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Rudy Giuliani Keynote At Conference; Will Receive Award For Excellence

udolph W. Giuliani, the former Mayor of New York City, who has been called "America's Mayor" and "the World's Mayor" since his courageous leadership during the national tragedy of September 11, 2001, will deliver the keynote address at the Grand Banquet of the 16th Annual Conference, Saturday, February 3, 2007, at the Ritz-Carlton, Naples, Florida.



9/11 terrorist attacks. He has said that "not a single day has gone by without a vivid memory of the attacks" and that the offense against terrorists "is a fight over the preserva-

His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios of America and George D. Behrakis, Chairman of Leadership 100, will present Mr. Giuliani with The Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Award for Excellence. The Award, which recognizes outstanding Greek Orthodox and Greek American leaders who are committed to the advancement of Orthodoxy and Hellenism, will for the first time be given, in the spirit of philhellenism, to an outstanding leader, regardless of religion or national background, who exemplifies the universal values and ideals of Orthotion of the modern world."

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Mr. Giuliani, who is now Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Giuliani Partners LLC, which he founded in January 2002, served two terms as the 107th Mayor

organized crime, government corruption, drug dealers and white-collar criminals. From 1981 to 1983, he served as Associate Attorney Gen-

in 1997 by a wide margin.

Prior to his election, Mr. Giuliani had served in a number of law enforcement and legal positions. In 1983, he was appointed U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York, where he spearheaded efforts against

of the City of New York. He was first elected in 1993 and re-elected

Recently having taken the first step in a 2008 presidential race by filing papers to create an exploratory committee, the former mayor has received wide recognition for his stewardship of New York City after the

Mr. Giuliani, a native of Brooklyn, New York, attended Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School, Manhattan College and New York University Law School, graduating cum laude in 1968.

eral, the third highest position in the Department of Justice.

Prominent Attorney Joins L100 & Fulfills

r. Nicholas G. Manos, who served in London, England at the end of World War II as a legal officer for Admiral Hewitt, Commander of U.S. Naval Forces in Europe, a trial lawyer in court marshal proceedings, the Admiral's courier to the Nuremburg trials and to the U.S. Naval Attaché in Greece, has joined Leader-



Katherine and Nicholas Manos

ship 100. He fulfilled his pledge through a new law allowing distributions from certain IRAs (see page 3 for details). His experiences in Europe are the subject of a forthcoming novel which will be titled "Bow Street Magistrate". He also served, from 1955 to 1959, as an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, appointed by the Attorney General of the United States.

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Kokalis Family Fulfills L100 Commitment

eadership 100 Founding Member and past Chairman, George P. Kokalis, announced at a celebration of his 97th birthday on July 20, 2006. that, in addition to his fulfilled commitment and that of his wife, Stephanie, which names appear on the first and second plaques of fulfilled members, their son. Peter G. Kokalis, who has also ful-



George P. Kokalis presented with icon by Metropolitan Gerasimos of San Francisco, at his 97th birthday celebration.

filled will have his name appear on the third plaque which is being produced. Finally, their grandson, George P. Kokalis will fulfill before the end of the year, and his name will appear on the fourth plaque.

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Archbishop Demetrios...

Archpastoral Reflections

ach and every day of our lives we are confronted by different ideologies and philosophies that attempt to answer for us some of the great questions of life. Some of these are very obvious, such as the views of different religions or the multitude of political and economic theories and systems that we find in our modern world. Others are much more subtle and can often affect our lives in significant ways. In our contemporary American culture we see a strong emphasis on material wealth and possessions. A "successful" or "good life" is measured in terms of how much a person owns or how "comfortable" a lifestyle he or she has. Our culture is also characterized by an attitude of relativism, i.e. what may be true for one person may not be for another, or what is moral for one person may not necessarily be so for another. The challenge of these types of philosophies and ideas is that they are both appealing and deceptive. They are appealing because of our desire to "fit in"—to find ways to adapt peacefully with the culture around us and to be accepted by others. They are deceptive, as with many other ideas and attitudes, because they can lead us away from the truth of the Gospel and cause us to marginalize the role of faith in our lives.

In examining all of this, the following question may come to mind: "How do I live as an Orthodox Christian in a world filled with competing ideas that challenge the very nature of the Gospel, my understanding of God, my relationship with Him, and the purpose and mission of the Church?" We can find assurance in knowing that a question such as this is not a new one at all for Christians. Rather, a question such as this provides a healthy opportunity to consider the role of Orthodox Christian education in our contemporary lives.

