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Saturday, October 14, 2006
The University Club of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

Awards Dinner and Music Gala

Saturday, the Fourteenth of October, 2006

The University Club of Chicago

7:00 P.M. LIBRARY HALL—RECEPTION

8:00 P.M. CATHEDRAL HALL—WELCOME, INVOCATION AND DINNER

Emcee: Susanna Stregianis Homan, *Columnist, Chicago Sun Times*

In vocation: The Very Rev. Archimandrite Dimitrios Kantzavelos

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2006 SCHOLARSHIP GRANT WINNERS

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“HELLENIC HERITAGE AND LIVING LEGENDS”

by Chris P. Tomaras

2006 PARADIGM AWARD

to the President of Drexel University

Dr. Constantine Papadakis

THE LYRICAL JOURNEY

of Petros Gaitanos

to the Land of Sky-Blue Sea and Sweet Herbs

«Στη Χώρα της Αρμόρας και του Λυόσμου»

Menu

HORS D'OEUVRES

Dill Marinated Salmon and Goat Cheese Coronets
Jicama Roll with Tobiko and Maryland Crab
Spanakopita—Spinach & Feta Baked in Flaky Phyllo
Asparagus and Bay Scallop Tempura, Spicy Mango Sauce

DINNER

Croustade of Asparagus with Wild Mushrooms
with Madeira Chive Sauce

Salad of Red Endive, Lolla Rossa and Oak Leaf Lettuce with
Candied Walnuts and Sage Blue Cheese,
Balsamic Roasted Pear, Balsamic Vinaigrette

Duet of Angus Beef Filet and Thyme Roasted Shrimp
Tarragon Mustard Sauce
Dauphennoise Potatoes, Chef's Fall Vegetable

DESSERT

Chocolate Flourless Cake with Fig Ice Cream
Coffee, Tea, Soft Drinks

WINES

Hess Select Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon



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FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FOUNDATION

The Inspiration of Success



Chris P. Tomaras

One of the most gratifying aspects of the work we do at the Pan-Hellenic Scholarship Foundation is to review the records of the Greek American students who apply for scholarship awards.

In this 8th year of scholarships, after the work of the Academic Committee was completed, I found myself immersed, more than ever, in reading the files of our young Hellenes.

I was intensely impressed by the extraordinary high caliber of their character, their top academic rating, and the depth of their commitment to Hellenism.

Collectively read, the applications of these young men and women tell the story of the success of Greek Americans as individuals and as a community, and paint a bright picture for the future of Omogeneia in America.

Their stories touch our souls and inspire us. In some cases, their stories bring tears to our eyes. In others, they amaze us with the flexibility of their talent. Still, in other instances they make us feel humble. But in every case, they make us feel proud.

Similar feelings arise when we read the story of the winner of the 2006 Paradigm Award, the president of a major university, Dr. Constantine Papadakis. It is the tale of a successful immigrant entrepreneur-turned-academic. He took a one-time grand institution, Drexel University in Philadelphia, marched it into the 21st century, enriched it academically and financially, and then installed it to a leading position in its areas of expertise.

On this occasion, when we share an evening in the elegant setting of the University Club of Chicago to honor real winners, we also respond very deeply to the music of popular singer Petros Gaitanos. He provides us with different—but just as potent—feelings of inspiration through a lyrical journey filled with nostalgia.

We are thankful this evening to both the students who applied for scholarships and to their parents who, with their example and sacrifice, have prepared their children for success. We are equally thankful to Dr. Papadakis for being a stellar model for the Hellenic community. The stories of the student scholars and the university president are real paradigms because they demonstrate that we can link the best traditions and values from both our heritages and be proud Hellenes and Americans.

FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE ADVISORY BOARD

Success that Encourages Philanthropy



John Apostolou

Over the past decade, we have witnessed a dramatic progress in the development of this scholarship organization.

Especially in the past three years, from a modest start as a small group, this organization has become a source of substantial aid to Greek American students. And from a group concerned with children of Hellenes only from a small region of

Greece, it has become the PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation, thanks to the tenacity and the courageous leadership of our chairman, Chris Tomaras.

