

JOHN G. THEVOS FIFTH DISTRICT NJ/DE

AHEPAVoice

American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association



Ahepans Savas Tsivikos
DG and Nick Tsapatsaris,
accompanied by wife
Stacey, Receive Awards
at Hermes Expo Banquet

Ahepans Are In the Spotlight at the 21st Annual Hermes Expo

ALSO IN THIS ISSUE:

- Greek Parade Coverage in Philadelphia and New York
- PDG George Horiates' Testimonial, A Big Event
- AHEPA Chapters Contribute to Greek Relief
- Bergen Knights Celebrate 80 Years
- Supreme President Dr Grossomanides Visits District

Spring 2012

A Picture Album of the
District 5 Convention

Hosted by Thomas Edison #287 of Asbury Park, NJ – June 1 - 3



Newly elected District Governor Bill Harrison takes his oath of office from Supreme Treasurer Zachariades



The AHEPA Delegation – 51 in total

PDG Savas Tsvikos receives his award from Lee Millas of the Board of Directors



President of the Year
 Michael Bonanos



Special Guest & Master of Ceremonies, Greek Comedienne Ellen Karis, "The Greek Goddess of Comedy"



The newly opened
 St George Church



The Sons of Pericles Delegation

More convention coverage will be included in the Fall issue of the AHEPA Voice



Message From Our District Governor

SAVAS C. TSIVICOS

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the District 5 AHEPA Family,

I am excited to communicate with you again and report to you that we had a very successful year in District 5. We traveled around the state and visited our chapters, had two very successful workshops, participated in many events organized by our chapters and our Holy Metropolis, conducted many initiations, raised money for the kids at St Basils Academy to see a Broadway play, participated in both parades in Philadelphia and New York with a very strong showing, participated in very successful celebrations for our Greek Independence Day, actively engaged in civil affairs, initiated Senator Robert Menendez into our order of AHEPA, met with Governor Chris Christie and lastly, we managed through hard work to increase our

membership to new highs all thanks to your active participation and support.

As I approach the end of my term, as your District Governor, I need to express my appreciation for your continued effort and dedication to keep AHEPA and especially, District 5 very high and well respected amongst the members of our community.

Our annual district and national conventions are approaching and I would like to encourage all of you to participate in big numbers. Our Order and our community in general are facing many challenges and it is only up to us to make a difference through our active participation. The district convention is scheduled for June 1st, 2nd, and 3rd and it is hosted by my own chapter, the Thomas A. Edison #287. It will be held at the new church complex of St. George of Ocean Township, formerly

of Asbury Park at 1033 West Park Avenue, Ocean, NJ 07712.

In closing, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all of you and especially to my fellow District Lodge members for their friendship and support. Special thanks to my fellow AHEPA District 5 Governor of the Daughters of Penelope Karen Marousis and her Lodge for their cooperation and excellent working relationship! I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our district convention and at the national convention in Las Vegas! Long Life to the AHEPA family.

Savas C. Tsivicos
AHEPA District 5 District Governor



Message from the Daughters of Penelope District Governor

KAREN MAROUSIS

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

What a wonderful year, and because of you the Sisters of District 5 you have made it possible! Another year of hard working chapters with great ideas, great spirit and great motivation to continue to make the Daughters of Penelope a great organization. It was a busy year, a growing year. Almost every chapter has grown. I welcome you and welcome you back. Whether it is with one new member or 20 new members we must remember to keep our Sisters enlightened and welcomed. To the Sisters of Paramus Cadmus Chapter new and reinstated, congratulations. Remember we are here to assist you and

support anyway, we can. I encourage the new members to participate, be active, and continue the work of our Order. I am proud to say that at mid year District 5 was the second largest District in the Daughters of Penelope.

Let us keep this momentum and our enthusiasm, for the Daughters of Penelope continue foster and promote the ideals of our Order,

**~Family & Individual Excellence ~
~ Civic Responsibility ~ Philanthropy ~
Hellenism ~ Education**

As Spring has approached we still have several events coming up. I hope to see

your continued support by your presence at these events. Our Annual Spring Luncheon April 28, 2012 at the Pines Manor and our District Convention hosted by the Asbury Park Chapters at their new church and hall in Ocean Township, NJ June 1-3, 2012.

To my Sister of the Lodge, I thank you for all your support and hard work. I wish you all the success next year and the years to follow.

Yours in Theta Pi,
Karen Marousis, District Governor

AHEPA Voice

151 Fernwood Drive
Old Tappan, NJ 07675
Phone: 201-664-1534
Fax: 201-652-0789
Email: ahepavoiced5@gmail.com
vittas@optonline.net

District Lodge

AHEPA

Governor Savas C. Tsvicos
Lt. Governor William Harrison
Secretary Sammy Thomas
Treasurer..... Stanley Gerondelis
Marshal..... Asteris Fanikos
Warden Jimmy Rozanitis
Athletics Advisor... Nick C. Mariolis
Sons Advisor Ted Vittas

DOP

Governor Karen Marousis
Lt. Governor Eleni Parlapandis
Secretary Marcella Calagias
Treasurer..... Isa Velez
Marshal..... Anna Zavros
Advisor Martina Harris

District & National Websites

National

www.ahepa.org

AHEPA District 5

www.ahepadistrict5.org

Daughters of Penelope District

5thdistrictdaughtersofpenelope.webs.com

Sons of Pericles

www.sonsofpericles.com

Maids of Athena

www.maidsofathena.org

Email

5th District Cancer Foundation

thianitsa@aol.com

AHEPA D5 Email List

Ahepad5@hec.greece.org

Publication Board

PDG Phil Vogis, Business Manager
PDG Ted Vittas, Editor
PDG Vassos Chrysanthou
PDG Christopher Diamantoukos
PSG John Mehos
PSG Tom Pappas
PDG Costas Sedereas
PDG Chris Sevast

Camden #69 Honors Past



Supreme Treasurer Andrew Zachariades presents George with a proclamation from the Supreme President

AHEPA's Camden Chapter #69 hosted a testimonial dinner, honoring past District President, George Horiates, ESQ, at a testimonial dinner at the Adelpia House Restaurant. Some 20 speakers spoke on behalf of George Horiates during dinner in front of family, guests and friends. This included AHEPA dignitaries as Basil Mossaides, AHEPA's Executive Director, Bd of Director Lee Millas, members of the St Thomas Greek Orthodox Church, where he served as President, Brother Dimitri Rozanitis, President of the Hellenic Federation of Philadelphia, members of his family, including brother Angelo, cousin Costa, uncle Louie and George's daughter.

George was showered with many gifts which included plaques, framed pictures, jackets, gag gifts such as a toy ambulance and of course his Past District Governor's jewel and crest. A highlight of the afternoon was when George wowed the crowd by playing the Greek national anthem on his trumpet. It was a joyous event with much spirit and praise for a devoted Hellene.

