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Conference to Convene in Naples, Florida

The 16th Annual Leadership 100 Conference will convene February 1-4, 2007 at the newly renovated Ritz-Carlton, Naples, Florida. The hotel underwent a seven-year \$70 million addition and room renovation, which included a 51,000 square-foot spa and new beach pavilion.

All 450 guestrooms and suites were upgraded to include 32-inch LCD flat panel television, designer bedding, twin-sized sleeper chairs in rooms with king beds and mahogany wood entryways.



The Ritz-Carlton, Naples at Sunrise

"The renovation has not only enhanced the refined ambiance of The Ritz-Carlton, Naples, but has also maintained the resort's position as a leader in the luxury hotel business," said **Ed Staros**, Vice President and Managing Director.

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Kyrus Joins and Fulfills

Thomas C. Kyrus, Honorary Consul of the Republic of Cyprus in Virginia Beach, Virginia, a nationally recognized business leader in real estate and development and outstanding philanthropist, has joined Leadership 100 with a fulfilled pledge of \$100,000.

Devotion to his Orthodox faith, Hellenic heritage and his beloved Cyprus has marked his career from the beginning, culminating in his joining of Leadership 100, which is dedicated to serving Orthodoxy and Hellenism in America. He was moved to join the organization and immediately fulfill his pledge after attending the annual conference in Key Biscayne last February and witnessing first-hand its charitable outreach and dynamic membership and programs.

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Thomas C. Kyrus

New Web Site to be Launched

The Leadership 100 Web site has been completely redesigned with many new features and plans to eventually create an interactive portal. With a new and information format, the Web site offers permanent features such as membership application; grant history, grant application and progress report; officers and Board of Trustees; regulations; and staff and contact information.

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New L100 Web site

Archbishop Iakovos Memorialized



Archbishop Demetrios, assisted by Holy Cross President, Rev. Fr. Nicholas Triantafilou (left), and Bishop Andonios officiates at gravesite of late Archbishop Iakovos.

His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios conducted a Trisagion Service on June 22 as friends and colleagues gathered at the resting place of the late Archbishop Iakovos. The occasion was the placement of an inscribed tombstone on the grave, which is behind the Chapel on the campus of Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology in Brookline, Massachusetts. see page 11

Archbishop Demetrios...

July 4 Encyclical

To the Most Reverend Hierarchs, the Reverend Priests and Deacons, the Monks and Nuns, the Presidents and Members of the Parish Councils of the Greek Orthodox Communities, the Day, Afternoon, and Church Schools, the Philoptochos Sisterhoods, the Youth, the Hellenic Organizations, and the entire Greek Orthodox Family in America

My Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On July 4, 1776, the United States of America boldly and firmly declared its Independence. In so doing, it articulated a cherished phrase in the text of the Declaration of Independence, which is today enshrined in the hearts of every student and admirer of American history and in the fabric of our national conscience: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Today, on July 4, 2006, we as Greek Orthodox Christians in America find ourselves blessed to live and prosper in this great nation. Today, we bring to this nation an important witness and a valuable perspective, and we can expand upon the relatively free-standing phrase "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness," as used by our founding fathers of the 18th century Enlightenment era. An Orthodox theological interpretation of "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" would be presented as an inalienable right to live in conditions of love and relationship with others marked by the very real and continuing presence of God. This stands in harmony with St. Paul's words to the Corinthians: "where the spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom" (2 Corinthians 3:17). Similarly, the principle "that all men are created equal" stands in harmony with the teachings of our Orthodox Christian faith that all human beings are created in the image and likeness of God.

Based on these perspectives offered by our Orthodox faith, the saga of American Independence, which tells a story of resolute determination to stand against the destructive forces of tyranny, is not at all alien to us. On the contrary, it resembles the dramatic account of our own history as Greek Orthodox Christians. It calls to mind our Hellenic forebears who fought successfully for liberty against Ottoman domination in the 19th century; it recalls the struggles of our parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents who left their countries of origin over a century ago in search of a better life, in search of the life that today we proudly enjoy as citizens and residents in America.

Like all struggles for national independence, the story of American Independence continues to hold important lessons for us as people of faith and as lovers of liberty. The first of these lessons

is that life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness were so important to our American forefathers that they were willing to risk the consequences of fighting for them. Indeed, as the text of the Declaration concludes, they "mutually pledged to each other [their] Lives, [their] Fortunes and [their] sacred Honor." A second lesson is that the source of confidence in our founding fathers derived from nothing less than their unshakeable faith in God. Accordingly, they signed their names to the text of the Declaration "with a firm reliance upon the protection of divine Providence." Thus, our national holiday of American Independence naturally raises the question of how genuinely we ourselves stand committed, like our founding fathers, to the defense of these ideals even in the face of those who have difficulty understanding our way of life and its importance to us. It also asks us to consider how firmly we place our reliance upon God as our protector in this life.