In the meantime, the number of scholarships and the size of the grants have expanded drastically. From a few scholarships of much smaller size, the foundation now grants scholarships that are substantially higher in their size.

The popular adage that “nothing succeeds like success” is particularly true in the case of this foundation. Greek American students have applied in increasingly larger numbers and their applications, as we have been informed by the Academic Committee, reveal high academic achievement and high degree of community involvement.

Those of us who support the PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation feel very gratified with the progress that has taken place. We realize that our contributions are allocated wisely and that the foundation is true to its goal of supporting outstanding Greek American students who demonstrate excellence in their studies.

As president of the Advisory Board I express my commitment to our mission and I urge every Hellene to contribute either individually or on behalf of their businesses. You can name a scholarship grant after your family’s name or give it the name of an individual who is close to you. Please take a minute and consider how you can help young, worthy students to succeed in their studies. The high caliber of our Omogeneia youths fires up our commitment and increases our determination to help as many youths as possible. Perhaps the day will come when we will be able to help every worthy student who applies for a scholarship.

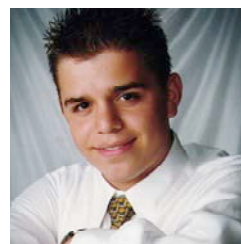
2006 Pan Hellenic Scholarship Grant Winners

This year we received an extraordinary large number of students who would be qualified to receive scholarships, so the competition was very intense. In order to grant scholarships to as many students as possible, in addition to the 11 scholarships of \$10,000 each, the foundation decided to recognize an additional 5 students, each with grants of \$5,000. This action increases the total funds expanded for scholarships to \$135,000. It is an increase in the number of scholarships that we hope we can continue in the future with the support of faithful donors and friends of the foundation.

The first 11 winners, in alphabetical order, are:



CHRISTINA V. DRACOPOULOS graduated in the upper 9% of her class at Waubonsie Valley High School, Aurora, where she was on the High Honor Roll all four years, on the National Honor Roll and ranked 4th in the state competition for DECA Business Law. Christina, an Indian Prairie Scholar, has been registered at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She also graduated from 6 years of afternoon Greek School. Even though she held a steady job during her junior and senior years, Christina helped tutor children in the afternoon Greek School in Palos Hills and in Aurora.



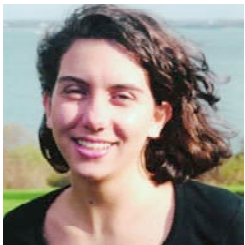
ZAHARIAS PETROS FOUNTAS graduated 4th in a class of 330 at Fenton Community High School in Bensenville, Illinois, and has been registered at the University of Chicago. "He excelled academically, participated in the athletic program, volunteered in the community, assisted students who needed help," it was summed up by his counselor. "Zack" served as co-captain of the varsity team, treasurer of the National Honor Society, captain of the Academic Team and as a key member of the Math Team. He represented Fenton at the Illinois Premier Boys State.



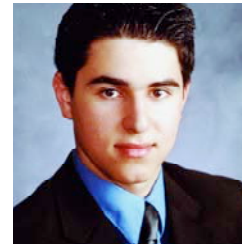
NICOLETTE D. GEORGACAKIS was 1st in her class of 30 at the New Braunfels Christian Academy in New Braunfels, Texas, and led or participated in a host of honors organizations, varsity athletics and academic and cultural competitions. Nikki has been registered at Patrick Henry College in Purcellville, Virginia. She states, "The Hellenic influence on our culture in America and the world can never be overemphasized. It reaches not only into the textbooks and governmental buildings of today, but also into the lives of all people that have ever benefited from the wisdom, knowledge and beauty of the Hellenic culture as it has been passed down to us."



CHRISTINA H. GEORGOPOULOS “came to Northwestern University from Benet Academy (Lesle, Illinois), a prestigious college-prep high school, with most impressive list of credentials,” wrote her university professor. Christina graduated at the top 1% of her class with many honors and decorations and has been on the Dean’s list at Northwestern every quarter. “Intellectually, I would classify her as being at the top 5% of the NU undergrads that I have taught ... As a first generation American, Christina is an articulate and mature young woman who stands apart from her peers with exemplary citizenship and services ... she is a winner in every sense of the word.”