When George Horiates finally was given the microphone he graciously spoke about Hellenism, community and the efforts of the AHEPA before thanking the crowd for attending and then posing for some photos.

You can watch an excellent video of the event on YouTube.com at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LYe_x4TA5KY



Business Manager's Winter Issue Message

PHIL VOGIS

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your cooperation and assistance in making the *AHEPA Voice* this year the number one magazine in the AHEPA domain. We will continue to bring you the latest articles from the District Lodge and the Chapters in District #5 NJ/DE. I also would like to thank all the advertisers that have continued to support our magazine, and I encourage all of our readers to support their businesses. I am pleased to inform you that the Supreme President Dr John Grossomanides has appointed me "Chairman of the National Publications Committee thru 2012". I look forward to working with everyone. The Publications Board, the Editor Ted Vittas and I, would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a "Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year".

Fraternally, Brother Phil Vogis-PDG, *AHEPA Voice*, Business Manager

District Governor George Horiates



George and Lisa Horiates pose with their children



Above, George entertained the crowd by playing the Greek national anthem on his trumpet



At left, George with members of the clergy (seated), Rev Emmanuel Pratsinakis and Very Rev Nektarios Cottros (center) with AHEPA Executive Director Basil Mossaides. Standing to George's left is the evening emcee

Below, George Horiates makes a passionate plea in support of Hellenism



Left, George and Supreme Treasurer Andrew Zachariades and Supreme Governor Jim Kokotas share a laugh at a gag gift given to the lawyer always looking for new clients





AHEPA Family pose with Miss AHEPA on the AHEPA float just before parading down Fifth Avenue.

New York City Celebrates Greek Independence On the Actual Day

Thousands of spectators displayed blue and white colors and lined Fifth Avenue for the annual Greek Independence Day Parade. The theme for this year's parade was "Solidarity with Greece."

It was celebrated on the actual anniversary of independence, March 25th, a rare event for the New York parade. This year's parade's Grand Marshal was New Jersey Senator Robert Menezes, a newly initiated Ahepan. The AHEPA family of three districts, 5 (NJ & DE), 6 (NY) & 7(CT) came together to march behind the AHEPA float.

It was a cool and breezy Spring day. While the cool weather made the paraders march briskly, the wind made the flags fly proudly.



The Sons of Pericles District Lodge Gianni Floropoulos, Nick Apostolou and Arthur Kominos, await the start of the parade as they pose behind the Greek flag.

A Beautiful Day at the Philadelphia Greek Parade – March 18th

March 18th, 2012 was the celebration day of the 191st Anniversary of Greek Independence in Philadelphia. As always, the Order of AHEPA was front and center. AHEPA marched right behind the AHEPA Odyssey School who always lead off the parade. One of the Grand Marshals in this year's parade was Dr John Grossomanides, Supreme President of AHEPA.

Ahepan Dimitri Rozanitis as President of the Federation of Hellenic Societies of Philadelphia was the organizer of the parade, along with PDG George Horiates, last year's President, and countless of Ahepans working behind the scenes.

In the opening ceremonies Mayor Michael Nutter made a speech in recognitions of the significance of the Greek Independence. The speech can be heard on YouTube.com at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T36wS2qtnG8>

It was a beautiful sunny Sunday and the spirit of Hellenism and Greek pride was prevalent everywhere.



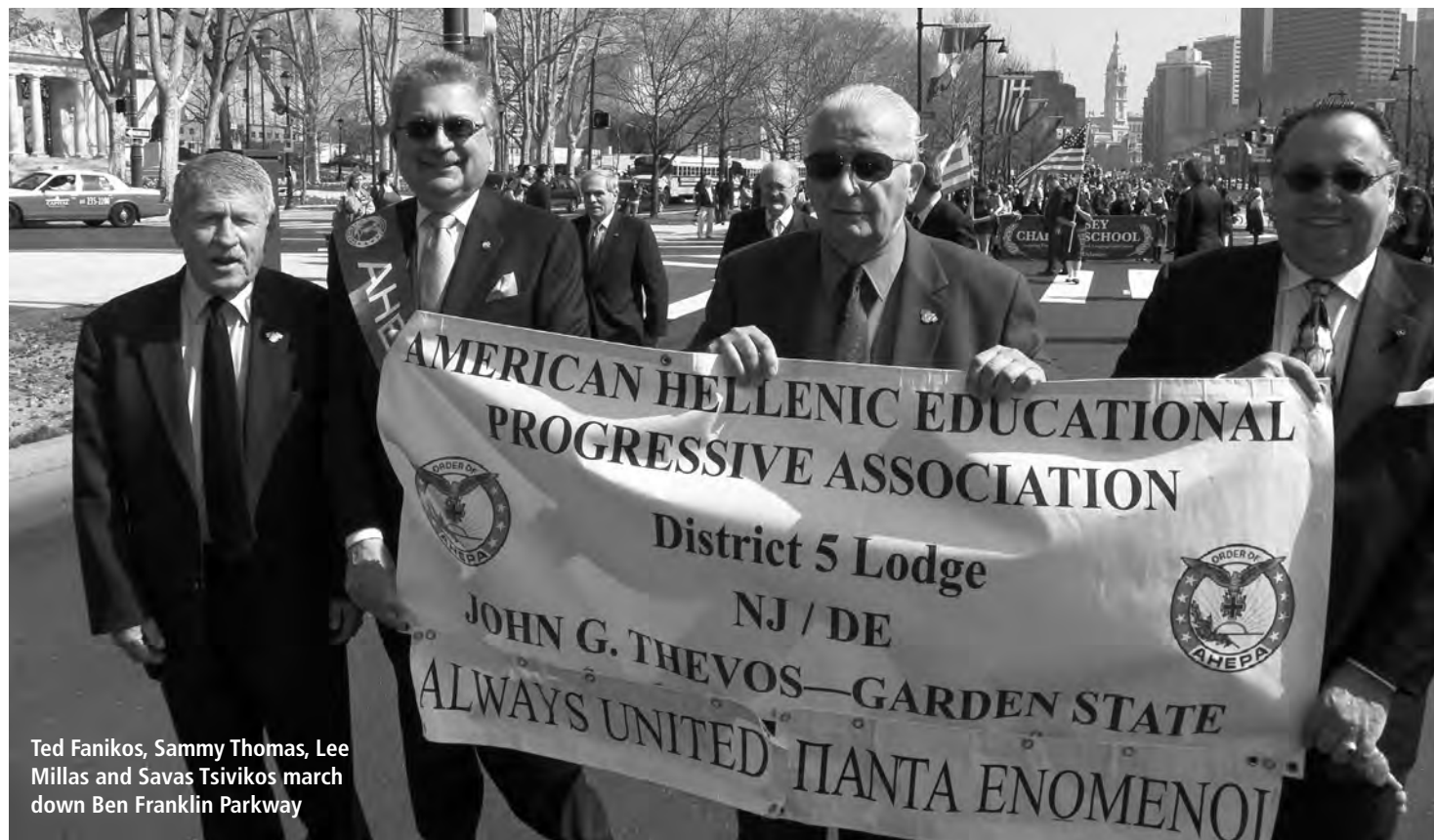
Ahepans from the Trenton chapter with District Secretary Sammy Thomas await the start of the Philadelphia Greek parade



