Cypriot refugee orphans, and their chaperones. The Cypriot children visited Washington on a "thank you" tour for American relief assistance to Cypriot refugees. At left are Gene Diamond, AHEPA Justice for Cyprus Committee legislative coordinator, and Andreas Tschious of Ahepa Chapter # 438.

GEORGE A. BEZAITIS TESTIMONIAL DINNER

OAKLAND, CALIF.—George A. Bezaitis, 1st Vice Chairman of the Ahepa Supreme Board of Trustees, was honored at a testimonial dinner at the Oakland Hilton Inn on Saturday, November 8.

More than 500 members of the Ahepa family from across the nation were represented at the dinner. The events co-chairman, Xenophon Cardiasmenos, served as the Master of Ceremonies.

After dinner the lights were dimmed and the surprise event, "This Is Your Life George Bezaitis" presentation, narrated by Theodore Rozoles, highlighting his career, picturing his late mother, portraying the honored guest as a young man with his family and participating in important functions with presidents of the United States, with the King and Queen of Greece and other dignitaries.

Among the presentations were: Dan Christopoulos, President of the Oakland Parish Council; Oakland's own twosome Andrew and Thalia Banis, daughter and son-in-law of the Honoree and District Governors of District # 21; Agamemnon Zafiratos, President of the Oakland Chapter, Mary Alevizos, President of the Daughters of Penelope and Paul Manolis, Archon, who presented the St. Andrew Medal from the Patriarch and Archbishop Iakovos. The late Patriarch Athenagoras conferred the title of "Archon Refendarios of the Church of Christ" upon Brother Bezaitis in 1959. Honorable Nicholas Petris, State Senator and Honorable Louis Papan, Speaker Pro Tempore, of the State Assembly jointly presented the State's Plaque. Honorable George Christopher, former mayor of San Francisco; Honorable George Vukasin, Vice-Mayor of Oakland; Honorable Hannibal Velliades, Consul General of Greece; Dr. Anastassios Simonidis, Honorary Consul of Cyprus and Thomas Banis, his grand-son, Supreme Vice President Sons of Pericles, were among the speakers. Gus Lekas, Supreme Governor introduced the main speaker, William G. Chirgotis, Supreme President. SupPres Chirgotis expressed his admiration for the honoree "who served this great fraternity with exceptional devotion and distinction, always conscious of its purpose and cooperative in working towards the accomplishments of its goals." Nick Smyrnis, Chairman, Supreme Board of Trustees, said: "this testimonial is the finest I have ever seen," presented Bezaitis for his response.

Among the out-of-town guests were Colonel and Mrs. Peter Detzis, Supreme Vice President.

Rev. Thomas J. Paris presented the Invocation and Benediction. Alexander Apostolides Sonnenfeld, Founder of the Daughters of Penelope, had written a poem, WHAT IS THE TRUE WORTH OF A MAN? as a tribute to Bezaitis who has devoted himself to the Noble Ideals of AHEPA, which was read by Cecil Kuplos, co-chairman of the testimonial dinner.

An outstanding leader, advisor and representative of the Greek community of the San Francisco Bay Area for nearly five decades, George A. Bezaitis was the youngest among the three organizers of Oakland Chapter # 171 and among the 25 Charter members who established Ahepa in Oakland in April, 1928. Brother Bezaitis served as the first secretary, three terms as Vice-President, and assumed the Presidency in 1933.

Subsequently, he served on the District level as Marshal, Treasurer, Lieutenant Governor and 2 terms as District Governor and in 1948, was elected Supreme Governor in Los Angeles, being re-elected in Detroit to the same office. In 1955, he was elected Supreme Treasurer, and re-elected in 1956. He was decorated by the Greek Government with the Phoenix Cross for his many Philanthropic works. He was among the chapter members who conceived the idea of

purchasing the AHEPA CENTER, and was elected chairman of the Board of Trustees and Building Fund, an office he currently holds.

The Hellenic community elected him in 1971 as the Immigrant of the Year to represent the Greek Community in the International Institute annual affair. He served as chairman for the sale of U.S. Savings Bonds during the second World War, selling more than \$1,300,000 worth of Bonds.

His wife, Margaret, has been most co-operative in all his activities, sharing the work along with him, and she was honored as Mother of the Year in 1973 by the Oakland Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Brother and Mrs. Bezaitis have two daughters, Joyce (Mrs. Byron Zaharis) and Thalia (Mrs. Andrew Banis), and one son, George, Jr., (wife Carrie), and five grandsons.



OAKLAND, CALIF.—Dinner honoree George A. Bezaitis, 1st Vice Chairman, Supreme Board of Trustees, and Supreme President Chirgotis.



The Ahepa Family of George A. Bezaitis:

Seated: L to R, (wife) Margaret Bezaitis, Past Grand Gov. D.O.P. and George A. Bezaitis, First Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees. Standing, L to R (grandson) Thomas A. Banis, Supreme Vice-President, S.O.P. (son) George A. Bezaitis Jr., Past Supreme Governor, S.O.P., (wife) Carrie Bezaitis, P. Pres. M.O.A., (grandson) George T. Banis, S.O.P. (daughter) Thalia J. Banis, District Governor, D.O.P., (son-in-law) Andrew T. Banis, District Governor, Golden Gate Dist. # 21.



OAKLAND, CALIF.—Bezaitis testimonial dinner on November 8. (Left to right) DistGov Andrew T. Banis, SupBoard of Trustees Chairman Nick Smyrnis, George A. Bezaitis, Dinner CoChairman Cail Koplos, Supreme President William G. Chirgotis, Ahepa President Agamemnon Zafiratos, Dinner Chairman and toastmaster Xenophon Cardiasmenos.

SEMESTER IN GREECE

PRINCETON, N.J.—The Intercultural Action Learning Program, a non-profit educational organization which offers academic semesters to high-school aged students in three locations, Greece, Kenya and Costa Rica, is now receiving applications for its spring programs.

The spring semester in Greece (mid-February to end-May) will be taught by a Greek Cypriot, assisted by a young woman on leave from her law studies at University. At least one of the programs will be based on the island of Kalymnos, a member of the Dodecanes, in relative proximity to Kos, Leros, Patmos, and Rhodes. Kalymnos is known particularly for the centuries old tradition of sponge diving, and students become involved in all aspects of the industry, from mending nets, to sorting, clipping and processing sponges, to learning the maintenance and preservation of the caiques (fishing boats).

The academic side of the program stresses language, Greek poetry, modern Greek history and archaeology. In addition, the students' intellectual and cultural experience is enriched by visiting lecturers, performing artists and guest teachers.

Social life on the island is also active, with local Kalymnians dining with the students, and returning invitations, expressing an important INTERALP principle that students live as members of the community, absorbing the patterns of daily life and contributing to the social fabric of the island.

For detailed information on various semesters and a brochure, contact:

INTERALP
126 Alexander Street
Princeton, N.J. 08540
telephone: 609-924-7889

ST. PETERSBURG, FL.—Michael N. Athanason, member of Ahepa Chapter #15, was officially robed as a Circuit Judge for the Sixth Judicial Circuit in the State of Florida on October 10, 1975.

A native of St. Petersburg, Athanason, 37, received his bachelor's degree from The Citadel and his bachelor of law degree from the University of Tennessee.

Athanason was appointed in 1971 to the Municipal Court Bench in Pinellas Park, Florida. In 1972 he ran without opposition for a County Court Judgeship in Pinellas County, Florida. After serving on the County Court Bench for approximately three years, Athanason was appointed by Governor Reubin O'D. Askew to the Circuit Court Bench with his commission being effective as of October 1, 1975.

Pay Your Dues . . . NOW

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y.—George N. Prokon, Past President of AHEPA #170, was honored for 50 years of distinguished service to the fraternity at a meeting of the Chapter and its Auxiliaries on Oct. 22nd. Principal speaker was Supreme Treasurer George Dimas, who presented Brother Prokon with a Citation of Merit and a 50 Year Pin in behalf of the Supreme Lodge, and congratulated Brother Prokon for his outstanding service.

Brother Prokon was initiated into Ahepa in 1925 and has served his Chapter in many offices, including that of President. He is presently retired from business. His nephew, Nick Prokos, is serving as President of the Chapter.

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIF.—Mike Chiule, a musician of North Hollywood, California, and an Ahepan for over 35 years, has been recognized by the National Society of Arts and Letters for his assistance and contributions. One of his students, George Tangelos, was awarded second prize in the National Society's Pasadena Chapter violin contest of 1973.

Chiule, an instrumentalist, vocalist and composer of many pieces, notably "Grecian Isles" and "American Forevermore", has been involved with music all his life. Born in Kyverion, Argolidos in Greece, his first lessons were on the violin at age nine. He later emigrated to the United States where he studied at the University of West Virginia and was appointed music director of Masontown (West Virginia) High School. Conductor and violin soloist for the fourteen-girl "Blue Jacket Orchestra" of Mt. Morris, Pennsylvania and the "Italian Marine Band" of Morgantown, West Virginia, Chiule also sang tenor in many languages and performed on radio and television. Chiule has also served as choirmaster at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church of the San Fernando Valley and is a member of Ahepa San Fernando Valley Chapter No. 412.



NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIF.—Ahepan Mike Chiule (left) member of San Fernando Valley Ahepa Chapter #412 with his student George Tangelos, who won second place in violin competition recently. Brother Chiule is 51 years of age and still active in the music world as a teacher.

CANTON, OHIO.—Ahepa Chapter #59, Canton, Ohio recently raised \$1,000 at its first annual benefit dance for Cooley's Anemia held on Sept. 14 and sponsored by the Ahepa Family. Anthony Manos, northeastern Ohio Chairman for Cooley's Anemia, was in charge of the event.

"Because of the seriousness of this blood disease and the many children involved, we plan to make this an annual affair," Brother Manos stated. Ahepa Chapter President Peter Cazantzis and Daughters of Penelope Chapter President Mrs. Andrew Pertygnides also spearheaded arrangements for the benefit.



NEW YORK, N.Y.—Dr. Charles M. Peterson of Rockefeller University receives a \$10,000 medical research grant from the Cooley's Anemia Research Fund of AHEPA from Supreme Treasurer George Dimas. At right is District Lt. Gov. George Douris. Dr. Peterson is the Director of Cooley's Anemia Research at Rockefeller University.

NEW YORK, N.Y.—More than 100 people attended the initiation ceremonies held in honor of Supreme Treasurer George Dimas by Upper Manhattan Chapter at the Ahepa Home on West 44th Street in New York City on November 18th. Ahepa Supreme President William Chirgotis was the main speaker and four Past Supreme Presidents, Stephen Scopas, Judge Nicholas Coffinas, Kimon Dukas and Gus Cherevas escorted the Supreme President to the podium.

The new members initiated were: Demetrios Stavropoulos, Evan Karabelas, Emmanuel Plaetakis, Constantine Kondilis and Nicholas Tsagakis. Ahepa's Empire District No. 6 Governor, James Thomas of Albany, conducted the initiation assisted by the degree team from the hosting Upper Manhattan Chapter. More than eleven Presidents of other Ahepa Chapters in the downstate area were in attendance as well as representatives from almost every Ahepa Chapter in the downstate area.

Dimas, an Ahepan for more than three decades, gave a heart-warming speech to the members in which he thanked them for the elevation to Supreme Treasurer and urged cooperation for a better Ahepa. Dimas said, "Membership is the major thrust of the Ahepa this year" and that he would do everything he could to bring new members to the fraternity.

Ahepa's Empire District No. 6 Lt. Governor, George Douris announced that a Mass Initiation will be held in May with Tom Demopoulos, Past President of the Hermes Chapter, as general chairman. "We want this to be a highlight of the membership drive in our district," Douris said.

SUPPORT CYPRUS RELIEF

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Ahepa Chapter #53 held its 51st Annual Awards Banquet Sunday, November 2, 1975. Approximately 200 Ahepans and guests turned out to enjoy the fellowship and festivities. Father John Geranios gave the invocation. Toastmaster Brother Harry Lemakis introduced charter members Brother John Furla and Brother Emmanuel Leontsinis. Distinguished guests from the District Lodge in attendance were: District Governor Dean Stavrakas, District Secretary George Elliopoulos, and District Marshall Chris Economou.

President Andrew G. Millonas gave the welcome address prior to the various presentations. Twenty-five year pins were presented by Past President Chris Magdaline to the following members: George Caporal, John P. Khlantzios, Stavros Milonas, and Dr. Gregory C. Zotos.

Past President Anthony A. Kollias presented a 35-year pin to Agamemnon Chalos. The 40-year pin was presented by Past President Kollias to John Varvaris. Past President William T. Dillas presented the 45-year pin to the following: George Koronis, John Leontsinis, and George P. Petrohilos.

Fifty-year pins were presented by Past Supreme President Sam Nakis to: Gus Angelos, James Caron, Michael Ciczios, William Kocorakis, George Lucas, George Magafas, John Mavrakos, and Harry T. Stathis.

Past President Stavros Milonas was presented the past president's gavel by Secretary Konstantinos A. Kritselis. President Andrew Millonas presented the chapter's Certificate of Recognition to Secretary Konstantinos A. Kritselis for his faithful service to Chapter #53. District Governor Dean Stavrakas gave the closing remarks, followed by the benediction of Father John Geranios.

RICHMOND, VA.—A \$500 check was sent by Richmond Chapter No. 83 to AHEPA Headquarters on October 21, 1975, for AHEPA's Save-A-Heart Project in Greece. The \$500 was raised by the Richmond chapter by a "Navy Bean Festival" it held during 1973 and 1974.

The "Navy Bean Festival" featured both American Navy Beans and Greek Navy Beans (Fasoulatha). The Church Hall of Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church where the festival was held was decorated with a navy motif complete with American Navy Flags, American Navy Recruiters, and American Navy Recruiting posters and cut-out figures.

The \$500 donation will go towards the construction and equipping of an open-heart surgical operating theatre and intensive care unit at the Evagelismos Hospital in Greece.

Panayiotis Senekkis, age 11, present address Ormidia Village, Larneca, Cyprus has been named as Richmond Chapter No. 83's Foster Child Program sponsored by the National Philoptochos Foster Parents Project. Panayiotis' original homeplace was Ahna. Monies for the adoption was made possible by individual personal donations by Chapter No. 83 Brothers.



FT. LAUDERDALE, FLA.—(Left photo) DOP Narcissus Chapter No. 289, at Membership Tea at home of Sister Catherine Lycouris. 1st Row: PastGrandPres Josie Chase, Secy Stella Betses, PastGrandPres Joanna Panagopoulos. 2nd Row: Catherine Lycouris, PastGrandPres Betty Athanasakos, Pres Kallie Xenakis, VPres Kathryn Solos, Treas Anthula Silver. 3rd Row: Maids Officers, Irene Akrivos, Susan Akrivos, Lisa Angelakos, GrandTreas Maids Margaret Patcopano of Albany, N.Y., Koula Gelaskis, Terry Kirk. (Right Photo) Officers and members of the Chapter at the Membership Tea.

CHESTER, PA. "VIVA AMERICA" was the theme of the annual dance of the Daughters of Penelope Laodice Chapter No. 246, of Chester-Wallingford held on Saturday, September 20. The color scheme of "red, white, and blue" decorated the walls and the beautiful table centerpieces of the ballroom.

Chairmen of the affair were Mrs. Sue Katsouris and Mrs. Bessie Adams. Other chairmen were: tickets, Mrs. Maria Pahides; buffet, Mrs. Helen Voutsakis and Mrs. Peggy Anastos; decorations, Mrs. Stephanie Kalogredis; program, Miss Helen J. Beldecos; publicity, Mrs. Helen A. Beldecos and Mrs. Alice Crusade; and refreshments, Miss Mary Beldecos.

On Sunday, November 16, the Daughters held an Artoclasia celebrating our Founder's Day. Following the Artoclasia, a breakfast was prepared and served to more than 170 parishioners by the chapter members. Highlight of the breakfast was the presentation of \$1,000 to the Church Building Fund, proceeds from the September dance. The check was presented to Father James Laliberte and Mr. Luther Budike, president of the parish. Chairmen of the breakfast were Mrs. Alice Crusade and Mrs. Helen A. Beldecos. The proceeds from the breakfast will be used to decorate the church at Christmas. This will be done on December 20 by a committee chaired by Mrs. Maria Pahides.

PEABODY TOWN, MASS. Recipients of the Book Awards presented by Daughters of Penelope Zelia Chapter #120 were: Lynn Dunphy from Beverly High School, attending the University of Massachusetts; Susan Carter from Danvers High School, attending Springfield College; Lauren Zeltzer from Manchester High School, attending Wheaton College; Margaret Hogarty from Marblehead High School attending Sweet Briar College; Linda Green from Peabody High School, attending Boston University; and Donna Burke from Salem High School, attending Salem State College.

All recipients were chosen by the awards committee of their respective school, based on their character, integrity and scholarship. At the last meeting, the Chapter voted to include Lynn English and Lynn Classical High School students as recipients of the Daughters of Penelope Book Awards.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Paul Donovan and Michael P. Godjikian of FLOWERS BY DICK FLORIST in Salem, demonstrated the many practical and easy methods in the art of flower arrangement and pointed out the importance of suitability of flowers to their vases and setting which can be achieved to heighten and beautify a room.

Members were provided with pom poms, considered prize cut flowers because of their excellent staying qualities, and under the excellent direction of Paul Donovan and Michael Godjikian displayed their own artistic ability in flower arrangement.

CHESTER, PA. On the occasion of its 50th Anniversary, Chester-Delco Chapter No. 79, Brothers James Baziotis and Thomas Christopoulos were honored as two of the founding brothers of the Chapter. They are pictured with some of the Daughters of Penelope who attended the dinner and dance celebration.



Standing: (left to right) Callie Varlan, Past District Governor; Helen J. Beldecos, Past Grand President; Ellen H. Kalligonis, Grand Governor Zone 1; and Mary Beldecos, National Budget Committee Chairman. Seated: James Baziotis and Thomas Christopoulos.

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NATIONAL EXHIBIT OF THE
HISTORY AND CONTRIBUTIONS
OF GREEK DESCENT SPONSORED
BY AHEPA FOR BICENTENNIAL

The History and Contributions of Americans of Greek Descent is the theme of a national exhibit sponsored by the Order of AHEPA for the 1976 American Revolution Bicentennial. The exhibit will be available for showing throughout the country after April 1, 1976 and its first official showing will be at the 1976 Ahepa National Banquet in Washington, D.C. on the weekend of April 3-5, 1976.

The exhibit consists of 25 panels which depict in photographs and text a brief history of Greece, the earliest Greeks to arrive in the New World, the story of Greek immigration to America, and the contributions to America of the Greek immigrant.

"The Order of AHEPA is presenting this exhibit in 1976 to acquaint all Americans with the heritage, culture, and contributions to this country of the Greek-American," AHEPA Supreme President William G. Chirgotis stated in making this announcement of the exhibit. "The exhibit is being prepared by AHEPA Executive Secretary George J. Leber, and will be the result of more than two years work on his part when completed in early 1976."

Chapters of the AHEPA Family throughout the country have been asked to coordinate efforts with their local communities in showing the exhibit during the Bicentennial year. A 16 page booklet on the celebration of the American Revolution Bicentennial by Americans of Greek Descent is available from AHEPA Headquarters upon request. The booklet gives guidelines and recommendations for local Bicentennial celebrations. It is available without charge. Those interested are asked to write to: Order of AHEPA, 1422 K St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005.

The exhibit contains more than 200 rare photographs on the history of the Greek-American, as well as text material which records the historical record of the Greek-American. Due to time factors involving scheduling and shipping of the exhibit, only a limited number of showings can be approved. Requests for showings can only be honored as schedules permit.

Naturalization Continues at High Level

American citizenship was granted to 131,655 persons in fiscal 1974, an increase of 9 percent over the preceding year and, except for 1961, the highest in the last 17 years. The men, women and children who were naturalized were born in 132 different countries, two thirds of them in the following 14 countries: Cuba 18,056, the Philippines 13,747, Italy 8,840, China and Taiwan 8,501, Germany 6,002, the United Kingdom 5,495, Greece 5,471, Mexico 5,218, Korea 4,413, Poland 3,630, Canada 3,584, Portugal 3,247, and Yugoslavia 2,678. Figures for the other 118 countries ranged from a dozen or less to 1,615, the total for Japan.

As a general rule, immigrants must have lived five years in the United States before they can apply for naturalization. The chief exception to this rule is for aliens who are the wives, husbands or children of American citizens; they can be naturalized after three years' residence. The five-year resident requirement does not, however, mean that a person cannot leave the United States temporarily during that time.

To become citizens, aliens must also be able to understand, read, write, and speak English. Here again, however, there are exceptions. Also, they must know and understand the principles and form of government of the United States and something of its history.

Any immigrant wishing detailed information about the requirements and procedures for obtaining United States citizenship should contact their local INS office or may write to the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, Washington, D.C. 20536.

Also available is an excellent handbook, *How to Become a Citizen of the United States*, published by the American Council for Nationalities Service, a non-profit organization located at 20 West 40th Street, New York, N.Y. 10018. This handbook, which in the course of 50 years has become the standard work in its field, cost \$2.00 a copy. It gives information about all aspects of naturalization, particularly those points about which many eligible aliens are unduly anxious. It also includes some 134 questions and answers on the history and government of the United States, which serve as a useful and helpful review.

AHEPA EDUCATIONAL
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SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS
FOR 1975-76

Ahepa Educational Foundation Board Chairman Peter V. Paulus recently announced that the following students were granted 5600 Ahepa Scholarships for the academic year of 1975-76:

Helen Kavoulakis, California State College, California, Pa.; Christopher L. Morkides, Penn State Univ., University Park, Pa.; Diana Zamantakis, Fairleigh Dickinson Univ., Madison, N.J.; Evan Coravos, St. Anselm's College, Manchester, N.H.; Lambros Papantoniou, Univ. of San Francisco, San Francisco, Calif.; Michael Veves, Univ. of Lowell, Lowell, Mass.

Eleni Lathourakis, College of Notre Dame, Belmont, Calif.; Charles Pipilas, Tufts Univ., Medford, Mass.; Pamela Tsalapatas, Yale Univ., New Haven, Conn.; George Demetri, Harvard Univ., Cambridge, Mass.; Linda Sue Karagan, Univ. of Illinois, Champaign, Ill.; Savvas Koktzooglou, Univ. of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.

James Caralis, Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine, Chicago, Ill.; Stacy Lagakos, Univ. of Hartford, West Hartford, Conn.; Maria Paras, New York State Univ., Binghamton, N.Y.; Thomas G. Rakus, George Washington Univ., Washington, D.C.; George M. Demopoulos, Univ. of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.; Maria Mournouris, Connecticut College, New London, Conn.; Catherine Touris, Georgetown Univ., Washington, D.C.; John Mavrodis, Holy Cross Theological School, Brookline, Mass.

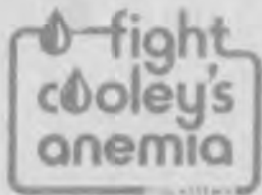
Applications for Ahepa Scholarship grants may be secured from Ahepa Headquarters in Washington, D.C., and must be submitted in full to the Foundation Board not later than March 15, 1976 for consideration for Ahepa grants for the academic year of 1976-77.

Ahepa grants by the Foundation are limited to income earned on funds held by the Foundation. The Board urges members of the Ahepa Family to make contributions by sending them to: AHEPA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, 1422 K St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005 (Make checks payable to: AHEPA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION)



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1975-76 AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE GOAL—5,000 NEW MEMBERS OCTOBER 1, 1975 to JUNE 30, 1976

In preparation for the 1976 Ahepa Supreme Convention to be held in Houston, Texas next August, 1976, and also in celebration of the American Revolution Bicentennial in 1976, Supreme President William G. Chirgotis has issued a call to all officers and members of the fraternity to enlist a minimum of 5,000 New Members into the Order between now and June 30, 1976.

"There is a tremendous potential in the United States and Canada of prospective members for the Order of Ahepa and its Auxiliaries," the Supreme President stated. *"I am therefore asking all Chapters, all officers, and all true Ahepans to reach into every community in the United States and Canada and to secure a MINIMUM of 5,000 New Members before June 30, 1976."*

An Appeal to our Members

"A MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION has been inserted

in this issue of The Ahepan (and will also be repeated in future issues) which YOU, my good Brothers, are asked to tear out, and use to bring in a NEW MEMBER for your own Ahepa Chapter. You have from now until June to complete this request. There is ample time for us to reach our goals, but ONLY if all officers and all members of ALL chapters start to work immediately."

Ahepa Headquarters is mailing blank Membership Applications to every Chapter Secretary, with the request that each Chapter begin its drive immediately.

BROTHER AHEPAN—Tear out the Membership Application you will find in this issue, and "sign up" that New Member within the next day or so. Then, ask your Chapter Secretary for additional application blanks, and do your share in building up your chapter's membership.

AWARDS: Round-trip Coach Air Flight to the 1976 Houston Supreme Convention to:

(1) The District 1975-76 District Governors whose Districts Achieve their Quota of 20% Membership Increase (Based on District June 30, 1975 Membership)

(2) **IN ADDITION**, One (1) additional Round-trip Flight to the 1976 Houston Supreme Convention will be given to a Chapter but only in **THOSE DISTRICTS THAT ACHIEVE THEIR 20% MEMBERSHIP INCREASE**. This additional Drive Award is therefore **LIMITED** to Districts that achieve their Quota, and is also **LIMITED** to those Ahepa Chapters within that District who Achieve their Chapter Quota. Chapters that comply with this requirement will be eligible for a drawing to be held in Washington and those eligible Chapters within that District will each have one (1) chance for every new and reinstated member enrolled. Thus, a Chapter that enrolls 50 new and reinstated members will have 50 chances in the drawing. The member in the chapter that wins the drawing who has enrolled the **MOST** New and Reinstated members, will be declared the winner of the round-trip air passage to the Houston Convention. (Note: *Minimum* Chapter Quota of ten (10) new and/or Reinstated members.)

(3) (a) To the individual member who brings in the **MOST NEW AND REINSTATED MEMBERS** (in his own Chapter) in the entire Ahepa Domain \$300.00 Cash Award

(b) To the individual member who brings in the **Second Highest** number of New and Reinstated Members (in his own Chapter) in the entire Ahepa Domain \$200.00 Cash Award

(c) To the individual member who brings in the **Third Highest** number of New and Reinstated Members (in his own Chapter) in the entire Ahepa Domain \$100.00 Cash Award

NEW AND REINSTATED MEMBERS: The Membership Drive covers both New and Reinstated Members, and will only include those either initiated or reinstated not later than June 30, 1976, and **RECEIVED AT AHEPA HEADQUARTERS WITH FULL PAYMENTS AND APPLICATIONS NOT LATER THAN JULY 1, 1976 POSTMARK**, and will also include all initiations and Reinstatements acted upon by Chapters on or after September 1, 1975, to give credit to those Chapters and members who have been working **PRIOR** to this announcement of the Drive.

DISTRICT QUOTAS These are the **DISTRICT QUOTAS** for the Drive:

Dist. # 1: 130	Dist. # 9: 110	Dist. #17: 75
Dist. # 2: 155	Dist. #10: 162	Dist. #18: 75
Dist. # 3: 270	Dist. #11: 322	Dist. #19: 75
Dist. # 4: 266	Dist. #12: 123	Dist. #20: 268
Dist. # 5: 266	Dist. #13: 459	Dist. #21: 195
Dist. # 6: 398	Dist. #14: 121	Dist. #22: 107
Dist. # 7: 160	Dist. #15: 84	Dist. #23: 75
Dist. # 8: 348	Dist. #16: 122	Dist. #24: 75

(NOTE: THE MINIMUM QUOTA FOR ANY DISTRICT IS 75)

All Fees and Applications, including Per Capita Tax, must be received at Ahepa Headquarters NOT LATER THAN JULY 1, 1976 POSTMARK to receive credit in this Drive and Awards.

IMPORTANT: IN ORDER FOR ANY CHAPTER OR DISTRICT TO QUALIFY FOR AN AWARD, THE DISTRICT, AS A WHOLE, MUST ATTAIN OR PASS ITS STATED QUOTA FOR THE DRIVE. IN ORDER FOR A CHAPTER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE AWARD, NOT ONLY MUST THE CHAPTER'S DISTRICT HAVE ATTAINED ITS QUOTA, BUT THE CHAPTER MUST ALSO HAVE ATTAINED ITS CHAPTER QUOTA OF A 20% INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP. FOR THE CHAPTERS, THERE IS A MINIMUM CHAPTER QUOTA OF TEN (10) NEW AND/OR REINSTATED MEMBERS. THE DISTRICT MINIMUM QUOTAS ARE STATED ABOVE.

1974-75 NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE RESULTS

The following Ahepans and Chapters achieved top-ranking in the final results of the 1974-75 National Membership Drive, with their personal totals of New and Reinstated Members, in various categories:

# CJ-6 Vancouver, B.C. - 22	# 389 Lakewood, Ohio - 26
# 57 Brockton, Mass. - 21	# 394 Ft. Lauderdale Fla. - 25
# 86 Jamaica N.Y. - 30	# 171 Oakland, Calif. - 23
# 375 Orange N.J. - 28	# 28 Asheville N.C. - 22
# 26 Philadelphia Pa. - 26	# 144 Lorain, Ohio - 21

TOP TEN MEMBERS

First Place: Louis G. Pasvantis # 423.
Second Place: Kerry J. Katsorhis # 86.
Third Place: Elias Aspras # 394.

15-20 MEMBERS

Michael Firilas # 61; James Mavrogianis # 102; Teddy Tzavellas # 133; James J. Kallis # 144; X. K. Microusticos # 72; Thomas A. Stamatis # 389; L. Polydoropoulos CJ26

17-18 MEMBERS

Simon N. Marlos # 26; C. Charles Chekas # 48; Nick G. Paras # 52; G. C. Gatos # 95; George Douris # 403

8-11 MEMBERS

John Diamantakos # 3; Pete Vlahos # 28; Anthony Kouzounis # 29; Nick Zervoulakos # 42; Theophilos Kiriakides # 57; N. Thomas # 62; John C. Mandros # 65; John Pappas # 71; Emanuel Manioudakis # 75; Gregory Christos # 87; James Langas # 97; William P. Tsaffaras # 102; Charles P. Tsaffaras # 102; Steve Frangas # 108; Zefire A. Pappas # 113; Stanley Gerondelis # 114; Peter D. Karris # 140; James Rulli # 154; C. Kaganis # 175; Andrew Stamboulidis # 186; Peter Spyropoulos # 203; Dr. Daniel Kavadas # 284; Patrick J. Blanos # 296; Anthony Fotinos # 342; James Anthros # 326; John Papadopoulos # 387; A. Steve Betzelos # 396; Nick Glenos # 420; Vassilios Papanikolas CJ-8; George Philips # 60

CHAPTERS WITH HIGHEST NUMBER OF NEW AND REINSTATED MEMBERS

# 102 Lowell, Mass. - 49	# 113 Dayton Oh. - 26
# 127 Cincinnati Oh. - 29	# 133 New Orleans, La. - 26
# 61 Reading Pa. - 27	# 186 (Hermes) N.Y., N.Y. - 24

AHEPA CHAPTERS WHICH INITIATED AND/OR REINSTATED AT LEAST 20% OR MORE OF ITS GOODSTANDING MEMBERS

CHAPTER #	CITY & STATE
86	Jamaica, N.Y.
127	Cincinnati, Ohio
375	Orange, N.J.
61	Reading, Pa.
133	New Orleans, La.
389	Lakewood, Ohio
113	Dayton, Ohio
394	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
CJ-6	Vancouver, B.C., Canada
28	Asheville, N.C.
144	Lorain, Ohio
CJ-5	Ottawa, Ont., Canada
391	Lincoln Park, Mich.
383	Silver Spring, Md.
121	Pawtucket, R.I.
178	Tacoma, Wash.
60	Allentown, Pa.
342	Long Beach, Calif.
CJ-8	Winnipeg, Man., Canada
175	Bronx, N.Y.
403	Ridgewood-M. N.Y.
48	Waterbury, Conn.
CJ-2	London, Ont., Canada
9	Fayetteville, N.C.
114	Plainfield, N.J.
110	Norwich, Conn.
201	Champaign, Ill.
218	Waukegan, Ill.
204	Evanston, Ill.
300	Dover, N.J.
296	Pensacola, Fla.

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AHEPAN JANUARY/FEBRUARY 1976

REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE

We have examined the foregoing application, investigated the applicant and recommend that he be accepted rejected

Committee

TEAR OUT THIS SHEET - USE TO ENROLL A NEW MEMBER!

**ORDER
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AHEPA**

FOUNDED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA, JULY 26, 1922
1975-76 AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL
NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE



**APPLICATION
FOR MEMBERSHIP**

By _____
Name of Applicant

In _____ Chapter No. _____
Name

At _____ City _____ State _____

SUPREME LODGE HEADQUARTERS
AHEPA BUILDING - 1422 K ST., N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C. - 20005

CERTIFICATION TO THE SUPREME LODGE

The Secretary of the Chapter will write in the blank spaces the full and complete information requested, and will forward this application, together with the required fee, to the Headquarters of the Order of Ahepa.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the Applicant,

(Name of Applicant)
was duly initiated by _____ Chapter
Name
No. _____ on the _____ day of _____ 19 _____
and the Chapter's Serial Number of this Application is _____

Signed _____
Secretary
Chapter No. _____

**THIS SPACE RESERVED FOR
SUPREME LODGE HEADQUARTERS**

- Fee Received and approved _____ 19 _____
Date and Initials
- Application Recorded _____
Date and Initials
- National Serial Number _____
- Chapter Serial Number _____
- Alphabetical Index Card Made _____
Date and Initials
- Kardex File Card Made _____
Date and Initials
- Placed on Mailing List _____
Date and Initials
- Certificate of Membership Issued _____
Date and Initials
- Filed: _____
Date and Initials

Application for membership must be completely filled in, signed and accompanied with full initiation fee before it can be considered by any chapter.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

DECLARATION OF APPLICANT

Being assured that the Order of Ahepa inculcates patriotic devotion to the United States of America; teaches understanding and respect toward the language, history and traditions of the Hellenic race; exemplifies faith in God and belief in the Divinity of Jesus Christ; promotes enlightenment and good will, and practices benevolence and mutual helpfulness—

I HEREBY APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN

Name _____ Chapter No. _____

Located at _____ and AGREE to keep faithfully the obligations I am about to assume as a member of this Order, obey its laws, respect its officers, and honor its mandates.

Personal History

My name is _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____ (Last)

I reside at _____ (Number and Street) _____ (Telephone)

_____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip Code)

My business address is _____ (Number) _____ (Street)

_____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip Code)

I prefer to receive mail at my _____ address
(Business or Residence)

My occupation is _____

I was born in _____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Country)

on the _____ day of _____ (Month) _____ (Year) and am

now _____ years of age.

I served in the armed forces of _____

Name branch of service _____

and was honorably discharged with the rank or rate of _____

on _____ (date).

I was, was not a member of the Sons of Pericles in _____ City

_____ State

I am, am not a college student at _____ School

PLEASE CHECK

I am a citizen of the United States of America _____

I am not a citizen of the United States of America _____

I have applied for my citizenship papers _____

I intend to take out my citizenship papers _____

I have lived in this country _____ years, and within the jurisdiction of the Chapter _____ years.

I am a member of the following organizations: _____

I am married—single—widower.

I have _____ boys and _____ girls.

I have—have not—applied previously for membership in any Chapter of the Ahepa prior to this application. My application was accepted—rejected—withdrawn—on or about _____ (date) by _____ Chapter No. _____

and I offer the following explanation: _____

I do—do not—believe in the existence of God.

I do—do not—believe in the Divinity of Jesus Christ.

My religious affiliation is _____

I believe myself worthy of the rights and privileges enjoyed by the members of this Order. I know of no reason why I should not become a member, and I promise, if accepted, to perform every duty required of me by the laws and traditions of Ahepa, and will not take undue advantage of, or abuse, my privileges as member thereof.

Signed _____ Applicant

Date of Application _____

ENDORSEMENT

Mindful of our sacred duties and obligations to the Order of Ahepa, and as members thereof in good standing, we hereby endorse the

application of _____ recommend that he be admitted into the mysteries of the Order, and vouch for his good character, sincerity of purpose, and worthiness of the privilege to become a member.

_____ First Endorser

_____ Second Endorser

AHEPA'S EXHIBIT OF THE HISTORY AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF AMERICANS OF GREEK DESCENT

AHEPA BICENTENNIAL
EXHIBIT ON AMERICANS
OF GREEK DESCENT



WHAT IS IT?

The Exhibit consists of 24 panels, each panel 24 by 36 inches in size, covering briefly but in panoramic fashion these subjects:

1. Early Greece and Greek contributions to Western Civilization
2. The Middle Ages of Greece and Constantinople
3. America's contributions to the Greek Revolutionary War of 1821
4. Early Greek arrivals in the New World
5. Greek influence on the American Constitution
6. Prominent Americans of Greek descent of the 1700's and 1800's
7. The New Smyrna, Fla. Settlement
8. Greek immigration to the United States
9. Life of the early Greek immigrants
10. Achievements of Americans of Greek descent

Each panel is professionally prepared, and each panel contains an average of 10 photographs, along with printed text, all historically accurate and factual. There are more than 250 photos in the entire 24 panels. Each panel is ready for hanging, and the exhibit will be of the finest museum quality, something you will be proud to exhibit.

WHEN WILL IT BE READY FOR SHOWING?

Although ready on March 1, 1976, it will not be ready for distribution showing until after the National Banquet which will be held on April 5, 1976 in Washington, D.C. The Exhibit will be shown at the Banquet.

HOW WILL IT BE SHOWN THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY?

The 1975 convention did not allot complete funds needed for the manufacture of the exhibit. This means that the ONE EXHIBIT SET CAN ONLY BE SENT TO VARIOUS PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, ON A LOAN RENTAL BASIS. Showings will thus be restricted because of travelling time consumed, and showing dates.

HOW CAN OUR CHAPTER AND COMMUNITY SECURE THE EXHIBIT FOR SHOWING?

The Exhibit can be shipped to your Chapter (and your Chapter will be responsible for its safekeeping and proper care) on a LOAN RENTAL BASIS of \$300 per week, plus Shipping Charges to and from your city. We estimate shipping charges at around \$125 in all.

We need the Rental fees in order to meet our manufacturing costs for the exhibit, since the convention budget given us is insufficient to meet all costs involved.

HOW DO WE SCHEDULE OUR SHOWING IN OUR CITY?

(1) Investigate YOUR CITY'S Bicentennial celebrations in 1976-between the dates of April 15 - October 1, 1976. CONTACT YOUR STATE AND CITY BICENTENNIAL COMMISSIONS IMMEDIATELY.

(2) Select the most appropriate Celebration, one which will allow this Exhibit to be seen by the entire general public of your city, and ask for permission to have this Exhibit shown as a part

of that celebration. Try to restrict the showing dates to ONE WEEK, so that we can make the Exhibit available to other cities. (Travel time of the Exhibit consumes many days)

(3) Write me at Headquarters (George J. Leber, Executive Secretary) and give the DATES SELECTED with other information about your city's celebration. We will then correspond with you as to when you can have the Exhibit, depending on any date conflict with other Chapters requesting the Exhibit.

CAN WE BUY ONE COMPLETE EXHIBIT SET, WHICH WILL BECOME OUR PROPERTY?

YES, for \$3,250 total, delivered. The ORIGINAL MASTER SET which we are making is costing us much more than that-but ADDITIONAL SETS can be made for much less than half the cost of the Master Set.

However, to manufacture ADDITIONAL SETS, we must have your order and full payment NO LATER THAN JANUARY 1, 1976. We suggest that a DISTRICT get together with its Chapters and raise this money-then the Exhibit can be secured and shown in every city within the District during the months of April-October, 1976, and then be placed in some permanent Ahepa Home in your District after the Bicentennial celebrations are completed.

OR-we suggest that you contact some well-known business firm or corporation in your area, and ask them to SPONSOR the Exhibit in your District and purchase the Exhibit in your behalf. The cost of \$3,250 would be a minimal advertising investment for a large corporation. LOOK INTO THIS, NOW.

It's difficult to fully describe an undertaking of this nature, which represents hundreds and hundreds of hours of research, writing, compiling, and planning. But the value of this Exhibit to Ahepa and all Americans of Greek descent cannot be overestimated, and the pity of it all is that it could not be fully funded and distributed without charge thru the Headquarters. Since this is totally impossible, then we offer the next best solution-the recommendations given above. Executive Secretary George J. Leber has given his time in this effort without cost to Ahepa and without interference with his duties at Headquarters over the past two years; it has been done in evenings at home and on weekends, on personal time, and without payment from Ahepa, (as was the case when he wrote and published in Ahepa's name in 1972 the book on the 50 Year History of the Order of Ahepa.)

Monies expended from the treasury of the Ahepa Supreme Lodge on the exhibit were used to pay for research in libraries by other individuals at minimal cost for their time and effort, for photographs, photo negatives, and other research expenses involved in such a large undertaking.



CANTON, OHIO—The Ahepa Family of Canton, Ohio presents a \$1,000 check for the Ahepa Cooley's Anemia Research Fund to National Chairman Dr. Nick Trifelos of Newark, Ohio. (left to right) DOP President Mrs. Andrew Pertginides; National Chairman of Ahepa Cooley's Anemia Committee Dr. Nick Trifelos; Sons of Pericles President John Kalendarides; Anthony Manos, northeastern Ohio Cooley's Anemia chairman; Ahepa President Peter Cazantzis.



MARIA, the AHEPA COOLEY'S ANEMIA RESEARCH FUND national poster child.

AHEPA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
RECEIVES \$125,000 FROM AHEPAN
CARLOS T. TOURIS

Ahepa Educational Foundation Board Chairman Peter V. Paulus announced a bequest of \$125,000 from the Estate of deceased Ahepan Carlos T. Touris of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., from which the income will be used to grant scholarships in the name of Carlos T. Touris.

The bequest has been placed in a Trust Fund of the Ahepa Educational Foundation. Scholarships will be granted by the Foundation as specified in the Will of Carlos T. Touris.

Carlos T. Touris was born in Crestena, Olympia, Greece in 1899 and after his arrival in America, made his home in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., where he was in the grocery business. The first scholarship grants from the Carlos T. Touris Trust will be made in the fall of 1976 by the Ahepa Educational Foundation.



The late Carlos T. Touris, member of Ahepa # 55, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., who left a bequest of \$125,000 to the Ahepa Educational Foundation for scholarships to be given as specified in his Will.



Miss Happy Cockinos, Dist. Adv. to Maids in Native Greek Costume explains about the Greek culture in her booth at the International Folk Festival held in Charlotte, N.C. sponsored by the DOP.



MONTGOMERY, ALA.—President Tony Voulgarides of Ahepa No. 23, Montgomery (left) presents Director Don Acker of Alabama Sheriffs Boys and Girls Ranch (center) with a check for the Ranch from the Chapter. At right is Dist Lt. Governor Michael Miaoulis. The monies were raised by a dance which featured the Chapter's own bouzouke band, "The Palikaria."

HOUSTON, TEXAS—At the second annual OCHI Day Commemoration Banquet in Houston, newly initiated Ahepan Lloyd M. Bentsen, U.S. Senator from Texas, gave the principal address.

He applauded AHEPA's stand for leadership in the struggle for human liberty and justice of our Cypriot brothers. He said that as Americans of Greek descent, Ahepans have a special appreciation for the ideals of democracy, and through the continuous efforts and citizen participation in the critical issues of today's world, the foreign policy of rejection to human dignity in the sake of expediency and power politics must be abolished. Bentsen stated: "Let us stand united and speak out in support of a sovereign, independent nation of Cyprus. Let us abandon the scuttle diplomacy of the current administration for an effective shuttle diplomacy on Cyprus. The world must be looked upon as a sphere and not a triangle of the big powers."



HOUSTON, TEXAS—U.S. Senator, Lloyd Bentsen, is pictured with AHEPA officials after his recent initiation into the Order of AHEPA, held on October 26 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel of Houston prior to the OCHI-Day Commemoration Banquet. The principal address of the banquet was given by Senator Bentsen with the introduction made by the Mayor of the City of Houston, Fred Hofheinz, brother AHEPAN of the Houston Chapter. Pictured from left to right are Jim Vletas, President, Chapter No. 29, Jerry Kaler, District Governor, Senator Bentsen, William Chirgotis, Supreme President, Costas Pavlou, Supreme Governor, Jim Petheriotis, Gen. Chairman of the 1976 National Convention in Houston.

SPRINGFIELD, V.A.—Rev. C.N. Dombalis of Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church of Richmond was recently elected president of the Virginia Council of Churches. The Council represents more than a million church members from 14 denominations.



HOUSTON, TEXAS—For the 1975 "Justice for Cyprus" campaign of AHEPA, the President of the Houston Chapter, "Alexander the Great", Jim Vletas (left), is presenting a check of \$500 to Supreme President William Chirgotis, during the second annual OCHI-Day Commemoration Banquet. This event was held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel of Houston on October 26, 1975 for the benefit of Cyprus War Orphans. District Governor Delta 16, Jerry Kaler, is at right.

SACRAMENTO, CALIF.—The work of Dr. James T. Sellas, member of Ahepa #153, Sacramento, and the technical team responsible for developing and demonstrating Aerojet Solid Propulsion Company's ultra-high burning rate composite propellant system has been commended by the Ballistic Missile Defense Advanced Technology Center (BMDATC) at Huntsville, Alabama.

In a letter written by Darell B. Harmon, Jr., BMDATC's Director, Dr. Sellas' work was described as "exemplary during all phases of the program's development and test effort, and contributed outstandingly to the success of this effort."

Dr. Sellas has been employed at the Aerojet Solid Propulsion Company facility in Sacramento for 16 years and presently holds the position of Senior Chemistry Specialist. Dr. Sellas has done extensive work in the field of controllable solid rocket propellants and in the area of wide temperature range tactical missiles, and Polaris rockets.

He is a member of the American Chemical Society, Sigma Xi and Phi Lambda Upsilon honorary chemical societies, a charter member of the American Hellenic Professional Society of Northern California, member of the International Society of Hellene Scientists, vice-president of the Sacramento Community Concert Association.

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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—Tree planting ceremony at Memorial Dedication at Golden Gate Park for Past District Governor, the late Sister, Julia Antipa Petterson. Left to right, District Treasurer, Anna Loutas, District Lt. Gov. Panny Hadres, District Governor, Thalia Banis, and the Honorable Judge S. Lee Vavures who conducted the ceremony along with the District Governor. Over a hundred people attended the ceremony and reception following.

*All in the News
of our community
and the world beyond*



CHICAGO, ILL.—DOP Reception for Joanne Stavrakas. (Seated) Joanne Stavrakas, Past Grand Pres DOP Tina Zoumboulis, Grand Treas Vicki Katsis. (Standing) Ahepa DistGov Dean Stavrakas.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Danae Chapter, Daughters of Penelope, hosted a reception honoring Joanne Stavrakas, wife of the Ahepa Governor on November 2.

The attendance was huge. Representing the Grand Lodge were Grand Treasurer, Victoria Katsis and Past Grand President Tina Zoumboulis. The 13th District Lodge Officers were Governor Constance Stathakos, Lt. Gov. Susan Kyriazopoulos, Secretary Mary Latis, Treasurer Nicki McDonald; Advisor Bessie Pantzelos, Advisor to the Maids of Athena, Sandra Chakonas; Historian Esther Staff and Public Relation Officer Elaine Olson.

Joanne, who is a Past District Governor and is now an Advisor to the Jacma Maids Chapter was honored by the attendance of the Jacma Maids who presented her with a gold bracelet and charm. Also the Past Grand President of the Maids, Kathy Stathos was there. The 13th District Lodge Officers of the Maids were Governor Mary Anne Zurales, Lt. Governor Joan Agoranos, Secretary-Treasurer Betty McDonald, and Marshal and Athletic Director Janice Pantazelos.

Holly Price, President of Danae Chapter acted as Mistress of Ceremonies for the evening. She presented Joanne, in behalf of their chapter, a lovely pendant on a gold chain.

CHARLOTTE, N.C.—The Charlotte Daughters Chapter sponsored the Greek Booth at the International Folk Festival in Charlotte, N.C. at the new Charlotte Civic Center. The annual affair will take place during November of each year. More than 30,000 attended the Festival.

Greece was represented by a beautiful display of costumes, artifacts, and hand-craft products. Greek foods and pastries were sold to the public and the proceeds will go to the District #3 Scholarship Fund.

Miss Happy Cockinos, District Advisor, served as Chairperson of the exhibition. Serving on the committee were: Katherine Anastes, Andeline Andrews, Zoe Andrews, Sheila Castanas, Mary Diamaduros, Patricia Economides, Ailene Fadel, Sophia Hondros, Kiki Pappas, Pennie Karnazes, Georgia Karrs, Anne Katsarakas, Geraldine Kerhulas, Tina Karras, Laura Nixon, Lula Pappas, Mary Plumides, Chris Strate, Kay Tatsis, Helen Young.

Others assisting were: Tommy Cavalaris, Dene Karras, Chuck Fadel, Helen and Kosta Boukouvalas, Katina Laskaris, Nina Gavrillis, Ronnie Pourlos, Christina Melissaris, Helne Gavrillis, Mary Dimas, Mary Renroe, Dee Cockinos, Pepe Michaels, Julia Chamis, Marianthe Ropoulos.

The International Folk Festival was enthusiastically received by capacity crowds each day. There was music and dancing continuously through the afternoons and evenings. Charlotte's Greek Dancing Group was dressed in colorful Evzone and vlahika costumes. Twenty-two Nations were represented.



Miss Happy Cockinos, Mrs. Kiki Kappas and Mrs. Sophia Poulos demonstrate Greek Folk dancing in the Greek booth at the International Festival sponsored by the DOP, Charlotte, N.C.

Ann Morris
Grand Vice President



Grand Vice President Ann Morris was born in Peru, Indiana "Circus City, U.S.A." After graduation from Peru High School she attended Indiana Regional Campus, where she belonged to various departmental clubs.

After serving Aia Chapter No. 99, Kokomo, Indiana of the Daughters as Secretary and President, she served District No. 12 as Treasurer, Governor and Advisor. Last year she served as Grand Treasurer.

A dedicated and tireless worker, she has made this famous Lord Chesterfield expression her motto in life; "While I can crawl upon this planet, I think myself obliged to do what good I can to my fellow creatures, and to wish them all the good I can not do."

Ann incorporates her hobbies of collecting and selling antiques and jewelry with a "Coffee Shop" The Wabash Sweet Shop in Wabash, Indiana. Ann belongs to Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. She is married to James Morris and is the mother of 2 sons Jon and Conrad.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN—Presvytera Gavrilos was welcomed to the parish by the ladies of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Grand Rapids, Michigan on September 18 at a FALL FASHION SHOW sponsored by MESSENE CHAPTER #90 of the DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE.

President Anne Fotias introduced Presvytera Gavrilos and thanked the committee in charge of the affair. They were: General Chairman, Vivian Hampers; Tickets, Bess Orphan and Chrysis Falkenburg; Door Prizes, Joan Bogdan; Refreshments, Evanthia Foteio; Tea Table, Andrea Fotias; Models, Vivian Hampers.

President Anne Fotias asked Jeannette Koukios and Andrea Fotias to pour. The following modeled the latest fashions: Marianne Sampanes, Litsa Katsampes, Chrisa Sellas, Georgia Afendoulis, Sophia Tsilimigras, Maria Athans, Connie Char-doul, Stella Theodore, and Mea Fotias. Proceeds from the affair will be used to "adopt" a Cypriot Refugee child under the Philoptochos Foster Parents project.

SUPPORT THE DAUGHTERS PROJECTS

FT. LAUDERDALE, FLA.—The celebration of the founding of the Daughters of Penelope held a more enriching meaning for Narcissus Chapter 289 this year. In addition to the annual memorial service held at St. Demetrios Church, the day was capped off with the initiation of 13 young ladies into the junior order, Maids of Athena, and a newly formed chapter which is known as Charisma Chapter.

Attending the initiation and the buffet that followed was Grand President Katherine Caravasios, District Advisor to the Maids of Citrus No. 2, Mary Ann Zapetis who is also Daughters District Advisor. President of Narcissus No. 289, Mrs. Kallie Xenakis, and other officers and members of this chapter. Mrs. Pauline Stamm, Past District Advisor to the Maids, was hostess of this historic event.

Grand President Katherine Caravasios has been traveling to keep abreast of Daughters doing, getting to know her constituents, and the opportunity for the membership to better know her.

She visited the membership in Wheeling, West Virginia on August 26, and Montreal, Canada, October 10-12.

Grand President Caravasios will be in San Francisco, Calif. Dec. 6-9, and will be in attendance at the Founder's Day Luncheon hosted by the Eos Chapter at Bimbo's Theatre Restaurant.

President Caravasios wants to remind the Sisters, to remember our projects this year... now that it is the time to give and help others. Our projects are as follows:

- Cooley's Anemia
- Chapel for St. Basil's Academy
- Save a Heart
- National Scholarships
- Penelopian Day Care Center
- Cyprus

Mary Manitzas
Grand Secretary



Grand Secretary Mary Manitzas is a member of Ajax Chapter #211, Shreveport, La., and has received many honors from her Chapter and District, where she served as District Governor, and many other offices. She was elected to the Grand Lodge in 1972 as Grand Governor, served in that office for two years, and was elected Grand Treasurer in 1974, and again in 1975. She is an Elementary Coordinator of Instruction in the Shreveport School System.



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THE SONS OF PERICLES

A brief History of the Junior Order of Ahepa

Eleven young Greeks, "with a spirit which equalled the spirit of their of their ancestors," conceived the idea of and organized the Sons of Pericles together with the aid of a few Ahepans from the Manchester Ahepa Chapter headed by Dr. Alexander Cambadhis and Sotirios Docos. The 11 young men who were the first members and are the Mother Lodge Members of the Sons of Pericles are: Gregory Papagiotas, William Vasiliou, Christ Kourcoulis, Peter Clainos, William Chaloge, James Papadopoulos, Arthur Hasiotis, George Houliaras and James Papademetriou.

The first Chapter named itself the Queen City Chapter No. 1, and its first officers were installed on February 3, 1926. Shortly after Chapters of the Sons were established in Haverhill, Lynn, Lowell, Boston, Nashua and Lawrence.

The first National Convention of the Sons was held in Lowell, Mass. in September 1927. By that time there 14 Chapters in the Sons.

The Sons of Pericles were officially adopted as the Junior Order of Ahepa in 1928 at the National Ahepa Convention of Detroit, Michigan.

The Chapters of the Sons of Pericles, like those of the parent organization, kept growing by leaps and bounds. By the time the 5th National Convention took place in 1932 in Akron, Ohio, there were a total of 77 Sons Chapters. By the 1934 Convention, held in Chicago, there were 126 Chapters.

Until 1936, the Sons of Pericles held separate Conventions than the Ahepa. The 7th National Convention in St. Paul, Minn. was the first held in conjunction with the Ahepa Convention. The number of Chapters listed at the Convention was 149. The following year, at the 1937 Syracuse Convention, it was decided that all legislation passed by the Sons had to be approved by Ahepa, thus becoming a bona fide Auxiliary.

During the 1938 Excursion to Greece, the Sons participating in that Excursion upon visiting Missolonhi and hearing the famous siege which took place during the struggle for Greek Independence, felt that it would be only appropriate and right for the Junior Order to dedicate a monument to those brave men who fought and died

for freedom. Upon their return home plans were formed and put into effect to raise money for this project. The monument was finalized and officially presented during the 1939 Excursion to Greece with representatives of both Greek and American Governments taking part.

The Sons continued their progress until the War years of 1942-1946, when like so many other organizations, became inactive with all able bodied men serving their country. They resumed their normal activities in 1947 at the Los Angeles Convention.

In 1949, the Stergios B. Milonas Scholarship Fund was established in memory of Supreme Governor Stergios Milonas, who met a tragic auto accident death.

The Sons of Pericles, since their inception have had an abundance of leaders to guide them through their ambitious programs.

SONS GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY



Nicholas L. Strike, Vice Chairman of the Sons National Advisory Board, and a Sons Past Supreme President, has been given the responsibility of planning and directing the events and program for the celebration of the Sons 50th Anniversary Year in 1976. He has urged all Ahepa Family Chapters and Districts to participate in the Sons Golden Anniversary Year (1926-1976).



Harry P. Pappas of Springfield, N.J., National Chairman of the Sons of Pericles Advisory Board.

Brother Pappas, a recipient of Essex County's Outstanding Young Citizens Award, is a graduate of the Business School of Rutgers University and presently a purchasing agent for Union County, N.J. He has served as local, state and national Democratic party coordinator in many capacities and in 1972 was Senator Hubert H. Humphrey's personal staff member; he has served as President of N.J. GOYA; vice-president of Eagle Rock Ahepa Chapter # 375, and last year was appointed to the Son's of Pericles Advisory Board.

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ELKHART, IND.—Peter A. Sarantos of Elkhart, was recently elected Mayor of this city. He is a member of Ahepa # 100 of South Bend, Ind. According to records available, Brother Sarantos is the second American of Greek descent to have been elected a Mayor of an Indiana city.



WATERBURY, CONN.—Presentation of the 1974-75 Ahepa National Membership Drive award plaque is made to Waterbury Ahepa Chapter No. 48, for the initiation of 13 new members. Left to right: James Soufleris, DistAthDirector Paul N. Fotos, Treas Arthur Velesis, President Steve Gagas, VPres Louis Spanos, John Boutsoulis, Board of Governors.

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By DR. MONTHE N. KOIDS
Supreme Athletic Director

The National Ahepa Athletic program is going into high gear shortly and this should be another banner year.

On March 7th, the program begins up in N.E. with the 6th Annual New England Ten Pin Tournament under the direction of N.E. Director, George Daopoulos and James Mavrogianis, President of the Lowell Chapter.

On March 10-11-12-13, the 14th National Ahepa Invitational Golf Tourney is scheduled for Orlando, Fla. on the P.G.A. Disney World Golf Course. Dr. James Demopoulos is chairman, with 5 Championship Flights. The "Dr. Spiros Outstanding Golfer Award" will be presented. There will be a Four Ball and Two Ball best ball Tourney each day.

On March 26-27-28, the 28th National Ahepa Basketball Tournament will be hosted for the 4th consecutive year in Milwaukee, Wis. This top flight Hellenic tournament, under the leadership of Spiro Siaggas and John Galanis, is expected to draw a full field of top notch cagers from all over the U.S. Please contact Spiro at 14310 Woodridge Circle, Brookfield, Wis. 53005 for particulars.

On April 11th, the largest Hellenic Candlepin Tournament, the N.E. Ahepa World Candlepin Tournament, takes place in Manchester, N.H. with N.E. Director, George Daopoulos and George Plasteras as chairmen. A great affair. 15th annual. Lots of interest.

On May 1-2nd, the 13th District Athletic Committee, under the direction of Steve Mantas, District Athletic Director, and Midwestern Director, Lou Asimakopoulos, have promised the greatest tourney ever. This will be the 16th National Ahepa Bowling Championship at the Forest-Vue 32 lane, in Chicago; River Road. Headquarters will be the O'Hare Inn, with a dance scheduled. Beautiful prizes and awards by Olympic Airways on tap. Incidentally, all trophies this year will be donated by Olympic Airways, who generously have backed our program for the 4th year. See you in Chicago. Open to Ahepans, Daughters, Maids and Sons.

We have 4 Regional Golf Tournaments again on schedule this year, which have been most successful and growing by leaps and bounds.

In June, Pasadena, Cal. will be the site of the 4th Annual Far Western Regional Golf Tourney under the leadership of Far Western Director, Peter Clentzos, Past National Athletic Director. This area boasts of winners of the last 3 National Championships. Growing by leaps and bounds. Nice job, Pete. 65 competed last year.

June 5th, the largest Ahepa Regional Golf Tourney, under N.E. Director, Art Poly, will see well over 100 golfers shooting for the top prize of competing in Houston this year. This is a great affair and a credit to these Connecticut boys. Over 105 golfers last year.

March 13th, The Orlando Golf course will be the home of the 5th Annual Southern Regional Golf Tourney this year. Atty. George Kastrenakis will head the committee and will do a great job. Some real hot golfers in this area.

July 19th, One of the finest and largest growing (68 last year) Ahepa Golf Tourneys under the leadership of the Flint, Michigan boys, Eli Chinonis and Ken Palmer, on the Warwick Hills private golf course, home of the "Buick Open"—a real challenge for you golfers. And what a great time put on by some super Midwestern hospitality. This will be the 5th Midwestern Regional and getting stronger.

August the finals for the National Regional Championship will be held in Houston this year. Two finalists from each regional and 6 from the National Invitational of Orlando, Fla. All qualify, plus the two defending champions.

The Convention City Golf Tournament, Olympiad, Swimming meet, Tennis Tourney are all on tap.

We also have our "Harry Agganis Award", "Chirgotis Outstanding Athlete Award", "Kekeris Student Athlete Award", "George J. Triphon Awards" in Basketball, Track, and the Hall of Fame selections are some of the awards for the coming year.

Back your Chapter, District and Regional Athletic Directors this year. A lot of work and effort is being put into this program and we need your support. Who do you think should be in the Ahepa Hellenic Athletic Hall of Fame? Send in your names now.

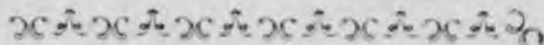
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CLARKSBURG, W.VA.—Stonewall Jackson Chapter No. 96 celebrated the 25th observance of their Chapter, Sunday, November 2nd, in the Sheraton Inn with a banquet. Lieutenant Governor of Buckeye District 11, Order of Ahepa, Anthony Topougis of Akron, Ohio, was the principal speaker. The following 25 year members were recognized: George Alastanos, Charles Alex, Anthony Diamond, Nick Kaites, Nick Koutsobaris, John Spanos, Alex S. Xenakis. Pictured from left to right front row: John Soterakis, James Calaitgas, Rev. Fr. Costas Kouklis, Lt. Gov. Anthony Topougis, Mike Kaites. Second row: Anthony Diamond, Nick Kaites, Immediate past president Angelo Koukoulis, Secretary Steve Alastanos. Back row: Treasurer Steven Trahanis, James Maschas, Nick Koutsobaris, and President Alex S. Xenakis.

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NORWALK, CONN.—On Sunday, Oct 19, the Annual District Family Bowling Tournament was hosted by Norwalk Chapter #387 at the Rip Van Winkle Lanes in South Norwalk Connecticut.

A field of 25 bowlers from the District, competed for various trophies, at the awards banquet. District Athletic Director Paul N. Fotos, and Deputy Director Governor Nick Giattrellis, awarded trophies to the winners.

Norwich team #1 with the excellent bowling of (Brothers) J. Kostelos and T. Constantinous, captured all the awards in both the individual and team competitions. Winning the 1st Place High Triple Handicap with a score of 645 was T. Constantinous. The 1st Place High Triple Scratch High Single Handicap and High Single Scratch with scores of 535, 232, and 197 went to J. Kostelos.

In the team competition Norwich Team #1 won 1st Place Triple Game Handicap with a 3010 score, Triple Game Scratch with a 2481, and with the fine bowling of J. Koste's took the High Single Game Handicap and High Single Game Scratch with scores of 1051 and 841 respectively.

Other Chapters represented were Dan-jelson, Norwich, Norwalk, and New Haven.

Many thanks to the Norwalk Chapter for hosting the affair and to (Brother) Manny Karamanlis, Chairman, Paul N. Fotos, Athletic Director, and Dan Athan-asion, Deputy Athletic Director.

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1976 NATIONAL GOLF TOURNEY: March 9-13, 1976 at **DISNEY WORLD GOLF RESORT, ORLANDO, FLA.** For Entry Forms write: **DR. JAMES DEMOPOULOS, 1835 Coral Way, Miami, Fla. 33145**

NATIONAL JUNIOR CHAMPION

Lea Antonoplis of Glendora, Calif., is the U.S. National Girls 16 Tennis Champion. An unbelievable comeback over Zenda Liees, with scores of 0-6, 7-5, 6-4 gave Lea the title.

Lea has played in the Orange Bowl Classic, won tourneys in Calif., had tournaments in Allentown, and Philadelphia, then to Forrest Hills in Sept. to play with the international pros. She was the only junior to be invited there last year. She should be a big name in the next 2-4 years. She recently won over 128 players in Charleston, W.Va. playing for 6 hours to win the singles crown, then after one hour's rest, won the doubles also.

The National Championship match appeared to be a runaway for Miss Leiss, the defending champion. She won the first set without losing a game in 21 minutes. She won the first four games of the second set, and then held a 5-1 lead, only one game away from victory. The match looked so lopsided that the 500 fans gave Miss Antonoplis a big hand when she won a game after losing the first ten. Then Miss Leiss let up just a tiny bit, and Miss Antonoplis changed her tactics. She started lobbing the ball with Miss Leiss. Antonoplis began winning games with the lob, with the momentum shifting to her side of the court. She won 6 straight games to win the second set 7-5, and the final set at 6-4.



Miss Leah Poulos, ice skating world spring champion in 1974 and member of two world teams in 1975, is the recipient of the AHEPA HARRY AGGANIS AWARD for 1975.

SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL

On July 14, 1975, the 4th Regional Ahepa Golf Championship took place at the Warwick Hills C.C. in Grand Blanc, Mich., home of the "Buick Open". 70 golfers registered for this, with 30 cities represented, a fitting tribute to the popularity of the event and the golf course, which is a real tough one with lightning fast greens and well trapped, probably why the scores were unusually high this year, the weather also being a factor.

Eli Chinonis, of Grand Blanc, Mich., popular chairman for this affair won the Low Gross title, shooting an 82, to represent this area in the National Regional finals in Cinn., Ohio. Low Net winner went to Pete Photoiu, a 21 handicapper, and previous winner in 1973, who shot a 92-21-net 71 to edge Spiro Zotos of Detroit by one shot in the Handicap flight, while Low Gross went to Monthe Kofos, an 88.

Following the tournament, a banquet attended by about 125 people took place where prizes and trophies, were awarded by Supreme A.D. Monthe Kofos. Ken Palmer, Co-Chairman was the Master of Ceremonies; Louis Asimakopoulos, Chicago Midwestern Regional Dir. and Art Poly, N.E. Regional Dir. for Hartford, Conn. assisted in the program. All trophies were donated by Olympic Airways. Longest Tee shot went to F. Sheher, a 290 yd poke and Tom Branoff won the nearest to pin, a 6 footer; Bernie Katz of Flint had a 77, lowest round of the day, in the guest flight.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL GOLF

On Thursday, June 19, 1975, due to extreme adverse weather conditions, a small field of golfers braved the wind and rain to participate in the 4th Annual Ahepa Southern Regional Golf Championship, at the Lejuene Golf Course in Miami, Florida.

Arthur Georgalis, of Miami, shot a 78 Low Gross to win the title. Runner up was Dr. James Demopoulos, of Miami, with an 82 Low Net went to Peter Pantages, of Miami, who shot an 82-20-62. Runner up was George Kastrenakis with a Net 75.

Both Georgalis and Pantages qualified for the National Regional Championship in their respective divisions in Cinn., Ohio on August 18-19 at the Jack Nicklaus Golf Course.

Trophies were awarded by Olympic Airways. Dr. James Demopoulos, Southern Regional Director, was in charge of the tournament.

EXPRESSIVE DUEL The annual Convention City Tennis Tournament was held Aug. 19-22, at the Northern Kentucky Racquet Club. There were 13 states represented by nearly 50 participants who took part in the four day tournament conducted in the new indoor Northern Kentucky Racquet Club.

Christine and Nick Tountas of Cincinnati, co-chairmen, who are avid tennis fans, are to be commended for the excellent job and results of this up and coming tournament which has become one of the mainstays of the convention sports activities. All trophies were donated by Olympic Airways. Results are as follows:

Men Singles: Winner-Akim Anastopoulos-Charleston, S.C.; Runner up-George Psomos-Charleston, S.C.

Women Singles: Winner-Penny Keria-kes-Cincinnati, Ohio; Runner up-Helen Mantginris-Portland, Me.

Mens Doubles: Winners-Nathan Karas-Hammond, Ind.; Ted Pace-East Chicago, Ind.; Runners up-Pete Pappimos-Toledo, Ohio; Pete Kanios-Sylvania, Ohio

Mixed Doubles: Winners-Akim Anastopoulos-Charleston, S.C.; Patti Anastopoulos-Charleston, S.C.; Runners up-James Gaspar-Cincinnati, Ohio; Lucy Spell-Charleston, S.C.

Mens Doubles +35: Winners-Ted Pace-East Chicago, Ind.; David Stevens-East Chicago, Ind.; Runners up-Peter Manos-Delaware, Ohio; Nick Gemelos-Virginia Beach, Va.

Akim Anastopoulos, age 14, of Charleston, S.C., brother of Arthur who won the tournament in Miami in 1973, played very well to defeat George Psomas, also from Charleston, S.C., 7-5, 7-5, to win the 1975 Ahepa Singles Title. He won the Charleston, S.C. City Championship for 14-16 yr. olds this past June. Won the Savannah, Ga. Tournament, Singles and Doubles for 14 yr. olds; also as top seed he won the Hilton Head, S.C. Singles and Doubles Championship; He copped the Palmetto, Greenville, S.C. Singles Championship by upsetting the second seed, reached the quarter finals in Southern Boys Championship in Knoxville, Tenn; teamed up with his sister Patty to win the Mixed Doubles title in his first Ahepa Tournament. He ranks 7th in South Carolina in 14 yr. olds, Brother Arthur ranks 3rd in 16 yr. olds, sister Patty ranks 5th in 21 yr. olds in the state.

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- May 1-2, 1976 - 16th National Ahepa Bowling Championship
Chicago, Illinois
Chairman - Louis Asimakopoulos
- August 16-17, 1976 - 5th National Regional Golf Championship
Houston, Texas
- August 17, 1976 - Convention City Golf Tournament
Houston, Texas
- August 18, 1976 - 2nd Convention City Swimming Championship
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- August 18-20, 1976 - 5th Convention City Tennis Championship
Houston, Texas
- August 18, 1976 - 31st Annual Ahepa Olympiad
Houston, Texas

NATIONAL REGIONAL AHEPA GOLF TOURNAMENTS

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Dr. James Demopoulos - Chairman
- June 5, 1976 - 11th Annual N.E. Regional Golf Tournament - Farmington, Conn.
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- June 1976 - 4th Annual Far Western Regional Golf Tourney - Pasadena, Cal.
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- July 19, 1976 - 5th Annual Midwestern Regional Golf Tourney - Grand Blanc., Mich.
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from the editor

The following editorial that appeared in the January 29th, 1976 issue of the Hellenic Chronicle is a great tribute to our late Executive Secretary for it expresses the sentiments of the entire Ahepa family.

George J. Leber

Ahepa has had many distinguished leaders over its 53-year history, but none will argue that no one has done more for the Order in recent years than George J. Leber, and most of the time in almost complete anonymity.

Year after year, supreme conventions rolled into America's metropolises and almost without a hitch success was inevitably theirs. This was so only because George Leber had prepared the spadework, helping the various committees on the scene and smoothing their paths with his expertise, accumulated over the years since 1958 when he first took over as executive secretary.

Not enough can be said for his dedication to Ahepa and its ideals and objectives, and it is a credit to the man that though administrations changed and new personalities took over the helm, he continued to serve and to serve well. William G. Chirgotis, the incumbent supreme president, eulogized Mr. Leber well at the funeral last Friday, but anyone of a dozen or more of his predecessors could easily have echoed the sentiments; for all who knew and worked with George Leber respected and appreciated him.

It is a tribute to a man when his words and deeds outlive him, and this is the case with George Leber; for not only has he left a definitive history of Ahepa but he has also laid the groundwork for its observance of the nation's Bicentennial this year.

George Leber will not be there, but wherever the Ahepa national exhibit on Americans Hellenes goes during this Bicentennial year, he will be remembered; for he has left this as a legacy to the Order and to the nation, both of which he loved and both of which he served well. He will be sorely missed. May God bless his memory.

Letters To The Editor

Future issues of the Ahepan Magazine will feature a "Letters to the Editor" page which will reflect the thoughts and ideas of the Ahepa family. We want to know what your opinions and recommendations are regarding the Ahepa and its activities. This will be an open forum and we urge you to make use of it by sending in your "Letters to the Editor" today . . .

The Editor

MESSAGE DELIVERED BY THE SUPREME PRESIDENT
WILLIAM G. CHIRGOTIS
AT
THE AHEPA BICENTENNIAL CONGRESSIONAL BANQUET

Mr. President,
Distinguished Guests,
Ladies and Gentlemen:

In behalf of the Order of Ahepa, I am happy to pay homage and respect to, the legislative representatives of the world's greatest democracy. I am not using the term "greatest democracy" to denote the military might or economic power of the United States. I am using it, to denote America's devotion to democratic principles, enunciated and practiced by the Greeks, — two and a half thousand years ago, during the Golden Age of Pericles — and — finding their greatest glory in our lifetime.

Democracy must never be taken for granted. It has evolved from the minds of men, and the struggles of countless individuals over the centuries, to give dignity to man, so that he may enjoy life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Democracy, is the most difficult, most daring, as well as the most promising form of human organization. It works under the apparent paradox that the people are at the same time, both the rulers and the ruled. George Washington, in his farewell address, said, "The very idea of the right, and power of the people to establish government, presupposes the duty of every individual to obey the established government." This concept gave our American system its distinctive character.

There have been three great events in world history, which have given political reality to the concept of democracy. First, it was the birth of democracy in Greece in 594 B.C. when Solon wrote the first Constitution for Athens. The second event, was the re-birth of democracy during the Seventeenth century in England, with the development of the Magna Carta and the common law. Two basic principles evolved in this re-birth: One, that the individual, his liberty, dignity, and happiness form the foundation of all social life; and, two, that the Government is a moral trust, dependent upon the free consent of the governed. It took more than two thousand years, from Pericles to John Locke, the English philosopher who lived in the 17th century, to reiterate these basic principles and to revive them for our use.

The third great event in the evolution of democracy, was the founding of America and the establishment of the United States. The roots of democracy grew and flourished in the American colonies. It took hold in the United States under the influence of the revival of the Greek idea of the rights of the individual, the freedom of man, and the rule of reason.

This year we celebrate the Bicentennial of this event.

Only history and time will tell, whether this form of government, which grew to become the mightiest political entity, the world has ever seen, — possesses the will and outlook, to leave its descendants, an ever greater democracy.

You, the distinguished members of Congress, to whom we pay tribute this evening, must always be vigilant to the alternative failures of the great and unique American purpose.

The American purpose, which includes the establishing, protecting, and promoting of the equality and freedom of man, — must always be our guideline.

It is no accident, my friends, that we pledge allegiance to a nation "with liberty and justice for all". Our pledge of allegiance goes to the heart and soul of the American purpose.

America had to go through two World Wars to preserve democracy. — World War I was really a democratic world revolution, after which, for the first time in history, democracy seemed to fulfill its world-wide mission of a liberating message to all peoples and to all classes.

Twenty years later, the world almost lost democracy, and it required another World War in the early 1940's to preserve democracy and give us another opportunity to secure the democratic order.

And should the impossible happen, and the United States default on its historic mission for democracy, the miracle of ancient Greece, the Mother of Democracy, philosophy and reason, will ignite a spark to be inflamed for the future of the world.

But the United States must not default! It must not arrive at the position where equal opportunity in an environment of freedom no longer exists on its soil. America's role in history will not so much be its technology, its industry, or its economics. — As it will be, its success or failure in protecting and expanding democracy both within its own borders and throughout the world.

We now come to the question, — "Will America continue to be the example and champion of individual liberty and equality, or will it subordinate the human element to materialism and expediency?"

We the people, and you the Congress, will decide these questions, together with the other two great branches of government, the Administrative, and the Judicial.

But it is basically you, the representatives of the people — who will set the tone and the direction by the laws you make.

Basically it is you, who will determine the course of our country and of democracy.

Basically it is you, who will determine history.

You must not abdicate this responsibility.

And because, you the Congress, and your predecessors in the Congress of the United States have not defaulted, but have kept the torch of democracy burning in the United States and as a beacon for the world, I, as Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, a miniature democracy, gratefully present you with the Special Bicentennial Socratic Award of our Order, emblematic of the highest ideals of man.





Ahepa congressional banquet



WASHINGTON, D.C.: In a bicentennial theme, with the Grand Ballroom of the Washington Hilton Hotel all decked out in red, white, and blue—the President of the United States, the Hon. Gerald R. Ford addressed more than 1,500 Ahepans, Congressional leaders and guests of the Order of Ahepa.

The huge Bicentennial display behind the head table, the American, Greek and Bicentennial flag on every table; the red, white and blue flowers; the alternate red, white and blue table cloths; and the 50 State flags representing every state, all enhanced the beautiful evening.

It was the 22nd Bi-annual Banquet in honor of the 94th Congress of the United States of America, a gala, happy event which saw more than 25 of the 100 United States Senators in attendance and better than half of the Congress of the United States.

President Ford delivered his remarks to the Ahepans, praising the long friendship of Greece and the United States and referring to Greece's Prime Minister Constantine Caramanlis as an "outstanding leader of the free world".

"We are taking positive action with Greece based on neutral interests," Ford said, "always remembering our friendship and kinship between our two people".

President Ford praised the Greek immigrants who came to this country and have played a major role in the development and growth of the United States.

Toastmaster Nick Smyrnis, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, did a remarkable job in steering the theme of the dinner and keeping the speakers to their allotted time.

The cocktail reception was a gala event with the Hellenes rushing to greet Senator Thomas F. Eagleton and Senator Hubert H. Humphrey, a leading contender for the Democratic nomination for President of the United States.

Representative Benjamin Rosenthal, Queens Democrat, who has spearheaded the pro-Greece and pro-Cyprus position in Congress as Eagleton has done in the Senate, also received much attention.

Charles J. Papuchis served as General Chairman and with his committee did an outstanding job. The members of the committee included:

Matthew Korson, Vice Chairman; Milton Sarris, Public Relations; Dr. Theodore Perros, bicentennial exhibit; Anthony E. Manuel, general reception; Thomas Gikas, banquet tickets and George J. Papuchis, head table reception.

Other committee members included Harry Brown, Arthur J. Craten, John E. Deoudes, Mrs. Athena Gikas, Peter H. Haralamos, Miss Veneta Lambros, George C. Latsios, George Margos, James Z. Manuel, Mrs. Mary Manuel, Mrs. Penny Manuel, John Maroules, Mrs. Harriett Maroules and Andrew Manos.

Also, Mike J. Morfessis, Miss Catherine A. Pappas, George P. Pappas, John T. Pappas, Mrs. Irene Pappas, Mrs. Felecia Papuchis,



Supreme Vice-President Peter N. Derzis escorting the President and Mrs. Ford



Toastmaster Nick Smyrnis introducing the President of the United States Gerald R. Ford



The Supreme President addressing the audience in the presence of the President and Mrs. Ford



Senator Eagleton receiving a standing ovation.

Mrs. Stella Papuchis, Miss Stacie Petroutsa, Mrs. Irene Sarris, Nicholas Stamos, Pat Theros, John A. Vlachos, Mario Vouzikas and Mrs. Mary Ann Zaloumis.

The dinner opened with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner and the Greek National Anthem by Chrissellene Petropoulos and the "Ode to Liberty", by Chad Prodomos.

The Program started with the Invocation by His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos. General Chairman Charles J. Papuchis welcomed all on behalf of the Banquet Committee and then introduced the Toastmaster Nick Smyrnis of Indianapolis, Ind., Chairman of the Supreme Board of Trustees. His exceptional handling of the proceedings added dignity and pleasure to the Banquet. Mrs. Kay Caravasios, Grand President of the Daughters, spoke briefly on Women's Achievements in the growth of our country. Congressman Martin A. Russo of Illinois literally had the audience standing and giving his remarks a rousing ovation. He was very emphatic in his stand on help for Greece and Cyprus and how he would continue that campaign until Cyprus was free once again and Greece received the aid she rightfully deserves.