ALEXIS ANASTASIA MANCINI graduated 1st in her class of 42 at Lincoln School in Providence, R.I., and is registered at Brown University. Her leadership qualities and strong family commitment are reflected in her achievements: Class Vice President and Treasurer; Yearbook Co-Editor; President of Greek Club and Math and Physics Club; Cross Country varsity, and, especially important, helps her ailing grandparents, one of whom is blind, with daily chores two days a week, takes them on car rides and reads to them. “The pride, dignity and responsibility associated with being Greek have been gifts beyond my expectations,” Alexis says.



ELLIOT PETROPOULOS graduated 7th out of 506 students in his class—having been on the high honors list all four years—and was accepted at the University of Illinois as a member of the GPPA program for medicine. His advanced placement teacher at Amos Alonzo Stagg High School in Palos Hills states, “I have truly never been as delighted as I am now writing on behalf of Elliot ... His work was of the highest quality ... (and) his intensity was revealed by his total commitment to excellence in everything he endeavored to accomplish. Elliot himself quotes, “... any road to reaching one’s maximum potential must be built on a bedrock of respect for the individual, a commitment to excellence, and a rejection of mediocrity.”



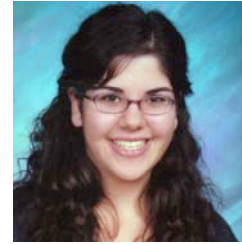
PROMETHEA O. PYTHAIDA is a specially gifted teenager, the youngest graduate ever of Montana State University at age 13. Promethea, who changed her name to strongly reflect her Hellenic Heritage, skipped elementary and high schools and was accepted at Montana at age 6 where she received a Math degree with highest honors. Her physics professor states, “Promethea obtained the top grade in my class ... one of four A’s. Her percentage of 97.2 was the highest earned in this ... difficult class ... (where) scoring this high is unusual for anyone.” The professor of the graduate quantum mechanics class states, “In the end she mastered the course, and equaled the performance of the very best graduate students ... All of this, from someone who was, at the time, 10 years old ... She is destined for great things.”



ELITSA V. NICOLAOU is ranked 1st out of 94 in her class at Laingsburg High School, Laingsburg, Michigan, where she was Valedictorian, Class President and on the Honor Roll for four years. Elitsa demonstrated she could participate in many community activities and served GOYA as president, AHEPA, and Women in Science and Engineering, even as she excelled in academics. Her teacher says, "Having Elitsa in class each day was something that I looked forward to. She remained dedicated in making herself the best academically ... She was not only a star student, but also involved in activities such as track, softball, student council and the school newspaper."



DIMITRI D. SKAOURIS, ranked 27th out of 442 in his high school class, is enrolled at the American Conservatory of Music in Hammond, Indiana, where he is a straight "A" student in Piano Performance, and has written music for chamber ensembles and solo piano. Dimitri is a former Illinois State Scholar and a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars. His professors say that "Dimitri has shown remarkable advancement and improvement toward the goal of being a fine pianist ... He has demonstrated consistent discipline, perseverance, and commitment to succeed at the highest musical standards."



EVDOKIA SKIADOPOULOS ranked 11th in a graduating class of 421 at Mother McAuley High School in Chicago and was 1st Place Winner at the St. Nicholas Oratorical contest, and secretary of the competitive Math Team and the Nodel U.N. Club. Evdokia is registered at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Her counselors at McAuley state that "She is an extremely bright student, a strong critical thinker ... who sets the highest academic standards for herself ... Evie is a responsible and caring young woman ... I find her ability to excel in so many academic areas quite amazing."



ANDREA MAHI STATHOPOULOS was ranked 1st in a class size of 294 at Willoughby-South High, Willoughby, Ohio, and is registered at DePauw University in Greencastle, Indiana. Besides her membership in the National Honors Society and the Principal's List for GPA, Andrea was Drama Club Stage Manager and a member of the Academic Decathlon team. "Decathlon requires students to master 10 subject areas ... Andrea has no weaknesses! ... She is one of the top decathletes in the state of Ohio ... She has developed an admirable set of personal values ... Personally, I have great respect for the strong cultural ties that Andrea has with her Greek heritage. Her many trips to Greece have provided her material for essays and speeches that emotionally reflect the passion she has for her homeland."