The Greek architecture of the Philadelphia Art Museum is the backdrop as marchers parade down Ben Franklin Parkway



Brother Ahepans gather together to begin the March



Ted Fanikos, Sammy Thomas, Lee Millas and Savas Tsivikos march down Ben Franklin Parkway



AHEPA Takes a Big Role at the 21

Each year for the last 21, countless Greek Americans trek down to the Taj Mahal in Atlantic City to be part of the Hermes Expo, the largest Greek American trade show. Once again AHEPA played a part in making this year's expo a huge success. In addition to having a booth space to promote the good works of the organization, Ahepans are becoming a bigger part of the Hermes Expo Banquet, which is held on Saturday evening and is attended by hundreds.

This year the emcee of the affair was our Past District Governor, George Horiates, Esq. of Cherry Hill, NJ. There were at least 3 tables of Ahepans present that evening to see Brother Horiates as he called up to the stage countless honorees throughout the night all being recognized by the Expo for supporting Hellenism in their own way.

Brother Ahepans were called up at several times throughout the evening, starting with James Faller of Wilmington accepting an honor for the late Tony Skouletas, headmaster of the Odyssey Charter School. All Greek School teachers were honored. Our District 5 Governor Savas Tsivikos was called up to receive an award as District Governor. All

Ahepans of Districts 4 (PA) and 5 (NJ & DE) were called up to the stage as well.

Governor Tsivikos then made an award to Brother Nick Tsapatsaris, structural engineer and entrepreneur, as the second recipient of the annual AHEPA Business Network Award. Brother Tsapatsaris was a key investor in the revitalization of Paterson's Center City, as well as making many other contributions to the community and the





st Hermes Expo

Metropolis of New Jersey. Nick, his lovely wife Stacey and his parents were all present to see Nick receive his award.

The expo is the life work of Ahepan Paul Kotrotsios and his family. Brother Paul works hard in bringing people together and “creating synergies”, as Brother Paul has reminded the attendees many times. He is there working the floor of the expo making introductions posing for pictures and knowing everyone on a personal level.

This year's expo included an expanded Young Professionals Initiative, a networking program for the young adults. A special appearance was made by Olympian gold medalist Pyrrhos Dimas who was working to save a school for athletes from budget cuts in Greece. For more information of the events of the expo go to the website www.hermesexpo.com.



Nick Tsapatsaris is the Recipient of the District 5 AHEPA Business Network Award

This is the second year of this honor, awarded to a business person who has displayed not only commercial success but also support to his community. The award will be presented to Brother Nick Tsapatsaris, founder of Nick Tsapatsaris & Associates Inc. of Ridgewood, NJ. The award was presented by District Governor Savas Tsivicos at the HERMES Expo gala dinner in Atlantic City on Saturday March 31st.

NICK TSAPATSARIS



Mr. Tsapatsaris is a 1986 graduate of Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Civil Engineering. He also received Masters of Science Degrees in Structural Engineering from WPI in 1987 and Real Estate from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1992.

Shortly after licensure, he founded Nick Tsapatsaris & Associates, an Architecture and Engineering firm in Ridgewood NJ. The firm practices engineering in NJ, NY, MA, AZ, WA and European Union as well as a architecture in NJ and NY. He is also the president of Lakos Construction, Inc., Co-Managing Member of Center City Partners, LLC and other firms that construct, lease, manage and own commercial real estate.

His professional affiliations, have included the Village of Ridgewood Historic Preservation Commission, Village of Ridgewood Planning Board and Board of Adjustment, Engineer for the Borough of Rockleigh and its Land Use Boards, Board of the Greek American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey, American Society of Civil Engineers, International Council for Shopping Centers, MIT Center for Real Estate Development Alumni Association, Greater Paterson Chamber of Commerce.

Honors include 2010 New Good Neighbor Award from the NJ Business and Industry Association, 2009 Paterson Education Fund Chair Award, Mentor for the NJIT School of Architecture, 2009 Distinguished Business Leader Award for Barnert Hospital, 100th year anniversary honoree at P.B.A. Local No 1, 2008 Metropolis of NJ, and most importantly his designation of Archon Kastriusios of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of our Holy Church. Nick was the Architect for the new Metropolis Center in Westfield NJ and also volunteers his expertise by serving on the Building and Grounds and Finance Committees of Saint Nicholas Church in Wyckoff NJ.

He married Stacey Viavlanos Tsapatsaris in 1997, who was Chief Operating Officer of Deutsche Bank Technology Division, in NYC before joining the family business in 2005. They have 3 daughters Anika (11), Elpiniki (10) and Michaela (7). His hobbies are road bike riding, and basketball every Tuesday at the Wyckoff Parish Center Gym.

PETE'S CORNER

Our Food is Always Made Fresh on Premises Using Only Natural Ingredients... No Additives or Preservatives... Never Processed!

201-444-5821

11 Central Avenue • Midland Park, NJ

M-F: 5 AM - 4 PM, Sat: 5 AM - 2 PM, Sun: 7 AM - 2 PM

Catering for All Occasions

Ramapo #453 Donates \$5,000 to Aid Greeks, Elects a New Lodge for 2012-2013

Ramapo Chapter had a very busy first half as initiations into our chapter continued in January resulting in us becoming the number one chapter in membership, according to our District. February saw the roof raised as we watched our beloved Giants do it again to the NE Patriots at the annual Ahepa Super Bowl Party. In March, Ramapo along with brother chapters - Bergen Knights (Tenafly) and Alexander Hamilton (Paramus) organized the fourth annual Greek Flag raising ceremony with the cooperation and support of the Bergen County Executive, Kathleen Donovan and her staff at the county administrative building. An emotional and exciting afternoon with a special appearance by Congressman Scott Garrett - 5th District (and Brother AHEPAN) saluted our March 25 tribute.

We continue into the year with one of our busiest events of the year, the Cigar Smoker. The 9th annual jam packed event was held on May 16th at Season's Catering in Washington Township.

In May our chapter voted to donate \$5,000 for aid to Greece. After much debate the chapter voted to appropriate \$2,500 for AHEPA headquarters to use in their efforts and \$2,500 to go to the Hellenic Relief Foundation a newly formed non-profit where some of our Ahepans sit on the board.

The chapter held elections in May and we are pleased to announce the new Lodge for 2012-2013. Coming onto the Lodge will be our new President Peter Kiriakoulis and Secretary, John Psomas. Vice President will continue to be Paul Savidis and Treasurer, Basil Megariotis. Congratulations to these new leaders. More on their story will be reported in the coming months.