Congressman G. William Whitehurst of Virginia took a moderate stand on the issues. Senator Robert Taft, Jr., of Ohio

supported the President on the Cyprus stand but told of his love of the Greek people. He also announced that a very dedicated Ahepan Judge John Manos of Ohio has been elevated to the Federal Court and approved by the United States Senate. Senator Claiborne Pell of Rhode Island took a very determined stand on behalf of Cyprus and Greece. He told of his many visits to Greece and recited some of the words of tribute to Greece by Lord Byron and Shelley. He received a standing ovation upon conclusion of his speech. Deputy Foreign Minister, the Honorable Stavropoulos read a message from Prime Minister Caramanlis.

Supreme President William G. Chirgotis of Summit, N.J. then gave a brief but interesting and informative speech on the Socratic Award to Congress and the accomplishments of the Greeks in America that helped this country to achieve greatness in all fields of endeavors. He then presented the coveted award to Congressman Dante B. Fascell of Florida who represented the House of Representatives. He thanked the AHEPA and congratulated them on the excellent work for our country and told of his positive stand on Cyprus and Greece. Senator Eagleton of Missouri who initiated so many bills on behalf of support of Greece and Cyprus and has fought determinedly against aid for



The Deputy Foreign Minister, the Honorable C. Stavropoulos with President Ford and the Supreme President



Mrs. Betty Ford happily accepts the gold medallion from the Grand President of the Daughters of Penelope, Mrs. Katherine Caravasios



Congressman Dante B. Fascell, of Florida, accepting the Socratic Award in behalf of the House of Representatives

Turkey, received the Socratic Award from Supreme President Chirgotis on behalf of the United States Senate. His inspiring speech in defense of Greece and Cyprus against Turkey brought repeated applause and upon conclusion of his talk received a prolonged standing ovation.

At exactly five minutes after 10 p.m. President and Mrs. Ford arrived at the Banquet. The entire audience respecting the Office of the President of the United States showed their courtesy by welcoming them with a good, polite, but withheld ovation. Although many were disappointed in his remarks as he did not touch on the subject of Cyprus, he did profess his admiration and love for the Greek people. President Ford said he looked forward to meeting President Caramanlis when he comes to this country later on this year as they have many important matters to discuss. He signaled out Alex Demar, Supreme Trustee, for commendation as their friendship dates back almost 50 years. President Ford is a member of the Grand Rapids, Mich., Chapter and has attended 14 Congressional AHEPA Banquets in the past 28 years. He is the third President of the United States to address the AHEPA Banquet. Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt and Harry S. Truman were the others, both members of the AHEPA during and after their term in office. Mrs. Betty Ford was presented a Gold Medallion by the Daughters of Penelope as the outstanding Woman of the Year.



Senator Claiborne Pell, of Rhode Island, with Past Supreme President William P. Taaffaras and Supreme President Chirgotis



Senator Thomas F. Eagleton accepting the Socratic Award in behalf of the Senate, from the Supreme President

Toastmaster Smyrnis concluded the program by reciting a poem appropriate for the occasion which was warmly received by the audience.

All those who attended this memorable event will remember seeing all the television cameras from the three major networks, the many Secret Service men in the audience and the wonderful behavior of the audience.

Everything at the Banquet went so smoothly that one was led to believe it was accomplished with ease. Far from it. It was almost an impossible task for them but they came through with flying colors. For almost 20 years the work of the Banquet was done by the very capable Late Executive Secretary George J. Leber, and due to his untimely passing, the hard-working committee had to virtually start all over. Co-ordinator Past Supreme President Louis G. Manesiotis did a magnificent job of overseeing and working with the committee.

Ahepa Supreme President William G. Chirgotis didn't mention Cyprus in his remarks—but on the following day he sent a letter to the President, which in part read as follows:

"We are honored that you have accepted our invitation to address our Congressional Banquet but the applause and general expression of love, respect, devotion to you as President of our country, should not be misunderstood as implying approval of the policies of your administration towards Greece and Turkey."



The Ahepa Family: Supreme President of the Sons of Pericles Peter N. Stoumbelis; the Grand President of the Daughters of Penelope Mrs. Katherine Caravasio; the Grand President of the Maids of Athena Miss Teri Lee Valis and Supreme President William G. Chirgotis



The Chairman of the Cyprus Committee John G. Plumides and the Supreme Vice-President Peter N. Derzis with Admiral E.R. Zumwalt, Jr.



His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos introducing the Supreme President to Congressman Martin A. Russo



Senator Hubert H. Humphrey greeting the Chairman Charles J. Papuchis



The Chairman of the Congressional Banquet Charles J. Papuchis and the Supreme President congratulating each other for a job well done

Chirgotis said "Ahepans are united in condemning these policies. We consider them utterly detrimental to the American interests in the area, diametrically opposed to American ideas and ideals and profoundly unjust and unfair to the people of Greece and Cyprus."

President Ford, several days after the receipt of the Chirgotis letter, announced a massive \$700 million aid program for Greece

which was hailed by the Karamanlis government and Greece's political leaders.

It was a gala dinner; a great event, one that once again proved, to one and all, that Ahepa truly represents the hopes, ambitions, desires and future achievements of the Hellenic-Americans in the United States.

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As the visitor views the Nation's sixth largest city, he is impressed with its wide clean streets, almost all of which are one-way thoroughfares feeding Houston's 293 miles of freeways.

ECONOMY

Houston is a bright spot in the national and international economy. The key to the area's strong and rapidly expanding economy is diversity. It is an energy capital, a leader in finance, retailing, engineering and construction. Houston is the ninth largest manufacturing area in the U.S.; it is the only one of the top 10 in the Southwest. Houston is a center for science and technology and for medical activities. Houston is a headquarters city for many of the nation's largest corporations. The most recent count shows that more than 180 companies have moved their headquarters, subsidiaries, or divisions here since 1970. These moves have reinforced the city's more than 700 major corporations with assets of over \$1 million. Industry along the Houston Ship Channel represents investments of more than \$4 billion. The number of persons employed in the area stands at more than a million, while the unemployment figure has recently averaged just over 4% of the total labor force, half the national average.

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Houston has been known as "Space City U.S.A.," the "Oil Capital of the U.S.A.," and now it is known world-wide as the "International Energy Capital of the World". Houston is an international energy capital with 24 of the 25 largest U.S. oil companies having management activities here. They are joined by some 400 other oil companies. Houston is a major supplier in energy exploration and production around the world. Nearly one quarter of the nation's refining capacity is in the Houston area. At least 60% of each basic petrochemical produced in the U.S. comes from Houston.

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITY

Houston is an international center of trade and commerce and is known worldwide for scientific and medical activities and as Space City. Houston is an international shipping and air hub. Houston also is a convention and visitor center drawing many international visitors. There are 43 consulates located here. Eight foreign banks are represented; seven Houston banks have international departments; six other of the nation's largest banks have subsidiaries of their international departments here. Corporations from throughout the world have Houston offices.

ENERGY



TRANSPORTATION



The Port of Houston is the third largest port in the nation in total tonnage. In 1974 both the foreign trade tonnage and dollar value of total tonnage ranked second only to New York. The Houston Ship Channel with its concentration of industry connects Houston with the Gulf of Mexico 50 miles away. This is a national and international air hub with 11 major airlines flying out of Intercontinental and Hobby Airports. The 1.5 million vehicles in the area travel on a 200-mile freeway system planned to be nearly twice the current size upon completion. The rapidly growing bus transit system is operated by the city.

Slowly, but doggedly, digging a ditch to the sea, Houston finally realized its man-made island waterway which today is frequented by thousands of ocean-going vessels from around the world. There is not a day in the year that an ocean-going vessel flying the flag of our beloved Greece cannot be found berthed in the Houston ship channel.

You've read the pertinent facts concerning the nation's sixth largest city. Now we'll tell you about things you should do and see during your visit here (see your Convention Activity Schedule which will be published in the next issue of the AHEPAN for special tours and activities arranged for your pleasure).

Houston has received worldwide attention as the headquarters for manned space flight activity. The Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center started operations in 1962. Houston is a major center of scientific and technological activity in the fields of petroleum, chemicals, medicine, earth sciences, aerospace and oceanography. Research and development activities are proliferating. A V.I.P. tour of NASA has been arranged. You will see a city within a city with all its complexities. Also, you will be surprised to learn and see how many persons in our manned space flight activity are of Greek heritage.



On one of your tours you will be able to see one of the most modern complexes of its kind—The Texas Medical Center, Houston is the home of The Texas Medical Center which contains 29 institutions including seven major hospitals and a dozen medical, dental and nursing schools. The Center, which has received international recognition for research and innovative treatment, draws patients from throughout the world. As Houston's largest employer, the Center employed 18,629 persons in 1974. Houston has a total of 55 hospitals and an emergency ambulance system that is one of the finest in the nation. Associated with the Texas Medical Center are Dr. Michael DeBakey and Dr. Denton Cooley, two of the world's most renowned heart surgeons.



In addition you will see many of Houston's 24 colleges and universities and their beautiful campuses and educational and housing facilities. Also the Houston Independent School District which is the seventh largest in the nation comprises many new and beautiful schools from grade school level through high school.

Next, you will be privileged to see the 8th wonder of the world—The Houston Astrodome—and the adjoining Astrodome. Not enough can be written about the Astrodome—you've got to see it!! It houses the world's largest single level exhibit complex with its 400,000 square feet. It can accommodate 100,000 persons daily with no difficulty. Downtown, at the Civic Center, two major functions are scheduled. The Greek Night Glendi and the Grand Ball. The Civic Center also houses the Manned Space Flight Hall of Fame and will also house the Ahepa Bicentennial Exhibit.



Dining in Houston is equally delightful, and, as home of the South's largest restaurant association, the city offers myriad dining opportunities. Prices and bills of fare are diverse, and the visitor may choose from a typical Texas Bar-B-Q, or the most savory of gourmet dishes. Houston's proximity to the Gulf of Mexico makes seafood a must. Likewise, its nearness to Mexico and a large Mexican-American population give Houston an abundance of authentic Mexican restaurants. Situated in the greatest cattle producing county in the State, Houston enjoys a wide selection of superb steak houses. Being a major world port, it follows that demand is high for a wide variety of international restaurants and foreign cuisine is available in many fine restaurants especially along "The Strip" where dozens of international sidewalk cafes are wedged between a potpourri of antique shops, galleries, quaint pubs, boutiques, flea markets, strip shows, discos and the gamut in screen offerings.

So, Sons (50th Anniversary Celebration), Maids, Daughters, Ahepans and families plan now to attend "The Greatest Of All Conventions" in Houston August 15 to August 21. Indeed, the greater Houston area has many faces constantly forming new profiles but one thing is constant . . . Houston is hospitable and eager for the visitor to discover its many new wonders. See you soon!

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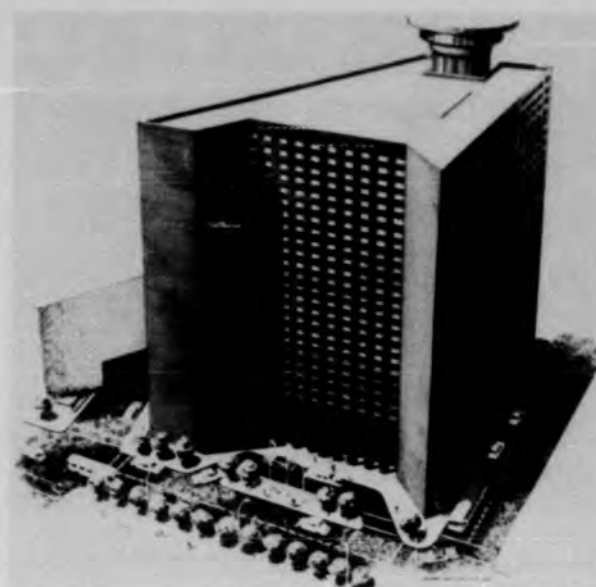
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AHEPA BICENTENNIAL EXHIBIT



The Supreme President William G. Chirgotis escorting Mrs. George J. Leber through the Ahepa Bicentennial Exhibit.



L to R: Arthur H. Lalos, Dennis J. Livadas, John Leber, Mary Ann Leber, Supreme President William G. Chirgotis, Dr. Theodore Saloutos and Dr. Theodore Perros



A large crowd viewing the Ahepa Exhibit.



Ancient costumes add Hellenic Flavor to the Bicentennial Exhibit.

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L to R: Supreme President William G. Chirgotis and Dr. Theodore Saloutos



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In commemoration of the 155th Anniversary of "The 1821 Greek War of Independence" we publish the following from the Booklet of the same title (48 pages) by George J. Lebor Available from Ahepa Headquarters at \$2.00 a copy

THE BACKGROUND AND EVENTS LEADING UP TO THE REVOLUTION

The Fall of Constantinople

On May 29, 1453, Constantinople finally fell before the onslaught of the Turkish hordes, and this date also marks the beginning of virtual slavery for Greece, for a period of nearly four hundred years.

The trials that the Greeks were subjected to under their Mohammedan masters are almost common knowledge. The worst practice of the Turkish overlords, which has been condemned by all civilization, was the gathering of all young Greek boys, at an early age, of sound health and mind, for use in the Turkish military. These boys formed the famous Janissaries—Turkish troops whose bravery and cruelty has almost no parallel in history. The Greek lads were raised under Turkish customs, and soon forgot any tie they might have had with Greece.

During the two centuries preceding the Revolution, bans were put on the Church, and cruelties to the priests and followers became common. Small outbreaks among the Greeks resulted in reduced liberties, slavery to women and children, and oftentimes, wholesale murders and massacres. The Greek Orthodox Church held its place and its power through Greece and the Near East mainly because of the constant energetic fight of the Patriarchs, who never relaxed their vigilance and who carried on their struggle for maintenance of their faith.

Despite the fact that Greece had been subjugated by the Turk, three communities never fell into the hands of the Turk—MANI, SFAKIA TIS KRITIS (CRETE) AND SOULI TIS EPEIRO. Because of the mountainous, inaccessible country the Turk could never subject these Greeks to his power.

The Phanariotes

The PHANARIOTES were men of great learning, taught at PHANARI in Constantinople, under the Patriarchate. They kept alive the Greek language both in the Church and in the communities of all Greece. These men, because of their learning, gained rank in Turkish diplomatic and business circles, for the Turk's knowledge of languages was notoriously little. He was not able to deal in international diplomacy because learning was not an attribute of the Turk. Because of this, the Phanariotes were given ambassadorial and diplomatic positions to all parts of Europe. They rose to high positions, and secured lands, and titles for their families, which placed them in strategic positions for the revolution to come.

Greek sailors of the myriad islands surrounding Greece had ample opportunities to fit themselves with ships, under the Turkish rule, for the Turk needed this Greek commerce for himself. Because of the corsairs, or pirates, that roamed the sea at that time, it was necessary that the fishing and trading boats be armed with cannon. These small ships were a great aid to the Greeks in 1821.

Russian trading ships were allowed to come and go freely through the Bosphorus or Hellespont, and through the Mediterranean without impediment or inspection on the part of the Turks. What Greek vessels sailed the sea had been required to carry the Turkish flag. However, the Greek sailors circumvented this obstacle by raising the Russian flag on their vessels, consequently escaping search and seizure. These Greek traders soon established great communities among the Russian cities on

the Black Sea in Odessa and Tagani, and also in Trieste and Venice in what is now Italy. These Greek merchants grew influential and prosperous through the years, and by the day of the revolution, they had the wealth necessary to aid their mother country in her fight for freedom.

With the fall of Constantinople, the scholars in Greece immediately fled to the other parts of Europe, taking refuge in Holland, England and France. This left little source of learning for the people, for soon the schools themselves were closed for lack of teachers and because of Turkish pressure. For almost three hundred years, until 1700 and thereafter, Greece had no schools, or very few of them and learning was denied the people. Illiteracy was common, and except for what learning the Church offered, there was none. Finally, in the 18th Century the prosperous Greek community of traders and merchants in Venice started its own small Greek school and Church. In this manner, their children had the opportunity of learning Greek for the first time, in school. The Black Sea communities followed suit, and then the program was broadened to include schools in Athens, with aid from these outside communities. Schools were also established in Giannena, Levadia, Patmos, etc. The schools grew—scholars came from them, and teachers went out from them, to teach in other cities. Among the teachers who carried on their work were Eugenios Voulgaris, Nikeforos Theotokis, Constantinos Economos, Vamvas, Georgios Gennathios, and others. These teachers not only taught their pupils the Greek language, but also taught the hope of freedom, someday, for Greece. They preached a greater and free Hellas for the future. Many of the school classes were held at night, in out of the way places, for the Turks constantly sought to do away with schools, and places of learning among the Greeks.

Adamantios Korais

The greatest of these Greek teachers was Adamantios Korais, of Chios. However, he never actually taught in a school, as an instructor. Through his writings, he did more to instill the thought of freedom and of the glory of the Greek language and name in the mind and heart of the Greek, than any other person. He brought back all of the deeds of ancient Greece—informed these Greeks that they were descendants of these great men—and that slavery was never meant for them. Adamantios Korais was born in Smyrna, in 1748. His father was a merchant of Chios. The boy was sent to Amsterdam for business reasons, but instead of learning the principles of business, he went to school instead, to learn languages and be a scholar. He later returned to Smyrna, but seeing that he could not live under Turkish domination, he prevailed upon his father to send him to school in France, to study medicine. During his studies, both of his parents died, and after the completion of his school work, he went to Paris. He is credited with giving new life to the Greek language, for he took the work of the ancients and explained them in his writings, using them as a means of portraying the action he believed that the modern Greek should follow. He did much to bring out a Greek language now bereft of the many dialects and intrusive tongues it has acquired throughout the centuries under various overlords. He died in 1833, at 85.

During these centuries, the Turkish armies were making headway into Europe, and actually had besieged Vienna twice, only to be driven back into Hungary each time. They dominated Hungary for 150 years before being driven out of that land. The states of Venice and Turkey were constantly at war with each other because of their interests in Greece. Venice controlled many cities in the Peloponnese and also the Cyclades Islands, Crete, Cyprus, and other localities. Through Venetian and Russian aid the Greeks arose in revolt many times during the 17th and 18th Centuries, but each was suppressed. However, these occurred only in restricted areas and were not widespread. The results of these uprisings were great massacres by the Turks in the cities of Thessaly, in Crete, Smyrna and in central Greece as well. Lampros Katsonis was a Greek patriot who led his small fleet of Greek ships against the Turkish fleets successfully in the 1780-90's, only, however, through aid from Russia. When that aid stopped, his raids against the Turks could no longer be carried on, and he retired to Russia to live. Androutsos was one of his aids, who had to escape to Venice, after Katsonis returned to Russia, but upon being demanded by the Turks, from the Venetians, he was turned over by the authorities to them, and died in prison in Constantinople.

Regas O Fereos

REGAS O FEREOS was born in 1757 in Velesino, Thessaly. He studied and became a teacher in Bucharest. At this time, the French Revolution had begun, and Regas began to think of freedom for his country, Greece. He began writing letters to all influential men in Greece, urging freedom for the country, asking them to work towards that end. He also wrote many poems and songs of the greatness of Greece, and of freedom—hoping to instill within the hearts of his countrymen more than an ordinary desire for freedom. These spread over all of Greece. He also wrote to Napoleon, and arranged for an audience with him. On the way, he was stopped by the Austrians, searched, and incriminatory papers were found on him which caused his return to Vienna, and later, he was turned over to the Turkish authorities in Belgrade. There, he died in prison, but his memory lived forever after in Greece, where he was a hero, and his songs and poems lived on, feeding the flame of revolt.

The Souliotes

The story of the SOULIOTES is one of tragedy, and of bravery. In the 1700's, a majority of the peasants of Epeiro migrated to the wild and almost uninhabitable country in the mountains of Giannena, building there four small villages. This was done to escape the oppression of their Turkish overlords. The villages were named SOULI, KIAFA, AVARIKO, AND SAMONIVA. Together the people were called SOULIOTES. Ali Pasha, leader of the Turkish forces in that region, determined to punish the Souliotes for their move, and for defying his power to subdue them. He led three assaults and sieges against them—in 1791, 1792, and in 1800. The first two failed, but the third was successful only because of a traitor in the Souliotes camp. The traitor's name was Pelios Gousis, and he secretly brought up 200 of the Turkish soldiers by a secret path, and secreted them in his home until nightfall. Then, while the Souliotes were busy repulsing the attack from the front, these 200 Turks attacked from the rear. (This story is remindful of the event at Thermopylae in ancient Greek history, when the Greek traitor showed the Persians the secret path up the mountain, so that they could surround the Greek defenders, and destroy them.)

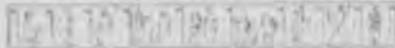
The Souliotes had been besieged for three continuous years at this time and had undergone many hardships of starvation, thirst

and the cold of the mountains. But they had withstood all this, and the attacks of the superior Turkish forces until the treason. Now they were forced to flee to the highest peak in that region, on which stood the church of St. Paraskevis. But there, they had no water, and were forced to make peace, with the understanding that they should take their possessions and leave that region, forever. They left their homes but five Souliotes, and the monk Samuel stayed behind to receive their conquerors. The Turks entered the church, to seize the money and possessions left behind, stored therein. Then, the monk calmly put fire into the barrel of gunpowder on which he had been seated, blowing himself, Turks and five Souliotes to eternity.

The fleeing Souliotes divided into three sections. The first went to Zalongo, the second to Kerkyra, and the other to Parga. The last section arrived in Kerkyra with only 45 survivors who withstood the attacks of the Turks along the way, the one under Tsavelas arrived safely, but the story of the section that was trapped on Zalongo remains the greatest tragedy of modern Greek history. This section was under the leadership of Koutsonikas, and they were finally trapped, after a hectic flight across the hills, at Zalongo, by the pursuing Turks. After two days on the mountain peak, their supplies were gone, and there was only one way out—to fight their way through. But the women and children could not be taken along. Then occurred the historic Dance of Zalongo. Each mother took her children, kissed them tenderly, and threw them over the side of the cliff, to perish on the rocks below. Then women, and girls, joined hands in the native dance on the plateau, and after the first time around, the leader threw herself over the cliff, to perish on the rocks below. Then, the next woman or girl in line took the lead, danced around once, and followed the example of the first leader by throwing herself over the cliff. And so on, until every woman had perished. Then the men prepared for their effort to break through the Turkish lines. They forced their way through, but only 150 men, out of the original 850 found safety in Parga.

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OUR NOBLE HERITAGE



"Justice is more profitable to truth than the language of men with one another to seek their advantage and at any time it is a trial of common sense to have it be proved."

—FOUCAULT

"Dignity consists not in possessing honors but in the consciousness that we deserve them."

—ARISTOTLE

"What is true is the best of all attainments and worth of all opinions."

—THEOPHRASTUS

"It is the duty of the noble man to be true and just to all."

—SOPHOCLES

"Be not ashamed to be a Greek."

—ARISTOTLE

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Η ΙΣΤΟΡΙΑ ΤΗΣ ΑΗΕΡΑ

Βασιμμένη στο βιβλίο "The History of the Order of AHEPA" του George J. Leber

Το περιοδικό ΑΗΕΡΑΝ, επίσημη έκδοσι της οργανώσεώς μας, έγκαινιάζει, για πρώτη φορά, την δημοσίευσιν κειμένου στην ελληνική γλώσσα. Πρόκειται για την Ιστορία της οργανώσεως. Το κείμενο που ακολουθεί είναι μετάφρασις και περίληψις αποσπασμάτων από το βιβλίο "The History of the Order of AHEPA" του άειμνήστου Έκτελεστικού Γραμματέως George J. Leber.

Το άρθρο 1 του καταστατικού της ΑΗΕΡΑ αναφέρει: «Η οργανώσις θά είναι γνωστή ως Order of AHEPA, The American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association, ίδρυθείσα την 26η Ιουλίου, 1922».

Τά πέντε ψηφία της ΑΗΕΡΑ είναι τά αρχικά αντίστοιχων λέξεων που μεταφραζόμενα στην ελληνική σημαίνουν 'Αμερικανό·'Ελληνική·'Εκπαιδευτική· Προοδευτική·'Οργάνωσις'. Ίδρύθηκε στην 'Ατλάντα της Πολιτείας Γεωργίας, όπως ανεφέρθη ήδη, στις 22 Ιουλίου 1922.

Οι ιδρυτές της 'Αδελφότητος αυτής ήσαν όκτώ άνδρες, κάτοικοι όλοι της 'Ατλάντας. Συνέλαβαν την ιδέα της δημιουργίας μιās οργανώσεως με μέλη κυρίως πολίτες ελληνικής καταγωγής.

Οι όκτώ ιδρυτές ήσαν: Nicholas D. Chotas, James Campbell, Harry Angelopoulos, S. J. Stamos, George A. Polos, James Vlass, John Angelopoulos και George Campbell.

Οι πρώτες συνεδριάσεις

Η πρώτη συνεδρίασι της ΑΗΕΡΑ πραγματοποιήθηκε την 3ην μ.μ. της 26ης Ιουλίου 1922, στην αίθουσα της 'Ελληνορθόδοξου 'Εκκλησίας της 'Ατλάντας. Παρόντες ήσαν οι Γ. Α. Πούλος, Χάρης 'Αγγελόπουλος, Τζαίημς Βλάς, Γιάννης 'Αγγελόπουλος, Ν. Δ. Τσάτας και Τζαίημς Πούλος. Της συνεδριάσεως προήδρευσε ό Γεώργιος Πούλος.

Στην πρώτη αυτή συνεδρίασι τέθηκαν οι θέσεις του διοικητικού Συμβουλίου και έδόθη έντολή στον ναμικό της σύμβουλο να υποβάλη αίτησι στο άνωτατο Δικαστήριο της επαρχίας Φούλτον για την έγκρισιν του καταστατικού. 'Αποφασίσθηκε όπως ή νέα οργανώσις γίνη Παναμερικανική και ότι θά ήταν μυστική.

Οι σκοποί της 'Οργανώσεως

Οι σκοποί της οργανώσεως καθωρίσθησαν ως εξής:

α) Η ανάπτυξις και ή προβολή αίσθημάτων άμόλυντου άμερικανι-

σμού μεταξύ των 'Ελλήνων των 'Ηνωμένων Πολιτειών και των κτήσεων.

β) Η μόρφωσις των 'Ελλήνων στον τρόπο λειτουργίας της Δημοκρατίας και τον τρόπο διακυβερνήσεως της 'Αμερικής.

γ) Η δημιουργία αίσθηματος άφοσιώσεως στην 'Αμερική.

δ) Η ανάπτυξις κοινωνικής συνάδελφωσύνης μεταξύ των μελών και

ε) Η αλληλοβοήθεια μεταξύ των μελών της έντικότητος.

'Αποφασίσθηκε, επίσης, όπως τό κεντρικό όργανο της οργανώσεως όνομασθή "The Supreme Lodge" και ή πρώτη αυτή 'Υπάτι Στοά, αποτελέσθη ως εξής:

Nicholas D. Chotas

"Υπατος Πρόεδρος

James Campbell

"Υπατος Αντιπρόεδρος

Harry Angelopoulos

"Υπατος Γραμματέας και Ταμίας

John Angelopoulos

"Υπατος Αρχιψόλας

P. J. Stamos

"Υπατος Κυβερνήτης

James Vlass

"Υπατος Κυβερνήτης

George S. Poulos

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George Campbell

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"Άλλες συνεδριάσεις

Την επομένη ημέρα συνήλθε τό Συμβούλιο και συζήτησε επί του όρκου και των υποχρεώσεων των μελών και υιοθετήθηκαν διάφορα σήματα και νεύματα ως και ένας θηρεός που περιλάμβανε τό 'Αγαλμα της 'Ελευθερίας, την άμερικανική σημαία και ένα ξίφος.

Στην τρίτη συνεδρίασι, 31 Ιουλίου 1922, ό όπατος Πρόεδρος Τσάτας πρότεινε όπως γίνονται μέλη της οργανώσεως μόνο «άμερικανογεννημένοι» και ή πρότασις ένεκρίθη με άμφωνία. 'Αν και ή οργανώσις αρχικά δημιουργήθηκε για τους 'Ελληνες της 'Αμερικής, πέντε ημέρες

μετά την ίδρυσί της αποφασίσθηκε όπως έπιτραπή να γίνονται μέλη και άτομα που δέν ήσαν ελληνικής καταγωγής.

Ο όρκος της οργανώσεως ένεκρίθη στην τετάρτη συνεδρίασι της 2ας Αύγουστου 1922, τόσο στην άγγλική όσο και στην ελληνική.

Η πέμπτη συνεδρίασι πραγματοποιήθηκε στις 14 Αύγουστου 1922 και ένεκρινε τις αίτήσεις των εξής νέων μελών: Frank Matrangos, Theodore Athan, Charles Keramidas, George Lachanos, Nick Antonopoulos, Dennis Carras, Niarchos Kolokutis και Eli Kavouras.

Στην έκτη συνεδρίασι της 19ης Αύγουστου 1922, ένεκρίθη ή σύναψις δανείου 500.00 δολλαρίων για τις άνάγκες της οργανώσεως. Συζητήθηκαν τρόποι βοήθειας μεταναστών να άποκτήσουν την άμερικανική ιθαγένεια και τέθηκε σε εφαρμογή σχετικό πρόγραμμα.

Στην έβδομη συνεδρίασι της 22ας Αύγουστου 1922 δόθηκε αναφορά στο θέμα της πολιτογραφήσεως και στο δικαίωμα ψηφοφορίας. 'Ανεφέρθη, επίσης, ή σύναψις δανείου 500 δολλαρίων τό όποίο κατετέθη στον λογαριασμό της οργανώσεως.

Η όγδόη, έκτακτη συνεδρίασις συνεκλήθη για την εκλογή άξιωματούχων του ύπ' αριθμ. 1 Τμήματος της 'Ατλάντας και ένεκρίθησαν αιτήσεις νέων μελών στα όποια έγινε ύποδοχή και δέχθηκαν συχαρητήρια.

Η ένατη συνεδρίασις έγινε την 28η Αύγουστου 1922 με συμμετοχή του Συμβουλίου των Κυβερνητών της 'Υπάτης Στοάς και των συμβούλων του Τμήματος Νο. 1, στην αίθουσα του ελληνικού σχολείου. Στην συνεδρίασι αυτή αποφασίσθηκε να άγορασθούν τά σκεύη που είχαν έννοικιασθή για χρησιμοποίησι στις όρκωμοσίες νέων μελών.

Στην δέκατη συνεδρίασι, 31ης Αύγουστου 1922 έγινε τροπολογία στους κανονισμούς της οργανώσεως κατά τρόπο που να έπιτρέπη στους πρώην ύπάτους Πρόεδρους να καταλαμβάνουν θέσεις στην 'Υπάτι Στοά με την προϋπόθεσι ότι θά εκλέγονται υπό των Κυβερνητών της 'Υπάτης Στοάς. Στην ίδια συνεδρίασι άπεφασίσθη ή σύγκλησις έκτάκτου συνέδου την 1ην Φεβρουαρίου 1922.

Η ένδεκάτη ήταν επίσης μιá κοινή συνεδρίασις της 'Υπάτης Στοάς και του Τμήματος Νο. 1 της 'Ατλάντας. Συζητήθηκαν άρθρα του κανονισμού και έντονώθη ότι τό άρθρο 16 έδινε πολλές έξουσιές στην 'Υπάτι Στοά. Κατόπιν αυτού άπεφασίσθη ή τροποποίησις του άρθρου 16 κατά τρόπο που να όρίζη ότι οι αντιπρόσωποι θά έχουν στο έτή-

οιο συνέδριο τό δικαίωμα νά ψηφίζουσι επί όλων τών νόμων και τών τροπολογιών πού άφοροῦσι τις περιφερειακές Στοές. Επίσης, ότι κάθε μέλος τής 'Υπάτης Στοάς θά έχη μία ψήφο στό συνέδριο.

'Απεφασίσθη, επίσης, ότι όλες οι οικονομικής φύσεως διοσοληψίες τής 'Υπάτης Στοάς, έκτός από τις διαπύνες λειτουργίας, θά υπόκεινται στην ψήφο τής πλειοψηφίας τών αντιπροσώπων τών συνεδρίων. 'Η άρμοδιότης αυτή θά ήταν τής 'Υπάτης Στοάς μέχρις ότου θά έπραγματοποιείτο τό πρώτο συνέδριο.

'Η Έγκρισις του Καταστατικού

Στήν δωδεκάτη συνεδρίασι τής 11ης Σεπτεμβρίου 1922 έγκρίθησαν οι αίτησεις 13 νέων μελών και τήν 9η 'Οκτωβρίου, στην 13η συνεδρίασι έγκρίθησαν και ψηφίσθησαν τό Καταστατικό και ό Κανονισμός τόσο τής 'Υπάτης Στοάς, όσο και του Τοπικού Τμήματος. 'Η τακτική συνεδρίασις του Τμήματος Νο. 1 τής 'Ατλάντας ώρίσθη για τήν Παρασκευή 13 'Οκτωβρίου.

Στήν 14η συνεδρίασι τής 11ης 'Οκτωβρίου 1922 έγκρίθησαν οι αίτησεις τών Byron Sonders και J. Burdine και συζητήθησαν τά σχέδια και τό συμβόλαιο για τήν ίδρυσι ενός Τμήματος Διαδόσεως.

'Η 15η συνεδρίασι τής 13ης 'Οκτωβρίου 1922 ήταν του Τμήματος Νο. 1 τής 'Ατλάντας. Κατ' αυτήν συζητήθη τό θέμα τής αύξήσεως τών μελών και σχέδια τέθησαν σέ εφαρμογή.

Κατά τήν 16η συνεδρίασι τής 30ης 'Οκτωβρίου 1922, έξουσιοδοτήθη ό 'Υπατος Πρόεδρος Τσότας νά διορίση τόν Γεώργιο Α. Πούλο ως ύπατο βοηθό για νά βοηθά τόν Πρόεδρο στην εργασία του, νά τόν αντιπροσωπεύη και νά ενεργή με τις οδηγίες του στην δημιουργία νέων Τμημάτων.

Τό δεύτερο Τμήμα

Στήν 17η συνεδρίασι τής 14ης Νοεμβρίου 1922, ό Γεώργιος Α. Πούλος ανέφερε ότι τό όπ' αριθμ. 2 Τμήμα τής ΑΗΕΡΑ ιδρύθηκε στην πόλι Σαρλότ τής Βορείου Καρολάινα με 45 μέλη μεταξύ τών οποίων πολλά διακεκριμένα άτομα μη ελληνικής καταγωγής.

'Η 18η συνεδρίασι τής 16ης Νοεμβρίου ήταν κοινή, τής 'Υπάτης Στοάς και του Τμήματος Νο. 1 τής 'Ατλάντας.

'Η χρήση τής 'Αγγλικής

'Η 19η συνεδρίασι τής 19ης Νοεμβρίου 1922 ήταν «άνοικτη» και για μη μέλη πού προσκλήθησαν νά ά-

κούσουν όμιλήτες. Οι John F. Burdine και ό George A. Poulos μίλησαν για τους σκοπούς και τά πλεονεκτήματα τής ΑΗΕΡΑ. Σέ άπάντησι έρωτήματος γιατί οι συζητήσεις δέν διεξαγόταν στην ελληνική γλώσσα, έδόθη ή άπάντησι ότι «αυτός άκριβώς ήταν ό σκοπός τής νέας οργανώσεως, νά ενθαρρύνη τους 'Ελληνοαμερικανούς νά μιλοῦν τήν άγγλική γλώσσα, και κυρίως δταν ένας βρίσκεται στον τόπο τής εργασίας του ή μεταξύ άλλων πού δέν γνωρίζουν τήν ελληνική». 'Ελέχθη, επίσης, ότι ή καλή χρήση τής άγγλικής είχε βασική σημασία για τόν 'Ελληνοαμερικανό στην εργασία του και στην κοινωνική του ζωή.

Στήν κοινή, 20η συνεδρίασι τής 21ης Νοεμβρίου 1922, έγινε ή άνάγνωσις τών τελετουργικών κανόνων και άφού έγκρίθησαν, έδόθη έντολή νά εκτυπωθούν.

'Η 21η συνεδρίασι τής 1ης Δεκεμβρίου 1922 άφιερώθηκε σέ πρόθεσι τών τελετουργικών τύπων πού εφαρμόζονται από τότε στις συνεδριάσεις τών μελών τών Τμημάτων τής ΑΗΕΡΑ. Παραρέυθησαν μόνο οι άδειωματούχοι τής 'Υπάτης Στοάς και του Τμήματος τής 'Ατλάντας.

Στήν 22α συνεδρίασι τής 8ης 'Ιανουαρίου 1923 έγινε μακρά συζήτησις πάνω στα άποτελέσματα του Τμήματος Διαδόσεως. 'Η συνδρομή τών μελών για τήν όρκωμοσία ώρίσθη σέ 20 δολάρια για κάθε νέο μέλος.

Τά έξοδα του «Τμήματος Διαδόσεως» τό όποιο είχε τήν εθύνη για τήν δημιουργία νέων Τμημάτων, ήταν μεγαλύτερα από τά έξοδα τών συνδρομούν όρκωμοσίας νέων μελών και ή Διεύθυνσις αυτή αναδιοργάνωση με νέα προσωπικό.

'Η πρώτη έπέτειος

'Η πρώτη έπέτειος τής οργανώσεως γιορτάσθηκε με θεία λειτουργία και με έκδρομή στην Greek Farm, Utoy Springs.

Τόν 'Ιούλιο του 1923 ή 'Υπάτη Στοά υιοθέτησε "The American Hellenic News" ως τό έπίσημο όργανο τής ΑΗΕΡΑ.

Τήν ίδια έποχή ή 'Υπάτη Στοά έξέφρασε τήν δυσαισθησία της με τά άποτελέσματα του Τμήματος Διαδόσεως υπό τήν νέα διοίκησι του και ή σχετική συμφωνία άκυρώθηκε. Ταυτοχρόνως, δόθηκαν οδηγίες όπως στό μέλλον τά Τμήματα καταβάλλουν τά ποσά πού εισπράτουν από νέα μέλη άπειθείας στο ταμείο τής 'Υπάτης Στοάς και όχι στο Τμήμα Διαδόσεως.

Ειδική συνεδρίασις τής 'Υπάτης Στοάς πραγματοποιήθηκε στις 17 Αύγουστου 1923, στο Γραφείο του

Τμήματος Διαδόσεως και συζητήθηκε ή κατάστασις τής οργανώσεως σ' ό,τι άφορά τά οικονομικά. 'Ο ύπατος Ταμίας Χάρρης 'Αγγελόπουλος έδωσε μία εικόνα τής οικονομικής καταστάσεως και εισηγήθη τήν σύγκλησι έθνικού Συνεδρίου τό συντομότερο δυνατό δν ήταν έπιθυμητή ή διάσωσι τής οργανώσεως και ή συνέχισις τής ύπάρξεώς της. 'Η πρότασι για τήν σύγκλησι έθνικού Συνεδρίου ένεκρίθη παμφηφεί και ό ύπατος Γραμματεός έλαβε έντολή νά έλθη σέ έπαφή με όλα τά Τμήματα και νά προσδιορίση τήν καταλληλότερη ημερομηνία για τό Συνέδριο.

'Ο πρώτος χρόνος

26 'Ιουλίου 1922—15 'Οκτωβρίου 1923

Κατά τήν διάρκεια του πρώτου χρόνου τής νέας 'Οργανώσεως δημιουργήθησαν 32 τοπικά Τμήματα και γράφησαν 1.300 μέλη. Τά Τμήματα αυτά ήταν τά ακόλουθα:

- # 1, Atlanta, Ga.
- # 2, Charlotte, N. C.
- # 3, Birmingham, Ala.
- # 4, Charleston, S. C.
- # 5, Savannah, Ga.
- # 6, Jacksonville, Fla.
- # 7, Memphis, Tenn.
- # 8, Shreveport, La.
- # 9, Fayetteville, N. C.
- # 10, Raleigh, N. C.
- # 11, Wilson, N. C.
- # 12, Tampa, Fla.
- # 13, Tulsa, Okla.
- # 14, Miami, Fla.
- # 15, St. Petersburg, Fla.
- # 16, Tarpon Springs, Fla.
- # 17, St. Augustine, Fla.
- # 18, West Palm Beach, Fla.
- # 19, Ft. Worth, Texas.
- # 20, Dallas, Texas.
- # 21, Fort Smith, Ark.
- # 22, El Dorado, Ark.
- # 23, Montgomery, Ala.
- # 24, Boston, Mass.
- # 25, New York City
- # 26, Philadelphia, Pa.
- # 27, Muskogee, Okla.
- # 28, Asheville, N. C.
- # 29, Houston, Texas.
- # 30, Baltimore, Md.
- # 31, Washington, D. C.
- # 32, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Παρά τήν έξαιρετική αυτή επιτυχία τής δημιουργίας 32 Τμημάτων (Charter όπως ονομάζονται στην άγγλική) ή 'Υπάτη Στοά αντιμετώπισε σοβαρά οικονομικά προβλήματα τά όποια ώδήγησαν στην σύγκλησι του Πρώτου 'Εθνικού Συνεδρίου (Convention).

('Η συνέχισις στο προσεχές Τεύχος)

REMARKS BY ADMIRAL FLMO R.
ZUMWALT, JR. AT COMBINED
SUPREME LODGE AND CYPRUS
COMMITTEE MEETING

I have been asked to speak to you about the Turkey-Greece situation in the Mediterranean from the standpoint of a military man. I feel that I can do so with complete openness and frankness as one who is out of office and one who knows the extent to which administrations sometime go to mold the opinions of those in office. In looking at the situation that we face in relation to the problems of Greece today, it is important for us, as Americans, to go back and remind ourselves of the situation that occurred at the end of World War II. We all remember, of course, the courageous fight that the gallant Greeks put up against the German invasion and the tremendous weight the Germans put on the strategic significance of the Island of Crete, putting the largest airborne force of the entire war into the effort to seize it. We recall the resistance that continued in Greece throughout that war. We recall the position of overwhelming superiority of the United States by the end of World War II. We recall that under popular pressures and in another period of "detente" with "good old Uncle Joe," the U.S. demobilized almost overnight, and that the Soviet Union did not. Within a matter of a very few months we had changed our situation from that of the world's most powerful nation to one which had as insurance against attack only the fact that we were then in exclusive possession of atomic weapons.

With conventional ground force superiority of overwhelming degree, however, Stalin proceeded with a combination of power and policy to overrun and occupy one nation after another in Eastern Europe until, as Mr. Winston Churchill suggested, an "Iron Curtain" descended over Europe. We recall that the newly liberated nation of Greece embarked upon an effort to reconstitute itself and that a rebellion was initiated from outside: the Communist insurgency within Greece. We know now from the book, *Conversations with Stalin* written by Milovan Djilas, the Yugoslavian compatriot of Tito, that Stalin said to his fellow Praesidium members at the time that the Anglo-American powers would never suffer their sea lines of communication in the Mediterranean to be severed. Nevertheless, like some Machiavelian mother whose children were spawned by the devil, he proceeded to let his Praesidium members play with this insurgency at the expense of countless lives in Greece until a combination of factors—the cooling of the relationship between Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union; the enunciation of the Truman Doctrine; the bringing of supplies across the thousands of miles; the demonstration by the United States Navy that through our capabilities we could bring the docks of New York closer to the insurgency than were the boondocks of Yugoslavia—finally led Stalin to step in and liquidate the insurgency, saying to his people in office: "Enough is enough. This thing has gotten dangerous." The insurgency was liquidated with thousands of Greek children carried away. The pressures were removed from the nation of Turkey. Those two nations were preserved for the free world.

There emerged subsequently the decision on the part of the United States Congress to provide the billions to reconstitute war-torn Europe through the Marshall Plan. There emerged the NATO Alliance as the economies of Europe were refurbished. Armies, air forces, navies began to reappear. The NATO Alliance

made it possible to draw a line of containment to stop the expansion by the Soviet Empire.

Then, we recall, in the Cuban missile crisis, when the Soviets in the effort suddenly to overcome a generation's advantage on our part in the strategic field, by greatly increasing the megatonnage that they could bring to bear and greatly cutting the warning time, the United States laid down the gauntlet, they found themselves facing not only strategic nuclear superiority on our part, on the order of 4 to 1, but also they found themselves facing maritime superiority around the Island of Cuba. And when they examined their options elsewhere they found a tough, integrated NATO Alliance ready to respond to any type of pressure they might bring to bear. The Soviets concluded that they just simply did not have viable options; they did the only thing that a rational, inferior, military empire can do—they accommodated. We gave them a graceful and face-saving way in which to accommodate. They embarked, as a result of that setback, on three programs. The first was another period of "detente"—the tes. ban. The second was to commence the largest, strategic construction program in history, one which continues to this very hour unchecked by any act of the current or previous administration, for each SALT agreement has permitted the Soviets to build to the level of their capability during the period of agreement. Third, they began the second largest maritime construction program in history, one exceeded only by our own World War II maritime expansion. That program continues to this day. As a result, we have found through a series of strategic negotiations that the Soviet Union has been given the opportunity to achieve the strategic missile superiority that we used to have. The Soviet Union—without negotiations, having out-spent us since 1971 as Secretary Schlesinger announced recently—has achieved conventional military superiority over the United States.

Now, let me just try to demonstrate for you what that means in terms of the crises through which this nation has had to go.

The first, with which I had to deal when I became the Chief of Naval Operations, was the Jordan crisis of September 1970. We recall that in that crisis the Soviet Union was convinced that they were now perceived as superior, but being careful, being rational, not wanting to risk war, they tested this perception through the Syrian invasion of Jordan. Three things went wrong with their calculus. First, the Jordanian army fought better than had been expected; second, the Israelis moved their forces northward, clearly ready to play a role, and third, the United States reinforced its Sixth Fleet with a third carrier task force and with marines embarked on board amphibious shipping. We recall that the Syrians were persuaded by the Soviet Union to withdraw; they were promised that their equipment would be replaced if they did withdraw. I went to the Sixth Fleet soon after and President Nixon came aboard the flagship. I remember how impressed he was, as was I, with the slides that demonstrated what would have been necessary to send U.S. Army forces into the Middle East. They would have had to fly out of Germany, into the North Sea, through the English Channel, through the Straits of Gibraltar, and then 2500 miles across the Mediterranean, landing only in Greece because no landing or even overflight rights had been granted by any other nation. The Army forces simply could not get there because we did not have the air tanker support to do it. So, we did the only thing we could do.

We used the Navy/Marine Corps team to show our hand and to provide the necessary power in that equation.

The Soviets went forward as they promised with the replacement of the Syrian equipment. The Syrians and Egyptians were trained in the art of strategic surprise. The strategy they used against Israel in October 1973 was Soviet strategy, identical to that which the Soviets used when they destroyed Czechoslovakia—exercises around the perimeter until they pounced. It fooled not only Israeli intelligence, but our own, and Israel was very nearly undone. Only the massive airlift and sealift of supplies made it possible to turn the situation around. The United States Navy scrambled to get ships into the Eastern Mediterranean with our commitments in Southeast Asia, with our Navy in a six-year period having been cut nearly in half. We could get only 65 ships into the Mediterranean. Those American ships faced a 50-percent numerical superiority in 98 Soviet ships.

Now, the situation was worse than that because of the capability of the Soviet Union to come at us with air strikes over four different axes of attack—out of Egypt, Syria, Crimea, and Yugoslavia. During that crisis, Soviet airlift aircraft were flying over the Peninsula of Turkey, directly over Turkish territory, to reinforce the Arabs while no airlift flights were permitted over Turkey on the part of the United States. During that crisis, Greece, however, permitted ships of the Sixth Fleet to continue to operate, as normally, out of Greek ports. I do not know how it would have been possible for the United States to show the degree of power it showed, had it not been for the fact that the Greeks were with us. Indeed, the then Chief of Navy of the Greeks happened to be with me in Newport at the time of the outbreak of that crisis, and he came to me and gave me his personal assurances, which I relayed to my Government, that regardless of any "window dressing" we could count on them to be with us throughout the crisis.

Now, you ask yourselves, what does this all add up to in terms of U.S. interest? In terms of the demonstrated tendency of one nation or the other, as between two allies, to stand with us, I think that you must come to certain conclusions.

But there is still more to the story. In two previous crises between Greece and Turkey, it has been positive action on the part of a President of the United States to send messages to his Ambassador to Turkey, his Ambassador to Greece, to his NATO Commander who in war would command Italian, Turkish, and Greek forces, and to his U.S. Sixth Fleet, that has produced the calculus of factors, that has prevented the invasion of Cyprus. In the current crisis, this was not done.

Before the Congress makes a vote on a decision as critical as the vote that is about to come up, it seems to me that this Administration owes the Congress and the people an explanation: (1) why the necessary actions were not taken prior to the coup in Cyprus; (2) why the necessary actions were not taken prior to the Turkish invasion; and (3) why the Turks were permitted, after the truce, to extend their territorial seizures beyond their present holdings, and to take territories that had never been at issue, as between the Turkish and Greek communities. It seems to me that what is needed in this situation, as in so many others over the last six years, is a "truth in packaging" foreign policy. The people of these United States and the Congress have got to understand the issues before decisions are made.

We are observing frequent violations of the agreed rules of "detente" between ourselves and the Soviet Union. Failure to

report these violations is adding to the euphoria of the American people and accelerating the rate at which we cut our defense budgets. The U.S.S.R. aided and abetted Hanoi in the conquest of Cambodia and South Vietnam in violation of the truce and of "detente." The Soviet Union urged the Arabs to apply the oil embargo, to quadruple the oil prices, to take their money out of U.S. banks. The Soviet Union has promised to assist the Arabs in the event of U.S. intervention and to help them with any marketing/production difficulties in the event of another embargo.

Why, in the face of this kind of "detente," is the Administration continuing not to report the facts to the American people? I believe that in this kind of false "detente," the NATO Alliance has never been of greater significance to us. I believe that it is absolutely mandatory for the United States to be able to retain its ties to both Turkey and Greece. But, like a father who has to choose between two sons, if I have to choose between two sons, if I have to choose between these two very important allies, there is absolutely no doubt in my mind that the United States has got to come down in favor of Greece.

If you look at the long line of stepping stones, the Azores, Portugal, Spain, Italy, Greece, Turkey; if between those two nations one set of ties has to be cut, that set with the nation at the end of the line is strategically easiest to do without. We simply cannot reinforce Israel or come to the assistance of any other allies in the area, including Turkey unless we have the facilities that Greece has always made available to us. In my judgment, there is nothing in Turkey that could possibly equate to the strategic significance of just one facility in the Island of Crete, Souda Bay, where we have a major anchorage for the Sixth Fleet and an airfield without which we simply could not maintain the readiness of our carrier air crews. This facility is the single most important facility in the whole eastern Mediterranean. In addition to that, the access of our Sixth Fleet ships to Greece is of far more importance than access to any other nation.

We surely should be able to count on the Greeks in the future as we have throughout ups and downs over the last 25 years, whereas the Turks have frequently stood aside. The strategic merits come down in favor of Greece. The political viability of alliance ties come down in favor of Greece. And finally, when one looks at the difference between the efforts of the two governments truly to come to an accommodation in Cyprus that is fair for all, this present government of Greece has gone far beyond half the difference to try to achieve an equitable settlement.

There are many unanswered questions that have got to be brought out by this Administration before an intelligent vote can be made by the Congress, or before intelligent declarations of intentions can be made by the constituents of congressmen. I think it is important to keep the pressure on to get a "truth in packaging" foreign policy with regards to the eastern Mediterranean as well as elsewhere. It is important to our political process that it be made clear to this administration and the Congress that if we are to resume the important aid to Turkey, it should be as part of a general settlement in Cyprus to make it possible for this United States to retain, hopefully, both allies, but in any event the more critical of the two.



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HOUSE OK'S RESEARCH FUNDING FOR COOLEY'S ANEMIA

WASHINGTON, DC—Cong. James J. Florio (D 1st-NJ), said the House approved a bill which would provide funding for the research of Cooley's anemia.

Florio said he was particularly pleased with the passage of the Heart, Lung and Blood Act Amendments of 1975, which would provide funding for research, testing and screening for genetic blood disorders, especially Cooley's anemia.

Cooley's anemia is a blood disorder found in children whose ancestors are native to countries surrounding the Mediterranean Sea.

The victims of this disease are subjected to monthly hospital visits in order to sustain life. During these hospital visits, quantities of iron are infused into the blood stream. These quantities of iron cannot be removed by the body and eventually cause death, usually in the teenage years.

"The medical knowledge regarding the cause and possible cure and treatment of Cooley's anemia is not much different today than it was ten years ago," Florio explained, "yet, it is estimated that there are 200,000 persons of Italian and Greek ancestry that are carriers of this disease."

The funding in this legislation will provide \$20 million for the coming fiscal year and \$25 million in the following year for the testing and screening of genetic blood disorders.

Florio said, "I feel it is important that this country devote some of its medical resources to see that this blood disorder is eradicated."

This legislation is now awaiting action by the Senate.



The following telegram was sent to Brother Harry Angelopoulos who recently celebrated his 90th birthday.

On behalf of the Supreme Lodge and all the members of the Order of Abepa I extend to you fraternal greetings and best wishes for health and happiness upon the occasion of your 90th birthday. We rejoice to have all these years providing us with inspiration to carry out the high ideals and objects of the Order of Abepa. We express once again our deep appreciation to you as a founding father of our beloved fraternity. Many happy returns.

William G. Chirgots
Supreme President

"Every Member Enroll A Member"

1975-76 AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE GOAL—5,000 NEW MEMBERS OCTOBER 1, 1975 to JUNE 30, 1976

In preparation for the 1976 Ahepa Supreme Convention to be held in Houston, Texas next August, 1976, and also in celebration of the American Revolution Bicentennial in 1976, Supreme President William G. Chirgotis has issued a call to all officers and members of the fraternity to enlist a minimum of 5,000 New Members into the Order between now and June 30, 1976.

"There is a tremendous potential in the United States and Canada of prospective members for the Order of Ahepa and its Auxiliaries," the Supreme President stated. "I am therefore asking all Chapters, all officers, and all true Ahepans to reach into every community in the United States and Canada and to secure a **MINIMUM** of 5,000 New Members before June 30, 1976.

An Appeal to our Members

"A MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION has been inserted

in this issue of *The Ahepan* (and will also be repeated in future issues) which YOU, my good Brothers, are asked to tear out, and use to bring in a **NEW MEMBER** for your own Ahepa Chapter. You have from now until June to complete this request. There is ample time for us to reach our goals, but **ONLY** if all officers and all members of **ALL** chapters start to work immediately."

Ahepa Headquarters is mailing blank Membership Applications to every Chapter Secretary, with the request that each Chapter begin its drive immediately.

BROTHER AHEPAN—Tear out the Membership Application you will find in this issue, and "sign up" that New Member within the next day or so. Then, ask your Chapter Secretary for additional application blanks, and do your share in building up your chapter's membership.

AWARDS: Round-trip Coach Air Flight to the 1976 Houston Supreme Convention to:

(1) The District 1975-76 District Governors whose Districts Achieve their Quota of 20% Membership Increase (Based on District June 30, 1975 Membership)

(2) **IN ADDITION**, One (1) additional Round-trip Flight to the 1976 Houston Supreme Convention will be given to a Chapter but only in **THOSE DISTRICTS THAT ACHIEVE THEIR 20% MEMBERSHIP INCREASE**. This additional Drive Award is therefore **LIMITED** to Districts that achieve their Quota, and is also **LIMITED** to those Ahepa Chapters within that District who Achieve their Chapter Quota. Chapters that comply with this requirement will be eligible for a drawing to be held in Washington and those eligible Chapters within that District will each have one (1) chance for every new and reinstated member enrolled. Thus, a Chapter that enrolls 50 new and reinstated members will have 50 chances in the drawing. The member in the chapter that wins the drawing who has enrolled the **MOST** New and Reinstated members, will be declared the winner of the round-trip air passage to the Houston Convention. (Note: *Minimum* Chapter Quota of ten (10) new and/or Reinstated members.)

(3) (a) To the individual member who brings in the **MOST NEW AND REINSTATED MEMBERS** (in his own Chapter) in the entire Ahepa Domain \$300.00 Cash Award

(b) To the individual member who brings in the Second Highest number of New and Reinstated Members (in his own Chapter) in the entire Ahepa Domain \$200.00 Cash Award

(c) To the individual member who brings in the Third Highest number of New and Reinstated Members (in his own Chapter) in the entire Ahepa Domain \$100.00 Cash Award

NEW AND REINSTATED MEMBERS: The Membership Drive covers both New and Reinstated Members, and will only include those either initiated or reinstated not later than June 30, 1976, and **RECEIVED AT AHEPA HEADQUARTERS WITH FULL PAYMENTS AND APPLICATIONS NOT LATER THAN JULY 1, 1976 POSTMARK**, and will also include all initiations and Reinstatements acted upon by Chapters on or after September 1, 1975, to give credit to those Chapters and members who have been working **PRIOR** to this announcement of the Drive.

DISTRICT QUOTAS: These are the **DISTRICT QUOTAS** for the Drive:

Dist. # 1:	130	Dist. # 9:	110	Dist. #17:	75
Dist. # 2:	155	Dist. #10:	162	Dist. #18:	75
Dist. # 3:	270	Dist. #11:	322	Dist. #19:	75
Dist. # 4:	266	Dist. #12:	123	Dist. #20:	268
Dist. # 5:	266	Dist. #13:	459	Dist. #21:	195
Dist. # 6:	398	Dist. #14:	121	Dist. #22:	107
Dist. # 7:	160	Dist. #15:	84	Dist. #23:	75
Dist. # 8:	348	Dist. #16:	122	Dist. #24:	75

(NOTE: THE MINIMUM QUOTA FOR ANY DISTRICT IS 75)

All Fees and Applications, including Per Capita Tax, must be received at Ahepa Headquarters NOT LATER THAN JULY 1, 1976 POSTMARK to receive credit in this Drive and Awards.

IMPORTANT: IN ORDER FOR ANY CHAPTER OR DISTRICT TO QUALIFY FOR AN AWARD, THE DISTRICT, AS A WHOLE, MUST ATTAIN OR PASS ITS STATED QUOTA FOR THE DRIVE. IN ORDER FOR A CHAPTER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE AWARD, NOT ONLY MUST THE CHAPTER'S DISTRICT HAVE ATTAINED ITS QUOTA, BUT THE CHAPTER MUST ALSO HAVE ATTAINED ITS CHAPTER QUOTA OF A 20% INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP. FOR THE CHAPTERS, THERE IS A MINIMUM CHAPTER QUOTA OF TEN (10) NEW AND/OR REINSTATED MEMBERS. THE DISTRICT MINIMUM QUOTAS ARE STATED ABOVE.



Supreme Governors George Gabriel and John Mandros with the President of Ahepa Chapter # 71, Nicholas Gianopoulos and the District # 4 Secretary Brother Arthur Moshos.

"SUPREME GOVERNORS ATTEND
AHEPA # 71 MEETING"

Supreme Governors George Gabriel and John Mandros attended the October 26th meeting of Red Rose Chapter # 71, Lancaster, PA. The meeting was held at the Landis Valley Motor Inn. The Supreme Governors informed the Lancaster Ahepans of Ahepa's aims pertaining to the Cyprus situation and Cooley's Anemia.

The meeting was followed by "Monte Carlo Night", an evening of fun and fortune for the members and their wives and guests.

According to President Nicholas Gianopoulos, the projections of Ahepa # 71 for the balance of the year 1976 are:

November 15—"Taverna Night" featuring the "Trio Bel Canto" and "Jimmy Skoufalos and the Townsmen East". All proceeds from this dance will benefit the Ahepa # 71 Scholarship Fund, Cyprus Fund, and the Annunciation Church Youth Lounge.

November 23—"Annual Dinner Meeting" at the Stock Yard Inn, with nominations for 1977 officers.

December's meeting will have the traditional Christmas theme.

ATTENTION:
ALL AHEPA OFFICERS

T I M E
Your Most
Important Asset

As officers of the Order of Ahepa, you are EXECUTIVES who must control and manage the TIME available to you in your present office — twelve months. Management of time is essentially a matter of self-discipline. Don't waste TIME by — excuse-making — worrying — holding post-mortems — procrastinating — day-dreaming.

Be decisive — don't be afraid of making mistakes — come to a decision promptly, after serious study of the work to be done.

First, become wholly familiar with your duties and responsibilities. The Constitution provides an overall area of responsibility — a meeting of all District Lodge Officers should then result in "assigned" duties, for each member of the District Lodge.

Second, write down all of the important tasks that come under your jurisdiction — enumerate them — list them in order of importance — and in time-sequence.

Third, take each item and work out your plan of action in full detail, down to the smallest item if necessary. You'll find that this procedure brings out new and interesting thoughts and ideas that may even change your original plan of action.

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MARCH/APRIL 1976

REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE

We have examined the foregoing application, investigated the applicant and recommend that he be accepted rejected

Committee

TEAR OUT THIS SHEET - USE TO ENROLL A NEW MEMBER!

**ORDER
OF
AHEPA**

FOUNDED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA, JULY 26, 1922
1975-76 AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL
NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE



**APPLICATION
FOR MEMBERSHIP**

By _____
Name of Applicant

In _____ Chapter No. _____
Name

At _____ State _____
City

SUPREME LODGE HEADQUARTERS
AHEPA BUILDING - 1422 K ST., N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C. - 20005

CERTIFICATION TO THE SUPREME LODGE

The Secretary of the Chapter will write in the blank spaces the full and complete information requested, and will forward this application, together with the required fee, to the Headquarters of the Order of Ahepa.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the Applicant.

(Name of Applicant)
was duly initiated by _____ Chapter
Name
No. _____ on the _____ day of _____ 19____
and the Chapter's Serial Number of this Application is _____
Signed _____
Secretary
Chapter No. _____

**THIS SPACE RESERVED FOR
SUPREME LODGE HEADQUARTERS**

Fee Received and approved _____, 19____
Date and Initials
Application Recorded _____
Date and Initials
National Serial Number _____
Chapter Serial Number _____
Alphabetical Index Card Made _____
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Kardex File Card Made _____
Date and Initials
Placed on Mailing List _____
Date and Initials
Certificate of Membership Issued _____
Date and Initials
Filed: _____
Date and Initials

Application for membership must be completely filled in, signed and accompanied with full initiation fee before it can be considered by any chapter.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

DECLARATION OF APPLICANT

Being assured that the Order of Ahepa inculcates patriotic devotion to the United States of America; teaches understanding and respect toward the language, history and traditions of the Hellenic race; exemplifies faith in God and belief in the Divinity of Jesus Christ; promotes enlightenment and good will, and practices benevolence and mutual helpfulness—

I HEREBY APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN

Name _____ Chapter No. _____

Located at _____
and AGREE to keep faithfully the obligations I am about to assume as a member of this Order, obey its laws, respect its officers, and honor its mandates.

Personal History

My name is _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

I reside at _____
(Number and Street) (Telephone)

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

My business address is _____
(Number) (Street)

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

I prefer to receive mail at my _____ address
(Business or Residence)

My occupation is _____

I was born in _____
(City) (State) (Country)

on the _____ day of _____ and am
(Month) (Year)

now _____ years of age.

I served in the armed forces of _____

Name branch of service _____

and was honorably discharged with the rank or rate of _____

on _____ (date).

I was, was not a member of the Sons of Pericles in _____
City

State _____

I am, am not a college student at _____
School

PLEASE CHECK

I am a citizen of the United States of America _____

I am not a citizen of the United States of America _____

I have applied for my citizenship papers _____

I intend to take out my citizenship papers _____

I have lived in this country _____ years, and within the jurisdiction of the Chapter _____ years.

I am a member of the following organizations: _____

I am married—single—widower.

I have _____ boys and _____ girls.

I have—have not—applied previously for membership in any Chapter of the Ahepa prior to this application. My application was accepted—rejected—withdrawn—on or about _____ (date) by _____ Chapter No. _____

and I offer the following explanation: _____

I do—do not—believe in the existence of God.

I do—do not—believe in the Divinity of Jesus Christ.

My religious affiliation is _____

I believe myself worthy of the rights and privileges enjoyed by the members of this Order. I know of no reason why I should not become a member, and I promise, if accepted, to perform every duty required of me by the laws and traditions of Ahepa, and will not take undue advantage of, or abuse, my privileges as member thereof.

Signed _____
Applicant

Date of Application _____

ENDORSEMENT

Mindful of our sacred duties and obligations to the Order of Ahepa, and as members thereof in good standing, we hereby endorse the

application of _____
recommend that he be admitted into the mysteries of the Order, and vouch for his good character, sincerity of purpose, and worthiness of the privilege to become a member.

_____ First Endorser

_____ Second Endorser



FRATERNITY NEWS



Supreme Vice-President Peter N. Derzis visits Steel City Chapter # 420; shown here with Brother George Sarris; Chapter President Angelos Petelos; District Governor Nick Glenos; Tony Petelos and Angelo Sarris.

SENATOR THOMAS T. EAGLETON VISITS CYPRUS

Senator Thomas F. Eagleton, along with his son Terry and Sam Nakis of St. Louis, Past Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, paid a visit to his Beatitude, Archbishop Makarios in the Archbishop's home in Nicosia.

The Archbishop thanked the senator for his support of the cause of peace and justice on Cyprus.

On leaving the Archbishop, Senator Eagleton said, "Archbishop Makarios is one of the great statemen of our age. I share his beliefs that there must be a unified Cyprus and that people must be permitted to return to their homes. As we usher in a new year, I hope and pray that 1976 will be the year of peace and unity for the troubled, but courageous people of Cyprus."

From left to right, Mr. George Palaghias (Director General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs), Senator Tom Eagleton, Archbishop Makarios, Sam Nakis (former Supreme President of AHEPA), and Senator Eagleton's son Terry.



WILLIAM G. CHIRGOTIS SELECTED

"NEWSMAKER OF THE YEAR"

In the seventh annual review of people and events which appeared throughout 1975, the editorial writer Louis Economopoulos of the Jersey Scene, a regular feature that appears in the National Herald, unanimously selected Supreme President William G. Chirgotis as "Newsmaker of the Year".

The reasons cited for the selection were:

"Chirgotis was relected for his second straight term as Supreme President of the Largest Greek-American organization, AHEPA.

He was honored with a testimonial dinner in June by the Eureka Chapter No. 52 of Newark, where he served as president in 1935. More than 500 persons gathered to honor Chirgotis.

Chirgotis made repeated trips to Cyprus and Greece and has talked to the heads of those countries in an effort to solve the refugee problem caused by the Turkish invasion of 1974. He has also met with President Ford and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger."

EVZONE CHAPTER INITIATION

Empire State District No. 6, Lt. Governor George Douris presided over the installation ceremonies of the newly elected officers of Evzone Chapter No. 405 of Westchester. The impressive ceremonies were held on Wednesday, January 14th, 1976 at McGuire's Restaurant in Mamaroneck, New York.

Re-elected to his second term as President of the Evzone Chapter was Brother Steve Vali who pledged to initiate and reinstate 25 new members by June. Besides Vali the new officers were, Thomas Dushas, Vice President, James Zafiros, 2nd Vice President, James Plevritis, Secretary/Treasurer and Jack Marantis, Chairman of the Board of Governors.

Members of the Board of Governors are: John Panos, John Plevritis, John Koltis, G. Papademetriou, George Plevritis, Dr. George Pappas and John Rodakis.

letters to the Editor

Dear Mr. Chirgotis:

Words are inadequate at times like this to express and acknowledge my appreciation for your inquiries, concern, heartfelt prayers for George's recovery, and for your visit while he was in the hospital. The fruit that you and Mrs. Chirgotis sent George for Christmas was delicious, and your best wishes were consoling to us all during those trying weeks.

George's sisters, their families, Betsy, John and I deeply appreciate your thoughtful expressions of sympathy which are of the greatest comfort to us in our sorrow.

We all thank you for attending George's funeral with Mrs. Chirgotis, for the beautiful floral wreath from you both, and for being one of the pallbearers. The tribute you accorded to George was not only eloquent, but it reflected the feelings of all who knew him and conveyed their respect for his memory.

Thank you for your kindness and again for your many expressions of sympathy.

You and Mrs. Chirgotis have my best wishes. May God bless you and yours with good health.

Respectfully and sincerely,

Mary Ann Leber
(Mrs. George J. Leber)

Dear Mr. Chirgotis:

I am writing this letter to you, in order to express my warmest congratulations for your great efforts which you have made for Cyprus, and its martyric people.

As a Greek patriot, and a student at the University of Kentucky, I am very proud of you. Congratulations again!

Sincerely yours,

Nick C. Pappas

THE WHITE HOUSE

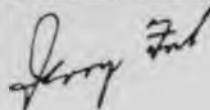
WASHINGTON

April 14, 1976

Dear Bill:

Mrs. Ford and I were happy to be with you and your colleagues on April 5, for the Bicentennial Congressional Dinner of the Order of AHEPA. I just want you to know how much we appreciate your warm welcome. Your many courtesies made this an especially enjoyable evening for us.

With our warmest good wishes,



Mr. William G. Chirgotis
Supreme President
AHEPA
1422 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005

*"Build your walls in the
morn'g they build a foundation
under them".*

TO THE MEMBERS OF
THE AHEPA FAMILY
AND FRIENDS

Dear Friends:

George's sisters, their families, John and I acknowledge with grateful appreciation your heartfelt prayers, cards, wires, flowers, inquiries, telephone calls, concern, and best wishes for his complete recovery during his stay in the hospital.

Also, we deeply appreciate your thoughtful expressions of sympathy which are of the greatest comfort to us in our time of sorrow.

George recognized his obligation was to make the most of his natural gifts. He had a "Greek sense of personal achievement," for he also knew that "no people can afford to neglect its own origins." He strove for excellence, and without your cooperation and friendship, George would not have been able to achieve his goal in this life. He truly loved his work and appreciated your help in accomplishing his dream.

Thank you for the love, friendship, and devotion shown to George and our family during his tenure with the Ahepa Family. May God rest his soul; may his memory be eternal. God Bless you all.

Respectfully and with affection,

Mary Ann Leber
(Mrs. George J. Leber)

Our MEMBERSHIP DRIVE is in full swing again this year. We are offering many various prizes and hopefully these prizes will bring about greater participation than last year. Nevertheless, the success of any program within an organization depends upon the activity of the members and the Chapters.

Let us consider the impact of an increase in membership. Aside from the fact that it bolsters the activity of the Chapter, financially it provides additional funds to carry on the many worthy projects we have undertaken during the past year.

AEHEPA EMPIRE DISTRICT CELEBRATES
GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY

More than 400 prominent Ahepans and their guests celebrated Greek Independence Day with a gala dinner dance at the Plaza Hotel in Manhattan, sponsored by Empire District No. 6 Lodge.

Governor Hugh Carey, Mayor Abraham D. Beame, Ahepa Supreme President William G. Chirgotis, Ahepa Supreme Vice President Peter Derzis, Daughters of Penelope Grand President Katherine Caravasios, City Council President Paul R. O'Dwyer, Attorney General Louis Lefkowitz, Comptroller Harrison J. Golden, District Governor James Thomas, and Daughters District Governor Mrs. Dennis Lividas, were honored guests.

Mayor Beame presented to 15 Past District Governors present at the dinner the city's cuff links—with the city seal—for their outstanding service to Ahepa, their city and state.

The speaking program was limited and the theme of the gala event was "good companionship" and that was enjoyed by all.

The program was opened by Dinner Chairman Stephen Vali, who welcomed the guests in behalf of Ahepa.

Supreme Treasurer George Dimas, who was the suprise recipient of the District's "outstanding Ahepan" plaque for his many years of devotion to the fraternity, introduced the toastmaster, Past Supreme President Stephen S. Scopas.

Past District Governor Steve C. Arniotis introduced Mayor Beame, Past District Governor Angelo Petromelis introduced Governor Carey, both public officials spoke to the crowd about Ahepans' contributions to the city and state and Greek independence and its meaning to all Americans.

Chirgotis and Thomas also Spoke and the invocation was given by Reverend Doctor John Poulos, Police Chaplain, and the National Anthems were sung by Helen Keramidas of the Metropolitan Greek Chorale.

Vali was Dinner Chairman and Leonidas Damascus served as Vice Chairman, Past Hermes President George Katsamides was Ticket Chairman. Members of the Executive Committee included Louis Dukas, Past Supreme Counsellor; Lee Gournades, Executive Secretary of Queensboro; Gustave Coffinas, Past Supreme Counsellor; George Kay of Staten Island Chapter, Archie Mavromatis, Vice President of Karabatos Chapter; Dimas, Scopas, Petromelis, Arniotis, Jason Goumas, District Secretary John Sakona, District Treasurer and all chapter presidents.

The District Governors honored by Mayor Beame included: Stephen S. Scopas; Louis Dukas; Dr. Kimon A. Doukas, Past Supreme President; Dennis Lividas; Nicholas Coffinas, Past Supreme President; Gus Cherevas, Past Supreme President; John S. Linakis; Angelo Petromelis; Steven Arniotis; James Plevritis; Thomas J. Lukas; Charles J. Drewes; Stephen Parnassa and present District Governor James A. Thomas.

The dinner was put into motion by Lieutenant Governor George Douris.

STAY IN GOOD STANDING.
Pay Your Dues



MR. PRESIDENT: New York State Governor Hugh Carey greets Ahepa Supreme President William G. Chirgotis at Empire District No. 6 Greek Independence Day dinner at the Plaza Hotel.



Supreme Ahepa Treasurer George Dimas receives from Lt. Governor George T. Douris the District's "Ahepa of the Year" award for his many years of devotion to the fraternity.



A SMILE: Having fun at the ball are from left to right, Col. Peter N. Derzis, Supreme Vice President; Katherine Caravasios, Grand President of the Daughters of Penelope; William G. Chirgotis, Supreme President and George T. Douris, Lt. Governor.



Judge Gregory Lakakos, Past Supreme Counsellor, received greetings at the Empire District No. 6 Greek Independence Day Ball from District Governor James Thomas, right, and Past District Governor Stephen Parnassa, center.

THE AHEPA FAMILY IN PHILADELPHIA
HOLDS ITS INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Ahepa Family in Philadelphia held its installation of officers on January 23, 1976. A capacity audience filled the Sheraton Hotel Pennsylvania Ballroom to witness the official ceremonies. Afterwards, a cocktail reception and dance was held in honor of the newly installed officers.

Over forty Officers and Governors from five chapters received their oath of office. Ahepans of the Hercules-Spartan Chapter # 26 were installed by Supreme Governor John C. Mandros and Supreme Governor George P. Gabriel. These two distinguished members of the Supreme Lodge were introduced by District Governor William Mackrides of Power District #4. At the conclusion of the installation ceremonies, Supreme Governor Mandros gave an informative, humorous and inspiring message. He praised the accomplishments of the chapter and asked that it continue to grow by conducting a vigorous membership drive in 1976. Supreme Governor Mandros then presented a citation of merit to the retiring chapter President, Peter J. Pakuris, from the Supreme President. A fifty year service award was presented to the chapter by District Governor Mackrides.

George Bonatsos, the newly installed President of the Hercules-Spartan Chapter welcomed those in attendance and presented gifts to the visiting dignitaries. Also attending from the District Lodge were District Treasurer Speros Tsipras, District Advisor Emmanuel Pelekanos and District Publications Chairman George J. Gialas. In the audience were Rev. John A. Limberakis and Past Chapter Presidents, John S. Manos, John S. Kokonas, Ernest A. Chletcos and Dean A. Theodos.

The Daughters of Penelope Tritonia Chapter # 129 performed their traditional "candlelight ritual" in a moving installation ceremony. Grand Governor Ellen H. Kalligonis was the installing officer for her home chapter. She expressed her most sincere best wishes for the chapter to excel in all of its endeavors throughout 1976. The newly installed Tritonia President, Elpis Kyriazis, spoke on behalf of the chapter and presented gifts to Grand Governor Kalligonis. In the audience were District Governor Theodora Coroneos of District # 3 and Past Tritonia President Joanne Buchjakian. At the reception which followed, the Daughters provided a buffet of tasty mezethes.

The Sons of Pericles Titan Chapter # 10 presented its officers for installation before District Governor Peter Pavlis. The ceremony was well executed and District Governor Pavlis expressed his congratulations to the newly installed officers. He spoke of the enthusiasm of the chapter and his hope for a productive and successful year. Titan President Philip Mantas then joined his District Governor on the dais.

The Aspasia # 196 and EPE # 65 Chapter officers of the Maids of Athena were jointly installed. District Governor JoAnna Pahides congratulated the officers for their love for each other and hard work. She then introduced Grand Governor Anna Maria Coroneos, the installing officer for the Maids. After the ritual was completed, the newly installed Chapter Presidents, Denise Giordas (Aspasia) and Georgia Lacas (EPE) presented gifts of appreciation to Grand Governor Coroneos. Other District Lodge Officers in attendance were District Lieutenant Governor Martha Skoutelas, District Secretary-Treasurer Stella Beldecos and District Advisor Marion Roebas.

POUGHKEEPSIE CHAPTER # 152
HOLDS COMBINED INSTALLATION

Poughkeepsie Chapter # 152 of the Order of Ahepa and Corinth Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope held combined installation ceremonies at the Hellenic Center in Poughkeepsie on Tuesday, February 3, 1976.

Louis Labrinos was installed as President of the Ahepa Chapter and Pauline Matheos was installed as President of the Daughters Chapter.

Other Ahepa Officers installed were: John Skapetis, Vice President, Peter Givas, Secretary; William Chamouris, Treasurer; Nicholas Chumbres, Chairman of the Board of Governors. Members of the Board of Governors were: John Kerasiotis, Harry Dourdis, Theodore Patros, Marcos Fytios.

The following officers were installed in the Daughters: Phoebe Pechewlys, Vice President; Peggy Sofokles, Recording Secretary; Patricia Chamouris, Corresponding Secretary; Olga Waldron, Treasurer; Maria Givas, Chairman of the Board of Governors. Members of the Board of Governors were: Georgia Muccio, Maria Garofalis, Jenny Patros, Georgia Dourdis.

Installing officers were Lt. Governor George Douris, assisted by District Secretary, Jason Goumas, District Treasurer, John Sakona, Past Supreme Governor Steve Pechewlys, Ahepa Messenger Editor, Archie Mavromatis and Ahepa Bicentennial Chairman Elias Gounardes.

A reception followed the impressive ceremonies at which time Lt. Governor Douris spoke of the District's Programs and urged for support of the Ahepa Combined Ball on Friday, March 26th at the Plaza Hotel in New York City, the Mass Initiations to be held in May, the Bicentennial Salute on Saturday, June 12th at the 7th Regiment Armory in New York City and the District Convention during the last weekend in June sponsored by the Theodore Roosevelt Chapter.

STATEN ISLAND INSTALLATIONS

Borough President Robert T. Connor of Staten Island was the guest speaker at the Combined Installation ceremonies of the Order of Ahepa Staten Island Chapter # 349 and the Daughters of Penelope.

Ahepa Lt. Governor George Douris conducted the ceremonies for the Ahepans and Daughters Lt. Governor Stella Rigas did likewise for the Daughters.

Brother Markos Skevofilas, was installed as President and other officers included: James Trivelas, Vice President; Nicholas Mardikos, Corresponding Secretary; John Marangos, Financial Secretary; James Sarantos, Treasurer; Michael Vasilakis, Chairman of the Board of Governors. Members of the Board of Governors were: Gus Anastos, Nicholas Kanakaris, James Mardikos, Gus Smirlis. Other officers installed were: Louis Athas, Warden; Nicholas Itsines, Chaplin; Charles Pappas, Captain of the Guard; Spencer Hondros, Sentinel; and Dennis Constant, Athletic Director.

The "Michael Constant" Chapter is planning "full activities" for the coming year according to its President Skevofilas.

The Borough President praised Ahepa for its many activities in the Staten Island Community and for its keen interest in civic affairs particularly through its scholarship program. Tribute was also paid to the late Michael Constant who was a mainstay of the Staten Island Chapter and community until his untimely death two years ago.



ATHENS, GREECE—Prime Minister Constantine Caramanlis with Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa William G. Chirgotis, Past Supreme President Judge Nicholas Coffinas and Chairman of the Board of Trustees Nick Smyrnis.



NICOSIA, CYPRUS—The Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa William G. Chirgotis with Archbishop Makarios, Chairman of the Board of Trustees Nick Smyrnis and Foreign Minister Dino Moushoutsas.