In our contemporary world, which continues to witness the ravages of natural catastrophe, poverty, war, and terrorism, the inalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, are as important today to affirm as they were in the 18th century. Our celebration of these inalienable rights on this day, enhanced by our Orthodox Christian understanding of them, is best expressed when we insist through peaceful and Christian means that other people in other nations must never be denied access to these precious rights. For, as the signers of our Declaration of Independence understood, whenever people are denied access to these rights, they are ultimately deprived of that which God in His love has freely and lovingly endowed upon them and upon us all.

I pray that as we celebrate this Fourth of July holiday with all our heart, we may remember the sacrifices of our forefathers. I pray that we may remember with joy and gratitude how they turned their dream of liberty into the reality that we today live and breathe. May God keep us always in His infinite protection and mercy, and may God bless the United States of America.

With paternal love in Christ,

Archbishop Demetrios

+ DEMETRIOS
Archbishop of America



...Gratitude to L100

In a unique move to further strengthen the National Church, the Executive Committee, meeting at the 15th Annual Conference in Key Biscayne, Florida last February, allotted \$25,000 to each of the nine Metropolises of the Greek Orthodox Church for Metropolis Ministries Outreach. Following are the responses of His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios and our esteemed Metropolitans.



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA

March 6, 2006

Mr. George D. Behrakis, Chairman
Mr. John A. Payiavlas, Past Chairman
Leadership 100 Endowment Fund
645 Fifth Avenue
Suite 906
New York, NY 10022

Dear Mr. Behrakis and Mr. Payiavlas,

I offer you my warm and heartfelt appreciation you for your recent and valued expression of generosity on behalf of the members of Leadership 100.

You have taken to heart the words of the Apostle Paul in His Letter to the Corinthians, ... *just as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness ... see that you also excel in this grace of giving.* (2 Corinthians 8:7) I thank you both for this recent demonstration of philanthropy and for the important ministries you nurture through your valued support.

I offer both of you and each of the valued members of Leadership 100 my best wishes for a faith filled and spiritually enriching journey to *the Holy Pascha*. May Lent hold for you and your loved ones an abundance of spiritual blessings.

With love and esteem in Christ,

† DEMETRIOS
Archbishop of America



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO
ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΣΙΧΑΓΟΥ

March 20, 2006

Mr. George D. Behrakis, Chairman
Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Endowment Fund, Inc.
Olympic Tower
645 Fifth Avenue, Suite 906
New York, NY 10022

Dear Mr. Behrakis,

With heartfelt joy, we offer to you and all the esteemed members of Leadership 100 our sincerest gratitude for the recent grant of \$25,000 for the ministries, programs and projects of the Metropolis of Chicago.

Our Metropolis of Chicago is beginning a capital campaign to finally achieve our long-time dream of obtaining property for a year-round Camp and Retreat Center. The purchase, upkeep and development of our site will provide the faithful with permanent facilities to house our dynamic camping and youth programs, as well as to serve as a resource for our other ministries and organizations. We are thankful that Leadership 100 has chosen to help make this dream a reality for our faithful.

We pray that our Lord Jesus Christ will continue to guide and bless our friends of Leadership 100 in their special ministry to the Holy Church. May you have a blessed Great and Holy Lent as we all journey together to Pascha, venerating the Resurrection of our Lord.

With Paternal Blessings,

Metropolitan Iakovos of Chicago



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF PITTSBURGH

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March 3, 2006

Mr. George D. Behrakis, Chairman
Mr. John A. Payiavlas, Past Chairman
Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Endowment Fund, Inc.
Olympic Tower, Suite 906
645 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10022

Dear Sirs,

Please accept my gratitude and heartfelt thanks for your generous gift in the amount of \$25,000.00, which will be used for the ministries, programs, and projects of the Metropolis of Pittsburgh. I pray that you have continued success in your mission to fund the various ministries of our Church.

Please extend my sincere gratitude to the Executive Committee and all of the members of Leadership 100.