Look for more Ramapo action in October and November when our chapter will organize another cultural event and salute the Veterans in our state in a first-time Veterans Day salute.



Members of the Wyckoff AHEPA Family gather waving their flags at Bergen County Greek Independence Day program on March 23rd.

Bergen County Chapters Raise the Greek Flag at Hackensack Administration Building to Remember Greek Independence Day



Members of the three Bergen County AHEPA chapters, Alexander Hamilton Chapter 54, represented by Secretary Chris Morgan, Bergen Knights 287, represented by Chapter President Michael Bonanos, Ramapo #453 represented by President Chuck Humblias, was joined by District Governor Savas Tsivikos. Phil Helene Congressman Scott Garrett and Bergen County Executive Kathleen A. Donovan and their staff to read proclamations about Greek Independence Day and to raise the Greek flag in the county courtyard. Over 100 were in attendance on Friday afternoon March 23rd.

The Bergen Knights Celebrates the 80th Anniversary of the Chapter

Members of the Bergen Knights #285 gathered for an elegant affair on the evening of Friday, May 18th at the Graycliff in Moonachie, NJ to commemorate the 80th year of the chapter. Originally chartered in Hackensack the chapter has served the Greek community in northeastern Bergen County. After a period of meeting in Lodi in the 1980s the chapter now meets at the St John the Theologian Cathedral in Tenafly. Members of the church presented a plaque to the chapter in recognition of service to the community.

Present on that evening was Supreme President John Grossomanides with members of his Supreme Lodge as well as the District Lodge and members from neighboring chapters. The chapter awarded service pins to many of the Ahepans who were present.



AHEPA Trenton Chapter #72

During the Winter, we had many events and look forward to many more. We participated in our monthly meetings, as well as our social workshop sessions Monday and Friday night at the AHEPA Xen Microutsicos Hall.

Our chapter in conjunction with the Fifth District made donations to the St. Basil's Academy in New York. The various AHEPA chapters raised funds and presented Christmas gifts to the children at the academy. It is always a wonderful event that I recommend to everyone to attend with their children to really see and share in the holiday spirit.

We also had a wonderful Chapter Christmas Dinner on December 14th at the AHEPA Hall. We shared in each other's company and the food, drink and desserts were great. I would like to thank all the brothers in the kitchen for all their hardwork in chairing the event and to everyone who helped in the kitchen and in the logistics in insuring it was a success. Thanks to Kouzina by Sophia in Cherry Hill for their generous donations.

Many of the Trenton brothers attended the Greek Independence Day parade in Philadelphia on March 18th and also attended the one in New York on March 25th. The Philadelphia parade was blessed with beautiful weather and a great turnout and we are hoping for the same for the New York parade. Parish Council President and brother Spiro Spireas was honored as Grand Marshal as our youth performed Greek folk dancing for his Eminence Metropolitan Evangelos, Mayor Nutter, Congressman John Sarbanes



Members of the Trenton Chapter 72 along with the District Lodge visited the office of Chris Smith, Congressman of the 4th Congressional District of New Jersey, during AHEPA Capitol Hill Day held on March 28th.

and the other dignitaries. Congratulations to the Ahepans of Cherry Hill and the other chapters who made the Philadelphia parade a success. Congratulations to Past District Governor George Horiates, District Marshal Jimmy Rozanitis, and brothers Charalambidis and Marmarou and others who organized and made it a wonderful event.

Several of the brothers also attended the AHEPA Capitol Hill day on March 28, 2012. The brothers met with Senator Menendez, Senator Lautenberg, Congressman Runyan and Congressman Chris Smith. We took a tour of the Senate and enjoyed a beautiful day bringing important Greek-American issues to our elected officials. The day concluded with a wonderful dinner with AHEPA awards presented to Congressman John Sarbanes, Congressman Royce, Panicos Papanicolau and Nick Larigakis.

We continue to assist our community, whether it is our support of the Church in our capacity as Parish Council members, committee members, and/or workers during the festival. We continue to give our support to the various charities and other worthwhile causes, donating foods and clothing to area soup kitchens and/or supporting the youth of our community. We are also in the planning stages for a relief project for Greece.

Chapter scholarship information is available for graduating high schools seniors to children of the St. George Community. We will be hosting our annual awards program on June 20th at which time several thousands of dollars in scholarships will be awarded along with certificates to graduating high school seniors and awards to the outstanding Greek school students.

I would like to thank all the brothers that make this organization a strong one and a growing one and am looking forward to our next initiations.

We are all also looking forward to the District Convention in June in Asbury Park as well as the National Convention in July in Las Vegas. Let us make sure that we have a great turnout at both conventions. Let us continue to make the AHEPA a brotherhood that we are proud of.

Hudson Happenings

Supreme President Grossomanides Visits Hudson 108

Since our last article, on December 27, 2011 we initiated 10 new members to our chapter bringing the total initiates for 2011 to 12 new members. The new initiates showed such an interest as our Captain of the Guard Spyros Tsielepas pointed to the emblems of AHEPA as our Vice President explained the various symbols. It was an inspiring evening and ended on a festive note as refreshments were served.

The chapter prepared for the first Paschalino Glendi, held on Saturday, April 21, 2012 at Elenion Hall of Evangelismos Community Center, 661 Montgomery Street, Jersey City, NJ. It was a fun evening enjoyed by the many of our Brothers and Sisters of the AHEPA Family who came to join us.

We were saddened with the passing of Brother Athan Efstathiou. Athan was a dear friend for many years and I always looked forward to seeing him and his beloved wife Bess at any District Five affair. He was an eloquent speaker on any subject that concerned AHEPA. For many years Athan and Bess, also an educator, served as Chairpersons for our



Fifth District Scholarship. May our Lord grant him eternal rest and comfort Bess and her family at this time of sorrow.

On Thursday evening, May 10th our chapter was honored to host the Supreme President of the Order of AHEPA Dr. John Grossomanides. He was accompanied by Supreme Treasurer Andy Zachariades. Dozens of Ahepans were present to hear Brother John's remarks. They were joined by

several neighboring chapters, the District Lodge and the Daughters of Penelope, in what made for a very memorable evening.

Brother John spoke about the trip to Greece, the Patriarchate, Cyprus, Turkey and Israel. He also made a surprise announcement about the possibility of establishing an AHEPA University sometime in the future. There were numerous questions asked of the Supreme President which included what AHEPA is doing regarding aid to Greece, the rebuilding of St Nicholas Church at Ground Zero and more. It was a very informative evening.

WE WISH EVERYONE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE SUMMER SEASON

Garden State Chapter 517 Hosts 1st Cigar Night

The Order of AHEPA Garden State Chapter #517 held its 1st ANNUAL CIGAR NIGHT which took place on Wednesday, May 23, 2012 6:30PM at The Gramercy at the Lakeside Manor, 410 New Jersey 36, Hazlet, NJ 07730. The event was attended by upwards of 200 people who had an enjoyable evening of great food, drinks, fine cigars and networking. There were many prizes awarded to some of the lucky attendees.