Constantine Trypanis (center), Minister of Culture and Sciences in the cabinet of Greek premier Constantine Caramanlis came to Washington recently for informal talks and met with Congressman Paul Sarbanes (D-Md.) and Congressman John Brademas (D-Ind.).

DISTRICT AHEPA OFFICERS PARTICIPATE IN DANBURY AREA CHAPTER INSTALLATIONS

On Sunday January 25, 1976 in the Community Room of the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in Danbury, Conn., Ahepa chapter #90 held its annual installation of officers for 1976. Installing officers were members of the District Lodge of Yankee District #7. The installing officers were: Peter Stamos, Lt. Gov., Mino M. Marnel, Sect., George Lakatzis, Treas., and Berge Kooloian, Marsh. Lt. Gov. Stamos administered the oath of office to the newly elected officers of the chapter. Installed were: Vasilios Trantafilius President, Milton Sarantides Vice-President, Chris Totolos Secretary, and Manny Hatzes Treasurer.

Ahepa dignitaries who were also present and introduced to the numerous members and guests present were: Nicholas Giatrelis Past District Governor of Yankee District #7, Dan Athanasion Deputy Athletic Advisor, and George Scarvelles President of the New Haven Chapter.

Lt. Gov. Stamos, speaking for District Governor Spero C. Samaras, and members of his Lodge, congratulated the newly elected officers.

WILLIAM PENN CHAPTER # 61 INSTALLS OFFICERS

William Penn Chapter No. 61, Order of AHEPA, installed officers for 1976 in a ceremony Saturday in the Garden Room of the Crystal Restaurant.

Heading the Greek organization this year are: Michael Firilas, president; Stanley Theodosiou, vice president; Gust Capiotis, secretary; Peter Morris, treasurer; George Heckman, captain of the guard; Nick Macaronis, chaplain; Christ Pettis, warden; and Andreas Iannidis, athletic director.

The following comprise the board of directors: Nicholas Kantaxis, chairman; Louis Sophianos, George Kakalelis, Mike Daniels and Gust Chaknos, governors; and Ernest Orphanos and Ignatios Savadelis, sentinels.

The oath of office was administered by William Macrides of Norristown, District 4 governor.

Supreme officers in attendance included George P. Gabriel of Allentown, John Mandros of Bethlehem and Col. Arthur Karkalas of Wynnewood.



**THE NEWLY ELECTED DISTRICT LODGE OFFICERS
OF YANKEE DISTRICT # 7**

Seated Left to Right—George Lakatzis, Treasurer; Peter Stamos, Lt. Governor; Spiro C. Samaras, Governor; Mino G. Marnel, Secretary; Standing Left to Right—Paul N. Fotos, Athletic Advisor; Ernie Tasoulas, Advisor; Berge Kooloian, Marshal.

**PAWTUCKET AHEPA FAMILY CHAPTERS
TO HOST YANKEE DISTRICT # 7
CONVENTION**

Olympia Chapter # 121 Order of Ahepa, and Erine Chapter # 335 Daughters of Penelope of Pawtucket, R.I., will host the 1976 Yankee District # 7 Convention during the weekend of May 21-23, 1976. The Hearthstone Motor Inn on Rt. 44, in Seekonk, Mass., has been secured as convention headquarters.

General Chairman Berge Kooloian and members of his various committees are planning various functions and festivities to make this a great District 7 Convention.



Supreme Councillor Charles P. Tsaffaras meets with Denver Mayor William H. McNichols, Jr., during which time Brother Tsaffaras was presented with the Denver Bicentennial-Centennial pin. Also shown in this picture is Past Supreme Governor Gus G. Gatseos.



Attending the Annual Danielson Ahepa Dinner were: (Left to Right 1st row) Daniel P. Athanasion, Ahepan of the Year; Audrey Beck, State Senator from the 29th District; Arthur Menounos, for Community Service, (2nd row) President Carl Pappas, with plaque the Chapter received as 2nd prize for best Chapter Newsletter, Andrew Moumouris, Thomas Moumouris, Vice-President; the Rev. Lazarus Psaralexis; Professor John Yanouzas; Spiro C. Samaras, Yankee District # 7 Governor; George Lakatzis, District Treasurer; and George Pappas, Ahepan of the Year.

**DISTRICT LODGE OFFICERS
PARTICIPATE IN HONORING
FOUNDING FATHERS OF
BRIDGEPORT CHAPTER # 62
ORDER OF AHEPA**

Officers of Yankee District # 7 Order of Ahepa were among the distinguished guests in attendance at an Awards presentation which was held recently by Bridgeport Chapter # 62 in the Gold Room of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Honored were those members with 25, 45, and 50 years of membership as well as its charter members.

Officer of the District Lodge present at the awards ceremony were: Dist. Gov. Spiros C. Samaras, Lt. Gov. Peter Stamos, Sect. Mino G. Marnel, Treas. George Lakatzis, Marsh. Berg Kooloian, and Ath. Dir. Paul N. Fotos.

**LONG ISLAND CHAPTER
NO. 86 INITIATIONS**

Kerry J. Katsorhis, Assistant D.A. of Queens, was installed as President of Long Island Chapter No. 86 at impressive ceremonies held at St. Demetrios Church of Jamaica on Thursday, January 15th, 1976.

Other officers installed by Lt. Governor George Douris and District Treasurer John Sakona, included: Attorney John Mitchell 1st Vice President, Peter Menoudakos, 2nd Vice President, Paris Moussou, Secretary and Kostas Zimaras Treasurer. Steve Vasaka was elected as Chairman of the Board of Governors. Members of the Board of Governors are John Baker, Jerry Constantine, John Lambros, Anthony Melton, Anthony Mitchell, Henry Stavrakis, Louis Tingirides, Terry Martakis and Vassilios Kontonicolas.

NEW AHEPA CHAPTER HONORS
GEORGE CHIRGOTIS, 102

TAPPAN, N.Y.—A new chapter named after the 102-year-old father of Supreme President William G. Chirgotis has been organized here with Dist. 6.

Behind the organization of George Chirgotis Chapter was Lt. Gov. George Douris, and organizational ceremonies were held recently in Sts. Constantine and Helen Church here with William G. Chirgotis, Nicholas Coffinas, Past Supreme President, and Angelo Petromelis, Supreme Trustees Vice Chairman, and Gov. James Thomas taking part.

Of the 27 new candidates initiated, Police Sgt. Gus Politis was named president; Gus Pappas, first vice president; Anthony Zacharakis, second vice president; Gus Lambros, secretary; Gus Keramides, who along with Politis organized the chapter, treasurer.

Governors include Paris Pappas, Leo Michaels, Gus Karas, George Kachulis, Lukas Nestoras, with Gus Korvessis as warden and Stanley Xenakis as chaplain.

The president of the local parish, James Dallos, hailed the new chapter and said it was greatly needed. Petromelis led the degree team, which included Thomas, Douris, Jason Goumas, secretary; John Sakona, treasurer; Fred Liakos, adviser; Thomas Lukas and Stephen Parnassa, past district governors.

President William G. Chirgotis explained the national goals of his administration and Judge Coffinas spoke on the Ahepa's history over 53 years.

Chirgotis, appreciative of the honor bestowed upon his father, donated in the father's name the chapter jewels and banner.



FRED ICONOS PROMOTED TO
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASES FOR
MERICHEM

Fred Iconos has been promoted to Director of Purchases for the Houston-based Merichem Company, according to H.W. Pfennig, manager of manufacturing.

The purchasing department will be responsible for negotiating price standards and maintaining inventories in all areas of company operations.

Iconos, who came to the United States from Greece as a student, joined Merichem in 1956 as a laboratory technician. Graduated from the University of Houston in 1961 with a B.S. in Chemistry, has served in various capacities at Merichem, including refinery services manager. In this position, he devised many original and highly technical methods of acquiring increased raw materials from refinery sources. Founded in 1948, Merichem is the world's largest producer of cresylic acid and sodium sulfide.

Fluent in Greek, Italian and Spanish as well as English, Iconos is a member of the American Chemical Society, the Order of Ahepa, and the Hellenic Orthodox Church. An avid golfer and tennis player, he was recently married in his home town of Salonica, Greece, and currently resides with his wife, Jenny, in River Plantation near Conroe, Texas.



Supreme Vice-President Peter N. Dierzis with the recipient of the Testimonial Plaque Past Supreme Governor Gus Saros and Brother Hubert Strange.

NORWICH CHAPTER # 110
ELECTS OFFICERS

The Rose of New England Chapter Number 110, of the Order of AHEPA, elected a new slate of officers for the year 1976. Theodore E. Constantinou, of Norwich, was elected president of the chapter which this year celebrates its 50th anniversary. Other officers elected include George Botchis, Vice-President; Anthony Petros, Secretary; and William Trantalis, Treasurer. Board of Governors are: Cleon George, Chairman; Peter Alexopoulos, Theodore Angelopoulos, Sotero Daniska and Theodore Stavrou.

The officers appointed by the new President are: James Christodoulos, Capt. Of The Guard; Chris Stevens, Warden; Brian Nordstrom, Chaplain; Robert Urbinati, Sentinel and James Kostelos, Athletic Director.

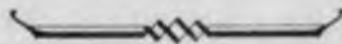
A very active year is being planned to help celebrate the golden anniversary of the chapter with a dance on May 16th, at the St. Bernards High School, featuring the world famous Trio Bel Canto, with Ernest Pool as chairman. An anniversary banquet is being planned by Sotero Daniska and his committee. Other events in the planning stages include a float to be entered in the Norwich Rose Arts Parade, and ethnic program with a bicentennial display.

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SIR WALTER CHAPTER #10
INSTALLS OFFICERS

The newly-elected Officers of Sir Walter Raleigh Chapter No. 10 were installed Sunday, Feb. 1 at the new Hellenic Center in Raleigh, N.C. Installing Officer was District Governor John Samos, assisted by District Secretary Nick G. Pappas.

The 1976 Officers are: President—George Mandikos; Vice-Pres.—Arthur Paradises; Secretary—George Hartofilis; Treasurer—Andy Karras; Warden—Tony Hill; Chaplain—George Kaloyiannides; Capt. of Guard—John Vassilion. The Raleigh, N.C. Chapter, organized in 1923 is enjoying a spirit of renewal and reactivation. There were 17 members present for the meeting. The Chapter enrollment is 35. The Ahepa Chapter in N.C. State Capital, Raleigh recently donated \$4000. toward the building of the new Community Center and Educational building. At a recent showing of the film, "Cypris, A Mission of Mercy" there were 600 persons in attendance.

Two new members were initiated into the ranks of Ahepa. They are Alexander Catanes and Aristotelis Tsoumbas.

*Whether health or wealth
is the greater blessing
depends on which
you don't have!"*

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.—Formal installation ceremonies were held by the St. Petersburg Order of Ahepa and Daughters of Penelope chapters on Sunday, Feb. 15 at the Odd Fellows Temple in St. Petersburg before a large crowd.

Ahepa Past Chapter President Michael Ross was master of ceremonies and William Economides, Ahepa Supreme Trustee, and Mrs. Helen Ross, Daughters Past Chapter President, were the installing officers.

Steven Delphi was installed as Ahepa President for his second term. Brother Delphi, a former president of Bergen Knights Ahepa Chapter of Hackensack, New Jersey, was maitre d' of the Oyster Bay Restaurant in Jersey City before moving to Gulfport, a St. Petersburg suburb. Mrs. Martha Gavins, also serving her second term, was installed as Daughters President. She is a former resident of Boston.



Plaques presented IN SINCERE APPRECIATION of OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN THE 1974-1975 NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE. WILLIAM P. TSAFFARAS, Past Supreme President, presenting Chapter Award to Theodore Saranros, Vice-President of Hellen Chapter # 102 and Charles P. Tsaffaras, Supreme Counsellor, presenting Member Award to James Mavrogianis, President of Hellen Chapter # 102.



ST. LOUIS, MO.—Chapter # 53 honors 50 Year Members. Receiving the awards from Past Supreme President Sam Nakos were: William Kocorakis, George Magafas, George Lucas and James Caron. Those not in attendance for their award were: Gus Angelos, Michael Ciczios, John Mavrakos, Harry Stathis.



ST. LOUIS, MO.—Chapter # 53 makes Chapter Awards to: William Dillas, Leon Spanos, Dino Benos, Konstantinos Kritselis, Michael Hodges, Angelo Carras, Pres. Andrew Millonas, V.P. Harry Lemakis.



CAMDEN CHAPTER NO. 69, HONORS 50 YEAR MEMBERS

Anastasio Matsios, Gus A. Chigounis, P.P., Harry Calogieris, P.P., Donatos Kolloutas, P.P., Costas S. Theodoris, P.P.

Camden Chapter # 69 Honors
Combined Installation of
Ahepa Family Officers

A large gathering of Camden Ahepa Family and friends turned out to witness the combined installation of the newly elected officers which was held at the St. Thomas Greek Orthodox Church Hall, on Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1976.

This first meeting of the new year set the tempo for 1976 which promises much growth and progress for the Camden Chapters. Presiding at the installation of the officers of Hippocrates Chapter # 210 was junior brother, Sons Dist. Gov. Chris Haritos who installed Dino Mantzas, Pres. Zachary C. Frangos, V-Pres and George Pappas Treas.

Sister Jane Allen, Dist Treasurer, assisted by Dist. Marshal, Helen G. Mougakos, ably installed the following officers of the Daughters of Penelope, Nike Chapter # 230: Pres. Elizabeth Panagore, V-Pres. Zoe Kousoulis, Cor. Sec. Diane Vlahakis, Rec. Sec. Julia Sapounakis, Treas. Katie Adams.

The newly installed officers proceeded to install the officers for 1976 of Camden Chapter No. 69, were Costas N. Diamantis, Pres., Elias Horiates, Vice-Pres., Chris J. Frangos, Sec'y., and John Maskas Treas.

Sister Tina Harris presented to Eve Lyras, the Scholar-Athlete Award of the Daughters Chapter for the year 1975. Bro. John Maskas presented the following awards to members of the Sons of Percles. To George Marateo, attending Ursinus College, the Scholar-Athlete Award 1975 of Camden Chapter. A Scholar-Athlete Award went to Jim Strathakes for 1975 who also received the Chris Raditsas Football Award for 1975 and retroactively for 1974 Zachary C. Frangos received the Scholar-Athlete Award and the Chris Raditsas Award. For academic achievement Karen Simeonides received the 5th Dist. scholarship plaque and the Chapter's plaque for academic achievement.

Bro. Costas S. Theodoris presented the Past President's pin to retiring president Arthur Panagore.

Another highlight of the evening was the presentation of 35 year membership pins to Bro. Nick Harris and to Bro. James C. Paera.

Attending the meeting was Lee J. Millas, Past District Governor who expressed his pleasure with his visit to the Camden Chapter.



WILDWOOD, CHAPTER # 450 SPONSORS
EIGHT CYPRIOT CHILDREN

One of the smallest chapters of The Order of Ahepa with only 23 members, sponsored eight Cypriot children.

The last check for this effort amounting \$1260. was officially presented by the officers of the Chapter to the secretary for transmittal to the Cyprus Children's Fund.

In addition to this effort another \$1000.00 was sent last year to Ahepa Headquarters to assist in alleviating the suffering of the victims of the Turkish invasion in Cyprus.

Pictures above are: left to right: Gust C. Kraras, Secretary; Tony Nanos, Vice-President; Gus Andy, Chairman of the local Justice for Cyprus Committee; Harry Karavagelas, Warden; Asterios Karavagelas, Treasurer; and James Konides, President.

50-YEAR MEMBERS

The Cincinnati Convention mandated that 50-Year Members will no longer pay Chapter dues, and no per capita tax need be paid for them to Headquarters. Please note that this only refers to those who have 50 years of active service, having paid 50 years of dues and per capita tax.

Headquarters will also prepare a special Life Member card for the 50-Year Members upon verification of such service.

COMBINED INSTALLATIONS OF CONEY ISLAND
CHAPTER # 200 AND BROOKLYN CHAPTER # 41

Ahepa, Lt. Governor George Douris and District Treasurer John Sakona officiated at the installation ceremonies of Coney Island Chapter #200 and Brooklyn Chapter #41 held on Tuesday, January 20th, 1976 at Three Hierarchs Church in Brooklyn.

Former Ahepa Supreme President Gus Cherevas, former Ahepa Supreme Counselor Gustav Coffinas, former District Governor Steve Arniotes, and District Athletic Director Gus Ziotas spoke at the impressive ceremonies.

Installed as President of the Coney Island Chapter was George Gallis; President of Brooklyn Chapter was Thomas Petropole. Other officers of the Coney Island Chapter who were installed are: Manolesos Platis, Vice President; Andrew Gallis, Secretary; Peter Gardianos, Treasurer; Costas Ziotas, Chairman of the Board of Governors; Steve Arniotes, Cleo Demas, Louis Vellios, Charles Vardakis, John Kastanis and Paul Boyatzis were installed as Governors.

The installed officers of the Brooklyn Chapter were: Avgouhis Tsolomitis, Vice President; Michael Goumas, Secretary; Earnest Trevoulidis, Treasurer; Nicholas Haviarhas, Athletic Director; Chairman of the Board of Governors, Gus Coffinas; members of the Board, Aristotle Mirones, Peter Leos, James Zanetakos, Anastasios Kokaliaris, George Zissimos, Louis Zanetakos and James Vlogianitis.

COMBINED INSTALLATION CEREMONIES:
SUFFOLK CHAPTER NO. 86 and
DAUGHTERS CHAPTER NO. 280

Steve Stavrides of St. James was installed as President of Suffolk Chapter No. 86 and Esticia Gouras of Smithtown was installed as President of Clytie Chapter No. 280 of the Daughters of Penelope at combined dinner installation ceremonies held on Sunday, January 18th at the Elks Restaurant in Pt. Jefferson.

Ahepa Lt. Governor George Douris and District Treasurer John Sakona conducted the joint installation which attracted more than 125 people.

Other officers installed included Constantine Rizopoulos of Port Jefferson as Vice President, Nick Pantazi of Lake Ronkonkoma as Secretary, Nick Pouletsos of Port Jefferson as Treasurer, Vasilios Bouklas of Lake Ronkonkoma as Chairman of the Board of Governors, Alex Proios of Lake Ronkonkoma, Christ Christodoulou of Stoney Brook, Dane Lamberson of East Setauket, and John Proios of Port Jefferson were all elected Governors.

Installed in the Daughters Chapter were Macrina Katsaros of Centereach as Vice President, Mary Bouklas of Lake Ronkonkoma as Corresponding Secretary, Helen Ginas of Lake Ronkonkoma as Recording Secretary, Stella Katsaros of Setauket as Treasurer, Angelina Panides of Islip as Priestess, Marcia Gerolemou of Lake Ronkonkoma as Warden and Antonia Panides of Islip as Warden. Chairman of the Board of Governors was Epticia Pantazi of Lake Ronkonkoma and elected Governors were Evangelia Stergakos of Port Jefferson, G. Moraitis of Port Jefferson, Ann Andrews of Port Jefferson and Nota Canavos of Center Moriches.

The Ahepa also awarded a \$400.00 Scholarship to Donna Zachary who is attending the Suffolk Community College of Nursing in Suffolk.

NEW AHEPA CHAPTER ORGANIZED IN LONG ISLAND

A new chapter of the Order of Ahepa has been organized in the Manhasset area of Nassau Long Island, it will be known as the "GOLD COAST CHAPTER #456".

The Chapter was started by Empire District No. 6 Lt. Governor George Douris, assisted by Evans Cyprus, Gus Keen and Leonidas Damascus.

22 new members and 3 reinstatements started the second new Ahepa Chapter in District No. 6 in as many weeks and the class was named in memory of John A. Vassilaros, one of the leaders of the Adelphi Chapter who past away in 1970. Vassilaros' son, Anthony, who runs the family's coffee operation will donate the jewels and flag to the new chapter in honor of his father.

The president of the new chapter is George Isaris, Vice President George Biribilis, Secretary, Roger DiRenzo and Treasurer, John Gomilas. Chairman of the Board is Evans Cyprus.

The officers were nominated by Edward Carr who served as Chairman of the Nominating Committee along with Nicholas Cyprus and Constantine Carr.

Evans Cyprus, brother-in-law of Past Supreme Governor John Angelson of Norfolk, Virginia, was instrumental in bringing in 15 new members and Gus Keen 5 new members making a total of 22 which got the new chapter off and running.

Cyprus and Keen said that they expect to reinstate more than 300 members in this chapter as well as hold the mass initiations, "so we can reach the top of the district and bring distinction to the great leadership of our Lt. Governor, George Douris."

The degree team was headed by Supreme Treasurer George Dimas and was composed of District Treasurer John Sakona, District Advisor Fred Liakos, George Kashorty, Nick Zervoulakis, President of Upper Manhattan, Angelo Petromelis, Vice-Chairman of the Supreme Board of Trustees, Gus Cherevas, Past Supreme President and George Douris Empire District No. 6 Lt. Governor.

Archie Mavromatis, Editor of the Ahepan Messenger spoke to the new Ahepans welcoming them into the fold and urging them to be active in this "Great Fraternity".

Among the new members was Guy Vittaco, Former Queens Chief Assistant District Attorney and now prominent attorney, active in the Columbian Association.

The chapter rose for a one minute prayer in memory of the late Past District Governor, George Kastrosinos.

A letter was read welcoming the new Ahepans from Supreme President William G. Chirgotis and another letter of welcome was read from District Governor James Thomas.



WESTCHESTER CHAPTER
HOLDS INSTALLATIONS

On Sunday, March 14, Peter Panopoulos was installed for his second consecutive year, as President of the Westchester Chapter of the Order of Ahepa. The impressive ceremonies were held at the Prophet Elias Community Center in Yonkers.

Ahepa Lt. Governor, George Douris assisted by District Secretary Jason Goumas were the installing officers. Ahepa Supreme Treasurer George Dimas was guest speaker while Past Supreme Treasurer John Kiamos served as master of ceremonies.

Other officers installed included: John Valedes, Vice President; John Mitsas, Secretary; Peter Markopoulos, Treasurer; and, George Mouyios, Chairman of the Board. Members of the Board of Governors are: Michael Brills, Adam Borikos, Andy Ellison, Leonidas Loucas, Luke Valedeas and John Kiamos.

Mayor of Yonkers, Angelo R. Martinelli, State Senator John E. Flynn and Past Supreme President Gus Cherevas spoke to the gathering.

DANIELSON AHEPANS
HOLD INSTALLATIONS

On Sunday Feb. 8, 1976 in the Community Room of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Danielson, twelve Officers and Governors of Chapter # 418 Order of Ahepa were installed by Yankee District # 7 Treasurer George Lakatzis and assisted by outgoing President Carl Pappas.

Officers installed were President Thomas Moumouris, Vice-President Spiros Moumouris, Secretary Dan Athanasion, Treasurer William Leotsakos, Warden Arthur Menounous, Chaplain Peter Kalivas, Captain of the Guard Michael Pappas, Sentinel Andrew Moumouris, and Athletic Director George Lakatzis.

In closing the installations Dist. Treasurer Lakatzis congratulated the members of the Chapter for their winning the District's "Chapter of the Year Award", and wished the officers and members a most fruitful and productive year.

In accepting the reins of the Chapter for 1976 Pres. Moumouris assured the District Lodge Treasurer that he along with his officers and members will maintain the high degree of respect that the Chapter has in the District.



Newly initiated members from the Washington area, Washington No. 31, Silver Spring, Md. No. 383 and Arlington No. 438. "The Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr. Class."

More than 100 members from the Washington Area chapters attended the initiation of the Admiral Zumwalt Class by the Arlington Chapter No. 438 on January 6, 1976. After the initiation Admiral Zumwalt addressed the gathering on the Cyprus Crisis and how happy he was to be a member of AHEPA. He stated "You should be proud of the work of this great organization, and I am proud to be a member of this group". After the ceremony drinks and food were served. Admiral Zumwalt disagreed with State Department policy on Cyprus and appeared before Congress and spoke against resumption of aid to Turkey.



Members of Arlington Chapter No. 438, Arlington, Va. with the newly initiated members of the "Admiral Zumwalt Class".



The Washington Rock Chapter # 114 of Plainfield, N.J. at a recent dinner-dance honored the founding fathers of the Chapter. Pictured above are four of the senior members, (L to R) Seraphim Stylianos, Costantinos V. Delekas, George K. Memoutis and Spiros P. Pappas, with the President of the Chapter Stanley Gerondelis.

MONROE CHAPTER #75
HOLDS ANNUAL
MARDI GRAS NIGHT

The first in the fifth, Ahepa Monroe Chapter 75, held its Ninth Annual Greek Mardi Gras Night at the Pines Manor, Edison, on March 6th. This gala affair was attended by over 550 Brothers, their wives and guests. The theme was Bicentennial in honor of the two hundredth birthday of our country.

Among the distinguished guests were the Hon. Senator Bernard Dwyer, Mayor Thomas Paterniti of Edison, Mayor Robert Messner of Franklin, Judge Robert Gaynor, and others.

Music by the "Athelphia" featured dancing and entertainment enjoyed by all. Nicholas J. Stroumtsos served as General Chairman for this wonderful affair.

OKLAHOMA CITY
CHAPTER #240

The Oklahoma City Ahepa Chapter #240 and the Daughters of Penelope held a joint installation January 13, 1976 which was attended by our Ahepa family and their friends. Installing officers were Brother Ernie Sames, Past Lt. Governor, and Sister Jo Ann Pagonis, Grand Governor for the Maids of Athena. Ahepa officers installed were Brothers Michael Pagonis, president; George Limber, vice-president; John Samaras, secretary; Peter Paschal, treasurer. The Daughters officers are Katheryn McCormick, president; Christine Chiconas, vice-president; Pat Rigler, secretary; Mary Limber, treasurer. The Oklahoma City Ahepa Chapter has recently initiated eight new members into its chapter. They are Tom Smith, Jack Lambakis, Nick Pagonis, George Liveris, Harry Hale, Michael Bishard, Tony Chiconas and Dr. Steve Chrysant. Our chapter has also had many reinstatements.

The membership committee has many candidates anticipating to join our order in the near future. We have enjoyed the company of Brother George Phillips, Past District Governor and former President of our Chapter, now living in Kansas City. Also present at our meetings was Brother George Thomas, Tulsa Chapter President. The Oklahoma City Chapter is considering chartering a bus to go to the St. Louis District Convention.

"GOLD DUST TWINS HONORED"

For the first time in the history of AHEPA, two Supreme Governors who live within the same city of Allentown, Pa., namely, George P. Gabriel and John C. Mandros, were elected to the Supreme Lodge.

These two prominent AHEPANS have served their Chapters and Power District #4 for the past 20 years with distinction and dedication.

On Saturday, February 21, 1976, Lehigh Chapter #60 of Allentown and Homer Chapter #65 of Bethlehem honored their two favorite sons, i.e., George P. Gabriel and John C. Mandros, respectively, at the Hotel Bethlehem in Bethlehem, Pa. There were 300 people in attendance including many dignitaries on the State and National level and many Chapter Presidents. In attendance were representatives from the various Chapters and local people from Allentown and Bethlehem.

The following Chapters were represented: Hercules-Spartan Chapter #26, Philadelphia; Aristoteles Chapter #34, Pittsburgh; Black Diamond Chapter #55, Wilkes-Barre; Eastonia Chapter #56, Easton; Lehigh Chapter #60, Allentown; Wm. Penn Chapter #61, Reading; Homer Chapter #65, Bethlehem; Red Rose Chapter #71, Lancaster; Keystone Chapter #84, Scranton; Anthracite Chapter #109, Pottsville; Uniontown Chapter #116, Uniontown; Washington Chapter #156, Canonsburg; Valley Forge Chapter #432, Valley Forge; Thermopylae Chapter #455, Upper Darby.

The following Past District Governors were present: Arthur Karkalas (Member Supreme Board Trustees); William Zacharellis (Past Supreme Counsellor); Steve Depos; Michael Manesiotis; Perry Chappen; George Gialas; Michael Kavoulakis; Nicholas Morkides; William Bell; Emmanuel Pelekancs.

The evening's festivities were highlighted by the Honorable Judge Nicholas Coffinas, Past Supreme President; Honorable Judge Gregory Lagakos, Past Supreme Counsellor; George Douris, Lt. Governor of Empire District #6; and Archie Mavromatis, Editor of the AHEPA MESSENGER, Empire District #6.

Power District #4-District Lodge Members present were: Frank Marmarou, Lt. Governor; Arthur Moshos, District Secretary; Speros Tsiaras, District Treasurer; Gus Depos, District Marshall; John Diacogiannis, Sons Advisor; Trent Conelias, Athletic Director; George Alexiou, Advisor; Eric Davidis, Advisor; Clifford Geanopoulos, Advisor.

Also in attendance were the local community leaders such as Mayors, District Attorneys and a State Senator.

The program consisted of a cocktail hour with assorted hors d'oeuvres followed by a dinner consisting of shish kebob. Following the dinner and the Testimonial program, a reception was held so that the honorees could meet with their friends.

The General Chairman and Toastmaster of the Testimonial was Aris Harris of the Lehigh Chapter #60, Allentown, Pa.

The speakers of the evening were: Aris Harris, Lehigh Chapter #60, Allentown; John Diacogiannis, Pres., Homer Chapter #65, Bethlehem; George Philip, Pres., Lehigh Chapter #60, Allentown; Frank Marmarou, Lt. Governor, Power District #4.

Nick Zanakos was the keynote speaker in behalf of John C. Mandros. Dr. Constantine Elliott was the keynote speaker in behalf of George P. Gabriel.

The Red Rose Chapter #71 of Lancaster represented by George Art and Jim Moshos and Nick Gianopoulos, presented plaques to both men.

The evening was highlighted by the presence of the following speakers, who also presented awards to the honorees: Nick Smyrnis, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Indianapolis, Ind.; Louis G. Manesiotis (Keynote Speaker), Past Supreme President of Pittsburgh, Pa.

The main speaker for the evening was William G. Chirgotis, Supreme President of the Order of AHEPA of Springfield, N.J.

The Invocation and Benediction was given by Rev. Theodore Sideris, Pastor of the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, Bethlehem, Pa.

During the festivities we were entertained by the renowned voices of the AHEPAN group known as "The Birds" (Poulakia).

During the Testimonial program, George S. Pitsilos, Supreme Governor of the Sons of Pericles, Bethlehem, Pa. was recognized and awarded a plaque.



Supreme President William G. Chirgotis honors the "Gold Dust Twins" Supreme Governors John C. Mandros and George P. Gabriel.

WASHINGTON HEIGHTS CHAPTER INSTALLS

An impressive array of Ahepan dignitaries attended the installation of new officers of the Washington Heights Chapter No. 367 on January 30th. The affair was held at the St. Spyridon Church hall.

Installed that evening were, President, Louis Kourakos; Vice President, Peter Hanges; Secretary, Peter Balafas; Treasurer, George Frangos; Governors, Gene Yanas (Chairman), George Chokos, Michael Otis, Nick Bilianis, and Nick Bozakis.

Also participating in the ceremonies were District Governor, James Thomas; District Secretary, Jason Goumas; and District Treasurer, John Sakona. Among the honored guests were Past Supreme Counselor, George Bourney; Ahepa Center President, Bill Kassimatis, and President Prokos of the Hempstead Chapter. The members took this occasion to present a past president's plaque to Gene Yanas for his distinguished service to the chapter and order.

In his installation speech, President Kourakos indicated that one of the most important chapter goals for the year is an intensive membership and reinstatement drive. In keeping with the "Bicentennial Spirit", he also stressed the need for a continuing unity among chapter members and all of Ahepa as well. Making an analogy to the country's founding fathers, who eventually put aside their personal interests and differences to achieve a common goal, he stated that Ahepan accomplishments, past and future, have and will be based on a similar spirit.

AHEPA BRONX CHAPTER INITIATIONS

City Councilman Michael DeMarco was one of four new members initiated into the Order of Ahepa's Bronx Chapter No. 175 at impressive "snow swept" ceremonies held at Zoodohos Peghe on Tuesday, March 9th.

The initiations were conducted by Past Supreme Counselor Louis Dukas with Empire District No. 6 Lt. Governor George Douris as the Main Speaker and Ahepa Messenger Editor, Archie Mavromatis as guest speaker. Other new initiates were: John Carluftes, Steve Antirachis and Nicholas Raptis.

Besides Brother Dukas, the Degree Team consisted of Thomas Katsidras, Professor Nicholas Anagnastakos, James Courtis, Pandel Caplanson, Peter Frangos and Pericles Manolis.

Brother James Koutsikas, who had been recuperating from a heart seizure, returned to take command of his Chapter. He was warmly greeted by the more than 35 members who braved the 4 inch snowfall to attend the ceremonies.

Lt. Governor Douris gave a rousing address on the accomplishments and goals of Ahepa and outlined the activities of District Governor Thomas.



KINGSTON INSTALLATIONS

Brother George Kakoulis, Kingston Restaurateur, was installed as President of the recently re-established Kingston Chapter of the Order of Ahepa at ceremonies held at the Hellenic Greek Orthodox Church on Sunday, March 7th, 1976.

Ahepa District Governor, James Thomas and Lt. Governor George Douris as well as District Treasurer John Sakona and District Secretary Jason Goumas participated in the ceremonies assisted by Brother John Cholakis of Albany Chapter, Brother Stephen Pechewlys, Past Supreme and District Governor and Peter Baltis Chairman of the Cyprus Committee.

Other officers installed included: George Demosthenou, Vice President; Nikita Kallari, Secretary; Santos Mathews, Treasurer; and, Harry Savatgy, Chairman of the Board of Governors. Members of the Board included: Dino Koskaletos, Christo Stavrinou, Kostas Kalimeras and Michael Kalimeras.

Five new members were initiated into the Kingston Chapter, and District Governor Thomas urged that the Kingston Chapter once again resumes to become one of the leading chapters in the up-state area. Four of the five new members were Cypriots who decided to join our great fraternity when they saw all the work done on behalf of the Cyprus cause by the Order of Ahepa.

PEGASUS CHAPTER # 92 REACTIVATED

On February 15, 1976 the Pegasus Chapter of the Sons of Pericles No. 92, was reactivated by the local AHEPA chapter Chester-Del Co No. 79 at St. George Greek Orthodox Church in Chester, Pennsylvania. Instrumental in the reactivation were Brothers George Kaffes, Lou Angelus, Father James Laliberté, Nick Pappas, John Kollias and Leo Pylides. Twelve new members were initiated that afternoon. The newly formed Sons chapter was able to form a basketball team and attended the ISBT in Baltimore. The reactivated chapter has many activities planned for the coming year. Foremost is the upcoming District Convention that the Chester-Del Co AHEPA family will be hosting June 18-20 at the Brandywine Hilton Inn, Claymont, Delaware.



HELLAS CHAPTER #102, of LOWELL, MASS. initiates 16 new members. Front row, left to right: William P. Gianotis, Charles P. Phair, Anthony Pergakis, Jr., Christos M. Manis, George K. Raikos, Vardis Paitakis, James Polychronis and Greg Metrakis, new members. Second row: Thomas J. Coomas, Dr. George C. Mitchell, James T. Maguire, Constantine E. Deveras, new members, William P. Tsaffaras, Past Supreme President, Installing Officer, Greg Trigoiris, Anthony Ladas, Theodore A. Kacavas, Demosthenis Drakoulis, new members and Constantine Mitchell, degree team. Third row: James Mavrogiannis, President, Lowell Chapter, Peter Paras, degree team, George Sintiris, Dist. Advisor, Charles P. Tsaffaras, Supreme Counsellor, Charles Stamoulis, Dist.-Lt.-Gov., Michael Kyritsis, Dist. Sec., John T. Rusomanis, Speros S. Sintros, and James Nizgus, degree team.



The Alexander the Great Chapter #29 Order of Ahepa initiated the Dan Constantatos Class at their Second Annual Ochi Day Banquet at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Houston, Texas. The proceeds from the banquet went to benefit Cypriote orphans. Not pictured above was Senator Lloyd M. Bentsen, Democrat of Texas, who became a brother of the Order of Ahepa; and with Supreme President William G. Chigoris were the main speakers at the banquet. 1st Row L to R—C. Pappas, L. Ferretti, G. Vletas, C. Malavrou, E. Stamatakis, P. Chelohis, A. Kalas, G. Pappas. 2nd Row L to R—A. Ciamtsipoulos, L. Tamazisis, H. Stamos, P. Derukow, M. Theodoridis, G. Marinos, C. Kaler. Back Row—J. Kaler—Dist. Governor, P. Magiros, A. Kouzonis—Chapter Secretary, F. Iconis—Board of Governors, J. Vletas—Chapter President, N. Demiris—Past Supreme Governor, C. Pavlou—Supreme Governor, E. Papavasiliou—Board of Governors, J. Lynderry—Past Dist. Governor, I. Stathakis.



Television star of "Kojak" meets with Ahepans in Philadelphia who honored him as the "Outstanding American of Hellenic Descent". (From left) Chapter President George E. Snatsos, Telly Savalas, Chairman of the Board Peter J. Pakuris and Ahepa Supreme President William G. Chirgotis.



TELLY SAVALAS HONORED
BY AHEPA IN
PHILADELPHIA



The star of television's "Kojak" was honored by the Philadelphia Hercules-Spartan Chapter #26 of the Order of Ahepa on February 23, 1976. Approximately fifteen hundred Greek-Americans attended the opening night performance at the Latin Casino Night Club starring Telly Savalas.

The Philadelphia Ahepans selected Telly Savalas as the "Outstanding American of Hellenic Descent" for his continuing efforts in promoting Hellenism through the entertainment media and international prominence achieved as a distinguished actor and representative of the United States.

Many times throughout his stage show, Savalas spoke in Greek and referred to his heritage. He sang to his mother who was in the audience and then brought his brother on stage and they danced a Greek "hasapico". Although he admitted that singing and dancing are not his forte, Savalas sang and danced to a thunderous response from an audience that could not resist his personality and charisma.

At the end of the show, Peter J. Pakuris, the Chairman of the Board of the Ahepa Chapter, was introduced to present the "Outstanding American of Hellenic Descent" award to Telly Savalas. In presenting the large engraved plaque, Chairman Pakuris praised Savalas for his immense ethnic pride and achievements. In response to the theme song of the Savalas show "Who Loves You Baby", Pakuris announced, "The Ahepa and every Greek-American in the Greater Philadelphia area loves you Telly". The audience responded in agreement with a standing ovation.

A bust of Telly Savalas created by Alexander Generalis, a prominent Philadelphia artist, designer, sculptor and son of Ahepan Savvas Generalis, was also presented to Savalas. The Chairman of the Philadelphia Hercules-Spartan Chapter's Cyprus Orphans Fund, John Contoudis, presented the bust stating, "Telly Savalas is a great man who has not forgotten his heritage and for that we love and respect him".

The Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa William G. Chirgotis then made a surprise presentation of a large portrait of Telly Savalas. The painting was by Luis Mesa who is well known for his portraits of famous celebrities which are displayed in the MGM Hotel in Las Vegas. The stunning likeness of Telly Savalas was donated by Supreme President Chirgotis as a token of his respect and admiration.

After the dinner and show a dance was held in the Latin Casino Ballroom. Excitement filled the air because Savalas had promised to make an appearance at the dance. Despite the pleas of his agents to rest and not attend the affair, Savalas wanted to keep his promise. "These are my people baby", he told his agents backstage, "and I've got to be with them". Although the visit was brief, Telly Savalas kept his word and proved that he is truly an "Outstanding American of Hellenic Descent".



AHEPA SERVES....

- Scholarships
- Citizenship
- Hellenic Culture & Language
- Youth Programs
- Justice for Cyprus
- Educational Journey to Greece
- Save-A-Heart
- Civic Responsibility



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Arizona Chapter # 275 President Clarence Drake with George K. Diamos, Gus Pappadeas, Harry Janos and Spyros Panos.

TUCSON ARIZONA NEWS

THE ANNUAL AHEPA GREEK GLENDI was a highly successful affair recently; and was tremendously enjoyed by over 300 people that danced to the music of JOHN PAPPACHRISTOS AND HIS BAND that contributed highly to the enjoyment of the evening. Cocktails preceded the lovely dinner that took place at the ST. DEMETRIOS HELLENIC CENTER and the lighted Patio Garden. We congratulate Alex Panos the Vice President who served as chairman and his committee in the preparation of the delectable dinner. The Daughters of Penelope did a marvelous job in the baking of delicious Greek Pastry, which the Maids of Athena assisted in, and also sold the pastry, with the proceeds going to the "Maids" for the purchase of their new Ritual Jewels. The Ahepa Glendi was the occasion for special awards presented to honor four active AHEPANS for their devoted years of hard work, dedicated efforts and accomplishments. These brothers had a dream of building their own AHEPA LODGE MEETING TEMPLE, which became a reality just a few short years ago. The Plaques were presented by the president Clarence Drake to George K. Diamos, a charter member who served his chapter as president, has held the office of District # 20 Governor and has been advisor and parliamentarian for many years. Brother Spyros Panos was honored for his hard work and accomplishments in just a few short years since transferring into the Chapter, Harry Janos, a member of long standing and a past president, was honored in appreciation for his many years of work and efforts at the time of the building of our Ahepa Lodge. Constantine Pappadeas, an Ahepan of long standing served as president six times and under his Presidency the AHEPA LODGE was finally dedicated.

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Aristoteles Chapter # 34 of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania has adopted a new policy when visiting hospitalized Brothers with presenting the Golden Anniversary of Ahepa Book instead of the usual flowers. Photo shows sick Committee Chairman Clifford T.G. Geanopoulos presenting book to Brother John Petrolias while Presbyterian Hospital President and Director, Edward H. Noroian, and Brother Dinos W. Katsafanas look on. Brother Geanopoulos has presented 40 books to his Brothers in behalf of their Chapter while ill.

TSAFFARAS MAIN SPEAKER AT DENVER # 145 CHARITY DINNER-DANCE

On November 16th, Denver Chapter No. 145 held its annual Charity Dinner-Dance. The event was extremely well-attended. Supreme Counsellor Charles P. Tsaffaras of Lowell, Massachusetts was the main speaker, and delivered a very inspiring, informative speech on Cyprus.

Also in attendance were Supreme Trustee George P. Dikeou, District Governor Nick Frangos, Daughters of Penelope District Governor Elaine Jimas, and members of both District Lodges.

Net proceeds from this event went to the National Save-A-Heart Fund, National Cooley's Anemia Fund, and Denver 145's Scholarship Fund. The following college students received scholarship awards during the Dinner: Elaine C. Booras, Ann C. Rallis and Afroditi Drakatos.

25 and 45-year membership pins were also presented to several Brothers by Supreme Counsellor Tsaffaras.

Following a delicious dinner catered by Brother Pete Petrides, the several hundred guests danced to the magical music of Brother Anastase Nicholaidis.

An enjoyable evening was had by all.

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

In submitting material for The Ahepan Magazine, PLEASE follow these rules:

1. Typewrite your material-DO NOT BLE-SPACED One side of the page ONLY, on PLAIN WHITE PAPER.

AHEPA REGIONAL DIRECTORS

Re-elected for the 7th consecutive year at the Cinn., Ohio Convention, Dr. Monthe Kofos, Marlboro, Mass., Supreme Athletic Director of the Order of Ahepa has announced the following appointments as Regional Directors of the Athletic Department. In addition, James Keckeris, former All American Football player, University of Missouri, and well known Sports Counselor, has been re-appointed as Sports Advisor for this term for 1976.

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Pottsville, Pa. Newly initiated members of the Lesbos Chapter #192: Constantina Lucacos, Ourania Lucacos, Vlachia Zaharis, Barbara Gower.

LESBOS CHAPTER #192 MEETS

The December and January meetings of the Daughters of Penelope, Lesbos Chapter 192, Pottsville, Pa., were held at the home of Sister Helen Lucacos, Minersville.

The Initiation of four new members into the Chapter ended the year of '75 with great satisfaction. The new members are as follows: Ourania Lucacos, Constantina Lucacos, Barbara Gower, and Vlachia Zaharis.

Officers for this year are Sisters: Catherine Zaharis, President, Shenandoah; Mary Zaharis, Vice President, Minersville; Lucy Pantazis, Secretary, Hazleton; Olive Simatos, Pottsville, Treasurer.

A Xmas Party followed the meeting, with Sister Olive Simatos dressed as Santa and members received their exchange gifts. Refreshments followed with the table setting a Xmas theme. Hostess for the month of December were Sisters Helen Lucacos and Ourania Hantzis, Minersville.

At the January meeting, Initiation of one new member into the Lesbos Chapter was performed, Niki Peramides.

The Chapter accepted an invitation from Boscov's to participate in their Bicentennial Ethnic Program February 18th at Fairline Mall.

*Philanthropy is the truly better
expressed by words.*



New officers of the Pacific Golden Gate Chapter of the Order of Ahepa were installed recently in San Francisco at the Golden Gate Yacht Club. The 1976 officers are (left to right) Salvatore Stella, secretary; Alex Glaros, vice-president; and Angelo Mountanos, president. The installing officers were Golden Gate District Governor Andrew Banis and Supreme Governor Gus Lakas.



Members of the Eos Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope in San Francisco participated in the traditional candlelight ceremony at their installation of officers recently. Participants included (left to right) Love Goldman, Anastasia Georgiou (the newly installed corresponding secretary), Alice Mallos, Anne Mountanos, Mary Chicos, Nikki Arnest, Irene Poulakides, Katherine Pappas, and Anne Jouganatos (newly installed recording secretary). The new Eos Chapter officers were Viola Mavraides, president; Denise Eliopoulos, vice-president; and Mary Constantine, treasurer.



Golden Gate Chapter Vice-President Alex Glaros (left) and President Angelo Mountanos (right) present an award to long-time Ahepan, 100-year-old Gus Stavrou. Mr. Stavrou was honored at the recent installation ceremonies of the San Francisco chapter of the Ahepa.

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EVANSVILLE, INDIANA—February 16th . . . The following is the text of the degree citation which accompanied the award of an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters by the University of Evansville to Representative John Brademas.

The citation was read by Wallace B. Graves, President of the University, on the occasion of Founders Day at which Rep. Brademas delivered the principal address.

"JOHN BRADEMÁS, Native Hoosier, distinguished scholar, eminent public servant, devoted churchman, the University of Evansville, upon the occasion of its one hundred and twenty-second anniversary extends to you its admiration and gratitude.

"At a time when the nation's confidence in the integrity and resourcefulness of its political institutions has been measurably shaken, you are a source of renewing faith and reassurance. You are a statesman of classic stature, a man of uncommon intelligences, of compassionate understanding, and great courage.

"At a time of unprecedented change in human affairs, you are helping educational institutions of many kinds to comprehend the bewildering complexities of contemporary life and to find the way towards survival with dignity.

"You have a rare sense of the priorities among the needs of this nation and among the world's people. You give vital leadership both in the work of government and of your church.

"Therefore the trustees and faculty of the University of Evansville have authorized me to confer upon you, JOHN BRADEMÁS, the Honorary Degree, DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS, with the rights and responsibilities which are incumbent and with a full measure of respect and good wishes for your continuing good influence in a world of great need."

JUDGE GREGORY G. LAGAKOS REELECTED COMMON PLEAS COURT JUDGE

Pennsylvania Common Pleas Court Judge Gregory G. Lagakos was recently reelected to an additional ten year term.

Judge Lagakos, a past Supreme Counselor of the Order of Ahepa, was first elected Judge in 1965. He is held in high esteem by both the Bench and the Bar as one of the nation's outstanding jurists and is widely known for his scholarly opinions and deep interest in expeditiously solving the problems of the litigants who come before him for adjudication. The Pennsylvania Common Pleas Court is the highest trial court in the State with an unlimited and general trial jurisdiction, such as the Supreme Court of New York.

Several years ago he was elected by his colleagues to serve on the Executive Committee of The Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges; is serving as General Chairman of the Greek Committee of Philadelphia '76, Inc. which is helping the planning of our nation's Bicentennial and was recently appointed as Philadelphia Chairman of the 1976 Brotherhood Week by the National Conference of Christians and Jews.



Congressman Gus Yatron, D-Pa., has announced his candidacy for a fifth term in the House, asking his constituents in the 6th Pa. Congressional District to return him in order that he might continue work in their behalf.

Yatron began public service as a member of the Reading School Committee 22 years ago and followed this up with election to the state legislature, serving first in the House and then three terms in the Senate. He was elected to Congress in 1968 and reelected since and serves on the International Relations Committee, Small Business Committee. He and his wife, Millie, have two children, George, senior law student at Georgetown, and Theana, senior at University of Maryland and wife of Royal Kastens.

We are the architects of the future, the worth of our work will be judged by history.



A check and a book were respectfully donated in San Pedro, California by the Neptune Chapter # 233. The check was accepted by James C. Panousis President of the Chapter for Cyprus Relief. The book, "The 50 Year History of the Ahepa" was presented to the San Pedro Library by Secretary of the Chapter Gus Alex with Annette Zamberlin accepting the book in behalf of the library staff.



Supreme President William G. Chirgotis with President Gerald Ford and Special Assistant to the President Dr. Myron B. Kuropas, at the White House.



The San Francisco Maids of Athena, Antigone Chapter No. 95, installed their new officers for the year recently at the Golden Gate Yacht Club in San Francisco. The 1976 officers are (left to right) Joanne Gonzales, delphis; Georgia Adams, president; Cynthia Marcopoulos, vice-president; Cathy Radovich, secretary; and the installing officer, District Governor Linda Rigas. New officers not pictured are Helen Dariotes, treasurer; Chris Rigas, marshal; and Parie Bundares, phylax.

DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE CLEO CHAPTER 240

Welcome to Atlantic City! The newly reorganized Cleo Chapter # 240 will be co-hosting the 45th District Convention. We are busy, planning another great convention "By the Sea".

The Shelbourne Hotel, located on the boardwalk, shall be convention headquarters. The accommodations are excellent and should prove to make your stay enjoyable and pleasant.

The traditional luncheon for the Daughters of Penelope is planned for Saturday noon, June 12th. As a complete change of pace, Mr. Michael Kuchlak, Professional Hypnotist, will present a fascinating and excellent program. To add to our most unique and exciting program, the luncheon will take place at the Casa Del Sol, roof top restaurant, in the Holiday Inn (a short Boardwalk stroll from the Shelbourne). Other highlights will be a Pool Party Get-Together for the Maids and Sons; excursions to Historic Smithville Inn, a nearby colonial town; Gross Winery; rolling chair rides on our famous Boardwalk; boat rides along the coast; morning bicycle rides for the early risers; and of course, swimming in the ocean or sun bathing on the beach.

We, the Convention Committee and Chapter Members are quite excited with our plans and are anticipating an unusual, fun-filled convention—an opportunity to once again renew old friendships.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Convention, June 11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th in Atlantic City.



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GREEN RIVER, WYOMING—Pictured above are some of the recipients of membership pins presented by Green River Chapter No. 182 at its February 1, 1976 Dinner-Dance, together with Past Supreme Governor Gus G. Gatseos.

GREEN RIVER CHAPTER # 182 DINNER-DANCE

On February 1, 1976, Green River, Wyoming Chapter No. 182 held a Dinner-Dance in its Ahepa Home to honor recipients of Ahepa membership pins. Brothers eligible for pins were: 25 year pins—John Apostopoulos, Thomas Kourbelas, William S. Kozas, Peter Mamalis; 35 year pin—John J. Kalivas; 40 year pins—Mike C. August, Mike Manatos, Angelo Scarpas, Gust Sferis; 45 year pins—Theros Efstathiou, Tom Kastanis, Michael Kostakis, Spiros G. Kozas, Gerasimos Piskopis and Nick A. Toyias.

The Dinner-Dance was very well attended by both members of the Ahepa family and non-Ahepans. In addition to delivering an inspiring speech, Past Supreme Governor Gus G. Gatseos of Denver, Colorado also assisted in the presentation of pins. Rev. Lukas Kotzakis was also introduced, among others, for a few remarks. The Daughters of Penelope District Lodge was represented by District Governor Elaine Jimas and District Treasurer Helbe Rallis, both of whom were escorted by their respective (and respectful) husbands. Bro. John Kalivas was master of ceremonies. A delicious dinner was followed by Greek dancing. An enjoyable time was had by all.

The Green River Chapter, which owns its own Ahepa Home, remains one of the outstanding Chapters in the Order. Its continuing influence and prestige in the booming city of Green River and surroundings is truly amazing. Congratulations to Chapter President Gust J. Kalivas and the other Brothers in the Green River Chapter.



On January 4, 1976 the installation of the Indian River Chapter # 409 was held in Ft. Pierce, Fla. Supreme President William G. Chirgotis was the installing officer with Dist. # 2 Governor James Demopoulos and Past Supreme Secretary Peter Kouchalakis. Toastmaster was Andrew J. Ekonomou, Assistant Attorney General of Georgia, Past Secretary of the Indian River Chapter. L to R Seated: Mike Ekonomou, secretary; Tony Economys, pres.; Gus Manis, v.p.; James Constantine, treas. 1st row standing L to R: Elias Asperis, District Advisor; Hercules Christ, Past Pres.; Geo. Nabis, Dist. Gov.; James Demopoulos, Sup. Pres.; William Chirgotis, Past Sup. Sec.; Peter Kouchalakis; Kostantinos Mihos; Louis Constantine. 2nd row standing L to R: Geo. Kakalios, Past Sup. Gov.; Chris Ekonomou, Dist. Sec.; Arthur Kouchalakis; Manfred Lutz; Byron Karson; Earnest Haritakis, Dist. Athletic Dir.; George Basil.

News for Ahepan

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4. Send all material to: Order of Ahepa, 1422 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005.



PETER A. ISSARIS

One of the many reasons for AHEPA's greatness is the many "unsung heroes" who work very hard for the Order and by living up to the principals and ideals of the AHEPA help their fellowman, Church and Community here and in Greece. One such dedicated man is Peter A. Issaris of Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Mr. Issaris is celebrating his 50th year as a member of the AHEPA, he was initiated into the Alexander Hamilton Chapter No. 54 in Paterson, N.J. A dedicated Ahepan, he was responsible for the formation of the Saratoga Chapter. He served in all the chapter offices, including President. He served on the District Lodge in 1956 as Treasurer when Judge Nicholas Coffinas was elected District Governor. The American Magazine did a special report on him, under the title of "America's Interesting People," outlining what he did for his community and his interest in sports and the welfare of the people of his birthplace in Greece.

Still active in AHEPA affairs, he served as Committee Chairman at the recent convention in Albany, N.Y.

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Steve Vali, General Chairman of Empire District No. 6 Annual Greek Independence Day Dinner Dance to be held on Friday, March 26th, 1976 at the Plaza Hotel in New York City gives out assignments to committee members, left to right: Dr. George Haziris, District Advisor Fred Liakos, Steve Vali, and District Treasurer John Sakona.

DISTRICT NO. 6 GREEK
INDEPENDENCE COMBINED BALL

After an absence of a decade or more, the Empire District No. 6 District Lodge is once again reviving an old tradition—the AHEPA COMBINED BALL.

The gala event is set for Friday, March 26th at the Plaza Hotel, 59th Street and Fifth Avenue in New York City, honoring Greek Independence Day.

Chairman Steve Vali of Evzone Chapter, Co-Chairmen Leonidas Damascus of Gold Coast Chapter and George Laskaris of Adelphi Chapter are spearheading the gala event which will be the social highlight of the year.

Governor Carey and Mayor Beame, as well as all the Greek Judges—Theodore Alexander Bardy, Past Supreme President the Hon. Nicholas Coffinas, Nicholas Tsoucalas, Judge Yorka Linakis and Leo Milonas—are expected to attend.

The Committee also expects Borough Presidents Sebastian Leone, Robert Connor, Donald R. Manes, Percy Sutton and Robert Abrams to attend.

The Committee will also be honoring all Past District Governors at the banquet.

Supreme President William G. Chirgotis and District Governor James A. Thomas will lead the Ahepa National and District leadership of the fraternity.

1975-1976 AMERICAN
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The goal is for every member
of our Chapter to bring
A NEW MEMBER.

The Brooklyn Chapter #41 of the Order of Ahepa initiated 22 members at impressive ceremonies held in honor of Past Supreme Counselor Gustav Coffinas on Monday, December 15th, 1975 at the Masonic Temple in Bayridge, Brooklyn.

Supreme Vice President, Col. Peter Derzis was the main speaker at the ceremonies. Besides Col. Derzis, Past Supreme Presidents Judge Nicholas Coffinas, Louis Manesiotes and Stephen Scopas, all prominent leaders of Greek American community spoke to the more than 200 Ahepans who attended the affair.

Zachary Geneas, Former U.S. Representative to the American Embassy in Greece, praised the Order of Ahepa for its keen interest in aiding Greece.

District Governor, James Thomas and the officers of the District Lodge consisting of Lt. Governor George Douris, District Secretary Jason Goumas, District Treasurer, John Sakona, District Advisor Fred Liakos and District Athletic Director Costas Ziotes and Past District Governor Tom Lukas conducted the installation ceremonies.

Ten Presidents of Ahepa Chapters in the Metropolitan area were on hand, as well as Supreme Treasurer George Dimas, Chairman of the Supreme Board of Trustees, Nicholas Smyrnis, Past Supreme Treasurer John T. Pappas, Supreme Governors John Mandros and George Gabriel. Brooklyn Chapter President Thomas Petropole introduced Past District Governor and Vice Chairman of the Supreme Board of Trustees Angelo Petromelis who officiated at the ceremonies. Also in attendance were Past District Governor Stephen Arniotes, Past District Governor and Past Supreme Counselor Louis Dukas, Past Supreme Treasurer John Kiamos and Past District Governor George Bourney.

Col. Derzis gave an inspiring address in which he listed the accomplishments of the Order of Ahepa and said that the Order would move forward with new programs and its growth would be assured.

Gustav Coffinas, whose initiating class was named in his honor, announced that he would seek the chairmanship of the Houston Convention. Brother Coffinas also stated how pleased he was with the ceremonies held in his honor and how it brings back the old spirit of Ahepa where brother chapters from throughout the Metropolitan area attend and participate in ceremonies of this type.

*"This is Ahepa—this is the spirit that has
made us great. This is what we should be
praying about of." Coffinas said.*



"AN AHEPAN INVOLVED
IN HIS COMMUNITY"

Dr. Nikitas Zervanos, a Lancaster physician, is a leader in the field of family medicine. He is the Director of Family and Community medicine at the Lancaster General Hospital. He is responsible for the training of resident physicians in this field of medicine. Dr. Zervanos also has faculty appointments in this field at Temple University School of Medicine and the Hershey Medical Center of Pennsylvania State University.

Dr. Zervanos is an honor graduate of Albright College in Reading, Pennsylvania, and the University of Pennsylvania, School of Medicine 1962.

He is an active Ahepan of Red Rose Chapter #71, and serves on the board of governors of that chapter.

Dr. Zervanos is married to the former Diana Fournaris of Lancaster and they are the parents of three children, John, Susan, and James.

They are active members of the Annunciation Church and Dr. and Mrs. Zervanos have been active with the Sunday school program for many years.

The Lancaster Jaycees honored Dr. Zervanos several years ago by naming him "Outstanding Young Man of the Year."



The graduating students from the community who were honored at the Annual Danielson Chapter Awards Dinner. Left to Right: Carl Pappas, President of the Chapter, Christy Atsalas, Peter Argeris, Francine Katsaps, and Spiro Mousmours, Treasurer of the local chapter.

DANIELSON CHAPTER RECEIVES DISTRICT'S OUTSTANDING CHAPTER OF THE YEAR AWARD

At a colorful ceremony which was held at the 1976 District Conference of Yankee District #7 Order of Ahepa, at the Sheraton Park Plaza in New Haven Connecticut on Sunday January 18, 1976, the Danielson Ahepa Chapter #418 was the recipient of the District's Outstanding Chapter of The Year Award.

In accepting the award, from Deputy District Governor Nicholas Giarelis, outgoing President of the local Chapter Carl Pappas thanked the District Lodge officers of Yankee District #7, in behalf of the officers and members of Chapter #418 for bestowing this honor upon them.

PETER ZEGRAS NAMED EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT AT BURLINGTON

Peter S. Zegras has been named to the newly-created position of executive vice president of Burlington Hosiery Company, division of Burlington Industries, it was announced by Matthew Chamlin, the division's president.

In his new capacity, Mr. Zegras will direct all sales activities of Burlington Hosiery Co., in addition to his current duties as vice president in charge of national sales for the Burlington Brand.

Mr. Zegras, 36, joined Burlington Hosiery Co. in 1973, and was named national sales director for Burlington Brand the following year. He was appointed to the post of vice president in February, 1975.

Mr. Zegras was national president for the Order of Sons of Pericles in 1963; is past president of the AHEPA Renaissance Chapter #404, and has served on the national advisory board for the Sons of Pericles.

HERMES CHAPTER INSTALLATIONS

Andrew Stamboulides of Beechhurst, Director of Marketing of a major New York City firm, was installed for his second consecutive term as President of Hermes Chapter No. 186 at dinner ceremonies held on Monday, February 23rd, 1976 at the Oyster Bay Restaurant in Astoria.

Ahepa Lt. Governor, George Douris and District Treasurer John Sakona were the installing officers along with Thomas Lukas, Astoria attorney and Past District Governor of Ahepa.

Other officers installed were: James Petras, an accountant from Astoria, Vice President; Peter Georgiades of Franklin Square, a salesman, Secretary; Dennis Syntilas, secretary of the Atlantic Bank in Astoria, Treasurer, Dr. Nicholas Lignos of Manhattan, Chairman of the Board of Governors. Members of the Board of Governors were: Athanasios Hanzaras of Sunnyside, Thomas Pardalis of Astoria, Emmanuel Argyres of Brooklyn, George Demopoulos of Massapequa, Constantine Vasilas of Beechhurst, John Nicholas, Esq. of Flushing. Tom Demopoulos of Orangeburg was installed as Executive Secretary.

A dinner for more than 100 people followed the ceremonies at which time Lt. Governor Douris outlined the programs of District Governor Thomas, spelling out the details of the March 26th banquet saluting Greek Independence Day in this our Bicentennial year, the Bicentennial Salute to America on June 12th at the 7th Regiment Armory in New York City.

Other guest speakers included, Dave Saporta, President of the Spartan Karabatos Chapter; Louis Kourikas, President of the Upper Manhattan Chapter; Gus Politis, President of the George Chirgois Chapter.

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ROCHESTER HOLDS
JOINT INSTALLATIONS

1976 marks the 50th, 40th and 30th Anniversary of the Ahepa Families in Rochester. To commemorate this memorable occasion, the Flower City Chapter of the Order of Ahepa #67, the Daughters of Penelope, the Maids of Athena and the Sons of Pericles of Rochester, New York participated in joint installation ceremonies of the newly elected officers of their respective chapters.

The impressive ceremonies were held on Sunday, January 25th, 1976 in the Community Hall. The Installation Team was headed by Empire District No. 6 Governor, James A. Thomas of Albany with a delegation from that City, and Daughters of Penelope Governor Dorothy Livadas of Rochester and several other District Lodge officers.

Also participating in the joint installations were the officers of the Buffalo and Syracuse Chapters.

CHAPTER JEWELS PRESENTED
AT IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES

The Order of Ahepa's Empire District No. 6, District Treasurer, John Sakona, presented the official jewels to the two newly formed chapters—Gold Coast Chapter No. 456 and the George Chirgotis Chapter No. 455—formed this past year in New York State, at impressive ceremonies held in the meeting rooms of each respective chapter.

Brother Sakona, a Jamaica attorney, presented the jewels to President George Isaris and his officers of the Gold Coast Chapter in Manhasset and President Gus Politis and his officers of the Chirgotis Chapter in Rockland County.

Sakona praised coffee manufacturer and distributor Anthony Vassilaros for donating the jewels and flags in memory of his father, the late John Vassilaros, to the Gold Coast Chapter; and, Ahepa Supreme President, William G. Chirgotis for donating the jewels and Flags to the George Chirgotis chapter, named in honor of the Supreme President's 102 year old father.

OPEN YOUR CHAPTER'S MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN TODAY - WRITE TO THE AHEPA HEAD-QUARTERS NOW FOR YOUR SUPPLY OF MEMBERSHIP & REINSTATEMENT APPLICATIONS



COLUMBIA, S.C.—Chris P. Leventis, left, an active and ardent Ahepan since 1922 and past District Governor of District 3, completes installation of officers of Palmetto Chapter No. 284 with presentation of President's jewel to Dr. Daniel S. Kavadas.



COLUMBIA, S.C.—Newly installed officers of Palmetto Chapter 284, Columbia, S.C., include, from left: Paul C. Tsalapatas, treasurer; Charles C. Soufas, secretary; Dr. Daniel S. Kavadas, president, and Andrew P. Karnazes, vice-president.



FAYETTEVILLE, N.C.—Picture taken at an awards banquet and dance held in the Fayetteville Church Community Center. Shown from left to right, James Hasapis, Jordan C. Skenteris, Peter K. Poulos, Peter G. Vurnakes and John Samos, District Governor. Seated is Chapter President John C. Castanes.



FT. PIERCE, FLA.—Chapter Secretary Mike Ekonamou, Vice-President Gus Manis, District Governor Dr. James Demopoulos, Supreme President William G. Chirgotis, Chapter President Tony Economys and Treasurer James Constantine.

ATLANTIC BANK REPORTS NEW HIGH IN ASSETS FOR 1975

Atlantic Bank of New York reported total assets at a new high of \$267,855,155 at December 31, 1975, compared to \$261,155,095 on December 31, 1974, according to S.N. Cachules, President. Deposits at year-end rose to \$245,115,106, over the previous year's figure of \$235,080,440.

Net operating earnings for 1975 before transfers to Reserve for Possible Loan Losses were \$1,802,372 or \$11.26 per share, as compared to \$2,306,960 or \$14.92 per share in 1974. Earnings after transfers to Reserve for Possible Loan Losses were \$1,666,187 or \$10.41 per share, as compared to \$1,948,886 or \$12.18 per share in 1974. The lower earnings were primarily the result of increased State and City of New York taxes, and lower interest rates than in 1974.

Total loans were \$132,277,541, up from \$113,041,705 at December 31, 1974. Capital funds and reserves at year-end totaled \$17,876,268 up from \$16,323,546 in 1974.

Atlantic Bank of New York is celebrating its 50th Anniversary in 1976. The Bank was formed through the merger of the Bank of Athens Trust Company, chartered in 1926, and the Hellenic Bank Trust Company, chartered in 1930. The Banks merged in 1953, and the successor Bank was officially named Atlantic Bank of New York.

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LEONIDAS DAMASCUS ELECTED
CHAIRMAN OF HANAC BOARD

Leonidas Damascus was elected Chairman of the Board, an operating officer at HANAC, succeeding Anthony Porfiros of Flushing, a Fur Manufacturer. Damascus, a Real Estate Broker resides in Manhasset Hills and has been a member of the HANAC Board since its inception. Other Officers elected include John Nikas of Brooklyn as President, Gus Vellios of Brooklyn as First Vice-President, Angelo Andros of Manhattan as Second Vice-President, Effie Porfiros of Queens as Secretary, and Peter Chahales of Queens as Treasurer.

HANAC, is a non-profit government funded multi-social service agency servicing the more than 350,000 Greek people of the City of New York.

CHESTER-DELCO CHAPTER # 79 CELEBRATES 50th ANNIVERSARY

The Chester-Delco Chapter No. 79 of A.H.E.P.A. celebrated the 50th Anniversary of its founding on October 25, 1975, at the Concordville Inn, in Concordville, Pennsylvania.

It was a highly successful affair with upwards of 300 in attendance, including Supreme President William G. Chirgotis, Supreme Governor John Mandros, Supreme Governor George Gabriel, and District Governor Bill Mackridis, and Past Supreme Governor Charles Adams.

Co-Chairmen Bill Kalogredis and George Kaffes welcomed those in attendance and then turned the program over to the master of ceremonies Paul Zambetis. Awards and pins were presented to members with 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, and 50 years of service with the chapter.

Angello Contoris was awarded the Chapter's 1975 Ahepan of the Year Award for his contributions to the order.

The Chapter, under the leadership of Charles Adams and Paul Zambetis, is busily planning and organizing the Power District No. 4's 1976 District Convention, which will be held at the Brandywine Hilton.

MARLBORO AHEPA BOWLERS SCORE

Tony Gogolos, Marlboro Chapter President, showed his leadership with his victory in the District Ten Pin Tourney held at Maple Lanes by banging out a fine string total of 1027, with handicap, in the Class A division.

Peter Mountzouris, of the Marlboro Sons, won the Class B title with a 1049 total while Nick Kofos took the High Single with a 208 + 48 - 256 total.

The team title went to the Marlboro team of A. Gogolos (1027), P. Jonnas (996), C. Papadellis (940), and G. Daopoulos (936) for a 3899 total.

Following the tournament, the bowlers were feted by the Marlboro Chapter, as hosts, at the Ahepa Home where trophies and prizes were presented. The committee in charge of preparations included G. Granitsas, R. Wile, A. Zouharis, A. Spanos, G. Daopoulos and K. Troumpalos.

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AHEPA IN CANADA

REGINA CHAPTER NO. 13 C.J. HOLDS PUBLIC INSTALLATION

A public installation of the officers of the Regina Chapter No. 13 C.J. of the Order of Ahepa took place on Sunday evening, February 8, 1976, in the Capri Room of the Vagabond Motor Inn.

Installation officer from Edmonton was Ed Patras, District Governor, who was assisted by John G. Trehas as Captain of the Guards, of Regina.

Officers installed were: President, Gust Kutsogiannes; Vice President, Gus Kolitsas; Secretary, Alex Baltekos; Treasurer, George Kolitsas; Athletic Director, Tom Yiannibas; Warden, James Hasapes; Chaplain, George Kangles; Captain of the Guards, John G. Trehas; Sentinel, Peter Tsakires.

Earlier in the afternoon a mid term district conference had been held in the Capri Room. Among those in attendance representing the Order of Ahepa were District Governor Ed Patras, Lieutenant Governor James Nikolou, District Secretary-Treasurer John G. Trehas, Alex Baltekos, James Hasapes, George Kangles, John Ramos, Gus Kolitsas, John Kolitsas. Representing the Daughters of Penelope were District Governor Vicky Kangles and Lieutenant Governor Joanne Nikolou.

The conference confirmed the dates of the forthcoming convention of the Royal Canadian District 24 to be held in Regina this year on June 21, 22nd and 23rd.

Following these activities a social was held in one of the board rooms of the Vagabond attended by members of the Order of Ahepa, the Daughters of Penelope, and the Greek Community.



Officers and Members of Regina Chapter No. 13 C.J. Forefront: J. Diamond. Seated, L to R: J. Nikolou, G. Kangles, J. Ramos, E. Patras (Edmonton), A. Baltekos, J. Kangles. Standing, L to R: J. Kolitsas, G. Kolitsas, J. Hasapes, J. Trehas, P. Tsakires, A. Hatzitolios, C. Kutsogiannes, C. Kolitsas, J. Pantelopoulos. Missing: W. Girgulis.



Installation, Seated, L to R: Chaplain, G. Kangles; Warden, J. Hasapes; District Governor, E. Patras; Athletic Director, A. Hatzitolios for T. Yiannibas; President, C. Kutsogiannes. Standing, L to R: Vice President, C. Kolitsas; Treasurer, G. Kolitsas; Captain of Guards, J. Trehas; Sentinel, P. Tsakires; Secretary, A. Baltekos.



District Governor Ted Sogotis (left) of the Sons of Pericles installed the 1976 officers of the Yelba Buena Chapter in San Francisco recently. The new officers are (left to right) Themis Tjovenos, president; Dave Zouzounis, vice-president; Lee Stamboulis, treasurer; Tom Carlos, secretary; and James Sogotis, guard.



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DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE VENUS CHAPTER # 102

A joint installation of the Ahepa Chapter families was held February 8. In attendance and assisting with the installation ceremonies of the Daughters of Penelope was Past District Governor, Mary Summers, District Lieutenant Governor, Sophie Hondros, and District Marshall of the Maids of Athena, Patty Honros, Miss Happy Cockinos, District Advisor to the Maids of Athena.

The newly elected officers of the Daughters are: President, Bett Kofinas; Vice President, Patricia Economides; Recording Secretary, Aileen Fadel; Corresponding Secretary, Helen Young; Treasurer, Lula Pappas; Warden, Tina Karres; Priestess, Betty Forlidas; Marshall, Katherine Anastes; *Board of Trustees*—Mary Diamaduros, Mary Plumides, Sarah Thevaos, Lillie Andrews, Georgia Diamaduros. We congratulate and pledge our support to them for the coming year.

The Daughters look back at their accomplishments in the year 1975, and thank the out-going officers, under the leadership of Mary Diamaduros, for a most gratifying year.



VENUS CHAPTER #102 Officers for 1976: Front row—reading left to right, Aileen Fadel, Helen Young, Bett Kofinas, Patricia Economides, Past District Governor, Mary Summers, Lula Pappas. Second Row—Tina Karres. Third Row—reading left to right, Betty Forlidas, Mary Plumides, Georgia Diamaduros, Mary Diamaduros.

XANTHUS CHAPTER # 149 WELCOMES GRAND PRESIDENT AT INSTALLATION

On January 25th, The Daughters of Penelope, Xanthus Chapter #149 of Wilmington, Delaware had the honor of having our Grand President Katherine Caravasios and Governor of Zone I, Ellen Kalligonis at a closed Installation of Officers.

Also attending the Installation were our District Governor Barbara Petrides, Lt. Governor Irene Wilcox, and District Marshall Helen Mongakos.

The installed officers of The Xanthus Chapter #149, were: President: Mary Magiros; Vice-President: Martha Fanos; Recording Secretary: Sophia Shissias; Corresponding Secretary: Katherine Galaris; Treasurer: Bessie Contompasis.

At the close of the meeting, a bicentennial charm was presented to our Grand President Katherine Caravasios.



FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA—Narcissus Chapter #289 participated in the Ft. Lauderdale Junior Symphony Guild's Bicentennial Quilt which will be given to the City of Ft. Lauderdale to be on display during the Bicentennial Celebration. Mayor Clayton Shaw has expressed an interest in permanently housing the quilt in the historical section of Ft. Lauderdale. Individual organizations were responsible for embroidering their group's emblem and we used the Daughters of Penelope emblem. The square was drawn and needle-pointed by Pres. Kallie Xenakis and V.Pres. Kathryn Solos.



**GRAND GOVERNOR
LILLIAN DRAKE**

Sister Lillian Drake has been a member of Eos Chapter No. 1 since 1964. Having served in many capacities on committees and in offices, she was elected President and then Chapter "Penelope of the Year" in 1969.

She has served Golden Gate District No. 21 for six years, twice elected District Governor. She has attended every District Convention and District Conference since her initiation, having the enviable record of being in office every one of her eleven (11) years of membership.

Her dedication and loyalty were rewarded last year by the Supreme Convention when delegates elevated her to Grand Governor of Zone 4. Again this year, in Cincinnati she was re-elected to that office and will bring to it again her devotion to duty, good common sense, spirit of fellowship, quick wit and her excellent singing voice needed to blend harmony with Sisters enjoying camaraderie on many occasions.

She is an active member of the Annunciation Cathedral in San Francisco, and is currently serving the Philoptochos Society as Membership Secretary.

A member of the San Francisco Examiner Classified Advertising staff since 1947, she also finds time to author a column "Lil's Quill" for the Western Hellenic Journal.

Her son, Basil Drake, involved with the Sons of Pericles Sports Program for many years, is a member of San Francisco's Golden Gate-Pacific Chapter, Order of Ahepa. Both, her son and her daughter-in-law, Georgia, have been District Governors of the Junior Orders in District 21, and their three sons, Danny, Tommy and Andy, and naturally three potential members in years to come.



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GRAND PRESIDENT
TERI LEE VELIS

Ms. Velis has been an active member in the El Camino Real District, since she joined the Maids 7 years ago. She has held various chapter and district positions and also has served as the Maids National Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Chairperson in 1971-72.

Teri is a member of the Maids Alethia Chapter #135, and the Daughter Adrasteia Chapter #233, both chapters from Pasadena, California. Teri and her Maids Chapter has made great progress together in Pasadena.

At the 1973 District #20 Convention, Alethia #135 was named the "Most Improved Chapter," and Teri was elected to the office of District Governor. Two months later at the National Convention in Florida, Teri was elevated onto the Grand Lodge.

In 1974, Alethia Chapter received the "Membership Award" for the Maids in District #20, and Teri was elected to the office of Grand Vice President, at the National Convention in Boston.

Last June, Alethia Chapter #135 was named the "Most Outstanding Chapter" in District #20, and in August at the National Convention in Cincinnati, #135 placed 1st runner-up for the Maids "Outstanding Inter-National Chapter"; District #20 was named the "Outstanding Inter-National District" for the Maids, and Ms. Velis was unanimously elected to the office of Grand President.

As the Grand President of the Maids of Athena, and as a young Greek woman, Teri sets forth a theme of *mutual respect* and understanding for the entire Ahepa Family. "UNITED WE PROGRESS, DIVIDED WE FAIL."



GRAND VICE-PRESIDENT
BARBARA STAVIS

Barbara Stavis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Stavis, was born and raised in New Orleans. She is currently a senior at Tulane University of New Orleans, majoring in political science. Barbara hopes to direct her political science background toward a field of involvement in government and law.

Barbara was initiated into the Maids of Athena Evangeline #10 chapter and has been an active member for five years. She is now also a member of the Daughters of Penelope following her initiation at the Cincinnati National Convention. She has served her Maids chapter as Treasurer and was elected as chapter President for two terms. In 1973 she was chosen District Maid of the Year and was editor of the District Newspaper. Barbara was then elected to the office of District Secretary and the following year she was unanimously elected to lead her district as District Governor. Under Barbara's leadership Delta District #16 received the First Runner-Up award for Outstanding District.

At the Miami Supreme Convention, Barbara served as Convention Secretary. The following year in Boston she served as the Convention Vice-Chairman and was unanimously elected to the office of Grand Secretary. During her travels Barbara has tried to increase the knowledge and understanding of the Maids of Athena.

Now holding the position of Grand Vice-President, to which she was elected at the Cincinnati Convention, Barbara sees continued growth and expansion ahead for the Maids along with increased emphasis on Hellenism, Americanism and a true spirit of Sisterhood.

GRAND SECRETARY VEE VEE HERMAN

Vee Vee Herman was initiated into the Maids of Athena in 1968 into the Cassandra Alexandra #168 Chapter of District #20. She has served on the chapter level as Chapter President and under her term of office her chapter received second runner-up Outstanding Chapter in Boston.

On the District Level, she has served as Convention Vice-Chairperson, and chairperson of the Budget, Legislation, and resolutions and recommendation committees. She also served one term as District #20 Secretary and two terms as District Governor of the El Camino Real District. While Governor, Vee Vee received runner-up Outstanding District Governor and her District, El Camino Real, received runner-up Outstanding District.

On the National level, Vee Vee has served as Convention Secretary at the Los Angeles and Athena Conventions, Convention Chairperson in Boston and also has been the chairwoman of Public Relations, budget and legislation committees. Last year in Boston Vee Vee was elected as Grand Treasurer. This year she was once more given the privilege of serving the Order as Grand Secretary.

In January, Vee Vee received her Bachelor of Arts in International relations from the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. She is currently at the Monterey Institute of Foreign Studies where she is one of the 30 students admitted to the Masters Program in International Business Management.

GRAND TREASURER MARGRET PATICOPOULOS

Grand Treasurer Sister Margret Paticoopoulos was initiated into Sophia Chapter #48 of Albany, New York in December of 1968. Since that time she has held offices on all levels in the Maids of Athena. After becoming Chapter Secretary and President she was elevated to the office of District Lieutenant Governor and later went on to become Governor.

In Boston, Mass. she was elected to the Grand Lodge as Governor I and in Cincinnati became Grand Treasurer.

Sister Margret is a junior at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, New York majoring in Elementary Education.