Since the time of our Lord's earthly ministry, Christians have been confronted with philosophical ideas and cultural influences that led many to offer their words and even their lives as a witness of the truth of our faith. In fact, the Church was inaugurated at a time in history when a full spectrum of ideas and related philosophical schools were vying for the attention and commitment of people. In the midst of all of this, it was the Christian Gospel that brought truth, hope, and life to an ever-increasing number of believers.

Today, we can continue to find educational guidance in the writings of the great Fathers and Ecumenical Teachers of our Church, such as Sts. Gregory the Theologian, Basil the Great, John Chrysostom, and Gregory of Nyssa, who each wrote voluminously and preached passionately regarding matters that people of their day struggled with as they endeavored to learn more of what it meant to be a Christian living in a complex world. Even the early theologians of the Christian Church; such as the Apostolic Fathers Ignatios of Antioch and Clement of Rome, or the apologists Justin Martyr, Athenagoras, Tertullian, and Theophilos; offered applicable

insights for their times which are equally applicable to our own age. For example, in the first of his three letters to Autolycus, who was not a Christian, the apologist Theophilos engages him in a meaningful dialogue. This dialogue focuses not on how we know God and truth, but in what manner we know God and truth. Theophilos states, "God is seen by those who are enabled to see Him when they have the eyes of their soul opened." Theophilos exhorts his reader to trust Jesus Christ, "Entrust yourself to the Physician...who heals and

Certainly, not every ideology, philosophy, or cultural trend is beneficial or even good; but the soul that engages the world with a firm grounding in the Christian faith and with instruction in the nature and character of the Christian life will be able to discern what is truth and what is not. The societal issues raised by the great Fathers of our Church and the questions raised by apologists like Theophilus are clear: What is the condition of your soul? If your soul is blinded by sin, or if you do not seriously engage yourself in a real, full, and genuine Orthodox education, can you know the will of God? Or will you remain a child in the faith, easily misguided by vain and empty ideas?

makes alive through his word and wisdom." Through this heal-

ing, a person will be able to live in purity, holiness, and right-

eousness and will be able to discern what is true from what is not.

These questions lead to a logical conclusion that if one does not cultivate the soul under the guidance of able and spiritual teachers of the faith, he will not have the maturity to discern between what is righteous, holy, and true and what is not. However, through the struggle for purity of soul, truth will be revealed; and as the soul is nurtured through prayer, worship, learning, and ministry, God will bless His servants with wisdom and understanding, equipping all who are committed to following Him to recognize and turn from what is deceptive and destructive and to embrace what is true, life-giving, and eternal. These questions and conclusions drawn from our Christian past continue to have an applicable relevance for our present age. They are matters that touch and concern issues of our education as Orthodox Christians, and thus will always serve as an appropriate subject of reflection for the continued growth of our souls.

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L100 Conference

Attorney Fulfills

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Mr. Manos joined the U.S. Navy in 1942 after completing his law studies at DePaul University Law School with a LLB Cum Laude at age 20, graduating first in his class. By reason of his language proficiency in Greek and French, he was assigned to the Office of Naval Intelligence in Chicago. He attended U.S. Navy officer's training schools at the Universities of Pennsylvania and Notre Dame and received a commission as an ensign in 1944. He was then assigned to the navy's oriental language school in Stillwater, Oklahoma, to study Japanese for eventual transfer to the Pacific war theater of operations to act as a naval intelligence officer. With the end of the war the Navy elected to assign him to London.

Upon his honorable discharge in 1946 as a U.S. Navy Lieutenant, he attended Harvard Law School as a special graduate student under the G.I Bill of Rights. In 1947, he commenced his private practice of law in Chicago where, following his service as Assistant U.S. Attorney, he served as president of the Chicago Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, president of the Hellenic Bar Association, and as a lecturer at Loyola University Law School.

When Cyprus was invaded by the Turks in 1974, Mr. Andrew Athens (who sponsored Mr. Manos's Leadership 100 membership) and Mr. Manos arranged for a committee of Greek Americans to meet Secretary of State Henry Kissinger in Washington, DC to receive a report of why the United States had not intervened to prevent the disastrous events of the invasion. This meeting which occurred within two days of the invasion served as the catalyst for the formation by Mr. Athens of the United Hellenic American Congress (UHAC), where Mr. Manos served on the executive committee.