The proceeds from this event will enable our chapter to continue its support of charities such as Ronald McDonald House, AHEPA Cancer Research Fund of the Fifth District, AHEPA Scholarship Fund, and Saint Basil's Academy as well as two new beneficiaries: Autism Speaks and the Foodbank of Monmouth and Ocean Counties.

Visit our website : www.ahepa517.com for additional information on how you can get involved in our work and join our chapter.

– Robert Fourniadis, Chapter President

CHAPTER RETROSPECTIVE OF SOUTH JERSEY CHAPTER #162

A brief history by Peter Frangakis

The Chapter was chartered on August 10, 1928. It serves Vineland, Millville, Bridgeton, Hammonton, and various small towns in the surrounding areas of South Jersey.

With the exception of the small community of St. Nicholas of Atlantic City, before 1960 the Chapter was the main Social Activity Center for many years. We held our annual summer picnic and occasional dances in South Jersey.

We held two meetings a month; one business and one social. At the social meetings, the family members were invited and refreshments were served.

The Chapter donated books and other educational materials to schools and public libraries, supports the area youth and gives substantial amounts to charity.

We later formed The Daughters of Penelope, The Sons of Pericles, and The Maids of Athena. These three organizations are currently inactive.

Our Chapter members were the major pioneers of The Greek Orthodox Church of Saint Anthony in Vineland, New Jersey and continue to be supporters of the church and the Greek community.

The Chapter collects monies for the 5th District Cancer Foundation. Thousands of dollars have been donated throughout the years.

At this time, we have about 35 - 40 members. Two of them are life-time members. Mr. Nontas Kontes has given between 75 and 80 years of service to the Chapter. He became a member at the age of 17, was the Chapter's Secretary in 1938 and has served in various other capacities.

Peter Frangakis was initiated in April, 1956. He has been active for 56 years, serving mostly as Chapter Secretary and, occasionally, as President.

Brother Lefty Klekos has served as President of the Chapter for more years than any other member in the Chapter's history.

The Chapter sponsored a District Convention held in Atlantic City in the early 1960's.

In the past few years, the Chapter fund-raising activities included the Annual New Year's Eve Dance and 2 or 3 annual gyro picnics.

AHEPA Board of Trustees Meet in Tarpon Springs and New York

At a recent meeting of the AHEPA Board of Directors in New York City, AHEPA Comptroller Patrice Farish presented to the Board the operating results for the fiscal year ending 3/31/2012. She showed us how the estimated net income for fiscal year ending 3/31/12 is coming in at \$58,000 over budget!

Each line item was discussed and preliminary approval was granted for next year's budget. A line by line accounting as well as the final 2012-2013 budget will be included in the 2012 Yearbook at the 90th Supreme Convention in Las Vegas.

At the previous meeting in Tarpon Springs on January 7, the Board voted to transfer another \$100,000 from our operating accounts to the Wells Fargo reserve bringing the total there up to \$392,073 as of 2/29/12. Total Cash Balances as of 3/31/12 at \$546,012

Supreme President Grossomanides gave us his report and the Board also discussed other business such as the recently established AHEPA Foundation, Inc and the upcoming Supreme Convention after a presentation by Executive Director Basil Mossaidis. The meeting concluded with a discussion of new advertising and fundraising efforts. *—Presented by Trustee Vassos Chrysanthou*

Here is a quick summary of FYE 3/31/2012 :

	Budget	Est. actual	
Total Per Capita	\$555,900	\$575,000	
Investment Income-National Trust	\$140,000	\$140,000	
Educational Foundation	\$59,000	\$62,441	
Magazine Reimbursement	\$50,000	\$57,500	
Building Fund	\$46,245	\$51,557	
subtotal	\$68,390	\$50,391	
Total Income	\$919,535	\$936,889	\$17,354
Salaries	\$380,000	\$380,000	
Other Management & General	\$117,245	\$103,595	
Member Services	\$143,250	\$125,611	
Program Services	\$190,500	\$180,527	
Total Expenses	\$830,995	\$789,733	(\$41,262)

Being Included in the AHEPA Bone Marrow Registry is Easier Than Ever

The AHEPA Marrow Donor Registry continues its efforts to build up a database of Greek-Americans. The last few months we have conducted drives in Illinois and Florida and have tested over 500 persons to be added to the database.

The probability of obtaining an allogeneic (unrelated) match is 1 in 20,000. We are nearing that number in our database at this time.

Please encourage everybody from the ages of 18-60 to log onto our website (Ahepamarrow.org), and register on-line. You will complete a questionnaire that will be evaluated by our medical staff, and if you are eligible, you will be sent a kit for a self-swab, which you will then return and be placed on the database as a potential stem cell/marrow donor.



175 Rock Road, Glen Rock, NJ 07452

P: 201.857.4528 / 201.857.4529 / 201.857.4530

F: 201.857.4600

55 the Promenade at City Place Mall
Edgewater, NJ 07020

P: 201.945.8998 / 201.945.3998

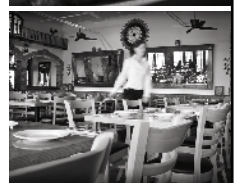
F: 201.945.2889

292 Bloomfield Avenue, Montclair, NJ 07042

P: 201.746.2280 / 201.746.2281

F: 201.746.2291

Free Delivery (\$20 Min.) | Catering Available
Gift Certificates Available



New Brunswick Sons of Pericles Welcome New Members and Plan Luncheon

The Sons of Pericles Piscataway/New Brunswick Chapter held a meeting on April 24, 2012. There they defined a new level of organization and structure that should be upheld as a template for future meetings. Newly elected Chapter President George Sarris introduced a new structure based on teamwork in newly formed committees that strive for a betterment of the Sons of Pericles in all aspects, with communication and networking at its roots. With the honor of District Governor Yiannis Floropoulos' presence, new positions for Treasury Committee, District Committee, Secretarial Staff, and Public Relations were elected at tonight's meeting.

Also a major highlight of the meeting was the initiation of four new members, Nick Tedeschi, Craig Manolas, Danny Eleftherio, and George Stavi Stavriianidis. These four new members showed an unparalleled drive of incentive and dedication, witnessed by their eagerness to be involved in upcoming events and the newly established Committees.

Plans for an upcoming fundraising event were also

established, with the consensus agreeing upon holding a luncheon on Sunday, June 17th at the Saint George Piscataway Church. The date serves to be validated by the church, however, upon approval, all are welcome too come enjoy the food and beverage donations, and learn more about the goals and aspirations of the Sons of

Pericles. As a summation of tonight's meeting the establishment of new committees and planning of new events truly highlighted a level of organization that inspired all of our members to uphold the goals and glory we strive for through our heritage.