GRAND GOVERNOR
DEMI SELLAS

Demi Sellas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Precy Sellas, was born in San Bernardino, California on Oct. 27, 1952. She has been an active member in the Maids of Athena since 1968. In 1968 she was initiated with 17 other girls to form the new Arete chapter #175. She has held the offices of Delphis, Phylax, Vice President, and President, of her chapter. During her term as President her chapter hosted the District Convention of which she was elected Convention Chairman. Also at that convention her chapter received the membership award. In 1972 she was elected to the office of District Marshall. At the next District Convention she was elected District Lt. Governor. At the National Convention that year the District Governor was elected to the Grand Lodge enabling Demi to assume the position of District Governor. She was elected in 1974 for a second term as District Governor and at the National Convention in Cincinnati this year she was elected Convention Chairman.

Demi has also been very active in school and church. She attended Cal State San Bernardino where she graduated with her B.A. in French. She is now in the process of obtaining her California Teaching Credential. She has been a Sunday School teacher for 5 years and teaches Greek Folk Dancing to the youth of her church.

GRAND GOVERNOR
ANNA MARIA CORONEOS

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tas Coroneos of Chevy Chase, Md., Anna Maria was initiated into the Muses #22 chapter in December 1968. She has held the offices of chapter secretary, vice-president, District Treasurer, Lieutenant Governor, and District Governor. Her efforts as District Governor were recognized in Boston when she was awarded first runner-up Outstanding District Governor. Attending the Boston Convention as the unanimously re-elected District Governor of District #3, she was elected to the position of Grand Governor II. During her term as Grand Governor II, she served as Chairwoman of the Maids First International Scholarship. This past August, she was once again elected as Grand Governor II.

Anna Maria is in her senior year at Sweet Briar College in Virginia, as a biology-environmental studies major. She is involved with school activities, as a member of the Photography Club and Intra-Club, as well as being in and working on the senior show, "The Wizard of Oz". She is President of Chung Mungs, a select junior-senior group of thirteen who increase and maintain school spirit through their numerous activities, and Chairwoman of the Student Development Committee, which is handling the 75th Anniversary of the college this year. One of the primary activities of this committee is a telethon scheduled to raise funds.

This is Anna Maria's third year working for Virginia Fiber Co., which has given SBC a grant to do research on the James River where the paper mill began production this past August, to ensure that pollution standards are met. This year, she has incorporated her Senior Independent Research Project with the James River Survey. Her future aspirations are to either continue with research or to work with animals.



GRAND GOVERNOR
DENICE CHOPORIS

Denice Choporis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Choporis, was born on May 13, 1953 and raised in Chicago, Illinois. She has been an active member in the Maids for 6 years.

In 1969, Denice was initiated into Gaea #109 where she served as corresponding secretary and treasurer. In 1973, at the District #13 Convention she was elected District Treasurer. During her term, she also served on the National ISIBT/IMIBT Committee as recording secretary. In 1973 she served as Lt. Governor of her District, and at the 1974 District Convention she was unanimously elected to the office of District Governor.

Denice comes from an Ahepa family; her father having served as chapter president of Garfield #203, her brother having served as SOP District Marshall, and her sister presently serving as president of Gaea #109.

Denice graduated from Steinmetz High School in 1971, 10th in her class, and recently graduated from Northeastern Illinois University with high honors with a B.A. degree in music. Her major instrument was in piano, and her minor instrument was in voice.

Now serving on the Grand Lodge of the Maids of Athena as Grand Governor II, she is working full time at Lab-Line Instruments in the Accounting Department, and also teaches piano in her spare time.

Life is the gift of nature, but beautiful living is the gift of wisdom.

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By Supreme Athletic Director Dr. Mouthe Kolfos



ALL STAR AHEPA TEAM
THAT WENT TO GREECE THIS SUMMER

FRONT ROW: J. Leondis (Harvard); D. Bouzeos (Carroll Coll.); T. Benka (Drake); T. Pappas (Milwaukee); J. Rappis (Arizona Univ.); B. Rozakis (Stout Univ.). **BACK ROW:** C. Karis (Brooklyn); P. Bouzeos (Melrose, ITT); M. Sullivan (Chicago); Coach, Lou Cotronis; Asst. Coach, Spiro Siaggas; C. Tsiotis (Suffolk Univ.); P. Laskaris (Univ. of N.H.); S. Gemelos (Tracy, Cal.).

For the first time since 1970 when Ahepa sent an All Star Ahepa Basketball team to Greece, the Order of Ahepa was privileged to repeat a similar program this summer. Thanks to the George J. Triphon family who, generously pledged \$10,000 towards the trip, in memory of their father, the first Dist. Gov. of California, a great Ahepan and the West Coast leader in his field, known as the Honey King, we are most grateful in their behalf for their interest in the Hellenic youth and the Ahepa Athletic program. It took a year to plan for and pick this team, thanks to some great cooperation, the 20 man committee did a super job as did the Milwaukee committee, led by Spiros Siaggas and Atty. John Galanis; Phil Bouzeous gave us a big lift with that fantastic tryout in Chicago, which included rooms, meals, uniforms, gyms, etc. at no expense to the Ahepa. A big thank you to the various Ahepans throughout the country for donations, which were desperately needed. Ahepans like Supreme Pres. William G. Chirgotis who was most generous; Lou Manesiotis, Jim Kekkeris, John T. Pappas, Nick Smyrnis, Sam Nakos, Wm. Tsaffaras, John Plumides, George Zamas, Paul Karres, Pete Clentzos, Jim Petheriotis, and many, many others, including a few chapters such as the Valley Forge #432, Wash. D.C., and the Hermes Chapter #186, to all those Ahepans who donated, and you know who you are, thanks a million and I'm sure you feel as good about this as did the boys who made this most memorable trip.

Thanks to Spiros Siaggas of Milwaukee who did the bulk of the paper work and Coach Lou Cotronis of Long Island. Spiro was immense in this whole program as was Lou, whose feelings have been strong on this program. We wish to thank Olympic Airways for all their assistance in the flight program, room reservations, pictures and publicity. It was deeply appreciated.



Leah Poulos—Silver
Medal Winner!!

Leah Poulos, World Sprint Champion and U.S. hope in the recent Olympics came through in great style! After a great effort in the U.S. trials, setting U.S. records in the 1500 Meters (2:13:98) and 1000 Meters (1:26:31), while defeating Sheila Young in these events, she made the U.S. Olympic team in style.

A disappointing 6th and 4th in the 1500 and 500 Meters in Innsbruck, her last chance to ever win a medal came in the 1000 Meters where her great time of 1:28:57, 14-100th of a second behind Russia's Tatania Averina, just missed the coveted gold medal. Thus Leah gained her first medal, a Silver Medal in the 1976 Olympic Games. Bravo for Leah, who put on a great performance and all Hellenes are most proud.

Leah, who was nominated last Aug. in Cinn. for the 1975 Harry Agganis Award recipient, became the first female since the inception of the award in 1955, will be presented this award at the Dist. #13 Sports Award Banquet in Chicago, on June 14th before a capacity crowd.

Miss Poulos, a World Champion, has an outstanding background; hails from Northbrook, Ill. and is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Sam and Nelda Poulos.

OLYMPIC AIRWAYS PLEDGES TO NATIONAL ATHLETIC PROGRAM

The Athletic Department of the Order of Ahepa is happy to announce that Olympic Airways has most generously pledged the sum of \$2000.00 for trophies and awards to be donated to our National Athletic Events.

We are most grateful to Olympic Airways for this kindness extended to the Order of Ahepa in behalf of the Hellenes of this country.

We Salute Olympic Airways.

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WHO WILL BE 1976 AHEPA CHAMPIONS?

Shown in above picture in foreground from left to right at the 1975 Van Nomikos National Ahepa Basketball Championship in Milwaukee, Wis.: Dr. George Korkos, Master of Ceremonies (Team Physician-BUCKS); Louis Asimakopoulos, Midwestern Regional Director; Spiro Siaggas, Assistant Coach to All Star Team to Greece and Secretary of Hall of Fame; and Sam Speros, Coach of North Shore Team receiving trophy.

In background: Dr. Monthe Kofos, Supreme Athletic Director, and Atty. John Galanis, Co-chairman of 1975-1976 and 1976 Tournament.

Milwaukee Ahepa Chapter has done an outstanding job in their 5 year pledge to conduct our National Basketball Tournament.

HALL OF FAME

The 1975 Ahepa Athletic Hall of Fame recipients who have been notified of their honors, will be awarded their plaques and inducted into the Hall of Fame by various chapters in the country between now and June. This should generate considerable interest throughout the country among the Hellenes who are most proud of this group. Those to be inducted include Pete Pihos (Football); Dee Andros (Football); Alex Karras (Football); Lou Tzoropoulos (Basketball); Alex Kampouris (Baseball); Milt Pappas (Baseball); Peter Clentzos (Track); Gus Zarnas (Football); and Jim Londos and Harry Agganis, both deceased. The chapters who will honor these top ten chosen the past year will be announced as soon as they have accepted. These athletes left their mark and a legacy among the younger Hellenes and Ahepa is most proud and pleased to honor them in appreciation and everlasting gratitude for their extraordinary achievements in athletics.

This year 5 more athletes will be inducted in the Ahepa Hall of Fame, which list will be announced at the National Convention banquet in Houston. A 15 man committee serving for 5 years will vote from a list compiled of many great Hellenes who were outstanding in athletics.



Judge Tom Yeotis, Past Supreme Councillor, presenting the "George J. Triphon, Most Valuable Athlete Award" of Olympiad to Jim Manutes of Flint, Michigan.



MARLBORO, MASS.—Paul Liolios, District #8 Ahepa Athletic Director, presenting District #8 Ten Pin Championship Trophy to P. Jonnas, G. Daopoulos (N.E. Regional Director), A. Gogolos (Chapter President), and C. Papadellis, (Sons' Advisor).

DISTRICT #8 TEN PIN CHAMPIONSHIP

Marlboro did it again! In the 2nd Annual District Ten Pin Tournament held at the Maple Lanes in Marlboro, the 5 string total Singles championship was won by Anthony Gogolos of Marlboro, who banged out a 1027 total in the Class A division to make it the 2nd year in a row that a Marlboro bowler has taken the title; Monthe Kofos being last year's winner. Runner-up was Tom Coomas of Lowell, shooting a 1023.

In the Class B division, Peter Mountzouris of the Marlboro Sons of Pericles showed his heels to all bowlers with a 1049 total followed by Chris Lekas of Worcester with a 909.

High Single for the day went to Nick Kofos, of the Marlboro Sons, who pounded out a 208 plus a 48 pin handicap for a 256 total breaking last year's mark of 228.

The team championship went to the Marlboro foursome of G. Daopoulos (936), P. Jonnas (996), C. Papadellis (940), and A. Gogolos (1027), for a 3899 total, followed by Lowell (3576), Marlboro Sons (3499) and Worcester (3243).

This was only the 2nd time this tournament has ever been conducted but it was well run. Paul Liolios, Dist. #8 Athletic Director did a fine job and the Marlboro Chapter, hosts for the day, put on an excellent spaghetti supper for the bowlers, headed by a committee of G. Granitsas, A. Zouharis, A. Spanos, R. Wile (with a broken arm) and K. Troumpalos. Paul Liolios, District Athletic Director, along with George Daopoulos, N.E. Regional Director, and myself made the trophy presentations.

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Charles Tsaffaras, Lowell, Mass., is being presented Low Net Award in Class C Flight by Supreme A.D. Monthe Kofos at the N.E. Regional Golf Tourney. Tsaffaras was later elected to the Supreme Lodge as Supreme Councillor.



Dr. Louis Spilios, Springfield, Mass., being presented Class A Low Gross trophy by M. Kofos, Supreme A.D. in N.E. Regional Tourney, 105 golfers competed. Date for 1976 is June 5 in Farmington, Conn.



Dr. Kofos presenting plaque to Peter Vorinis, Conn., winner of 1975 N.E. Championship; he later competed in Cinn. for National Championship.



Carnig Agahigian, Marlboro, Mass., winner of the Low Net in the Championship Flite in N.E. Regional Golf Tourney, presented award by Monthe Kofos, Supreme A.D.



A sparkling 65 Low Net by Swede Korandis, Marlboro, Mass., won him N.E. Handicap Title, allowing him to compete in Cinn. being presented award by Monthe Kofos, Supreme A.D.



Dr. Monthe Kofos, Supreme Athletic Director, presenting an award to Arthur Poly, N.E. Regional Director, for outstanding services rendered to the Order in Athletics. Poly has been noted for his outstanding efforts in conducting some of the finest golf tournaments in the Ahepa domain. Ahepa salutes him, and his able committee.

ALL AMERICAN PETE MANNOS TO TURN PRO

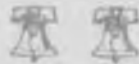
Peter Mannos, Northern Ill. College All American Soccer player and Ahepa's great choice for the "James Kekeris Ahepa Outstanding Student-Athlete Award" in the U.S., has had more honors reaped upon him. This week, he was the first draft choice of the North American Soccer League's San Antonio Thunder and the 3rd draft pick of the American Soccer League's Los Angeles Seahawks. Since his selection, one of the 13 all stars to compete for the West All Stars in the Senior Soccer Bowl Classis last month (West 2-East 0), a shut-out for Peter, he received the following honors:

Most Valuable Player—Northern Ill. University—1st Team All State; 1st Team All Illinois; 1st Team All Midwest; 1st Team All American; Nominee for the Robert Hermann Award (College Soccer Player of the year) by the Sporting News.

During his 4 years he notched 439 saves and authored 13 shut-outs in 41 games.

If Mannos does sign with Thunder, the club would want him to report March 1st to its training camp and a possible exhibition tour through South America, or he may finish his final semester of school.

He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Nick Mannos of Wilmette, Illinois. Congratulations to Peter who made such a great impression to all those who met him at the National Ahepa Banquet as an outstanding athlete and gentleman and one who the Hellenes are most proud.



Manthis Named Pro at Midland

Jim Manthis will succeed Wally Mund as head professional at Midland Hills C.C. in Minneapolis, Minn. Manthis, 33, has been Mund's assistant since 1967 and was an assistant at White Bear Yacht Club two years before that.

Manthis, a former caddie at Midland Hills, graduated from Minn. Edison High School in 1960 and attended the University of Minn. He is the son of Thomas and Tula Manthis, a member of the Demosthenes Chapter #66, Minn. Minn.

1975 PARADE OF AHEPA CHAMPIONS

The order of Ahepa is proud to announce its 1975 Parade of Champions.

This list, released by Dr. Monthe Kofos, Supreme Athletic Director, and the Department of Athletics of the Order of Ahepa, represents the official tournament and award winners for the past year.

Congratulations to a great bunch of athletes, and Ahepa Champions.

These tournaments are the officially sanctioned tournaments of the Order of Ahepa as approved by the Supreme Convention.

- NATIONAL AHEPA INVITATIONAL GOLF CHAMPION—Vic Gavalas - 141 - Tallahassee, Florida
 NATIONAL AHEPA REGIONAL GOLF CHAMPION—Bob Harrison - 146 - Englewood, California
 NATIONAL AHEPA REGIONAL HANDICAP CHAMPION—Nick Stiny - 136 - Burbank, California
 CONVENTION CITY GOLF CHAMPION—Bob Harrison - 69 - Englewood, California
 NATIONAL AHEPA BASKETBALL CHAMPION—Ypsilanti - Chicago, Illinois
 NATIONAL AHEPA BOWLING CHAMPIONS—Team—Garfield No. 2 (2999) Chicago, Ill.; Singles—Bill Choporis (645) Chicago, Ill.; Doubles—Bill Choporis and Steve Choporis (1308) Chicago, Ill. All Events—Bill Choporis (1903) Chicago, Ill.
 CONVENTION CITY TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP—Men's Singles—Akim Anastopoulos, Charleston, S.C.; Women's Singles—Penny Keriakes, Cincinnati, Ohio; Men's Doubles—Nathan Karras, Hammond, Indiana; Mixed Doubles—Akim and Patti Anastopoulos, Charleston, S.C.; Men's Doubles—(over 35) Ted Pace, East Chicago, Ill.; David Stevens, East Chicago, Ill.
 HARRY AGGANIS AWARD—Leah Poulos, World Sprint Skating Champion.
 WILLIAM CHIRGOTIS OUTSTANDING COLLEGIATE ATHLETE AWARD—Steve Bograkovs, Central Michigan National Champs Football - NCAA - Division II.
 JAMES KEKERIS STUDENT ATHLETE AWARD—Peter N. Mannos, All American Soccer
 GEORGE J. TRIPHON TRACK M.V.P. AWARD—Jim Manutes, Flint, Michigan

1976 AHEPA NATIONAL ATHLETIC PROGRAM

- April 11, 1976—15th N.E. Ahepa Candlepin Championship, Manchester, N.H.; Chairman—George Daopoulos.
 May 1-2, 1976—16th National Ahepa Bowling Championship, Chicago, Illinois; Chairman—Louis Asimakopoulos.
 August 16-17, 1976—5th National Regional Golf Championship, Houston, Texas
 August 17, 1976—Convention City Golf Tournament, Houston, Texas.
 August 18, 1976—2nd Convention City Swimming Championship, Houston, Texas.
 August 18-20, 1976—5th Convention City Tennis Championship, Houston, Texas.
 August 18, 1976—31st Annual Ahepa Olympiad, Houston, Texas.

16th ANNUAL NATIONAL AHEPA BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Host: 13th District Ahepa Athletic Committee
 Place: Stark's Forest Vue Lanes, River Road, Des Plaines, Ill.
 Date: May 1-2

Louis Asimakopoulos, Midwestern Regional Director and Steve Manta, District A.D., head a big committee in readying for the 16th Annual Ahepa Bowling Tourney and this should be a huge extravaganza.

This will be open to the Ahepa family, Ahepans, Daughters, Maids and Sons with awards and prizes to all divisions. Singles and Doubles teams will go on Saturday and teams on Sunday. Applications are in the mail!! We are hoping for more national representation than just the Middle West; a good way to prove that we have good bowlers in the East, West, North and South. Marlboro, Mass. proved their point with some strong finishes the past two years and they'll be tough again.

Olympic Airways will be donating all the trophies and the other prizes will be huge. A social is planned for Saturday night for the bowlers along with the many places of interest in Chicago that weekend.

Last years winners: Defending Team Champions—Garfield #2-2999; Doubles—Steve Choporis and Bill Choporis—Chicago—1308; Singles—Bill Choporis—Chicago—645; All Events—Bill Choporis—Chicago—1903; Best 4-6—Andy Dangelas—Marlboro, Mass.—915.

Applications may be obtained from Headquarters. See you all in Chicago—May 1-2.

It is hoped to increase the attendance at the National Ahepa Bowling Tournament by more areas being represented from the country.

As Regional and District Athletic Director, it is suggested that you conduct a Regional Bowling Tournament, raising enough funds to give free transportation for a 5 man All Star Bowling Team from your area to participate in the National Tournament in Chicago.

The National Tournament will be held in Chicago on May 1-2 and it should be tops under the able leadership of Louis Asimakopoulos, who does a super job with his committee.

So let's go, this could be good for Ahepa and a lot of fun for everyone.

Conduct a regional or District bowling tourney and fly that team to Chicago for this National Championship.

You bowlers in Florida, Calif., N.J., Penn., etc. let's accept this challenge and see you in Chicago May 1-2. Start now. It's not that difficult.

NATIONAL REGIONAL AHEPA GOLF TOURNAMENTS

- March 13, 1976—4th Annual Southern Regional Golf Tourney, Orlando, Fla.; Chairman—Dr. James Demopoulos.
 June 5, 1976—10th Annual N.E. Regional Golf Tournament, Farmington, Conn.; Chairman—Arthur Poly.
 July 14, 1976—3rd Annual Far Western Regional Golf Tourney, Pasadena, Cal.; Chairman—Peter Clentzos.
 July 19, 1976—4th Annual Midwestern Regional Golf Tourney, Grand Blanc, Mich.; Chairmen—Eli Chinonis, Ken Palmer.



COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

	At Year End	
	1975	1974
ASSETS		
Cash and Due from Banks	\$ 59,277,869	\$ 71,154,191
U.S. Government Obligations	13,496,341	9,253,530
Obligations of States and Political Subdivisions	20,816,654	20,961,242
Obligations of Federal Agencies	36,195,546	36,196,042
Federal Funds Sold	31,600,000	12,000,000
Other Loans and Discounts	101,277,541	101,041,705
Banking Premises and Equipment	2,335,434	2,514,884
Customers' Acceptance Liability	933,291	5,737,190
Other Assets	2,480,279	2,295,261
Total Assets	\$267,855,155	\$261,155,095
LIABILITIES		
Deposits:		
Demand	\$122,992,421	\$116,624,143
Savings	56,948,908	43,363,269
Time	71,173,777	74,893,028
Bank's Acceptances Outstanding (less in portfolio)	933,291	5,737,190
Accrued Taxes and Other Expenses	1,011,116	1,132,029
Unearned Income	1,498,785	1,581,890
Total Liabilities	\$248,560,298	\$243,551,549
RESERVE FOR POSSIBLE LOAN LOSSES	\$ 1,418,589	\$ 1,300,000
EQUITY CAPITAL		
Capital Note, due 4/30/80, 7 1/2 %	\$ 475,000	\$ 475,000
Common Stock		
160,000 shares outstanding	1,600,000	1,600,000
Surplus	2,600,000	2,600,000
Undivided Profits	12,753,625	11,198,382
Reserve for Contingencies	447,843	450,164
Total Equity	\$ 17,875,268	\$ 16,323,546
Total Liabilities and Capital	\$267,855,155	\$261,155,095

Commercial Letters of Credit and Guarantees outstanding totaled \$11,072,000 as of December 31, 1975. Securities valued at \$2,015,800 were pledged to secure public funds and for other purposes.

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A message

from the Supreme President

To the Members of the Ahepa Family:

Ahepa's most important social event of the year, was our 22nd Biannual Congressional Banquet, which was held at the Washington Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C., on April 5th, 1976 in honor of the 94th Congress of the United States of America— which saw more than 25 of the 100 United States Senators in attendance, and about one-third of the Congress of the United States.

It was a gala affair—a great event, that once again proved, to one and all—that Ahepa truly represents the hopes, ambitions, desires and future achievements of the Hellenic-Americans in the United States.

It was a proud day . . . and all in attendance agreed—that it was AHEPA'S Finest Hour . . .

President Ford delivered his remarks to the Ahepans, praising the long friendship of Greece and the United States and referred to Greece's Prime Minister Constantine Caramanlis as an "out-standing leader of the free world", and praised the Greek immigrants, who came to this country, and have played a major role, in the development and growth, of the United States.

But, the President disappointed many, in the huge crowd, by not mentioning Cyprus, its refugees, or aid to Greece.

Because we were respecting the office of the Presidency, and were honored by the presence of the President and Mrs. Ford, I didn't mention Cyprus in my remarks—but on the following day I sent a letter to the President, which read as follows:

The Honorable Gerald R. Ford
President of the United States of America
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

We are honored that you accepted our invitation to address our Congressional Banquet on April 5th, 1976, but the applause and general expression of love, respect and devotion to you as President of our country, should not be misunderstood as imply-

ing approval of the policies of your Administration towards Greece and Turkey.

The members of Ahepa are united in condemning these policies. We consider them utterly detrimental to the American interests in the area, diametrically opposed to American ideals and profoundly unjust and unfair to the people of Greece and Cyprus.

Greece has always been one of America's staunchest friends and allies, not in mere words, but in deeds as well . . . great deeds involving innumerable sacrifices, for example standing shoulder to shoulder with the United States during the First and Second World Wars.

We are fully aware of the problem of the Turkish bases, having discussed it with prominent strategists in this country and Greece. We are convinced that their importance for our defense is much smaller than that of the Greek bases. Only Greece has not subjected us to the blackmail Turkey has. However, even if the importance of those bases were such as some people try to make us believe, it can never be as great as the importance of the moral issue involved and the devotion of people of goodwill throughout the world for whom the mishandling of Greece and Cyprus has a tremendous symbolic meaning.

On behalf of the Order of Ahepa and on behalf of all Hellenes throughout the world, I ask that a meeting be arranged among Ahepa's experts on the Greek and Cyprus issue and yourself to discuss all aspects of the problem.

No half measure, no token concessions, no good sounding promises or words of consolation and sympathy can turn the wrong to right. It is our firm belief that only by practicing and fanatically supporting the right, can our great country—the United States of America—be the leader of the free world.

Respectfully yours,

William G. Chirgotis
Supreme President

A PARTING THOUGHT

*As I journey on my way, I wish you well . . .
" . . . I want it said of me by
those who knew me best that I
always plucked a thistle and
planted a flower where I thought
a flower would grow."*

Abraham Lincoln

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from the editor

HOUSTON SUPREME CONVENTION

The city of Houston is ready to welcome the many thousands of friends of AHEPA, who will flock to the 54th Ahepa Supreme Convention on August 15-21, 1976.

An exciting array of talent has been lined up for the events of the Convention, guaranteeing a full enjoyment to those in attendance. Such events as the Hellenic Festival, the Debutante Presentation and Ball, the Grand Banquet and the Farewell Dance will once again offer everyone the chance to enjoy these traditional Ahepa functions. Of course, the traditional Ahepa Olympiad will attract the top track and field Hellenic athletes of the country.

Whether you are interested in the social events of the Convention, or the sports, or the more serious aspects of the Convention Business Sessions, plan now to attend this conclave in historic Houston, joining your Ahepa friends in mapping out the future course of AHEPA and Hellenism. At the same time you will have the opportunity to renew old acquaintances and make new friends in a friendly, congenial and tradition-laden atmosphere. See you all in Houston . . .

AHEPA'S PROGRAMS

As we get ready to embark upon our 54th Supreme Convention in Houston, we pause to evaluate the efforts of the past twelve months in connection with the various Ahepa programs.

In addition to the traditional programs of Membership Drives, Biennial Banquets, etc., great strides have been achieved in other areas, like Ahepa's participation in the Bicentennial Celebration through the Ahepa Bicentennial Committee, the Ahepa Educational Journey to Greece and others. The Cyprus programs that emerged as projects of a continuing nature, affording the members of the Ahepa Family the opportunity to participate on a permanent, year after year basis are: Cooley's Anemia, Save-A-Heart Fund and the Ahepa Educational Foundation.

We trust that the members of all the Chapters actively support all of Ahepa's programs, mindful of their obligations as the chosen representatives of our people to promote the noblest attributes of Hellenism. Only by helping to preserve, enrich and perpetuate the ideas and ideals of Hellenism for the happiness, enlightenment and progress of mankind, do we prove worthy descendants of those who first conceived, established and promoted that way of life we call Hellenism . . .

Let us TOGETHER join in a Superb effect, in behalf of AHEPA, assemble in Houston in August and legislate the finest program for the promotion of those Hellenic ideas . . .



AHEPA

Expresses pride in celebrating the U. S. Bicentennial Year, and offers thanks in gratitude for the opportunities made possible.

The idealistic principles of America, nobly represented by the Statue of Liberty, that eternal torch of mankind, drew many of their philosophies from the golden age of Greece.

The Democratic concept of city-state government, through liberty and justice and trial by jury. The School of Athens, influencing all academic institutions of scholastic excellence, Medicine and the Hippocratic Oath; The Classic Style to Architecture; A Logical Approach To All Fields in Science; The Olympics interwoven in sportsmanship; In Sound Mind-Sound Body; The serenity of Aesthetics in all fine arts, and that great scene - The Theatre; Maxims such as "Know Thy Self", and "Man Is The Measure Of Everything", epitomize wherein beauty lies, what constitutes truth, and why right action must form the basis of any principle.

Twenty-five centuries have passed, and that torch of human excellence has journeyed through a myriad of obstacles, from the Golden Age of Greece, to the Roman Empire, to the Holy Christian Church, to the Byzantine Era, to the Renaissance, to the Anthology of European Enlightenment, to the Liberty of Man. 1776



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CURRENT FACTS CONCERNING THE NATION'S
SIXTH LARGEST CITY

POPULATION & AREA

Houston is the fastest growing major city in the United States. It is officially the sixth largest city in the nation with an estimated population within the incorporated limits of 1,430,000, an increase of 44,000 over last year. The population stands at 2,274,000 within the six-county Houston Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area and is projected to reach 3,200,000 by 1985. There are 503 square miles within the incorporated area of Houston, which is located almost entirely within Harris County.

As the visitor views the Nation's sixth largest city, he is impressed with its wide clean streets, almost all of which are one-way thoroughfares feeding Houston's 293 miles of freeways.

ECONOMY

Houston is a bright spot in the national and international economy. The key to the area's strong and rapidly expanding economy is diversity. It is an energy capital, a leader in finance, retailing, engineering and construction. Houston is the ninth largest manufacturing area in the U.S.; it is the only one of the top 10 in the Southwest. Houston is a center for science and technology and for medical activities. Houston is a headquarters city for many of the nation's largest corporations. The most recent count shows that more than 180 companies have moved their headquarters, subsidiaries, or divisions here since 1970. These moves have reinforced the city's more than 700 major corporations with assets of over \$1 billion. Industry along the Houston Ship Channel represents investments of more than \$4 billion. The number of persons employed in the area stands at more than a million, while the unemployment figure has recently averaged just over 4% of the total labor force, half the national average.

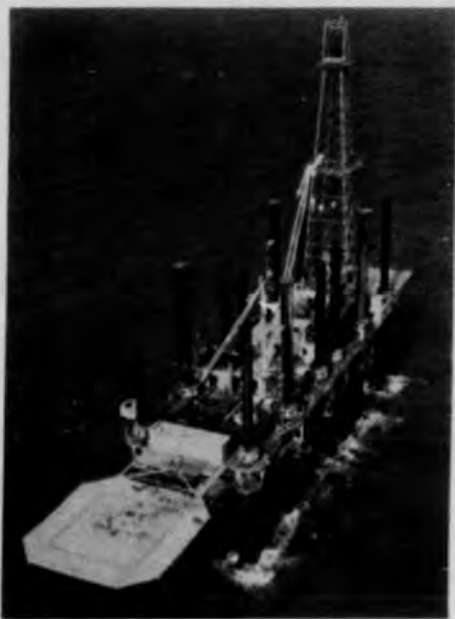
ENERGY CAPITAL OF THE WORLD

Houston has been known as "Space City U.S.A.," the "Oil Capital of the U.S.A." and now it is known world-wide as the "International Energy Capital of the World". Houston is an international energy capital with 24 of the 25 largest U.S. oil companies having management activities here. They are joined by some 400 other oil companies. Houston is a major supplier in energy exploration and production around the world. Nearly one quarter of the nation's refining capacity is in the Houston area. At least 60% of each basic petrochemical produced in the U.S. comes from Houston.

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITY

Houston is an international center of trade and commerce and is known worldwide for scientific and medical activities and as Space City. Houston is an international shipping and air hub. Houston also is a convention and visitor center drawing many international visitors. There are 43 consulates located here. Eight foreign banks are represented; seven Houston banks have international departments; six other of the nation's largest banks have subsidiaries of their international departments here. Corporations from throughout the world have Houston offices.

ENERGY



TRANSPORTATION



The Port of Houston is the third largest port in the nation in total tonnage. In 1974 both the foreign trade tonnage and dollar value of total tonnage ranked second only to New York. The Houston Ship Channel with its concentration of industry connects Houston with the Gulf of Mexico 50 miles away. This is a national and international air hub with 11 major airlines flying out of Intercontinental and Hobby Airports. The 1.5 million vehicles in the area travel on a 200-mile freeway system planned to be nearly twice the current size upon completion. The rapidly growing bus transit system is operated by the city.

Slowly, but doggedly, digging a ditch to the sea, Houston finally realized its man-made island waterway which today is frequented by thousands of ocean-going vessels from around the world. There is not a day in the year that an ocean-going vessel flying the flag of our beloved Greece cannot be found berthed in the Houston ship channel.

You've read the pertinent facts concerning the nation's sixth largest city. Now we'll tell you about things you should do and see during your visit here (see your Convention Activity Schedule which will be published in the next issue of the AHEPAN for special tours and activities arranged for your pleasure).

Houston has received worldwide attention as the headquarters for manned space flight activity. The Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center started operations in 1962. Houston is a major center of scientific and technological activity in the fields of petroleum, chemicals, medicine, earth sciences, aerospace and oceanography. Research and development activities are proliferating. A V.I.P. tour of NASA has been arranged. You will see a city within a city with all its complexities. Also, you will be surprised to learn and see how many persons in our manned space flight activity are of Greek heritage.



On one of your tours you will be able to see one of the most modern complexes of its kind—The Texas Medical Center. Houston is the home of The Texas Medical Center which contains 29 institutions including seven major hospitals and a dozen medical, dental and nursing schools. The Center, which has received international recognition for research and innovative treatment, draws patients from throughout the world. As Houston's largest employer, the Center employed 18,629 persons in 1974. Houston has a total of 55 hospitals and an emergency ambulance system that is one of the finest in the nation. Associated with the Texas Medical Center are Dr. Michael DeBakey and Dr. Denton Cooley, two of the world's most renowned heart surgeons.



In addition you will see many of Houston's 24 colleges and universities and their beautiful campuses and educational and housing facilities. Also the Houston Independent School District which is the seventh largest in the nation comprises many new and beautiful schools from grade school level through high school.

Next, you will be privileged to see the 8th wonder of the world—The Houston Astrodome—and the adjoining Astrodome. Not enough can be written about the Astrodome—you've got to see it!! It houses the worlds largest single level exhibit complex with its 400,000 square feet. It can accommodate 100,000 persons daily with no difficulty. Downtown, at the Civic Center, two major functions are scheduled. The Greek Night Glendi and the Grand Ball. The Civic Center also houses the Manned Space Flight Hall of Fame and will also house the Ahepa Bicentennial Exhibit.



Dining in Houston is equally delightful, and, as home of the South's largest restaurant association, the city offers myriad dining opportunities. Prices and bills of fare are diverse, and the visitor may choose from a typical Texas Bar-B-Q, or the most savory of gourmet dishes. Houston's proximity to the Gulf of Mexico makes seafood a must. Likewise, its nearness to Mexico and a large Mexican-American population give Houston an abundance of authentic Mexican restaurants. Situated in the greatest cattle producing county in the State, Houston enjoys a wide selection of superb steak houses. Being a major world port, it follows that demand is high for a wide variety of international restaurants and foreign cuisine is available in many fine restaurants especially along "The Strip" where dozens of international sidewalk cafes are wedged between a potpourri of antique shops, galleries, quaint pubs, boutiques, flea markets, strip shows, discos and the gamut in screen offerings.

So, Sons (50th Anniversary Celebration), Maids, Daughters, Ahepans and families plan now to attend "The Greatest Of All Conventions" in Houston August 15 to August 21. Indeed, the greater Houston area has many faces constantly forming new profiles but one thing is constant . . . Houston is hospitable and eager for the visitor to discover its many new wonders. See you soon!



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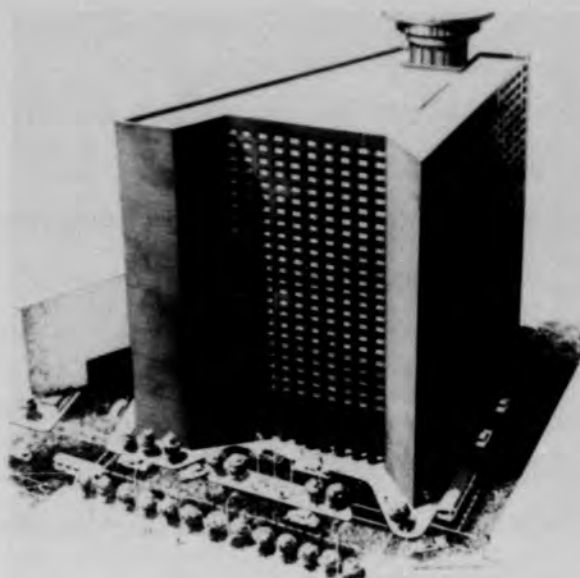
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PROGRAM AND SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15:

- 10:30 a.m. Church Services at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 3511 Yoakum Blvd.
1:00 p.m. Texas style barbecue luncheon, honoring the Supreme and Grand Lodges, at the church auditorium.
2:00 p.m. Official public opening of Convention, following luncheon, church auditorium.
2:30 p.m. Children of St. Basil's Academy to stage special performance at church auditorium.
1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Registration of all Convention delegates at Hyatt Regency Hotel.
9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m. Welcome Night Dance, at Hyatt Regency Hotel.
1:00 a.m.-4:00 a.m. Teen Age After Hours Club at Sheraton Houston Hotel.
1:00 a.m.-4:00 a.m. Key Club at Hyatt Regency Hotel.

MONDAY, AUGUST 16:

- 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Registration at Hyatt Regency Hotel.
10:00 a.m. Business sessions of AHEPA, DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE, at Hyatt Regency; SONS OF PERICLES and MAIDS OF ATHENA at Sheraton Houston. Election of Convention officers and appointment of committees. Four (4) separate meetings daily, through Saturday.
8:00 a.m. Invitational Golf Tournament at Woodland Country Club.
12:00 Noon Dubutante Luncheon, Sandalwood Suite, Hyatt Regency Hotel.
6:00 p.m. Single Adults Get Acquainted Party, at Cotton Room A and B, Hyatt Regency Hotel. Cochairmen: Arthur Gregory, John Babalis.
7:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m. Hellenic Festival and Glendi, at Albert Thomas Convention Center-Greek music, dancing, entertainment (food optional).
1:00 a.m.-4:00 a.m. Teen Age After Hours Club, at Sheraton Houston Hotel.
1:00 a.m.-4:00 a.m. Key Club, at Hyatt Regency Hotel.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17:

- 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Registration, at Hyatt Regency Hotel.
9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Business sessions, at Hyatt Regency and Sheraton Houston Hotels.
8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Convention Open Golf Tournament, at the Woodlands Country Club, home of the Houston Open Pro Tour.
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. SONS and MAIDS breakfast, at Sheraton Houston Hotel.
12:00 Noon-2:00 p.m. District Governors' luncheon, at Sandalwood Room, Hyatt Regency Hotel.
2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. V.I.P. National Aeronautics and Space Administration tour.
6:00 p.m. Single Adults Get Acquainted Party, at Cotton Room A and B, Hyatt Regency Hotel.
9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m. Debutantes Presentation and Ball, at Hyatt Regency Hotel, Imperial Ballroom 1 and 2-Presentation at 10:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18:

- 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Registration, at Hyatt Regency Hotel (closing of registration).

- 9:00 a.m. Business sessions at both hotels.
9:00 a.m. Convention Tennis Tournament, through Friday, at Southwest Tennis Center.
11:30 a.m. DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE Fashion Show and Luncheon, at Hyatt Regency Hotel, Imperial Ballroom.
1:00 p.m. AHEPA Olympiad (Track and Field Events), at the Rice University stadium, Houston, Texas-Olympiad Torch Ceremony, from City Hall to stadium at 12:00 Noon.
1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. MAIDS OF ATHENA Convention Olympiad, at the Rice University stadium.
3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. NASA's Presentation on Space (presentation by an astronaut), at the Hyatt Regency Hotel.
9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m. AHEPA and DAUGHTERS Grand Ball, at the Albert Thomas Convention Center-Music, dancing, entertainment.
1:00 a.m.-4:00 a.m. SONS and MAIDS Talent Show, at Sheraton Houston Hotel.
1:00 a.m.-4:00 a.m. Key Club, at Hyatt Regency Hotel.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19:

- 9:00 a.m. Business sessions, at both hotels.
10:00 a.m. Convention Swimming Meet, at University of Houston Swimming Pool.
6:30 p.m.-11:00 p.m. The Grand Banquet, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Imperial Ballroom- Reception at 6:30 p.m., and dinner at 7:45 p.m.
9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m. The Olympiad Ball, at the Sheraton Houston Hotel, Grand Ballroom.
1:00 a.m.-4:00 a.m. Teen Age Club, at Sheraton Houston Hotel.
1:00 a.m.-4:00 a.m. Key Club, at Hyatt Regency Hotel.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20:

- 9:00 a.m. Business sessions, at both hotels. Final business sessions for DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE, MAIDS OF ATHENA, and SONS OF PERICLES, who will all elect new national officers.
12:00 Noon SONS OF PERICLES' 50th Anniversary Luncheon, at the Sheraton Houston Hotel.
9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m. The SONS and MAIDS' Ball, at the Sheraton Houston Hotel, Grand Ballroom-Music, dancing, entertainment.
1:00 a.m.-4:00 a.m. Teen Age Club, at the Sheraton Houston (last night).

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21:

- 9:00 a.m. AHEPA business session, at Hyatt Regency Hotel. Election of new national officers.
9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m. The Farewell Dance, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Imperial Ballroom.
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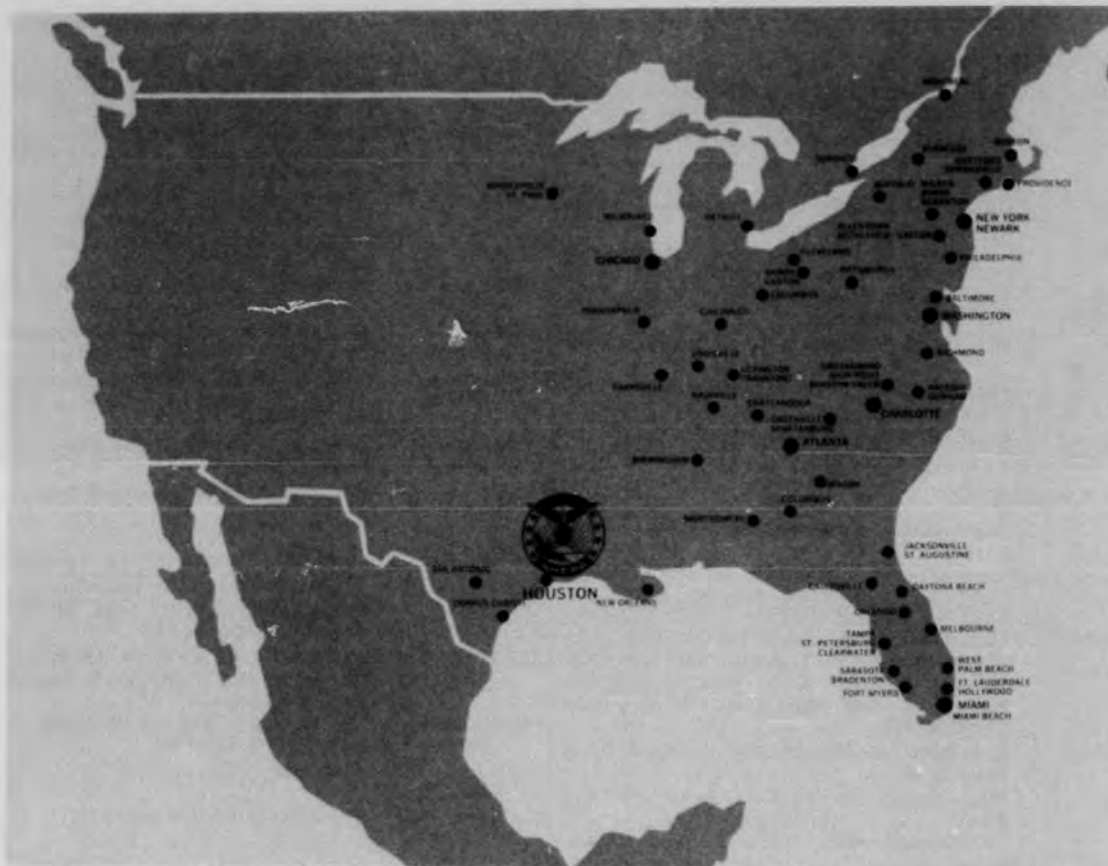
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THE BACKGROUND AND EVENTS LEADING UP TO THE REVOLUTION

Continued from the Previous Issue of the Ahepan Magazine

Philiki Etairia

The greatest national secret society, which was international actually in scope, was the PHILIKI ETAIRIA. This society was formed by three Greek merchants of Odessa—Skoufas, Tsakaloff, and Xanthos. The membership was secret for it would mean death at the hands of the Turks to be known as a member of the society. Headquarters were established in Constantinople, and the movement officially opened for freedom for Greece. Alexander Ypsilanti, a general in the Russian army, was chosen the leader of the PHILIKI ETAIRIA. (June, 1820)

Ypsilanti's first move was the organization of the revolution against the Turks in Moldavia and Vlachia (now Rumania). Russian influence in that section was great, and the revolution was started there so as to influence the Turks into believing that the revolution was backed by Russia, and also to give the Greeks time in preparing for the movement in Greece, proper. However, the revolution in Moldavia failed and Ypsilanti was later taken by the Austrians, as he tried to flee through that country, and confined in prison. In 1827, the Czar of Russia intervened in his behalf and secured his release from prison, however, the confinement had undermined his health and he died within a year of his release.

In Constantinople, the news of the revolution caused great consternation among the Turkish officials. The sultan immediately ordered a move against all Greeks in that area, to stem any further uprisings. He ordered his troops to wholesale pillaging and massacres against reputable Greek merchants and leaders. No one was spared, not even the venerable Greek Orthodox Patriarch of Constantinople, Gregory V.

On Easter Day, at the close of the services in the Greek Orthodox Churches, Turkish soldiers forced their way into the Greek Patriarchate in Constantinople, and showed papers to the Patriarch, which stated that he had been evicted from his post as Patriarch by the sultan. The soldiers then put the Patriarch in prison, where he remained for some time. The Patriarchate was given orders by the sultan, on pain of death, to select another Patriarch.

Finally, the Patriarch was taken from his prison, to the Patriarchate, and there hanged from the Inner Gate. His body was left there for three days, while all Christians hid in their homes for fear of their lives, as the Turkish soldiers roamed the city, searching for Greek Christians. Those that they found, were slaughtered. Then, the body of the Patriarch was taken down, weighted with a heavy stone, and thrown into the sea, by the Turks. However, a Greek ship captain, several days later, sighted the floating body, which had come to the surface, brought it aboard his ship upon recognition, and carried it immediately to Odessa in Russia. There, the Czar gave the Patriarch the honor due him, with a state funeral, and great mourning. After fifty years, the body was exhumed and taken to Athens, where it lies today.

In 1821, through the efforts of the Philiki Etairia, the secret society, some semblance of organization and planning had been brought about, and in March of that year, under the leadership of such men as Theodore Kolokotronis, Petrompes Mavromichalis, Andreas Zaimis, Andreas Lontos, the Metropolitan Palaion Patron Germanos, Gregorios Papaflesas—the revolution opened in Greece.

In the Peloponnesus

Kolokotronis arrived at Mani, in January of 1821, and his very presence in Greece was enough to arouse the spirit of the patriots, for his name was already known throughout the country, as a fearless patriot, and leader. In 1818, the Turks had evicted him from the Morea, or Peloponnesus, because of his aggressiveness and rebellious spirit.

On March 21, 1821, the patriots besieged the city of Kalavrita, and in five days had taken the town. On the 22nd, Mavromichalis and his Maniates, with Kolokotronis and others, besieged Kalames and took it on the 25th. In Patras, the Metropolitan Palaion Patron Germanos, with Andreas Zaimis, Lontos and others, struck the colors for freedom, on March 25, which date is recognized as the official beginning of the Revolution. With their force, these leaders besieged the town of Patras. At the same time, Lala, Corinth, Monemvasia, Navarino, Argos, and Nauplion were besieged by the patriots.

Hursit Pasha, Turkish ruler of the Morea, who was in Giannena at the time, immediately sent Mustapha Bey with a force under him, to put down the uprising. Bey was successful and raised the sieges of Patras, Corinth, Argos, and routed the Greeks in those areas, and then went to Tripolis. At Valteitsi, he met the main Greek force, and the battle raged for the entire day until, finally, the Turkish forces were routed by the Greeks, completely, leaving their arms and supplies strewn on the field. This was the needed encouragement necessary for the morale of the patriots, and gave them recognition of their own ability to meet the Turks in battle.

Shortly after this battle, 4,000 Turkish soldiers met Nikita Stamatelopoulo and his 150 *palikaria*, while on their way to Vervena. After eleven hours of fighting, Nikita was still standing his ground, and finally the Greek force from Vervena arrived, and the Turks were routed. The Greek patriots finally took Navarino, Monemvasia, and Corinth, in 1822.

In Sterea Hellas

The revolution was raised in Sterea Hellas by Panourgias at Amphissa, by Thanasis Diakos at Levadia, and by Diouvouniotis at Vouounitsa.

A large Turkish force, under Kiosho Mehmet and Omar Vrionis, advanced upon the Greeks in Sterea Hellas, and dispersed the force that came to meet them—all except for forty patriots and Thanasis Diakos, who decided to hold at Hermopylae. They were finally all dead except Diakos, who was taken prisoner and

taken to Lamia. There, the two Turkish leaders asked him to join with them for they both admired and feared his bravery. He cursed them instead of agreeing, and he was consequently spitted upon a large stake by the Turks, where he died, pierced the length of his body by the stake. But he died without remorse and with curses for his torturers.

Oddeas Androustos heard of the death of his friend Diakos, but it only spurred him on. He stationed himself at the pass of Amfianis, knowing that the enemy would pass that way. On the 8th of May the enemy did appear. The majority of the patriots took their positions near the pass, but Androustos, with 129 others, stationed himself in a log shelter, or fort, fortified with large stones about it. The Turks defeated the main Greek force, then turned their attention to the fort, but were met by volley after volley of fire, and were hurled back. When night fell, the Turks brought cannon from Lamia to bombard the fort, but during the night, Diakos and his men broke out of the fort, and escaped through the Turkish lines, into the hills. After this, the Turks retreated to Attica, where they raised the siege of the Greeks on the Acropolis. On August 20, the Greeks defeated the enemy at Vasiliki, for their second great victory of the revolution, the first being at Valtetsiou. The Turkish forces left Tripoli following this defeat, and the city fell to the Greeks.

Northern Greece

The revolution opened on May 20 in northern Greece. Because of the heavy Turkish forces in that section, the struggle did not meet with any success. In Thessaly, the uprising was quickly downed by the Turks who massacred and destroyed as they went through the countryside. In Macedonia, the heavy Turkish forces spelled defeat for the Greeks there, also. In Crete, in the south of Greece, the Greeks arose in revolution, but had to flee to the hills for safety where they remained for the duration of the struggle, fighting for their lives against the Turks.

In the Peloponnesus

Shortly thereafter, Ibrahim brought over 6,000 more troops and 500 more of cavalry, with ammunition and cannon. He dispersed the Greek troops that were besieging Methonis, and then marched for Navarino. When the Greek government heard of his invasion of the Peloponnesus, they sent troops against him, and it was agreed that Koundouriotis, the president, lead the troops. However, he gave up his command, on the way, realizing that his knowledge of naval maneuvers would be no avail on land, naming Skourti as the leader—also a naval man, with no knowledge of land maneuvers. Skourti met the Turkish advance at Kremidi, only two hours from Methoni, but he was sadly defeated. At Navarino, the Greeks had barricaded themselves on a small island, but the Egyptian troops, under Hussein routed them, and only 300 patriots escaped aboard the five Greek ships in the harbor,—among the survivors was Mavrokordatos.

The entire Peloponnesus now clamored for the freedom of Kolokotronis, still in prison. The government would not listen, even though Papaflesas, himself, asked for his release. Consequently Papaflesas with his 1,000 Roumeliotes took the stand against the Turks and although they fought bravely, they were slain to the last man. Now, the government seeing disaster before it, freed Kolokotronis and his friends, who had been imprisoned because of jealousy and political reasons, for the patriots needed a good leader now, if ever they had.

The news that Kolokotronis, O GEROS TIS MOREAS, was free spread like wildfire over the Peloponnesus, and his name drew thousands of patriots to the fight, under him, as their leader.

Kolokotronis was faced with the problem of meeting the Turks in battle whose superior fighting forces, in numbers, could not be easily met in open battle on the field. Consequently, he fell back to the Kleftiko method—with lightning thrusts at night or day, from the hills, upon the enemy, furious fighting that demoralized the Turks, then back into the hills would sweep the patriots until the next opportunity. He constantly harried them with this guerrilla warfare for it was Greece's only way out. Ibrahim then resolved to sweep the entire Peloponnesus, every hill and valley, of the patriots. It was the only way he could hope to conquer them.

At this time, the siege of Missolonghi was underway in earnest and he was called to go to the aid of the Turkish troops besieging the city. After months, finally, the Turkish forces had worn down the resistance of the Greeks, and they determined to break through, to safety. However, almost to safety, fear overtook the patriots, and half of them turned back to the city, while the other half continued on to freedom in the hills. Those who had turned back were followed closely by the enemy, who broke into the city, and began the massacre that alarmed all of Europe. When they had finished, Missolonghi was nothing but a smoking ruins. The fall of Missolonghi, now named the Holy City, (IERA POLIS) because of the massacre, also spelled the downfall of the revolutionary government in power, and a new one arose, with Zaimis as president. Kioutahis was in command of the Turkish troops in central Greece at the time, while Ibrahim returned to the Peloponnesus where he began laying waste the countryside, killing as he drove relentlessly onward. Koutahis meanwhile advanced into Attica, and laid siege to the Acropolis.

Two men, in this hour of need and darkness, were again the saviours . . . Kolokotronis and Karaiskakis. The first was in the Peloponnesus, and the latter in central Greece. Ibrahim tried to conquer the Maniates, but his two attempts met with failure, and he was forced by Kolokotronis to retreat to the extreme edge of the Peloponnesus.

Karaiskakis

Karaiskakis, the leader in the central Greek front, was a small, sickly man, who was described as having the "heart of a lion." Up to this point in the revolution, his importance was not great, however, it was his strategy and bitter defense that was of such aid to the patriots. He was given command of the Greek forces in central Greece by the government. In July, 1826 he went to Salamina where he gathered together 3,500 patriots, among whom were Kriezotis, Vasos, Panourias, and others, and a force that had been gathered together by the Frenchman, Faviero. This force was defeated by the Turkish cavalry at Haidari, near Daphni of Attica, but shortly thereafter, Kriezotis with 500 men under him, broke through the Turkish lines and reinforced the small group of patriots who were defending the Acropolis. Their leader, Gouras, had been killed shortly before.

Then, Karaiskakis decided to gather as large a force as possible, in order to trap Koutahis, and his forces, in Attica, where they were besieging the Acropolis. He sent Kouletis by sea to Atalanta to take Dombina, and Ibrahim sent a force under Mustapha Bey

to oppose him, and Kouletis was forced to leave without victory. Karaïskakis then guessed that Mustapha Bey and his Arvanites would go to Salona, so he sent Griva, the Gardikiotis, to Arahova, to take that position, which he held, so that when the Turks arrived, they found him there. Griva engaged the Turks and thusly gained time for Karaïskakis to put his plan into effect. Karaïskakis then sent other troops against Mustapha Bey and his Arvanites and closed them in, forcing them to retreat to a small mountain top. Mustapha Bey was killed and the soldiers found themselves without supplies and at the mercy of the cold. Then the Greeks closed in, scoring a decisive victory,—only 300 of the Arvanites escaping their vengeance. This victory was made at Parnassus, in November, 1826. After this the patriots scored other victories and retook all of central Greece with the exception of Vonitsa, Missolonghi and Naupakto. However, Kioutahis was still at the Acropolis, besieging it, and the defenders were running short of supplies and ammunition. The government called in Karaïskakis to go to Attica and relieve the situation there. Two Englishmen, in charge of troops, who were volunteers, demanded that they storm the position of Kioutahis and force him away. Karaïskakis was against this, and wished to encircle Kioutahis, and keep supplies from reaching him, until he should be forced to surrender. But he was overruled. The Turks retired to Phaleron, where the big engagement would take place on April 23, but another event occurred that cost the life of Karaïskakis.

A group of patriots, apparently drunk, attacked a small Turkish force that had ventured out, and Karaïskakis, ill at the time with fever, heard the noise of guns, and thought that a premature attack had been made by the Turks. He mounted his horse, and rode to the scene of action. There he joined the small band of Greeks who had engaged the Turks, to aid them, but a bullet struck him in the stomach, seriously wounding him. He later died aboard a ship in the harbor, where he was taken for medical care. After his death, the two Englishmen Cochran and George took command, and ordered the patriots to advance against the Turkish troops. Unfortunately, they did not have the ability of Karaïskakis and no preparations for battle were made, so that the Greeks suffered a defeat that routed them from the field. The Turks then took the Acropolis, and this temporarily ended any hope for freedom in central Greece.

Aid from the European Powers

At this moment, when the revolution seemed doomed to failure, the European powers entered the picture, officially. England, France, Russia and Austria had previously lent no governmental aid to Greece, nor sanctioned the revolt, because of fear of international complications. However, with the advent of Nicholas as Czar of Russia, and of Canning as prime minister of England, the scene changes its aspect for the better, for the patriots. France, England, and Russia met in London in 1827 and signed a secret treaty, agreeing to support the revolutionary government of Greece, and to rid Europe of Turkey. They also saw a sphere of influence in the Balkans that they had not molested heretofore, which had suddenly gained a great importance.

England, France and Russia immediately sent their fleets to Greek waters, and ordered the Egyptian and Turkish commanders to take their troops and their ships and vacate the Peloponnesus and its waters. The Turks refused, upon further orders from Constantinople. In the meantime, the Greek forces had taken new

heart upon the good news, and the revolution sprang up anew. Ibrahim then began anew to scourge the Peloponnesus sweeping through Messenia, Arcadia and Laconia. Following this action, the French, Russian and English ships swept into Navarino and gave final orders for the Turkish-Egyptian fleets to leave the waters of the country at once. The Turkish fired and sank a small English boat. Following this action, Codrington, the English commander, gave orders to start firing. Within four hours, only 20 of the original 120 Turkish-Egyptian ships remained afloat on the water. All the rest had been sunk. This destroyed Turkey's power in Greece forever. French soldiers were then landed in the Peloponnesus, and Ibrahim was forced to flee the country with his Egyptians, back to Egypt. Finally, on September 12, 1829, all of central Greece and the Peloponnesus had been cleared of Turkish forces.

Recognition and Freedom

John Capo D'Istrias was elected as governor of Greece by the nations and the revolutionary government. He had been striving since 1822 to influence the Czar of Russia to aid Greece without success, and then had gone shortly after to Switzerland to try to raise funds for the patriots. He had been quite influential in Russia, within the government there. In 1828 he arrived in Greece.

His first duty was the establishment of the Greek army on a national basis instead of sectional. Heretofore the soldiers had been paid by their individual leaders, and consequently felt obligation and allegiance only to that leader. Capo D'Istrias changed that by putting the army on a national basis, with pay directly from the government. The last battle of the revolution was that of Petra, where Ypsilanti defeated the Turks on September 12, 1829. Now the fate of Greece rested in the diplomatic negotiations to come.

It was decided by the three powers, England, France and Russia, that Prince Leopold of Coburg should become ruler of Greece. It was their wish to establish a monarchy in Greece. Capo D'Istrias also had the same idea in mind, and upon the eviction of the Turks from the land, he dissolved the legislative chamber of the revolutionary government, and took charge of all the affairs. This action by Capo D'Istrias caused internal dissention and strife, for the men who had led in the revolution, and had risen to power, now found themselves without power and without positions, and unrecognized, in a sense—or so they felt. They also regarded Capo D'Istrias as an opportunist, who wished to make himself king, which was not the case. Capo D'Istrias wished to prepare the government to receive the monarchy, and he believed his action the best in the way of preparation. Finally, things became so bitter that on September 27, 1831, Capo D'Istrias was assassinated.

Immediately following the assassination, violent civil war broke out in Greece, and the three European powers looked on with alarm. Leopold had refused to accept the throne of King, because he learned of the destitute condition of the country following the effects of the revolution and the powers then selected Prince Othon of Bavaria, son of Ludovici, King of Bavaria, to rule as the monarch of Greece.

Othon, only seventeen years of age, assumed the crown as King of Greece on January 25, 1832, and peace reigned in the land for the first time in almost four hundred years. The people welcomed him as a saviour for now they were united, as a recognized nation of the world. And freedom came to Hellas, again.

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Την έναρξη των εργασιών του συνεδρίου κήρυξε την 15ην Οκτωβρίου ο Πρόεδρος Ν. Δ. Τσάτας, Ο Carl Hutcheson από την Ατλάντα καλωσόρισε τους αντιπροσώπους εκ μέρους του Δημάρχου. Ο λόγος του Hutcheson ανέφερε στην Παλαιά Δόξα. Ο Πρόεδρος ευχαρίστησε τον ομιλητή για τον θερμό καλωσόρισμό του.

Εν συνεχεία ο λόγος έδόθη στον Hooper Alexander ο οποίος ανέφερε εν συντομία στην ιστορία του Έλληνικού Έθνους και τα επιτεύγματά του στην τέχνη, στην επιστήμη, στην φιλολογία και στην θρησκεία. Ακολούθως ανέφερε στην ΑΗΕΡΑ και στις δυνατότητες της οργάνωσης να υπηρετήσει τον κόσμο.

Ο δικαστής Η. Ν. Wells από την Νέα Υόρκη, πρότεινε όπως το Συνέδριο απέυθινε χαιρετισμό προς τον Alexander για την εξομεία ομιλία του και ο Πρόεδρος Τσάτας άνεγνωσε χαιρετιστήρια μηνύματα από τον δημοσιογραφικό βουλευτή William D. Urshaw και τον αιδεο. Παππινάκη από την Σαρλότ. Ο Πρόεδρος George Demeter του Τμήματος της Βασίλειης ευχαρίστησε για τους έκφωιθέντας λόγους στην προινή συνεδρίαση.

Ο λόγος του Προέδρου

Στόν λόγο του προς τό Α' Συνέδριο της ΑΗΕΡΑ, ο Υπατος Πρόεδρος Ν. Δ. Τσάτας είπε τά ακόλουθα:

"Ως Πρόεδρος σας, μού είναι ιδιαίτερως ευχάριστο και καθήκον μου επίσημο να καλωσορίσω τους Αδελφούς σ' αυτό τό πρώτο έτήσιο συνέδριο που όπως ελπίζω θα έχη την πιο αποφασιστική επίδραση στην ζωή των Αμερικανοποιηθέντων Έλλήνων.

Πολύ λίγο είχαμε φαντασθή όταν πριν από 12 περίπου μήνες άρχίζαμε αυτή την ύπεροχη κίνηση, ότι ή πρώτη συνέλευση των αντιπροσώπων των

Τμημάτων μας θα έφερνε τον ένα κοντά στον άλλο τέτοια έκλεκτή ομάδα ανθρώπων από τόσες πολλές περιοχές αυτής της ένδοξης χώρας. Καθώς σχεδιάζαμε και ελπίζαμε για την δύναμη να φέρομε σε επιτυχές πέρας την εργασία μας, δεν περιμέναμε καλά-καλά, ακόμη και με την καλύτερη αισιοδοξία μας, να επιτύχωμε τά επιτεύγματα που γράφτηκαν στην ιστορία μας κατά την διάρκεια του έτους που πέρασε.

Δέν εύρισκω λέξεις αρκετά λογυρές για να έκφράσω την θαθεία μου συγκίνηση και γνήσια συμπάθεια που αισθανόμιοι για όσους από σάς ήρθαν εδώ με μία προσωπική θυσία, με σκοπό να προσφέρете μία υπηρεσία σε εκείνους που την χρειάζονται. Έχει γραφή ότι «Δέν έχει κανείς άνθρωπος μεγαλύτερη άγάπη από αυτήν—να δίνη την ζωή του για τους φίλους του». Και θεθαίως, Αδελφοί μου, σεις είσθε τά ζωντανά παραδείγματα αυτού του άποφθέγματος.

"Αν μου επιτρέψετε, επιθυμώ να κυττάξω πίσω για λίγα λεπτά για να αναφερθώ εν συντομία στην ιστορία της ΑΗΕΡΑ.

Οί Έλληνες, ως λαός, μεταναστεύουν στις Ηνωμένες Πολιτείες σε αξιόλογους αριθμούς τά τελευταία τριάντα περίου χρόνια. Μπορούμε να πούμε ότι είμαστε οι πιο φρέσκοι μετανάστες στην Αμερική. Ερχόμενοι από μία γυμνή και άγονη γή, όπου ή μόρφωση επιτυγχάνεται με θυσία, και όπου οι άνεσεις ήται στην πράξι άγνωστες, δέν είμαστε σε θέση να προσαρμοσθούμε στις συνθήκες του μεγάλου Αμερικανικού λαού όπως και οι μετανάστες άλλων εθνικοτήτων. Και εν τούτοις, κατά τά τριάντα αυτά χρόνια, ο Έλληνας δέν κατάφερε μόνο να ξεπεράση αυτά τά μειονεκτήματα, αλλά επέβληθη στην έμπορική ζωή του αμερικανικού Έθνους και κέρδισε την αξιολόγητη φήμη του ειρηνικού και δημιουργικού πολίτη. Τολμώ να πώ ότι σάν λαός έχει καλύτερο ενεργητικό επιτευγμάτων από τους αδελφούς που έρχονται από χώρες της Εύρώπης. Τό αξιοθαύμαστο της υποθέσεως είναι ότι ο Έλληνας πέτυχε σάν άτομο και χωρίς την βοήθεια της συνεργασίας που συντίεινε στην πρόοδο άλλων εθνικοτήτων σ' αυτή τη μεγάλη χώρα.

Κατά τά 30 αυτά χρόνια, πολλοί συμπατριώτες μας έχουν δειρηθεί δελτίωσι της καταστάσεως των Έλλήνων, προσβλέπον προς αυτούς σάν ένα ένειμνιο λαό και τους έχουν δηστά δειριτά τους να προχωρούν προς την πολιτική και κοινωνική επιτυχία, ίση με εκείνη που σημείωσαν στον επιχειρηματικό τομέα.

Αποτελεί άτυχές γεγονός ότι μέχρι την 26η Ιουλίου 1922 δέν είχε γί-

νει κανένα συγκεκριμένο και άπτό
θημα ένωσης των Έλλήνων σε μία
μυστική 'Αδελφότητα που θα είχε σαν
άπώτερο σκοπό την προαγωγή τους
σε ύψηλότερα επίπεδα άγωγής και
πολιτισμού. Έγιναν μερικές απόπει-
ρες για την συνένωση των Έλλήνων
σε ένώσεις και συλλόγους με πολιτι-
κούς και άλλους σκοπούς. 'Αλλά ή-
ταν αυτές οι απόπειρες, όπως γνωρί-
ζετε, άποτυχημένες, γιατί δεν ένεπνε-
οντο από τα ύψηλόφρονα ιδεώδη έπι-
των οποίων πρέπει να οικοδομηθή έ-
πιτυχώς ή 'Αδελφότης του 'Ανθρώ-
που.

Λαμβάνοντας ύπ' όφιν τις πολλές
άποτυχίες εκείνων που έπεχείρησαν
προηγούμενα να οργανώσουν τους
Έλληνες, εκείνοι που ήταν υπεύθυνοι
για την ίδρυση αυτής της μεγάλης
'Οργανώσεως, είχαν την άποψη να
την κτίσουν επί στερεών θεμελιών ά-
προκαταλήπτων δεσμών αδελφικής
άγάπης και συνεργασίας. Με αυτή
την βασική άρχή κατά νούν, όκτώ ά-
πό έμας υποβάλαμε αίτησι στην Πο-
λιτεία της Γεωργίας για ένα κατα-
στατικό που θα μας επέτρεπε την ά-
πόπειρα της οργανώσεως της 'Αδελ-
φότητός μας.

Δέν θα σας πάρω τον χρόνο σας
άπαριθμώντας τα πολυάριθμα έμπό-
δια που αντιμετώπισαμε, ούτε τις
δυσκολίες που ώρισμένες φορές άπα-
τούσαν όλο το θάρρος που διαθέταμε.
Είναι άρκετά να λεχθή ότι ό καθένας
από έμάς υποσχέθηκε στον άλλο την
καλύτερη προσπάθεια για την όποια
είμαστε ικανοί και με άργικό κεφά-
λαιο όγδόντα δολλαρίων (\$80.00), έ-
πιχειρήσαμε να οργανωθούμε στην
πόλη της 'Ατλάντας.

'Εχει λεχθή ότι δέν είναι κανείς
Προφήτης όταν δέν τιμάται στην ίδια
την χώρα του και έμεις θρήκαμε τό-
ρητό άληθινό. Διότι ύστερα από φι-
λόπονες προσπάθειες μηνών, έπιθρα-
ψευθήκαμε μόνο με την ύποψία και τις
έπικρίσεις εκείνων προς τους οποί-
ους άποθλέπαμε για βοήθεια και συ-
νεργασία.

'Ανακαλύψαμε τότε ότι ήταν ά-
νάγκη να αναζητήσουμε άλλους το-
μείς στην προσπάθειά μας να προ-
αγματώσουμε τα ιδεώδη μας. Καί ήταν
στό Μπιρμιγγαμ, 'Αλαμπάμα, από
τόν άξιο Πρόεδρο του τοπικού μας
Τμήματος που δεχθήκαμε την πρώτη
ένθάρρυνση και θέσαμε τον πρώτο λί-
θο σ' αυτό το μέγα οικοδόμημα.

Χωρίς πείρα και κεφάλαια, θρήκα-
με τον δρόμο μας στρωμένο από σχε-
δόν άνυπέρβλητα έμπόδια πολιτικής
προκαταλήψεως, ύποψίες και έλλειψη
ένδιαφέροντος, προερχομένων από
τις σοκοφαντικές δηλώσεις εκείνων
που ήρνούντα να καταλάβουν τους
σκοπούς μας. Έν τούτοις, άπόλυτα
πεπεισμένοι για την ύφιστη άνάγκη

μιάς οργανώσεως της φύσεως αυτής,
και με πλήρη συναισθησι του δικαίου
του έγχειρημάτος μας, έπιμείναμε με
έγκαρτερησι. Το άποτέλεσμα αυτής
της έγκαρτερήσεως εύρίσκειται στο
γεγονός της παρουσίας σας εδώ ση-
μερα. Σεις, 'Αδελφοί, άποτελείτε τον
άξίόπαινο πρωτοπόρο που είδε το ό-
ρος του Χριστού πίσω από το νέφος
της θροαχής!

Πιστεύω ότι μετριοπαθώς μπορώ
να πώ ότι προωρήσαμε και πετύχα-
με περισσότερα κατά τον πρώτο χρό-
νο της ύπαρξέως μας, από κάθε άλ-
λη 'Αδελφότητα στην Ιστορία. Προσ-
θλέπομε σε ένα λαμπρό μέλλον—ένα
μέλλον πλήρες έπιτευγμάτων που θα
προκύψουν από την φωτισμένη συν-
εργασία και ένθουσιώδη ένθάρρυνση.
Και όταν αυτό το Συνέδριο θα έχη
περατώσει τις έργασίες του, έλπίζο-
με ότι θα δικαιωθήμε να σας άκού-
σωμε να λέγετε—Καλή δουλειά, κα-
λέ και πιστέ ύπηρέτη!

Νέα 'Υπάτη Στοά

Μετά την διενέργεια έκλογών, ή
Νέα 'Υπάτη Στοά άποτελέσθη ως
έξης: 'Υπατος Πρόεδρος George
Demeter, 'Αντιπρόεδρος Dr. G. M.
Saliba, Γραμματέας Nicholas D.
Chotas, Ταμίας Harry Coroneos, Σύμ-
βουλος C. R. Nixon, 'Αρχιφύλαξ
George Campbell, 'Υπατοι Κυβερνή-
τες George Polos, C. M. Cockinos,
Arthur Greenwood, Ben Davis, Charles
Kirby, και Τελετάρχης P. Constanti-
nides.

Μεταξύ Μαρτίου και Σεπτεμβρίου
1924 δημιουργήθηκαν τα κατωτέρω
νέα Τμήματα:

Brooklyn, N.Y., #41
New York City, #42
Milwaukee, Wis., #43
Manchester, N.H., #44
Springfield, Mass., #45
Chicago, Ill., #46
Lawrence, Mass., #47
Waterbury, Conn., #48
Fond du Lac, Wis., #49
Lynn, Mass., #50
Tonkers, N.Y., #51
Newark, N.J., #52
St. Louis, Mo., #53

Το Δεύτερο Συνέδριο 'Από 21 έως 25 Σεπτεμβρίου 1924 στην Ούάσιγκτων

Το Δεύτερο Συνέδριο έγινε στην
άμερικανική πρωτεύουσα από την αί-
γίδα των Τμημάτων Ούάσιγκτων και
Βαλτιμόρης. Έλαβαν μέρος 47 αντι-
πρόσωποι.

Σ' αυτό το Συνέδριο καθιερώθηκε
έπίσημος ή όνομασία της 'Οργανώ-
σεως ως «The AHEPA» από τα άρ-
χικά που αναφέρθηκαν ήδη: 'Αμερι-

κανο-Έλληνική 'Εκπαιδευτική, Προ-
οδευτική 'Οργάνωση.

'Επιπροσθέτως, το Συνέδριο άπε-
φάσισε να μεταφερθούν τα κεντρικά
γραφεία της οργανώσεως από την
Φιλαδέλφεια στην Ούάσιγκτων. Υπο-
βετήθηκε, έπίσης, το έπίσημο έμβλη-
μα, το ειδικό καπέλλο σχήματος φε-
σιού, και τα διακριτικά κοσμήματα.
Καθιερώθηκε, έπίσης, ως κατώτερο
όριο, ή ηλικία των 18 έτών για νέα
μέλη και ώρίσθηκε τουλάχιστον σε 20
δολλάρια ή έγγραφή στην όργάνωση.
'Απεφασίσθη ή κατάθεση στεφάνου
στο Μνημείο του 'Αγνώστου Στρατι-
ώτου στο 'Εθνικό Νεκροταφείο του
'Αρλινγκτον και άλλου στον τάφο του
Γεωργίου Διλόδη, ήρωος του Α'
Παγκοσμίου Πολέμου που είχε τιμη-
θεί με το Μετάλλιο Τιμής του Κογ-
κρέσσου. Καθιέρωσε μία τάξη για ύ-
ποψήφια μέλη και το Προεδρείο έπι-
σκέψθη τον Πρόεδρο των 'Ηνωμένων
Πολιτειών.

Τα Γραφεία της νέας 'Υπάτης Στο-
άς μεταφέρθηκαν στην Ούάσιγκτων
(Investment Building) και άνετίθη ή
λειτουργία και ή έπίθλευσι στον 'Υ-
πατο Πρόεδρο V. I. Chebithes στον
όποιο έδόθη μηνιαίος μισθός και έξο-
δα κινήσεως.

'Αν και τα έπίσημα στοιχεία δεί-
χνουν ότι μέχρι το Συνέδριο της Ούά-
σιγκτων είχαν εισλθει στην όργάνωση
2.122 μέλη, μόνο 902 είχαν καταβάλει
την έτήσια συνδρομή τους.

'Ο Τσεβίθης, άν και είχε γίνει μέ-
λος της AHEPA λίγους μήνες πριν
έκλεγη 'Υπατος Πρόεδρος, άρχισε
την έκτέλεσι των καθηκόντων του με
ουστηματικό πρόγραμμα έπισκεψέων
στα διάφορα τοπικά Τμήματα και άρ-
χισε την καλλιέργεια προσωπικών φι-
λικών σχέσεων με άξιωματούχους και
μέλη της οργανώσεως, πράγμα που
χαρακτήρισε όλα τα χρόνια της ύπη-
ρεσίας του. 'Επισκεψέθηκε τουλάχι-
στον 50 Τμήματα κατά την διάρκεια
των 12 μηνών που άκολούθησαν, άνα-
ζωογόνησε ώρισμένα που ήταν έτοιμα
να διαλυθούν και έθεσε τις βάσεις για
την δημιουργία 25 νέων Τμημάτων.

Κατά την διάρκεια αυτών των 12
μηνών, 2.421 μέλη προστέθηκαν στα
μητρώα της οργανώσεως και ό συνολι-
κός αριθμός των μελών της άνήλθει
σε 5.264 εκ των οποίων τα 2.096 εί-
χαν πληρώσει την έτήσια συνδρομή
τους. Δυσ τεύχη του περιόδου της
AHEPA είχαν έκδοθη, το ένα με 78
σελίδες και το άλλο με 178. Τα έισο-
δήματα της 'Αδελφότητος ήταν άρ-
κετά για να πληρωθούν τα πιο πολ-
λά από τα παλαιά χρέη και έμεινε
πλεόνασμα 3,601.11 δολλαρίων. Πρέ-
πει να σημειωθή ότι το ποσό που τα
Τμήματα κατέβαλαν στο άρχηγείο
για κάθε μέλος, ήταν μόνο 2 δολλά-
ρια τον χρόνο. (Συνεχίζεται)



FRATERNITY NEWS



**ARTHUR H. LALOS APPOINTED
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

Arthur H. Lalos has been appointed Executive Secretary, to fill the vacancy created by the passing of the late George J. Leber who held the office for the past eighteen years.

In 1944, Arthur H. Lalos succeeded the late Dr. C.B. Johannides as Executive Secretary of the Ahepa and the Auxiliaries, and served in this capacity for nine years; after first succeeding George J. Leber as Executive Secretary of the Sons of Pericles, when Leber resigned his position to assume active duty in the United States Navy.

Brother Lalos has had a long active career in the Ahepa family. He is a charter member and first President of the Daniel Webster Chapter No. 33, Order of Sons of Pericles, Worcester, Mass., and in succession graduated into the George Jarvis Ahepa Chapter No. 80, Worcester, Mass., which he served as an officer and still maintains a continuous active membership. He served on the District Lodge, and was the incumbent District Governor and District Advisor to the Sons of Pericles when he first assumed office at the Ahepa Headquarters in Washington, D.C. in 1942.

He attended Clark University, Worcester, Mass., where he studied history, economics, American and English literature and the classics (Greek civilization, language, history, and literature).

He graduated from Springfield College in Springfield, Mass. with a Bachelor of Science, B.S. degree, majoring in social sciences, with emphasis on Administration of Social and Religious Agencies.

Subsequently Brother Lalos entered the United States Government service in an administrative, supervisory and management capacity, with over twenty (20) years of service in Washington, D.C. and abroad.

In January 1974, he retired from the Civil Service of the United States, and was awarded the Certificate of Merit for sustained superior performance; after retirement he returned to Government service as a consultant serving in this capacity until recently.

Brother Lalos has been assisting at the Ahepa Supreme Lodge Headquarters on a part time basis since the late George J. Leber became incapacitated.

He is a member of the St. Sophia Cathedral, in Washington, D.C., and currently serving on its Board of Trustees. He resides in Rockville, Maryland with his wife Mary, a son Harold and a daughter-in-law Kathleen.

AWARDS NIGHT IN CLEARWATER

The Ahepa Family consisting of Pinellas Chapter # 356, Pelias # 186 of the Daughters, Helios # 261 of the Sons and Olympia # 201 of the Maids attended the Annual Awards Dinner at the Holy Trinity Matheos Fellowship Hall.

Brother Steve Tsagaris was presented as Ahepan of the Year and Sister Sonya Stefanadis as Penelopian of the Year. The past presidents plaques were awarded to Brother Steve Tsagaris and Sister Betty Panarides.

The Junior Orders past presidents receiving pins were Son John Tsagaris and Chris Tripodis and Sister Cindy Trifon. The 25 year Ahepa Service Pin were awarded to Brothers Dr. C. Chigas, George Poulos and Alexander Ted Stratigos and the 40 year pin to Brother Peter Tripodis.

Speakers of the evening were District Lt. Governor John Glaros and Treasurer William Ledger. Past Grand President of the Daughters Mrs. William Damaskos, Father John Athas and the following presidents, Theodore P. Zolotas, Pinellas, Mrs. Const Laios, Olympia, James Niarhos, Helios and Martha Denis, Olympia as well as all the recipients of awards. Brothers Ted Stratigos was in charge of the Program, James Karagis of the Dinner and Gus Stefanadis was the Master of Ceremonies.

The Ahepa officers present were: Past District Governors, William Damaskos, Ted Stratigos and Theo Tsangaris. Past Presidents James Daglis, Dr. John Karafilis and Tom Petsakos.

Daughters of Penelope Past District Governor Mrs. Irene Kotopoulos.

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Supreme Vice President Derzis and Supreme Treasurer George Dimas with newly initiated members of the Gold Coast Chapter No. 456



Newly initiated members of the Theodore Roosevelt Chapter No. 170, of Hempstead, New York, with Supreme Treasurer George Dimas and Supreme Vice President Peter N. Derzis. First from the left, Nick Prokos, Chapter President.



