FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dearest Fellow Members,

Celebrating our faith is core to our culture and to the Hellenic University Club. We had two lovely events this month that enabled us to come together as a community and share in our faith. Thank you to Dr. Leo Iliadis for chairing the Vasilopita event at the Arts Ballroom on January 18th. We were joined by the other Hellenic professional organizations in Philadelphia and we were treated to a fantastic buffet presentation. I can only imagine what Chair Ellie Kelepours has planned for us at the Arts Ballroom for our Spring Dinner Dance on May 3rd! On January 27th we celebrated the annual Artoklasia service at St. George Cathedral. St. George was a gracious host and thank you to Peter Chrisanthopoulos for all of his efforts with planning this special event.

This month HUC goes to the theater! On Saturday, February 23rd we will be going to see Medea by Euripides at The Queens Theatre near Astoria, New York. This is a one-time performance by the Pancyprian Theatre Group. We will have dinner together in Astoria, and if time allows, there will be shopping as well. Please secure your reservation now as this event is open to the greater community and we will sell out. Details are included in the enclosed flyer. On February 12th, Kristina Thomopoulos and Konstantinos Vrontis have planned a happy-hour get together at OPA in Philadelphia, if you are able to join us please do so!

The theme of the Greek Independence Day parade this year is the 100th year remembrance of the Pontian Genocide. We will be partnering with The Federation and the Hellenic Film Society of New York to host two unique events. On Monday, April 1st we will host a lecture at Drexel and on Wednesday, April 3rd we will be having our first Hellenic Film Festival in Philadelphia. Please save these dates and look for the details in upcoming communications.

We look forward to seeing everyone at our many upcoming events!

Kind Regards,

Andrea Lazare Tsapralis
President
Andrea.Tsapralis@icloud.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

HAPPY HOUR EVENT AT OPA
Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 7:00 PM
OPA, beer garden
1311 Sansom St, Philadelphia, PA 19107
Please RSVP

MEDEA BY EURIPIDES
Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 7:00 PM
The Queens Theatre in New York City
Transportation provided
Please register by February 20th

SAVE THE DATE

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Ritz 5 Theater

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Friday, May 3, 2019
Arts Ballroom
1324 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107
MEMBERSHIP

We are pleased to welcome new members Katherine Sid-eris, and Christine and Michael Constantinou! Καλώς ήρθατε!

MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to members Peter G. Millili and Alyssa Limberakis Millili on the birth of their son Peter George Millili, Jr. on December 7, 2018. We also extend congratulations to the proud grandparents, George and Pat Millili and Cary and Alexis Limberakis. Να σας ζήσει!

If you or your loved ones have news you would like to publish in the HUC Newsletter, please email Dorothy Hazan at hazand@penlaw.upenn.edu.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS SOCIAL EVENT AT OPA

On Tuesday, February 12th, 2019, The Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia will be hosting a Young Professionals Social Event at OPA in Center City, Philadelphia. The event will take place in the restaurant’s beer garden from 7-9 PM. Individuals of Hellenic and Non-Hellenic decent are welcome to enjoy happy hour cocktails and food as well as the company of fellow young professionals from the Philadelphia Metro area and beyond!

Please note that admission to the event is free. However, you may purchase your own food and cocktails as desired.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dimitra Krissi Thomopoulos at dnt38@drexel.edu or Konstantinos Vrontis at Kvrontis@gmail.com.

RSVP at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VH5JQNR

MEDEA BY EURIPIDES

The Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia invites you to join us for a one-time, special performance of Medea by Euripides at the Queens Theatre in New York City.

Set in Corinth, after Jason’s quest for the Golden Fleece, Medea brings new elements of love, betrayal, and vengeance to a classic Greek myth. This interpretation of Euripides’ masterpiece is brought to you by award-winning director Leonidas Loizides.

The performance will take place on Saturday, February 23 at 7:00 PM. We will also stop for a lovely dinner in Astoria, Queens before the show.

For your convenience, we will provide transportation to and from New York City for all participants. Our motorcoach will depart from St. Thomas Greek Orthodox Church (Cherry Hill, NJ) at 1:00 PM. Please be there on time.

Tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis. To reserve your place on this trip, please register no later than February 20th.