The following group of students, listed in alphabetical order, won scholarships of \$5,000 each:



EFFIE GATSINOS was in the upper 5% of her class, on the Dean's List for high academic achievement and a member of the Phi Eta Sigma academic honors society at Morgan Park Academy, Chicago. She is now attending Benedictine University where, in the words of her professor, she is "... an excellent student as demonstrated both in tests and in the quality ..." of her course work. "Effie is a motivated, well-mannered, articulate, and conscientious student ... A rare individual with unique talents and awareness."



PEGGY GATSINOS was Valedictorian at Morgan Park Academy, Chicago, when she graduated 1st in her class of 39 students. She graduated with College Honors and Distinction from the University of Illinois at Chicago with a Cumulative GPA of 4.96 of 5.00 and is now studying medicine at Northwestern University's Feinberg School. Her teachers state that "... She is an intelligent and committed individual, extremely well suited to the profession of medicine. Her commitment to volunteer work is further testimony to her caring nature ... She will become an excellent physician."



ANGELLA EVA KORITSARIS, a graduate with an Honors Diploma from the demanding St. Ignatius College Prep, Chicago, is on the Dean's List at Boston University. Angella has received a number of scholarships and recognitions including the Carpe Diem Foundation Humanitarian Award for academic excellence, leadership and community service and a long list of volunteer work in addition to her extracurricular activities.



STAVROULA B. KOTROTSIOS, a graduate in the upper 15% of her Marple Newton High School class in Philadelphia, is attending Villanova University and combines a strong determination and confidence, the result of adversities and strong work ethic. She is "indeed very impressive, showing breadth and depth in many topics ..." in the words of her counselor. Stavroula has an impressive creative side and has won numerous honors.



KRISTEN ELIZABETH PANTAZES, graduated in the upper 5% of her class of 225 at Kennett High School in Kennett Square, PA, and is registered at the College of William and Mary in Virginia. Her teacher states, "Kristen is a gifted student and her work is distinguished by a unique clarity of mathematical thought and maturity. For her work in the community and her school Kristen has received many awards and honors."

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2006 Paradigm Award

*A Life that Bridges Hellenic Values
and the American Dream*



DR. CONSTANTINE PAPADAKIS

*A life that bridges
Hellenic values and the
American Dream*

Dr. Constantine Papadakis, president of Drexel University in Philadelphia and recipient of the **2006 PARADIGM AWARD**, is an immigrant whose life and career are an extraordinary example of Hellenic attributes and values enriching society in America.

The Paradigm Award is an honor bestowed annually on a Hellene whose life and career inspire Greek Americans, especially students, to put forward their best effort and to excel so that they may make outstanding contributions to the U.S. as Americans of Hellenic descent.



Dr. Constantine Papadakis

“Dr. Papadakis represents a bridge between the successful Greek immigrant and the American dream, a link between what is entrepreneurially and academically best in Hellenism and a continuing extraordinary contribution to the American society,” according to Foundation Chairman Chris P. Tomaras.

In 1984 Dr. Papadakis agreed to head up Colorado State University’s civil engineering department, then the second largest in the nation and known for water resources research and an entrepreneurial faculty. Two years



Drexel University

later, he became the dean of the University of Cincinnati College of Engineering. There, he built top-quality graduate programs, more than quadrupled research contracts and grants and established relationships with leaders of local industry. During his tenure he increased the size of the faculty from 94 to 170 and commissioned architect Michael Graves to design a research center. Before turning to academia, Dr. Papadakis served as vice president of Tetra Tech, a Honeywell subsidiary, as vice president of STS Consultants and at several engineering positions with Bechtel Power Corporation, 1995.