CHIRGOTIS DONATES STATUE TO
HARRY S. TRUMAN MEDICAL CENTER

Supreme President William G. Chirgotis unveiled a full size sculpture of the late President Harry S. Truman at the Annual Birthday Memorial Luncheon in Kansas City, Missouri that will grace the entrance rotunda of the 40 million dollar Harry S. Truman Medical Center complex that is scheduled for completion and dedication the latter part of this year in Kansas City.

The Supreme President made the presentation as a "labor of love" in behalf of the Order of Ahepa.

In his remarks Chirgotis stated—"that the gift is a fitting tribute to the 33rd President of the United States—for medicare and much of today's spectacular progress in medical research is the result of legislation President Truman initiated during his administration, and that the statue will serve as an eternal symbol of vision and intense dedication of a great man, perhaps the greatest Philhellene and statesman of the twentieth century, to serve the medical and health requirements of his community and the nation for many years to come".

The sculpture, a full size bronze bust resting on a white polished marble base was created and designed by the renowned sculptor Rene Shapshak of New York City, a close friend of the late President.



Newly initiated members of the Hermes Chapter No. 181, New York, New York, with Supreme Vice President Peter N. Derzis and Supreme Treasurer George Dimas, part of the mass initiation sponsored by Empire District No. 6, May 13, 1976.

Interview

greek world

The Magazine For The Friends Of Greece

The following interview, conducted with Mr. William G. Chirgotis, Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, brings to our readers the views of a responsible public—but not political—figure on a crucial matter: the state of Cyprus today. We feel that Mr. Chirgotis' observations and insights provide valuable information for those seeking to understand and solve the problems of Cyprus and Greece today.

Q. In your capacity as Supreme President of AHEPA you have recently visited Cyprus. What was the purpose of your visit and what were your impressions on the situation in Cyprus today?

A. Shortly after the invasion of Cyprus by the Turks in 1974, and immediately after I was elected Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, a decision was made to visit the island for an on-the-spot survey of the situation, to appraise the needs of the Cypriot people and plan an effective assistance aid and relief program.

Several weeks ago, I decided that a revisit to Cyprus was necessary in order to review the current situation with Archbishop Makarios and the President of the House of Representatives, Glastos Clerides, and offer, if possible, Ahepa's further assistance.

The ordeal of the Cypriot people during the past eighteen months has undoubtedly affected their outlook on life but there is a tempered feeling of confident optimism.

The refugees have found shelter in all sorts of available structures such as schools, commercial buildings, etc., and many have moved in with friends and relatives. There are however, about twenty thousand still living under make-shift shelter and canvas tents.

Morally and economically the situation in Cyprus today has improved since my last visit, and it appears that the prime concern of the displaced persons is the uncertainty of their return to their homes, and the long delayed negotiations.

A brief visit to a refugee camp in Nicosia identified as ADOULOTI, or unslaved, reflects their confidence and courage.

Ahepa: Efforts for Cyprus

Q. What are your views concerning the Greek-American relations. What steps should be taken to improve relations between Greece and the United States?

A. As American-Hellenes we are understandably concerned about the Cyprus crises and Greek-American relations.

It is needless for me to remind you of the courage and supreme sacrifices on the part of our American forefathers for the preservation of their beloved liberty; and it is because of the applications of these cherished principles and freedom in this land that we Americans have earned first place in the hearts of the peoples of all free nations.

It is this legacy that we are trying to preserve, for to violate these principles, would surely endanger the moral foundations of this nation as well as that of the entire civilized world.

I believe that we Americans can improve our relations not only with Greece, but also with other freedom loving nations, by honoring the best traditions of our forefathers, who believed in a nation of people to help those who struggle for freedom and justice.

Q. Recently AHEPA has given the Socratic Award to Greek Premier Constantine Karamanlis. In your opinion why did he merit this award?

A. Prime Minister Constantine Karamanlis has been selected by the Order of Ahepa to be the recipient of the 1976 Socratic Award because of his courageous and steadfast devotion to the tenets of democracy on which free nations are founded, his statesmanship, and his integrity.

His defense and support of the dignity and rights of man, exemplifies the philosophy of Socrates—that man's nature, even its mortality is the glory of creation and that man has a noble purpose—to live at the highest possible pitch of performance, physically, morally and intellectually.

Q. What are AHEPA's plans for 1976 concerning Cyprus and the other related issues?

A. The Order of Ahepa has been fantastically effective both in humanitarian

relief (25 million dollars last year and hopefully 50 million this year), and in politic action, by the sending of thousands of mailgrams and letters to the United States government, the Administration, the House of Representatives and the Senate.

If the Ahepa and the American-Hellenes are to be effective in our efforts in behalf of the Cypriot people, we cannot depend on emotion, but rather on the American principles of self-determination, territorial integrity and the independence for small nations.

I, as Supreme President, will vigorously pursue Ahepa's threefold fundamental policy of support to Cyprus, Greece and the United States:

1. to help Cyprus economically, and make an effort for the return of the refugees to their homes.
2. to protect Greece, and
3. to serve our great Nation.

Q. During your visit in Greece did you receive the impression that there was strong anti-American sentiment prevalent?

A. During the past year, I have made three trips to Greece and have had the opportunity to interview and be interviewed by many persons, and I can assure you that there is no anti-American sentiment in Greece. Certainly, there is a feeling of disappointment by many, on the failure of the United States to stop the invasion of Cyprus in 1974 by the Turks, but the disappointed are blaming the politicians in power, and not the American people.

Political parties out of power in Greece magnify the nation's problems and obviously attempt to motivate public opinion, by criticizing the existing government, and blaming America for everything, thus creating anti-American propaganda.

The Greek people are aware of America's great contributions to the Greek cause for so many years and still remember and are grateful for the millions of dollars in military, economic and humanitarian assistance they received from the United States since the last World War. It will not be easy to erase the traditional Greek friendship for Americans.



Isn't this worth a trip to Greece?

It's time to come home.
Life isn't forever. And the family and
friends you left behind won't be there forever.
Come home now
To the familiar sights and sounds of your
youth. To the house you grew up in. To the
tree you played under. And mostly, to the
love and laughter you remember so well.
Come home to the friendly blue Aegean,
glistening under that golden Greek sun.
To the isles that hold so many memories.
Come home. Now.

There's no place on earth like Greece.

Greek National Tourist Organization

MASS COMBINED INITIATIONS

HUGE SUCCESS

Fifteen Chapters participated in the Downstate Mass Initiations sponsored by Empire District No. 6 of the Order of Ahepa on Thursday, May 13th, 1976 at the Oyster Bay Restaurant in Astoria, Queens, in which 91 new members were sworn into the Order of Ahepa.

Col. Peter N. Derzis, Supreme Vice President of the Order of Ahepa was the main speaker and made an impressive appeal for unity and national programs to benefit the fraternity.

Under the leadership of Brother Louis Mavromatis, the "Friends of Cyprus" Chapter was started with 17 new members and plans are underway for another "Mass Initiation" within the next ten days for this chapter to bring the number of members to over 35.

Under the leadership of Past District Governor Charles Drewes, the Renaissance # 404 Chapter was reactivated with an initiation of 14 new members and the reinstatement and transfer of more than 17 members. Drewes pledged to bring this number to over 52 before the end of the year.

The Initiation Class was named in honor of Louis Vellios and Nicholas Mousmoulis, two veteran Ahepans who have dedicated their lives to the Order. Brother Vellios was awarded a plaque by his chapter to commemorate the memorable evening.

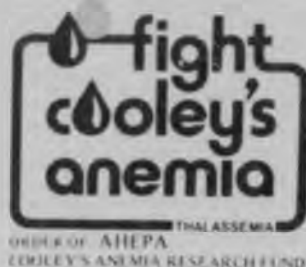
Other chapters who participated in the Mass Initiations included Upper Manhattan, Queensboro, Theodore Roosevelt, Spartan Karabatos, Long Island # 86, Gold Coast, George Chirgotis Chapter, Coney Island, Brooklyn, Estia, Five Towns Chapter, Delphi, Westchester, Staten Island and Hermes who lead the initiation with 27 new applicants.

The entire evening was under the direction of veteran Tom Demopoulos, acting as Chairman, who did a remarkable job and was assisted by the youthful Archie Mavromatis, Editor of the Ahepa Messenger. Toastmaster of the evening was Michael Katos, Past President of Queensboro who did an outstanding job in keeping the program moving. Captain of the Guard was Brother Peter Karris, Secretary of Albany Chapter # 140 who did an excellent job in his position.

The Degree Team lead by District Governor Thomas and Brother Karris, also included John Sakona, District Treasurer, Jason Goumas, District Secretary, Fred Liakos, District Advisor, Peter Randall, Past President of Hermes and Costas Ziotas, District Athletic Director who gave the oath in Greek.

Lt. Governor George Douris spoke and called for unity throughout the District so that Ahepa can continue to grow and raise its banner wherever Greeks are located.

Past Supreme Presidents Stephen Scopas, Hon. Nicholas Coffinas and Gus Cherevas, as well as the Honorable Nicholas Tsoucalas and 2nd Vice President of the Supreme Board of Trustees, Angelo Petromelis addressed the crowd of over 350 in attendance. Also addressing the large gathering were the Presidents of the following Chapters: Upper Manhattan, Delphi, Renaissance, Westchester, Queensboro, Gold Coast, Spartan Karabatos, Long Island # 86, Brooklyn, Coney Island, Staten Island, Freeport, Theodore Roosevelt, George Chirgotis Chapter, Hermes and the Five Towns Chapter.



COOLEY'S ANEMIA APPROPRIATIONS

Empire District No. 6, Lt. Governor, George Douris announced today that President Ford signed a \$80,000,000 bill into law to provide money for sickle cell and cooley's anemia.

Douris, who has campaigned throughout the State, said, "we have won the battle, but the war is still ahead."

The New York Ahepan, urged all Ahepans throughout the state to write to Congress and Senate asking for a one line item appropriation to set aside at least \$30,000,000 out of the \$80,000,000 for Cooley's Anemia research.

Douris said, "Hanac, (Hellenic American Neighborhood Action Committee, Inc.) is already set up in New York City for research testing methods and education."

Ahepa's Lt. Governor further added that Ahepa's Cooley's Anemia Chairman, Dr. Trifalos, has hospitals and doctors who can immediately accept between \$8,000,000 and \$10,000,000 in grants to find a cure for this dreadful disease which snatches the life of Greek and Italian youngsters in early childhood.

The President signed a conference report bill which was a compliance between both houses and not a Cooley's Anemia bill in its own. Because of this no set appropriation was put aside for Cooley's Anemia research and the measure was coupled with the Sickle Cell Anemia Bill.

"Because of this," Douris said, "the entire Ahepa family throughout the United States should put on a concentrated effort to urge Congress and Senate to vote for a "One Line Appropriation" to set aside at least \$30,000,000 for Cooley's Anemia Research."

"Rep. Mario Biaggi is ready to introduce such a measure and has Senate support so that we can push through immediately and start the money flowing into hospitals and clinics so that research for a cure can be found," Douris said.

The New York Lt. Governor also said, "money should be put aside for the testing of Greek children and education of their parents pertaining to the disease."

"Many children have some trace of Cooley's Anemia and know nothing about it," Douris said. "It is important that these youngsters are tested and if they are carriers of major or minor Cooley's Anemia victims, they should know about it and get the proper medical attention early in their lives."

Ahepa Supreme President, William G. Chirgotis, said that he will have Supreme Headquarters informed the entire membership of the importance of the passage of an appropriation for Cooley's Anemia Research."



Newly initiated members of the Upper Manhattan Chapter No. 42, New York, New York, with Supreme Vice President Peter N. Derzis and Supreme Treasurer George Dimas.



Newly initiated members taking the oath at the mass initiation sponsored by the Empire District No. 6, May 13, 1975.

Address Delivered By Theodore Saloutos
On The Occasion Of The Dedication Of
The Ahepa Bicentennial History Panels
To George J. Leber, Washington Hilton
Hotel, April 3rd, 1976.

The panels we are dedicating today depicting the influence of the ancient Greeks and the history of the Greek immigrants in the United States were conceived by George Leber, a dedicated servant of the Order of Ahepa, a man who cherished his Greek heritage almost as much as his American, and a man who wanted his American Greek heritage made a part of the much larger mosaic of American history.

To understand these panels and their meaning, one must understand what the Ahepa meant to George Leber who faithfully served both the Sons of Pericles and the Order of Ahepa for many years, the significant role the Sons and the Order of Ahepa played in his life and in the lives of the American Greeks, and George's determination to incorporate in a modest way all this knowledge into the history of the United States and have these panels serve as the Order of Ahepa's contribution to the celebration of the American Bicentennial.

The Order of Ahepa meant a great deal to George Leber and this is the reason he gave some of the most productive years of his life to it. He knew fully well the dominant role the Ahepa played in the lives of many American Greeks and he did not want this information to escape the attention of anyone. George also bemoaned the fact that the American Greeks—a gifted, enterprising and industrious people—dissipated so many of their energies and talents in quarreling over non-essentials and in permitting essentials to go unattended. George saw a potential in the order and among the American Greeks that was being wasted, and this combined with job pressures and overwork tended to depress him and even affect his health. He was convinced, and I as an historian of the American Greeks concurred with him, the Order of Ahepa with all its virtues and weaknesses was and still is the most influential and longest-lived secular American Hellenic organization in the history of the United States, and George wanted this made a part of the record.

Better-informed Ahepans knew, as George did, the historic part the Ahepa played especially in the 1920s and the 1930s, and he in particular believed that it was time this was placed in a much sharper focus than it had been in the past. And by this one does not mean a monotonous recitation of the charitable and humanitarian efforts the Ahepa was identified with in yesteryears or in the present, but in reminding those who need reminding and in informing those who need informing that the Ahepa came into existence in a very crucial period in the lives of the American Greeks, when their communities and church parishes were bitterly divided, when bigots and vigilantes were breathing down the backs of the foreign-born—your parents and mine among others—who in those days lived in foreign enclaves and who appeared more concerned with what was going on in the old country than in the United States, when the American Greeks with their divided communities and parishes were desperately in need of a leadership that took into account their needs and knew something about the new country in which they, the former immigrants, found themselves in, and how the Order of Ahepa rose to the occasion.

Better-informed Ahepans also know of the important role that the order has played in helping bring about changes in the immigration laws of this country, changes that made it possible for people from the countries of southern and eastern Europe to come to the United States, changes which especially since 1965 have made it possible for thousands of immigrants from Greece to be here today, immigrants who otherwise might still be in the old country.

Better-informed Ahepans also know of the key role that the order played in the now-forgotten but ever-so-important Greek War Relief Association of World War II and post World War II days.

On the eve of the 22nd Ahepa Congressional Dinner we must also be reminded that since 1929 the Order of Ahepa has been making a genuine effort to make the American Greeks more fully aware of the governmental processes at work at the federal level, and has encouraged its members and their friends to become better acquainted with their representatives in Congress and the United States Senate—certainly a laudable effort in encouraging more participation in public affairs by citizens who previously had been less responsive.

In this Bicentennial Year, as all good Ahepans know, it is only appropriate to say that the American Greeks have a healthy respect for the democratic principles on which American institutions are based, even though serious flaws in the functioning of these institutions have surfaced over the years. And the American Greeks probably would say to a man and woman that their loyalty to the United States is second to none despite the differences many of them have with our State Department over the management of our foreign policy in the eastern Mediterranean. The high regard the American Greeks have for the United States may be measured from the fact that outside of Greece, more people of Greek background live in the United States than in any other country in the world; and that far more want to enter the United States than our immigration laws permit. The United States, on the whole, has been very good to the American Greeks, and even those who have never emigrated to this country; and in this Bicentennial Year the American Greeks sense a feeling of deep pride in having made a modest contribution in the building of the American nation.

These are some of the salient points in the history of the American Greeks and the Order of Ahepa that George Leber was interested in making better known, for George did not have a feeling for history and its importance. Although not a professionally-trained historian, he appreciated the value of history, a quality that is rare among American Greeks who tend to be utilitarian in their outlook, business-oriented, and apt to measure things in terms of their convertibility or unconvertibility into dollars and cents. I detected such an historical interest in George almost from the first time we met; and I noted among other things how fascinated he was with the idea of having a history written of the Greeks in the United States, and how willing he was to cooperate in making suggestions and printed materials available for the writing of such a history.

George also dreamed of the day when the Ahepa would have a special room set aside that would serve as a depository or archive for the American Greeks; an archive to be consulted by students and scholars who wanted to know more about the order and the Greeks in the United States. Some of his aspirations are reflected

in his *History of the Order of Ahepa* written in the evening and early morning hours at home, after his day's work in the office had ended—a day's work which for all practical purposes never ended—to have in readiness for the 50th anniversary of the order. How many times I remember coming to the offices of the Order of Ahepa to see George in the evening after supper or on Sunday mornings or Sunday afternoons. The Order of Ahepa and the American Greeks were a labor of love with George. No historian worth his salt as an historian can write the history of the order from 1958 to 1975 without writing the name of George Leber in bold letters. One way of remembering George Leber is by setting aside such a room in which to deposit Greek-Americana as a means of facilitating the study of American Greeks and the history of the order.

It is fitting and proper that these panels depicting the history of the American Greeks be dedicated to the memory of George Leber for they were George's idea of what could be accomplished under the sponsorship of the order with the limited time and resources at his disposal. It is a tribute to the resourcefulness of George Leber to see how much he was able to accomplish with a subject as vast as this, yet an ambition that he could fulfill only in part. Only those who knew George Leber can fully appreciate the effort and planning that went into the preparation of these panels for the American Bicentennial. Only those who knew George Leber and his great admiration for the American Greeks and what this country meant to them can fully appreciate that these panels were meant for the country and people he believed in and deeply loved.

AHEPA NEWS FROM IOWA

Cedar Rapids, Iowa chapter #194, hosted District Governor, Dr. Andrew Karantinos from Vermillion, South Dakota and PDG John Kazos from Yankton, South Dakota for Greek Independence Day Festivities.

On Saturday night a business meeting was held and initiation of two new members into the Order of Ahepa. The new initiates were Basil and Demtrios Hadjs.

Following church services officiated by the very Rev. Michael Xorloutsos, a dinner was held in the church hall. The District Governor was the main speaker and the theme of his talk was that Order of Ahepa is very much alive and progressing very smoothly.

Special recognition was given to John Kazos for his outstanding contributions to the Greek and American communities.

Other guests at the head of the table were: Lula Karoules, President of the Daughters, Past District Governors, Tom Siamis and Mick Lillios and officers of the local lodge.

The officers for the current year are: President Dean Chipokas, Vice President Paul Thomas, Secretary George Cavros and Treasurer PDG Nick Lillios.

NEW HAVEN CHAPTER # 98 HONORS DR. HOWARD A. PEARSON

We applaud, congratulate and thank the New Haven Chapter # 98, Order of Ahepa for their most dignified and appropriate Achievement Award Dinner Dance held in the ballroom of the Sheraton Park Plaza Hotel, New Haven, Connecticut.

The recipient of the New Haven Chapter Community Achievement Award was Dr. Howard Pearson for his selfless dedication and personal service in the treatment and elevation of Thalassemia.

New Haven Chapter # 98 must be recognized in keeping with the National projects of the Order by honoring a man not only worthy of this award but who is a member of the Ahepa National Advisory Board for Cooley's Anemia.

Many thanks to Brother Harry Pappas Co-chairman of the program and his committee. New Haven Chapter # 98 gives humble and sincere thanks to Brother Demetris Traggis for his dynamic publicity program and sincere appreciation to Queena Traggis for her many hours of work, enthusiasm, encouragement and support.

The program was opened with an Invocation by the Very Reverend Father George Kerames, the Chairman, Brother Harry Pappas introducing the Toastmaster for the evening as Brother Peter Stamos, Lt. Governor of Yankee District # 7. The Honorable Frank Logue, Mayor of the City of New Haven gave greetings on behalf of the Elm City. Remarks were given by Fred Hyde, M.D., J.D., Vice-President, External Affairs Connecticut Hospital Association; David Clement, M.D. Clinical Professor of Pediatrics, Yale University School of Medicine and Nicholas Trifelos, M.D., Chairman of the Ahepa National Advisory Board for Cooley's Anemia. Brother George J. Scarvelos, President of New Haven Chapter # 98, made the presentation to the Honored Recipient, Dr. Pearson.

Also on the dais was Sister Claire Grossomamides, District Governor, Daughters of Penelope, Georgia Xenakis, President of Mycale Chapter # 137, Daughters of Penelope as well as the representatives of our Junior Auxiliaries Maids of Athena President Helen Savakis and Terry Wachter, Vice-President of the Sons of Pericles.



The Chairman of the Cooley's Anemia Committee, Dr. Nicholas Trifelos, and the President of the New Haven Chapter # 98 George J. Scarvelos, make a joint presentation of the Chapter's Achievement Award to Dr. Howard A. Pearson.

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Supreme Vice President Peter N. Derzis presenting plaque to Louis Velios, in recognition of 50 years of service to Coney Island Chapter No. 200. Left to right: Lieutenant Governor George Douris; Brother Gallis; Supreme Vice President Derzis; Athletic Director Costas Ziotas; Honored Brother Velios; and District Governor James Thomas, of District No. 6



Supreme Vice President Peter N. Derzis presents a 25 year pin to Zannis Marmarinos at the service award pins ceremony honoring a group of 25 year members, following the mass initiation May 13, 1976.



Supreme Vice President Peter Derzis presenting plaque in recognition of services rendered to Hermes Chapter No. 186 to Past President Dr. Nicholas Lignos. Left to Right: Archie Mavromatis; Supreme Vice President Derzis; Dr. Lignos; and District Governor James Thomas.

ANGELO PETROMELIS APPOINTED COMMISSIONER BY GOV. CAREY

Angelo Petromelis of College Point, N.Y. was appointed Commissioner of the New York State Crime Victims Compensation Board by Governor Hugh Carey. This makes Petromelis the youngest Greek American to be appointed as a Commissioner in New York State. He received this honor due to the efficient manner in which he both performed his duties and supervised the running of the Bureau since it was founded. In his role as supervisor he devised ways to expedite claims and thereby helping those who were the unfortunate victims of a crime.

Commissioner Petromelis has a long and distinguished career in various fields of endeavors. He is the son of Magdaline and the late Christ Petromelis and the brother of John and his sister Mrs. Mary Condellis. He attended New York City High School and continued his education at New York University and also took special courses at Hunter and City Colleges. An army veteran, he served with distinction in the Far East and received an honorable discharge. He is also a member of many organizations including the Hellenic American Legion, The George Dilboy Post and Marching Band, a member of the Board of Directors of HANAC.

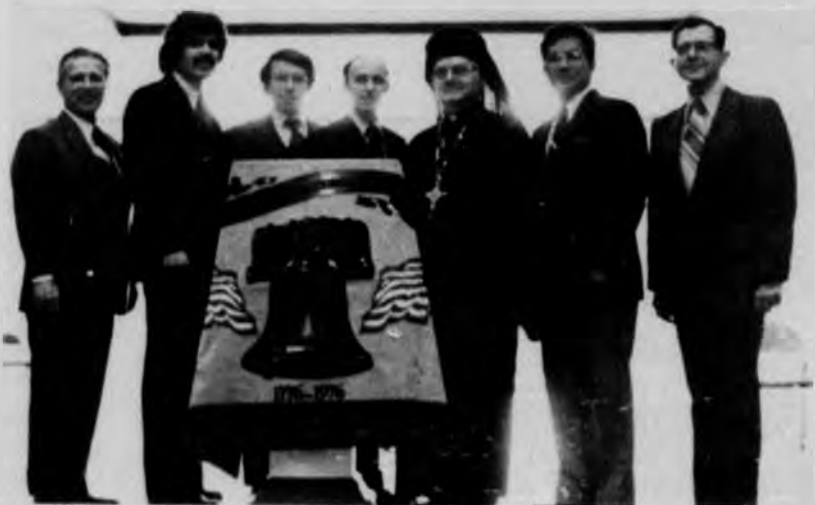
He is the 2nd Vice President of the Ahepa Supreme Board of Trustees and has a long and distinguished record in Ahepa including President of Hermes Chapter, District Governor of the Empire District, Convention Chairman of District Conventions, served on virtually all district and national committees, Co-Chairman of the International Supreme Convention held in New York City in 1968 which was one of the most successful in the history of Ahepa.

In the business world, his sincerity, honesty, leadership qualities manifested themselves. He compiled an outstanding record during his service with the New York State Banking Examiners. His leadership qualities and ability to get things done is what called the attention of those responsible for creating the new Crime Victims Board and requested his help to start the operation of the office.

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LOWELL, MASS.: Sons of Pericles and Maids of Athena Installation. Front row left to right—Xanthe Samaras, treasurer, Stephanie Kavouras, vice-president, Kitty Schrow, president, Vanessa Neofotistos, rec. secretary and Gail Koukias corr. secretary. Middle row left to right—Grek Kostas, Dist. Marshall, Miss Stavros, Lt. Gov. Miss Limberakis, Dist. Treasurer, Miss Panagiotou, Dist. Marshall, Miss Kiritsy and George Leasca, Dist. Gov. Rear—James Soiles, vice-president, Edward Villaras, treasurer, David Kalivas, president, Nicholas Hantzis, corresponding secretary and George Theodorou, recording secretary.



(l. to r.) Bro. Louis Karey, Planning Committee Vice-Chair; Chris Economou; State Senator Roger Randall; Congressman Jones; Father Thomas; George Thomas, President Tulsa Chapter #13; Dan Kalos, Planning Committee Chairman.

TULSA CHAPTER # 13 FLAG FESTIVITIES

In a joint celebration of the American Bicentennial and the 155th Anniversary of Greek Independence, members of the Tulsa, Oklahoma AHEPA family, many dressed in ethnic costumes, held a flag raising ceremony on Sunday, March 28 at the Tulsa Civic Center Plaza. Following a special divine Liturgy, celebrated by Father George Thomas, a motorcade proceeded to the Plaza. The festivities at the Plaza included addresses by Sons Supreme Treasurer Chris Economou, U.S. Rep. James R. Jones (D-1st Dist.), and Master of Ceremonies Dan Kalos and the singing of American and Greek patriotic songs by the Holy Trinity Orthodox Church choir. To close the ceremony, American and Greek flags, which had flown over their respective capitols, were raised over the Plaza as "the dual standards of Freedom".

VENTURA CHAPTER # 220 CONTRIBUTES

The Ventura Chapter # 220 of Ventura, California donated \$500.00 to the General Hospital Auxiliary, Ventura, California for the Intermediate Newborn Intensive Care Nursery. This donation was the first contribution received and was tremendously appreciated. This amount was applied for a unit to help control breathing for sick babies.

Pictured below are Chris Mallakis, President, right, and William Gatsios, Treasurer, center, with the nurse explaining about the nursery.





Order of Ahepa, Hellas Chapter # 102, Lowell Installation of Officers. Front row, left to right: James Nigzus, Treas., Charles T. Pappas, V.-P. James Mavrogianis, Pres., James T. Maguire, Rec.-Sec., and Peter N. Tsaffaras, Fin.-Sec. Second row: Peter Paras, Capt. of Guard, Anthony Pergakis, Board of Gov., Charles P. Tsaffaras, Supreme Counsellor and William P. Tsaffaras, Past Sup. Pres., Installing Officers, John P. DeTora and Charles J. Behrakis, Board of Govs.



LOWELL, MASS.: Members of the Aristotelian Award Dinner-Dance Committee—Hellas Chapter # 102—Lowell—Galatea Chapter # 117 Daughters of Penelope. First Row: Michael Zymaris, John Manekas, Kay Kavouras, John Rusomanis, Gen. Costas Caraganis, James Mavrogianis, Effie Paras, Marie Panos. Second Row: Peter Paras, Charles Pappas, Ann Mavrogianis, Harriet DeTora, Cynthia Purdis, Eleanor Husson, Bess Poullos and Kitty Schrow. Third Row: Louis Demetroulakos, Manny Panos, George Villaras, John Ploubides, treasurer, Charles J. Kirkiles, Commissioner Nicholas Vergados, Peter Tsaffaras, secretary and David Kalivas.

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LOWELL, MASS.: Recipients of 50 year pins at the Fifth Aristotelian Award Dinner in which Hellenic Chapter # 102, celebrated its 50th Anniversary. Left to Right—Manny Panos who accepted pin for his dad, George Panagiotopoulos, Zisis Klissiaris, Charles Kyriacopoulos, Charles Antonopoulos and James Mavrogiannis, president of Hellenic Chapter # 102.



The Honorable George Nigh, Lt. Governor of Oklahoma, presenting a proclamation from Governor David Boren setting aside March 22-28, 1976, as Greek Independence Week. The Lt. Governor presented the same to the following persons, from left to right: Louis J. Kasey, Committee Co-Chairman; Paul Mihos, President of Parish Board of Holy Trinity; Very Rev. George Thomas, priest of Holy Trinity; Lt. Governor George Nigh; Dan Kalos, Committee Co-Chairman; Nick Stavros, Committee; Nick Kondos, Committee and Vice President of Tulsa Chapter.

On March 28, 1976, at the Civic Center Plaza, a flag that had flown over the nation's capital and a flag from Greece were raised when the Tulsa Chapter of AHEPA and the parish of Holy Trinity observed the 155th anniversary of Greek Independence and America's Bicentennial with an appropriate program prior to the flag raising.



LOWELL, MASS.: Rev. Dr. George J. Tsoumas, Recipient of the Fifth Aristotelian Award sponsored by Ahepa Family of Lowell, Mass. Looking on is Congressman Paul E. Tsongas, who served as Toastmaster.

Hollywood Chapter # 318 Presents 50 Year Pins.

On Feb. 22, 1976, at the Oak Knoll Inn in Pasadena, Hollywood Chapter # 318, honored five members who had fulfilled 50 years of continuous membership in our great organization. Of the five, unfortunately one, Bro. Tom Leventis passed away in late 1975. The other four, Bro. Basile Aronis, Bro. Chris Bacos, Bro. Tony Matsoukas, and Bro. James Metropoulos, accompanied by their wives were in attendance. Approximately 100 members and friends of the Hollywood family were in attendance. Rev. Geo. Veneros, Dean of St. Sophia Cathedral gave an account of the contribution of the various organizations such as ours that make up the total picture of Greek communities such as ours. Dist. Gov., Harry Sifaris was the other main speaker and presented an inspiring message to the brothers and sisters. In addition to a number of district officers of both AHEPA and Daughters of Penelope present, we were also pleased to have as our guest, Andrew Metropoulos, brother Metropoulos' nephew who had just arrived from Athens.

Past president Basil Farmasonis was chairman and Master of Ceremonies. President John Gritsonis (four times president) presented the 50 year pins and graciously donated beautiful plaques to each of the honorees. The chapter wishes to acknowledge the efforts of Bro. Frank Rhodes and Sister Mary Latinopoulos in making the affair such a success. Owners of the Oak Knoll Inn, Sam Abajian and Tony Psaltis contributed to the success with their usual 100% effort.



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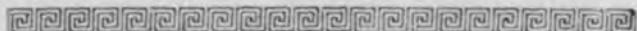
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FRONT ROW—left to right: George Daopoulos, Andrew Boulmetis—V.P., Andrew Ganas—Treas., George Granitsas—P.D.G., James Mavrogiannis—Pres. Lowell Chapter, William Tsaffaras—Past Supreme President, Charles Tsaffaras—Sup. Counsellor, Dr. Monthe Kofos—Nat. Ath. Dir., Arthur Xenos—50 yr. member, Anthony Gogolos—Pres. Marlboro Chapter. Newly initiated members: John Makkos and Dr. Harry Agahigian in back row on extreme left.

MARLBORO AHEPA CONDUCTS INITIATION

The Nicholas Granitsas Chapter #105, Order of Ahepa, recently conducted an initiation at the Ahepa Home, preceded by a dinner for all in attendance.

Newly initiated members included Dr. Harry Agahigian and John Makkos.

The Degree Team was headed by Past Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, William Tsaffaras, and Supreme Councillor Charles Tsaffaras, of Lowell, National Athletic Director, Monthe Kofos, Past District Governor, George Granitsas of Marlboro, and James Mavrogiannis, President of the Lowell Chapter. Andrew Boulmetis, Vice President, conducted the meeting.

A roast beef dinner, was served to all the members prior to the initiation, by a committee headed by Peter Jonnas, Andy Ganas, Andy Spanos and George Daopoulos.

Recently attending the National Ahepa Invitational Golf Tourney in Disney World, Orlando, Fla., were Swede Korandanis, Alex Bilzerian and Monthe Kofos of the local chapter. Guests participating in the tourney included Chris Agoritsas, Richard Petty, John Ahearn, Ernest Rossi, Ed. Markey, Judy Markey, Ray Cahill, Gene Morte, Terry Morte, Al Parente and Jean Parente. Many of the locals placed on winning 4 ball, 2 ball teams, and were flight prize winners. Next year's tourney has been scheduled for Bermuda according to Dr. Monthe Kofos, who was in charge of the tourney in which golfers from 15 states participating.

MARLBORO AHEPA SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

The Nicholas Granitsas Chapter #105 Scholarship Committee has announced the 1976 Marlboro Scholarship winners as follows:

MARLBORO HIGH SCHOOL AHEPA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD—\$250.00:
Susan Carol Lotz—23 Grace Circle, Marlboro, Mass.

MARLBORO AHEPA FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP 1st AWARD—\$500.00:
George Bitzas—779 Elm St., Marlboro, Mass.

MARLBORO AHEPA FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP 2nd AWARD—\$350.00:
Nicholas Kofos—180 Bolton St., Marlboro, Mass. Alternates to the Ahepa Family Scholarships are Joseph Cofelice and Stephen Grote.

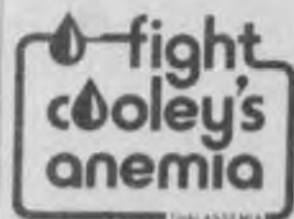
These students were awarded these scholarships based on the highest marks attained in a recent competitive examination in English given at the Marlboro High School.

The Marlboro Chapter who is celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year began these scholarships in 1951.



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Wheeling, West Virginia: Members of Miltiades Chapter # 68 visited the Wheeling Society for Crippled Children to present the organization with a check for \$400 for their new building construction fund. Two and one half year old Janson Ney was on hand to greet the group which included Gregory Tavloures (kneeling), President of Miltiades chapter; standing left to right, A. W. Petroplous, Emanuel Sgouros and George Varlas. Miltiades Chapter has been a regular contributor to this Easter Seal Organization for the past seven years.



Palmetto Chapter No. 284, Order of AHEPA, 1976 Chapter Officers and Board of Governors. Front Row—L to R: Angelo Tsiantis, Board member; Louis Demos, Chairman of the Board; Nick Pachilis, Board member; Dr. Emanuel Zelants, Board member; George Xanthakos, Board member. Back Row—L to R: Charles Soufas, Secretary; LTCol. John Stykos, Vice Chairman of the Board; Chris P. Leventis Installing Officer; Dr. Daniel S. Kavadas, President; Andrew Kanazes, Vice President and Paul Tsalapatas, Treasurer.



Left to right:—Anthony Gribizis Treasurer, Clarence Drake President, Alex Panos Vice President, John Siawtis Secretary, Peter Kouzambasis member

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 Or do you stay at home
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 Do you take an active part
 To help the work along
 Or are you satisfied to be
 The kind that just belong?
 Do you ever voluntarily
 Help at the guiding stick.
 Or leave the work to just a few
 And talk about the Clique?
 Come out to meetings often
 And help with hand and heart,
 Don't be just a member
 But take an Active part.
 Think this over, members,
 You Know right from wrong
 Are you an active member,
 Or do you just belong.



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Election of 1976 chapter officers were held for the Arizona Chapter # 275, with congratulations going out to Clarence Drake upon being elected president by his fellow brothers for a third consecutive year. Re-elected to serve are the Vice President Alex Panos, Secretary John Siavelis, and Treasurer Anthony Gribizis. The Board of Governors are the past retiring President Angelo Skoubis, as Chairman, Anthony Diamontopoulos, John Catsaros, Nicholas Cavoulas, Harry Janos and James Sfarnas. The appointed officers are Warden Spyros Sipsas, Chaplain Harry Janos, Captain of the Guard Louis Hoidas, Sentinel John Catsaros. Advisor to the Sons of Pericles is Dionisios Sabalos.

We congratulate each one of these officers, they are much deserving of the honor, they are hard working, willing and co-operative and can be called on at any time to be of service to the chapter and the Order of Ahepa.

SCHOLARSHIPS—The Arizona Chapter Scholarship for the University of Arizona this year went to Peter Kouratou and Kalianthe Gribizis. Peter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kouratou, and Kalianthe is presently a # 20 District Lodge officer of the Maids of Athena and is serving in the capacity of treasurer. She is a past president of the Eratos Chapter of the Maids and resigned her second term to receive the honor of District Treasurer. The proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Gribizis who are both very active in their respective chapters.



Governor James B. Edwards of South Carolina, center, proclaiming the "25th day of March" as the 155th Anniversary of Greek Independence. Left to right: Dr. Daniel S. Kavadas, President Palmetto Chapter No. 284, Dr. Angelo Demos, President of the Hellenic Community of Columbia; Mr. Chris P. Leventis, Publicity Chairman and James C. Leventis, Chairman Bicentennial and Greek Independence Day Committee.



Brother Emmanuel Zaphiriou was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of the Greater Indianapolis Progress Committee by Mayor William H. Hudnut III of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Newly initiated members of Estia Chapter No. 326 with Supreme Treasurer George Dimas and Supreme Vice President Peter N. Derzis. Second from right, James Trakis, 51 year member. Participants in the mass initiation of the Empire District No. 6, May 13, 1976.

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Be decisive—don't be afraid of making mistakes—come to a decision promptly, after serious study of the work to be done.

First, become wholly familiar with your duties and responsibilities. The Constitution provides an overall area of responsibility—a meeting of all District Lodge Officers should then result in "assigned" duties, for each member of the District Lodge.

Second, write down all of the important tasks that come under your jurisdiction—enumerate them—list them in order of importance—and in time-sequence.

Third, take each item and work out your plan of action in full detail, down to the smallest item if necessary. You'll find that this procedure brings out new and interesting thoughts and ideas that may even change your original plan of action.



The graves of 70 American veterans of Greek descent buried in Arlington National Cemetery are decorated by Ahepa with flowers on Memorial Day, in conjunction with the placing of an Ahepa wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers. Officers and members of the Ahepa chapters in the metropolitan area of Washington participate in this annual Ahepa observance on Memorial Day, which this year marked the 21st annual observance. Included in the gravesites decorated is that of George Dilboy, World War II veteran who received the U.S. Congressional Medal of Honor, posthumously. This year's Memorial Day Committee was headed by John T. Pappas, Past Supreme Treasurer; Dr. Theodore Perros, President of Washington Chapter No. 31; and Thomas Vlachos of the same chapter.

1976 AHEPA MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY AT TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER

Washington, D.C.—Ahepa Supreme President William G. Chirgotis headed an Ahepa delegation at a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery on Monday, May 31, 1976. The Supreme President was accompanied by Supreme Vice President Peter N. Derzis, Past District Governor of Capitol District No. 3 George Papuchis, and Arthur H. Lalos. Others who took part in decorating individual graves of American veterans of Greek descent at Arlington National Cemetery were: Past Supreme Treasurer John T. Pappas, Chairman of the Ahepa Memorial Day ceremony; Dr. Theodore P. Perros, President of Washington Chapter No. 31, and Thomas P. Vlachos of the same chapter. The Ahepa chapters in the metropolitan area of Washington, D.C., in cooperation with Supreme Lodge headquarters, have been conducting this annual Ahepa Memorial Day observance for 21 consecutive years.



Supreme President William C. Chirgotis decorating the grave of Past Supreme President V. I. Chebitzes at Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day, May 31, 1976. Shown with the Supreme President, left to right, Supreme Vice President Peter N. Derzis; Executive Secretary Arthur H. Lalos; Past District Governor, No. 3, George Papuchis.



Supreme President William C. Chirgotis, Supreme Vice President Peter N. Derzis and honor guard at attention during solemn ceremony of placing the Ahepa wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day, May 31, 1976.



Past Supreme Treasurer John T. Pappas, of Washington, D.C., placing flowers on the grave of Past Supreme Counsellor Soterios Nicholson, at Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day.

LOCAL AHEPAN NAMED HELLENE OF THE YEAR

DANIELSON, CONN.—The District Lodge of Yankee District No. 7, Order of Ahepa recently selected as one of their recipients of the "Outstanding Hellene" Award John Yanouzas. He will be presented with a plaque honoring his achievements at the District Convention Banquet to be held on Friday, May 21, 1976 at the Hearthstone Inn in Seekonk, Massachusetts.

John Yanouzas is a member of Danielson Chapter No. 418 and served several years as Secretary. He is a Professor at the School of Business Administration at the University of Connecticut, in Storrs and resides in Hampton, Connecticut. John is married and is the father of three children, a graduate of Duquesne University and received his Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration from Pennsylvania State University in 1963.

He has travelled extensively to many parts of the United States involving himself in developmental programs in Economic Study, and is the author of numerous professional articles.

His most recent successes stem from his being invited numerous times to Athens, Greece to plan and participate in seminars for the Greek Management Association.

The membership of Yankee District No. 7 salutes this fine Hellene.



BRADEMAS SCHOLARSHIP

A memorial scholarship, named the Stephen J. Brademas Sr. Memorial Scholarship, has been established at Ball State University, Indiana, in memory of the father of Congressman John Brademas.

The scholarship, in the study field of Greek civilization, has been set up by John T. A. Koumoulides, history professor at Ball State, as a mark of gratitude to the Brademas family who helped Professor Koumoulides when he first arrived in the U.S. from Greece.

Stephen Brademas, who died in September 1975, was a native of the Kalamata region of Greece and was a noted Indiana businessman for many years. His widow Beatrice, both as a graduate and as the daughter of a geography teacher there, has long connections with Ball State, where Congressman John Brademas has an honorary degree.

The new scholarship may be used either as a study-travel grant at Ball State or in Greece; or it may be available to provide financial help to a Greek or Cypriot student attending Ball State.



BRADEMAS AWARDED HONORARY DEGREE FOR LEADERSHIP IN EDUCATION

Medford, Mass., Congressman John Brademas (D-Ind.), Chief Deputy Majority Whip of the House of Representatives, was awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree from Tufts University for his record as "one of education's best friends" and as "among the most hard working legislators on Capitol Hill."

Brademas' degree was conferred by Tufts President Burton C. Hallowell before 1600 graduates at the University's 120th commencement.

The following is a partial text of the honorary degree citation:

"John Brademas, during your 18 years as a Democratic member of the Indiana delegation to the United States House of Representatives, you have earned the reputation as one of education's best friends. Indeed, in a poll conducted last year, college and university presidents and other national leaders chose you among the top four persons in this country as 'most influential' in higher education.

"You are without question among the most able and hard working of the legislators on Capitol Hill. As chairman of the House Select Subcommittee on Education, you have played a central role in shaping national education legislation. Your name has appeared on a wide variety of legislation concerned with elementary and secondary education, vocational education, teacher training, child development, rehabilitation for the disabled, and programs for the aged."



OFFICERS OF THE AHEPA FAMILY IN LOWELL, MASS.—Left to right: James Mavrogiannis, president of Hellas Chapter 102, Mrs. Caleroy Kavouras, president of Galatea Chapter 117, Daughters of Penelope, Kitty Schrow, president Maids of Athena and David Kalivas, president Sons of Pericles.

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the AHEPA organization for enabling me to go to Greece last summer. The basketball experience and cultural experience were outstanding.

Sincerely,

Terry Benka
Drake University

Mr. William Chirgotis
Supreme President
Order of Ahepa
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Dear Mr. Supreme President:

Congratulations for your meaningful message delivered at the Ahepa Bicentennial Banquet, for your letter to President Ford, and the moving remarks in your eulogy in memory of Brother George Leber.

May I also take this opportunity before you leave office, to express my gratitude as a member, for your outstanding leadership.

You have served Ahepa well, please don't stop.

Sincerely and Fraternally yours,

Thomas Kouchoukos

Mr. William Chirgotis
Supreme President
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Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of everyone involved in open-heart surgery at the "Evangelismos Hospital" I would like to express our gratitude and sincere thanks to you personally and through you to the entire Order of Ahepa for sending us the Sarns Heart-Lung Machine.

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X08L	JUL 10	JUL 24	14	\$598
X08M	JUL 10	JUL 25	15	\$598
X08N	JUL 10	JUL 31	21	\$598
X08O	JUL 10	AUG 19	40	\$598
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X08Q	JUL 10	SEP 4	56	\$598
X08R	JUL 10	SEP 9	61	\$598
X08S	JUL 10	SEP 13	65	\$598
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X08U	JUL 10	OCT 7	84	\$545
X08V	JUL 10	OCT 14	91	\$545
X08W	JUL 10	OCT 24	106	\$545
X08X	JUL 10	JAN 4	178	\$534
X08Y	JUL 10	JUN 17	342	\$545
X08Z	JUL 11	JUL 25	14	\$598
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X09B	JUL 11	AUG 10	30	\$598
X09C	JUL 11	AUG 17	37	\$598
X09D	JUL 11	AUG 22	42	\$598
X09E	JUL 11	AUG 27	47	\$598
X09F	JUL 11	SEP 5	56	\$598
X09G	JUL 11	SEP 7	58	\$598
X09H	JUL 11	SEP 11	62	\$598
X09I	JUL 11	SEP 26	77	\$598
X09J	JUL 11	NOV 10	122	\$534
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X09M	JUL 12	JUL 26	13	\$598
X09N	JUL 12	JUL 31	19	\$598
X09O	JUL 12	AUG 2	21	\$598
X09P	JUL 12	AUG 12	31	\$598
X09Q	JUL 12	AUG 18	37	\$598
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X10X	JUL 15	JUL 25	10	\$598
X10Y	JUL 15	JUL 29	14	\$598
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X11A	JUL 15	AUG 1	17	\$598
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X11C	JUL 15	AUG 15	31	\$598
X11D	JUL 15	AUG 20	36	\$598
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X11L	JUL 15	DEC 5	143	\$534
X11M	JUL 15	JUN 30	350	\$545
X11N	JUL 16	JUL 25	9	\$598
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X11P	JUL 16	JUL 30	14	\$598
X11Q	JUL 16	AUG 1	16	\$598
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X11U	JUL 16	AUG 20	35	\$598
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X11W	JUL 16	SEP 15	55	\$598
X11X	JUL 16	SEP 18	58	\$598
X11Y	JUL 16	SEP 28	74	\$598
X11Z	JUL 16	NOV 8	115	\$534
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X12B	JUL 17	JUL 31	14	\$598
X12C	JUL 17	AUG 1	15	\$598
X12D	JUL 17	AUG 7	21	\$598
X12E	JUL 17	SEP 11	56	\$598
X12F	JUL 17	SEP 18	63	\$598
X12G	JUL 17	SEP 23	68	\$598
X12H	JUL 17	JAN 11	178	\$534

Group No.	New York Departure	Athens Departure	Days	Round Trip Fares
X181	JUL 18	AUG 1	14	\$598
X182	JUL 18	AUG 3	16	\$598
X183	JUL 18	AUG 8	21	\$598
X184	JUL 18	AUG 14	27	\$598
X185	JUL 18	AUG 22	35	\$598

Group No.	New York Departure	Athens Departure	Days	Round Trip Fares
911E	SEP 11	OCT 2	21	\$492
911O	SEP 11	JUN 3	265	\$492
911H	SEP 11	JUL 7	299	\$545
911A	SEP 11	AUG 3	326	\$545
912D	SEP 12	SEP 26	14	\$545
912A	SEP 12	OCT 1	19	\$492
912B	SEP 12	OCT 17	35	\$492
912C	SEP 12	NOV 3	52	\$481
912F	SEP 12	DEC 15	94	\$481
912P	SEP 12	JAN 18	128	\$481
912H	SEP 12	MAR 2	171	\$481
912K	SEP 12	JUL 19	310	\$545
913A	SEP 13	SEP 27	14	\$545
913B	SEP 13	OCT 3	20	\$492
913C	SEP 13	OCT 9	26	\$492
913F	SEP 13	OCT 14	31	\$492
913P	SEP 13	FEB 16	156	\$481
913H	SEP 13	MAR 15	163	\$481
913M	SEP 13	APR 28	227	\$492
913N	SEP 13	MAY 19	248	\$492
913V	SEP 13	JUN 9	269	\$492
914A	SEP 14	SEP 29	15	\$545
914B	SEP 14	OCT 2	18	\$492
914C	SEP 14	OCT 3	19	\$492
914E	SEP 14	OCT 7	23	\$492
914F	SEP 14	OCT 8	24	\$492
914H	SEP 14	DEC 9	86	\$481
915D	SEP 15	OCT 2	17	\$492
915A	SEP 15	OCT 11	26	\$492
915A	SEP 15	NOV 1	47	\$481
915B	SEP 15	NOV 12	58	\$481
915E	SEP 15	JAN 10	117	\$481
915F	SEP 15	FEB 10	148	\$481
915H	SEP 15	MAR 16	182	\$481
916A	SEP 16	SEP 26	10	\$545
9167	SEP 16	SEP 30	14	\$545
916B	SEP 16	OCT 1	15	\$492
916B	SEP 16	OCT 7	21	\$492
916A	SEP 16	OCT 30	44	\$492
9163	SEP 16	NOV 5	50	\$481
916B	SEP 16	NOV 16	61	\$481
916E	SEP 16	JAN 23	129	\$481
916F	SEP 16	FEB 24	161	\$481
916H	SEP 16	MAY 12	236	\$492
917A	SEP 17	SEP 26	9	\$545
9175	SEP 17	OCT 1	14	\$492
9176	SEP 17	OCT 2	15	\$492
9179	SEP 17	OCT 3	16	\$492
917B	SEP 17	OCT 4	17	\$492
917A	SEP 17	OCT 10	23	\$492
917H	SEP 17	OCT 15	28	\$492
917B	SEP 17	OCT 26	39	\$492
917E	SEP 17	JAN 25	130	\$481
917F	SEP 17	MAR 14	178	\$481
918E	SEP 18	OCT 2	14	\$492
9189	SEP 18	OCT 3	15	\$492
918A	SEP 18	OCT 4	16	\$492
918B	SEP 18	OCT 8	21	\$492
9187	SEP 18	NOV 14	57	\$481
918E	SEP 18	JAN 2	106	\$481
918F	SEP 18	JUL 14	299	\$545
9199	SEP 19	OCT 3	14	\$492
9196	SEP 19	OCT 5	16	\$492
919A	SEP 19	OCT 10	21	\$492
9197	SEP 19	OCT 31	42	\$492
919B	SEP 19	NOV 10	52	\$481
919C	SEP 19	NOV 28	70	\$481
919E	SEP 19	DEC 18	90	\$481

Group No.	New York Departure	Athens Departure	Days	Round Trip Fares
919F	SEP 19	MAR 10	172	\$481
919H	SEP 19	JUL 26	310	\$545
919K	SEP 19	AUG 14	319	\$545
9207	SEP 20	OCT 4	14	\$492
9208	SEP 20	OCT 8	18	\$492
9209	SEP 20	OCT 11	21	\$492
9206	SEP 20	NOV 26	87	\$481
9209	SEP 20	MAR 22	183	\$481
920A	SEP 20	APR 20	212	\$492
920B	SEP 20	MAY 5	227	\$492
920C	SEP 20	JUN 4	257	\$492
921E	SEP 21	OCT 6	15	\$492
921F	SEP 21	OCT 19	28	\$492
9217	SEP 21	NOV 6	48	\$481
9218	SEP 21	SEP 19	363	\$545
9229	SEP 22	OCT 9	17	\$492
922A	SEP 22	NOV 19	58	\$481
922K	SEP 22	DEC 7	76	\$481
922B	SEP 22	FEB 17	148	\$481
922E	SEP 22	MAR 4	163	\$481
922F	SEP 22	SEP 21	364	\$545
922G	SEP 23	OCT 3	10	\$492
9227	SEP 23	OCT 4	11	\$492
9225	SEP 23	OCT 7	14	\$492
9229	SEP 23	OCT 8	15	\$492
923A	SEP 23	OCT 10	17	\$492
923B	SEP 23	OCT 14	21	\$492
923C	SEP 23	OCT 22	29	\$492
9234	SEP 23	OCT 24	31	\$492
923F	SEP 23	APR 4	193	\$492
924F	SEP 24	OCT 3	9	\$492
924I	SEP 24	OCT 8	14	\$492
924B	SEP 24	OCT 10	16	\$492
924S	SEP 24	OCT 11	17	\$492
924A	SEP 24	OCT 15	21	\$492
924F	SEP 24	OCT 22	28	\$492
924B	SEP 24	NOV 4	43	\$481
924S	SEP 24	NOV 13	50	\$481
924E	SEP 24	MAY 19	237	\$492
925B	SEP 25	OCT 3	8	\$492
9257	SEP 25	OCT 9	14	\$492
925A	SEP 25	OCT 10	15	\$492
9259	SEP 25	OCT 16	21	\$492
925A	SEP 25	NOV 1	37	\$481
925B	SEP 25	DEC 5	71	\$481
925E	SEP 25	JAN 30	148	\$481
925M	SEP 25	FEB 12	140	\$481
925F	SEP 25	MAR 13	169	\$481
925N	SEP 25	JUN 15	263	\$492
925P	SEP 25	JUL 21	299	\$545
926E	SEP 26	OCT 10	14	\$492
926B	SEP 26	OCT 12	16	\$492
9267	SEP 26	OCT 24	28	\$492
9269	SEP 26	NOV 7	42	\$481
926F	SEP 26	NOV 17	52	\$481
926H	SEP 26	JAN 20	116	\$481
926A	SEP 26	FEB 4	131	\$481
926K	SEP 26	MAR 17	172	\$481
926B	SEP 26	JUN 4	251	\$492
926M	SEP 26	AUG 2	310	\$545
927E	SEP 27	OCT 10	13	\$492
927B	SEP 27	OCT 11	14	\$492
9270	SEP 27	OCT 19	22	\$492
9277	SEP 27	NOV 27	61	\$481
927A	SEP 27	MAR 29	183	\$481
927B	SEP 27	MAY 12	227	\$492
928E	SEP 28	OCT 13	15	\$492
9289	SEP 28	OCT 27	29	\$492

Group No.	New York Departure	Athens Departure	Days	Round Trip Fares
928E	SEP 28	NOV 2	35	\$481
928A	SEP 28	NOV 15	48	\$481
9287	SEP 28	NOV 24	57	\$481
929A	SEP 29	OCT 16	17	\$492
929B	SEP 29	OCT 17	18	\$492
9297	SEP 29	OCT 29	30	\$492
9298	SEP 29	NOV 19	51	\$481
929E	SEP 29	NOV 26	58	\$481
929F	SEP 29	FEB 24	148	\$481
929H	SEP 29	MAR 11	163	\$481
929K	SEP 29	MAY 26	239	\$492
9299	SEP 29	JUN 26	270	\$492
929M	SEP 29	SEP 26	364	\$545
930B	SEP 30	OCT 10	10	\$492
930A	SEP 30	OCT 14	14	\$492
9309	SEP 30	OCT 15	15	\$492
930B	SEP 30	OCT 21	21	\$492
930C	SEP 30	OCT 29	29	\$492
930F	SEP 30	NOV 13	44	\$481
930E	SEP 30	DEC 3	64	\$481

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0014	OCT 1	OCT 17	16	\$492
001B	OCT 1	OCT 22	21	\$492
001E	OCT 1	OCT 24	23	\$492
001M	OCT 1	OCT 29	28	\$492
0015	OCT 1	NOV 5	35	\$481
0016	OCT 1	NOV 12	42	\$481
001F	OCT 1	MAR 3	153	\$481
001H	OCT 1	APR 6	187	\$492
001K	OCT 1	JUN 15	267	\$492
001I	OCT 1	SEP 23	357	\$545
002H	OCT 2	OCT 16	14	\$492
002K	OCT 2	OCT 17	15	\$492
002M	OCT 2	OCT 23	21	\$492
0029	OCT 2	OCT 23	21	\$492
002A	OCT 2	NOV 21	50	\$481
002E	OCT 2	NOV 26	55	\$481
002N	OCT 2	JAN 27	117	\$481
0029	OCT 2	JAN 29	119	\$481
0029	OCT 2	FEB 16	139	\$481
0037	OCT 3	OCT 17	14	\$492
0038	OCT 3	OCT 22	19	\$492
0039	OCT 3	OCT 24	21	\$492
0036	OCT 3	OCT 31	28	\$492
003A	OCT 3	NOV 9	37	\$481
003B	OCT 3	DEC 14	72	\$481
0035	OCT 3	JAN 23	112	\$481
003E	OCT 3	APR 3	182	\$492
003F	OCT 3	JUL 19	289	\$545
003H	OCT 3	OCT 2	364	\$545
0047	OCT 4	OCT 18	14	\$492
0045	OCT 4	OCT 19	15	\$492
004B	OCT 4	OCT 21	17	\$492
004B	OCT 4	OCT 25	21	\$492
0049	OCT 4	NOV 29	56	\$481
004A	OCT 4	MAR 11	158	\$481
004B	OCT 4	JUL 20	289	\$545
0059	OCT 5	OCT 30	25	\$492
0059	OCT 5	DEC 16	73	\$481
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**TA ALLIOTIKA
MOUFLOUZELIS # 3 - S-DIAMANTI**

LONG PLAY: SYZP 88053
CASSETTE: M-LANS 82064, M-LANS 82064



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MOUFLOUZELIS # 3 - S-DIAMANTI
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**TO ISARI TIS EPITIMHS # 8:
MARTIELLA-HRISTIANA-HATZIS-
NIKOLAOS-MITROPANOS**

LONG PLAY: PFLPS 10136
CASSETTE: MPI 810136, MPI 910136



TO ISARI TIS EPITIMHS # 8:
MARTIELLA-HRISTIANA-HATZIS-
NIKOLAOS-MITROPANOS
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**ZITINA HONDU-FARIOS-SARELARIZOU
GAVALAS-VISSI**

LONG PLAY: MOW 245
CASSETTE: MPI 810137, MPI 910137



ZITINA HONDU-FARIOS-SARELARIZOU
GAVALAS-VISSI
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**AFIERONA-LIZETA NIKOLAOS-
HARALADOS-CARAGANOUAKIS**

LONG PLAY: J042 70180
CASSETTE: MPI 810140, MPI 910140



AFIERONA-LIZETA NIKOLAOS-
HARALADOS-CARAGANOUAKIS
1. ...
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PROSFIGIA-NAVRAKI

LONG PLAY: SLPS 88
CASSETTE: BA-SLPS 88, TC-SLPS 88



PROSFIGIA-NAVRAKI
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**KAFINIOS I EVRITADIA I
KEI HOIATA-SIMITRIS ZEVGAS**

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KAFINIOS I EVRITADIA I
KEI HOIATA-SIMITRIS ZEVGAS
1. ...
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**TA AFHTHNIKA
GRIGORIS BITHIKOTSIS**

LONG PLAY: J048 70368
CASSETTE: MPI 810121, MPI 910121



TA AFHTHNIKA
GRIGORIS BITHIKOTSIS
1. ...
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**SENA KE TAPINA
PANOS CAVALAS-A-REPANIS-
NANA HARMA**

LONG PLAY: PFLPS 10135
CASSETTE: MPI 810135, MPI 910135



SENA KE TAPINA
PANOS CAVALAS-A-REPANIS-
NANA HARMA
1. ...
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**AFTAPATES-POLI PANOU
MITELINEOS-HRISTOU**

LONG PLAY: J042 70179
CASSETTE: MPI 810138, MPI 910138



AFTAPATES-POLI PANOU
MITELINEOS-HRISTOU
1. ...
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**EPITIMHS # 4-ST.DIONISIOU-
ST.KOROTAS-V.MOSHOLIOU-PANOU-
G.BITHIKOTSIS-U.GALANI**

LONG PLAY: J042 70185
CASSETTE: MPI 810141, MPI 910141



EPITIMHS # 4-ST.DIONISIOU-
ST.KOROTAS-V.MOSHOLIOU-PANOU-
G.BITHIKOTSIS-U.GALANI
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**MIHALIS MENIDIATIS
KAPSI ME NA ISTHAKO**

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KAPSI ME NA ISTHAKO
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**RODA IRE KE GIWIZI
RENA KOURIOTI-PSARIANOS-VITALI**

LONG PLAY ONLY
SYLP 3265



RODA IRE KE GIWIZI
RENA KOURIOTI-PSARIANOS-VITALI
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SOTIRIA BELLOU-KIRIAZIS-
BAGIANTERAS-PAPAIOANNOU**

LONG PLAY: PFLPS 10133
CASSETTE: MPI 810133, MPI 910133



OLI I REBETES TOU DOUNIA
SOTIRIA BELLOU-KIRIAZIS-
BAGIANTERAS-PAPAIOANNOU
1. ...
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**ATAKA KE IPI TOPOU
DOUKISSA**

LONG PLAY: PFLPS 10138
CASSETTE: MPI 810138, MPI 910138



ATAKA KE IPI TOPOU
DOUKISSA
1. ...
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**NERETISMOS STIN IPIRO
STELIOS BELLOS**

LONG PLAY: J048 70369
CASSETTE: MPI 810139, MPI 910139



NERETISMOS STIN IPIRO
STELIOS BELLOS
1. ...
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**AREHASTES EPITIMHS TOU
THEODOROU DERVENIOTI ME TIN
FOTINI MAVRARI 1953-1975**

LONG PLAY: PFLPS 10142
CASSETTE: MPI 810142, MPI 910142



AREHASTES EPITIMHS TOU
THEODOROU DERVENIOTI ME TIN
FOTINI MAVRARI 1953-1975
1. ...
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9. ...
10. ...

**ZOI GEVATI VASANA
MIMALIS MENIDIATIS**

LONG PLAY FILMS 10143 CASSETTE MPI 810143 MPI 910143



To paristaki
Apallhista pou sena
Mia zoi tha sou dia
Kata ore akrovi
Sta kalta pou plene
Dia mia melitroula
Ti khanti surata tin
To hapi
Mintoso paliparamilo
Pou ti zoi mou
Afou n' avrai na qiro
Kata i akou tu harti
Zoi gevati vasana (1948 m)

**TA TSAHPINKI:
LITSA DIAMANTI**

LONG PLAY FILMS 10146 CASSETTE MPI 810146 MPI 910146



Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
An na naphou
The to touso akou
Tsekalavik tsekalav
Orafo na voun
Mara mou ak
Mia akou akoutastan
Oritastan
Afou na harti
Liti qia liti

**VASILIS TSITSANIS No 3
1938-1955**

LONG PLAY J056 70193 CASSETTE MPI 810193 MPI 910193



1 Otiou behar (1938)
Ta akrotiri (1938)
I zima (1938)
Saxifera na jono (1938)
Stro ki - dia akrotiri (1938)
Otan sta karia na piperi (1938)
Maroula na dimenzia (1938)
I xou iakou (1938)
Fouli kouti (1938)
Ia akra mou iou (1938)
Perakliou (1938)
Izanta akrotiri (1938)

**O KAZANTZIDIS KE TA REBETIKA:
STYLIS KAZANTZIDIS**

LONG PLAY J054 70188 CASSETTE MPI 810188 MPI 910188



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
An na naphou
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I ZOI IHE OREA VIKY

LONG PLAY 6303 157 CASSETTE MPI 810170 MPI 910170



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
An na naphou
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**ANTHROPOLA TA LATHI:
VIOLARIS ABAYI-VYLLARI**

LONG PLAY FILMS 10181 CASSETTE MPI 810181 MPI 910181



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
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Berde na berde berde
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**KE I ZOI SIMEJIZETE:
TIANNIS KALATZIS**

LONG PLAY FILMS 10144 CASSETTE MPI 810144 MPI 910144



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
An na naphou
The to touso akou
Tsekalavik tsekalav
Orafo na voun
Mara mou ak
Mia akou akoutastan
Oritastan
Afou na harti
Liti qia liti

**24 KARATIA-DIONISIOU-HRISTOU-
NAROLA LABRAKI-HARADI**

LONG PLAY J062 70180 CASSETTE MPI 810187 MPI 910187



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
An na naphou
The to touso akou
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**VASILIS TSITSANIS No 2
1938-1955**

LONG PLAY J056 70194 CASSETTE MPI 810190 MPI 910190



2 De Pasa Tsimani (1938)
Saxifera na jono (1938)
Stro ki - dia akrotiri (1938)
Otan sta karia na piperi (1938)
Maroula na dimenzia (1938)
I xou iakou (1938)
Fouli kouti (1938)
Ia akra mou iou (1938)
Perakliou (1938)
Izanta akrotiri (1938)

**NIA ZOGRAFIA:
STAMATIS KOKOTAS**

LONG PLAY J054 70181 CASSETTE MPI 810184 MPI 910184



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
An na naphou
The to touso akou
Tsekalavik tsekalav
Orafo na voun
Mara mou ak
Mia akou akoutastan
Oritastan
Afou na harti
Liti qia liti

**G. DALARAS - ANNA VISSI
SITA PSILA TA PARATHIRIA**

LONG PLAY FILMS 10182 CASSETTE MPI 810185 MPI 910185



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
An na naphou
The to touso akou
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Orafo na voun
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Oritastan
Afou na harti
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GEORGIOS PAROSIS - ENONTE STIGMIS

LONG PLAY FILMS 10183 CASSETTE MPI 810186 MPI 910186



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
An na naphou
The to touso akou
Tsekalavik tsekalav
Orafo na voun
Mara mou ak
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Oritastan
Afou na harti
Liti qia liti

**IPARHO:
KAZANTZIDIS-DALARAS**

LONG PLAY FILMS 10145 CASSETTE MPI 810145 MPI 910145



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
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Orafo na voun
Mara mou ak
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Oritastan
Afou na harti
Liti qia liti

**LAIKI PARADOSI-TRAGOODIA
PERIODOU 1825-1940:VIKY
MOSHOLIOY-HANDLIS MITSISIS**

LONG PLAY J062 70192 CASSETTE MPI 810188 MPI 910188



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
An na naphou
The to touso akou
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**APALANTIKA APO SENA:
PAROS BAKIJDOS**

LONG PLAY FILMS 72 CASSETTE MPI 810191 MPI 910191



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
An na naphou
The to touso akou
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Afou na harti
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**TO PALIO TEFTERI TOU MITSAKI-
BOGDAROS-ZEMHATI-HELAS-KAVAZIS**

LONG PLAY FILMS 10155 CASSETTE MPI 810185 MPI 910185



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
An na naphou
The to touso akou
Tsekalavik tsekalav
Orafo na voun
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Oritastan
Afou na harti
Liti qia liti

THATHLA FILIPPOS NIKOLAOU

LONG PLAY 9112 007 CASSETTE MPI 810189 MPI 910189



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
Ede i den tou i ghrakou
Mia pohlota
An na naphou
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Orafo na voun
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GREECE IS... "FREE"

LONG PLAY LARD 2081 CASSETTE MPI 810190 MPI 910190



1 Oti tha katso na stazo
An n' agades
Berde na berde berde
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Mia pohlota
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DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE VENUS Chapter # 102

In keeping with the Bicentennial theme, the Daughters held their Bicentennial Membership Initiation, April 1, 1976. District Governor, Theodora Corneos, Chevy Chase, Md., was the special guest.

A Smorgasbord Dinner was served and enjoyed by all. The following are the new initiates who have joined our Chapter: Betty Athenas, Vicki Baches, Nicki Bakis, Irene Beleos, Georgia Caltis, Christine Dalaklis, Heidi Emmanuel, Eleni Gianiks, Demetra Karres, Pat Mavroides, Maria Pappas, and Pauline Velonis.

We welcome them and look forward to their participation in all our endeavors. Following the Initiation and meeting, President, Bett Kofinas recognized the District officers and the Past Presidents that were in attendance.

The Daughters congratulate President Bett Kofinas on becoming a Grandmother. Son, Steve and wife, Georgia, are the proud parents of a baby girl, born April 16, 1976, Na Sas Zese.

*"All of the flowers
of all tomorrows,
are in the seeds of today."*

TUCSON, ARIZONA PHOEBUS CHAPTER # 146 DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE

The members of the Phoebus Chapter # 146 elected Rose Drake as their president for 1976. Since the charter of the Phoebus Chapter Sister Drake has served in the capacity of secretary for many years. The new chapter officers elected to serve with her are Aphrodite Catsaros, Vice President, Percy Diamontopoulos, Secretary and Laurreta Hoidas, Treasurer. The Board of Governors are Chmn. Percy Diamontopoulos, Carolina Seimenis, Helen Columbus, Bessie Boussios, Pauline Markes, Priestess Irene Benson, Warden Alexandra Rallis, Marshall Olga Gribizis, Inside Sentinel Lou Gates, Outside Sentinel Elsie Gandy and winding up the slate are the pianist Athene Pappadeas and advisors to the Maids of Athena Carolina Seimenis and Aphrodite Catsaros. The oath of office and the charge was given to the new officers by the retiring president, and an official installation ceremony will take place at the time of the 20th District Chapter Visitation. The new officers are looking forward to a full year and recently held a "dinner will be served" type of affair with bingo being played later in the evening which was well attended and quite successful and we want to thank the Chairman Laurreta Hoidas for her efforts in the planning of this affair.

This is the story of a remarkable rug and an even more remarkable woman.

The rug is a 23 by 17 foot hand-woven one, completed as a Bicentennial project for the Charillon-DeMenil Mansion where it is replacing a worn rag rug in the bedroom given by Mr. and Mrs. August A. Busch, Jr. in memory of his parents.

The weaver was Mrs. Penelope Strousser who has been totally blind since 1947.

The story began more than a year ago when the Board of Directors at the DeMenil House decided that the old rug in the Busch bedroom had to be replaced. One of the Board members, who had been involved in the interior of the Mansion House volunteered to investigate the possibilities. Obviously not just any rug would do. It had to fit the period, the character of the restored mansion.

Penelope Strousser was recommended by the Weaver's Guild of which she is a member. In order to be accepted in the Guild you must submit samples of your work which are examined under a microscope by a jury of experts. Penny's won third prize during a Midwest Weavers' Conference in which she competed against 281 sighted weavers.

Since the rug was going to be in colors, Penny mastered it—Penny eventually her own braille cards so she can read the pattern and after she read one card she pushed it over to the other side. She's now patented these braille markers for blind weavers. The project took more than 10 months. Penny says, "Weaving helps me to relax." The Mansion has the Greek architecture design and as Penny expressed it... "with all those Greek columns out there, it's only right that a Greek woman should weave a rug for this house..."

Penelope Strousser's work was done but she won't be forgotten. For there's a small new gold plaque in the Busch bedroom which gives full credit to Penny which reads:

"This rug completed for the Bicentennial based on 1850 midwestern rug design, was hand-woven by Penelope Strousser, blind weave of St. Louis."

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**SONS OF PERICLES
ANNUAL BASKETBALL TOURNEY**

Empire District No. 6's Sons of Pericles sponsored their Annual Basketball Tournament during the weekend of February 13th, 14th and 15th at St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church in Jamaica, Queens. The tournament was hosted by Jamaica Sons Chapter #90 who did an outstanding job under the leadership of their President Louis Tsourovakis.

Trophies donated by HANAC through a government grant from the Mayor's Athletic Committee, were presented to Renaissance Chapter No. 5 for First Place, Jamaica Estates Chapter No. 270, Second Place and Jamaica Sons Chapter No. 90 for Third Place.

Brother John Korellis of Renaissance Chapter No. 5 was named "Most Valuable Player" of the Tournament and Brother John Maloupis of Jamaica Sons No. 90 was awarded as "High Scorer".

The weekend of festivities ended on a high note at a dance held on February 15th at St. Demetrios Church where hundreds of Sons and Maids attended. The dance proved to be tremendous social and financial success thanks to the hard work of the dance committee and its Chairman, Supreme Governor Mario Harris.

Supreme Governor Harris was proud to announce that proceeds from the weekend amounting to \$700.00 were donated to AHEPA's Cooley's Anemia Fund. Presentation of the monies were made on Thursday, February 26th at Constantines Restaurant in Jamaica by Brothers Harris and Tsourovakis. Accepting the donation on behalf of Empire District No. 6 was District Treasurer John Sakona who praised the Sons on the outstanding work they had done and thanked them for their generous contributions.

**OMEGA CHAPTER COMMEMORATES
25th ANNIVERSARY**

The Omega Chapter #371 of the Order of Ahepa, Detroit, Michigan has commemorated their twenty-fifth anniversary with three main events. These included a dinner honoring all past presidents, a luncheon honoring their auxiliaries for their active support to the chapter and a twenty-fifth anniversary banquet. They were honored with the presence of William G. Chirgotis, Supreme President. The members of the Omega Chapter #371 wish to thank him for his fine words. He made us all proud to be Ahepans.



From left to right: Milton Gust, past president and chairman, Spero Theros, president, William G. Chirgotis, Supreme President, Harry Pulos, secretary, Dr. Peter V. Paulus, toastmaster and chairman, Ahepa Education Foundation and John Athans, vice-president.



Dr. Peter Paulus, and William G. Chirgotis, Supreme President, with members of the Omega Chapter #371.

50 YEAR MEMBERS ARE HONORED

The Cincinnati Convention mandated that all members with 50 years of active service will no longer pay both chapter dues and national per capita tax. Chapter secretaries should contact headquarters and specify the members eligible for the

50 year honor. Headquarters will verify the member's status, and will send to them a special Life Member Card. It should be noted that all 1976 Membership Cards will be mailed directly to AHEPA members.



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AHEPA THALASSEMIA SCREENING PROGRAM

The St. Demetrios Church of Chicago was selected as the first church to participate in the Thalassemia Screening Program headed by Ahepa Cooley's Anemia National P.R. chairman Irene Betzelos and her husband, Supreme Secretary A. Steve Betzelos. Together with the following local sponsoring chapters, Lincolnwood # 396 Order of Ahepa, James Giftos, pres. Asteria # 338, pres. Hedy Panouses (who also represents the Lutheran General Hospital Hematology dept.); Danae # 121, Lorraine Phillips, pres., Daughters of Penelope, Ariadne Maids of Athena, Mary Becharas, pres. and Prometheus Sons of Pericles, Steve J. Betzelos, pres. they have offered, free of charge, blood screening for the Thalassemia Trait. The screening is open to the children and community members and will be continued in other Greek Orthodox church communities in and around the city. Mrs. Betzelos advises us that Lutheran General Hospital of Park Ridge, Ill., has made this program possible with the donation of their services. Dr. Takasi Okuno, director of hematology and Dr. Limosani of pediatrics are primarily concerned with the program and are responsible for the blood testing and the follow-up consultation with those who will have a positive result.

This program began on Wednesday, April 7th and continued on Sunday, April 11th with approximately 500 children and young adults taking advantage of the screening. The testing has been done on the church premises with volunteers from Lutheran General Hospital and members of the Ahepa Family.

The Order of Ahepa has been concerned about Thalassemia for several years and, in addition to screening for the Thalassemia trait, they have been raising funds for research of Thalassemia Major (Cooley's Anemia) which is fatal to those children who have it, usually in their early teens. To date, Ahepa has given over \$50,000.00 in the form of seed money grants to research teams at Yale University and Rockefeller Institute. Hopefully, a control and perhaps a cure will soon be found for this genetic blood condition.

For those who are interested to learn more about Thalassemia, a brochure is distributed by the Order of Ahepa. And, for those who wish to contribute to research, checks can be made out to Ahepa Cooley's Anemia Research Fund and mailed to: Mrs. A. Steve Betzelos, 5773 N. Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60659.



Members of Asteria DOP help Mrs. Betzelos sign up Sup. Secy. A. Steve Betzelos and Dist. Gov. Constance Stathakos.

INITIATION CLASS NAMED IN HONOR OF JOHN A. KIAMOS

Brother John A. Kiamos, was honored at impressive initiation ceremonies held at Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church in Yonkers, New York, on Friday, June 18, 1976. The initiation class of 12 was named in honor of Brother Kiamos.

Three Past Supreme Presidents as well as many other dignitaries, including Special Assistant to the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, Socrates Zolotas, were in attendance. The Degree Team from New Brunswick, New Jersey conducted the ceremonies of Westchester Chapter No. 51 and Evzone Chapter No. 405, and the more than 150 in attendance were impressed with the outstanding ceremonies.

Among the dignitaries in attendance were, Past Supreme President John Thevos, Past Supreme President, Gus Cherevas, Past Supreme President Nicholas Coffinas, Past Supreme Vice President Peter Kourides, Past Supreme Counselors Louis Dukas and Gustav Coffinas, Supreme Board of Trustees Peter Chingos, Supreme Treasurer George Dimas, District Lt. Gov. George Douris and District Treas. John Sakona.

Lt. Gov. George Doukis presented a 50 year pin and lifetime gold card to Brother Adam Porikos, Past President of the Westchester Chapter.

The Chapter presented an engraved silver bowl to Brother Kiamos, Past Supreme Treasurer, who had conceived the idea for the Ahepa to build a home for boys at St. Basil's Academy in Garrison, N.Y.

Kiamos spoke of his 48 years as a member of the Order of Ahepa and called it the greatest organization conceived by man. All the speakers praised Brother Kiamos, a leader of the fraternity for many years and for "laboring in the Vineyards" of Ahepa.

The main speaker, Socrates Zolotas, touched on Brother Kiamos' career and gave an inspiring speech pertaining to illegal aliens coming into the U.S.

A silver bowl was also presented to Lt. Gov. George Douris in gratitude for his "Outstanding Service to the District throughout the year".

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NEW SMYRNA BEACH, FLORIDA—On May 31, 1976, a Memorial Day service was held in memory of the first 400 Greek settlers who came to the United States and settled in this small community. Over 75 Ahepans and their families from the Daytona Beach area attended the service. From left to right: Christopher Ekonomou, Past Supreme Governor, representing the Supreme Lodge; Dr. John R. Pletincks, Mayor of New Smyrna; and Judge Darrel Carnell, County Judge of Volusia County.

STATEN ISLAND CHAPTER HOLD INITIATIONS

The Michael Constant Chapter No. 349 initiated 10 new members at impressive ceremonies held on Saturday, June 19, 1976 at Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Staten Island. The initiation was conducted by Ahepa District Lt. Governor George Douris. The Initiation Class was named in honor of City Councilman Anthony R. Gaeta of Staten Island.

Immediately following the ceremonies, the Chapter, under the Education Chairmanship of Rev. Spyro Macris, awarded scholarships, medals and plaques to more than 25 Greek Americans graduating with honors from High Schools in Staten Island. The top award was presented to Catherine Kaye who recorded a 99.86 average for four years at the Susan E. Wagner High School.

Miss Kaye also received the following awards during her High School career: National Merit Finalist; N.Y. Regional Scholarship Award—the third highest score recorded in the City of New York—Governor's Committee on Scholastic Achievement—First Place in army award for City scholarship award—Honorary member in the French Institute—Membership in Honors Foreign Language Group—Member of Arista—American Association of Teachers of French Top Level Award—Nominated to "Who's Who in American High School Students" and accepted and will attend Princeton University in Princeton, New Jersey.

Lt. Governor George Douris gave the charge to the many graduates telling them of the evils of drugs and narcotics asking them in this Bicentennial year to lift the torch of Americanism and like the ancient runners of Hellas, carry the flame onto to victory and power.



50 Year Pin Presentations: North Miami Chapter No. 421 officers J. Athanasiou, Dean Rousos, Jim Demos, along with Past Supreme Secretary Peter Kouchalakos, making presentations to Milton Scouris and Gus Efthimio, Sr.



ANGELOS SOFFOS

Brother Angelos Soffos a member of the Alexander the Great Chapter # 29 in Houston, Texas conceived and designed Ahepa's Bicentennial message and greeting commemorating the 200th Anniversary of the founding of the United States.

The Chapter and the fraternity is indebted to Brother Soffos for his inspirational message and artistic talent.

He is presently serving as Chairman of the Bicentennial Committee for the 54th Annual Ahepa Supreme Convention in Houston.



AHEPA BICENTENNIAL SALUTE TO AMERICA HUGE SUCCESS

Over 10,000 people gathered at the 7th Regiment Armory in New York City on Saturday, June 12th, 1976 to pay tribute to this great nation on the 200th Anniversary.