In 1975, he was appointed by the U.S. District Court in Chicago to serve as the Chief Reorganization Counsel for the Trustee of the bankrupt Rock Island Railroad. The court proceedings lasted for nine years during which Mr. Manos devoted all of his efforts to accomplish the Plan of Reorganization which he drafted and which was approved by the Court and the ICC in 1984.

Mr. Manos was born in 1922 and baptized at Chicago's Sts. Constantine & Helen Greek Church. The first priority of his immigrant parents, George and Eustathia Manos, was to establish a religious, cultural and educational program for Nicholas and his older brother John. To accomplish this objective they moved to Chicago's West Side Austin neighborhood close to the newly built Assumption Greek Church, where the brothers could benefit from religious training and education in the Greek language.

In February 1953, Nicholas Manos married the former Katherine Gianacakos at the Assumption Church. Two children, Stathia and George were born of this happy union. Nicholas and Katherine have celebrated fifty-three glorious anniversary years. They reside in Riverside, Illinois and are blessed with four beautiful grandchildren which keep them happily occupied.

IRA Gift Exemption

ust before Thanksgiving, Leadership 100 received a truly great gift. Andy Athens brought us a new member who has fulfilled his commitment, Nicholas Manos of Chicago. Mr. Manos has given us an opportunity far beyond the value of his gift by virtue of a new law regarding distributions from an IRA to a qualified charity.

According to William S. Crane, of Crane, Tonelli, Rosenberg & Co. LLP, our new accounting firm, "Pursuant to the recently-enacted Pension Protection Act of 2006, a taxpayer who is age $70^{-1/2}$ or older may exclude from his gross income up to \$100,000 transferred directly from his IRA to certain qualified charities during the tax years 2006 and 2007. The rolled-over amount (up to \$100,000) will also count toward satisfying the taxpayer's minimum required distribution from the IRA."

Furthermore, because Leadership 100 is an organization described in section $170(b)\,(1)\,(A)$ of the Internal Revenue Code, it is a qualified charity for these purposes.

However, as to the source of the funds, certain restrictions apply:

- •The plan must be a traditional IRA or a Roth IRA; it cannot be an employer sponsored plan such as a SIMPLE IRA, a 401(k) or 403(b) plan or a simplified employment pension ("SEP") plan.
- •You may receive no benefit from the charity for your transfer (e.g. tickets, dinners, etc.).
- •You are responsible for and must obtain documentation for the transfer as you would substantiate any other gift to charity.

It is still unclear how (and if) various IRA administrators will implement the opportunity, e.g. charging fees for transfers, setting minimum transfer amounts or maximum number of transfers per year, defining the process necessary to make transfers and establishing the eligibility of charities to receive transfers.

Kokalis Family Fulfills L100

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The revered past chairman has made it his personal commitment to get all Leadership 100 members to fulfill, having headed a special campaign to register the names of fulfilled members on the plagues that are displayed at the Archbishop Iakovos Library and Learning Resource Center at Holy Cross School of Theology in Brookline, Massachusetts. To date 296 member have fulfilled out of a total membership of 696.



Stephanie and George Kokalis with Metropolitan Gerasimos (seated); Paulette Poulos, Interim Executive Director of Leadership 100 and Fr. Nick Triantafilou, President of Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology (standing).



L100 Conference

Undersecretary Of State Nicholas Burns To Address US Foreign Policy Priorities

mbassador R. Nicholas Burns, the Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs, will address our nation's foreign policy priorities at the 16th Annual Conference, Friday, February 2, 2007.



U.S. Ambassador to Greece from 1997 to 2001, Ambassador Burns went on to serve as United States Permanent Representative to the

north Atlantic Treaty Organization. He was confirmed by the U.S. Senate to his present post as the Department of State's third ranking official on March 17, 2005.

From 1995 to 1997, Ambassador Burns was Spokesman of the Department of State and Acting Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs for Secretary of State Warren Christopher and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright. A career Senior Foreign Service Officer, he served for five years (1990-1995) on the National Security Council staff at the White House.

Raised in Massachusetts, Mr. Burns earned a B.A. in European History from Boston College, graduating summa cum laude, and a Master's degree with distinction from John Hopkins school of International Studies in International economics and American Foreign Policy. He speaks French, Arabic and Greek.