Chapter President George Sarris administers the oath as new young men join the Kanaris Chapter (New Brunswick) of the Sons of Pericles. Looking on is District Governor Yiannis Floropoulos and other members of the chapter.



Sons of Pericles Supreme Lodge Initiates 5 New Sons

Five young men were initiated into the Sons of Pericles Megas Alexandros chapter of Randolph, NJ.

Supreme President Manolis Sfinarolakis and Supreme Governor John Ververis conducted the ceremony assisted by District 5 Governor Yiannis Floropoulos and chapter officer Nick Kalas. The initiation was held at the annual Sons of Pericles Jersey Basketball tournament on the weekend of May 19-20 in Wyckoff, NJ.

The Wyckoff Maids of Athena, Terpsichore #267, initiated 3 new members

Three young ladies were initiated into the Wyckoff, NJ Maids of Athena, Terpsichore #267. They are Jr. sisters Ariana Chicatiello, Dori Ballai and Christina Vittas.

The ceremony was conducted on Sunday, May 20th, by Alexandra Kominos, Chapter President, Christina Eliades, Vice President, Toni Gasparis and Gaby Can. Also present were Advisors Zoe Kominos, Alice Eliades and Valerie Vittas.



Cherry Hill Sons of Pericles Win 7th Annual Sons of Pericles Jersey Tournament

The Sons of Pericles of Wyckoff, NJ hosted their 7th annual Jersey Basketball Tournament on the weekend of May 19th – 20th.

Seven teams participated in this year's field which included a team from Waterbury, CT, Central Jersey, Cherry Hill, NJ, Randolph, NJ and three Wyckoff teams.

After play was complete it was Cherry Hill, NJ who was the undisputed champion. Cherry Hill went undefeated in the tournament. They faced a good Central Jersey team in the finals and prevailed to become this year's champ.

The tournament included a weekend of activities which included an initiation of new members of both the Sons and Maids.

Each player received a souvenir t-shirt and a colored JDREF wristband to raise awareness of the joint Sons and Maids national project Juvenile Diabetes.

STAMATIS RESTAURANT
Catering for all Occasions

STAMATIS & ANNA
Tel: (718) 932-8596
(718) 721-4507

29-09 23rd Avenue
Astoria, NY 11105

(718) 932-4423

LEFKOS PIRGOS CAFE
GREEK PASTRIES and CAKES

PETROS & GIOULY PANTAZIS

22-85 31st STREET
ASTORIA, N.Y. 11105

Three New Jersey Teams Participate in AHEPA Eastern Regional Basketball Tournament

Six teams participated in the AHEPA Northeast Regional Basketball Tournament, held at the Holy Trinity Church in Bridgeport, CT on May 5 and 6.

The field of teams included Bridgeport, CT, Whitestone, NY, Bronx, NY and three teams from New Jersey; Middlesex, Cherry Hill and Randolph, NJ.

Once again it was Middlesex, NJ who won the tournament defeating Whitestone for the championship. Pictured above, in what was a hard played game Randolph, NJ tip off their game against Middlesex.



Hudson and Eureka Chapters Kick Off Bowling Bracket Buster

Under the direction of District Athletic Director Nick Mariolis the Eureka Chapter 52 of Union competed against the Hudson Chapter 108 of Jersey City in a friendly contest of bowling. The game was held on Sunday afternoon, April 29th. Other chapters will also be pitted against one another in a competitive bracket to ultimately name a district wide champion.

Front Row: L. to R. Christos M. Genes, Chapter Secretary - Hudson 108; Mike Paskas, Eureka 52 Vice President; Chapter President Andreas Yanniotis; Louie Canoni, Eureka 52; Supreme Treasurer Andrew C. Zachariades; PSG John A. Mehos; Chapter President - Hudson 108, District 5 Lieutenant Governor William A. Harrison; Hudson 108, Unknown, Eureka 52.

Back Row: L. to R. Michael Perdikos, Hudson 108; Lou Lagos and friend of Eureka 52, Zenon Christodoulou; and Stathis Theodoropoulos, Hudson 108.



OBITUARIES OF

Our Departed Brothers and Sisters

May Their Memories Be Eternal in Our Hearts

Florence Pascal, Florence Pascal, 85, of Asbury Park, passed away Wednesday, March 21, 2012, in Manor by the Sea, Ocean Grove. Florence was a member of St. George Greek Orthodox Church, Asbury Park, the Daughters of Penelope and the Philoptochos Society.

Florence was predeceased by her husband, Gregory Pascal, in 1973. She is survived by her daughter, Karen Pascal, Brooklyn, NY; her brother, Thomas Chilikas and his wife, Colleen, Cape May, NJ; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and good friends.



Stanley J. Holuba, Stanley Jacob Holuba, 65, of Saddle River, passed away on January 10, 2012. Stan was born on October 1, 1946 in Jersey City and was a lifelong resident of Bergen County. Stan loved his family and friends and was an avid outdoorsman.

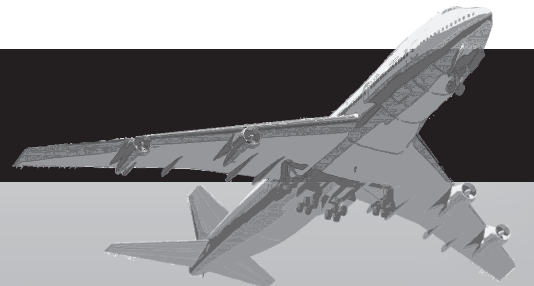
As co-owner and Chief Operating Officer of Stanson Corporation, Stan continued in his father's footsteps in operations of the family business for more than 40 years. Stan graduated from New York Military Academy ('64) and served on the Academy's Board of Trustees for over a decade. He graduated from Gettysburg College ('68) and served on the College's Board of Fellows. He was a member of the Windbeam Fishing Club and a brother of AHEPA Ramapo Chapter #453 of Wyckoff, NJ.

Stan was the beloved husband of Lynn Holuba (née Scillieri), devoted father of Nicole Holuba LaMarca, Angela M. Holuba, and Mary Jo Holuba, and inspirational father-in-law to Anthony LaMarca. He was the loving brother of Robert Holuba and the cherished son of Angela J. Holuba and the late Stanley Holuba. Stan has touched the lives of many people and will be greatly missed.