In wishing you a blessed Lent, I remain, yours in the Lord,

+MAXIMOS
METROPOLITAN OF PITTSBURGH

CC: His Eminence, Archbishop Demetrios of America



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF BOSTON
ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΒΟΣΤΩΝΗΣ

March 7, 2006

Mr. George D. Behrakis, Chairman
Mr. John A. Payiavlas, Past Chairman
Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Endowment Fund
Olympic Tower
645 Fifth Avenue, Suite 906
New York, NY 10022

Dear George and John,

Please accept my heartfelt gratitude for the generous allocation in the amount of \$25,000 to the Metropolis of Boston on behalf of the Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Endowment Fund. This generous amount will be earmarked for our Philoxenia House and to provide scholarship aid to youngsters who wish to participate in our various youth programs, especially our summer and winter camps.

Please convey my appreciation to the members of Leadership 100.

With warmest regards,

METHODIOS
Metropolitan of Boston



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF DENVER

March 9, 2006

Mr. George D. Behrakis, Chairman
Mr. John A. Payiavlas, Past Chairman
The Executive Board Members
Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100
Olympic Tower
645 Fifth Avenue, Suite 906
New York, NY 10022

Beloved in the Lord,

I have just received your letter dated February 22, 2006, as well as a check in the amount of \$25,000 from Leadership 100.

Please accept my sincerest thanks for the good wishes that you have expressed to me along with the gift. Also, I convey to you the sincere thanks of the members of my Metropolis Council and my co-workers here at the Metropolis.

Your gift was a breath of fresh air, even here at the foot of the Rocky Mountains. I realize the many demands and expectations that are associated with endowment programs, such as Leadership 100. This is why I am most appreciative of your consideration and your love for this Metropolis.

May our Lord continue to inspire and strengthen all of you in your special ministry to Him. As we witness the tragedies and disasters increasing in the world, your devotion to Him increases the hope that we need to be strong and to be able to help those in need.

With Love in Christ,

Metropolitan Isaiah of Denver



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF ATLANTA
ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΑΤΑΝΤΑΕ

March 3, 2006

Mr. George Behrakis, Chairman
Leadership 100
Olympic Tower, Ste. 906
645 Fifth Ave.
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Behrakis,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. As we look forward to the blessed and holy season of Great Lent, I pray that our Lord will bless you and all your endeavors, as you seek opportunities to glorify His Holy Name and serve Him with joy and gladness.

First of all, as a Hierarch and a member of the Holy Synod, I give thanks to Almighty God for inspiring and motivating you to heed the voice of our late Archbishop Iakovos, to build up this wonderful program and resource. Leadership 100 enables us, not only the Hierarchs, but also the clergy and lay leaders to fulfill their responsibility towards the spirituality of the Faithful. I would also like to thank your organization for choosing to hold your annual meeting this year in our Holy Metropolis of Atlanta.

I would like to share my thoughts with you, as the new Chairman of Leadership 100, and I hope that I will not sound too negative. Although Leadership 100 was created to benefit our Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, it seems that the board does not always act in a way that reflects an understanding that the Archdiocese is not just the headquarters in New York City, but also the Metropolis. Since the Faithful from all across the country support Leadership 100, I believe that in turn, Leadership 100 should also assist all the programs of our Church, therefore assisting the Metropolis as well.

You have addressed this issue by graciously giving \$25,000 to each Metropolis. However I am discouraged that, although we submitted a proposal for a new program received positively by His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios and by members of the council, the board voted not to fund this program. This is discouraging because so much wealth seems to be available to the other ministries of the Archdiocese, yet only at the headquarters. At some point if we truly want to have unity in our Church and its ministries, we should understand the importance of fulfilling our obligations and responsibilities to the whole Church. That, to me, seems to be a two-way street - that is, not only to receive but also to share.

I know that you will understand that it is very painful for me to share this, but I know that you will receive my thoughts in the way that they were offered, that is, in a spirit of love, humility and honesty. I trust you and believe that you are a person who has the best interests of our Church at heart, and who wants to know what others are thinking.

As we are in the season of reconciliation and forgiveness, I ask forgiveness for any offense or wrongdoing I may have done. May God bless and be with you always! I pray for your good health and the success of all your endeavors! I remain, with love in our Lord Jesus Christ,

Respectfully yours,

✠ALEXIOS
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GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF DETROIT

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May 18, 2006

Mr. George D. Behrakis, Chairman and
Mr. John A. Payiavlas, Past Chairman
Leadership 100 Endowment Fund
Olympic Tower
645 Fifth Avenue Suite 909
New York, NY 10022

Dear Friends and Colleagues at Leadership 100,

Your recent gift to the Metropolis of Detroit in the amount of \$25,000 on behalf of Leadership 100 was received with gratefulness and much appreciation.

Aware as I am of your desire to assist the local Metropolises of the Archdiocese, I would express the appreciation and thanks of the Metropolis Council, the Clergy Synodemes, the parishes and faithful of the Metropolis of Detroit for this extraordinary gift.