Famed Columnist To Speak On Nutrition And Health

ane E. Brody, The New York Times Personal Health columnist who has been dubbed "High Priestess of Health" by Time Magazine, will address the $16^{\rm th}$ Annual Conference on "Nutrition, Health and Wellness for the Leadership 100 Family" on Thursday, February 1,2007.



Ms. Brody received her B.S. degree in biochemistry from the New York State College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell University in 1962 and a master's degree in

science writing from the University of Wisconsin School of Journalism the following year. After two years as a general assignment reporter for the Minneapolis Tribune, in 1965 she joined The New York Times as a full-time specialist in medicine and biology. In 1976 she became The Times's Personal Health columnist. Her widely read and quoted column, which appears every Tuesday in The Times's Science Times section and in more than 100 other newspapers around the country. In 1987, she was awarded an honorary doctorate from Princeton University. She also has honorary doctorates from Hamline University in St. Paul, the State University of New York Health Sciences University and the University of Minnesota School of Public Health.

Ms. Brody has written ten books including the best-sellers Jane Brody's Nutrition Book and Jane Brody's Good Food Book. Her other books include Jane Brody's Good Food Gourmet; Jane Brody's Good Seafood Book; Jane Brody's Cold and Flu Fighter, Jane Brody's Allergy Fighter, The New York Times Book of Health and The New York Times Book of Women's Health. She is co-author of The New York Times Guide to Alternative Health, published in 2001.

Ms. Brody was born on May 19, 1941, in Brooklyn, New York, where she presently resides with her husband Richard Engquist, a lyricist for stage musicals. Their twin sons, Erik and Lorin, both married, share her enthusiasm for wholesome food and fitness. She and Richard are the proud grandparents of four boys, including a pair of twins who at age 6 are still resisting her efforts to sell them on fruits and vegetables.

L100 Members Offer Forum On Health

r. Marjorie Moyar, a clinical psychologist, and Dr. Susan Deakins, a psychiatrist, both members of Leadership 100, will offer the Forum on Health at the 16th Annual Conference on Friday, February 2, 2007. In keeping with the overall theme of the conference, *The Heritage of Hope*, the Forum is titled, "Recovery for Living", which deals with the concept of recovery in the field of mental health.

Marjorie Maria Moyar completed a B.A. in English and History at the University of Pittsburgh. She taught public school in Cleveland for several years and her interests shifted to sociology and psychology. Active in the Junior League and the League of Women Voters, she received several awards for promoting female alcohol awareness and founded Hitchcock Center, a residence for women in recovery.

After completing an M.A. in Sociology at Cleveland State University and a Ph.D. at Case Western Reserve University in Applied Social Science, she became a licensed psychologist and served as staff psychologist for a women's in-patient recovery program while establishing a private clinical psychology practice.



Dr. Marjorie Moyar

An active member of the Church, Dr. Moyar recently served for three years as President of the Parish Council of Sts. Constantine and Helen Cathedral in Cleveland and is a member of the National Philoptochos Board where she serves on its Family and Society Committee. She started and cochaired the Cleveland Metropolitan IOCC Committee fifteen years ago and has

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Dr. Susan Deakins



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traveled to Serbia, Bosnia and Ethiopia as an IOCC representative.

Dr. Moyar is married to Bert Moyar, longtime officer and Board member of Leadership 100. Her inspiration continues to be her family: mother, husband, children and their spouses and her four grand-children.

Susan Deakins attended Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons where she is currently an Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry. She did an internship and residency in Internal Medicine and a Fellowship in Endocrinology at St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital in New York City, where she then worked at the Smithers Alcoholism Treatment and Training Center for eight years, first as Supervisor of Detoxification and then as Coordinator of Treatment. She did a second residency at St.Luke's-Roosevelt, this time in Psychiatry and has since worked with the seriously mentally ill and their families with a particular interest in people with co-morbid mental illness and substance use disorders. She has been a senior supervisor

in several multi-site studies using multi-family psycho-educational groups in the treatment of people with schizophrenia.

For the past eighteen years Dr. Deakins has been a core faculty member and Associate Director of the Postgraduate Fellowship in Public Psychiatry at the New York State Psychiatric Institute. In addition she maintains a part-time private practice in which she treats the same kind of patients and families as well as people with severe dissociative disorders.