WHITE STAR TOURS

The Leader in Group Travel



KRARAS FAMILY

26 E. Lancaster Avenue
Reading, PA 19607

(610) 775-5000

(800) 437-2323

email gkraras@whitestartours.com

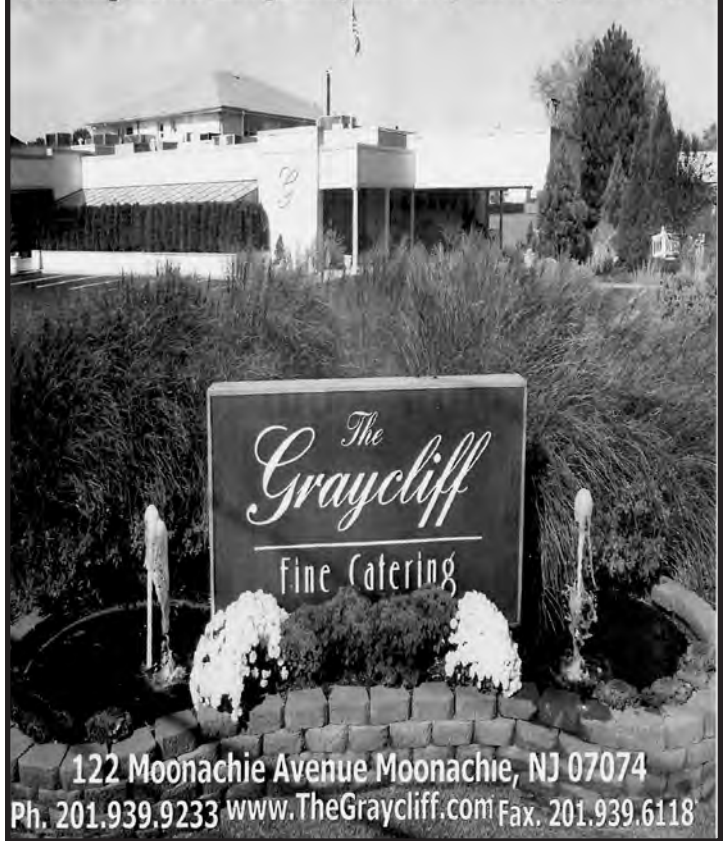
Where Family and Friends Meet for
the Best Food in Town!

DAILY TREAT RESTAURANT

Gus Lainis
John Skoutakis

177 East Ridgewood Ave,
Ridgewood, NJ 07450
(201) 652-9113

Weddings-Christenings-Elegant Banquets-Corporate Events



122 Moonachie Avenue Moonachie, NJ 07074
Ph. 201.939.9233 www.TheGraycliff.com Fax. 201.939.6118



BAKERY PATISSERIE

AGORA PLAZA

23-18 31st Street • Astoria, NY 11105
Tel: 718-728-8484 • Fax: 718-728-0066

www.artopolis.net • email: customerservice@artopolis.net

For your special events

To make your everyday and holidays
memorable, add a touch of elegance.

- Specializing in custom made cakes
for all occasions

- Weddings, Engagement parties
- Showers, Baptisms, Sweet Sixteen
- Anniversaries, etc.
- Guaranteed freshness • Picture cakes
- All baking done on premises • Handmade filo
- Our Spinach & Cheese pies
are made with HAND MADE FILO

Taste, quality, freshness and design
to please every customer.

Each mouthful
is an adventure in taste.



OURS EXCLUSIVELY



KOUFETA

Drazees
Hatzilyannakis
the dragees most loved

In many flavors: choco, almond,
champagne, strawberry, coconut,
lemon, orange.

The best choice for your WEDDING
and all other occasions.

Zagat Extraordinary Award
2004 to 2011

Serving the needs of our community since 1965 • Read our Online Newsletter at www.SASInsurance.com

Michael Symeonides



233 Kearny Avenue; P.O. Box 1147 • Kearny, NJ 07032
201-997-2360 or of Commerce FAX 201-997-1115
www.SASInsurance.com • Michael@SASInsurance.com

"Service is the Key to our success"
We speak Greek, Spanish & Portuguese

Personal Coverage

No matter the size, your home is most likely your biggest investment. SAS Insurance Agency, Inc. offers a variety of homeowner insurance plans to help you recoup your investment if your home is damaged.

We offer standard home insurance, property insurance for rental properties and insurance upgrades for high value homeowners, as well as supplemental insurance plans.

We offer personal coverage services to protect virtually any homeowner's needs:

- Homeowners/Condos/Renters
- Automobiles
- Jewelry/Fine Arts
- Personal Umbrella
- Boats/Yachts/Antique Cars
- Recreational Vehicles/Jet Ski
- Flood

Commercial Coverage

We insure most types of Businesses:

- Commercial Property
- General Liability/Products Liability
- Professional Liability/Errors & Omissions
- Business Autos
- Workers Compensation
- Employee Related Practices
- Commercial Umbrella
- Tools & Equipment

Personal Life Insurance

To help you prepare for life's challenges, we offer a wide range of services for families and individuals who seek financial protection and peace of mind.

- Low Cost Term Life Insurance
- Whole Life Insurance
- Annuities - Income for life
- Long Term Care/Nursing Home Coverage



Midatlantic Chamber of Commerce • Greek America Chamber of Commerce

The
REO
Diner

"Where Good Friends
Meet to Eat"



The Gem of Woodbridge

392 Amboy Avenue
Woodbridge, NJ 07095

Phone: 732-634-9200
Fax: 732-634-7068

The Hellenic News of America

HNA

Serving the Greek American
Community Since 1987

www.hellenicnews.com

Paul Kotrotsios, MBA
Founder & Publisher

E-mail: info@hellenicnews.com

26 West Chester Pike
Havertown, PA 19083
tel: 001-610-446-1463
fax: 001-610-446-3189

Hermes Expo International
Ethno Communications, Inc.
AtlasWeb Internet Services, Inc.
Hermes Trade Group



**America's Largest
Greek Specialty
Food Store**

Kostas Mastoras Owner

25-56 31 Street • Astoria, NY • 718-626-7771
www.titanfood.com

Synaxis
...at the shore

Mediterranean * Greek Cuisines * Seafood * Cocktails

660 Cookman Ave
Asbury Park NJ 07712
Tel: (732)897-9700
Fax: (732)897-8384

Savas C. Tsvicos

Visit us on the web at
www.synaxisattheshore.com



Synaxis \ Syn*ax" is \, noun, from the Greek verb, synago means gathering, assembly reunion, bringing together.

Tom Sawyer

A place to meet and make friends

Tom Sawyer

Phone: 201-262-0111
98 East Ridgewood Ave.
Paramus, NJ 07652

Open Sunday - Thursday 6am. - Midnight
Friday and Saturday until 1am



Media Solutions

A Clifford Company

Ernie Laios
Sales Executive
elaios@optonline.net

530 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 6c
Yonkers, NY 10705

Direct 914.423.2127

Cell 201.218.3967 Fax 201.961.6850

*Diana & George Bedoya
Westwood, New Jersey*

ERRANDS ETC. & TAXI

Convenience is Just a Call Away!