In consultation with the Metropolis Council and the Clergy Synodemes, we have determined that this gift will be used to train and enhance our clergy in public speaking and public presentations. Plans are underway for a professionally taught intensive two-day seminar to be offered to our younger clergy, in order to give them solid footing for their future ministries. Please know that this would not have been possible without your help.

Thanking you again for your generosity, and appreciative of this gift which will enhance the parish ministries of our clergy, I remain,

With thanks in the Lord,

✠NICHOLAS
Metropolitan of Detroit

ΕΠΙ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΔΕΤΡΟΙΤ
ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΗ ΑΡΧΙΔΙΟΚΗΣΙΑ ΑΜΕΡΙΚΗΣ



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF SAN FRANCISCO
ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΑΓΙΟΥ ΦΡΑΓΚΙΣΚΟΥ

March 7, 2006

Mr. George D. Behrakis
Mr. John A. Payiavlas
Leadership 100 Endowment Fund, Inc.
Olympic Tower
645 Fifth Avenue, Suite 906
New York, New York 10022

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the donation of the Leadership 100 to the Metropolis of San Francisco of \$25,000 and I wish to express my profound gratitude to you and the members of the Executive Committee of Leadership 100 on behalf of all the Faithful Orthodox Christians of our Metropolis.

Your decision to assist all the Metropolises of our Archdiocese so that their ministries, programs and numerous projects become even more effective for the work of our Church, reveals the genuine commitment of the entire membership of Leadership 100 for the growth and healthy development of our common life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Your action encourages us to be even more productive, creative and responsible as we toil together, clergy and laity, for a secure and expansive future of our Church in this country.

As we enter this Holy Season of Great Lent, I pray that our Lord strengthen you and enlighten you, so that you may receive the glorious news of His Resurrection with joy and happiness in the midst your loved ones.

With Love in Christ,

✠Metropolitan Gerassios of San Francisco

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GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY
ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΝΕΑΣ ΙΕΡΟΣΟΛΕΥΜΗΣ

March 22, 2006

Mr. George Behrakis, Chairman
Mr. John Payiavlas, Past Chairman
Leadership 100
Olympic Tower 645 Fifth Avenue Suite 906
New York, NY 10022

My Beloved,

I pray that this letter finds you in good health and experiencing the spiritual rejuvenation that Holy and Great Lent has to offer us.

It was with particular joy that I received your exceedingly generous donation of \$25,000.00 for the Metropolis of New Jersey "St. John Chrysostom Diakonia Fund." Please know that your magnanimous donation will assist our beloved Metropolis in its manifold philanthropic ministries so that the work of the Lord may be accomplished in the best possible and most pastoral and professional manner.

Once again, Leadership 100 has demonstrated that it is the shining example of Christian Stewardship par excellence in our Holy Archdiocese as well as being a beacon of light in the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey. I am confident that you will continue to influence others in this most positive manner as they emulate your sincerity, generosity and love for His Church. It is my prayer that our loving Lord will continue to bless and inspire all of you as you serve in His vineyard.

Wishing upon you and your family God's abundant Blessings during this Lenten Period, and thanking you once again for your kindness, I remain

With Paternal Love and Gentleness,

✠EVANGELOS
Metropolitan of New Jersey

16th Annual Conference

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The five-star, five-diamond hotel, also called the Naples Beach Resort is located on the white sands of South-west Florida's Gulf Coast. Spa services include more than 40 spa treatments and body therapies, including nutrition and fitness with onsite personal training, with a focus on wellness. There is a steam room, sauna, aqua lounge and outdoor mineral pool and a spa café that offers spa cuisine and cooking classes.

Only three miles away, accessible by hotel shuttle, is the 295-room Ritz Carlton Golf Resort with two 18-hole signature Greg Norman golf courses. Together, The Ritz-Carlton Resorts of Naples offer 11 distinctive dining experiences, from classic to casual Caribbean.

Registration packets will be sent to all Leadership 100 members in September. The deadline for registration is November 16, 2006. Hotel reservations may be made at any time by calling The Ritz-Carlton, Naples at 239-598-3300 and identifying yourself as a member of Leadership 100.