Tickets are $100, which includes transportation, dinner, and a theater ticket. Please purchase your tickets online at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/huc-goes-to-the-theater. eventbrite.com or by mailing a check to:

Zoe Tripolitis
2523 South Street
Philadelphia, PA 19146
THANK YOU

Our fellow member Steve Fooskas, CPA, has completed the internal audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 and has filed our Form 990 Tax Return with the IRS. Steve stated the Club is in sound financial condition. We thank Steve for his many years of service as our Club’s internal auditor and his continuous efforts and support. We also thank Zoe Tripolitis, who assisted Steve with the audit. Our Club is a 501(c)(3) organization and files Form 990, which under IRS regulations is open to public inspection upon request. Copies of the Audited Statements are available upon request.

DUES PAYMENT REMINDER

Dues for fiscal year 2018-2019 should have been paid to the Club by December 31, 2018. If you have not done so, please remit your dues as soon as possible to Membership Renewal Chair Zoe Tripolitis (2523 South Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146). We are also accepting credit card payments online at www.hucdues18.eventbrite.com. Your attention to this message will keep your membership status current and will save the Club the cost of additional mailings. Thank you!

EVENT OF INTEREST

On Saturday, March 16 the Greek American Heritage Society of Philadelphia is hosting its 2019 Photo Tour, “Axia – A Celebration of Extraordinary Greek American Women.” The event will take place at the iconic Stotesbury Mansion (1923 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA) from 5:30 to 9:30 pm. This exciting event will recognize extraordinary women who have excelled in their respective fields which include commerce, philanthropy, education, medicine and the arts. Many Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia members have been included in this exceptional group of women whose achievements have contributed not only to their community but also to their Hellenic heritage. The evening’s festivities will also include delicious hors d’oeuvres and entertainment.

Tickets are $35 per person and can be purchased through Eventbrite at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-photo-tour-axia-a-celebration-of-extraordinary-greek-american-women-tickets-50384923663?ref=eios

FOLLOW HUC ON SOCIAL MEDIA

• Check us out on Facebook on our Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia page (www.facebook.com/hucphiladelphia)
• HUC is on Instagram! Follow us @HUC_Philly for pictures of our events and pictures of our members, updates about our events, and generally fun content!
• And, of course, follow the HUC on Twitter @HUCPhilly

If you have photos from any of our events that you would like featured, message them to any of our social media accounts!

STAY CONNECTED

The HUC Website has been revamped with more photos and up to date information about our events. Visit our new Donate, Membership, Events, and Scholarship pages for all the latest about the HUC. Look for our revamped Blog page, which will soon feature Member Spotlights!
IN MEMORIAM

PETRA THEODOS KNOX

Past President Petra Theodos Knox passed away on January 1, 2019. Petra served as President from 1984 to 1986, presiding during the Hellenic University Club’s 50th Anniversary celebration in 1986. She was the daughter of founding member Dr. Peter A. Theodos and Emeritus Member Marcella Theodos. Petra actively served on committees and on the Board of Directors until she moved to northern New Jersey. She served on the Parish Council and was President of Philoptochos at St. Andrew Greek Orthodox Church in Randolph, New Jersey where her funeral took place on January 8. To her mother Marcella Theodos, sister Maria Wilson, brother Andrew Theodos and their families we extend our sincerest sympathy. Petra was predeceased by her husband Dana and her father Dr. Peter A. Theodos. May her memory be eternal.

CHRISTINA M. LOUKEDIS

Longtime member Christina M. Loukedis passed away on Saturday, January 12, 2019. She and her husband of 58 years, Emeritus Member Dr. Lucas S. Loukedis, were at their home in Florida where they spend their winters. Tina served as Corresponding and Recording Secretary, on the Board of Directors, and was a member of the Scholarship Committee for many years. She and Luke supported and attended many of our programs and social events and have many friends in the Club who will miss her. Tina was also an active community volunteer and especially enjoyed Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic (now Learning Ally). To her husband Luke, her children Lucas, Alexander, and Diana and their families, and her brother Dr. George Mager we extend our sincerest condolences. Funeral arrangements took place in Florida. May her memory be eternal.

HUC 2019-2020 SCHOLARSHIPS

The Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia Scholarship Program has been one of our Club’s most important initiatives, the essence of Paideia—the pursuit of education or learning. We are pleased to announce the 2019-2020 Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia Scholarships that will be offered to students of Greek descent or to those pursuing a degree in Greek Studies, regardless of heritage. This year, we will be offering 17 scholarships totaling $55,000. Four of the scholarships are funded by our Club, and the others are funded by individuals and organizations.

We have several exciting announcements about this year’s scholarship program. Your contributions to the 80th Anniversary Scholarship Fundraising Initiative and your generous ongoing donations have enabled us to increase to $5000 each of the three Club-funded undergraduate scholarships—the Dr. Michael Dorizas, Founders, and Paideia Undergraduate Scholarships. The Graduate Scholarship we fund, the Dr. Nicholas Padis Memorial Scholarship, will remain at $5,000. Thank you for your commitment to our youth by helping them to attain their academic goals!