Fully Insured
Se Hable Español

Office: 201-497-6823
Cell: 201-364-1689
errandsetc.taxi@yahoo.com

GR TRANSLATIONS

Ourania Pappas

Translations • Interpreting • Legal Documents
Plerexousia (Power of Attorney) • Notary Public
Πληρεξουσία-Μεταφρασεις
Accredited by the Greek Consulate, NY

401 Cooper Landing Road, Suite C-8
Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

PHONE: (856) 482-9200 FAX: (856)482-9207

CELL: (856) 316-3914

EMAIL: pappasrania@aol.com



Owned And Operated By NRT LLC.

CHARLES CHARLLIS, GRI
Broker Sales Associate

(201) 930-8820 Business 205 VM
(201) 245-6057 Cell • (973) 387-4513 Fax
charlesChar@optonline.net



RESIDENTIAL BROKERAGE

50 Broadway
Hillsdale, NJ 07642

www.CBMoves.com/Charles.Charllis



Aegean

HOME INSPECTIONS, LLC

Services

- Buyer & Seller Home Inspections
- Radon Testing & Termite-WDI Inspections
- Commercial Property Inspections

DINO ALETRAS
Tel 201-403-1266

59 Arbor Drive, Ho-Ho-kus NJ 07423
Dino@AegeanHomeInspectionsNJ.com

www.AegeanHomeInspectionsNJ.com

NJ Lic #: 24GI00108500 Radon Certification: NJ MET12893



...Your Complete Payroll Service Since 1982

"Accurate Payroll First Time, Every Time"

Η πείρα μας σαν πρώτη Ελληνική Εταιρεία
που ειδικεύτηκε με PAYROLL SERVICES
και η υπευθυνότητα στην δουλειά μας,
μας επιτρέπουν να σας εξυπηρετήσουμε εχέμυθα,
έγκαιρα και σωστα στις χαμηλότερες τιμές
και σε όλες τις πολιτείες της Αμερικής.

Για τους νέους μας πελάτες ο πρώτος μήνας δωρεάν.

Call Olympic Today for Your Free Estimate

Phone: (973) 882-6882
Fax: (973) 882-8020

21 Two Bridges Road
Fairfield, NJ 07004

Now You Have the Power to Choose
A Preferred Electric Supplier

Gexa ENERGY

to Business Customers since 2002,
introduces our lowest-cost, fixed rate plan.

TASSOS APOSTOLOPOULOS
Call: 973-879-3909

ATTENTION RESTAURANT BUSINESS OWNERS

In Today's Economy Consumers Are
Using **CREDIT CARDS**
More Than Ever Before!

YOU SHOULD CHOOSE

Cost Plus

A Leader in Merchant Services



Get \$250.00

*If We Can't Beat or
Meet Your Current Processing Fees!*

Chris Ioannidis

CALL 973-332-0037

Please Visit Our
Other Location
**The Village Grille
Restaurant Bar**
71 Crescent Avenue
Waldwick, NJ
201-670-8200

Open 7 Days
For Lunch & Dinner
Join Us For
Happy Hour &
Live Entertainment

www.villagegrillewaldwick.com

The Welcome to
Ridge

DINER • RESTAURANT

Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner
Late Night Snacks

Take Out
Available

All Baking Done
On Premises

Hours
Sun-Thur: 6am-2am
Fri & Sat: 24 Hours

125 Kinderkamack Road
Park Ridge, NJ

These Advertisers Are Your Friends & Neighbors.
Please Use Their Services.

Tel: 201-391-4242
Fax: 201-782-0396

ALPHA
ORCHESTRA

Steve Vavagiakis
845-398-0723

George Vlasmas
917-921-2298

212-229-1752 • 516-568-0512

www.alphaorchestra.com

Visit AlphaOrchestra on YouTube



4 Franklin Turnpike • Waldwick, NJ 07463
201-447-1411

GREEK SPIRIT TV

Tune in Every Sunday 8-10 PM
WYBE CHANNEL 35 - MIND TV

Suite C-4 Playa Del Sol
401 Cooper Landing Road
Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

Phone: 856-414-9299
Cell: 609-457-1742
Fax: 856-482-5681

JOULÉ STAFFING SOLUTIONS

Your Success is Our Business

Joulé Staffing Solutions is in the business of creating success. Whether you are looking for quality employees or the best job opportunity, Joulé takes the time to understand where you are – and where you're headed.

We specialize in providing temporary, temp-to-direct and direct hire staffing solutions in the following areas:

- Administrative & Corporate Support
- Production & Logistics
- Customer Service
- Professional Support
- Payroll Services
- Vendor Management
- Project Capabilities

295 Pierson Avenue, Edison, NJ 08837
(732) 906-0906 / (800) 906-0906
www.joulestaffingsolutions.com

Regional Offices in Parsippany, Toms River, Hamilton, Union City and Upper Saddle River

George G. Horiates

ATTORNEY AT LAW



Member of NJ & PA Bars and US Supreme Court

COOPER CENTER
7905 Browning Road, Ste. #212
Pennsauken, NJ 08109

Phone: (856) 665-2085 | Fax: (856) 665-2670

24-Hour Hotline: 1-877-4-JUSTICE
Website: www.njpersonalinjuryattorney.com

FBE Limited, LLC

Andrew C. Zachariades
Controller

111 Broadway
New York, NY 10006

Phone: 212-266-8263

Fax: 212-732-1824

email: azachariades@fbelimited.com

COFFEE ASSOCIATES, INC.

Serving the Food Industry
with Quality Coffees



Edgewater, NJ
973-945-1060
973-945-4887 *fax*

New York City
212-594-2229
212-594-1333

Philadelphia & DE
215-243-4737

Easton, PA
215-253-8673



GRUBB & ELLIS.

From Insight to Results

**For all your
Commercial Real Estate Needs!**

Contact

The Supreme President of the Sons of Pericles

DEAN TSELEPIS

Associate Vice President

973.486.2534

dean.tselepis@grubb-ellis.com

www.grubb&ellis.com

Awarded Grubb & Ellis

2005 & 2006

Retail Transaction of the Year



Greenbrook Executive Center 100 Passaic Avenue, Suite 310, Fairfield, NJ 07004

Andy's Fishery

Fresh & Frozen Seafood



Tel. & Fax: (201) 342-5445
PO Box 87 • Saddle River, NJ 07458

The Crow's Nest

RESTAURANT & LOUNGE



**BANQUET FACILITIES
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT**

Tel (201) 342-5445

Fax (201) 487-2488

www.crowsnest.com

**ROUTE 17 SOUTH
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601**



*Please support all of the advertisers that make this magazine possible.
Please submit any articles and photos for the next AHEPA Voice by Sunday, August 19th*



Get a deluxe 33' Grecian Package for **\$18,999** or a super deluxe 35' diving size freeform Blue Lagoon with a heater, deluxe cover, underwater color lighting, mineralizing system and architectural stamped patio with extra lounge area for **\$24,799**

See Our Website for Details.

POOLTOWN

5500 Route 9 South Howell, NJ 1-800-882-0152 www.pooltown1.com

WE SERVE ALL OF NEW JERSEY