Gumbo Limbo Restaurant



Spa Couples Room

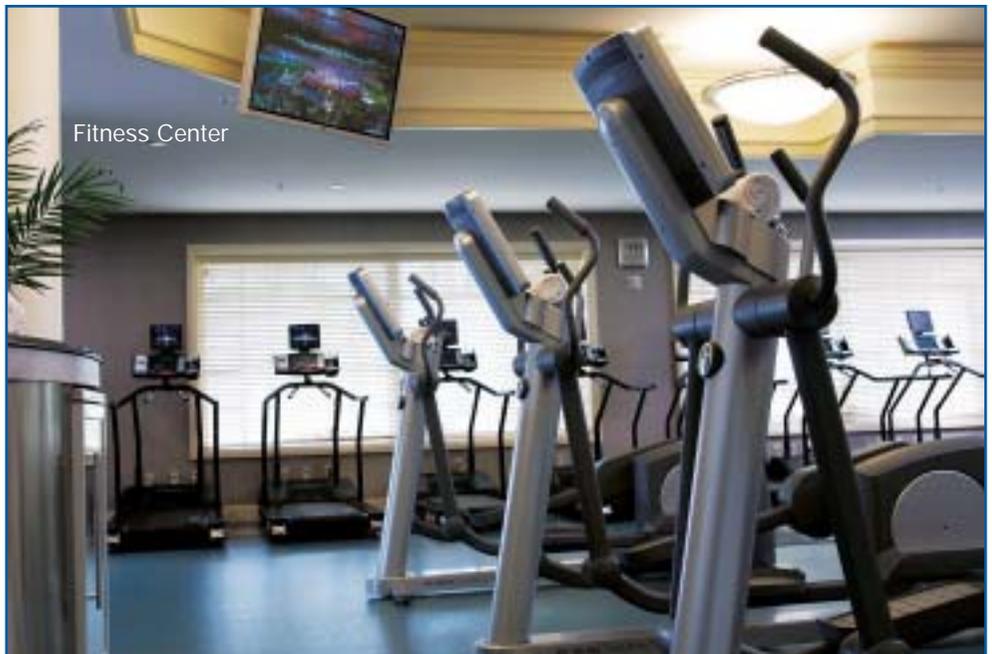


New Guest Room

in Naples Florida



Pool Cabana



Fitness Center

Chairman's Message

Our Inward Journey



Since becoming Chairman of Leadership 100 last February, I have both fomented and been confronted by change. New personnel policies were put into place. Recommendations from a new audit committee for new financial procedures were adopted. Staff changes and reassignments were made after the resignation of our Executive Director.

Many of these moves were covered with interest in the Greek American press and caused consternation among some of our members and in our Archdiocese. Too often, misinterpretations were made of our motives.

But what was occurring was, in reality, our move to become more responsible and accountable to our donors and members - the inside changes to our outside move last November to the Olympic Tower.

Lost in all of this is our real purpose - to create a more cost effective use of our monies, to streamline our operations, to make our mission in support of our Church more significant and to make room for our spiritual growth - our inward journey as Greek Orthodox Christians and committed Hellenes.

The changes will allow us in time to focus on our priorities and dispense with endless and useless debates on procedures and protocol, on personalities and power. No organization will ever be entirely free of these, but our mission to serve and insure the perpetuation of Orthodoxy and Hellenism in America requires greater responsibility from us to put aside these often petty differences and constantly remind ourselves of our high calling.

As a family of Hellenes built on faith and friendship, Leadership 100 is blessed, but it must all the more use its resources and talents to bless others with support and understanding. Our inward journey must produce outward spiritual power to effect real change in a world in disarray, to bring hope where there is despair and clarity of purpose where there in confusion, for the values of our faith and heritage have always been true and sound and remain true and sound after thousands of years.

Our life's journey is about discovering ourselves. Socrates said "Know thyself" and Our Lord said "The Kingdom of God is within you". What is forgotten is that what applies to individuals, also applies to organizations, ultimately collections of individuals. No one or nothing is exempt from the discovery of truth. That is the real battle in our war weary world and it goes on every day.

George D. Behrakis

George D. Behrakis

Payiavlas Named National Chairman

John A. Payiavlas, the past Chairman of Leadership 100, was named by George D. Behrakis, the current Chairman, to head the **Funding Our Future** Membership Drive, with the objective of recruiting 50 new members by the end of 2006. Currently fully committed membership stands at 694.



As National Chairman, Mr. Payiavlas will oversee a national campaign committee of co-chairmen in each Metropolis, working with **Paulette Poulos**, Director of Development.

While the short-range plan for 2006 is 50 new members, the Development Committee is planning a long-range campaign of dramatically increasing membership and assets (the Endowment Fund now stands at \$57 million) by the 25th Anniversary of Leadership 100 in 2009.

Recruitment events are scheduled for Phoenix, Nashville, Denver, San Francisco, Boston and New York over the next four months.