The crowd of thousands packed the armory to participate in this gala extravaganza which was sponsored by the Order of Ahepa, Empire District No. 6 in cooperation with HANAC and the New York City Bicentennial Corp.

The festivities began at 12 noon as the doors opened to over 1,000 waiting children who were presented with free toys as they entered the armory. The youngsters enjoyed an outstanding children's show which included puppet shows, clown acts, magic shows and much more.

Following the children's show was the teenage segment of the program featuring top name rock and latin entertainment. The youth danced to the vibrating sounds of Sangria, Deep Rich, Full and Mellow and Ron Anderson and His Orchestra.

The evening program which began at 7:00 p.m. and continued straight through to 1 in the morning, hosted the best names in Greek entertainment. The thousands were "dancing in the aisles" to the exciting sounds of Aris San and his Orchestra, the dynamic Duo Acropol and the fabulous Trio Beleanto. Among the other outstanding performers was Gus Vali and His Orchestra, The Trojans, The Spartans, The 4 Adelpia, George Zervas, Mike Xenakis, Taso Stassi, Helen Keremidas, Antonios Loupakis and many, many more.

A special presentation was made by the Order of Ahepa to City Council President Paul O. Dwyer, better known as "Mr. Bicentennial" for all his endeavors in getting ethnic groups involved in bicentennial celebrations throughout the City.

Sotirios Cachules, President of the Atlantic Bank was presented with the "Outstanding Service Award" for his untiring efforts and contributions to the Order of Ahepa.

Elias Lee Gounardes, Chairman of the event, expressed his gratitude to Lt. Governor George Douris whose inspiring leadership and direction guided the committee and enabled Hellenes throughout the entire state to participate in one of the most spectacular Bicentennial salutes sponsored by any ethnic group which will be remembered for years to come.



Miami Chapter No. 14 Annual Easter Picnic: Presentation of Happy Birthday cake to Past Supreme Secretary Peter Kouchalakos. Left to right: John Prokos, Pete Kouchalakos, Z. Zahariadis and Past Supreme Governor George Heropoulos.



Miss Despina-Evmorfia D. Kavadas, daughter of Brother Dr. and Mrs. Daniel S. Kavadas of Columbia, South Carolina, and a past member of Maids of Athena, Pan-Athenenean Chapter No. 68, Charleston, South Carolina, graduated SUMMA CUM LAUDE from Wesleyan College, Macon Georgia with a Bachelor of Music Degree in Church Music.

Miss Kavadas is the recipient of the Dean's Honor Award of Sigma Alpha Iota, as the senior graduating with the highest scholastic honors. During the summer, she will study Byzantine music at the Holy Cross Hellenic College in Brookline, Massachusetts, and will attend the International Summer School of Balkan Studies in Thessalonica, Greece where she will study Byzantine History and Literature, Theology, Art and Greek Language.

Miss Kavadas will begin her studies towards her Master of Arts Degree in Musicology at the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, where she has been awarded a Dupont Fellowship.

All donations to the Ahepa Family charitable and educational programs are tax-deductible. Send donations to: Order of Ahepa, 1422 K St., N.W., Washington, D. C. 20005.



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The following editorial appeared in the July issue of the "Eureka" a monthly publication of the Eureka Chapter #52 of Newark, N.J.

SECOND CHIRGOTIS PRESIDENTIAL TERM NEARS END

The second term of Brother William G. Chirgotis as the Supreme President of the Order of AHEPA approaches its conclusion with the national affairs of the Order being full of the flow of energy and accomplishments which have marked the whole of his presidential tenure. His most important responsibility was the leadership of the Order of AHEPA in its superb, historic assistance both to Hellenism and to American law and tradition during the continuing Cyprus tragedy and the related, growing threat to Greek sovereignty over the Aegean.

In addition to the above, which was his first priority, a good deal else was also accomplished during his presidential years. Based upon current, on-going reports, the national membership drive gives evidence of real success. The national AHEPAN magazine has grown in size and comprehensiveness. Brother Bill had to assume the editorship and much physical work related to the AHEPAN due to the death of the late Brother George Leber. The recent Congressional Banquet in Washington, D.C. was a very significant success, attended by President Ford. The entire AHEPA Family is being polled and the results analyzed in order to determine the wishes of the membership as to the development of the Florida Properties. The Order is installing another \$30,000 heart lung machine in Athens in order to increase the capacity in Greece for heart surgery. The Order received a bequest of \$135,000 from the will of the late Carlos Touris, the income from which will fund AHEPA scholarships. If, as anticipated, Prime Minister Karamanlis visits the United States in July, he will be bestowed the AHEPA Socratic Award in Washington; if he does not, Brother Bill and Supreme Vice President Terzis will fly to Greece to make the presentation. The re-organization of the AHEPA Washington headquarters is well advanced, as required by the demise of the late Brother Leber.

The international, national, fraternal, and historic work above are representative of the range and scope of the doings of Brother Chirgotis in this latest chapter of a truly distinguished life of accomplishment and service to his family, fraternity, heritage, Church and country.

James Gevas
Past President Eureka Chapter # 52



Left to Right: Pascal Kuvalakis, George Bekas, Basil Tzanakis, George Theofilos and Bill Marmaras. Standing: Gus Theodos, Dist. Marshal; James Ketrarnados, PDG; Phil Papatheodorou; Stanley Chrysonos, Dr. Andreas Savopoulos; Steve Zouzoukis; President Nick G. Paras and Roy D. Soppas.

GRAND PRSIDENT'S TESTIMONIAL DINNER

"You've Come a Long Way, Baby" was the tribute given by the Maids of Athena from Alethia Chapter #135, to Grand Pres. Teri Lee Velis, on Friday, May 21, '76. Over 300 people attended this gala event, which took place at the luxurious Huntington-Sheraton Hotel in Pasadena, Calif.

Among the 'roast & toast' guests at the diaz were: Chairperson, Tina Karagias; Rev. & Mrs. Nicholas Liberis of St. Anthony's Church in Pasadena, Chris Mechalas, #135 Cha. Pres.; Toastmaster, Nicholas J. Thanos, SOP Past Sup. Gov. Ted Sleder, SOP Past Sup. VP Steven Congas, SOP Past Sup. Pres. Barbara Stavis, MOA Gr. VP from New Orleans, Thomas A. Banis, SOP Sup. VP, Michael N. Spirtos, MD, Ahepa Past Sup. Pres. Mr. and Mrs. George Caras, Attorney at Law from Beverly Hills, Demi Sellas, MOA Gr. Gov. I Judge & Mrs. Peter Katsufrakis, So. Calif. Kathryn J. Stathos, MOA Past Gr. Pres. & the proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Velis.

Other guests who traveled many miles to wine & dine at this special occasion were: James Calogrides, SOP Past Sup. Gov.; Cathy Chiros, MOA Past Gr. Pres.; William Serpico Georges from Albany, NY; Debi Katzenberg from Chicago, IL; Koula Korson, MOA Nat. Pub. Editor from Bethesda, MD; Thomas J. Pappas, from Phoenix, AZ; & Pam Stamm, MOA Nat. Cooley's Anemia Chairperson from Ft. Lauderdale, FL...



HEMPSTEAD, N.Y.—Three leading members of the Order of Ahepa are shown congratulating newly elected Governor Douris of Empire District No. 6 at installation ceremonies held on Sunday, June 27th 1976 at St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Hempstead, N.Y.

Pictured above from left to right are: Judge Nicholas Coffinas, Past Supreme President; District Governor George Douris; Supreme Vice President Col. Peter N. Derzis; and Past Supreme President Gus Cherevas.

EMPIRE DISTRICT NO. 6 40TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

By unanimous vote, George Douris, a New York newspaperman, was elected District Governor of the Order of Ahepa Empire District No. 6 40th Annual Convention held at the Holiday Inn in Hempstead, Long Island. Douris succeeds James A. Thomas of Albany who served a one year term as District Governor.

Other officers of the District Lodge included: Lieutenant Governor; John D. Sakona of Jamaica; District Secretary, John M. Cholakakis of Albany; District Treasurer, George Kalpakakis of Manhasset Hills; District Marshal, George Carcales of Buffalo; District Advisor, Andrew Gallis of Brooklyn and District Athletic Director, George Demopoulos of Massapequa.

The Daughter of Penelope, ladies auxiliary of the Order of Ahepa, elected Stella Rigas as District Governor of the Empire District No. 6. Ms. Rigas succeeds Dorothy Livadas of Rochester who served a one year term of office. Other officers elected into

the District Lodge of the Daughters included: Lieutenant Governor, Helen Thomas of Albany; District Secretary, Angie Yanas of Manhattan; District Treasurer, Rita Jeoney of Albany; Advisor to the Daughters, Dorothy Livadas of Rochester; District Marshal, Priscilla Carcales of Buffalo, and District Advisor to the Maids of Athena, Cornelia Pappas of Yonkers.

The newly elected officers of the Sons of Pericles, included: District Governor, Peter Takorian; Lt. Governor, Gus Lucas; District Secretary, Louis Tsourovakas; District Treasurer, Mano Sismanis; District Marshal, Victor Moulakis.

The Maids of the Athena, elected Fay Vasilas of Whitestone as District Governor; Lt. Governor, Helen Cochonis; District Secretary, Terri Moraitis; District Treasurer, Joanne Cholakakis; District Marshal, Elizabeth Matsis and District Athletic Director, Stacey Spirakis.



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our pride*

The one thing that strikes us on this 200th anniversary of our nation's independence is the intense pride we feel for these United States of America. We hope you feel that way, too.

D.C. AREA AHEPA CHAPTERS HONOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

The Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Chapters of the Order of Ahepa held their 7th Annual Awards Dinner on May 19, 1976, honoring high school seniors of Greek ancestry for outstanding achievement in athletics and scholastics. Fifty one students received Ahepa plaques for their achievements and six were selected for cash awards.

Gary C. Papuchis and Chrissie Zaloumis were awarded the Andre' G. Broumas Awards of \$500.00 each for outstanding achievement in both academics and athletics. The Washington

Metropolitan Ahepa Awards of \$250.00 each were presented to the following: The George J. Leber Award for outstanding academic achievement to Lee David Lampos; The Awards Committee Award, also for outstanding academic achievement in athletics to Mark Latsios; and the Harry Moshovites Award to the outstanding girl athlete Pamela Kleanthous.

Chairman of the Awards Dinner was Thomas Gikas. Supreme Vice-President of the Order of Ahepa, Mr. Peter Derzis was the principle speaker during the ceremonies following the dinner.



RECIPIENTS OF THE WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA AHEPA SCHOLARSHIP AND ATHLETIC AWARDS

First Row: L to R: Lee David Lampos, Ellen Loizou, Diana Pekar, Mary George Peter, Pamela Kleanthous, Katherine Viannes, Vasiliki Peters, Patricia Lefes, Lauren Downs, Maria Stamos, Thomas Kontos, Alexander Tzoumas.

Second Row: L to R: Thomas Gikas (Chairman), Mark Latsios, Paul Argyropoulos, Robert Chaconas, Amalia Veizis, Patricia Jenkins, Fotiny Koutris, Melissa Veronis, Anastasia Kotsiras, Chrissie Zaloumis, Bessie Kotsiras, Joseph Bailey, George Damon, George Seremetis, Arthur Appleton, Jim Charles (Toastmaster).

Third Row: L to R: James N. DiClementi, George Dukas, Paul Page, Bill Hittle, Nick Stephanos, Mike Chrisafis, David Plakas, Evan Vutsinas, Mark Bigelow, Theodore Davantzis, Gary Papuchis, Gus Kalaris

The AHEPA Celebrates the Bicentennial

by Dennis J. Livadas, Chairman
AHEPA Bicentennial Commission

The Order of AHEPA embarked upon two projects to commemorate the American Revolution Bicentennial 1776-1976:

1. The AHEPA Bicentennial Exhibit prepared by the late George Leber, past Executive Secretary; and,
2. The AHEPA Bicentennial Commission, chaired by Dennis J. Livadas, past Supreme Counsellor.

The results of their efforts have been available since early this spring. Every chapter and district that has not yet done so is urged to participate in or develop a local bicentennial event during the remaining five months of this year. The Bicentennial is a marvelous opportunity for the AHEPA and its auxiliaries to promote Hellenism and project your best image in your own home town.

You should complete your plans now for the period from Labor Day to Thanksgiving; the very best time would be around OCHI Day at the end of October. Let's wind up the Bicentennial Year with rousing celebrations all over the country and show our loyalty and appreciation to our beloved United States of America!

One way is to display the AHEPA Exhibit in your home town—preferably in a public place where your American neighbors congregate. The twenty-four panels depict 3,000 years of Greek-American relationships—from democratic principles in the Constitution to track workers in Montana. The pictures and text are informative and inspiring, and the full sweep of our people's epic in America is moving, impressive, and breath-taking.

Dedicated with appropriate ceremonies just before the Congressional Banquet in Washington on April 3rd, 1976, with addresses by Dr. Saloutas and myself, the Exhibit became the star attraction that weekend. It has since been shown (up to July 1, 1976) for a week or more in Charleston, S.C.; Norwalk, Conn.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Astoria, L.I.; Hempstead, L.I. (District # 6 New York Convention); Philadelphia, Pa.; Worcester, Mass.; New Brunswick, N.J.; Youngstown, O.; Providence, R.I. (District # 7 Convention), as well as Washington and New York City. Many thousands have already seen it.

Many more thousands will see it at the Supreme Convention in Houston and in the other cities that have already (as of July 1st)

reserved it; Gary, Ind.; Louisville, Ky.; Lorain, O.; Duluth, Minn.; Rochester, N.Y.; Columbia, S.C.; Wykoff, N.J.; Florence, S.C.; and Chicago, Ill.

But a great many more cities will have to show the Exhibit before the time, money, and energy that went into this magnificent work can be justified. So far, it has been mostly the smaller cities that have shown the Exhibit. The big cities have yet to be heard from—and we have at least 50 of these which can and should show it, plus another 150 medium size cities.

The rental cost is \$300 and the shipping cost varies at about \$150., well worth the investment in good will and public acceptance. For best results, try to display the Exhibit before large numbers of Americans, with attendant publicity and connected with some other Bicentennial event.

The scope, nature, timing, and size of these events are the subject of our Bicentennial Commission's detailed memorandum of February 16th, 1976 that has been sent to every chapter and all the governors and national officers of the AHEPA and its auxiliaries. Together with the earlier Handbook distributed in November, 1975, the membership has been provided with over one hundred suggested Bicentennial events and how best to put them across. The reader is referred to them for details.

Some of the most successful events already held, and/or the most promising for the future, are:

1. Local Exhibits of Greek arts, crafts, history, service, activities, contributions, and/or achievements.
2. Greek Folk Festivals featuring foods, music, culture, dancing, alone or in conjunction with other ethnic groups.
3. Lectures, movies, slides, discussions, performances, etc., before Greek and/or American groups and open to the public.
4. Participation in local bicentennial events such as re-enactments, parades, observances, celebrations, Freedom Train tours, exercises, etc.
5. Patriotic exercises for Greek Independence Day (3/25) Memorial Day (5/30), Fourth of July (7/4), Labor Day (9/6), OCHI Day (10/30), Cyprus Day (7/21), Veterans Day (11/11), and other holidays.
6. Participation in local drives for community chests, blood banks, voter registration, civic events, USO, Red Cross, and local Bicentennial and Olympic Committees.
7. "Greek Days" at tracks, ball parks, sporting events, cultural or ethnic functions, theatres, or movies.
8. Tributes to prominent local Greek Americans, civic leaders, Olympic stars, philhellenes, and prizes and awards in essay contests for our young people.
9. Sister cities programs, People to People events, presentations to local institutions, tree plantings, dedications of flag poles, plaques, or other memorials.
10. AHEPA Family community-wide ceremonies for fifty year chapters and/or members, and special AHEPA awards.

The important thing is to do something meaningful, useful, recognizable, and in good taste to show our support for the Bicentennial of our country. Dinners, mayoral proclamations, receptions, coffee hours, letters to the editor, news and feature stories, radio and television appearances, booths, after dinner speeches, etc., are all helpful. Paramount is the projection of our patriotism to our American neighbors in dignified public surroundings (museums, libraries, art centers, chambers of commerce, schools, court houses, city halls, theatres, malls).

Every chapter and city will devise a program that best suits its needs and complements its local situation. The first reports received are very encouraging and we urge every participating group to send in a report of its function(s). After review and evaluation, appropriate recognition will be made at the 1977 Supreme Convention.

As an example of what a medium size city can do, we are glad to share our present plans for Rochester, N.Y. On the weekend of October 28-30 (OCHI Day) we will present a marble 2 foot bust of Solon, the lawgiver, to our new Court House, sponsor a Greek Dance Troupe in our new college arts center, celebrate our chapter's 50th anniversary and honor our 50 year members, conduct a formal bicentennial dinner and dance, and host a district-wide conference. We expect over 1500 persons to attend one or more of these functions, at which top American and AHEPA figures will speak. The AHEPA Exhibit and a local exhibit will be displayed to perhaps 30,000 more people in our indoor Mid-Town Mall for the preceding week, which will be officially proclaimed as "Greek Week" with wide local publicity. These events will be followed by an AHEPA membership and reinstatement drive to strengthen our chapter locally.

To commemorate the Bicentennial, our Commission designed and produced 1500 medallions to be used as Convention badges, and to serve as keepsakes and for presentation medals. One side depicts the words "Order of AHEPA Bicentennial Commission" on the rim. The obverse side depicts the Houston Skyline and Texas scenes within the Lone Star, with the words "54th Supreme Convention Houston Texas" on the rim. The piece is 1-1/2" in diameter, 1/16th" thick, double struck from original dies, and one of the finest bicentennial medals issued. It will be produced in alloy for the badge, and, as a medal, in bronze, gilt, silver, and gold. If you would like a medal please fill out and return order form, together with your payment, for early delivery. These badges and medals will soon become collector's items. God Bless America! Happy Birthday, U.S.A.

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«Συμπατριώτες,

Θά ήταν μεγάλη ή χαρά μου αν δεσπόζαμε σήμερα ανάμεσα σας για να σας απευθύνω ούτως ή άλλως — και εκ μέρους του ελληνικού λαού — τον θερμό χαιρετισμό της πατρίδας. Δυστυχώς, η ζωή αυτή επιθυμία μου δεν ήταν δυνατό να πραγματοποιηθή. Γιατί ανέπνεα να γίνεται η συγκέντρωσίς σας σε ώρες δύσκολες για την Ελλάδα σε ώρες που καθιστούν ακόμα βαρύτερα τα καθήκοντα της Κυβερνήσεώς μου.

«Είναι, αγαπητοί μου, ακατάλυτοι οι εσωμοί που μας ενώνουν — όσμοι αίματος και πνεύματος — έμοι που ζούμε στον έλλησικό χώρο με σάς που πέρα από αυτόν, απευθύνετε το μεγαλύτερο και δυναμικότερο κομμάτι του Έλληνισμού. Και έχετε στην προξί έπονειλημένως αποδείξει τις ελληνικές όρτες που έμπνεουν τη σκέψι σά, και κατασκευόνουν τις δραστηριότητές σας. Έχετε πρό παντός αποδείξει, ως υποδειγματικοί πολίτες της μεγάλης Δημοκρατίας που σας αγκάλισε, την φιλαπατρία σας και προς αυτήν και προς την Γενέτειραν που κλιίνετε μέσα στη ψυχή σας.

«Η πολέμοξη έπιτυχία σας έπιδοδώνουν την πραγματική δύνα-

μη και την ήθική αξία του Έλληνισμού που σαν ίδια έννοια — αποκήρυξε της γής — στην έννοια της Δημοκρατίας και τη σύμμετρη έπιδωξι της ότορικής και συλλογικής ευθύνης.

«Έρως, από τό σπείο γιωγταφικό χώρο που ζούμε, παρτασκυδού-



Ο πρως κ. Κων. Καραμανλής

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THE 1976-14th ANNUAL NATIONAL AHEPA INVITATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 1976 14th Annual National Ahepa Invitational Golf Tournament was held on March 9-13, at the Golf Resort Magnolia and Palm Golf Courses in Disney World, Orlando, Fla. with 70 golfers competing.

Ideal weather conditions, 75° temperatures, sunny skies, and two beautiful golf courses supplied the proper ingredients for a great affair, the greens which were huge and fast, top conditioned fairways and tees, each hole was well trapped and water hazards were abundant. The home of the Disney World Golf Classic took its toll among the Ahepans and their guests but a few did well.

Lew Kollias, a 9 Handicapper of St. Louis, Mo. managed to top all scorers—shooting rounds of 77, 79, 79 to win the top prize in the championship flight; great shooting in view of the tough calibre of the courses. Runnerup was Stanley Arnold, of Fla. on rounds of 84, 78, 80.

Each year, the Order of Ahepa awards to the outstanding Hellenic Golfer of this tournament the Dr. Michael Spirtos Award, in behalf of Dr. Michael Spirtos, Past President of the Order of Ahepa; the committee unanimously made this award to Lew Kollias of St. Louis for his outstanding performance.

The tournament began on Wed. with a practice round in the form of a best ball-2 ball tournament, with 104 teams participating for prizes of over \$1000.00. Medal play began on Thurs., Fri. and Sat. on the 4 Ahepa Flights, Championship A, B, C. The Guest Flight and the Ladies Flight were also on the agenda. A 4-Ball-Best Ball took place on Thurs., Fri., and Sat. also with teams drawn on Wed. The Miami Chapter (we are grateful to them) under the leadership of Dr. James Demopoulos, George Kastrenakis and Zoi Grabova hosted a party on Wed., followed by a Luau on Thurs., and the awards banquet on Sat. Prizes and awards were presented by Supreme Pres. William G. Chirgotis, Regional Directors Dr. Demopoulos (Fla.), Art Poly (Conn.), Dick Afaganis (Can.) and Kunny Pipilas, Nat. Dir. of Athletics of the Daughters, and Dr. Monthe Kofos, S.A.D.

We were honored with the presence of Supreme President, William G. Chirgotis, who, along with his busy schedule found time to attend this affair.

Recognized at the banquet were Anthony Kollias and Michael Hodges of St. Louis for their great participation and interest in this tournament over the years, having served as chairmen in 1954; also recognized 50 year members Peter Issaris (N.Y.), George Karnigis (Fla.); Mr. Pipilas (N.H.); also Chris Boulas of Chicago, the very likeable Ahepan who was present. Golfers participating from N.H., Me., Mass., Conn., Ohio, Mich., Fla., N.Y., Mo., Md., Wash., Canada, and Ill.

All awards were donated by Olympic Airways.

Scoring was as follows: * Denotes prize winners

Ahepa Championship Flight 9-10

54 Hole Total

Lew Kollias	- Mo.	- 235 Gross*
Stan Arnold	- Fla.	- 242 Runnerup Gross*
Ted Lampros	- Mo.	- 215 Low Net*
Rev. Bouyoucas	- Fla.	- 217 Low Net*
Eli Chinonis	- Mich.	- 227 Low Net
Peter Farmasonis	- Wash.	- 231 Low Net
Jim Mouzakis	- Mich.	- 239 Low Net
Art Poly	- Conn.	- 245 Low Net

Class A-11-16

Chris Demetrulias	- Mo.	- 250 Low Gross*
George Boudoures	- Mo.	- 254 2nd Low Gross*
Leon Spanos	- Mo.	- 230 Low Net*
Nick Kontras	- Mo.	- 234 Low Net*
Mike Fandos	- Mo.	- 234 Low Net*
Chris Cherpas	- Ohio	- 239 Low Net*
Dick Afaganis	- Canada	- 240 Low Net*
Dr. Demopoulos	- Fla.	- 245 Low Net*
Andy Dangelas	- Mass.	- 246 Low Net
Monthe Kofos	- Mass.	- 252 Low Net
George Kastrenakes	- Fla.	- 253 Low Net
Mike Stamos	- Conn.	- 256 Low Net
Nick Lorant	- Mich.	- 259 Low Net
Wm. Konstantinakis	- Mass.	- 261 Low Net
George Caperal	- Mo.	- N.C.

Class B-17-22

Peter Pantages	- Fla.	- 273 Low Gross*
E. Cassimatis	- Mo.	- 287 2nd Low Gross*
S. Kouchalakos	- Fla.	- 224 Low Net*
A. Snyder	- Me.	- 230 Low Net*
Al Bilzerian	- Mass.	- 235 Low Net*
C. Papachristos	- Mass.	- 247 Low Net
A. Kollios	- Mo.	- 248 Low Net
T. Economou	- Wash.	- 259 Low Net
L. Catsavis	- Mo.	- 265 Low Net
A. Korandis	- Mass.	- N.C.

Class C-23-up

T. Kouchalakos	- Fla.	- 272 Low Gross*
G. Karnegis	- Fla.	- 297 2nd Low Gross*
H. Michel	- Me.	- 245 Low Net*
M. Hodges	- Mo.	- 249 Low Net*
L. Costos	- Mass.	- 253 Low Net
Dr. J. Paras	- Me.	- 280 Low Net
P. Issaris	- N.Y.	- N.C.
J. Grabova	- Fla.	- N.C.
S. Grossomanides	- Conn.	- 281 Low Net

Guest Flight

C. McLaughlin	- Mass.	- 247 Low Gross*
T. Burke	- Mass.	- 250 2nd Low Gross*
J. Lampros	- Mo.	- 201 Low Net*
N. Capuano	- Mass.	- 228 Low Net*
W. McHugh	- Mass.	- 229 Low Net*
J. Garrity	- Mass.	- 230 Low Net*
R. Petty	- Mass.	- 236 Low Net*
A. Parente	- Mass.	- 238 Low Net
J. Koravas	- Mass.	- 239 Low Net
R. Cahill	- Mass.	- 240 Low Net*
A. Webb	- Mass.	- 244 Low Net
E. Markey	- Mass.	- 244
J. Ahearn	- Mass.	- 247
C. Agoritsas	- Mass.	- 247
E. Rossi	- Mass.	- 250
C. Costos	- Mass.	- 256
G. Morte	- Mass.	- 261
J. Balakin	- Mass.	- 271
J. Andrews	- Fla.	- N.C.

Ladies Flight

K. Pipilas	- N.H.	- 214 Low Gross*
J. Markey	- Mass.	- 218 2nd Low Gross*
J. Parente	- Mass.	- 184 Net
H. Lafazanis	- N.H.	- 184 Net
T. Morte	- Mass.	- 200 Net
O. Cherpas	- Ohio	- N.C.

Nearest to Pin

Thurs.	- Farmasonis	- Snyder
Fri.	- Bouyoucas	- Afaganis
Sat.	- Spanos	- Parente

Best Ball—Four Ball Results

1. Kollias-Demetrius-Konstantinakis-Lampros	56-54-57-167*
2. Lampros-Capuano-Karnegis-Cahill	57-59-58-174*
3. Burke-Afaganis-Morte-T. Kouchalakos	60-57-59-176*
4. Rev. Bouyoucas-Cherpas-Bilzerian-Hodges	65-57-58-180*
5. Fandos-Boudoures-Korovas-Rossi	67-59-58-184*
6. Mouzakis-Kontras-Webb-Cassimatis	64-62-64-190*
7. Petty-Kofos-Spanos-Paras	66-62-64-192
8. Markey-Caporal-Costas-Pantagis	61-63-69-193
9. Poly-Agoritsas-Kollias-Kouchalakos	61-62-67-194
10. Farmasonis-Chinonis-Lorant-Grabova	65-66-64-195
11. Garrity-Costos-Snyder-Issaris	65-66-65-196
12. Arnold-Kastrenakes-Stamos-Michel	66-65-65-196
13. McLaughlin-Afaganis-Catsavis-Gross	61-66-71-198
14. McHugh-Demopoulos-Papachristos-Balakin	67-63-69-199
15. Parente-Dangelas-Korandanis-Economou	65-74-64-203

Best Ball

*2 Ball Results—Winners Only
(B Bought Team)*

(B) Pantagis	- Chinonis	- 59
(B) Chinonis	- Arnold	- 60
(B) Stamos	- Boudoures	- 61
L. Kollias	- Boudoures	- 61
(B) Cassimatis	- Boudoures	- 61
Garrity	- McHugh	- 62
Burke	- McHugh	- 62
Koravas	- McHugh	- 63
Kontras	- Boudoures	- 63
(B) L. Costas	- McHugh	- 63
Capuano	- McHugh	- 63
(B) Demopoulos	- Chinonis	- 63
Kontras	- Kollias	- 63
McHugh	- McLaughlin	- 63
(B) Webb	- McHugh	- 63
(B) Caporal	- Boudoures	- 63

**1976 VAN NOMIKOS NATIONAL AHEPA
INVITATIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

The 1976 Van Nomikos National Ahepa Invitational Basketball Tournament held in Milwaukee, Wisc. on March 26-28th was a huge success!!

Garfield Ahepa of Chicago won the 1976 Ahepa Championship by defeating a tough St. Demitrios team of Chicago, by a score of 91-87 in a real thriller, repeating their 1974 achievement. Garfield was led by the steady all around play of guard, Dean Bouzeos (13 pts.), while forwards, Pete Bouzeos and Jim Sotos provided the offensive punch with 24 and 18 points respectively. Leading the St. Demitrios attack was Kirk Vidas (26 pts.) and Bill Rozakis (20 pts.), while guard, Steve Pappas displayed his usual fine floor game and defensive skills in a closely fought game.

Garfield began its way to the top by upsetting a good Flint, Mich. team by 101-83. Pete Bouzeos' 20 pts., and Dean Bouzeos' 33 pts. (17 of 22 free throws), led the attack; Tim Bograkov led Flint with 21 points. Some great shooting by Pete Bouzeos (26 pts.) and Dean's 21 pts. knocked off a good Milwaukee team 101-89; Peters (16) and Siaggas (12) led the losers' scoring.

In the meantime, St. Demitrios knocked off a good Hammond team, pummelled a strong Detroit team 106-89. Rozakis led the victors with 20 pts.; thus Garfield met St. Demitrios in a real humdinger. Garfield boasted of 2 Ahepa All Stars who played in Greece last summer, Dean and Pete Bouzeos who were outstanding in this tourney with 67 and 70 pts. respectively to top all scorers. St. Demitrios also boasted of two All Stars, Bill Rozakis and Steve Pappas (didn't make trip) which made the final game a natural with these all stars going against each other.

Third place went to a surprizing Milwaukee team who knocked over Detroit, while Flint Ahepa defeated North Shore Ahepa for consolation honors in the ace division. The major division championship was won by the Moline Ahepa with a victory over East Chicago 74-67.

North Shore won a squeaker over Ypsilanti 68-67, to reach consolation finals on a buzzer shot by Sandy Kardos (28 pts.); this was Ypsilanti's 2nd one point loss in the tourney.

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The All Star team picked by the Tournament Committee consisted of Peter Bouzeos (Garfield), Jim Sotos (Garfield), Kirk Vidas (St. Demitrios), Steve Bograkov (Flint), and Chris Kouros of East Chicago.

A strong field of teams entered from Milwaukee, North Shore, Moline, Garfield, Flint, Minneapolis, Ypsilanti, Detroit, Des Moines, St. Demitrios, Hammond and East Chicago. Next year, the field will be opened up to 16 senior and 12-16 junior teams according to new chairmen, George Kotsonis and John Philosphos, who were replacing Spiro Siaggas and John Galanis who did such a great job in their fourth year of hosting this tournament. AHEPA is grateful to the Milwaukee Chapter, as hosts, and to all those on the committee who made this Tournament such a successful affair. We are also grateful to Olympic Airways who donated some beautiful awards in this tournament in their support of the Ahepa program, in behalf of our Hellenic youth. Next year's tourney date has been set for March 18-20th.

The George J. Triphon Award for the "Outstanding and Most Valuable Athlete" was awarded to Kirk Vidas of St. Demitrios for his fine play throughout the tournament. This award is an annual one in memory of that great Ahepan, first Dist. # 21 Governor and two time president of the Sacramento Chapter, and Honey King of the West Coast, George J. Triphon, by his family, of Los Angeles and Sacramento. Congratulations to the winners and to a great tournament.

The tournament was very well conducted, with excellent facilities, referees, etc., a good feeling prevailed among the athletes who displayed excellent examples of good sportmanship throughout the tourney. Competition was keen and next year's affair in Milwaukee promises to be a bigger and better one, with some of the topflight cagesters in the U.S. participating. A big thanks to a great job by this Milwaukee Chapter, who has brought Ahepa Basketball back to the fore front as a power in Hellenic basketball in this country, truly a great compliment to this dedicated group of Ahepans. Their bid also for years 1978-1979 is a big boost toward our ever enlarging program. Van Nomikos would have indeed been proud.

15th N.E. ANNUAL AHEPA WORLD CANDLEPIN CHAMPIONSHIP

Manchester, N.H. did it again! They proved they are the best by winning easily the 15th N.E. Ahepa World Candlepin Championship in Manchester on Sunday, April 11th, against a record setting field of 20 teams competing, by overpowering everyone by some great bowling.

This bowling tournament is proving to be the best in N.E. in participation with 100 taking part for the top honors of Ahepa Candlepin bowling. Some beautiful awards were presented to all the Class A winners, donated by Olympic Airways, and for this, in behalf of all the bowlers, we express our thanks for their interest and generosity each year which had aided in the success of this affair.

Manchester # 1 team, 4 times N.E. Champs, started off with a 539 first string, then 537, a booming 613, 592 and 551 for a 2832, a new record, and a tough one to beat, to outdistance the field. George Skarlos, led all bowlers with strings of 109, 146, 147, 116, 104, for a 622, while Bill George (509), Foti Gram (552), Charles Kotrosios (552) and Pete Tagalakis—a real pro—(597), wound up the scoring for the winners, averaging 113 per man, per game.

Class A-Hi 5 strings went to G. Skarlos with his 622, while Hi Single, a new record, of 156, was won by Dick Paras of Biddeford. The Biddeford-Saco team copped second place with a 2737 total, real good bowling also, a score that could have won easily, but not this year!

The Class B title went to a strong Worcester line, banging out a 2648 total, led by Aris Felis 600, G. Panagiotou, 576, P. Fotiades 537, B. Kouvaros 454, and M. Panagiotou 481.

Runners-up were District # 8 Champs, Marlboro, with a 2550 total, led by G. Leoleis with a real strong 560. Class B Hi 5 string was awarded to Aris Felis of Worcester, a super 600, on games of 107, 126, 123, 123, 121. Hi Single was presented to Art Bouchea of Nashua, who had a neat 132.

The Manchester # 1 Sons of Pericles easily won the Class C title with a 2442 total, edging Manchester # 4 team who had a 2370. The winning Sons' team was composed of S. Martino (471), H. Moulis (511), G. Bobotas (489), G. Bobotas (456), and M. Theodosopoulos (515). Hi 5 strings went to George Daopoulos, N.E. Regional Director who banged out a 548, real good bowling for someone who bowls ten pins these days. Hi Single, a 120, was awarded to Harry Moulis of the Manchester Sons.

Rest of the scoring for the teams and bowlers was as follows:

Class A—Biddeford, Me.—C. Antonakos (502), N. Gourdouros (511), D. Parras (604), C. Sperounias (580), T. Pouravelis (540)—Total 2737.

Manchester, N.H. # 2—T. Bogadimos (556), B. Varkas (488), C. Pappas (544), J. Martino (532), A. Gram (484)—Total 2604.

Dover, N.H. # 1—J. Sirviris (547), G. Mouregeos (502), E. Catsoulis (500), H. Catsoulis (512), A. Mouregeos (533)—Total 2594.

Cambridge, Mass.—P. Cosmos (498), A. O'Brien (517), M. Lydotis (519), P. Pappas (508), B. Kostopoulos (534)—Total 2576.

Portland, Me.—H. Koukos (498), G. Gikas (474), A. Glicos (488), T. Kay (471), M. Gikas (533)—Total 2464.

Class B—Marlboro, Mass. # 1—T. Gogolos (455), J. Exarhopoulos (499), K. Troumpalos (527), A. Spanos (509), G. Leoleis (560)—Total 2550.

Nashua, N.H. # 1—A. Pappathan (457), N. Salis (478), A. Bouchea (489), A. Pipilas (525), C. Kaskaley (559)—Total 2508.

Portsmouth, N.H.—E. Marinos (468), A. Eliades (492), T. Lilakos (502), J. Genimatos (524), H. Kallechy (502)—Total 2488.

Manchester, N.H. # 3—M. Zoukis (483), P. Kouletsis (540), J. Ine (505), L. Theodosopoulos (448), J. Pappas (480)—Total 2456.

Portland, Me. # 2—J. Chrissekos (485), P. Mantgiaris (494), D. Varipatos (494), A. Michael (494), C. Pappas (469)—Total 2436.

Biddeford, Me. # 2—B. Danton (439), T. Cotsis (476), J. Poli (481), C. Cotsis (505), N. Cotsis (529)—Total 2430.

Dover, N.H. # 2—Alex (436), Jimmy (419), Stamnas (448), Rudy (489), Gregg (434)—Total 2226.

Class C—Manchester, N.H. # 4—B. Hughes (453), E. Hartofelis (489), J. Barakis (486), J. Blatsos (468), J. Botop (464)—Total 2370.

Manchester Sons # 2—N. Vailas (423), J. MOKAS (443), J. Gimas (521), B. Bobotas (464), D. Senechal (466)—Total 2317.

Portland, Me. # 3—A. Sitson (452), K. Kapires (504), T. Kapires (466), average (425), average (425)—Total 2272.

Marlboro-Portsmouth—J. Laipis (390), D. George (395), M. Kofos (498), T. Temple (431), G. Daopoulos (548)—Total 2262.
Nashua, N.H. #2—Dr. S. Kouchalakos (419), R. DeMagistris (453), J. Coidakis (424), D. Bertsimas (419), B. Athanas (466)—Total 2191.

George Daopoulos, N.E. Regional Director, who has done a great job with this tournament over the past few years, made the prize presentations, assisted by Supreme Athletic Director, Monthe Kofos, and District Governor, George Mouregenos. Manchester did a fine job as hosts, with an excellent meal served at the Church Hall, headed by George Plastiras, Chapter President, and his committee.

A highlight of the affair was the awarding of two trophies to the two oldest participants of the tournament namely, Ernest Marinos of Portsmouth, age 81, and Charles Pappas of Portland, Me., age 75. Congratulations to these two staunch Ahepans.

All in all it was a great day and congratulations to all the winners in behalf of the Supreme Lodge of the Order of Ahepa and also Olympic Airways.

6th ANNUAL N.E. AHEPA TEN PIN TOURNAMENT

For the 4th consecutive year Massachusetts bowlers again brought home the laurels in the 6th N.E. Ahepa Ten Pin Championship held in Lowell, Mass. Tom Coomis of Lowell, Mass., a 140 average bowler, really got hot! He emerged as the 1976 N.E. Ahepa Ten Pin Singles Champion and banged out games of 174-233-169 for a 576 plus his handicap for a 711 total, a new record, beating a fellow Lowell record holder, George Thomas, who rolled a 699 in 1974. Pantel (1973) and Bilzerian (1975) were former Mass. winners. Peter Mountzouris, Sons of Pericles of Marlboro, was a close second with a 622, in his first N.E. Tourney, Jim Kostellos of Norwich was third with 638.

The 1976 N.E. Ahepa Ten Pin Doubles crown went to a Mass.-Conn. combine, Tom Coomis (711) and Frank Keramitis (592) for a whopping 1303 total. Second was the team of T. Nikolopoulos (642) and T. Anastopoulos (630) for 1272, and third, D. Antoniou (563) and J. Milanopoulos (686) for 1249.

Thirty-seven bowlers took part this year, the largest attendance ever for a Massachusetts hosted affair. Hosting this affair next year will be Norwich, Conn.

The All Events title went to Tom Coomis who combined scores of 711 and 666 for a 1377 total to set a *new record*, beating the mark of 1343 set by George Thomas of Lowell.

A new High Single record was set by John Milanopoulos of Hartford who, by putting 7 straight strikes together, rolled a 253 game to shatter the old mark of 234 by Carl Pappas of Danielson, Conn.

The 1976 Team Championship saw Norwich bang out a 5 man total of 3033. Scoring for the team was as follows: J. Kostellos (638), P. George (593), V. DeBartlo (571), G. Botchis (594), T. Petros (637). Congratulations to the winners, Hartford (2979), Lowell (2930), and Marlboro (2823) rounded out the team scoring. Five chapters participated.

Singles scores and Doubles (in parenthesis) results were:

G. Thomas	606	C. Chanis	589
A. Pappas	577	W. Felides	538
P. Mountzouris	662	F. Keramites	565
J. Kostellos	638	J. Harris	562
T. Nikolopoulos	563	J. Milanopoulos	562
R. Cerrone	569	T. Petros	637
G. Daopoulos	559	G. Dumas	518
J. Christodoulos	534	A. Bilzerian	563
P. Siopes	497	T. Cailbey	545
P. Leaska	562	(Lowell)	(1160)
A. Bilzerian	563	(Clinton)	(1094)
A. Dangelas	565	(Marlboro)	(1066)
T. Coomis	666	(Norwich)	(1180)
P. Saava	570	(Lowell)	(1272)
D. Antoniou	554	(Norwich)	(966)
E. Poole	570	(Marlboro)	(1195)
M. Stamos	607	(Norwich)	(1092)
M. Kofos	522	(Lowell)	(1210)
A. Poly	612	(Hartford)	(1049)
A. Balamotis	555	(Marlboro)	(1124)
D. Chiavares	538	(Fall River)	(1132)
N. Kofos	508	(Lowell and Norwich)	(1303)
P. George	593	(Hartford)	(1062)
T. Anastopoulos	540	(Hartford)	(1249)
V. DeBartlo	571	(Hartford)	(1249)
P. Jonnas	620	(Norwich)	(1153)
G. Botchis	594	(Hartford)	(1019)
J. Mavrogiannis	528	(Marlboro)	(1206)
J. Tsantos	518	(Hartford)	(1213)

Following the bowling, a buffet was served at the Ahepa Home by the Lowell Chapter as hosts. George Daopoulos, N.E. Director, did a great job with his committee of Jim Mavrogiannis, President of the Lowell Chapter, and Charles Tournas, Supreme Governor, Nicholas Zannetos of Hartford, Art Poly, N.E. Regional Golf Director, and Supreme Athletic Director, Monthe Kofos, along with George Daopoulos made the prize presentations, which were donated through the courtesy of Olympic Airways.

Congratulations to all the 1976 N.E. Ten Pin Ahepa Champions and everyone will be looking forward to a bigger and even better tournament in Norwich next year.

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GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

On Saturday, March 13, the 5th Annual Southern Regional Golf Championship was held on the beautiful and difficult Palm golf course—a real monster—at the Disney World Golf resort, home of the Disney World Golf classic. Weather conditions were ideal for the participants but scores still soared due to the ruggedness of the course with all its traps, ponds, and big greens.

Lew Kollias, a nine handicapper, from St. Louis, Missouri copped first prize with a very respectable Low Gross of 79 to win the right to compete as one of the 7 National Ahepa finalists for the National Ahepa Golf Championship in Houston, Texas, on August 16-17, a 36 hole final at the beautiful Woodlands C.C., Eli Chinonis, a finalist last year from Flint, Michigan, was the runnerup with an 83.

In the handicap division, Tarsey Kouchalagos of Miami, Florida, won the handicap division with a net 64 (88-24). Runnerup was Chris Cherpas, the golfing attorney from Akron, Ohio, with a net 69 (83-14). There will be 9 Handicap finalists competing in Houston for the National Handicap Ahepa Title.

Other Regional tournaments will be held in Pasadena, Calif., Warwick Hills C.C. in Michigan, and Farmington, Conn. to determine finalists.

Chairman for this affair was George Kastrenakis, the energetic golf enthusiast from Miami, Florida who did a fine job. Plaques to the winners which were donated by Olympic Airways, were presented at the National Invitational Golf Awards banquet by the Regional Director A. Poly, Dr. J. Demopoulos, D. Afaganis and S.A.D. Monthe Kofos.

Scoring was as follows with the 27 entrees:

L. Kollias, Mo.	Low Gross	79
E. Chinonis, Mich.	2nd Low Gross	83
T. Kouchalagos, Fla.	Low Net	64
C. Cherpas, Ohio	2nd Low Net	69
C. Demetrius, Mo.	Low Net	70
P. Pantages, Fla.	Low Net	72
G. Boudoures, Mo.	Low Net	72
Rev. Bouyakos, Fla.	Low Net	74
A. Dangelas, Mass.	Low Net	75
N. Kontras, Mo.	Low Net	75
H. Michel, Me.	Low Net	75
S. Kouchalagos, Fla.	Low Net	76
G. Karnegis, Fla.	Low Net	76
M. Fandos, Mo.	Low Net	78
P. Farmasonis, Mo.	Low Net	78
M. Stamos, Conn.	Low Net	79
A. Bilzerian, Mass.	Low Net	80
Dr. James Demopoulos	Low Net	82
A. Snyder, Me.	Low Net	82
J. Mouzakis, Mich.	Low Net	82
M. Kofos, Mass.	Low Net	84
G. Kastrenakis, Fla.	Low Net	84
A. Poly, Conn.	Low Net	86
N. Lorant, Mich.	Low Net	87
L. Costos, Mass.	Low Net	89
W. Konstantinikos, Mass.	Low Net	94
S. Gross, Conn.	N.C.	

AHEPA GOLF TOURNAMENT
HUGE SUCCESS

DANIELSON, CONN.—For the 3rd year in a row, a record number of golfers, most ever in a District 7 Golf Tournament teed off at the Foster Country Club in Foster, R.I., on May 16, 1976, and hosted by Danielson Chapter No. 418 Order of Ahepa. More than 10 chapters throughout the District and Ahepa Domain was represented, a fitting tribute to the popularity of the event and the golf course, which is a real tough one with lightning fast greens and well trapped.

Tournament trophies and prizes were awarded at the banquet by District Governor Spiros C. Samaras, who was assisted by Deputy Athletic Director Dan Athanasion, and Carl Pappas tournament chairman.

At the banquet District Governor Samaras was presented with a gift of book ends from the host chapter for his cooperation and assistance in helping the tournament achieve its high degree of success.

Trophies and prizes were awarded to the following golfers: John Gillison Ahepan champion with a score of 81, George Pappas 2nd place with a 85, Low Gross 1st place to Manny Costa 89, and 2nd place to Ken Graves with an 89 (coin flip). Low Net 1st place went to Art Pappas 67, 2nd place to Jim Kanelos 69, Low Calloway to Andy Lambros and George Pappas respectively. The District Governor Spiros C. Samaras Golf Trophy for the golfer having the longest drive of the tournament was presented to Jay Pappas by District Governor Samaras who was assisted by Paul Liolios guest golfer and Athletic Director of Bay State District No. 8 from Massachusetts.

Closest to the pin went to Mike Pappas, 3rd and 4th place Low Net went to Mike Pappas 73, and Carl Pappas and Manny Mihaledis tied with a 74, 3rd and 4th Low Gross went to Christ Georgeseson 91, and Paul Pappas 92. In the Calloways 1st place to Lou Doston, 2nd to Paul Liolios, 3rd place to Brigs Brouillard, and 4th to Ray Devise.

In closing the host tournament chairman Carl Pappas in behalf of the officers and members of Chapter No. 418, have lauded persons who assisted in the successful golf tournament that was held.



DENVER, COLORADO—All-star team for the 1976 Hellenic Invitational Basketball Tournament, shown with tournament hostesses.



DENVER, COLORADO—The Denver Ahepa # 146 team, Champions of the 1976 Hellenic Invitational Basketball Tournament, pictured with hostesses.

DENVER # 145 WINS HELLENIC INVITATIONAL

The 1976 Hellenic Invitational Basketball Tournament was held in Denver, Colorado on April 16-18, and was sponsored by: Denver Ahepa # 145; Athena Chapter No. 10, Daughters of Penelope; Corinthia Chapter No. 160, Maids of Athena; and Rocky Mountain Chapter No. 83, Sons of Pericles.

In a thrilling climax to this three-day tournament, Denver Ahepa # 145 edged Colorado Chapter # 385 for the championship, 88-84. Chicago Lord Byron rallied from far behind to defeat Chicago Holy Trinity for third-place, 78-77. In another thriller, Denver Assumption Cathedral won consolation honors over Portland, Oregon in overtime, 94-88.

The Most-Colorful team award was awarded to a spirited Minneapolis team. Ogden, Utah was fittingly awarded the Sportsmanship trophy. Players voted on the All-Star Team were: William Michas (Portland), Theodore Koulianos (Indiana), Gus Hohlios (Salt Lake City Ahepa), Andy Cladis (Denver Assumption Cathedral), Pete Zolintakos (Salt Lake City Goya), Ernie Pappas (Denver Hellenies), Dean Bouzeos (Chicago Holy Trinity), Peter Genge (Chicago Lord Byron), Dean Rougas (Colorado Ahepa # 385), and Chris Tsiotos (Denver Ahepa # 145). Most Promising Player of the tournament was Tom Economos of Minneapolis, and Richard Reno of Denver Ahepa # 145 was voted Most Valuable Player.

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Elected Supreme President

Microutsicos Calls For Ahepa Unity

Calling for unity and harmony, Xenophon K. Microutsicos of Trenton, N.J., assumed the Supreme Presidency of the Order of Ahepa on the evening of Saturday, August 21, at the conclusion of the 54th annual Supreme Convention in Houston, Texas.

It was the end of a long journey for Supreme President Microutsicos, who had served the Supreme Lodge previously as Governor, Treasurer and Vice President.

The new Supreme President was sworn into office by Mother Lodge Member James Campbell of Atlanta, Georgia, in a sentimental and inspiring moment of Ahepa history.

In his acceptance speech, Supreme President Microutsicos

emphasized the need for a united fraternity which would lead Hellenism in the Americas to its rightful destiny in the democratic societies of the New World.

He also pledged his personal efforts towards this goal during the coming year and stated that he would dedicate his Administration to making the Order of Ahepa stronger, bigger and better to accomplish the formidable tasks ahead.

Ahepa Family delegates alternates and members with their families, gathered in Houston, during the week of August 15-21, to celebrate the fraternity's 54th Supreme Convention. The following were elected to the Supreme and Grand Lodges:

AHEPA SUPREME LODGE

X.K. Microutsicos, Supreme President, Dr. Peter V. Paulus, Supreme Vice-President, Anthony Demakos, Supreme Vice-President of Canada, George F. Gabriel, Supreme Secretary, Paul A. Karras, Supreme Treasurer, Thomas J. Lukin, Supreme Counselor, Supreme Governors: Dr. James G. Demopoulos, Frank J. Francis, Fred Iconis, Stephen Johnson, Costas E. Pavlou, Emmanuel S. Zaphirou, Jean Pierre Van Eck, Dr. Monte N. Kofas, Supreme Athletic Director.

DAUGHTERS GRAND LODGE

Mrs. Ann Morris, Grand

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X.K. Microutsicos

Cherevas Appointed Executive Director

WASHINGTON, D.C. - X.K. Microutsicos of Trenton, New Jersey, Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, has announced that Gus Cherevas of Flushing, New York, has been appointed Executive Director in charge of the newly established Ahepa Department of Growth and Expansion of the Order of Ahepa.

Mr. Cherevas, a Past Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, was initiated into the fraternity in 1947 by Pindus Chapter No. 354 of New York City, and has served the Order of Ahepa for the past 29 years at the chapter, district, and national levels. He served in all offices of the Pindus Chapter, including two terms as Chapter President.

Within five years after his initiation, Gus Cherevas was elected to the office of District Marshal of New York State Empire District No. 6 in 1952. The District is composed of 36 Ahepa Chapters. Between 1952 and 1960, he served on his District Lodge also as District Secretary for three terms, as Lieutenant Governor, and was elected District Governor in 1958.

He was elevated to the Supreme Lodge of the fraternity in 1962 when he was elected to the office of Supreme Governor. He served on the Supreme Lodge in the offices of Supreme Treasurer, Supreme Secretary for two terms, and Supreme Vice-President and Supreme

President. In his community, he devotes time to work with underprivileged children and other youth programs both within and outside of the fraternity. He is a former



Gus Cherevas

member of the Board of Trustees of St. George Greek Orthodox Church of New York City, and served as President of the community. He is active in other civic activities as well. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He is married to the former Evelyn Voultsis, an active member of the Daughters of Penelope, the Ladies Auxiliary of the Order of AHEPA.



A Bio Of X.K.M.

Supreme President Microutsicos has been a real active Ahepan since his initiation into Trenton Chapter No. 72 in 1938. His activities in Ahepa encompass the entire Ahepa Family. He has been an advisor to the Sons and Maids for over 25 years, and personally established the Altes Chapter of the Daughters.

After moving his Chapter in every capacity, he went on to serve as District No. 5 Athletic Director, Secretary, 11. Governor and Governor. He has served on the Supreme Lodge as Governor, Treasurer and Vice President. He was Vice Commander of the 1962 Ahepa Easter Excursion.

Brother "Xen" has been very active in organizing athletic activities in the Trenton area, having served as a member of the Managing Personnel of the first Little League Baseball group in his area and organizer of the first Kiddy Basketball League. His interest in athletics goes back to the Providence Ahepa Convention, when as a member of the first Ahepa Olympiad, he was crowned as the first Olympiad male winner.

Brother Microutsicos has been an active participant in many civic and community projects. He has served as Trustee for the St. George Greek Orthodox Church for many years, twice

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Ahepa Opens New Cyprus, Aegean Effort

The Order of Ahepa has launched a new campaign to obtain justice in Cyprus and in the Aegean Sea.

Articles highlighting this heroic effort appear in this issue on Pages



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MicROUTSICOS Chooses Advisors; Fatouros, Anthros, Chase and Gianes

Supreme President **Emmanuel K. MicROUTSICOS** has announced the appointments of his administrative assistants, all well-known Alphas throughout the United States and Canada. Following are their pictures and stories:



Tony Fatouros
 Born and educated in the Ionian Island, Lefkas, Greece, brother Fatouros immigrated to Canada in 1959.

Brother Fatouros joined the ranks of the Politika Aster Chapter of Winnipeg in 1965. He has served his chapter as President for three consecutive terms. He has served his District two terms as District Governor.

Brother Fatouros is a member of the International Justice for Cyprus Committee. In October 1967 he married the former Gloria Kyriou, who is also very active with the Daughters of Penelope, at both the Chapter and District level. They have three children, Vissarion Jr., Artemis and Elias.



Thomas P. Gianes
 Thomas P. Gianes has held prominent positions on the District 13 Lodge. A member of

Field Chapter No. 203 in Chicago, Illinois, Brother Gianes served his chapter as President from 1956-57.

He is a veteran of the U.S. Army and was discharged in March, 1946 with the rank of Sergeant.

Brother Gianes attended both Elmhurst College and Loyola University and in 1951 he entered the insurance business. He now owns the Gianes Insurance Company.

The Gianes family resides in Park Ridge, Illinois. Mrs. Gianes is the former Jo Petropoulos of Joliet, Illinois. They have a daughter, Maria Kay, and they belong to the St. John The Baptist Greek Orthodox Church of Joliet, Illinois.



James G. Anthros
 Born in Constantinople, Turkey and raised in New York City, Brother Anthros was educated in accountancy engineering with the Radio Corporation of America.

He was initiated into the Order of Alpha Erie Chapter No. 326 in February 1947 and served as president during the years of 1952, 1966, 1967, 1973 and 1974. In 1974, Brother Anthros was Chairman of the District Convention held at the International Hotel at JFK. He Vice-Chaired the 1968 New York Supreme (National) Convention held in the Waldorf Astoria.

He is a recipient of the 1966 Ahepan of the YEAR AWARD and the 1966-1967 CHAPTER ACTIVITY Award of Empire State District No. 6. He is also a Life Member of the Sons of Pericles and a Gallon Blood Donor to Entia's Blood Bank.

Brother Anthros was instrumental in organizing the Greek-American Democratic Club of Queens County and served as its president during 1958 and 1959 and secretary-treasurer in 1957.

Brother Anthros is married to Georgia Chronis (Polychronopoulos) the former District Advisor to the Maids of Athens who is currently with the Office of the Borough President of Queens. They have two children, Harry who resides and works for the City of Tucson, Arizona and daughter Barbara (Daniel) Anaya of Middle Village, New York. They have three grandchildren, James Anthros II age 9, Yvette Valerie Anaya age 2, The Anthros make their home in Forest Hills, New York.



Thomas L. Chase

Thomas L. Chase, a 25 year member of the Order is a member of the Columbus Chapter No. 139. He has served Alpha in both District and Chapter facets, most recently as Supreme Governor. Brother Chase is a veteran of the U.S. Army including a 17 month tour of duty in Europe. He graduated from Ohio State University in 1949 with the degree Bachelor of Metallurgical Engineering and is now a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Ohio. Owner of Electric Heat Treating Company in Columbus, for the past 22 years, is a member of the Mnemonic Order and numerous civic and professional organizations in the Central Ohio area. He is a member of the Parish Council of the Greek Orthodox Church. His wife, Lucie Chase is a former Grand President of the Daughters of Penelope. They have one son, Lee, age 14.

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Microutsicos Delivers Presidential Message

We are celebrating the 200th anniversary of our country and the 54th of the Order of Ahepa. We both started from meager beginnings, striving through our periods for freedom and peace, unity in purpose, continuous growth and excellence in our undertakings, the respectability of each individual and with the Blessings of Almighty God and his teaching of communion between all the people.

In our long and short history we have given the world a better place to live, an opportunity for self expression, and a sense of dignity in our association between men.

We are proud of Ahepa's accomplishments of the past. The projects of today will be the

monuments and accomplishments of our past.

We are faced with a hostile and aggressive act by Turkey since she invaded the Republic of Cyprus, displacing 200,000 Greek Cypriots, killing and injuring thousands of innocent people, occupying 40% of Cyprus and colonizing it in order to stabilize her claims over that portion of Cyprus.

The Aegean Sea disputes over its oil rich shelf that Turkey, a newcomer in the area since 1452, wishes to claim a number of Greek Islands that border her mainland. These Islands are presently inhabited by Greek nationals and have been this way for over 3500 years. We must adhere to the rule of Inter-

national Law as the standard by which all nations must abide.

The founders of our Order on the ship a sail with principles, ideals, purposes and goals. In capsule form I would like to reemphasize our again our purposes and through this medium our object:

1. Preservation of Hellenism
2. Adherence to our Orthodox Religion
3. Service to our Hellenic and American communities

In exercising our purposes we strive for these goals. Our present goal is the development of our youth to be responsible citizens. The amalgamation of the Aegea fraternity into one unit of cooperation and under-

standing for the present day requirements of our country in solving the social and economic problems.

Cooley's Anemia (Thalassemia) is a disease prevalent in hundreds of thousands of our people that brings avoid suffering to those afflicted and their parents. Our goals are:

1. Assist to discover the cure.
2. Screen all of our young people to determine whether they are carriers.

3. Conduct an educational program whereby everyone will be aware of the suffering and crippling effects of this disease.

In this crucial period of the world, with all the humanitarian, social, economic and educational problems, it behooves every member of the Aegea family to be a standard bearer of our principles, ideals, purposes and goals and to stand up as an example for others to follow.

What We Believe as Ahepans

PREAMBLE

We, American citizens of Hellenic descent, desiring to form, institute and perpetuate a fraternal Order and promote its objects and principles, to effect a perfect and harmonious understanding between ourselves and others, to inculcate loyalty and patriotism and for the country in which we live; to stimulate the spirit of good fellowship and cooperation and to aid in the solution of social and civic problems, do hereby establish and ordain this Constitution.

OBJECTS

The Order of Ahepa, and every member thereof, shall always strive to teach, exemplify and achieve, the following Objects, Principles and Ideals:

A. To promote and encourage loyalty to the United States of America, allegiance to its flag, support to its Constitution, obedience to its laws and reverence for its history and traditions.

B. To instruct its members by precepts and examples, in the tenets and fundamental principles of government, and in the recognition and respect of the inalienable rights of mankind.

C. To instill in every one of its members, a due appreciation of the privileges of citizenship, and the sacred duties attendant therewith; and to encourage its members to always be profoundly interested and actively participating in the political, civic, social and commercial fields of human endeavor, and always to strive for the betterment of society.

D. To awaken in every mem-

ber an abhorrence of all political corruption - the destroyer of free institutions - and pledge its members to do their utmost to stamp out from this country every trace and influence of this evil.

E. To arouse mankind to the realization that tyranny, wherever it may exercise its baneful power, is a menace to the life, property, prosperity, honor and integrity of every nation; and that the preservation of our liberties can be assured, only as this country becomes the Champion of Liberty and the Defender and Protector of all oppressed and downtrodden peoples.

G. To labor in every manner possible, and to utilize every means available for the perfection of the moral sense in its members; to promote good fellowship among them, to endow them with a spirit of altruism, common understanding, mutual benevolence and helpfulness, and to point out to them, in unmistakable methods, the advantages of education, the beauties of sacrifice and the deformities of selfishness.

H. To champion the cause of education, to support the American system of public schools and keep them free from religious prejudice; to promote and suggest the educational advantages of this country, and to open, establish and maintain new channels for facilitating the dissemination of culture and learning; and

I. To resist, by lawful means and methods, any tendency towards a union between the civic Government and any church or religion, and to repel the interference of any religion in governmental affairs.

Xen's Six-Point Program

All open meetings where the AHEPA family and the public is invited to participate - The room should be prepared in the usual lodge room decorum. Alike officers stations - Banners - Flags -

1. **January** - Open AHEPA Family Installation Meeting. Jewels, etc. President to open meeting - Present flags - Anthems - Prayer - Receive guests and then introduce qualified master of ceremonies who conducts the program of installations.

2. **February** - Father & Sons Banquet. Usually on Sunday afternoon about 4 p.m. - Sons could be from 7 years old to 60 - The programs start with cartoon movie for the little ones and some athletic event - Baseball World Series - Football - Tennis - Travelogue, etc. This takes about an hour. If this is held in a church hall with kitchen facilities, some one could cook a spaghetti dinner, or some restaurant could cook chicken and pilaf, or ham, etc., coupled with salad, ice cream, cake, soda and coffee, etc. Qualified toastmaster would assist every father to say a few words and then introduce son who in turn would say a few words. This could be reversed where the son could be introduced. First say a few words and he in turn would introduce his father. Other features could be introduced into this program.

3. **Memorial Day Services** - Combined AHEPA Family. These services should be held

on the Sunday closest to Memorial Day. A list of all deceased AHEPAs should be prepared and mailed to all members of the community inviting them to attend the services. Families of the deceased should be invited by letter and by personal telephone call. Pews should be reserved in front of church and families should be escorted by an AHEPAN. Green wreaths about 4" to 5" in diameter with a blue ribbon with the words AHEPA inscribed thereon should be ordered. When the memorial service is recited by the present members of the AHEPA family should walk slowly to the front during the recital. In the event most of the deceased are buried in one cemetery, everyone should go and the officers together with the priest would place a wreath at each grave.

4. **June** - Honor All H.S. and College Graduates. On or about the third week in June all H.S. and College Graduates should be honored. Attractive certificates for presentation can be ordered through headquarters or write to James C. Knison, 797 Estates Boulevard, Hamilton Square, N.J. 08619. The Greek School Medal and Certificate for excellence in the Greek language plus any scholarship awards may be awarded at this time. All certificates must be put in inexpensive frames for presentation. School principals, superiors of schools or other

school officials may be invited to make the presentations.

5. **Past Presidents and Awards Nite**. During the month of October the immediate retiring President should be honored and presented with the appropriate Past Presidents plaque. Also 25, 35, 45-year members, other distinguished Greek and American persons, who have rendered service to the community may be honored on this occasion.

6. **Election Night Banquet** December - An evening of pleasure and enjoyment in an atmosphere of Christmas fraternalism should be prepared. An hour of cocktails featuring home made: Mezedakis, Olives, Feta, Sausages, Dips, etc. With Ouzo, Scotch, Rye, etc. coupled with Christmas and Greek music should render a very enjoyable hour. Following this everyone sits down to a family prepared dinner either by some Bro. AHEPANS or by arrangements with some restaurant. Following the dinner the President will give a prepared report of all his activities of the past year. The Treasurer should also give a report itemized receipts and expenditures for the full year. Both reports should be printed and distributed to all the members. A qualified chairman or toastmaster should conduct these proceedings. Following all this, elections are held and a pleasant evening will be had by all.

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President, Miss Mary Mantras, Grand Vice-President, Miss Victoria Katsis, Grand Secretary, Mrs. JoAnn Pagnon, Grand Treasurer, Mrs. Cleo Gurgalis, Grand Vice-Pres. of Canada, Miss Ellen H. Kalligonis, Grand Gov. Zone I, Mrs. Angie K. Vartas, Grand Gov. Zone II, Mrs. Kay Zannetos, Grand Gov. Zone III, Mrs. Christine Galanis, Grand Gov. Zone IV, Mrs. Theodoros

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Notes for the Supreme Convention were the following members of the Houston Convention Executive Committee: James G. Petherisios, General Chairman; Jerome M. Kater, Vice-Chairman; Rocky Demetris, Vice-Chairman; Fred Kosmos, Secretary; Arthur Barbaliou, Treasurer; Alex C. Bond, Tala Laras, Anthony Kouzounis, Pete G. Magiros.

Growth and Expansion Progress Report



Guest Speaker Gus Cherevas presented with a gift by Bill Papanikolaou, President of POLIKOS ASTER CHAPTER C1-8.



Officers and members of Polikos Aster Chapter C1-8 of Ahepa (Winnipeg, Manitoba, CANADA) and the Elysia Chapter 124 of D.O.F. attending OXI Day Celebration.



Executive Director Gus Cherevas presenting a 25 year pin to Professor Andrew Baracos.



Community leaders, officers and members of Winnipeg, C1-8 chapter and Elysia Chapter 124 of D.O.F.

WINNIPEG - Polikos Aster Chapter C1-8 and Elysia Chapter 124 of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, hosted the Annual OXI DAY celebration. The festivity took place on Sunday, October 31st, 1976, in the Hall of St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church and was a well-attended event.

Congratulations to Brothers Gus Protopappas on the preparation of an exceptional dinner and to Presidents, Bro. Bill Papanikolaou and Sister Maria Tsaprali, who chaired this event. Dinner guests included the local parish priest, Father Anthony Mavromaras, and Presvitera, as well as leaders of the other local Greek organizations of Winnipeg.

Highlight of the event was our guest speaker, Brother Gus Cherevas, Executive Director, whose warm personality charmed everyone. His speech was most inspiring and informative, especially regarding Ahepa's stand on the Cyprus issue. He stressed unity, brotherhood, growth and expansion and these points were all well received. At this event, Brother Gus Cherevas had the honor of presenting a 25 year pin to Prof. Andrew Baracos.

After the formalities, everyone enjoyed dancing to Winnipeg's local Greek Group, "John and Eric" as well as Hector Bremner and the T & C Trio.

While Brother Gus Cherevas was here, he was able to meet with the local Greek leaders and Cypriots of Winnipeg to discuss the Cyprus situation.

During his stay here, he personally undertook along with the cooperation of the local leadership of the Polikos Aster Chapter C1-8 a drive to enlist new members into the Ahepa. The following 23 members were signed up during his stay in Winnipeg.

Bill Karagiannis, Tim Routain, Evangelos Konstantinidis, Eric Argiris, John Verogis, Constantine Anastasiadis, Peter Louizos, Andreas Ataliotis, Nicholas Kotzamanis, George Kotzamanis, Constantine Voulgaris, Bill Fersentinos, George J. Tsouras, Emanuel Buzonis, Michael Veroukis, Demos Goukas, Paul Milioni, George Spiracopoulos, Constantine Bantounis, George Hatzipapanis, Aris Bablacos, Akis Hatzipapanis, Frank Kasika.

Special mention is to be made of the extraordinary assistance and cooperation of Brother Tony Fatouras, Administrative Assistant to the Supreme President, who spent all of his time during Brother Gus Cherevas' stay in Winnipeg to accommodate him and to introduce him to the members of the community. Brother Paul Carabelas, a member of the Ahepa for 44 years, was of invaluable service in this effort. Also accompanying the Executive Director of Growth and Expansion was the Vice President of the Regina Chapter C1-13, Brother Gus Kollias of Regina, Saskatchewan.



Left to Right: Bill Papanikolaou, President C1-8, Rev. Anthony Mavromaras, Gus Cherevas, Past Supreme President, Demos Goukas, President of Community, Tony Fatouras, Administrative Assistant to Supreme President, Gus Protopappas, Secretary of C1-8 and Toastmaster of OXI Dinner, Paul Carabelas, 44 Year Member of C1-8.

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New Supreme Lodge



The Supreme Lodge of the Order of Alpha. Seated, left to right: Supreme Secretary George Galen, Supreme Vice-President Dr. Peter Paulos, Supreme President X. E. Macrotoukas, Supreme Vice-President of Canada Anthony Demakos, Supreme Treasurer Paul Karas. Standing, left to right: Supreme Governor of Canada Jean Pierre Van Erk, Supreme Governor Stephen Johnson, Supreme Governor Emmanuel S. Zaphiris, Supreme Governor Frank J. Francis, Supreme Counselor Thomas J. Lukas, Supreme Governor Fred Iconos, Supreme Governor Costas E. Pavlos, Supreme Governor Dr. James G. Demotoulas.

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A Gift from Eternity

by Anthony J. Elnadis

In the annals of the history of civilization no ethnic or racial group has been able to forge such a powerful instrument of self-expression, as well as a vehicle to the understanding of the subtleties of the human thought, as the Greeks were able to achieve in the literary accomplishment of their language.

Is it any wonder why the great Roman poet Virgil once remarked that "If the Gods were to descend to Earth they would speak the language of Plato?"

Indeed the great American Hellinist Frederick Harbel in his penetrating work "The Gospel of Hellas" says, "It was during the epoch of Hellenic life in which the Greek language became the medium of highest expression of the intellect in dialectic logic and metaphysics that the whole alphabet of our modern way of thinking was born."

"The Hellenic thought speaking and spoke thinking. The mind was constantly inspired by the life of the word; the word in its breathing moulded the mind."

"The Greek language gives the experience of an equilibrium between nature and man, between realms of without and within above and below. It is unique among all languages of man."

Although one cannot draw a line of demarcation relative to the chronology of the Greek language, nevertheless for broad classification we may divide the Greek language into five major periods:

- 1) Homeric 2) Attic 3) Alexandrian 4) Byzantine 5) Modern

Beginning with Homer and the Homeric age, the Greek language gave birth to that great epic known throughout the world: the Iliad and the Odyssey. These great masterpieces were recited in every Greek village for centuries and became the principal textbooks in the schools and consequently became the foundation of Greek education.

Indeed Thucydides the great Athenian historian calls "Homer the educator of Hellas", inasmuch as these two epics

were at once the Bible and Shakespeare of the Greek people and indirectly of the whole subsequent European world.

However the Greek language did not reach the culmination of its wealth until the end of the Persian Wars.

During the 5th Century B.C. commonly known as "Golden Age of Pericles," the Greek language became an instrument of the highest form of human expression—so refined, and elegant in the understanding of the most subtle conceptions of the human mind as manifested in the dialogues of Plato, in the metaphysics of Aristotle and the lyric poetry of Sappho, Alcaeus and Pindar.

In the drama the Greek master Aeschylus distinguished for force and range of imagination, Sophocles for artistry, and Euripides for romantic qualities and human interest, made the Greek language a living instrument of the people rather than of the intellectual or aristocratic class, and the great poets Sappho, Alcaeus and Pindar further popularized the beauty of Greek language in their immortal exquisite poetic stanzas and made it a living instrument of every free born Greek.

Indeed after almost thirty centuries the poetic structure of the Greek language in the form of the Iambic, Anapaestic, Dactylic and Trochaic metric systems still remains as the ultimate achievement in poetic construction which subsequently poets used in scales in order to express their own poetic creativity.

Our story of this great literary period would be incomplete if I were to omit the renowned historians namely Herodotus commonly known as the "father of history," and Thucydides the first scientific historian. Herodotus in his "Persian Wars" writes in such a lively literary style that for a moment the reader is lost in ecstasy and wonders whether he is reading history or a great novel. Thucydides on the other hand who wrote in the "Peloponnesian War" subordinates literary form for a scientific accuracy.

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Saving the Treasures

Mr. PERCY, Mr. President, it was with great pleasure that I learned recently of the decision of the Greek Government to build a new museum near the Acropolis to accommodate sculptures from the ancient temples now threatened by socialist politicians.

The monuments of the Acropolis have suffered increasing damage from automobile exhaust and fumes which combine with rainwater to take the marble surface of the statues. Among the sculptures affected are the famous Caryatids, marble statues of young women which serve as columns supporting the Fifth Century B.C. porch of the Erechtheum Temple, and also important statues in the Parthenon.

This commendable initiative by the Greek Government will preserve these great treasures of Greek civilization which mean so much to us all. No civilization has been more impressive, influential, and revered in all the history of mankind.

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Houston Convention Events Schedule Was Full, Varied

The Houston Supreme Convention opened Sunday, August 15, with church services at the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral.

The other opening day events were: Texas style barbecue luncheon, honoring the Supreme and Grand Lodges, at the church auditorium; official public opening of Convention, following luncheon, church auditorium; children of St. Basil's Academy staged special performance at church auditorium; registration of all Convention delegates at Hyatt Regency Hotel; welcome night dance, at Hyatt Regency Hotel; teen age after hours club at Sheraton Houston Hotel; key club at Hyatt Regency Hotel.

Monday: Registration; Business sessions of Ahepa, Daughters of Penelope, at Hyatt Regency; Sons of Pericles, and Maids of Athens at Sheraton Houston; Election of Convention officers and appointment of committees; Invitation Golf Tournament at Woodland Country Club; Debutante Luncheon; Single Adults Get Acquainted Party; Hellenic Festival and Glendi, at Albert Thomas Convention Center.

Tuesday: Registration; Business sessions; Convention Open Golf Tournament, at the Woodlands Country Club; Sons

and Maids breakfast; District Governor's luncheon; V.I.P. National Aeronautics and Space Administration tour; Single Adults Get Acquainted Party; Debutantes Presentation and Ball.

Wednesday: Registration; Business sessions; Convention Tennis Tournament; Daughters of Penelope Fashion Show and Luncheon; Ahepa Olympiad (Track and Field Events), at the Rice University stadium; Olympiad Torch Ceremony, from City Hall to stadium; Maids of Athena Convention Olympiad, at the Rice University Stadium; NASA's Presentation on Space; Ahepa and Daughters Grand Ball, at the Albert Thomas Convention Center; Sons and Maids Talent Show, Key Club.

Thursday: Business sessions; Convention Swimming Meet, at University of Houston Swimming Pool; The Grand Banquet; The Olympiad Ball; Teen Age Club; Key Club.

Friday: Final business sessions for Daughters of Penelope, Maids of Athena, and Sons of Pericles; Sons of Pericles' 50th Anniversary Luncheon; The Sons and Maids Ball; Teen Age Club.

Saturday: Final Ahepa business session, at Hyatt Regency Hotel; Election of new officers; the Farewell Dance.

Summary Minutes

The summary minutes of the 1976 Houston Supreme Convention have arrived late from the official stenographer.

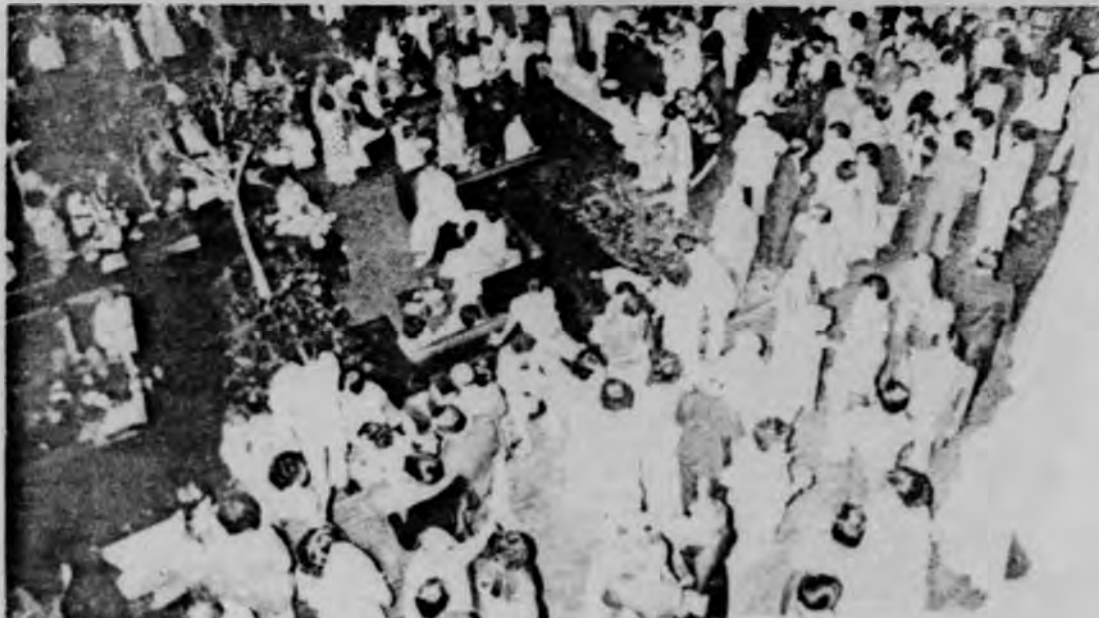
They are now being finalized at Supreme Headquarters and will be distributed as quickly as possible.

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A variety of events - from Greek dancing to socializing in the hotel lobby - illustrated the degree of excitement during the Houston Convention.



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Wether Lodge Member James Campbell installing Supreme President X.K. Makrotas and members of the Supreme Lodge. Past Supreme President Peter L. Bell was the presiding officer.



Admiral Elmo Zumwalt, guest speaker at Supreme Convention Banquet.

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Governor Michael Dukakis of Massachusetts addresses ANEFA'S at Supreme Convention Banquet.



Supreme Vice-President Peter Dertis and Grand President Katherine Caravatos preside over Debutantes Ball.

Microusticos Urges Personal Cooperation From Ahepa Family

Dear Brothers, Sisters, Junior Brothers and Junior Sisters:

The Order of Ahepa has launched a national campaign to give justice on Cyprus and in the Aegean Sea and to restore the principles of Justice, Morality and the Rule of Law to American foreign policy.

With your help, this awesome goal will be accomplished. Your utmost personal cooperation and that of every member of the Ahepa Family is absolutely vital to our success.

Each and all Ahepa District Governors have been urged to call District-wide emergency meetings in cooperation with members of the national Ahepa Cyprus and Hellenic Affairs Committee and, as District Governors, to implement District activities in this campaign.

Meanwhile, you, your Chapter and your District are urged to contribute financially toward the purchase of area newspaper advertisements and to publish those advertisements before Election Day in the major newspapers of your District. Advertisements which will present the case for justice on Cyprus and in the Aegean Sea to the American people.

Camera-ready copies of these advertisements are being distributed to the Chapters, Districts and to key Ahepans for positive action toward newspaper publication before Election Day.

At stake in this emergency are:

—The survival of Hellenism.
—Self-determination and independence for Cyprus.

—Justice and Morality in United States Foreign Policy.

—The Rule of Law in world affairs.

—The survival of NATO. For if NATO cannot guarantee the territorial integrity of its member nations, then NATO is not even a paper tiger. It is a joke.

We are not lobbying. We want Americans to return to the principles and ideals that made her a great nation and won for America the respect and admiration of all freedom-loving peoples.

More than ever in this Bicentennial year, America must stand up for Justice, Morality and the Rule of Law as its foreign policy.

Actions which have been taken or are contemplated to implement our goals and objectives in this campaign are:

1. Obtain active support and endorsement statements for our position on the Cyprus and Aegean Sea situations from Congressmen and Senators and Candidates for these offices—and to solidify the support of American public opinion.

2. Publish full-page advertisements in Greek-American newspapers before Election Day telling the truth about the Cyprus and Aegean Sea situations—and which advertisements will contain a sample letter to be sent to Congressmen and Senators seeking their support.

3. Publish full page national advertisements on Wednesday, Oct. 21, in four major metropolitan newspapers of national influence which will contain key endorsement statements of Congressmen and Senators—the advertisements to appear in the New York Times, Washington Post, Chicago Tribune and Los Angeles Times simultaneously.