Dr. Papadakis, an innovator in higher education with significant experience in both the academic and the corporate world, has been president of Drexel University since 1995. He has used the historic strengths of the university (cooperative education, focus on technology and the rich resources of its Philadelphia location) to double Drexel’s enrollment to 18,500 students, to quadruple freshmen applications and grow the endowment from \$90 million to \$550 million and research funding from \$14 million to \$105 million.

Drexel University is the 20th largest university in the United States, and to date Drexel is the sixth largest private employer in Philadelphia with 5,300 employees and an annual budget of about \$600 million. In 1998 Drexel acquired a College of Medicine—the largest private medical school in the nation—a College of Nursing and Health Professions and a School of Public Health which are now fully integrated academic units of the University. Drexel recently launched a new College of Law that focuses on intellectual property, health care and entrepreneurial business.

Dr. Papadakis received his diploma in Civil Engineering from the National Technical University of Athens in Greece. He holds a master’s degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Cincinnati

and a doctorate from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. He is a Professional Engineer registered in Ohio, Pennsylvania and Greece.

Dr. Papadakis now serves on the Board of Directors of Amkor Technology, Inc., Aqua America, Inc., CDI, Inc., Mace Security International, Met-Pro Corporation, Sovereign Bank, Philadelphia Stock Exchange, the Opera Company of Philadelphia, the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce Executive Committee, the Hellenic College / Holy Cross Board of Trustees and the Judicial Council of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Papadakis is especially proud of receiving the Justinian Society Award in 2005, being Knighted Cavaliere Ufficiale in the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic in 2004, and receiving the US Department of Treasury Medal of Merit in 2003. In 2001 he received the Golden Medal of Saint Isidore of the island of Chios, the Congressional Medal of Ellis Island, the Medal of the City of Athens, the key to the City of Pireas, the Heart of Philadelphia Award from the American Heart Association and was inducted in the Order of Saint Andrew the Apostle as Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople. Dr. Papadakis is a member of Leadership 100 group of supporters of the Orthodox Archdiocese of America.

Last year, when this award was inaugurated, the recipients of the Paradigm Award were U.S. Senator Paul Sarbanes and U.S. Representative Michael Billirakis, both of whom are retiring from elected public office after long, distinguished careers.

THE LYRICAL JOURNEY OF

Petros Gaitanos

TO THE LAND OF SKY-BLUE SEA AND SWEET HERBS

«Στη Χώρα της Αρμύρας και του Δυόσμου»



Petros Gaitanos

PETROS GAITANOS, born in Drama, Macedonia, is one of Greece's leading singers who combines the modern sound and song with a special interest in traditional music, often music that draws inspiration from Byzantium and the Church. In this unique style he interprets the modern song with a passion and a soul-searching pathos. After many years of musical studies, Petros

was awarded his diploma in Byzantine and European Music from The Hellenic Conservatory in Athens, having as a teacher Mr. Manolis Chatzimarcos. He has been an artistic director of the Karipeon Melathron Institute.

His first disc, *To Dillima (The Dilemma)*, with lyrics and music by Stamatis Spanoudakis, is well known from the great success of the song *Lathos Epohi (Wrong Time)*. This was followed by *Yalinos Dromeas (Glass Runner)* and *Se proto prosopo (In first person)*.

In these works, Petros Gaitanos cooperated with famous Greek composers, like Yannis Spanos, Christos Nicolopoulos, Arletta, Dionysis Tsaknis, Lavrendis Maheritsas, Pantelis Thalassinos and poets (versifiers), like Lina Nicolacopoulou, Manos Elephtheriou and others. These discs showed off, besides the important cooperations, great successes, such as: *Sto kastro to palio (In the old castle)*, *Ke me pernoun*



ta klamata (And I fall into tears). His next disc was *Politia Delta (State D)*, with music by Mikis Theodorakis and lyrics by Manos Elephtheriou. In 1995, he participated in Pavlos Pissanos' movie *Orpheus & Euridice*, performing the mourn of Euridice, starring Andrew Bullock, Carolina Lyriti and Oliver Reed as the narrator.