Paulette Poulos Named Interim Director

The Executive Committee of Leadership 100 voted to name **Ms. Paulette Poulos** as the Interim Executive Director until a search committee is appointed to implement the interview process. Ms. Poulos will continue her duties as Director of Development. She is a life-long, dedicated individual who has served the Church for many years in various capacities, most recently as the Administrator to the late Archbishop Iakovos.



The move followed the resignation of **Fr. Dimitrios Antokas**, Executive Director of Leadership 100, who told the June 1 meeting of the committee that he decided to return to full-time ministry. Fr. Dimitrios said, "I came to this decision after Holy Week where I served the needs of the faithful at St. John the Baptist Church, a small parish in Manhattan."

During his two-year tenure as Executive Director, Fr. Dimitrios was instrumental in the move of Leadership 100 to its new offices at Olympic Tower, the annual conferences, membership campaigns and the allocation of grants and investments.

In accepting Fr. Antokas' decision to return to full-time ministry, Mr. **George D. Behrakis**, Chairman of Leadership 100 stated: "Fr. Dimitrios brought love and distinction while assisting Leadership 100 in achieving its mission."

L100 New Members

DIRECT ARCHDIOCESAN DISTRICT

Mr. Nikolaos Gregoriou Astoria, NY

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John Rallis Newport Beach, CA
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George and Crystal Condakes Beverly Farms, MA

METROPOLIS OF DETROIT

Dr. George and Bessie Psihas Rochester, MN

METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY

Thomas and Elaine Kyrus Virginia Beach, VA

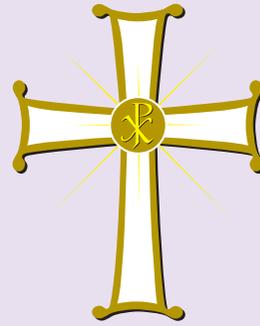


Paulette Poulos takes questions from Holy Cross Seminarians Visiting L100 offices in Olympic Tower.



Former New York University President, John Brademas, L100 International Chairman, Panayiotis Tsakos of Greece and L100 Chairman, George D. Behrakis, at visit of Captain Tsakos to L100 offices in Olympic Tower.

I n M e m o r i a m



**METROPOLIS OF
NEW JERSEY**

Peter C. Zourdos
Bethesda, MD

Our thoughts and prayers go to their family and friends. A memorial contribution on behalf of Leadership 100 has been given to the parishes of our beloved members.

Web site

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In addition, it offers current news, press releases, a conference section, and a rich array of pictures and videos, beginning with the "Funding Our Future" video story of Leadership 100, the Opening at Olympic Tower and four programs from the conference at Key Biscayne last February, the Workshop on Sports with Alex Rodriguez, Business Forum with John Catisimatidis, Forum on Hellenism with Nicholas and Eleni Gage and Workshop on Women with Barbara Spyridon Pope. The videos can be downloaded and the pictures may be ordered directly from the Leadership 100 photographer.

The Web site will stay current with news of our campaign to enroll 50 new members in 2006 in the section on "Funding Our Future", as well as begin preparations of a new effort to bring our membership to 1,000 and our assets to \$100 million by Leadership 100's 25th Anniversary in 2009. A silver seal at the right of the masthead can be clicked to access information on the "25th Anniversary Fund".

Plans include adding a section for young adults, creating interactive ability to add member content and development of a "gated portal" for members only that can become a member's own home page.

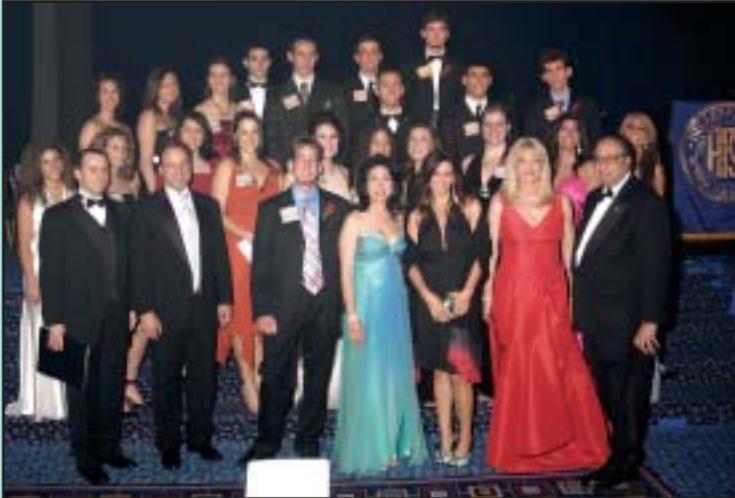
The new L100 Web site may be accessed at www.L100.org.