4. Encourage Chapters and Districts to finance advertisements to appear before Election Day in local and state newspapers containing endorsement statements of their Congressmen and Senators. Twenty-five per cent of the cost of such ads to be underwritten by the national Ahepa Cyprus and Hellenic Affairs Committee.

5. Distribute copies of the letter appearing in Greek-American newspaper advertisements to all Chapters and Districts for copying and distribution to their Congressmen and Senators before election Day.

6. Publish a special tabloid newspaper to inspire the membership to participate, a publication applying Ahepa's goals and objectives relative to Cyprus and the Aegean Sea and reviewing Ahepa's efforts in this regard since 1955.

7. Establish a telephone "hot line" at Supreme Headquarters which will keep members calling in advised and informed as to the latest developments on the Cyprus and Aegean Sea issues.

8. Through the Ahepa Research Bureau, to keep the membership, media, legislators and key opinion leaders informed as to the latest developments on the Cyprus and Aegean Sea issues.

Your Supreme President wishes to publicly express his greatest heartfelt gratitude to Alfred G. Vometis, James S. Scofield, Nicholas Zanosos, Harry J. Polos, Eugene Diamond, and Executive Director Gus Cherevan for their mighty personal sacrifices, untiring efforts and long hours at Supreme Headquarters formulating and implementing the vital aspects of this campaign. I am deeply appreciative of their devotion and dedication to this most holy Hellenic and American cause.

We urge each and all of you to help, for the sake of all Hellenism, to return American to its true course of moral leadership in the free world.

For American men shine brightly in this nuclear age as the bastion of democratic ideals and humanitarian principles, both at home and abroad.

Let us forget, America is the last frontier of humanity—the final barrier to inhumanity.

You and I can help America, through our renewed efforts, to restore its former image—and rebuild its substance so that it may once again stand for what is good and decent in the world.

I am confident we shall not fail that we will succeed. Working together harmoniously, there will be only one possible outcome—another historic triumph for America, Hellenism, Ahepa and for all mankind.

Thank you for your interest, consideration and cooperation.

But, remember, that time is of the essence!

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
X. K. Microusticos
Supreme President
Order of Ahepa

AHEPA INITIATES CYPRUS CAMPAIGN

Under the leadership of Supreme President X. K. Microusticos, the Order of Ahepa has launched a new, massive campaign to inform the American people of the true conditions existing on Cyprus and what Turkey is trying to do in the Aegean Sea.

To accomplish this objective, the leaders of the AHEPA First Party and the United Progressive AHEPA Party agreed to allocate \$100,000 from the national funds of AHEPA to conduct a campaign before the bar of public opinion.

This money has been placed at the disposal of the AHEPA Justice for Cyprus Committee and the Hellenic Affairs Committee to be used to pay for full-page advertisements to be inserted in The New York Times, the Washington Post, the Chicago Tribune and the Los Angeles Times.

These advertisements will feature the opinions of incumbent Senators and Representatives, as well as those of their opponents in the forthcoming national election. Also included will be a statement of AHEPA's positions on the issues of Cyprus and the Aegean Sea.

AHEPA's goal is to obtain active support for the organization's position on the Cyprus and Aegean Sea issues from Senators and Representatives and also to solidify the support of American opinion.

There is much at stake in this emergency. First, there is the survival of Hellenism. Turkey's aggressive actions not only threaten the independence of the Republic of Cyprus, but they also endanger America's most valuable ally in the Eastern Mediterranean—Greece, which has backed the Allies in both WORLD War I and II.

Finally, the United States has failed to uphold the Rule of Law by permitting Turkey to invade Cyprus, using American warplanes and weapons. This was done with the silent acquiescence of President Ford's "Matters" in the State Department—Henry Kissinger.

Although the hour is late and much valuable time has been lost, the situation is not hopeless, and much can be done to set things straight and on their right course.

AHEPA has ignited the spark. Let all Americans of Hellenic descent join in and make it a bonfire!



Left to right: Dab at Cyprus Dinner held at Crystal City Marriott Hotel in Washington, D.C. on Sept. 25, 1976. Front row, seated: Trustees Chairman A. T. Tsoumas, Past Supreme President Peter L. Bell, Supreme President X. K. Microusticos, Supreme Vice-President Dr. Peter V. Paulos, Daughters of Penelope Grand President Ann Morris, Mrs. Andy Manatos, Standing: Andy Manatos, George T. Douris, Past Supreme Vice-President Peter N. Berris, Grand President Maids of Athens Barbara Stavin, Harry J. Polos, Past Supreme President George J. Margolis, Sons of Pericles Supreme President Ted N. Sleder and Nicholas Sumas.

Our Ethnic Strength

We are Americans all—but much of the real strength of the United States and its "melting pot" character comes from the pride and perseverance of the many nationalities that make up our population of over 200 million people.

The Frederick area is not without its several ethnic communities, and it was interesting talking with one of our Greek residents this week about the efforts being made to gather in his brethren both for an important current nationalistic cause and for social purposes.

Mr. John F. Callas is president of Blue Ridge Chapter No. 195 of the Order of AHEPA, which although very small in number of members, is active in trying to do its share for the cause of Greek Cyprus.

on Cyprus. The Blue Ridge AHEPA, which has 18 members in good standing in Frederick, Westminster, Hagerstown, Waynesboro, Chambersburg, Williamsport, Shoppersburg and a few other communities, also seeks to draw into its organization others of Greek origin to rekindle their native traditions.

With so few members, this is an uphill job, but an admirable one and an effort which deserves the support and attention of those of Greek heritage.

One of the highlights of the Festival of Nations that many have attended in Baltimore and elsewhere has been the national dances and concerts, especially those of Greece. Certainly Kojak of the person of Tilly Savalos of TV fame has up-

held the Greeks in America to hold onto their proud customs and heritage.

Mr. Callas, associated with his wife, Anna J. Callas, in the operation of the Blue Bird Restaurant at 6 South Bentz Street, said the 18 members of the local AHEPA will meet at his home on Tuesday, Oct. 26, to discuss the effort to gain congressional support for the Greek Cypriot position in United States foreign policy which AHEPA contends is now now favorable to the Greeks.

Specifically, the Order of AHEPA is concerned that our foreign policy is pro-Turkey and anti-Cyprus, declaring that "In July and August of 1974, the Turkish Army, equipped with gas, bullets, bombs, planes and ships supplied by the United

States Government for defensive purposes, illegally and savagely invaded the sovereign Republic of Cyprus."

AHEPA declares further that: "Our State Department did not take any positive action to stop or contain the invasion despite the clear violation of our laws and international laws. The Turks killed more than 4,500 Greek Cypriots, uprooted 200,000 more and made them homeless refugees. 2,100 Greek Cypriots are still missing. The Turks destroyed the economy of Cyprus and still hold 40 per cent of Cyprus by force of arms."

There is now before Congress a request for \$1.25 billion for aid to Turkey, which AHEPA Supreme President X. K. Microusticos of Trenton, N.J.,

declares, if approved, "would put the stamp of approval by the United States Congress on the violation of U.S. laws and international law by Turkey."

AHEPA asks "all Americans to urge their Representatives and Senators to vote against such aid to Turkey when (Secretary of State) Kissinger's request for such aid to Turkey comes before the Congress."

Excerpts of many Senators and Congressmen supporting "the position of justice, morality and the rule of law in the case of Cyprus" are quoted by the AHEPA Cyprus & Hellenic Affairs Committee, including the words of U.S. Senator Charles McC. Mathias (R-Maryland) of Frederick, who said:

"A just and lasting settlement. See STRENGTH, page 10.

Ahepa Succeeds in Spotlighting Cyprus Issue on TV Debate

Ethnic Strength

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of the Cyprus tragedy and an end to tensions in the Aegean Sea must be critically important goals of American foreign policy. The United States must stand ready to assist in achieving an enduring peace in the Eastern Mediterranean. Greece is the cradle of the democratic ideal — and the heritage not only of Greek Americans who have contributed so much to American life but of all Americans who treasure democracy. We cannot allow a just settlement of the Cyprus and Aegean Sea issues to wait on the passage of time. A renewed commitment to justice for the people of Cyprus must inspire our efforts in the coming months. For too long the people of Cyprus have suffered disruption and dislocation and have had to endure the presence of foreign troops. Concrete steps to bring an end to this state of affairs are required.

Granted there are two or more sides to every issue, and though Ahepa presents only its side, all freedom-loving Americans, particularly of Greek ancestry, should take note of what this one small, 18-member chapter is doing as its part in a cause which goes to the roots of its being.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Order of Ahepa has succeeded in having the Cyprus issue brought to the attention of the American people in the national election debates on U.S. and world television.

Telegrams signed by Ahepa Supreme President X. K. Microtsticos and Chairman Peter L. Bell of the Ahepa Cyprus and Hellenic Affairs Committee, were sent Saturday, Oct. 8, to the Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates urging them to discuss the Cyprus issue in their forthcoming debates.

As a direct result of the Ahepa efforts, the historic debate presentation of the Cyprus issue came on Friday, Oct. 15, in Houston, Texas, when Senator Walter F. Mondale of Minnesota, the Democratic candidate for Vice President, stand during his criticism of the Ad-

ministration conduct of foreign policy.

"Look at Greece. During the whole period that the military junta controlled Greek Government, this Administration cried up to that military dictatorship, befriended them, did everything they could to support them, but once they restored their own democracy, we turned our back on them and have not assisted them in seeking a just and final settlement on the island of Cyprus."

Senator Robert J. Dole of Kansas, Republican Vice-Presidential Candidate, had stated earlier in the debate:

"Secretary Kissinger's performance in man service. Anywhere you look, you'll find Henry's facts and they are facts that are right for America. They are facts that are right for the

free world."

Senator Dole did not repeat Senator Mondale's statement on Cyprus.

The telegram sent by the Order of Ahepa to President Gerald R. Ford, Governor Jimmy Carter, Senators Mondale and Dole stated:

"Cyprus, a legitimate and overwhelmingly important subject of national and international concern, which has been ignored to date in presidential debates, must be discussed in your debate.

"Vital questions which demand answers are:

"Why does administration support majority rule in Africa while opposing majority rule in Cyprus?"

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support major rule in Africa while opposing majority rule in Cyprus?"

"Why does Administration allow illegal Turkish occupation of northern Cyprus made possible by American armaments? — an occupation which has created 200,000 refugees unable to return to their homes.

"Why does Administration advocate billion dollars plus of more arms for aggressor Turkey which now also threatens Greece in Aegean Sea?"

"These questions and others about the Cyprus and Aegean Sea crises are fundamental to present and future course of American foreign policy and must be answered in this public forum to the satisfaction of the American people."



Ahepa Lauds Mondale

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Order of Ahepa telegraphed congratulations to Senator Walter F. Mondale of Minnesota for his statement on the Cyprus issue in the national election debate on Friday, Oct. 15, at Houston, Texas.

The text of the wire, signed by Ahepa Supreme President X. K. Microtsticos and Chairman Peter L. Bell of the Ahepa Cyprus and Hellenic Affairs Committee, was:

"Congratulations for introducing the vital subject of Cyprus for the first time on national election debates."

"The Order of Ahepa and all Americans of Hellenic heritage are appreciative of your great concern in regard to this tragic failure in American foreign policy, a failure detrimental to America, its interests and its world role as a defender of Freedom."

The Mondale statement on Cyprus during the debate came as a direct result of telegrams sent by the Order of Ahepa to the major Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates urging discussion of the Cyprus issue in the debates presented on U.S. and world television.

Bell Delivers Message to Ahepans

On September 17, 1976, Mr. Philip C. Habib, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, appeared before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and advocated the approval of the United States-Turkish Cooperation Agreement.

This is the Kissinger negotiated agreement which calls for over a Billion Dollars in Military and economic aid to Turkey over and above that supplied by other agreements already in effect.

According to the news release of the Department of State, Mr. Habib, when he came to a discussion of the Cyprus problem, stated in part:

"The will to achieve results in Cyprus can have no effect, unless it is shared by the parties themselves. We and our allies can advance the cause no farther than the two Cyprus communities themselves are willing to do."

"An eventual solution will require compromise and new perspectives in the light of practical

considerations and is forever gone. The two sides must demonstrate statesmanship and flexibility if the Cypriot people are to live again in a stable and secure environment."

"For 2 years the United States Government has been in the forefront of efforts to restore peace and stability to Cyprus. We have seized every opportunity to advance the cause of a fair and equitable settlement of this difficult problem."

"We and the rest of the American people are entitled to know what is the State Department's idea of a 'fair and equitable solution.' What is Mr. Kissinger's and Mr. Habib's idea of a 'compromise.' And what is their idea of 'statesmanship and flexibility?'"

The Turks build 40% of Cyprus by force of arms now. Turkey has refused to even talk of withdrawing any of its 40,000 soldiers presently occupying this 40% of Cyprus. Is the Cyprus government supposed to show 'flexibility' and offer 50% or

perhaps 60% of Cyprus to the Turks?

What flexibility does Mr. Kissinger and Mr. Habib expect from the Cypriot government?

There are over 200,000 Cypriot Greek refugees who were thrown out of home and hearth by the Turks. Turkey will not even discuss their right to return to their homes.

Is the Cypriot government supposed to prove its "statesmanship" by accepting as a permanent fact of life the uprooting of 200,000 people from their homes, their farms, their schools and their churches? How do you compromise the fate of 200,000 refugees?

A compromise denotes the result of a give and take situation, a settlement of differences by mutual concessions.

Just what kind of concessions does Mr. Kissinger and his spokesman, Mr. Habib, expect the Cypriot government to make. Mr. Kissinger and Mr. Habib ought to spell out where and how the Cyprus government can

"demonstrate statesmanship and flexibility."

Mr. Kissinger and Mr. Habib are using high-sounding words to hide the pro-Turkish tilt in the policy Mr. Kissinger has imposed on the State Department.

Those hollow words and phrases raise a doubt as to the credibility of our foreign policy makers.

Those hollow words and phrases are intended to sell a bill of goods to the Congress and to the American people. They are intended to gloss over the initial mistakes and to cover up the continued failure of Kissinger's policies in the Cyprus situation.

The only people that are in a position are the Turks. They are the only ones that are in a position to make concessions unilaterally.

America is the only nation that can persuade Turkey to make such concessions. The only way that can be done is by withholding \$1.5 billion and

economic assistance to Turkey — by deferring the Kissinger-Turkish Cooperation Agreement calling for over a Billion Dollars in further and additional aid to Turkey.

The Kissinger Legacy

Kissinger has been in charge of American foreign policy for eight years. During this period, he has been able to fill almost all the sensitive policy-making positions in the State Department with people who are followers and believers of his policies and, above all, personally loyal to him.

We must assume, therefore, that Kissinger's pro-Turkish policies will be a fact of life in the State Department for a long time after Kissinger is gone. And that will be so regardless of who is elected president.

We believe, and it is a recognized and acknowledged fact, that Kissinger's policies in

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Cyprus Committee Urges Requests To Members of Senate

Xenophon K. Macrotoukas
Supreme President

AHEPA CYPRUS AND
HELLENIC AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE

Peter L. Bell, Chairman

John G. Pissides, Co-Chairman

Date -----

Dear -----

In July and August of 1974, the Turkish Army, equipped with guns, bullets, bombs, planes and ships supplied by the United States Government for defensive purposes, illegally and savagely invaded the sovereign Republic of Cyprus.

Our State Department did not lift a finger to stop or contain the invasion despite the clear violation of our laws and international law.

The Turks killed more than 4,500 Greek Cypriots.

The Turks evicted 200,000 Greek Cypriots and made them homeless refugees. 2,100 Greek Cypriots are still missing.

The Turks destroyed the economy of Cyprus.

The Turks still hold 40% of Cyprus by force of arms.

The Turks defied the United Nations and its unanimous resolutions to get their Army out of Cyprus.

Congress suspended further shipment of arms to Turkey until the Cyprus dispute was resolved. The suspension was lifted partially on Secretary Kissinger's assurance to Congress that progress would be made if arms shipments were resumed.

President Ford has reported to Congress bi-monthly (as requested by Congress) that no progress whatever has been made in the 11 months that have elapsed.

Yet Secretary Kissinger has signed an agreement with Turkey to give an additional one and a quarter billion Dollars in

arms and aid over the next four years. This agreement is subject to ratification by Congress.

Approval by Congress of this \$1,250,000,000 aid to Turkey would put the stamp of approval by the United States Congress on the violation of U.S. laws and international law by Turkey.

Approval by Congress of this \$1,250,000,000 would put the stamp of approval by the United States Congress on the conquest of 40% of Cyprus by the Turks.

Approval by Congress of this \$1,250,000,000 would put the stamp of approval by the United States Congress on the unlawful use of American military arms by Turkey for the invasion of a friendly and defenseless nation (Cyprus); and the killing and maiming of thousands of innocent people and the making of more than 200,000 of these people into homeless refugees.

Approval by Congress of this \$1,250,000,000 would put the stamp of approval by the United States Congress on an arms race

between Turkey and Greece, which will result in the impoverishment of the people of both Turkey and Greece. And it could result in actual war between these two nations a situation which would be detrimental to the American interests in the Mediterranean area.

We don't believe that you would want to put such a stamp of approval on the conduct of a cruel aggression and on the use of American arms for the wanton killing of innocent people.

We therefore respectfully ask you to vote against such aid to Turkey when Kissinger's request for such approval comes before the Congress.

I, as a voter in your district, respectfully request your written comments on this subject, so that I may discuss same with other voters in our State who are as vitally concerned as I am in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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The Eastern Mediterranean have eroded NATO's posture, have damaged America's position, and reduced United States influence in that area.

Since the rapprochement of Greece and Turkey brought about by Ataturk and Venizelos, these two countries coexisted in reasonable peace since the late 1920's. Kissinger's policies have brought these countries to the brink of war.

The Kissinger-Turkish Cooperation Agreement providing over a Billion Dollars of Arms and economic aid to Turkey, if approved by Congress, will give the Turks all that they want and need. There will be no reason for Turkey to compromise or to demonstrate warmanship and flexibility.

The only hope for a fair, creditable and productive United States policy is for the Congress to defeat the Kissinger-Turkish Defense Cooperation Agreement.

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Cyprus Committee meets during Houston Supreme Convention.

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Cyprus Committee Asks Support from Parishes

Reverend Father and Dear President

The news from Cyprus and the Aegean is grimmer and gets more disturbing from day to day. The warlike talk from Ankara by both Premier Demirel and the leader of the opposition, former Premier Evren, and the deployment of the main Turkish forces opposite the Greek Islands of Chios, Lesbos, Samos and Rhodes, has forced Greece to keep her armed forces on the alert.

The invasion of Cyprus and the present war threats by Turkey were and are being made possible because of the availability of arms and economic aid supplied by the United States. There has never been a protest by our State Department as to the use of American arms for the brutal, immoral and illegal invasion of the defenseless and unarmed sovereign State of Cyprus.

To add insult to injury, Secretary Kissinger now proposes new and additional economic and arms aid to Turkey by the United States, in the enormous sum of

\$1,250,000,000.00 (One and a quarter billion dollars).

Fortunately, this gift of one and a quarter billion dollars cannot be made without the approval of Congress. We must prevent such approval, not only for the sake of Cyprus and Greece, but even for the sake of Turkey.

Kissinger's policies have made a shambles of Cyprus, bankrupted Greece and Turkey and impoverished the people of these nations.

Enclosed is a brief statement of the problem and what the Aegean Cyprus and Hellenic Affairs Committee is trying to do. Also enclosed is a suggested letter to be signed and sent by all Greek-American voters to the Congressional and Senatorial candidates in their cities and states.

Congressmen and Senators want to hear from their constituents. We are not lobbying. We want America to return to the principles that made her a great nation and won for America the respect and admiration of all freedom loving peoples.

We are asking the State Department to stand by and support the principles of Justice, Morality and the Rule of Law.

We are asking Secretary Kissinger to advocate and support for the Greeks of Cyprus the principle of self-determination and the principle of majority rule that he is advocating for the black people in Rhodesia.

This is a Holy Crusade and we are asking for your help and assistance. Please see to it that every parishener in your community sends this or a similar letter to his favorite candidate for Congress or the Senate.

Time is of the Essence. The election is on November 2nd. The letters must reach the candidates for the Senate and House at least two weeks before the election. Please don't fail the people of Cyprus. Don't fail the people of Greece. And above all, don't fail the people of America. What we are advocating is in America's best interest and is accord with America's finest historic traditions.

Gifts from Eternity — (Continued from page 5)

However with the conquest of Alexander the Great the Greek language became the universal language of the East and although it may have lost some of its purity, it nevertheless became the instrument through which the Greek Culture, learning and way of life of Athens became the universal source of knowledge for all the despotically governed orientals who lived in bondage, ignorance and superstition.

And while Athens still remained the center of culture and learning we now find a new Greek center of learning rising in the East which is kept competition with Athens, produced the famous Museum of Alexandria - A University of Scholars, a great center of scientific research and the possessor of a library unequalled in size and richness in the annals of the Ancient World.

In this great intellectual center the Greek Masters pushed the frontiers of science and learning to unprecedented dimensions. Unfortunately most of their works were lost since the library of the Museum which contained more than 500,000 volumes of manuscripts were destroyed by the Romans during their military operations.

This incalculable calamity set back the clock of civilization for

and literary accomplishments were destroyed at least a thousand years, for many of the scientific studies

As the Greek language became the universal language of the East, a spirit of liberalism and democracy began to permeate consistently in that area and for the first time in history we find the Hebrews taking an active part in that great heritage. The Greek language now became the language of Hebrews and a particular of the upper class and of the Hebrew scholars who held respectable positions amongst the intelligentsia of Alexandria and Athens.

Hence the Hellenization of the Hebrews through the instrument of the Greek language not only opened the treasure of Greek literature to them but equally important reoriented them with the great tenets of Greek philosophy which added them to the modification of their religious concept of monotheism.

And whereas the Hebrews originally believed in Anthropomorphic monotheism gradually they modified their belief into accepting spiritual monotheism as the true concept

of God.

Hence one may say that the great religious heritage of the Hebrews combined with the philosophic concepts of the Greeks produced the great Judeo-Christian synthesis in the personality of Paul, as an outstanding example of Hellenized Hebrew and a master of the Greek prose.

Thus with the intellectualization of the Hebrew religion into spiritual monotheism, the Old Testament was now translated from the Hebrew into the Greek language by 72 Greek-Hebrew Scholars in the celebrated island of Pharos off the coast of Alexandria in order to help them retain their religion.

While the Greek language made a profound effect on the Hebrews, it equally affected the Christians.

Since the universal language as already stated was Greek, the Gospels were written in Greek and in particular the Fourth Gospel according to St. John betrays the profound influence of Greek philosophy. Furthermore Paul wrote all his epistles in Greek and St. John the Divine, of the Greek island of Patmos, wrote his book of revelations in Greek which taken as a whole comprise the New

Testament or the literary treasure of the Christian Faith.

With the transfer of the Roman Capital from Rome to Byzantium by Constantine the Great, Constantinople, as the city was named after him, gradually became the intellectual center of the Greek world and particularly after the conquest of Egypt and the New East by the Saracens.

Hence the period subsequent to that, and for over a thousand year is commonly known as the Byzantine period, during which the Greek language and philosophy was the main instrument in the development of the ecclesiastical literature and Catholic dogma.

I say Catholic for not only the Eastern Greek Orthodox Church is Catholic in doctrine and the oldest, but the very word itself denotes "universal" which was coined by the Greek Fathers in the First Ecumenical Council of Nice (325 A.D.) composing a creed destined to become universal.

The Greek Fathers of the Church who were ardent students of the classics and in particular Basil, Athanasius, Clement of Alexandria, and

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A Bio of X.K.M.

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being its President, President of the Greek School Board, President of Junior High School P.T.A., President of Lions Club, member of Mayor's Citizens Committee, member of the Advisory Board of the Hamilton Bank, Executive Secretary of the Fifth District Scholarship Fund and the Aleppo Fellowship at Princeton University for the study of Byzantine Art and Culture, Editor of the 3th District Publication "The Aleppo Voice" for the past 13 years.

Brother "Ken" together with the late Bro. George Sider organized under the auspices of the Supreme Lodge and the Supreme Board of Trustees the first 3 Supreme Conventions in San Diego (1963), Toronto (1964) and Athens, Greece (1965).

During his many years in the Aleppo he has visited most of the Chapters and has reactivated and established many others.

Brother Ken is married to the former Vanetta Lakon, and they are blessed with 3 sons, Dean is married to the former Christine Serth and they have 2 daughters, Jennifer and Rossini. James is married to the former Nadine De Klaprogorge, and they have 2 sons, Demetrios and Stefanos. John is married to the former Mary Ann Bryan. Vanetta is a charter member of the Maids of

Athens Erechtelon Chapter No. 21 and a charter member of the Daughters of Penelope Alpha Chapter No. 163. All the boys have been members of the Sons of Pericles serving as officers and Past President. Dean has served

as District Governor and Supreme Governor, James as District Treasurer and John as Editor of the District publication "S.A.M."

All the boys are presently members and serving in various

offices of the Order of Aleppo Trenton Chapter No. 72 and their wives are members of Alpha Chapter No. 163 Daughters of Penelope. Mary Ann is serving as District Advisor to the Maids, and Christine has served as chapter Secretary.

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ON OCTOBER 28, 1940, THE GREEK PEOPLE FOUGHT AGAINST THE FORCES OF FASCISM, WHICH THEN ADVANCING THROUGHOUT EUROPE, THEIR BRAVE RESISTANCE TO THE AGGRESSOR GAVE THE ALLIED FORCES THEIR FIRST LAND VICTORY. THE GREEK PEOPLE OFFERED HOPE AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO THE CONTINENT OF EUROPE, A CONTINENT BESIEGED OR OCCUPIED, THROUGHOUT WORLD WAR II, GREECE CONTINUED ITS VALIANT RESISTANCE, DESPITE A TRAGIC LOSS OF LIVES SACRIFICED IN DEFENSE OF OUR COMMON WESTERN IDEALS.

FOR THESE NOBLE EFFORTS---AND FOR REMAINING A STaunch ALLY AND FRIEND---WE SALUTE THE GREEK PEOPLE TODAY.

SINCERELY,
JIMMY CARTER

Gifts from Eternity --(Continued from page 12)

Origin, converted Christianity into a philosophy of religion with Greek philosophy and Aristotelian metaphysics forming the core of the Christian foundations.

Indeed were it not for the power, the clarity, depth and richness of the Greek language as well as the foundations of Greek philosophy, it is highly doubtful whether Christianity would have survived to this date as a religion but would have remained a variety of paganism.

It was in 325 A.D. when the First Ecumenical Council was held in the City of Nice in Asia Minor across the Bosphorus in which Council 318 Bishops assembled to participate in the great debate concerning the nature of Christ.

As one of America's great historians truly states "the question thus raised must be regarded as momentous. Was Christianity to continue to be Christianity, or was it to become a variety of paganism?"

In this highly critical period of Christianity, the power of clarity, depth and richness of the Greek language coupled with the profound influence of the Greek philosophy served as a vehicle to the Greek Fathers in formulating the majority of opinions concerning the nature of Christ.

Hence the formulation of the Council affirmed that the Son was "begotten not made" by the Father and was "of the same substance" (Greek Homousion) with the Father.

This doctrine concerning the divine nature of Christ is commonly called by both theologians and historians as the Nicene Creed. It is also known as the Trinitarian or Athanasian Creed and was the first written standard of Faith of the whole Church to the present date irrespective of the various denominations to which the Church may have been divided.

The Byzantine period which covers roughly a thousand years namely between the 4th and 15th centuries A.D. ended with the capture of Constantinople by the Turks in 1453 who, after conquering the Near East and the Balkans, reached the gates of Vienna.

The Turkish atrocities of Constantinople culminating with the hanging of Patriarch Gregory V on the altar of the Basilica of St. Sophia, brought about a subsequent period of darkness in the entire Eastern Area, which continued almost up to the close of the 19th century during which period the level of culture

of Greece received a very severe blow.

During the four hundred years of Turkish subjugation, the education of the Greeks was carried on secretly by the priests of the Greek Orthodox Church whose primary objective was to preserve the identity of the Greeks.

In connection with this period an eminent American historian states as follows: "The Balkan countries and Russia are backward today as compared with their Western neighbors, but it is well to remember that the Balkan countries languished for more than 400 years under the rule of the Asiatic Turks and that Russia for 250 years after the 13th century was under equally stunting and isolating rule of the Asiatic Mongols."

"The isolation of the Turks has prevented them from assimilating the higher culture of the people whom they conquered. They have never created anything in science, art, literature, commerce or industry.

Conquest has been the Turk's one business in the world and when they ceased conquering their decline set in."

Hence with the capture of Constantinople by the Turks there began a gradual wave of exodus by the great intellectuals

and artists to the Western countries of Europe and notably to Italy where they brought about that great Italian cultural movement known as the Italian Renaissance.

One of the most eminent scholars of Byzantium named Chrysoloxos settled in Florence and became professor of Greek, translated Homer and Plato, and composed a Greek grammar the first one to be used in the West. Chrysoloxos was followed by many others who brought many Byzantine manuscripts and translated them into Latin and Italian.

Indeed a great Italian humanist once explained, "Greece has not fallen but seems to have migrated to Italy."

Hence the humanists in Italy by coming in contact with the Greek classics were able to enrich the world with the greatest of literature and start an intellectual movement which is still going on to the present date.

The modern Greek language which is basically the same but which has taken a morphological change in character is unfortunately confused by certain scholars whose knowledge centers around the classics as having little in

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CHAPTER NEWS

District 21 Awards Scholars

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Bottom row, left to right Scholarship recipients Nick A. Boorookas, John G. Stasigopoulos, Gary J. Nicolaou, Michael Gonas. Top row Scholarship Committee left to right, Gus M. Lekas Scholarship Chairman, Steve Moonakis, Aris Kufanmes, Dr. Karl Konstantin, Zenophon Cardiamenos, Peter Cladianos Honorary Chairman, Andrew Baniis District Governor.

San Jose, Calif. The District 21 Scholarship Committee made its presentation to four recipients at the District Convention Banquet held in San Jose, Ca. on June 18, 1976.

Brother Gus M. Lekas, Scholarship Chairman presented the Stephen L. Berdalis Award to Nick A. Boorookas from Modesto, Ca. John G. Stasigopoulos of Fremont, Ca. and Gary J. Nicolaou from Fresno, Ca. received two District 21 awards. Michael Gonas from Fresno, Ca. received the Alex G. Spance Trust Fund Award.

Local AHEPA Chapter 194,

with support of the church board at St. John's Hellenic Orthodox Church, has appropriated funds for a community development campaign entitled "PROJECT GROW." The Project, which was presented to the church board by AHEPAs Dean Chipokas, Frankk Varvatis, and Demetrios Jadjis, is aimed at Greek-American families throughout the United States who are contemplating relocating from their present homes.

With an average of 2,000 new families moving to Cedar Rapids annually, "PROJECT GROW" hopes to gain a relatively higher percentage among Greek-American families. The members of Cedar Rapids Hellenic community, along with the Chamber of Commerce and the Iowa Development Bureau invite Greek-American families interested in relocating to consider Cedar Rapids, Iowa, a place to grow.

Please send all copy you wish to appear in the Ahepa to Ahepa Headquarters. All material received will be published.

DISTRICT 24 CONVENTION

The Regina Chapter No. 13 C.J. which hosted the 44th Annual District Convention at Regina, Sask. during June 20-23, 1976, also celebrated its 45th anniversary.

Charter members who were eligible for presentation of their Ahepa 45 Year Service Pins at the Banquet, were John Diamond, George Kangles, Evangelos Lallas, Sam Pappas, William Gurgulis and Sam Sinn.

Alex Baltekos was awarded his 48 Year Service Pin.

Past District Governor V. Tony Fatouros presented the District Ahepa of the Year award to Jean P. Van Eck.

In the absence of Anthony Demakos, Supreme Vice-President of the Ahepa in Canada, his immediate predecessor, Jean P. Van Eck publicly installed the newly elected District Lodge.

The Joint Ahepa-Daughters of Penelope District High School Scholarship of \$500.00 went to Miss Faye Hitziou of Regina.



BROTHER ALEVIZOS—AHEPA'S UNCLE SAM

Brother Nick P. Alavizos of Oakland Chapter No.171 of the Order of Ahepa, portrayed "Uncle Sam" atop the Alameda, Contra Costa Transit (A.C.) Bi-Centennial decorated bus to salute the nation's 200th birthday in a cloud of smoke the shattering boom of cannons, with the flag waving on high at Oakland Bi-Centennial parade that took place on June 12, 1976.



Standing, L to R: James Kommas, Athletic Director; Gerry Andrews, Marshal; George Kakretis, Advisor. Seated, L to R: Lieutenant Governor, Vasile Papanikola; James Nikolou, Governor; John G. Trehan, Secretary-Treasurer.

COMMODORE PERRY ADDS "GREEK" TO PARADE

The Commodore Perry Chapter 107, Erie, Penna., entered the only ethnic float in the Erie-Millcreek Bicentennial Parade on Sunday, July 4th. The float theme was "Greece (500 B.C.) Cradle of Democracy U.S.A. (1776)," and the float stressed the major contributions of Hellenic culture to American culture. Symbolizing and expressing the free Greek were the Young Hellenic dancers who performed a variety of Greek dances on the float along its two-mile route. Over 120 units performed in the two and one-half hour parade.



The Young Hellenes, sons and daughters of Ahepans, pictured are (1 to 7) 2nd row - John Panos, Maria Feagley, Helen Feagley, Andrea Hronas, Stephen Feagley, and Denise Hronas. Ahepans who assembled the float were: (1 to 7) 1st row - Peter Gotsis, Bill Floros, Glenn Feagley, Nick Panos, George Andrews, John Floros, 2nd row - John Chacona, and Thomas Parthenakis. Camera shy were Dan Pulos, Charles Murphy, George Panos, and Hercules Chacona. Mascots were John and Elena Parthenakis (2nd row center).
Photo by Mike Hronas, Caption by Steve

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range of 2,000 new to Cedar Rapids PROJECT GROW is a relatively higher age among families. The Cedar Rapids community, along with the U.S. Department of Commerce and Employment Bureau, American families are relocating to Cedar Rapids, Iowa.



Denver Son Sets Weight Mark

Billy Tsonas, 17, of Denver, Colorado set a national record in the dead lift of 530 pounds at the Jean Ape National A.A.O. Power Lifting Championships held in Eldorado, Arkansas on August 7 and 8, 1976. Billy, representing the Denver Central YMCA also lifted 1,255 pounds in the squat, dead lift, and bench press to place 2nd in the 165 pound division. He is a member of the Rocky Mountain Chapter No. 83, Sons of Pericles and presently attends the University of Nebraska where he will join their weight team.

His parents, also members of the fraternity, are John and Evelyn Tsonas.

Demosthenes Chapter Hosts Reception

On the evening of August 4, 1976, Demosthenes Chapter 66 hosted a reception in the Twin City Federal Atrium for newly naturalized citizens. Local WCCO TV celebrity, John Galois served as Master of Ceremonies. Dignitaries present were Senator Harmon Ogdahl, Mayor of Bloomington, Robert Benedict, Mrs. Arnold Gumbert, President of the Council of Americanization, Mr. Lowell Kruse, Vice-President of Metropolitan Medical Center and Mr. James Bonasalis, President of Demosthenes Chapter 66.

Senator Ogdahl and Mayor Benedict both expressed appreciation in the fact that these new citizens sacrificed their nationality to embrace a new citizenship with the new customs and demands. See DEMOSTHENES, page 16.

John Stavropoulos Receives 50-Year Pin

John D. Stavropoulos of Magnolia Chapter No. 344, Jackson, Mississippi, receives his 50-year pin and Certificate of Membership from his grandson Gus Angelo, who is Chapter President, along with his Son-in-Law Gus Lekas, Supreme Governor, San Francisco, California, who was first initiated into the Magnolia Chapter. Also shown is Supreme Governor Constant E. Pavlou, Jackson, Mississippi, who was present for the occasion. Brother Stavropoulos had only celebrated his fifty years as an Ahepa but his 50th Wedding Anniversary.



Left to right: Constant E. Pavlou, Supreme Governor John D. Stavropoulos, 50 Year Member Gus D. Angelo, President Magnolia Chapter 344, Gus Lekas, Supreme Governor.

Congratulations

Congratulations to North Shore Chapter 94 on their Golden Anniversary North Shore marks the occasion with a dinner-dance on October 31, chaired by Brother Phil Kaporis and Daughters of Penelope Dance Chapter President Mrs. Lorraine Phillips.

KAVADAS AWARDS AHEPA MEDAL

Miss Zafeiriass Antoniou, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Minas Antoniou of Columbia, South Carolina, and a student at the Hellenic Community's Greek school was awarded the AHEPA MEDAL for Scholastic Excellence in the study of the Greek Language and Hellenic Culture.



"Photo" Left to Right - Dr. Daniel S. Kavadas, Chapter's President, Miss Zafeiriass Antoniou, Miss Frederiki Privage, School Teacher and Mr. Janis C. Leventis, Co-Chairman of the Scholarship and Educational Committee.

District 6

The Order of Ahepa, Empire District No. 6 is proud to announce the presentation of three scholarship awards in the amount of \$250.00 each to three deserving Greek American youth wishing to further their education.

The George Kaurinos Scholarship award, in memory of the late Pan District Governor, was presented to George A. Vassilas age 18 of Franklin Square, Long Island who will be attending Stony Brook University.

The Thomas Maglaras Scholarship award, in memory of the late 29 year old Ahepa, was presented to Emilie Tongalaw age 18 of Forest Hills, New York. Miss Tongalaw will be attending Queens College.

The Freida Katsarides Scholarship Award, in memory of the late 13 year old daughter of Anna and George Katsarides, was presented to Georgia Sideris age 17 of Staten Island, New York. Miss Sideris will be attending Wagner College in Staten Island.

Four additional scholarships of \$250.00 each will be presented to the following recipients:

Alexandra Lee Stathacos of Buffalo, New York who will be attending Tufts University.

Peter Arthur Takes of Albany, New York who will be attending Clarkson College School of Technology.

Stella Vretakos of Jackson Heights, New York who will be attending New York University, School of Nursing, and, attending New York University, School of Nursing, and.

Dina Peristakia of Astoria, New York who will be attending Hunter College.

The Family of the late Bro. Leonidas Damascus plans to present an annual scholarship award of \$250.00 in memory of Bro. Damascus to be presented next year along with the annual scholarships given in memory of George Kaurinos, Thomas Maglaras and Freida Katsarides.

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William Haskins, a freshman at Colgate University, was presented a \$300 scholarship for his outstanding studies by Peter Panopoulos, President of Westchester Chapter No. 51. The scholarship is awarded annually by the Westchester Chapter in memory of the GREEK BROTHERS.

Chapter 75

Monroe Chapter No. 75 hosted the 1976 Graduates' Banquet at the St. George Greek Orthodox Church in Piscataway, New Jersey.

In attendance were District Governor Solon Petrides, 5th District Order of Ahepa, and Xenophon Microtaticos, Supreme President, Order of Ahepa.

Special guest speakers were Mr. Margaret Stroumizas, Elmira College, N.Y., B.A. MA, and Peter Kangos, Bucknell, B.A., New York Medical College.

Making the presentations were the top administrators from the graduates' respective schools. The graduates and their schools are: Bridgewater-Raritan West, Susan D. Sturges and Harry D. Zolides, Colonia Senior High, Betty Papan, East Brunswick High, Theodor Banos, Perry W. Diamantakis, and Elynn Mavrakis, Franklin High, William A. Gussis, Greenbrook Township High, Swamasis Nikolatos, Hillsborough High, Nika Nionis and Rita Horstzagi, Madison Township High, Viki Orfan, Metuchen High, Kathryn Kangos, Middletown High, Mary Breznak, North Brunswick High, Maria J. Karikas and Leonidas W. Ravis. The Special Ahepa Medal for scholastic excellence, given by Brother George Avergakis, was won by Xenophon S. Speros. Dr. John Kazan, President Charanis, who recently announced his retirement from Rutgers University.

Tampa Hosts District Convention

Tampa, Florida was the site of the 1976 District No. 2 Convention. Under the chairmanship of Michael T. Milonas, the 54th annual convocation reached new District heights in activities, entertainment, cuisine and excellent facilities.

The Convention began with a golf tournament at the Babe Zaharian Golf and Country Club. That evening Greek Night I was held at the Holiday-Inn Central, which was Convention headquarters.

Greek Nights II and III were held at the Curtis Hixon Convention Center on Friday and Saturday nights. The Gynaias Ladies Orchestra of Ohio and Pennsylvania were featured all three nights and the fabulous Trio 'Bil' Casino was the special attraction Friday night.

The following District Lodge officers of the Order of Ahepa were elected to represent the District for the year 1976-1977:

Michael T. Milonas, District Governor, Tampa; Arthur Kouchalakos, Lt. District Governor, Auro Beach; William Leger, District Secretary, St. Petersburg; Elias Aspas, District Treasurer, Ft. Lauderdale; Demetrios Magoulas, District Marshall, Pensacola; Steve Tsagaras, District Advisor, Clearwater; John Prokon, District Athletic Advisor, Miami.

Stella Bitous of Ft. Lauderdale was elected District Governor of the Daughters of Penelope.

Peter Kouchalakos, Jr. of Coral Gables was elected District Governor of the Sons of Pericles.

ROSE OF NEW ENGLAND CELEBRATES 50th



Members of the Rose of New England Chapter Number 110, of Norwich, Connecticut at their annual Chapter Family Outing, at Fort Shantok State Park.

Wilkes-Barre Participates in Farmer's Market

Black Diamond Chapter No. 55 and their wives served refreshments at the local farmer's market held in Wilkes-Barre's Public Square during the summer months. Delicacies are sold by different ethnic groups as fund raisers for their respective organizations.



Contributing to make the day a success were: (Left to right): George Panagos, George Calmeris, John Easakopoulos, Peter Papadopoulos, Mr. Theodore Papadopoulos, Mrs. George Panagos, Mrs. Michael Zamos, Mrs. George Papadopoulos, Fannie Anagnost, Mrs. Clayton Karanbelas, Mrs. Peter J. Banos, Miss Alexandra Droumouli, Very Rev. Peter Kaprielis, Charles Droumouli, Mrs. Charles Droumouli, Mrs. Stanley Salavantis, and Mrs. John Lekas.



Seated: Brothers Jim Pramas, Very Rev. Arcadio Iyritis, George Papadopoulos, Chapter President, Paul Matson. Standing: Sisters Helen Pramas, Vera Papadopoulos, District Lieutenant Governor, Tina Matson, Mrs. J. Anastakis, and Bro. John Anastakis, picnic committee chairman.

Cooley's Anemia Screening Underway

Cooley's Anemia (Thalassemia), a congenital blood disease fatal in the severe form and prevalent in ethnic groups of Mediterranean background has this year again been given top priority by the Order of Ahepa. The program will continue to promote education by the use of brochures, slides, cassette tape lectures, seminars, etc. Fund raising and support of the Cooley's Anemia Research Fund of Ahepa where 90-95% of all money collected goes totally to research. Additionally, this year Ahepa will conduct a carefully organized

screening procedure in specified local areas where qualified personnel are available to conduct these studies. In preliminary screening done in certain areas of the country we have found the incidence of Thalassemia Minor to be 12% - 15% (previously thought to be 4%). This means that in the estimated 3,500,000 Greek population in the U.S. there are 420,000 to 525,000 carriers, or people with Thalassemia Minor. It is of the utmost importance that only qualified doctors conduct the screening procedure, a simple blood count is not enough,

rather, a highly specialized blood test is necessary to determine the presence or absence of Thalassemia. At present a highly technical brochure geared specifically for doctors has been prepared by Dr. Howard Pearson, Head of the Department of Pediatrics, Yale University. It is in print and available by request to Ahepa Headquarters. You are encouraged to request this brochure and make it available to your local doctor prior to screening. For further information write Ahepa Headquarters at 1422 K Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20005.

Demosthenes

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This year Chapter 110 of Norwich, Conn. celebrates its 50th anniversary year with a 50th anniversary banquet honoring its charter and 50 year members. Brother Soterio Daniska is Chairman.

Best of luck to Brother William Trantalis, chapter treasurer, who is running for the office of Connecticut State Representative (Rep.) for the 46th district.

Thanks to a successful fund-raising bingo, the Norwich AHEPA chapter has donated over \$20,000.00 to the Building Fund of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church of Norwich. Bingo workers include: James Koneio, Chairman, George Bochis (captain), James Christodoulos, Theodore Constantinos, Marshal Bochis, Victor DeBaroto, Petros Petrides, Theofane Savrou, Alko, Soterio Daniska (captain), Chris Stevens, Tony Perros, John Lahamatis, Peter Alexopoulos. Alternates are: John Joh, Cleon George and Erick Cervose.

Responses on behalf of the new citizens were given by Mrs. Louise Poisson of France and Mr. Adel Sokkary of Egypt. Mrs. Poisson, who has lived in the United States for several years was proud of the fact that she was now a real citizen of her new home. Mr. Sokkary stated that he has learned to love Minneapolis so much that he became homesick for Minnesota on a recent visit to Egypt.

The program was enhanced by choral selections provided by the General Area of General Mills, Inc. under the direction of Flo Piri.

Committee members for the reception were as follows: Robert Kolas, Chairman, John Pappas, Co-Chairman, Chuck Maragos, Director, Peter Calom, Honored Guest, Fred Tiggas, Musical, Tassos Lockas, Technical Effects, Peter Boosalis, Publicity, George Zarifis, Photography, Tom Mitropoulos, Refreshments, Clio Defrene, Refreshments, George Siaris, Seating, Jim Sorakas, Seating, Mark Macres, Decorations, John Dovolis, Welcome, Nick Legeros, Head Usher, George Forchias, Usher, Ted Boosalis, Usher, Peter Dress, Arranger.



New Citizens in the Ceremony Sponsored by Demosthenes Chapter of Ahepa, August 4, 1976. Standing left to right: Adel Sokkary, Egypt; Mike Wong, China; Ravinder Gulati, India; Nool Perma, Ceylon; Yavuz Akimel, Turkey; Sam Tawadros, Egypt; Seated: Peng Tam, Ngan Tam, China; Julie Fern, Korea; Louise Poisson, France.



Fifty-four qualifying scholastic high school students of the Ahepa family, departing New York's Kennedy Airport on a four week program of cultural studies, sea and land tours of Greece on Ahepa's 1976 Annual Educational Journey to Greece. Pictured above are the departing students with the Director Peter Stamos of Miami, Florida, the emcee and the Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa William G. Chagata.

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Daughters of Penelope

Ahepa Senior Women's Auxiliary
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Morris Presents Check To St. Basil's



At the meeting of the Supreme and Grand Lodge officers of the Ahepa Family, and members of the various Ahepa national committees, including the Ahepa Cyprus and Hellenic Affairs Committee, held in Washington, D.C. September 24, 25, 26, 1976, a special occasion took place, namely, the presentation of a check for \$25,000 by the Daughters of Penelope to the St. Basil's Academy, of Garrison, New York, towards the completion of the chapel and other needs of the academy.

Pictured above are Mrs. Ann Morris, Grand President of the Daughters of Penelope, presenting the \$25,000 check to Father Nicholas Soteropoulos, Director of St. Basil's Academy, and Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, Mr. X.K. Microstomou.

District 12 Lodge Meeting

The four Lodges of Ahepa Hoosier District No. 12 met at the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Indianapolis, Indiana, on September 26, 1976.

Following the luncheon, Ahepa Governor George Stevens called the meeting to order. A moment of silent prayer was held in memory of Sister Alex Lamberton of South Bend.

Governor Stevens announced the theme for 1976-77, "Save A Brother or Sister."

Dates for the following District activities were announced: Mid-Winter Conference, January 22 and 23, 1977, East Chicago; District Bowling Tournament, May 15, 1977, Fort Wayne; Tri-District Conference, March 19 and 20, 1977, Kokomo; Hoosier District Convention, third or fourth week in June, 1977, Indianapolis. The Tri-State Conference will include the District of Indiana, Illinois, and Michigan. This activity is sponsored by The Daughters of Penelope.

Each Lodge then met separately. The Daughters of Penelope reviewed the Supreme Convention, discussed the year's plan, including a testimonial for Sister Ann Morris, and heard reports from chapters. The Maids of Athens presented their resolutions for review and passage by the District DUP Lodge.

MARINO DREWES: INTERNATIONAL PENELOPE OF THE YEAR



HOUSTON, TEXAS. Mariko Drewes of Nube Chapter No. 134, Jamaica, N.Y. was elected International "PENELOPE OF THE YEAR" at the Houston Supreme Convention by the Daughters of Penelope, the Senior Division of the Ahepa.

Mrs. Drewes also won the Penelope of the Year in her District, making it the first time anyone in the Empire District won both honors in the same year. She was initiated into Nube Chapter in 1958 and her dedication and active participation in chapter activities started immediately. Serving on various chapter and district committees, she was soon elevated to office as Secretary, Vice-President and President. In 1971 at the Los Angeles Convention she was elected to the Grand Lodge as Grand Governor of Zone I. In 1975 and again in 1976 she was elected as District Advisor to the Maids of Athens. Returning to her chapter, she won the National award for chapter increase in Membership. Her record of service for the Daughters of Penelope also covers National Chairmanships and Committee work.

A nationally known columnist, she is married to the Ahepan Charles J. Drewes and they have three children, John, Nicholas and Athena. Both Mr. and Mrs. Drewes and their Daughter Athena are Past District Governors, the sons were officers in the Sons of Pericles.

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Daughters of Penelope Elect Ann Morris Grand President



WASHINGTON... The delegates representing the Daughters of Penelope, Senior Women's Division of the Order of Ahepa, overwhelmingly elected Mrs. Ann Morris of Wabash, Ind., Grand President. The election of Grand President Morris culminated a very distinguished career in the Daughters of Penelope.

President Morris was one of the founders of the AIA Chapter No. 99 of Kokomo, Ind., serving in many offices including that of President. Her outstanding work led to her elevation to the District 12 Lodge culminating with her election as District Governor. Next logical step was the Grand Lodge where she served with distinction which led to her election as Grand President.

She attended Indiana Regional Campus and was active in many departmental organizations, is a Past President of Kappa Delta Pi Society. Always active in many worthy civic endeavors, served as President of Read and Review and conducts seminars in music and antiques. The City Officials appointed her as consultant for the downtown beautification project.

Incorporating her hobby of collecting antiques, she and her husband James are co-owners of the famous Wabash Sweet Shop which has been located in the same location for over 38 years. A member of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Ft. Wayne, Ind. The marriage of James and Ann Morris resulted with them being blessed with two sons, Joe and Conrad.

Grand President's Message

The Greeks strive boldly to prove that their heroism ideal of the complete life, mixing profound thought with decisive action, can be recaptured in the modern world.

The 1976 Supreme Convention in Houston, Texas reflected our belief in and dedication to this prevailing fraternal ambition. We come forth spiritually and morally uplifted from the 54th Supreme Convention and now we address ourselves to the coming year.

The voice of the heart and mind compel us to sign ourselves with our brother AHEPANS for the cause of Cyprus. As Daughters of Penelope, we echo their demands for justice, and pray for humanitarian assistance to strife torn Cyprus.

With National spirit we begin our projects for the year that were determined on the convention floor.

The Daughters of Penelope motto for the year is "Look Ahead and Stay Ahead."



Daughters of Penelope Grand Lodge, top row, (left to right) Mrs. Theodora Courson, National Advisor to the Maids of Athens, Mrs. Christine Galatin, Grand Governor of Zone IV, Mrs. Katherine Zanosetos, Grand Governor of Zone III, Mrs. Angela Varlas, Grand Governor of Zone II, and Miss Ellen Kalipogian, Grand Governor of Zone I. Bottom row (left to right) Mrs. Jukina Pappas, Grand Treasurer, Miss Mary Manikas, Grand Vice-President, Mrs. Ann Morris, Grand President, Miss Victoria Katois, Grand Secretary, Not pictured - Mrs. Chri Gagliola, Grand Vice-President, Canada.



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JUNIOR WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF THE DAUGHTER'S OF PENELOPE

Barbara Stavis Wins Presidency



unanimously elected District Governor. She represented her district at the Miami Supreme Convention and served as the Miami Convention Secretary. The following year Barbara was elected Convention Vice-Chairman at the Boston Supreme Convention, received the award for the summer of Outstanding District Award for District No. 16, and was unanimously elected Grand Secretary. At the 1975 Cincinnati Supreme Convention she was elected as Grand Vice-President, and this past August Barbara was elected to the office of Grand President.

Barbara attended Newcomb College of Tulane University in New Orleans for four years, and received her B.A. in Political Science from there in May 1976. She was a member of the Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society and the University Programming

Committee. Barbara is currently a freshman at Loyola University Law School in New Orleans. She is also a member of the Loyola Student Bar Association, a member of the New Orleans consumer's League, and the organizer for the New Orleans Greek Orthodox church. Barbara plans to complete Law School and become involved in legal and government related work.

When she isn't busy typing Maids bulletins and letters or studying, Barbara enjoys tennis, backgammon, bicycling, dancing, lots of music of all kinds, and traveling.

Barbara Stavis was born in New Orleans, Louisiana, to Mr. & Mrs. William E. Stavis on Tuesday, July 13, 1954. She has two younger sisters, Debbie and Sonja. Barbara was initiated into the Evangeline No. 10 Chapter of the Maids of Athena in February, 1970. She served as Chapter Treasurer and was unanimously elected as Chapter President for two consecutive terms. During the summer of 1971 she participated in the Ahepa Educational journey to Greece. Then in 1972 Barbara was selected as the District No. 16 Maid of the Year, served as District Convention Secretary, and was unanimously elected District Secretary. That year she initiated and co-edited the current District Newsletter "Dad-la-da".

In 1975 Barbara was District Convention Chairman and was

Stavis Strives For Unity and Progress

I wish to thank all of my Sisters for the confidence placed in electing me as the Maids of Athena Grand President. It is with great pride, gratitude and love that I go forward to meet the challenge of this office.

The Maids of Athena are young, vibrant, energetic and concerned. Hellenes and we are striving for a very unified and progressive year. We are going forward this year to strengthen and unify all aspects of the Maids of Athena, which includes bringing the entire Maids domain closer together as well as emphasizing workings as an AREFA Family in all areas. In unity we work together toward common goals, but contribute

our different ideas as separate individuals, as Friends and as Sisters and Brothers... Strong and True.

It is with these goals in the foreground that the Maids of Athena shall work and progress this year. It is my hope that through our diligent efforts, our programs and our projects we can also introduce numerous potential members to the many benefits of being an involved part of the Maids of Athena.

Fraternally,
Barbara Stavis
Grand President
Maids of Athena



Grand Lodge of Maids of Athena: Barbara Stavis, grand president; Koula Korson, grand vice-president; Linda Ryan, grand secretary; Jo Anne Pakides, grand treasurer; Alexandra Basil, Pam Stamm and Natsa Maniskas, grand governors.

Sons/Maids District Conference a Success

During the weekend of OCTOBER 17 AND 18, 1976, the Sons/Maids annual District Conference was held at the Sheraton Statler hotel in Washington, D.C.

Almost 100 Sons and Maids from all parts of the country gathered at the hotel to hear Andy Manassis speak on Cyprus and Christine Warnke present a report on Colley's Aonios.

The Conference was organized by Miss Nicola Sotiropoulos, Supreme Governor and Koula Korson, Maids Grand Vice-President.

Reactivation and orientation material kits were prepared and distributed to the district governors and leadership and in-service training was provided.

The Sons and Maids left the conference feeling that it really had been worthwhile and they had learned a great deal.

MOA 109

Hosts Workshop

Maids of Athena Chapter of Fayetteville, N.C. sponsored a workshop for Sons and Maids during the latter part of September. The purpose of the workshop was to familiarize members with ritual and parliamentary procedures. wasn't all work, however. Social events included a "Welcome to the Workshop" and dinner dance during the two evenings of the weekend. The workshop culminated with church services Sunday morning.



Andy Manassis addresses Sons and Maids at District Conference held at Sheraton Statler in Washington, D.C.



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Junior Order of Ahepa

Sleder Urges Support of New Programs



TED SLEDER

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
It is with great pride and pleasure that I address you as the new Supreme President of the Order of Sons of Pericles.

This year, it is my fervent hope that all of us, under the auspices of the AHEPA umbrella, will begin to see ourselves as a Family—different people but with similar aims. None of our four Orders are mutually exclusive. Our strength lies in our ability to function as a unit, each part deriving support and understanding from the next. We can begin this merger of purpose by supporting the educational and testing program for Cooley's Anemia; the creation of the George Leber Memorial Scholarship; and the institution of the Cyprus Foster-Child Program.

In the spirit of Brotherhood, let us all work together and make this year the new PERICLEAN AGE for all four Orders.

Fraternally yours,
Ted N. Sleder
Supreme President
Order of Sons of Pericles
Junior Order of AHEPA

Kourides, Strike Address Sons' 50th



George Kokinos, Executive Secretary of the Sons of Pericles, addresses the members at the Sons Supreme Convention Luncheon. Seated to his right is Nick J. Strike.

One of the highlights of the Ahepa Supreme Convention held in Houston, Texas this past August was the Fiftieth Anniversary Luncheon held on August 20, 1976 at the Sheraton Houston Hotel. Many Ahepa and Daughters of Pericleo dignitaries were present to help honor the Sons on their "GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY." Twenty-five past Supreme Presidents of the Sons were also honored and received special awards. Toastmaster for the event was past Supreme President of the Sons Nicholas J. Strike, who is currently serving as Chairman of the Sons National Advisory Board. A speech that will long be remembered was rendered by Mother Lodge member of the Sons and Past Supreme Vice President of Ahepa Peter Kourides who focused on the past history of the Sons and pointed out that much needs to be done by Ahepa to make the Sons a strong viable auxiliary.

President, Prosecutor

Ted N. Sleder, of Cornhusker Chapter No. 94, Omaha, Nebraska, Past Supreme Vice-President of the Order of Sons of Pericles was elevated to the office of Supreme President, by his Brothers, at the Supreme Convention held in Houston, Texas on Friday, August 20, 1976.

Ted graduated from Central High School in Omaha, Nebraska, and continued his education by attending the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Upon graduating from College with a Bachelor of Arts Degree, he entered Creighton University School of Law and is expected to graduate with a Juris Doctor Degree in May of 1977. Ted is currently working as a Legal Intern for the Douglas County Attorney's Office, in the capacity of a Prosecutor.

Ted was initiated into the Cornhusker Chapter on October 23, 1967. His dedication to the Sons of Pericles made him a hard worker, and as a result, he quickly moved up the ladder of success. He was also the recipient of the District No. 15 Scholarship Award.

He first held the office of Chapter Secretary during the years of 1968 - 1969. After

helping to form District No. 15, Brother Sleder moved into the Office of District Secretary-Treasurer for the 1969 - 1970 term. His quality work led Ted into the office of District Governor from June of 1970 to July of 1973, an almost unheard of, three terms. Upon leaving the office of District Governor, Ted went back to his own Chapter to take the office of Chapter President. The next year, Brother Sleder was elevated to the office of Supreme Vice-President during the Steven Kostas Administration. Because Ted was 23 years of age, he was unable to run for Supreme President at the Cincinnati Convention in 1975. Fortunately, however, the AHEPA finally raised the Sons of Pericles age limit to 25, and Ted was off and running again, and took the office of Supreme President of the Order of Sons of Pericles at the Houston Supreme Convention.

Brother Ted Sleder was also elected District Secretary of the Order of AHEPA, District No. 15. He is a member of the Cornhusker Chapter No. 147, Order of AHEPA. Ted is the Son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sleder Sr. Both parents are active AHEPA Family Members. Ted's sister, Cynthia, is currently serving the Maids of Athena in the District 14, Governor.



Sons of Pericles Supreme Lodge Mino Nicholas, Supreme Governor, Ted Sleder, Supreme President, and John Boyas, Supreme Vice-President.

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No. 2 Charlotte, NC	David Karakas	84	4/23/1976	No. 118 Toledo, OH	Bill Koulouris	82	6/6/1976
No. 14 Miami, FL	Andrew Galtsnik	94	3/8/1976	No. 118 Toledo, OH	Leo Stephen	78	4/26/1976
No. 14 Miami, FL	C. G. Paris	83	5/20/1976	No. 120 Moline, IL	John Delapoulos	76	6/14/1976
No. 15 St. Petersburg, FL	Diamond Constant	86	1/7/1976	No. 125 Schenectady, NY	George Manikas	79	12/27/1974
No. 16 Tarpon Springs, FL	Elias Mofless	88	6/22/1976	No. 125 Schenectady, NY	Thomas Pappas	86	4/7/1976
No. 16 Tarpon Springs, FL	Anthony Holevan	79	5/20/1976	No. 127 Cincinnati, OH	Thomas Teras	85	5/13/1976
No. 19 Ft. Worth, TX	Alex Kline	80	9/23/1974	No. 128 Lewiston, ME	Lewis Kouris	72	6/21/1976
No. 25 New York, NY	Leonidas Damasos	56	6/13/1976	No. 132 Bluefield, WV	Gus Theodorou	77	7/5/1976
No. 26 Philadelphia, PA	Savas Generalis	63	7/28/1976	No. 135 Pontiac, IL	Paul Theodore	80	4/15/1976
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No. 29 Houston, TX	Bellewofis Soterios	70	4/18/1976	No. 143 Utica, NY	Gus Panaritis	73	5/16/1974
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No. 35 Nashua, NH	Charles Giatas	79	7/24/1976	No. 150 San Francisco, CA	James Goupiou	81	6/26/1976
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No. 46 Chicago, IL	George Georgoulis	74	Year 1975	No. 158 Poughkeepsie, NY	Sarantos Louasides	47	6/12/1976
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No. 51 Yonkers, NY	John Mitson	81	6/23/1976	No. 170 Hempstead, NY	Nicholas Mochouris	50	3/14/1974
No. 52 Newark, NJ	Frank Zicopoulos	71	3/11/1976	No. 170 Hempstead, NY	Nicholas Korines	73	4/24/1976
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No. 83 Richmond, VA	Manuel Juranis	80	5/23/1976	No. 278 Keene, NH	Nicholas Pappachristos	77	2/6/1976
No. 84 Scranton, PA	James Pointis	76	6/14/1976	No. 303 Mansfield, OH	Nick Pissos	50	7/15/1976
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No. 85 Springfield, MA	Peter Christie	54	1/12/1976	No. 326 Corona, NY	George Stefanos	83	9/23/1975
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common with the Attic or Alexandrian period.

However those who studied the evolution of the Greek language including the great American Hellenist Carol N. Brown of City College whose dictionary was published by the National Herald and which is considered to be one of the best of its kind, not only ridicules this thesis, but on the contrary points out that modern Greek is basically the same language which has taken only a morphological change in character.

Indeed there is a far greater change of the English language

in the last 500 years when one contrasts the English language of Chaucer with our present day language than there has been with the Greek language when we compare the Alexandrian period with the modern Greek of the press and pulpit which covers a period of almost 2400 years.

Last but not least it would be inappropiate if I were to omit the last words of that great American scholar who stressed the importance of the Greek language as follows: "To those who know Greek there is no language that has half its interest and charm. Of all the

Indo-European languages its roots reach farthest back into that prehistoric time when Aryan civilization was in its infancy; we can trace from the scientific terms which we have

borrowed from the Greek the history of what we Occidental people know of theology and religion of philosophy and ethics of literature and history of art and mathematics.

It is easier to underestimate than to overestimate the part that has been played by the Greek language and literature in all that has to do with the activities of the human mind."

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More than ever, In this bicentennial year, America must stand up for Justice, Morality and the Rule of Law in its foreign policy

Declaration of the Order of AHEPA on Cyprus and the Aegean

In July and August of 1974, the Turkish Army, equipped with guns, tanks, troops, planes and ships supplied by the United States Government for defense purposes, illegally and brutally invaded the sovereign Republic of Cyprus.

The United States Government has not taken any effective action to stop or withdraw the invasion of Cyprus.

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Our deep appreciation is extended to the many Democratic and Republican Senators and Congressmen constituting substantial majorities of both Houses, who during 1974 and 1975 supported the

position of justice, morality and the rule of law in the cause of Cyprus, as against the aggression by the marauding, occupying armed forces of Turkey.

The excerpts appearing below represent only a small portion of those Senators and Congressmen who hold similar views.

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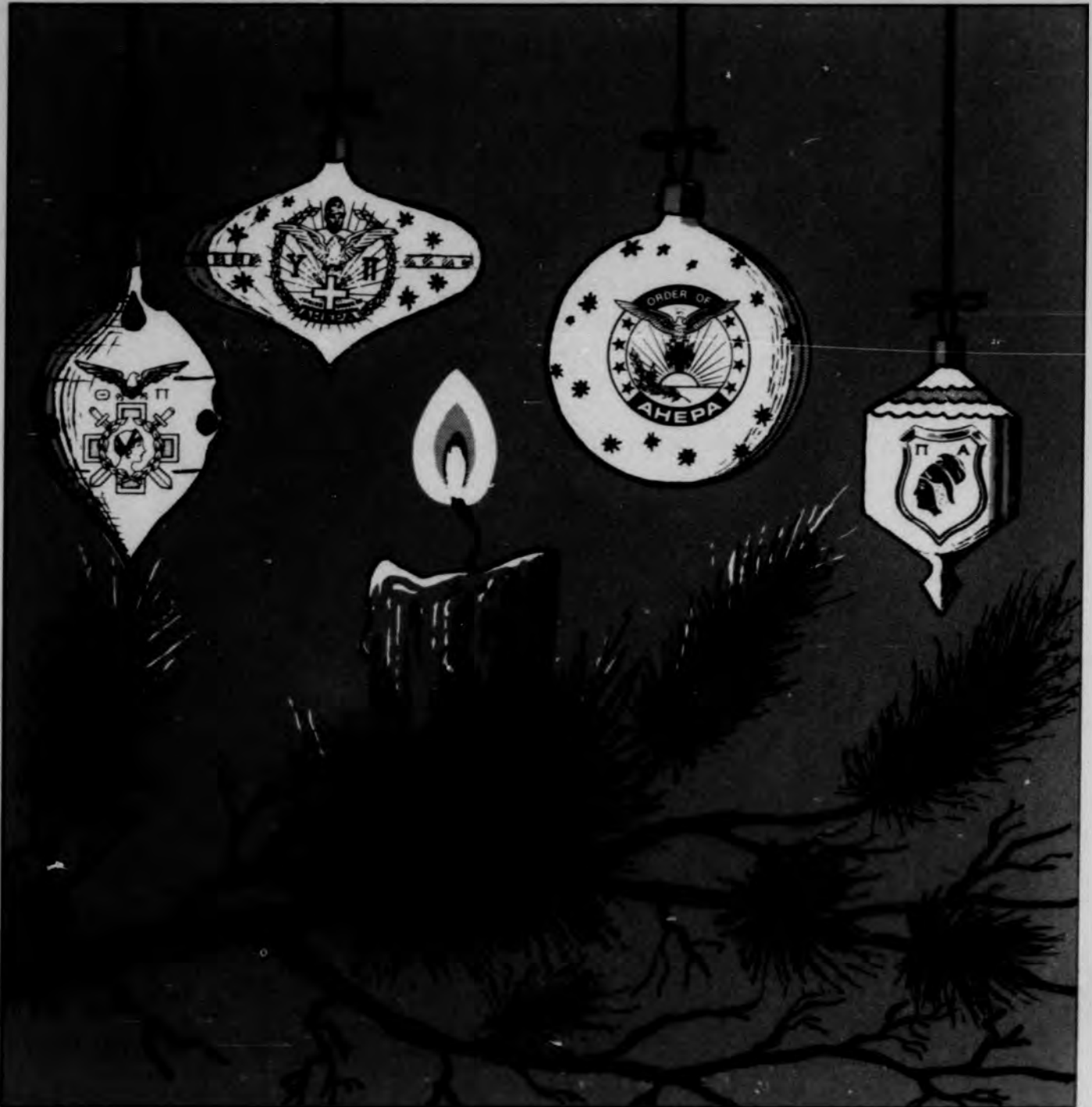
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ACTION TO SAVE THE ACROPOLIS



The Acropolis of Athens and its ancient monuments, are visited by more than one million tourists each year. They are the expression, for them, of the cultural heritage of ancient Greece and her contribution to modern civilised values.

But it was not always so. For many of the 25 centuries in the life of these monuments, they have been subjected to the attacks of armies, vandals and trophy-hunters, in peace and in war. They survived. But those dangers were nothing compared to the innocent but uncontrolled ravages of the last 40 years. For many years past, archeologists and physical scientists have known that, without prompt and drastic action, the historic ruins of the Acropolis would suffer massive damage and decay from the effects of a lethal combination of factors: the erosion of the base rock, atmospheric corrosion of the marbles, rusting of the iron support pins introduced at the end of the 19th century, and the effects of the steady tread of countless visitors.

An official Working Party to Save the Acropolis, under Professor Platon of Thessalonike University, has long been at work. Among the tasks they have undertaken are the preparation of complete scale drawings of the whole area of the Acropolis and of each of its buildings; the commissioning of a similar record in the form of a photographic file; and the collection of an authoritative library of books, manuscripts and other documents relating to the Acropolis and its history.

Karamanlis Gives Signal

Professor Platon's Working Party has also been actively concerned with the urgent problems of salvage, and the experts continue to discuss—with the help of international advice—various measures to combat the danger of irreparable damage to the precious monuments.

The first active steps in this direction have now been approved, and the first fiscal allocations (totalling over \$3 million) set aside. These decisions followed a personal visit to the Acropolis, in the company of the officials and experts responsible, by Prime Minister Karamanlis who surveyed the scene and gave immediate instructions for work to begin. (It was as Prime Minister in the 1950s that Mr. Karamanlis also took the initiative for much of the current improvement of the Acropolis environs and access paths).

Among the first emergency measures that are being taken is the removal of the surviving sculptured figures of the west pediment of the Parthenon. The three figures will be housed in the Acropolis Museum and replaced with glass fibre replicas.

The Museum itself, both for aesthetic reasons and because it is pressing on the ancient Acropolis walls, will be removed to another site—the nearby Makriyannis barracks, one of Greece's oldest public buildings—as soon as possible.

Similar action will be taken in due course to replace the famous Caryatids, the

supporting figures of the Erechtheion, with replicas. In a report published eight months ago, UNESCO said that if these figures remained in place, "their complete destruction is likely within the relatively near future".

Until these figures can be removed and replaced, and during the coming winter, they will be protected from the rain by a wooden roof. Experts believe that rain, mixed with pollutants from the air from vehicles and factories, is the chief cause of erosion of the marbles, often reaching a depth of one-fifth to one-tenth of an inch.

Several other decisions for protecting and improving access to the Acropolis were made after the Prime Minister's visit. They include: the re-routing of motor traffic and plans for the prevention of unauthorised parking; measures to improve conditions for visitors now obliged to climb over slippery and ragged rocks; the reopening of the "ancient promenade" which gives access to the Acropolis from the east.

Plans have also been approved for the re-facing with marble of the ruined ancient Dionysos theatre, at the foot of the Acropolis, thus providing an arena of 3000 seats for the performance of ancient drama.

These and other measures were to be reported and discussed by the Greek delegation attending the bi-annual Conference of UNESCO meeting in October in Nairobi. Saving the monuments of the Acropolis was to be one of the main topics on the agenda of the Conference.

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THE AEGEAN QUESTION

Meaning of International Court Ruling

Following some misunderstandings and misrepresentations of the meaning and effect of the decision, over the Aegean problem, of the International Court of Justice on 11 September 1976, the Greek Embassy in Washington issued the following explanatory note:

As the following summary of the Court's decision shows, the Greek position was sustained and the Greek purpose in applying to the Court was substantially fulfilled.

Turkey, as the record shows, failed to keep her promise of joining Greece in an approach to the International Court to seek its arbitration of the dispute concerning the continental shelf of the Aegean. Furthermore, when last August Turkey took provocative unilateral action by sending the research ship Sismik I into the disputed area, Greece took action by appealing to the Security Council of the United Nations and, at the same time, having recourse to the International Court of Justice.

This recourse, on 10 August 1976, was in the form of two separate applications:

In the first, Greece asked the Court to make substantive rulings as to the delimitation of the continental shelf and to declare the nature and extent of sovereign rights over the shelf for the purpose of exploration and exploitation of natural resources. (This application was made under Article 17 of a 1928 Geneva agreement and under Articles 36(1) and 37 of the Statute of the International Court.)

In the second application (made under Article 33 of the 1928 agreement, Article 41 of the Court's Statute and Article 66 of the Rules of Court), Greece asked for provisional measures of protection by demanding the immediate cessation of all exploration or research activity in the disputed area.

It was only the second of these applications which the Court, in its decision issued on 11 September 1976, rejected. However, in declining to adopt urgent injunctive procedures against Turkey, the Court made it clear that its decision in no way prejudiced the eventual determination of Greece's sovereign rights. The grounds on which the Court refused provisional protective measures were:

- (a) The fact that, considering the nature of the exploration being conducted by Turkey, any damage to Greek interests was not irreparable, and
- (b) The fact that, in the light of the Security Council decision of 25 August calling for direct negotiations, and the acceptance by both sides of that decision, there was no urgency of a degree sufficient to warrant provisional protective measures by the court.

In stating this decision, however, the Court supported the Greek position in the following ways:

- (a) The Court expressly rejected Turkey's request that it should declare itself to lack jurisdiction over the dispute.
- (b) The Court expressly recognized that research may be conducted only with the consent of the coastal state and that, therefore, the voyage of the Sismik I was a contravention of Greek sovereign rights, giving rise to possible future claims to compensation.
- (c) The Court further expressly states that any licences granted by Turkey for exploration or exploitation of resources in the disputed area in no way create rights prejudicial to the eventual delimitation of the continental shelf.
- (d) The Court also reserved the right to reconsider the need for provisional protective measures should the circumstances change.

Thus, even in rejecting the second of Greece's applications (a rejection which, in all the circumstances, Greece found predictable), the International Court fulfilled Greece's purpose in making the application by stating positions supportive of Greek sovereign rights and leaving open the Court's future role in an eventual settlement of the dispute.

Such action by the Court could, if necessary, be taken on the basis of the first, substantive, Greek application which, so far from being rejected, is still pending before the Court which has declared its competence and which can, whenever necessary, proceed to a determination.

SPECIAL U.S. LOAN GRANTED TO GREECE

Greece and the United States signed an agreement under which Greece will receive a \$65-million loan from the American International Development Agency (AID). The agreement was signed at the Coordination Ministry by the minister, Mr. P. Papaligouras and the U.S. ambassador to Athens, Mr. Jack B. Kubisch.

Speaking at the signing ceremony, Mr. Papaligouras said the loan constitutes a small part of the U.S. aid



Jack B. Kubisch, U.S. Ambassador to Greece.

being given to Greece under special terms. Referring to these terms, the Minister said that the loan is for 25 years, including a four-and-one-half-year grace period, the compound interest amounts to five percent, the use of the loan has absolutely no political strings attached and constitutes a direct contribution to support the Greek economy.

In his statement earlier, Ambassador Kubisch had said: "This 65 million dollars aid loan we sign today is part of the very special financial assistance program of approximately 400 million dollars that the United States has extended to Greece over the past two years. And additional large-scale assistance is in prospect."

"This program is virtually unprecedented because the United States does not normally extend such assistance to nations which have achieved Greece's relatively high level of economic development." ■

Greece?

It's time to come home.

Life isn't forever. And the family and friends you left behind won't be there forever.

Come home now.

To the familiar sights and sounds of your youth. To the house you grew up in. To the tree you played under. And mostly, to the love and laughter you remember so well.

Come home to the friendly blue Aegean, glistening under that golden Greek sun.

To the isles that hold so many memories.

Come home. Now.

There's no place on earth like Greece.

Interview

U.S. Supports The Greek Democracy

—Ambassador Kubisch

We publish below the full text of the interview given by the U.S. ambassador to Greece, Jack B. Kubisch, to the Athens newspaper Acropolis on the occasion of the U.S. Bicentennial celebrations. In this interview, the American ambassador answers questions regarding the military coup of 1967, the attempt against President Makarios and the stand of the U.S. government on the Cyprus problem.

Q. What is your opinion on the U.S.-Greek relations?

A. The Greco-American relations are generally good. The basic links between Greece and the U.S. are well-founded and constant. These are more important than certain misapprehensions, which tended to alienate us in the past. As you are well aware, Greece and the U.S. are both democratic countries. We share the basic principles governing this system; we are Western countries and our future depends on the general success of the West. Besides, we have similar principles in the social, political, cultural, and religious sectors, not to mention our many economic and trade links. And of course there exists this most significant link, which is the millions of Americans of Greek descent.

Q. You must be aware that there are a lot of people in Greece today who doubt the devotion of your country to democratic Greece. What can you tell me about this?

A. As we have stressed time and again, the U.S. accepted with profound pleasure the return of Greece to democracy in 1974. The smooth way in which Greece achieved this is something for which all the Greeks who have contributed toward this materialization are justifiably proud, and of course it is the Greek people themselves who shall define the future development of this system. On our part we do whatever we can to support the Greek democracy and we strongly oppose every movement

that might threaten it. Undoubtedly the American interests and the success of the Greek democracy are closely connected.

Q. If you were to describe the most significant contribution of your country which one would you choose?

This is a good question but the answer is difficult. However, I would say this: before becoming a nation, the U.S. was just an idea. Our history is an adventure of free self-governed people. Adventures of this kind never come to an end and the relevant procedure is never complete. And, according to Kavafis, "Ithaca has given you the wonderful journey. Without Ithaca, you could never come out of it." This marvelous journey has continued now for two hundred years for the United States. I am sure that we shall continue it.

Q. Then what can we say about the recent past? Undoubtedly you know that quite a few believe that the U.S. was behind the coup against the Greek democracy in 1967 and also behind the coup against President Makarios in 1974.

A. I am well aware of the fact that quite a few hold this view. This, however, does not concur with reality. Early in 1967, the U.S. was deeply worried over the course of political affairs in Greece. American officials in Athens made clear to the leading personalities of the Greek political world that the U.S. was, for reasons of principles, opposed to undemocratic activities in Greece and elsewhere. I would like to state categorically that neither the U.S. government itself, nor any other lower department of the state machinery was in any way involved in the 1967

coup. Besides, you should not forget the American government was among the few that expressed their discontent over the suspension of the functioning of the democratic institutions in Greece. It was also the only country which took specific measures that made apparent to the Greek people, and the world in general, this discontent. Also, it is not true that the U.S. favored or in a way were involved in the tragic coup against President Makarios. On the contrary, early in July 1974 the American embassy conveyed to senior Greek officials the view that any attempt to violently remove President Makarios would have disastrous consequences not only for the two communities of the island but also for Greece and Turkey, and that therefore the U.S. was clearly against any similar movement.

Q. What could you tell us about the U.S. attitude on the Cyprus issue.

A. The American stand is quite clear and has been repeatedly explained. We believe that, in accordance with the resolutions of the United Nations, which have been supported fully by the U.S., the following principles are basic: Whatever settlement is reached, this should provide for the maintenance of the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Cyprus; it should ensure that both communities shall live in freedom and shall have significant opinion in their private affairs; the present partitioning lines should not be permanent and a territorial settlement should be agreed upon which would reflect the economic demands of the Greek Cypriot community and allow it to preserve its self-esteem; there should be a provision for the withdrawal of the foreign military forces from Cyprus, with the exception of those which are stationed there under international agreements; there should also exist safety for all the Cypriots, while the needs and wishes of the

refugees should be faced immediately and with compassion. We aim at the early and just solution of the Cyprus problem and we shall continue to make active efforts for the achievement of this purpose.

Q. We in Europe wonder whether the U.S., which has given so much to the world, has not yet tired of the burden they have shouldered for the last 30 years — in other words, whether the U.S. is on the threshold of a return to some kind of isolationism. What do you have to say about this?

A. Your question is a natural one and has many times been raised. If, however, you study our history of the last decade, you will not find difficulty in seeing why this question is being raised. Yet in spite of all this, I think that the period of doubts nears its end. We, the Americans, have just recovered from certain exceptionally difficult experiences — Watergate and Vietnam. But now our democratic institutions are strengthened and we have a clear concept of our objectives and a determination to contribute to the creation of a world order based on cooperation. We know that we cannot isolate ourselves from the remaining world. I have the impression that this year's Bicentennial celebrations in the U.S. and the presidential elections will significantly contribute in the strengthening of these basic American orientations.