In Easter 1995, his disc named *Ora Enati (Ninth Hour)*, which is comprised of hymns of the Passion Week, appeared in the charts. This album marked the beginning of his artistic course and his effort to record Byzantine Ecclesiastic music in a series of CDs containing Byzantine hymns. Thus, there followed the album *Ta Thia Pathi (The Passion Week)*, which is the live recording of his concert in Easter 1996 in the Athens Cathedral with hymns of the Passion Week. This album also contains the wonderful *Hymn of Love*, from Paul the Apostle's First Epistle to the Corinthians. Next is his *Phos ek Photos (Light from Light)*, with Christmas, New Year's Day and Epiphany hymns and later a triple, tri-lingual box, entitled *I will chant hymns to my God as long as I exist*, which contains, besides the *Passion Week* and *Ninth Hour*, the *Pentecostarion*, with hymns of the Resurrection, the Ascension, the Pentecost, the Holy Spirit and the Miracles of Jesus.

In 2000, he presented the new CD *I Pighi tis Zois (The Source of Life)*, with hymns dedicated to the Virgin Mary, with the Greek actor Yannis Fertis as a narrator, while in 2003, he presented separately the CD *Pentecostarion*.

In October, 1997, he presented his new CD, entitled *Elephtheres Thalasses (Free Seas)*, and in March, 1998, he presented the album *Agheras, Erotas and Armyra, apo ti Mavri stin Aspri Thalassa (Wind, Love and Saltiness, from the Black to the White Sea)*, which quite soon became golden. At this point, Petros Gaitanos is in the beginning of a personal recording on a disc of some important moments of the



Hellenic traditional music. Songs from Minor Asia, Constantinople, the Aegean Sea, Pontus—the exquisite song *The mother is like fresh, cool water* (*The song of the mother*), which is included in this CD, has been really loved by people!

In 1999, he deals with the CD *I Thalassa sto Tragoudi* (*The Sea in the Song*), which contains songs that talk about the sea. Here, he has written the lyrics of the song about Mediterranean Anaemia, entitled *San poulaki pianome* (*I'm caught like a little bird*). The profits of this CD will go to reinforce the attempts of the Association of people suffering from Mediterranean Anaemia of Thessaloniki.

What's more, in 2000, the emotion and the response of the audience in his concerts, along with the great sales of the CD *Wind, Love and Saltiness*, gave to him the stimulus to present a second CD with traditional songs, this time from Macedonia, entitled *San ta kria ta nera* (*Like fresh, cool water*).

In the same year, he adapted and successfully sang the song of Yannis Marcopoulos, *I Mana tou Alexandrou* (*Alexander's Mother*).

In the years 1999-2000, he co-operated with the composer Ghiorgos Chatzinassios, who wrote for Petros songs played in the TV series *Love Borders* and *On the Wings of Love*, songs really loved from the first hearing.

With Constantinople as a starting point, he launched a unique tour of churches, where the audience responds with a deep feeling, and chants in its own way hymns which have emerged through the centuries.

It is also worth noting that Petros's occupation with the art of music has as its centre his communication with God and with the people. Through the various many kinds of music, he aims to gain for himself and to convey to his audience a true, deep spiritual feeling.