Paulette Poulos (right) and Peter Polychronis of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese (to her right) host seminarians in Atrium Café in Olympic Tower.

Hellenic Times Scholarship Gala

On May 13th more than 1400 guests and celebrities attended the 15th Annual Hellenic Times Scholarship Fund (HTSF) Anniversary Gala at the New York Marriott Marquis, hosted by Leadership 100 members, **John and Margo Catsimatidis** and **Nick Katsoris**, co-founders of the HTSF.



Margo and John Catsimatidis (far right) and (left to right) Nick Katsoris, Nick Gregory and Alex Christoforou (blue dress) with scholarship recipients.

The gala celebration honored CBS National Correspondent and MarketWatch Anchor **Alexis Christoforou** and Fox-5 meteorologist **Nick Gregory**. American Idol star **Constantine Maroulis** also served as guest host of a spectacular concert featuring Greek singing

sensation **Elli Kokkinou** and the legendary Drifters. Constantine himself also took the stage for an impromptu concert and delighted the crowd with songs like "Stand by Me" and "Brown Eyed Girl."

This year the HTSF awarded 35 scholarships to students across the United States and with this year's awards the organization has granted more than 500 scholarships since its inception. Many celebrities also presented scholarships to some of the students as follows: CSI:NY star **Melina Kanakaredes** presented a scholarship for the arts to **Christina Skleros**. "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" star **Nia Vardalos** presented a scholarship for the Arts to Nicholas Wells. Tennis legend **Pete Sampras** presented to **Gregory Damalas**. The **Ernie Anastos** Scholarship for Journalism was awarded to **Grant Potter**. **Judge Nicholas Tsoucalas** awarded a scholarship for legal studies to **Alice Schulka** and Guiding Light star **Frank Dicapoulos** presented a \$5,000 scholarship to **Jason Varounis**.

Mr. Katsoris, also President of HTSF served as Dinner Chairman and presented a video highlighting the Fund's 15 years, narrated by NBC sportscaster **Bob Costas**, including clips from past honorees and performers including: **Olympia Dukakis**, **Anna Vissi**, **Melina Kanakaredes**, **Tina Fey**, **Marilu Henner**, **Natassa Theodoridou**, **Gloria Gaynor**, **Ernie Anastos**, **Bob Costas**, **John Aniston** and others.

Mr. and Mrs. Catsimatidis then presented the 2006 HTSF Scholarships, and thanked the contributors of the HTSF for their support.

Following the program, falling confetti, balloons, party favors, and dazzling concert performances turned the Marriott Marquis ballroom into a memorable celebration. First up, the Drifters had the crowd swaying to classic tunes like "Under the Boardwalk," "On Broadway" and "Save the Last Dance for me." Then **Elli Kokkinou** energized the crowd with a spectacular set of her greatest hits including "Masai," "Den Yinetai" and "Erota Mou."

Hellenic College and Holy Cross Will Hold Golf Tournament

The 14th Annual Hellenic College and Holy Cross Golf Tournament an extremely popular fundraising event, will once again be held at the exclusive Kernwood Country Club, in Salem, Massachusetts on Monday, July 31. The school is a major recipient of Leadership 100 grants.

Registration begins at 10:00am and for the first time in the tournament's history includes a box lunch and full complement of beverages for each player, loaded on their golf cart. The shotgun start of the golf tournament takes place sharply at 11:30am. To make one of the most anticipated charity golf tournaments of the season even more exciting are raffle prizes this year that include Boston Red Sox tickets, golf outings at Kernwood Country Club, golf clubs, and more from the Pro Shop at Kernwood.

Carrying on the tradition started by Leadership 100 member **James Argeros** fourteen years ago, this year's co-chairmen, **Bob DeVasto** and

George Katsarakes, also a member of Leadership 100, expect another record year, both in turnout and funds raised. This year's tournament committee includes Honorary Chairman **Rev. Nicholas C. Triantafyllou**, President of Hellenic College and Holy Cross, **Tom Demakes**, founder **Argeros** and **Angelo Stamoulis**, all members of Leadership 100, along with **George Makredes**, **John Panagako**, and **Dr. Nick Marinakis**. Working behind the scenes are **Rev. James Katinas** and **Charlie Kroll**.

Co-Chairman **George Katsarakes** stated, "Our committee is working to make this tournament more exciting every year. Supporting Hellenic College and Holy Cross is a worthy cause. Add to it the fun and fellowship, and this is a win for everyone involved." **Bob DeVasto**, **George's** co-chairman, added, "It seems as though every year keeps on getting better, with more to offer our golfers, and ultimately more to give back to our College and School of Theology."