Q. Therefore you see the American role in the world to be exactly the same as it has been for the last two decades.

A. No, I don't see it like that. I think the U.S. happened to find itself after the Second World War in an exceptional position from the political, economic and military aspect. And while the so-called myth of the "American omnipotence" has never been anything more than a myth, still it is true that we had in our hands a unique power. Today, however, our allies have regained their strength, and our superiority in the military field has been reduced.

However, the U.S. continues to be one of the world-leading powers and in certain cases the leading power — in the fields of technology, industry, agriculture, military power, and discovery. Still the U.S. could not deal with all the problems and could not by itself solve all the problems. Instead of something like what we are trying to strengthen the cooperation among the nations. For what we are trying to strengthen the problems being raised from the world

interdependence, as for example, peace, security, the population explosion, the environment, the lack of food, energy and the world economic situation, then we shall see that the U.S. has not only played a primary role in inciting the world interest to face these problems jointly, but most of the aforementioned problems are being faced in ways and methods shaped for the purpose by the U.S. So, if it is true that we cannot solve by ourselves all the world's problems, it is equally true that most of them could not be solved without our contribution.



**ATTENTION:
ALL AHEPA OFFICERS**

TIME Your Most Important Asset

As officers of the Order of Ahepa, you are **EXECUTIVES** who must control and manage the **TIME** available to you in your present office — twelve months. Management of time is essentially a matter of self-discipline. Don't waste **TIME** by — excuse-making — worrying — holding post-mortems — procrastinating — day-dreaming.

Be decisive — don't be afraid of making mistakes — come to a decision promptly, after serious study of the work to be done.

First, become wholly familiar with your duties and responsibilities. The Constitution provides an overall area of responsibility — a meeting of all District Lodge Officers should then result in "assigned" duties, for each member of the District Lodge.

Second, write down all of the important tasks that come under your jurisdiction — enumerate them — list them in order of importance — and in time-sequence.

Third, take each item and work out your plan of action in full detail, down to the smallest item if necessary. You'll find that this procedure brings out new and interesting thoughts and ideas that may even change your original plan of action.



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Publication Board Member

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Brother Mavromatis is married to the former Mary Papasergiou and they have a one year old daughter named Stephanie.

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Βασισμένη στο βιβλίο "The History of the Order of AHEPA" του George J. Leber

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Ο Ύπατος Πρόεδρος Τσεβίθης ήταν, από την πρώτη μέρα της εκλογής του, ένας τακτικός αλληλογράφος με προσωπικά γράμματα και εγκυκλίους προς τα Τμήματα και πολλά μέλη τους. Στις επισκέψεις του σε Τμήματα και σε νέες περιοχές γίνονταν δεκτός με ένθουσιασμό για τους λόγους του όχι μόνο σε έλληνικές συγκεντρώσεις αλλά και σε κοινωνικές λέσχες και οργανώσεις.

Το Τρίτο Συνέδριο

Το Τρίτο Συνέδριο της ΑΗΕΡΑ έγινε στο ξενοδοχείο Drake του Σικάγου από 28 Σεπτεμβρίου έως 2 Οκτωβρίου 1925.

Στό Συνέδριο αυτό, εκτός από την Ύπατη Στοά και τους πρώην αξιωματούχους, αντιπροσωπεύθηκαν 48 Τμήματα με 74 απεσταλμένους. Αξιωματούχοι του συνεδρίου ήταν οι Dean Alfange Πρόεδρος, Philip Stylianos Αντιπρόεδρος και R. R. Roehrig Γραμματέας.

Το Συνέδριο του 1925 επισήμως ανέγνωσε τους 8 «Ιδρυτές Πατέρες» της ΑΗΕΡΑ και τους παρέσχε τον τιμητικό τίτλο των Ισοβίων μελών καθώς και το δικαίωμα να παρακολουθούν όλα τα μελλοντικά Συνέδρια με δαπάνες της Οργανώσεως.

"Ετσι, το Μητρικό Τμήμα της Αδελφότητας αναγνωρίστηκε τελικά για τις υπηρεσίες του και την συμβολή του στην δημιουργία της ΑΗΕΡΑ. Και τιμής ένεκεν επαναλαμβάνονται εδώ τα ονόματά τους:

Nicholas D. Chotas
James Campbell
Harry Angelopoulos
John Angelopoulos
P. J. Stamos
James Vlass
George A. Polos
George Campbell

Το Συνέδριο του 1925 ζήτησε από την Αμερικανική Κυβέρνηση να παράσχει ένα δάνειο 50 εκατομμυρίων δολλαρίων προς την Ελλάδα. Με έμφαση έτονίσθη ότι η ΑΗΕΡΑ δέν ήταν αντίθετη προς τον ξενόγλωσσο Τύπο της Αμερικής, ότι η οργάνωσις θα έκανε ότι ήταν δυνατό για να διευκολύνει την πολιτογράφηση των Ελλήνων της Αμερικής και τροποποίησε την τελετουργική των άχαικων συγκεντρώσεων.

Εγιναν, επίσης, τελετές ορκωμοσίας νέων μελών, δόθηκε επίσημο δείπνο και ένας χορός, κατετέθη στέφανο στο άγαλμα του Λίνκολν, επελέγη η Φιλαδέλφεια για το Συνέδριο του 1926 και ώριση ημέρα έναρξεως των μελλοντικών Συνεδρίων την τελευταία Δευτέρα του μηνός Αιγούστου.

Οι εκλεγέντες αξιωματούχοι της Ύπατης Στοάς για το έτος 1925-1926 ήταν:

V. I. Chebithes Ύπατος Πρόεδρος (έπανεξελέγη), Nicholas A. Loumos Αντιπρόεδρος, Andrew Nickas Γραμματέας, George J. Williams Ταμίας, και C. R. Nixon Σύμβουλος.

Κατά την διάρκεια των 11 μηνών που ακολούθησαν μέχρι το συνέδριο του 1926, η αδελφότης συνέχισε την ραγδαία ανάπτυξη της με την δημιουργία 35 νέων Τμημάτων. Κατά το ίδιο χρονικό διάστημα, προστέθηκαν 4.299 νέα μέλη στην δύναμή της και ο συνολικός αριθμός ανήλθε σε 9.291 μέλη.

Από την ημέρα της εκλογής του ως ύπατος Πρόεδρου το 1924, ο Β. Ι. Τσεβίθης αφιέρωσε όλο τον χρόνο του στην αδελφότητα, και κατά την διάρκεια της δεύτερης θητείας του επισκέφθηκε 73 Τμήματα της ΑΗΕΡΑ. Ο ίδιος ίδρυσε και ώργάνωσε 21 από τα 35 νέα Τμήματα.

Το Ταμείο της οργάνωσης παρουσίασε πλεόνασμα. Το Καταστατικό τυπώθηκε και διανεμήθη στα Τμήματα, και εφωδιαστήκαν με ταυτότητα όλα τα μέλη. Ένα έτησιο Λεύκωμα από 370 σελίδες άρχισε να εκδίδεται για το έτησιο Συνέδριο. Την προετοιμασία και την φροντίδα όλης της εκδόσεως είχε αναλάβει ο ύπατος Πρόεδρος Τσεβίθης.

Το 4ο Συνέδριο

Το Τέταρτο Συνέδριο συνήλθε στην Φιλαδέλφεια, στο ξενοδοχείο «Πεννσιλβάνια», από 30 Αυγούστου έως 3 Σεπτεμβρίου 1926. Ο συνολικός αριθμός των αντιπροσώπων που έλαβαν μέρος στο Συνέδριο αυτό, ήταν 110.

Μέχρι τότε, η ΑΗΕΡΑ είχε εξαπλωθεί από την Φλόριδα στο Μάιν και στην Δύση μέχρι την Οκλαχόμα, το Μισσορι και έως το Σικάγο. Μέσα σε τέσσερα χρόνια είχε επεκταθεί στην μισή περίπου Αμερική και αυτό έγινε με περιορισμένο προϋπολογισμό και περιορισμένη οργα-

νωτική διάρθρωσι, αλλά με άπειρο άριστο ένθουσιασμό και δραστηριότητα, και με πολλά εμπόδια.

Οι αξιωματούχοι του Συνεδρίου του 1926 ήταν: Πρόεδρος Dean Alfange, Αντιπρόεδρος Achilles Catisnis, και Γραμματέας George N. Spannon.

Με απόφασι του Συνεδρίου δημιουργήθηκαν έννεα Περιφερειακές διοικήσεις. Σε καθενιά θα εξέλεγεται ένας Άνωτατος Κυβερνήτης. Και οι έννεα Κυβερνήτες, μαζί με τον ύπατο Πρόεδρο, τον Αντιπρόεδρο, τον Γραμματέα, τον Ταμία και τον Σύμβουλο (Counsellor) θα αποτελούσαν την 14μελή Ύπατη Στοά. Με την ίδια απόφασι, καταργήθηκαν οι θέσεις του Supreme Warden και του Supreme Chaplain. Το κατώτατο όριο ηλικίας για την είσοδο ενός νέου μέλους ανέθηκε από το 18ο στο 21ο έτος.

Το ίδιο συνέδριο υιοθέτησε τη οργάνωσι των Υιών του Περικλέους (Sons of Pericles) ως οργάνωσι νέων της ΑΗΕΡΑ. Η ηλικία των μελών της νέας οργάνωσης ώριση από 12 έως 21 ετών.

Οι Υιοί του Περικλέους

Η οργάνωσι των Υιών του Περικλέους ιδρύθη και οργανώθη από τον Dr. Alexander Cambadhis του Τμήματος του Μάντσεστερ, Νιου Χαμσάιρ, Νο. 44. Η αίτησι για τη υιοθέτησι της οργάνωσης στο Συνέδριο της ΑΗΕΡΑ έγινε από τον Peter T. Kourides. Ύπατο Γραμματέα των Υιών του Περικλέους.

Απεφασίσθη, επίσης, η τακτική έκδοσι του ανά χείρας περιοδικού της Οργάνωσης και Αχαική έκδοσι στην Ελλάδα. Ενεκρίθη η έγκριση της ΑΗΕΡΑ που συνέταξε ο τέως Πρόεδρος George Demeter. Το Συνέδριο αποφάσισε επίσης, να υποστηρίξει την αίτησι της Ελλάδος προς την Αμερικανική Κυβέρνησι για την χορήγησι ενός δανείου.

Κατά την διάρκεια των 12 μηνών που ακολούθησαν, η ΑΗΕΡΑ έφθασε στην Δυτική Ακτή, Σαράντ, νέα Τμήματα ιδρύθηκαν και οργανώθηκαν εν τω μεταξύ.

Η άπροσδόκητη και πολυμερής επιτυχία της ΑΗΕΡΑ προκάλεσε κρόχολες επιθέσεις κατά της αδελφότητος από πολλούς παραπλανημένους επικριτάς που έφθασαν στα άκρα, χαρακτηρίζοντας την ΑΗΕΡΑ σαν «άνθελληνική» οργάνωσι. Μεταξύ αυτών περιλαμβάνονται όσες σήμερες έλληνικές εφημερίδες της Αμερικής ως και ώρισμένοι κληρικοί της Ορθοδόξου Έλληνικής Εκκλησίας, άν και μερικοί από τους

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θερμούς υποστηρικτές της AHEPA ήταν κληρικοί. Το γεγονός ότι η AHEPA άρισε για τον εαυτό της να παραμείνει άπολιτική και να μη προσκολληθή ειδικά σε κανένα θρησκευτικό δόγμα, ήταν, προφανώς, περισσότερο από εκείνο που μπορούσαν να άνεχθούν ώρισμένοι αυτοκηρυχθέντες ήγέτες διαφόρων παροικιών και αυτοδιοικήθηκαν κριτές της πολιτικής και των προγραμμάτων της AHEPA.

Οι έπικριτές κατηγορήσαν την όργανωση ότι έκοψε τους δεσμούς της με την Έλληνορθόδοξο Έκκλησία. Έν τούτοις, τα στοιχεία άποδεικνύουν ότι εώθως έξ άρχης, η AHEPA και τα Τμήματά της, όχι μόνο ύπεστήριζαν, άλλ' ότι τα μέλη της έπαιξαν πρωτεύοντα ρόλο στο κτίσιμο νέων Έλληνορθόδοξων ναών, σ' όλη την Άμερική, ρόλο σημαντικότερο από τα μέλη κάθε άλλης όργανώσεως. Είναι γεγονός ότι η AHEPA δέν άπαιτεί από τα μέλη της να άνήκουν όπωσδήποτε στην Έλληνορθόδοξο Έκκλησία. Μπορεί ένας Άχέπαν να είναι Καθολικός, ή Προτεστάντης. Ούτε και άπαιτεί τα μέλη της να είναι μόνο Έλληνικής καταγωγής. Τα θέλει όμως να είναι «καλού, ήθικου χαρακτήρος».

Οι δεσμοί της Όργανώσεως με την Έκκλησία

Άν θελήση κανείς να έξετάσει τις έπιδόσεις των μελών της, θα έξακριβώση παντού την οικονομική βοήθεια που προσέφερε η AHEPA σε όλες τις έκκλησίες, σ' όλες τις Πολιτείες της Συμπολιτείας.

Η AHEPA δέν διέκοψε τους δεσμούς της με καμιά Έκκλησία. Άπλως, διακήρυξε ότι δέν ύπάρχουν περιορισμοί για να γίνει κανείς μέλος της, ότι είναι μια άνεξάρτητη άδελφότητα, με άσθπαρξία και χωρίς διοικητικούς δεσμούς με καμιά Έκκλησία.

Οι λόγοι της άνεξαρτησίας αυτής είναι πρόδηλοι για τον μελετητή της Έλληνικής μεταναστεύσεως στην Άμερική, κατά την διάρκεια και εύρος μετά τον Α' Παγκόσμιο Πόλεμο. Οι πολιτικές συνθήκες στην Ελλάδα χαρακτηριζόνταν από την διαμάχη μεταξύ Βενιζελικών και Βασιλικών. Η διαμάχη έπεξετάθη και στις Έλληνικές Παροικίες και Κοινότητες στην Άμερική. Οι Κοινότητες ήταν χωρισμένες σε δυό κατηγορίες, διαλόγιος των πεποιθήσεων των μελών εκάστης και ή διαίρεση εκείνη δέν ήταν κάτι που τιμούσε τις Κοινότητες ή τις Έκκλησίες. Σχεδόν όλες οι Έλληνοαμερικανικές όργανώσεις της έποχής άναμίχθηκαν στην έντονη πολιτική δια-

μάχη και επί πολλά χρόνια συνεχίσθηκαν οι άλληλοκατηγορίες μεταξύ των όργανώσεων, του τύπου, και της Έκκλησίας.

Οι ίδρυτές της AHEPA έξησαν αυτά τα δυσάρεστα γεγονότα και θέλησαν να άποφύγουν άνάλογη άνάμιξη της όργανώσεως σε τέτοιου είδους διαμάχες. Γι' αυτό, καθώρισαν να είναι ή όργανωση «άπολιτική» σ' ότι άφορά και την Ελλάδα και την Άμερική. Τα Τμήματά της ώρίσθησαν να μη συνδέονται με κανένα πολιτικό κόμμα και να μη ύποστηρίζουν κανένα ύποψήφιο για πολιτικό αξίωμα.

Έν τούτοις, σε άντίθεση με τις κατηγορίες εναντίον της AHEPA, δέν ύπήρχε καμιά πρόθεσι να άφαιρεθή από τα μέλη της όργανώσεως το δικαίωμα της έπαφής με τον λαό της Ελλάδος, και ένας από τους άντικειμενικούς σκοπούς της ήταν ή στενότερη δυνατή σχέση μεταξύ των λαών της Ελλάδος και της Άμερικής. Άν μελετήσει κανείς τα άνθρωπιστικά, φιλανθρωπικά και μορφωτικά προγράμματα της όργανώσεως θα θεσπαιωθή για την έκτασι της προσφράς της προς την Ελλάδα.

Η σημασία της γλώσσας

Η γλώσσα είναι το μέσο επικοινωνίας μεταξύ των ανθρώπων και οι ίδρυτές της AHEPA γνώριζαν καλά ότι για να λάθουν οι νεοαφικνούμενοι μετανάστες από την Ελλάδα την θέσι που έδικαιοούντο στην νέα τους πατρίδα, έπρεπε να ήταν σε θέσι να συνεννοούνται με τους νέους τους γείτονες και με έθνικούς που συνεργάζονταν έπαγγελματικώς. Ήταν άπολύτως άπαραίτητο να μάθουν άπταιστως την άγγλική γλώσσα και γι' αυτό έκρίθη σκόπιμο να χρησιμοποιηθούν για σχολεία εκμάθησεως της άγγλικής, οι αίθουσες στις όποιες στεγαζόνταν τα Τμήματα της όργανώσεως.

Έπρεπε, στις συνεδριάσεις να όμιλείται ή άγγλική, να διεξάγεται ή άλληλογραφία στην άγγλική, οι εκδόσεις και το περιοδικό να γράφονται στην άγγλική και ή μουσική τελετή να γίνεται έπίστως στην άγγλική.

Τό αποτέλεσμα ήταν πράγματι καταπληκτικά εύεργετικό για τα μέλη και ή AHEPA τοίς προσέφερε πολύ χρήσιμη όπηρεσία.

Την ίδια ώρα, όμως, που ή όργανωση επέμενε στην χρήση της άγγλικής, ύποστηριξε θερμώς και βοήθουσε στην έπέκτασι και στην διατήρησι των Έλληνικών σχολείων στα όποια τα παιδιά των Άχέπανς μάθαιναν έλληνικά σε άπογευματινά μαθήματα. Τα μαθήματα αυτά

άρχιζαν γύρω στις 4 μ.μ., για δυό ώρες, τρεις φορές την έβδομάδα. Η διδασκαλία γινόταν συνήθως σε τάξεις των τοπικών Έλληνορθόδοξων ναών, άλλ' όπου δέν ύπήρχαν τέτοιοι ναοί έχρησιμοποιούντο οι χώροι συνεδριάσεων των Τμημάτων της όργανώσεως. Στις μικρές κοινότητες οι διδάσκαλοι της Έλληνικής ήταν έθελοντές έπιχειρηματίες και έθελόντριες νοικοκυρές που είχαν μόρφωσι από την Ελλάδα.

Σχεδόν όλα τα μέλη της AHEPA κατά τα πρώτα χρόνια της ίδρύσεώς της, ήταν ίδιοκλήτες έστιατορίων, υτάινερς, όπωροπωλείων, άνθοπωλείων, ή ύπάλληλοι σε τέτοιου είδους έπιχειρήσεις. Τό μεγαλύτερο κεφάλαιο τους άπεδεικνύετο ότι ήταν ή καλή γνώσις της άγγλικής στην Άμιλία, άνάγνωσι και γραφή. Η AHEPA τοίς έξασφάλιζε ένα πρακτικό σχολείο με τό να ύποχρεώνη τα μέλη της να χρησιμοποιούν την γλώσσα που χρειαζόνταν όσο τίποτε άλλο στις έπιχειρήσεις τους. Δυό συνεδριάσεις τον μήνα, διαρκείας δυό-τριών ώρων, δέν ήταν έντατική εκμάθησι της άγγλικής, αλλά με την πάροδο των έτών οι συναντήσεις αυτές άποδείχθηκαν θσαρύτιμο κεφάλαιο. Καί μόνη ή άνάγνωσι του τελετουργικού σε όρθή γλώσσα και έπακριθη προφορά, βοήθουσε στην κατάλληλη έξοικείωσι με την άγγλική.

Ένα πρόσθετο εύεργέτημα για τα μέλη της AHEPA ήταν ή ένεργός συμμετοχή στις ύποθέσεις της Κοινότητας. Η AHEPA συνεργάσθηκε με άλλες κοινωνικές όργανώσεις και έφερε έτσι τα μέλη της σε έπαφή με τους ήγέτες της κοινοτικής και κοινωνικής ζωής.

Άντι να άποτελούν ένα ξεχωριστό, άπομονωμένο τμήμα εντός μιας κοινωνίας, οι Άμερικανοί Έλληνικής καταγωγής, ύποχρεώθηκαν από την AHEPA να έλθουν σε άμεση έπαφή με τους συμπολίτες τους και αή ή έπαφή έξασφάλιζε την συμμετοχή της οίκογενείας τους στην κοινωνική και οικονομική ζωή των έπι μέρους πόλεων.

Τό 5ο Συνέδριο

Τό Πέμπτο Συνέδριο συνήλθε στο Μαϊάμι, Φλώριδα, στο ξενοδοχείο «Κολόμπους», από 29 Αύγουστου έως 3 Σεπτεμβρίου 1927. Οι αξιωματοόχοι του Συνεδρίου ήταν: Πρόεδρος ο Achilles Catsonis, Αντιπρόεδρος ο Philip Stylianos και Γραμματέας ο Alexander Page. Παρόντες ήταν 122 άντιπρόσωποι, συμπεριλαμβανομένων δέκα αξιωματοόχων της Υπάτης Στοας, και έπτά μελών του μητρικού τμήματος. (Η συνέχεια στο προσεχές τεύχος)



FRATERNITY NEWS

MARLBORO MASS SCHOLARSHIP DANCE

On Saturday, November 6th, the Nicholas Granitsas Chapter # 105 Order of Ahepa, held its 27th Annual Scholarship Dance at the Elk's Club in Hudson, Mass.

This is one of the social highlights of the local chapter and proved to be a most enjoyable evening. The Adelpia Orchestra of Ipswich, Mass. provided the entertainment.

Invited guests included Rep. and Mrs. Joseph Navin; Mayor and Mrs. Frank Kelleher; Rev. and Mrs. Peter Chrisafideis; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bridges; also the scholarship winners; Miss Susan Lotz (\$250), George Bitzas (\$500), and Nicholas Kofos (\$350), winner of the Marlboro High School Ahepa Scholarship Award, the Marlboro Ahepa Family Scholarship 1st Award, and the Marlboro Ahepa Family Scholarship 2nd Award, which includes the Paul Hassapes Award (\$100), the Kofos Family Award (\$100), the Past President's Award (\$100), and the Peter Kanakis Award (\$50). Presentations were made at the dance by Anthony Gogolos, President, and Paul Hassapes.

President Gogolos and the entire committee extended its cordial invitation to the public to attend this worthy affair, which was attended by 300 people.

MARLBORO INITIATES 7

Seven new candidates win initiation with the Marlboro, Mass. Chapter of the Order of Ahepa at a mass initiation in Lowell, Mass. on November 16th.

The newly initiated members into the Nicholas Granitsas Chapter # 105, Marlboro, Mass., are Christos Chaousis, Norman Breault, Ray Cahill, Erythenis Karalis, Chris Pattas, Charles Ioannou and Tom Gaynor, bringing the membership up to 110 members, one of the most active chapters in the District. Their next social affair will be the Annual Ladies' Night at the Marlboro Country Club on January 22nd, under the chairmanship of Andrew Spanos, one of the Chapter's most successful affairs.



Appointment of Office Manager for the Cyprus Children's Fund and Cyprus Relief Fund of America, Inc.

The Board of Directors of the Cyprus Children's Fund, Inc. and Cyprus Relief Fund of America, Inc. have appointed Costas A. Pereos as Office Manager of the Funds.

Mr. Pereos was an account executive with James S. Vlasto Associates, Inc. a Public Relations firm in New York City. (James S. Vlasto recently resigned as President of James S. Vlasto Associates, Inc. to become Press Secretary to Governor Hugh Carey of New York.)

Mr. Pereos served as Press Aide to His Beatitude, Archbishop Makarios, President of the Republic of Cyprus, and he was a member of the Cyprus Delegation to the 30th General Assembly of the United Nations and the representative of Cyprus to the Fifth Committee (administrative and Budgetary Questions).

Mr. Pereos received his secondary education in Cyprus and New York City and holds a Bachelors Degree from Long Island University and a Masters Degree from the Graduate Faculty of the New School for Social Research in Political Science.

He has served for several years as President of the Cyprian Youth of America and Supreme Secretary of the Cyprus Federation of America.

"As rust corrupts iron, so envy corrupts men."

—ANISTHENES

RENAISSANCE CHAPTER # 404 HOLDS BALL FOR COOLEYS ANEMIA

I could have danced all night, was the first number played by famed Attica orchestra at the Annual Dance of the Renaissance Chapter and that was the happy theme for the evening. The capacity gathering kept the dance floor filled until the early hours of the morning. The affair was held at St. Spyridon Community Hall and the proceeds from the dance went to the adoption of Greek Cyprus Children, Help the Research Fund for Cooleys Anemia, food baskets for the needy of Washington Heights at Thanksgiving and Christmas, Scholarship students of the Greek Parochial School.

President Louis Sollas and his committee saw that everyone who attended received plenty of food, drinks and entertainment. The famous international singer Milton Stamos who is the most popular Greek entertainer around today, enthralled the audience with his songs and he received many requests. Many valuable prizes were won by the lucky guests. Special thanks has to go to vice president Tassos Orfanos who supplied the delicious food from the international famous restaurant The Delegate. Telegrams of congratulations were received from District Governor George T. Doumou and Supreme Councillor Thomas Lukas who were at a seminar in St. Croix in Virginia Islands. Among those present that night were: Presidents David Sapota, Spartan Chapter, Nick Prokos, Theodore Roosevelt Chapter, Stephen Vassilios, Evzone Chapter, Basic Dounocous, Stephen Parnassa, District Governor, Stella Rigas, Past District Governor, Athena Drewes Bridges, all had large delegations, chairman of the Ahepa Hospital committee of Henry Calcunes, Thomas Kefalas, John Kassimatis, Thomas Papas, Father Michael of Sts. Anargyri Church, Miss Paula, the School Principal, Mrs. Vali of the Cyprus Children's Fund plus many, many more.

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X. K. MICROOUTSICOS

Supreme President

Supreme President Microoutsicos has been a real active Ahepan since his initiation into Trenton Chapter No. 72 in 1938. His activities in Ahepa encompass the entire Ahepa Family. He has been an advisor to the Sons and Maids for over 25 years, and personally established the Altes Chapter of the Caughters.

After serving his Chapter in every capacity, he went on to serve as District No. 1 Athletic Director, Secretary, Lt. Governor and Governor. He has served on the Supreme Lodge as Governor, Treasurer and Vice President. He was Vice Commander of the 1962 Ahepa Easter Excursion.

Brother Microoutsicos has been an active participant in many civic and community projects. He has served as Trustee for the St. George Greek Orthodox Church for many years, twice being its President, President of the Greek School Board, President of Junior High School T.A., President of Lions Club, member of Mayor's Citizens Committee, member of the Advisory Board of the Hamilton Bank, Executive Secretary of the Fifth District Scholarship Fund and the Ahepa Fellowship at Princeton University for the study of Byzantine Art and Culture, Editor of the 5th District Publication "The Ahepa Voice" for the past 15 years.

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DR. PETER V. PAULUS

Supreme Vice President

Spanning a period of forty-five years in the Ahepa Family, Peter Paulus is claimed by three Ahepa Districts.

He was the first President of the Sons of Pericles Chapter in Canton, Ohio, was initiated into the Ahepa in the Cincinnati Chapter in 1939, served as President of the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Chapter for four consecutive years, belongs at present in the Cleveland, Ohio Chapter, and resides in Ypsilanti, Michigan.

He has previously served as District Governor of Pennsylvania's Power District, Supreme Governor, and Supreme Treasurer. Beginning in 1970, he has been involved with the Ahepa Educational Journey to Greece, making it a continuing program of the Ahepa. During the past two years he has been Chairman of the Ahepa Educational Foundation.

Dr. Paulus is the author of the new Ahepa Initiation Ritual which currently is the official ritual of the Order, and which is ready for distribution to the Chapters.

Professionally, Dr. Paulus is a Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry, and is Vice-President of The Standard Products Company, a multi-national manufacturer of automobile parts doing one hundred fifty million dollars annual business. He is nationally known in this field, has served in the National Academy of Sciences and the National Science Foundation, is a member of the leading scientific honorary societies, and an honorary member of the National Forensic League. He is listed in several of the biographical publications, including the International Who's Who in Finance and Industry.

His wife, Josephine, is a member of the Cleveland Daughters of Penelope and was District Secretary of Power District No. 4.

Dr. Paulus is a member of the St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church of Cleveland, Ohio.



**ANTHONY DEMAKOS
SUPREME VICE PRESIDENT
OF CANADA**

Supreme Vice President of Canada Anthony Demakos was born in Sparta, Greece in 1925 and is a member of Ahepa CJ2, London, Ont., Canada, where he was initiated in 1955. He has held all chapter offices, including two terms as President, and was Governor of District #23 in 1972 and 1973.

He is a sales representative for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, a Leaders Conference Qualifier with his company, and a member of Life Underwriters of Canada. Brother Demakos has been a member of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Parish Council for two terms and president of his Community from 1965-69 and from 1972 to the present date. He is married to the former Helen Tatulis, and they have three children, Straty, George and Andy.

News for Ahepan

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4. Send all material to: Order of Ahepa, 1422 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005.



GEORGE P. GABRIEL

Supreme Secretary

George P. Gabriel, General Manager of Atlas Minerals & Chemicals Division of ESB Incorporated, Mertztown, Pa., was born in Scranton, Pa. on September 18, 1923. Graduated from Keystone Junior College with an A.S. Degree in Chemistry in 1947; B.S. Degree in Chemical Engineering from Pennsylvania State University; alumnus of the Graduate School of Business—Columbia University; joined the U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers in 1942, and served until his discharge in 1946.

He is the inventor of many patents, author of many articles and lecturer on professional management for the American Management Associations and courses for various groups and colleges.

He is a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Pennsylvania, a certified corrosion engineer by the National Association of Corrosion Engineers, a member and past chairman of Committee C-3 on Chemical Resistant Nonmetallic Materials of the American Society for Testing and Materials and a member of the Society for the Advancement of Management.

In addition to the above, he is also involved in other businesses as a partner and stockholder in Penn Crest Gardens Apartments; Olympic Gardens Apartments; G.P. & P. Co. (a realty company); Gordian, Inc. (laundry and dry cleaning establishments) and Acropol Construction Co. (construction).

He is a Director of the Bank of Pennsylvania, Topton, Pa. and a member of the Board of Directors of the Tizon Chemical Corp. where he served as Chairman of the Board. He is a Mason and a Shriner.

He has served Ahepa in every capacity including the Presidency in his Chapter (Lehigh Chapter # 60, Allentown, Pa.). He has served as District Secretary, District Governor and has been the Executive Secretary of the District for the past eight years and Supreme Governor for the year 1975-76. He has attended the national Conventions for the last 11 years.

He attends St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, Bethlehem, Pa. where he has been a member of the Board of Trustees for many years and has been the President of the Church community.

He is married to the former Evangeline Banos, and has three daughters, i.e., Virginia the wife of Robert Vidoni, Alice G. and Renee D. He resides at 3340 Oxford Circle, Allentown, Pa.



PAUL A. KARRAS

Supreme Treasurer

Paul A. Karras is an active member of the Inglewood Chapter # 440 and has been President of the Rubber Teck Corporation for over thirty years specializing in the manufacturing of aircraft and missile component parts. He is also Chairman of the Board of the Randall Engineering Corporation.

He is an avid golfer and a member of many other organizations including the Masons, Shriners, and Jestors, etc.

Brother Karras resides in Granada Hills, California with his lovely wife of thirty-three years and their two daughters.



THOMAS J. LUKAS

Supreme Counsellor

Thomas J. Lukas, a New York City attorney, was born in Greece. At any age, moved to California where he completed elementary school. His family decided to return to Greece for a visit and found themselves in the middle of battle when World War II struck the Mediterranean country. When the war ended, Tom returned to the United States where he worked his way through college and the law school culminating in his admittance to the Bar in 1959 in Maryland and 1960 in New York.

Thomas J. Lukas is a member of the Queens county Bar Association and is presently the Vice President of the Greek American Lawyers Association of New York; is married to the former Thomas Lucas and blessed with three lovely daughters, Anne, Demmy and Jeannie.

Tom was initiated into the Order of Ahepa in 1950 (Elmira # 111). He later transferred to Manhattan No. 42 where he held many elected offices including the presidency of his chapter for two years.

Thomas J. Lukas, whose office is located at 33-10 30th Avenue in Astoria, New York, is also a mason, a member of his local political party and is active in church and community affairs. Mr. Lukas filed the original charter founding HANAC, the Hellenic American Neighborhood Action Committee, Inc. and has been an active member of the Board of Directors since its inception.

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COSTAS E. PAVLOU
SUPREME GOVERNOR

Costas E. Pavlou of Magnolia Chapter No. 344 of Jackson, Mississippi, has served the Ahepa in various chapter offices since his Initiation into the Order in 1968, and served on several committees. He also served District #1 as District Marshall, Lt. Governor, District Governor and Awarded the District Ahepa of the Year Award in 1972.

Costas was born in Hydra Island, Greece and raised in Piraeus, Greece until he migrated into the United States in 1960. He is a member of the Holy Trinity St. John The Theologina Church.

He is employed with Bector Corporation, Steel Erection Division and is a member of the Ironworkers Local Union No. 469 and serves on the Executive Board. Costas and his wife Dot live at 316 Swan Lake Drive, Jackson, Mississippi.



EMMANUEL S. ZAPHIRIOU

Supreme Governor

Emmanuel S. Zaphiriou (popularly known as "Manny") was born in Asia Minor and emigrated to the United States in 1920.

His interest in the AHEPA family was nurtured early in his youth. He was a charter member of the Sons of Pericles #25 and he attended his first National Convention in 1930 in Detroit. He was a member of the Indianapolis Chapter #232 serving as Vice President and President for four years. Under his presidency he was instrumental in organizing the Sons of Pericles and the Daughters of Penelope in Indianapolis. Currently he is a member of the Kokomo, Indiana Chapter #227. He has served as Secretary of Chapter #227 for the past three years.

Last year he presented the Greek Flag, a gift of the Greek Government, to the Executive Director of the World War Memorials Commission, to be placed in the Shrine of the World War Memorial in Indianapolis.

This year he was appointed by the Mayor of Indianapolis, William Hudnut III, to the Board of Directors of the Greater Indianapolis Progress Committee.

He is a 32nd degree Mason, a member of the Scottish Rite and a Shriner. He is a veteran of World War II. He was honorably discharged with the rank of sergeant.

Brother Zaphiriou was in the restaurant business for over 30 years and is now retired. He is married; his wife, Pauline, a charter member of Indianapolis Laertes Chapter, has been an active member of the Daughters of Penelope for 26 years. They reside in Indianapolis. They have two daughters, Dora Kay Ley and Pandora Doughty; two sons, John and Michael, both members of the Kokomo, Indiana Chapter #227; and five grandchildren.



STEPHEN JOHNSON

Supreme Governor

Stephen Johnson was born in Cleveland, Ohio on September 29, 1920. He presently resides with his wife Helen and family in Dallas, Texas. Brother Johnson joined the Sons of Pericles in 1939 and the Order of AHEPA after returning from active service with the United States Navy in 1946. He has held almost all chapter offices and has served as President of both Houston Chapter #29 and Dallas Chapter #20. In 1972-1973 he was District Governor of Delta District #16. Since 1947 he has served as Chairman or Vice-Chairman of many committees at the district and national conventions he has attended, and for the past seven years he has served as a member of the Credentials committee. He has also served with Brother Monthe Kofos as Southwestern Regional Athletic Director.

Outside of AHEPA Brother Johnson has been on the Board of Trustees of the Greek Orthodox Communities of Houston and Dallas, Texas. He has been a Regional Vice-President of the American Society of Lubrication Engineers and has been national membership chairman for three years. He is a manufacturer's representative, selling industrial equipment to industry in a four state area.

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DR. JAMES G. DEMOPOULOS

Supreme Governor

Brother Dr. James G. Demopoulos has been an active member of the Miami Chapter # 14 for the past fifteen years and served as District Governor of Citrus District # 2 during the past year.

Has also served as the S.E. Ahepa Regional Athletic Director for seven years; was treasurer of the 1973 Miami Ahepa National Convention, and in 1975, was Vice-President of the Board of Trustees at St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church.

He received his D.D.S. doctorate from the Emory University School of Dentistry in Atlanta, Georgia, and has been a practicing dentist for sixteen years.

Dr. Demopoulos resides in Miami, Florida with his lovely wife, the former Sylvia Kartsonis of Jacksonville, Florida; with their three children Anne, Elaine and George.

ZAPHIRIOU VISITS * DISTRICT # 12 CHAPTERS

Supreme Governor Zaphiriou visited the Kokomo, Anderson and Muncie Chapters in District # 12. At Kokomo, he had a combined meeting and dinner with the Daughters of Penelope, Chapter # 99, addressed the meeting and presented 45 year pins to two Brother Ahepans, Angelo Panagos and Nick Piakas; also presented President Achilles George and the others with a tie pin and cuff links, for their many contributions to the Order of Ahepa.



FRED ICONOS

Supreme Governor

- Born in Salonika, Greece.
- Received elementary and high school education in Greece.
- Migrated to this country in 1955.
- After investigating Buffalo University at Buffalo, New York, and University of Minnesota at Minneapolis, settled in Houston in January, 1956.
- Graduated from the University of Houston in 1961 with a B.S. in Chemistry.
- In 1956 employed by Merichem Co. of Houston as Laboratory Technician.
- In 1962, became in charge of Merichem's raw materials laboratory.
- In 1964, initiated into Alexander the Great Chapter # 29 at Houston, Texas.
- In 1965, attended his first Supreme Convention held in Athens, Greece, and all District and Supreme Conventions to date.
- In 1967, served as Secretary of Alexander the Great Chapter # 29.
- In 1968, served on the District Lodge of Delta District # 16 as Marshal.
- In 1969 District Secretary.
- In 1970, promoted to Manager of Refinery Services Department and elected District Governor of Delta District # 16.
- In 1971, was appointed on the National Advisory Board of the Sons of Pericles for a three-year term.
- In 1973, elected Secretary of the Miami Supreme Convention.
- In 1974, elected President of Alexander the Great Chapter # 29.
- In 1975, promoted to Director of Purchases for Merichem.
- During a vacation trip to Greece in 1975, he married the lovely Jenny Sandris and they now reside in River Plantation, a suburb of Houston.
- Served as Secretary of the Executive Committee for the 54th Supreme Convention held at Houston, Texas.



FRANK J. FRANCIS

Supreme Governor

Joined the Order of Ahepa February 22, 1946 in Salt Lake City, Utah, Beehive Chapter # 146; and held several offices in the Beehive chapter including President 1948. Joined the District Lodge in 1948 and was Lt. District Governor in 1950 District Lodge # 19.

Moved to San Francisco in 1950 transferred to the Golden Gate Chapter # 150. Held several offices including Vice-President for 1955, Vice-chairman of the Ahepa National Convention, which was held in San Francisco. Transferred to San Jose, Garden City Chapter # 251 in 1961. Held several offices in the chapter joined the District Lodge in 1970 and was District Governor of District # 21 during 1974-75.

General chairman of the 44th Annual District Convention in San Jose, July 1976.

Elected Supreme Governor of the Order of Ahepa at Houston, Texas.

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Supreme Governor of Canada Jean Pierre Van Eck was born and raised in The Hague, Holland. He was educated in the public school system of The Hague and received his formal education at the Delft University. He is a veteran of the United Forces in Korea and a recipient of the Presidential Unit Citation.

Since he migrated to Canada after a sojourn of four years as designer with the Arabian American Oil Company of Saudi Arabia, settling in Edmonton, Alberta, he soon joined the Order of Ahepa on April 28, 1963 and since that time has worked diligently and loyally for the advancement of the principals and ideals we profess to follow.

During his term as President, the Edmonton Chapter grew in membership to become the second largest Chapter in the country. The Chapter recognized his exceptional service by naming him "Ahepan of the Year" in 1969. He was instrumental in the purchase of the Ahepa Centennial building and since 1966 has been editor of the Aurora Borealis News Messenger, the only publication of its kind in the Canadian Ahepa domain. Brother Van Eck, being concerned with the Ahepa as a whole, has also devoted many of his talents and much of his time to the Royal Canadian District # 24 serving in all capacities including District Governor.

Aside from the Ahepa, Jean Pierre Van Eck is a member of the Masonic Order, an active Kinsman and has recently become involved in the Unles-at-Large program. An ardent sportsman, he was selected to play in European International Rugby Games.

Ahepa Bicentennial Exhibit sponsored by the Palmerton Chapter # 266



A panoramic view of the exhibit with Brother Angelo Tsiantis, on the left, with Brother Dr. Daniel S. Kavadas.



Ceremony of the opening of the Exhibit, Left to Right: James C. Leventis, General Chairman of the Bicentennial Committee, the Honorable Mayor of Columbia, John Campbell and Dr. Daniel Kavadas, the Chapter's President.



Brother Ahepans with the Mayor of Columbia, South Carolina. Front Row—Left to Right: Gus Chiggess, Angelo Tsiantis, Dr. Daniel S. Kavadas, Chapter President, Honorable Mayor John Campbell, George Pechilis, and Dr. Emanuel Zelants. Back Row: James C. Leventis, Charles Soufas, Chapter's Secretary, Peter Parr and Louis Demos.

AHEPA INSURANCE PROGRAM

For the past ten years the Order of Ahepa has sponsored a complete life insurance and health insurance program for the benefit of its members and their families.

Our current program, which is administered by the James Group Service, Inc. of Chicago, consists of six plans, with our primary life plan offering our members up to \$50,000 of protection at an extremely low cost. The cost is adjusted by five year brackets. To make this program equitable for all, each insured pays according to his attained age. This group insurance is intended to supplement your current program, not replace it.

Our current life insurance program, which is underwritten by the All American Life and Casualty Company, offers members of Ahepa between \$10,000-\$50,000 of protection, with each spouse eligible for \$5,000 and each child \$1,000. ONLY members and their families are eligible to participate in this group insurance program. Ahepa incurs no expense in providing this program for you. It is strictly an important membership service designed to be of benefit to our members and their families. This program is made available without cost to the Ahepa.

A few highlights of the program are (1) No medical examinations, (2) all acceptable applicants under age 60 will be issued a Certificate of Insurance, (3) suicide is covered after the insurance has been in force for one year, (4) conversion privileges subject to policy provisions for all or part of members coverage regardless of physical condition or evidence of insurability. Your dependents may convert upon reaching age 23, or marriage, or cessation of dependency, (5) renewal safeguards—as long as you (a) continue your membership, (b) pay the premium, and (c) as long as the group policy remains in force your insurance cannot be terminated and coverage is renewable through age 69. Dependents insurance terminates at the same time yours does or when they no longer meet the eligibility requirements, whichever happens first.

SPECIAL \$10,000 GUARANTEED ACCEPTANCE PROVISION is currently being offered all eligible members under age 55. This special limited offer is offered to all members, even if they have previously had difficulty getting insurance. This \$10,000 is guaranteed providing, (1) You are under 55 years of age, (2) you have been continuously engaged in the duties of your occupation for the past 90 days and have not been hospitalized for the past six months, and (3) you can answer NO to the 3 questions on the application.

Besides the previously mentioned program, the Order of Ahepa, through our administrators, offers its members the following coverage:

1. Accident, sickness, disability income protection
2. Accidental death, dismemberment, and loss of eyesight protection.
3. Hospital confinement insurance.
4. \$25,000 major medical insurance.
5. Excess major medical insurance.
6. Cancer program.

More information and applications can be obtained by writing: James Group Service, Inc., 230 W. Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois 60606, or Ahepa Headquarters.

CANCER PLAN

The Order of Ahepa also offers all Ahepans and Daughters of Penelope a **CANCER PLAN**, which is extremely low in cost and provides maximum benefits to the insured. To date over 700 Ahepans and Daughters are enrolled in the plan, which is underwritten by the Transport Life Insurance Company and administered by the John Velis Agency in Washington, D.C.

TIMOTHY MANIATI
CHAIRMAN
AHEPA INSURANCE COMMITTEE

CHIRGOTIS ATTENDS TRUMAN MEDICAL CENTER DEDICATION

Past Supreme President, William G. Chirgotis, attended the outdoor dedication and cornerstone laying ceremony of the 40 million dollar Harry S. Truman Medical Center that was held in Kansas City, Missouri on Sunday, November 14, 1976, with over 600 persons in attendance.

During the dedication, Chirgotis formally unveiled a bronze bust of the late President Harry S. Truman that graces the entrance rotunda of the complex which he had presented as a "labor of love" and a tribute to the 33rd President of the United States in behalf of the Order of Ahepa.

Chirgotis had commissioned the world renown sculptor Rene Shapshak of New York City, a close friend of the President to create and design the full size bronze bust which rests on a polished marble base.

The following quotation may give us a bit of sustenance for thought:

"The way to be master is to be servant;
The way to get up is to get down;
The way to receive is to give;
The way to be rich is to be poor;
The way to be wise is to be a fool;
The way to be served is to serve;
The way to get ahead is to be behind;
The way to be helped is to help;
The way to be loved is to love."

1976 AHEPA EDUCATIONAL JOURNEY TO GREECE

The eighth consecutive Journey to Greece, sponsored by the Order of Ahepa, took place from July 11 to August 10 this year.

Thirty-one girls, and fifteen boys, accompanied by six counselors, one teacher, and one director, toured the mainland and some Aegean islands in a memorable trip to the land of their ancestors.

These Journeys are paid for partly by the student, who pay their plane fares, partly by the people of Greece, who pay for board and room and travelling in Greece, and partly by the Order of Ahepa which makes up whatever difference is required to complete the program and including the fares of the counselors.

In Greece, the Journey makes its headquarters at the Anavryta School in the Athens suburb of Kifissia. This school contains bedrooms, eating facilities, playground, gymnasium, and classrooms, which are at the disposal of our student travellers.

The students visit the historical centers in Athens, attend some of the cultural activities that go on in Athens during the summer, visit the spectacular temple of Poseidon at Sounion, and swim in the clear waters of the beaches at Glyfada.

Their inland journeys take them to places like Corinth, Meteora, and Thessaloniki. The students visit the ancient and remarkable theatre at Epidaurus, whose acoustics are wondrous to hear. They visit Olympia, where the ancient Olympic games were played, and whose museum contains the magnificent statue of Hermes, by Praxiteles. They go into the remarkable mountains overlooking Corinth Bay and visit Delphi, where the ancient oracle gave advice and below which almost a million olive trees fill the valley. They visit the rugged islands of the Aegean, full of history and mythology.

Their teacher, who accompanies them from America, prepares them for these visits with lessons at Anavryta in Greek history and mythology. They learn how the Gods took part in affairs of men, about the great minds and the great heroes of Greek history.

The Journey is not intended to give the student the finest accommodations. To learn about Greece, they live a more Spartan life at Anavryta School than they do in America; they eat Greek food and live in rural hotels.

But at the end of the Journey, in spite of some early disappointments in accommodations, food, and program arrangements, the students hunger for more and are reluctant to leave. They have tasted the sweet fruit of Hellas, and have made fond friendships among themselves. They cry upon parting.

Since Past Supreme President Gus Cherevas first organized this student visit to Greece in 1969, costs have gone up considerably. The original Anatolia program, in which students live at Anatolia College in Thessaloniki and study there, and take trips throughout Greece, is prohibitive in cost except for the very well-to-do. The present Journey represents a total expenditure of about fifteen hundred dollars per student and counselor. For this reason, it is unlikely that the Journey will handle more than fifty students a year unless more money is allocated by the students, by the Greek Government, and by the Ahepa, especially by the last two.

The Ahepa Educational Foundation and the Supreme President face a formidable task in 1977 to keep this desirable program alive and vital.

The 1976 Journey consisted of the following:

Director:	Peter Stamos	Miami, Florida
Instructor:	Angela K. Varlas	Wheeling, W. Va.
Boys Counselors:	Peter Niarhos	Jamica Plain, Mass.
	Christos Manis	Lowell, Mass.
Girls Counselors:	Kay Economou	Vero Beach, Fla.
	Helen Johnson	Dallas, Tex.
	Maria Sarivalas	Hammond, Ind.
	Florence Pappas	Washington, D.C.
Students:	Gail Georges	Hudson, Mass.
	Sam Christodoulou	Norwich, Conn.
	Carol Koines	Edina, Minn.
	Anne and Elaine Demopoulos	Miami, Fla.
	Patricia Kontaratos	Sylvania, Ohio
	George Tsiros	Detroit, Michigan
	Stephen LaBritt	Fresno, Calif.
	Nicholas Tatakis	Miami, Florida
	Paul and John Dorian	Philadelphia, Pa.
	Mark Santa Maria	Burlingame, Calif.
	Brady Hartman	Norwood, Mass.
	Francine Yuelys	Bronx, New York
	Michael Eric Eliades	Corpus Christi, Texas
	Jamie Barr	Troy, Michigan
	Marea Tesseris	E. Lansing, Mich.
	Kristine Kossaras	Friant, Calif.
	Sharen and Karen Grabova	Miami, Florida
	Wendy Ellen Nichols	Miami, Florida
	Nicholas Pappas	Miami, Florida
	Agnes and Martha Manolis	Pueblo, Colorado
	Tamara Kay Meyers	Mitchell, S. Dakota
	David Theodosopoulos	Ipswich, Mass.
	Melane Katsoris	Staten Island, N.Y.
	Tina Mariades	Dallas, Texas
	Theodora N. Zaris	Detroit, Michigan
	Debbie Kalomiris	Fresno, Calif.
	Tamra Hamilton	Miami, Florida
	Lisa Lee Kasterenakes	Miami, Florida
	Christine Lirakis	Miami, Florida
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	Dede Catsavis	St. Louis, Mo.
	Andrea Mastorakos	St. Louis, Mo.
	Tina Spanos	St. Louis, Mo.
	Stacy Sevastianos	St. Louis, Mo.
	Christopher Syrigos	Florissant, Mo.
	Catherine and Teresa Jackson	West Palm Beach, Florida
	Andrea Heiss	St. Louis, Mo.
	Michael Stamos	Miami, Florida
	William Kufasimes	Sacramento, Calif.



Fifty-four qualifying scholastic high school students of the Ahepa family, departing New York's Kennedy Airport on a four week program of cultural studies, sea and land tours of Greece on Ahepa's 1976 Annual Educational Journey to Greece. Pictured above are the departing students with the Director Peter Stamos of Miami, Florida; the counselors and the Past Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa William G. Chirgotis.



LOUIS VELLIOS FETED

Coney Island Chapter #200 held a Testimonial Dinner in honor of Louis Vellios, a 50 year member of the Order of Ahepa.

About 150 persons gathered at the Aegean Isles Restaurant to honor this great brother. Included were Brother Vellios' family as well as District Governor George Douris of New York State who presented Brother Louis Vellios with the official cuff links from the City of New York. Brother George Gallis, President of the Coney Island Chapter, presented a plaque of service to Brother Vellios and Brother Steve Arniotes. Past District Governor and President of the Three Hierarchs community also spoke highly of Brother Vellios calling him "Barba Vellios", "the man who we all respect and look for his guidance and advice".



Petros Petrides, shown receiving the AHEPA Community Service Award from Brother Tony Petros. Others in the photo are: District Governor Peter Stamos, Supreme Vice-President Dr. Peter Paschos and Chapter President Theodore Constantinou, PDG.



The District Governor of District # 6 Brother George Douris addressing the members of the Eureka Chapter # 52 at Newark, New Jersey with the President of that chapter Brother Nick G. Paras, and District Governor District # 5 Soloon Petrides on the right.



CHRISTINE GALANIS

Grand Governor Zone IV

Elected Grand Governor Zone IV at the 1976 National Convention held at Houston, Texas.

Served as District Governor 1973-74 after holding district offices.

Local level, Pyramid Chapter held all chapter offices—twice President.

Was Maids Advisor for Zoe Maids Chapter located in Anaheim, Calif.

Worked with Church on various events, including serving on the Parish Council (first woman to do so) in Orange County, Calif.

Formerly the Public Information Officer for Orange County, holding this office for 12 years.

Now employed as Administrative Assistant at a private school in the San Fernando Area of California.

Has been employed by the Department of Education in Sacramento; Department of Finance—Sacramento; Department of Public Utilities Commission—Los Angeles.

**NORWICH AHEPA CELEBRATES
50TH ANNIVERSARY**

Approximately 200 members, their families and guests of the Norwich AHEPA chapter number 110, helped observe that Connecticut chapter's golden anniversary-banquet on October 23rd. Chapter president Theodore Constantinou (PDG) acted as the master-of-ceremonies, for this momentous occasion which saw numerous awards and presentations made.

Main speaker, for the evening, was Supreme Vice-President Dr. Peter Paulus who presented the two Norwich members their 50 year pins and certificates—Louis Stavrou (charter member) and Stamatios Lahaniatis. These two members were given the honor of cutting the beautiful 50th anniversary cake, made by Mrs. Rita Alexopoulos.

The chapter's annual Ahepan Of The Year Award was presented to James

Christodoulos. A AHEPA Community Service Award was presented to Petros Petrides and a special "AHEPA Special Assistance Award" was presented to Mrs. Joan Botchis. Other presentations were a Past Presidents Pin to Cleon George and a 25 year pin to Theodore Stavrou.

Guest were present from West Haven, Hartford, New London, Providence and Philadelphia. That same afternoon, the Norwich Chapter held special initiation of 10 new members, several of them being gradsons of the 50 year members. Initiated that day were: Nicholas Fanolis, Theodore Daniska, Dennis Hancin, Democles Angelopoulos, George Maistreliis, Lt. Kirk Kirkpatrick, Joseph Wilk, Dennis Daniska, Anthony Fratoni and Andrew Stevens.



Louis Stavrou with Supreme Vice-President Dr. Peter Paulus and Stamatios Lahaniatis. Both Norwich chapter members were presented their 50 year pins and certificates.

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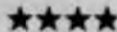
ANN MORRIS

Grand President

Ann Morris is a member, past president, treasurer and secretary and one of the founders of AIA, chapter #99. She has served her chapter and district through all offices including that of District Governor of District 12, and all offices of the Grand Lodge.

Ann is an active civic worker in her hometown of Wabash, Indiana. She served as past secretary and past president of Kappa, Delta Pi Sorority. She is a past president of Read and Review; active in civic music and antique seminars, and serves as city consultant for downtown beautification.

She is married to James, and she is the mother of two sons Conrad and Jon. A co-owner of the "Sweet Shop", Ann and Jim have been in business in the same location for 38 years.



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CLEO GIRGULIS

Grand Vice-President Canada

The Grand Vice-President Cleo Girgulis was born in Triglia, Asia Minor and is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anastasios Barootes. She is married to Sam Harry Girgulis and with their three daughters live in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Was initiated into the Daughters of Penelope in 1943 and has held the offices of Marshal, Treasurer, Secretary and President of the Telemachus Chapter #69.

Served as District Secretary, Treasurer and as District Governor 1945-1947 of District #24 and was instrumental in organizing the Edmonton #269 and Calgary #295 Chapters in 1959. In 1972 she was elected Convention Chairman at the Atlanta Supreme Convention.

Presently editing the Ahepa Beacon District #24 publication and was elected Grand Vice-President at the Houston National Supreme Convention.



MARY MANITZAS

Grand Vice-President

The Grand Vice-President of the Daughters of Penelope, Miss Mary Manitzas, was born in Megalo Pefko, Greece, Mary, with her parents and two sisters, lived in De Ridder, Louisiana before moving to Shreveport. She graduated from Fair Park High School. Mary attended Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, Louisiana and graduated with a B.A. Degree in Elementary Education. While at Northwestern she was a sophomore counsellor, and a member and officer of the Student Teacher's Association. She has a Masters Degree in Educational Supervision and Administration from Northwestern.

She is presently an elementary Coordinator of Instruction. Her professional affiliations include the Parish Teachers Association, District Department of Classroom Teachers, Louisiana Teachers Association, and the International Reading Association. Mary has served two terms as treasurer in the parent-teachers organization.

Mary is a member of Ajax Chapter #211, Daughters of Penelope. She has served as chairman of many committees, advisor to the Maids of Athena, secretary, and vice president and has been cited as Outstanding Secretary and Daughter of the Year in her District.

On the District level she has served as Convention Chairman, District Advisor to the Maids of Athena, District Secretary, Lt. Governor, and Governor.

On the national level Mary has been Penelope of the Year Chairman, served on the credentials committee and as Grand Governor, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary.

Mary is a member of St. George Greek Orthodox Church where she has been a Sunday School teacher, assists with Church programs, and in teaching young people Greek Folk dancing.



JO ANN PAGONIS

Grand Treasurer

Sister Jo Ann Pagonis was elected Grand Treasurer after having served as Grand Governor for two terms and National Advisor to the Maids of Athena for two years.

She has served in her district as Treasurer, Secretary, Lt. Governor and District Governor. This past year she was chosen District 15's Penelope of the Year.

Wife and Mother of an active AHEPA family, her husband Michael is the current President of AHEPA Chapter 240. Their children are Gina, Gregory, Mark and Johnny Mike, all are Maids and Sons members. In addition to this lovely family they are blessed with a beautiful daughter-in-law the former Faye Bouakadakis and one grandson, Michael.

In addition to working at the U.S. Postal Service in the training section for 8 years sister Pagonis is an active member of Westwood Chapter of the Eastern Star, and the White Shrine.



ELLEN H. KALLIGONIS

Grand Governor Zone I

Grand Governor Zone I, Ellen H. Kalligonis, was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and resides in Wynnewood, Pennsylvania with her mother and sister.

After graduation from Lower Merion High School, she attended Harcum Junior College where she received an A.S. degree. She was elected to the Phi Theta Kappa Sorority and to the Harcum Club, which is the highest honor bestowed on a student.

Sister Ellen became a member of the Tritonia Chapter # 129 of Philadelphia in 1966 having been elected to every office except Treasurer and Recording Secretary. From 1967 through 1973, Sister Ellen began serving on the District Lodge of Power District # 4 as Treasurer and two terms as District Governor. She was instrumental in initiating the Pandora Chapter # 332 of Eastern Delaware County in 1973. She also planned and participated in several conferences combined with Districts 5, 6, 7, and 11. Sister Ellen is serving her second term on the Grand Lodge as Grand Governor Zone I. In addition she has served the National Order as Chairman of the National Scholarship Committee for two years and as Chairman of the St. Basil's Seal Drive for 1974-1975.

In her professional career, Sister Ellen has held several positions in the medical field. She began as secretary to the Associate Director of the Clinical Laboratories of Thomas Jefferson University Hospital for two and a half years after which she was promoted to the position of Administrative Secretary, and accepted the position of Administrative Secretary to the Professor and Chairman of the Department of Ophthalmology of the Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University.



ANGELA K. VARLAS

Grand Governor Zone II

Grand Governor Angela K. Varlas was initiated as a Charter Member into Seman Chapter No. 256 of Wheeling, West Virginia in 1952. That year she served as Chapter as Charter President and has served the Chapter in every office except Treasurer.

Has served on the District Lodge of Power District No. 4 as Marshall, Treasurer and District Governor. After her Chapter was relocated to Buckeye District No. 11, she served the District as Treasurer and District Governor.

She has attended many District Conventions, serving as Convention Chairman four times. At Supreme Conventions she has served as Parliamentarian at the Montreal Convention; Secretary at the Atlanta Convention; Vice Chairman at the Hollywood Convention. Last year Sister Varlas served as National Chairman of the Daughters' Scholarship Committee.

Sister Varlas' dedication, loyalty and efforts were rewarded last year when she was chosen as the National Penelope of the Year 1975. At the Huston Supreme Convention she was elected as Grand Governor of Zone II.

She is an active member of St. John's Orthodox Church serving for many years as Director of the Sunday School and is a member of the Church Council Board serving her sixth consecutive year.

Professionally she is in the field of Education, employed by the Marshall County School System. Currently serving as an Elementary School Principal.

Sister Varlas is the wife of Brother George Varlas, a member of Miltiadis Chapter of Wheeling and are the parents of two daughters Anna-K. and Ellen.

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CLEON ROBERT NIXON

Old Capital Chapter No. 13 was saddened this past summer by the loss of one of its founders, Supreme Governor and Counselor Brother Cleon Robert Nixon. A native of St. Paris, Ohio and a graduate of Shurtleff College, Alton, Ill. and Georgetown University School of Law, Brother Nixon came to Tulsa in 1916 where he practiced law for many years. Brother Nixon was one of the founders of Tulsa Ahepa Chapter No. 13 and was Tulsa's delegate to many of the Order's initial national conventions. He also helped to organize AHEPA's first excursion to Greece in the 1920's. Brother Nixon worked closely with the county, state, and national bar associations. A former Bureau of Investigation agent, Brother Nixon spent ten years in the Oklahoma Legislature, serving on many important committees and as minority whip in 1946 and 1952. He was the guiding light in early day Tulsa Ahepa activities and contributed immensely to the success of Ahepa in Tulsa and in District 15.

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JAMES MAVROGIANIS

LOWELL—James Mavrogianis of 334 Nesmith St., a member of a prominent family and an active member of church and fraternal affairs, died unexpectedly July 2, 1976.

He was born in Woburn, the son of the late John and the late Erene (Mihalas) Mavrogianis, and had resided in the Greater-Lowell area most of his life. He was a graduate of the Tewksbury schools and was Valedictorian of his class at Tewksbury high school.

He was a member of the Greek Orthodox church of the Transfiguration of Our Savior, a member of the choir and a past member of the Board of Directors of the Church.

He was the past Secretary and Treasurer and at present was serving his second term as president of the AHEPA Hellas Chapter 102 and was a delegaty to the AHEPA National Convention. He was an Advisor to the Sons of Pericles, a member of the Lowell Lodge of Elks, Kilwinning Lodge AF and AM, and the Pan Laconian Society.

As president of the AHEPA he had received awards for making Lowell Chapter of the AHEPA number one in membership in the United States.



EMANUEL STAVROS LAMPROS

On July 26, 1976, the Woodrow Wilson Chapter #241 of Newport News, Virginia lost one of its charter members, Emanuel Stavros Lampros. In his 47 years of service to AHEPA, Brother Emanuel held every office of the Woodrow Wilson Chapter holding the office of Captain of the Guard at the time of his death. Survivors include his wife Mary, daughter Renee, and granddaughter Alexis. Brother Emanuel is gone but remains in memory. His service, devotion, and ideals exemplify the best of AHEPA.



Brother John A. Kiamos, member of the Ahepa Home at St. Basil's Academy passed away on Sunday, November 7, 1976 of a heart attack. Brother Kiamos, an Ahepan for more than 50 years served as Supreme Treasurer of the fraternity and was active in numerous charitable organizations. His loss will be greatly felt by the entire Ahepa family.

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DR. MONTHE N. KOFOS
Supreme Athletic Director

As an Ahepan since 1947, Dr. Monthe Kofos of Marlboro, Mass. has held all elective Chapter offices, Athletic Director for 15 years, and Scholarship Chairman for 28 years. Served as District #8 Advisor 2 years and Athletic Director for 13 successive years, initiating the first District #8 athletic program.

Appointed New England zone Athletic Director for 8 years, conducting about 100 tournaments in the District and N.E. areas. Participated in all tournaments conducted, including 27 District Bowling and 16 Golf tournaments; 35 N.E. Golf and Bowling Tourneys.

Elected in Minneapolis in 1969 as National Athletic Director and is now serving his 8th successive year as National Director. In this capacity, he has revived the National Bowling, Invitational Golf, and Basketball tournaments; including 4 Regional Golf Tournaments each year over the past 5 years, with Finals at convention; has revived the Convention Sports program, including golf, Olympiad, Tennis and Swimming. Organized two All Star Basketball Teams (1977-75) and one Track (1970) to Greece. He also initiated the Ahepa Hellenic Athletic Hall of Fame program, which has drawn national attention, now in its 3rd year. His Awards program, including the Chirgotis Athlete, Kekeris Scholar-Athlete, the Triphon Basketball, the Triphon Track, and the Dr. Spirtos Golf Awards have been most successful.

A graduate of the N.E. Collete of Optometry, practicing for 29 years, he has served on his Church Board and committees, member of the American Optometric Association, American Legion and Masons. Served in the U.S. Navy in World War II in the Philippines.

He is married to the former Kathryn Douvas of Hastings, Neb. and they have 3 children, Nicholas, Kathryn, and Matthew.



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By Supreme Athletic Director Dr. Monthe Kofos



LEAH POULOS—World Speed Skating Champion and Silver Medal Winner in Olympic Games Innsbruck, shown with the Harra Agganis Award, the only female ever to receive this award in its year history. Dr. Monthe Kofos, SUPREME ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, is shown with Leah, who made a great hit with the 800 in attendance. Leah will be competing for World titles this winter in Europe.



Dr. Monthe Kofos, SUPREME ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, ORDER OF AHEPA, receiving award from Louis Asimakopoulos, Midwestern Regional Director, for outstanding service in the field of Ahepa athletics, at the District #13 Sports Award Banquet. His rejuvenation of all aspects of the Athletic program, golf regionals, bowling, basketball, many awards, All Star teams, Convention programs and his newly innovated Ahepa Hellenic Athletic Hall of Fame program was cited by Asimakopoulos as the 800 present. Dave Condon, Chicago Sports writer at right with Leah Poulos.



Jim Rappis, outstanding basketball star from Arizona University being presented with "WILLIAM G. CHIRGOTIS OUTSTANDING COLLEGIATE ATHLETE AWARD" and the "JAMES KEKERIS SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD" by Dr. Monthe Kofos, Supreme Athletic Director, at Convention Banquet in Houston before 1200 people. Mrs. William G. Chirgotis is shown in foreground.

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PETER CLENTZOS

Peter Clentzos, one of the ten charter members of the Ahepa Athletic Hall of Fame was honored recently in Pasadena when he was inducted. Clentzos who set vaulting records up and down the coast that stood for years achieved outstanding fame at the U. of Southern Calif. as a 3 year letterman in Track and in 2 National Championship track teams, was Pacific Intercollegiate Pole Vault Champion, won 2 places in Intercollegiate Athletic Assoc. National Championship. Best height was 13'9". Competed in 1932 Olympic Games, finishing 7th. He set a National Greek record of 13'2" that stood for 15 years; Took first in the Balkan games in Istanbul and undefeated in foreign competition that year. He was Southern Cal. Amateur wrestling champion in 1936 (175 lbs) and runnerup in Nat. A.A.A.U. wrestling championship.

Served Order of Ahepa as Nat. Dir. for 10 years, initiating the Hellenic Olympiad, an event that is a highlight of the Ahepa Convention Athletic Program. Coaching career spanned 1936-1939. Coached Willie Davis, national long jump record holder 25'5". Took Track teams to Greece in 1957 and 1970. Officiated football 27 years; 25 years in basketball and 35 years as an A.A.U. official in Track and currently instructional chairman for the S.P.A.A.U. in Southern Cal. Member of many organizations, finds as one of his favorite hobbies, conducting the Annual Ahepa Western Regional Golf Tourney each year. Shown in this picture winning 1st place in meet vs Stanford with a vault of 13'6" in 1930.



DEMOSTHENES K. ANDRECOPOULOS

Demosthenes Konstandies Andrecopoulos also known as "Dee" Andros was honored at a Ahepa Athletic Hall of Fame Award Dinner on June 3, 1976 in Portland by the Mt. Hood Chapter # 154. Andros was selected as a charter member, one of the first 10 all time Hellenic athletes in the U.S. for the Hall of Fame. Affectionately known as "The Great Pumpkin", he was a runner up as coach of the year in 1967, when his football team acquired the name of Giant Killers for beating the #1 and #2 teams, U.S.C. and Purdue. Graduate of U. of Oklahoma, where he starred for 4 years in football, An All American, he served as assistant coach at Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas Tech, Nebraska, and Illinois after which he worked up to Head Coach at Idaho State in 1962-63-64 and head coach at Oregon State (1964-75). In 1967, a 7-2-1 record placed him 7th in Nation, and 7-3 in 1968, placed him 8th. Played in Gator Bowl in 1946, beating N.C.; Sugar Bowl in 1949, beating N.C.; his coaching duties brought him to various bowl games, coaching 2 Hula Bowls, the coaches All American 1968 Bowl, and 3 East-West Shrine Games in 1972-68-69.

Serving now as Athletic Director at Oregon State. Has served on Ahepa Athletic Awards Selection Committee for the William Chirgotis Athletic Award past 4 years.

The highlight of the ceremony was when Coach Andros received the Award and stated, "of all the many awards that I have received throughout my athletic career, this one means the most to me by far. I only wish my father, who passed away when I was seventeen, could share this great honor with me today."



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ALEX KAMPOURIS

ALEX KAMPOURIS, a charter member of the Order of Ahepa Athletic Hall of Fame as the first player of Greek descent to reach Major Leagues. Played 17 years of Pro ball, starting in 1932. Played with Cincinnati, N.Y. Giants, Brooklyn and Washington before finishing with Solons in 1948. In 1937, he hit 17 home runs, most ever by a second baseman until Cincinnati's Joe Morgan topped the record. He set a Pacific Coast League mark with 7 runs batted in in one inning. Considered by many as one of the fastest double play men ever in majors.

He retired recently from the Sacramento County Marshall's office.

"I'm deeply honored and most appreciative of the privilege and honor of being in the group of the first 10 selected", said Alex, shown here receiving award from Sacramento Chapter President, Larry Haralambakis and Demosthenes Givas, 3 time past president of chapter.

PETE PIHOS

PETE PIHOS—Indiana All American and All Pro-Phil Eagles, receiving Ahepa Athletic Hellenic Hall of Fame Award from Dave Condon, Master of Ceremonies, at recent Sports Award Banquet in Chicago on June 21st, where two Hall of Fame candidates were inducted.

Pihos, who was picked in 1970, year of its 75th Anniversary, as Indiana's All time greatest player. He was later selected to the All Time Big Ten team, and he did it all. All American as end in 1942-1943, unanimously. Led Indiana to a Big Ten title in 1945. With Philadelphia Eagles he led NFL receiver 3 seasons, gained All Pro selection 6 times and at one time held almost all Eagle records. Will go down in history as one of the greatest.

He was inducted into the National Football Foundation's Hall of Fame in 1968. In 1970 he became a member of the Professional Hall of Fame.

LOU TSIOROPOULOS

Lou Tsioropoulos was recently inducted into the Ahepa Athletic Hall of Fame at a special ceremony during Greek Heritage Weekend on July 25, 1976 in Louisville, Kentucky. Some 3000 people witnessed the presentation of the award by George Dilboy Chapter President, John Johnson. Lou, an all around athlete in Lynn, Mass., a High School All American Football player in 1948, lettered in 1951-52-54 at U. of Kentucky (won 85-5) 1950-51 S.E.C. Champions, NCAA Champions # 1 (32-21), 1951-52 S.E.C. Champions, # 1 in Polls (29-31), 1953-54 S.E.C. Champions # 1 in Polls (25-0); Hon. Mention All American; # 16 Jersey retired at U. of Kentucky; toured with College All Americans Globe trotters 1954; Starting teams on East squad—East-West Shrine Game. Outstanding defense player in South-East Conf; Atlantic Journal All S.E.C. Squad. Participated in first annual Kentucky-Ind. College All Star Game—Air Force champions 1954-55; A 3 year defensive specialist as a starter with Celtics who won 2 world championships, with Russell, Cousy, Sharman and Heisohn; he was forced to retire with an injured knee. In 1974 he was named in top three All Time Athletes from Lynn, Mass. along with Harray Agganis, Jim Hegan and Lou. In 1975 he was voted into the State of Kentucky Hall of Fame.

1977 AHEPA ATHLETIC PROGRAM

March 6, 1977

7th N.E. Ahepa Ten Pin Championship—Norwich, Conn.
Chairman: George Daopoulos

March 18-20, 1977

29th National Ahepa Basketball Tourney
Milwaukee, Wis.

Chairmen: George Kotsonis, John Philosophos

April 17, 1977

16th N.E. Ahepa Candlepin Championship—Nashua, N.H.
Chairman: George Daopoulos

March 9-10-11-12, 1977

15th National Ahepa Invitational Golf Tournament
Port Royal C.C.—Sonesta Hotel—Bermuda

Chairman: Monthe Kofos

Co-Chairmen: A. Poly, C. Agathigian, C. Pipilas

April 30, May 1, 1977

17th National Ahepa Bowling Championship—Hammond, Ind.
Host Chapter: Hammond, Ind.

August 8, 9, 1977

6th National Regional Golf Championship
New Orleans, La.

August 9-11-12, 1977

6th Convention City Tennis Championship
New Orleans, La.

August 9, 1977

Convention City Golf Tournament—New Orleans, La.

August 10, 1977

32nd Annual Ahepa Olympiad
New Orleans, La.

NATIONAL REGIONAL AHEPA GOLF TOURNAMENT

May, 1977

6th Annual Southern Regional Golf Tournament
Miami, Fla.

Chairman: Dr. James Demopoulos

June 4, 1977

12th Annual N.E. Regional Golf Tourney
Hartford, Conn.

Chairman: Art Poly

July 16, 1977

5th Annual Far Western Regional Golf Tournament
Pasadena Cal.—Chairman: Peter Clentzos

July 11, 1977

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DR. MONTHE KOFOS—Supreme Athletic Director—serving his 8th year—recipient of Outstanding Award.

MILT PAPPAS—Major League great—one of first 10 inducted in Ahepa Hall of Fame.

LEAH POULOS—recipient of Harry Agganis Award as the outstanding Hellene in the field of athletics in 1975; a World Speed Skating Champion, a Silver Medal winner in Winter Olympics; first woman ever to receive this award.

PETE PIHOS—was among the first ten inducted into the Ahepa Hall of Fame, All American, All Pro; one of football's all time greatest.

PIRO SIAGGAS—Secretary of the selection committee for the Ahepa Hall of Fame. A basketball coach for the Greece Ahepa All Star team, and chairman of Van Nomikos Ahepa Invitational Basketball Tournament in Milwaukee.



GROUP OF THE OUTSTANDING ATHLETES IN DISTRICT = 13 SPORTS AWARD BANQUET THAT WERE HONORED.

Seated—center: MILT PAPPAS (no hit fame), LEAH POULOS—Silver Medal Winner in Olympics, PETE PIHOS—All Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Second row—6th from right—BILL VEEK, LOUIS ASIMAKOPOULOS, Dr. MONTHE N. KOFOS, SUPREME ATHLETIC DIRECTOR.

RAPPIS WINS WILLIAM G. CHIRGOTIS COLLEGIATE AWARD

The Department of Athletics of the Order of Ahepa is most privileged to present its 5th recipient of the William G. Chirgotis Collegiate Award. This award is presented every year to the Outstanding Collegiate Athlete of Hellenic descent in the United States. This year's selection committee consisted of:

Johnny Morris—N.B.C. Sports Announcer
Dee Andros—Oregon State
Gus Ganakas—Michigan State
Robert Samaras—Wayne State University
James Kekeris—Former All-American—Univ. of Miss.
George Theophanis—Head Basketball Coach—Butler Univ.
Peter Clentzoas—Olympic Judge
Monthe Kofos—National Athletic Dir. Order of Ahepa

Following careful consideration, the 8 man committee selected a great basketball star from the University of Arizona. One of the Top All-Around athletes to ever come out of Wisconsin, where as a graduate of Wauchesa, Wis., he was 2-year All State and All Conference in Basketball. He was recruited as a Football Quarterback by Louisiana State University; Georgia Tech; Texas; Florida State; Notre Dame, and others.

He set 16 Milwaukee Suburban Conference records as a Quarterback; played on five championship teams during his H.S. career and named to Prep All American Team in both sports. He was recruited by Arizona University for Basketball.

1. He was a member of the Ahepa All Stars that played in Greece in 1976.

2. In 1976 he had letters from the NFL teams, including N.Y. Giants, and Dallas Cowboys showing interest.

3. Named Captain for 2nd year for Univ. of Arizona, starting guard for 4th straight year.

4. His sensational play, high scoring and last second heroics were instrumental in victories over Southern Methodist, Brigham Young, Portland State, Colorado State, Arizona State and others.

5. He made all Western Athlete Conference.

RAPPIS WINS KEKERIS AWARD

The James Kekeris Athlete-Scholar Award, a perpetual award established by the Former All-American of 1945-1946, from the U. of Missouri with an illustrious career with the Philadelphia Eagles and Green Bay Packers, is presented annually to a college senior with a 3.5 average and outstanding in athletics.

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MILT PAPPAS, one of the all time greats in Major League pitching receiving Ahepa Athletic Hellenic Hall of Fame Plaque from Bill Condos, Chicago Sports writer. Pappas gained fame for 209 victories in both leagues, pitched a no-hit game when he was surprisingly washed up, and a 3 times All Star game pitcher. He was one of 10 inducted this year into Ahepa Hall of Fame. First pitcher in history to record over 200 wins without benefit of winning at least 20 games in any one season. Won 11 straight in 1972, for a 17-7 record, highest percentage winner in majors.



enter Alexopoulos, Michael Stamos, Lt. Governor; Chris Stevens, Peter Stamos, District Governor; James Christodoulos, Theodore Constantinou (PDG) chapter president; George Botchis, George Scarvelis, District Marshal, Bill Trantalis, Paul Fotos, District Treasurer and Berge Kooloian, District Secretary.



ow Of New England Chapter No. 110 of Norwich, Connecticut shown unveiling their Past Presidents Plaque, which will be hung in the Church Community Center. Left to Right: Chapter President Theodore Constantinou, Brother Theodore Anelopoulos and looking on is Supreme Trustee Spiro Amaras.

Photo was taken during the Norwich Chapter's September 28th meeting, during which they were visited by the entire district lodge.



LOUIS MAVROMATIS

*Virginia Prep Star
in Football and Lacrosse*

Last season, as a junior on a senior dominated team, Norfolk Academy's Louis Mavromatis was the second leading rusher on the team and fourth best runner in the Virginia Prep League.

This year the 165 pound halfback, who stands 5 feet 10 inches, is making strides towards leading not only his team but the entire Prep League in rushing. At present with 68 carries "Bulldog" Louis has 412 yards rushing, in five games, and is the second leading rusher in the Prep League.

Louis is the youngest son of Brother Jack Mavromatis of Virginia Beach, Virginia an Ahepan for many years in the Norfolk Chapter in Virginia, and owner of the Dunes Hotel on Virginia Beach.

Louis now a senior is also an excellent Lacross player. Has been a starter for three years and during his sophomore and junior years was "ground ball leader". He now as a senior held a number of honors including All-Prep Midfielder and All Star Midfielder.

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AHEPA ALL STAR BASKETBALL TEAM

This year for the first time in the history of the Order of Ahepa Athletic Department, an All Star Team will be representing the fraternity at the major Hellenic Basketball Tournaments in the United States.

An idea spawned by energetic and Ahepa loving Spiro Siaggas will be put in force in the next few months. Spiro, Secretary of the Ahepa Hall of Fame, Chairman of the past 4 National Ahepa Basketball Tournaments in Milwaukee, and assistant coach for the Ahepa All Star Team sponsored by the George J. Triphon family in 1975, that went to Greece, has been highly involved the past few years with the Ahepa Sports program. Thus another first, thanks to Spiro, will be sponsored by the Ahepa Athletic Department this year.

Ahepa will gain considerable publicity by flooring a team, made up of 8 super stars, from various corners of the U.S. who are unable to participate in the big name Hellenic tournaments, due to lack of team sponsors, will be able to show their stuff in these popular Hellenic tournaments under the Ahepa Banner. Eight players will be chosen for this team which will participate in the National Ahepa Invitational Basketball Tourney, the National Sons of Pericles Tourney in Minneapolis, the National Hellenic Invitation in Chicago, Harry Agganis in Lynn, Mass., and the Denver Ahepa in Denver, Colorado.

Judge Tom Yeotis will serve as Treasurer for the year, while Siaggas will serve as coach for the 1977 team.

Choices for this team will come from those areas that do not sponsor a team for the aforementioned tournaments, affording exposure for these hoopsters who otherwise would not be given a chance, and Ahepa would be represented in all these tournaments giving it a progressive image, and great public relations in many cities while showing that the Ahepa Athletic Department is doing things to stimulate participation at various levels, and also provide support by the Ahepa to other national Greek tournaments.

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The team will be formed from players of Hellenic descent.

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