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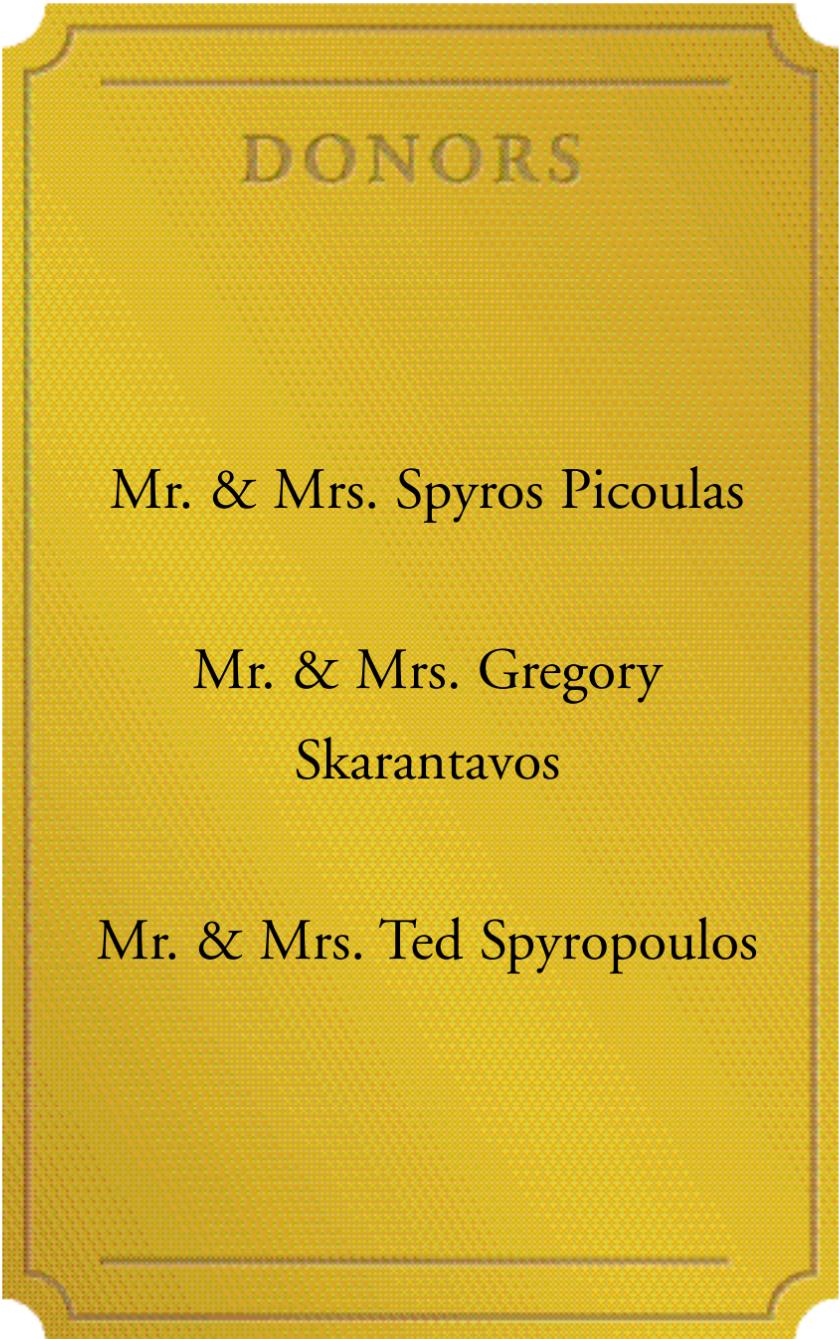
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Our Scholarship Foundation seeks to combine and utilize the highest principles of the American and Hellenic traditions in order to help develop Greek Americans, through the promotion of higher educational accomplishments and scholastic excellence.

In this way, these Greek Americans, proud of their ethnic heritage, are encouraged to participate actively in, and contribute meaningfully to, American society, distinguishing not only themselves, but all Hellenes as well.

OUR DIRECTORS AND ADMINISTRATION

The PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation is an Illinois non-profit corporation with an IRS designation of 501(c)(3). It is administered by a Board of Directors and an Executive Committee (Officers). A separate Advisory Board representing various disciplines provides guidance and support.

Selection of Award recipients is made by an Academic Committee appointed by the Board of Directors. This Committee works independently and makes its decisions based on the established criteria. Members of the Board of Directors, Officers, the Advisory Board and employees of the Foundation may not serve on the Academic Committee.

OUR GRANT AWARDS

Our Foundation's Scholarship Awards are offered to primarily high school graduates who are prepared to continue their studies at a college or university. In doing so we provide an opportunity to achieve a higher level of education that provides a platform for greater accomplishments in life. The Foundation also considers applicants among students already attending a university or college.

It is our intent that several Awards be offered annually, ranging up to \$10,000 , depending on the level of contributions and the resulting size of our Scholarship Fund in any given year.

Each year, during the Fall, a social gathering is held, organized by the Foundation, for presenting the Awards and honoring the recipients. The event is open to the general public and attended by the Award recipients, their families and friends, our donors, Foundation officials and dignitaries from the U.S. and Greece.

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