This year's tournament continues the tradition of souvlaki rounding the front nine, a festive cocktail party after the tournament, and a lobster and steak feast to cap things off. The tournament will be held on Monday, July 31. Cost per golf tournament player is \$400. Fee includes golf, cart, a gift bag, food and beverages throughout the day. All proceeds benefit Hellenic College and Holy Cross. In a departure from previous years, the benefit tennis tournament will be held on a different date, Friday, September 15th, at the prestigious Longwood Cricket Club in Chestnut Hill.

Iakovos Memorialized

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The epitaph read: "Iakovos, Archbishop of North & South America, April 1, 1959 – July 29, 1996, Born July 29, 1911 – Imvros – Fell Asleep April 10, 2005 – New York." It concluded with the words of St. Paul in both English and Greek, "I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race. I have kept the faith." (2 Tim 4:7)

Archbishop Demetrios told those in attendance that "the grave was too small to contain the body of such a great man" and that the late Archbishop "contributed so much to our omogeneia to be today such a significant part of the world of Orthodox Hellenism."

Paulette Poulos, long-time administrator to Archbishop Iakovos and now Interim Executive Director of the Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Endowment Fund, the organization he founded in 1984 to perpetuate Orthodoxy and Hellenism in America, joined leaders of that organization which included former Chairman **Arthur A. Anton**, Board of Trustees member **Eve Condakes** and member **Peter Skeadas**. His Grace **Bishop Andonios of Phasiane** assisted Archbishop Demetrios in the Trisagion Service.

Others in attendance were Thomas Lelon, Vice Chairman of the Executive Committee of Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology, Father Nicholas Triantafilou, President, Rev. Dr. Alkiviadis Calivas, former president of the school, Rev. Dr. Theodore Stylianopoulos and Dr. Lewis Patsavos of the Holy Cross faculty, Nikie Calles, long-time assistant to the late Archbishop, Rev. and Mrs. Nicholas Magoulis, Presvytera Kay Kyriakos, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stern, Clara Nicholson, Ann Scarlatos, Christine Nikitas, Dorothy Nikitas, Helen Gegerias, and many others who gathered to offer their respects.



(left to right) Paulette Poulos, Presvytera Marilyn Magoulis, Nikie Calles, Peter Skeades, Rev. Fr. Nicholas Magoulis, Arthur C. Anton, Mr. Joseph Stern, Presvytera Kay Kyriakos, Mrs. Joseph Stern, Rev. Dr. Alkiviadis Calivas and Dr. Lewis Patsavos.

Kyrus Joins and Fulfills

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From 1955, Mr. Kyrus was a member of AHEPA. He joined the American Hellenic Institute, United Hellenic American Congress, Cyprus Federation of America, and was appointed by the late Archbishop Iakovos as a member of the Archdiocesan Council of the Greek Orthodox Church in America, from 1969 to 1982. He served as President of Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church in Norfolk, Virginia. He was and Founder of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Virginia Beach and its first President. He is an Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople and a recipient of both the Citation of the National Conference of Christians and Jews in Hampton Roads and of the Ellis Island Medal of Honor.

Mr. Kyrus served on the Resort Advisory Commission of Virginia Beach as a Director for 10 years and as Vice Chairman for five years, responsible for the rejuvenation of the oceanfront to a world-class resort destination. Prior to his retirement in 1988 as a realtor and developer, he was responsible for the development of various shopping centers and the management of commercial and industrial properties.

Born in Morphou, Cyprus in 1929, he emigrated to the United States in 1947, graduated from Maury High School in 1949 and

served in the U.S. Army from 1951 to 1953. He graduated from Norfolk College in Business Administration in 1956, when he entered the real estate field, specializing in commercial and industrial properties, building and management.

Over his career, he served in numerous businesses, civic and philanthropic organizations, including the Virginia Beach Board of Realtors, as Chairman of the Virginia Beach Kidney Foundation and the Lions Club, and was a founding member of the Virginia Beach Foundation.

He continues to serve philanthropic causes as Director of the Cyprus' Children's Fund of America and of the Makarios/Lappas Scholarship Fund, which awards several scholarships annually to Greek-Cypriot students in the U.S. He served as National Chairman of the Cyprus Children's Fund for 15 years. He was involved in the formation of three banks in Virginia – People's Bank, the Bank of Virginia Beach and the Bank of Tidewater, now Wachovia Bank.

Thomas Kyrus and his wife, Elaine, reside in Naples, Florida and Virginia Beach. They have twin sons and two grandchildren.

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