We are also pleased to announce a new scholarship, the Nicholas L. Gianopulos and Antoinette Manos Gianopulos Scholarship, in the amount of $5,000, which will be awarded to a qualifying undergraduate or graduate student pursuing a degree in the fields of civil engineering, architecture, or fine arts. This annual award is funded by Antoinette Gianopulos, friends and family members in memory of Nicholas L. Gianopulos. Antoinette Gianopulos has been a long-time member and supporter of the Hellenic University Club. Mrs. Gianopulos received a degree in fine arts from the University of Pennsylvania and later returned to graduate school to become a fine arts educator. Nicholas Gianopulos obtained his undergraduate degree in structural engineering from Pennsylvania State University, and, after serving in the U.S. Army during World War II became a leading structural engineer for both contemporary and historic buildings. Mr. Gianopulos was the recipient of our 2010 Achievement Award. The eligibility rules and descriptions for undergraduate and graduate scholarships are available on our web site, www.hucphiladelphia.org. We hope you will encourage eligible students to apply for one of the scholarships described in the enclosed announcement. Students may apply electronically at www.huchiladelphia.org.

Please note: Applications and all supporting documents must be received no later than Monday, April 1, 2019.
HELLENIC UNIVERSITY CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA
ANNOUNCES 2019-2020 UNIVERSITY / COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS
FOR STUDENTS OF GREEK DESCENT OR DECLARED MAJORS IN GREEK STUDIES

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Applicants must be enrolled full-time in a degree program at an accredited four-year college or university, or they must be high school seniors accepted for enrollment in such a degree program and have outstanding academic qualifications. Please note that some scholarships have special eligibility requirements.

(a) Scholarships that require demonstrated financial need:

• **Dr. Michael Dorizas Memorial Scholarship**, honoring the late Dr. Michael Dorizas, a widely respected educator, lecturer and athlete. $5,000.

• **Founders Scholarship**, honoring the deceased founders of the Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia. $5,000.

• **Dimitri J. Ververelli Memorial Scholarship for Architecture and/or Engineering**, offered to a qualified student pursuing a degree in the field of Architecture or Engineering. This scholarship was established by Mrs. Anastasia Ververelli to honor her husband, Dimitri J. Ververelli, a past president of the Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia. $2,000.

• **George C. Liacouras Memorial Scholarship**, offered to a qualified student pursuing an undergraduate degree at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Established by Mrs. Effie Liacouras, this scholarship honors her husband, George C. Liacouras. $5,000.

• **Theresa A. Chletcos Memorial Scholarship**, offered to a qualified student pursuing an undergraduate degree in the field of education. Established in 2013, this award honors past president and founding member, Theresa A. Chletcos. This scholarship was funded through a bequest of Theresa A. Chletcos and her friends and family. $2,000.

• **Goldie S. Vastardis Memorial Scholarship**, funded by a grant from Mr. Louis Vastardis in memory of his wife. This merit scholarship is awarded to a student whose parents are stewards in good standing of St. Luke Greek Orthodox Church, Broomall, Pennsylvania. $2,000.

(b) Scholarships that do not require any financial information:

• **Paideia Scholarship**, a merit scholarship awarded to the child of a Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia member. Parent(s) must be current members in good standing for at least 3 years. $5,000.

• **Cyprus Society Scholarship**, offered by the Cyprus Society of Greater Philadelphia to a student whose family are members in good standing of the Cyprus Society for the past 3 years. $2,500.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS

Applicants may be senior undergraduates or graduate students pursuing a graduate degree full-time at an accredited university or professional school. Applicants must be enrolled full-time in a graduate degree program or have been accepted to such a program and intend to enroll in Fall 2019. Please note that some scholarships have special eligibility requirements.

(a) The following scholarship does not require any financial information:

• **Dr. Nicholas Padis Memorial Graduate Scholarship**. Academic excellence is the primary consideration for this scholarship. Established in 1986, this annual award honors Philadelphia physician, first president and founding member of the Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia, Dr. Nicholas Padis. $5,000.

(b) Scholarships that require demonstrated financial need:

• **John S. Manos, Esq., Memorial Graduate Scholarship** offered to a qualified student pursuing studies leading to a Juris Doctor (JD) Degree. Established in 2009, this annual award honors John Stanley Manos, Esq., Philadelphia lawyer and long-time member of the Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia. This scholarship is funded by the family and friends of John S. Manos. $2,000.
• **Dr. Peter A. Theodos Memorial Graduate Scholarship** offered to a qualified student pursuing studies leading to a Doctor of Medicine (MD) Degree. Established in 1988, this annual award honors Philadelphia physician, past president and founding member of the Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia, Dr. Peter A. Theodos. This scholarship is funded by Mrs. Peter A. Theodos. **$1,500**

• **Nicholas S. Hetos, DDS, Memorial Scholarship** offered to a qualified student pursuing studies leading to a Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) or Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) Degree. Established in 2001, this annual award honors Dr. Nicholas S. Hetos, Philadelphia dentist, past president and founding member of the Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia. This scholarship is funded by Mrs. Peter A. Theodos. **$2,000.**

• **Maria Galanos Hetos Graduate Scholarship** offered to a qualified student pursuing studies leading to a Graduate Degree in the field of education or education related studies. The recipient must matriculate in a graduate program of a nationally accredited university or college that has been conferring degrees since 1936, the year the Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia was founded. Established in 2011, this annual award is funded by Maria G. Hetos, EdD, past president and wife of past president and founding member, Nicholas S. Hetos, DDS. **$2,000.**

• **Kathleen and Nicholas Fisfis Graduate Scholarship** offered to a qualified student pursuing studies leading to a Graduate or Post Graduate Degree in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics or Medicine. Established in 2016, this annual award is funded by Kathleen and Nicholas Fisfis. **$5,000.**

**SCHOLARSHIPS FOR UNDERGRADUATE OR GRADUATE STUDENTS**

These scholarships are offered to either undergraduate or graduate students. Qualifications are as stated above for each category of students.

• **Chios Liberation Memorial Scholarship**, offered by the Chios Society of Philadelphia to qualified students of Chian descent in memory of all those who gave their lives for the liberation of Chios. **$2,000. No financial information needed.**

• **Chios Society of Philadelphia “Koraes” Scholarship**, offered to qualified students of Chian descent in memory and honor of past and present leaders of the Chios Society of Philadelphia. **$2,000. No financial information needed.**

• **Nicholas L. Gianopulos and Antoinette Manos Gianopulos Scholarship** offered to a qualified student pursuing a degree in the fields of civil engineering, architecture, or fine arts. Established in 2019, this annual award honors Nicholas L. Gianopulos and his wife Antoinette Manos Gianopulos. This annual award is funded by Antoinette Gianopulos, friends and family in memory of Nicholas Gianopulos. **$5,000. Preference will be given to candidates who have financial need.**

**HOW DO I APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP?**

**Undergraduate Scholarships:**

- Determine eligibility status by visiting [http://hucphiladelphia.org/undergraduate-application/](http://hucphiladelphia.org/undergraduate-application/)
- Access and complete the Undergraduate Application on the same site
- Submit the following documents to hucphiladelphia@gmail.com. See application for more specific instructions.
  - Academic transcripts and standardized test scores
  - One letter of recommendation
  - Essay (Chios Society scholarships require an additional essay)
  - Page 1 of FAFSA Student Aid Report (for scholarships with financial need requirements)

**Graduate Scholarships:**

- Determine eligibility status by visiting [http://hucphiladelphia.org/graduate-application/](http://hucphiladelphia.org/graduate-application/)
- Access and complete the Graduate Application on the same site
- Submit the following documents to hucphiladelphia@gmail.com. See application for more specific instructions.
  - All academic transcripts from all colleges and universities attended (undergraduate and graduate)
  - Resume
  - Two letters of recommendation
  - Essay
  - Page 1 of FAFSA Student Aid Report (for scholarships with financial need requirements)

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

Applicants (Graduate and Undergraduate) must be of Greek descent, U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents of Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lancaster, Lehigh, Montgomery or Philadelphia Counties in Pennsylvania; Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester or Salem Counties in New Jersey; New Castle County in Delaware.

Students who are declared majors in Greek Studies may also apply, regardless of their heritage.

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Queens Theatre, 14 United Nations Ave South, Corona, NY

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Approx. 4:00 PM Dinner in Astoria, time and location TBD

$100 ticket price includes motorcoach, dinner and theater ticket.
Additional stop at Titan Foods if time allows.

Tickets available through EventBrite (preferred method of payment):
https://huc-goes-to-the-theater.eventbrite.com
or mail check to Zoe Tripolitis: 2523 South Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146-1037
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Contact for Questions: Andrea.Tsapralis@icloud.com, 609-265-9667
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