Dr. Deakins first encountered the concept of recovery while working in the substance use field and has watched its emergence in the field of mental health. In both arenas it has been the consumers who have initiated the idea, and, despite the differences in origin and ongoing impetus, there are probably more similarities than not to the meaning of the concept. How the two areas have influenced and are influencing each other remains of considerable interest.

Dr. Deakins is married to Peter A. Vlachos, long time Chairman of the Investment Committee and member of the Board of Leadership 100. They have a son and a daughter and a granddaughter, Zara, their pride and joy.

Cardiologist To Keynote Opening Event

r. Peter C. Gazes, an eminent cardiologist, who literally wrote the book on clinical cardiology, and who is a member of Leadership 100 will keynote the opening breakfast of the 16th Annual Conference on Thursday, February 1, 2007.

Dr. Gazes, who is a gradate and prominent alumni leader of the College of Charleston and the Medical University of South Carolina,



where he was a Distinguished University Professor for two decades and Executive Director of the Cardiac Rehabilitation Program in later years, will speak on "Heart Attack Survival: Diagnosis, Treatment, Early Detection and Prevention".

Dr. Gazes is well known throughout the country as the author and editor of a widely used textbook, *Clinical Cardiology: A Bedside Approach*, which was published in four editions, the last of which was titled, *Cardiology: A Cost-Effective Approach*, indicating its relevance in the era of managed care.

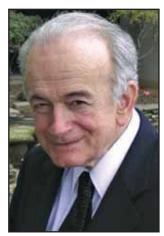
In the forward to the text, Dr. Gazes is described as "a master clinician who is as expert in the use of a stethoscope as he is in fashioning a complex risk factor intervention program or choosing the correct timing for coronary intervention."

Dr. Gazes has published numerous articles and has received numerous honors and recognition for his career and cardiology and his mastery of teaching. He is married to the former Athena Critikos and has three daughters, Hope, Catherine and Joanne.

Byzantinist Authority To Address Conference

peros Vryonis, Jr., one of the world's most Eminent Byzantinists and a member of Leadership 100, will address the 16th Annual Conference on Thursday, February 1, 2007, on the destruction of the Greek community in modern day Istanbul, the subject of his recent book, *The Mechanism of Catastrophe*.

After a distinguished career at UCLA, Prof. Vryonis became the founding director of the Alexander S. Onassis Center for Hellenic Studies at New York University, from which he retired as



Emeritus Alexander S. Onassis professor of Hellenic civilization. His extensive work on the history and culture of the Greeks from Homer to the present, and on their relations with the Slavic, Islamic, and New Worlds, includes the seminal *The Decline of Medieval Hellenism in Asia Minor and the Process of Islamization from the Eleventh through the Fifteenth Century; Byzantium and Europe; Studies on Byzantium, Seljuks and Ottomans; Byzantium: Its Internal History and Relations with the Islamic World; and Studies in Byzantine Institutions and Society.* He has also edited, among other volumes, Aspects of the Balkans: Continuity and Change (with Henrik Birnbaum); Essays on the Slavic World and the Eleventh Century; Islam and Cultural Change in the Middle Ages; Individualism and Conformity in Classical Islam (with Amin Banani); and Islam's Understanding of Itself (with Richard G. Hovannisian).

Prof. Vryonis is a Guggenheim Fellow and Fulbright Scholar, as well as a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Medieval Academy of America, and the American Philosophical Society.



L100 Meets in Denver



Jim Regas, Arthur C. Anton and Peter Dion at Board of Trustees meeting.



George D. Behrakis with Greg Papadeas, L100 member and Denver host.



Board member Angelo Tsakopoulos enjoys laugh with His Eminence at L100 luncheon.





George D. Behrakis with His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios at Board meeting.



His Eminence with the family of Dr. and Mrs. Nick Kyriazi, hosts of the L100 luncheon.



Metropolitan Isaias of Denver gives blessing at L100 luncheon.



L100 Board members Jim Moshovitis (far left) and Peter J. Pappas (far right) with guests at L100 luncheon.



L100 Honors



Madeline K. and Arthur C. Anton mark her 80th birthday.



The Anton clan gathers for the celebration.



The Antons with Metropolitan Methodios of Boston.



Madeline and Arthur display their jubilance as family and friends join celebration.



Rabbi Arthur Schneier (r.), President of Appeal of Conscience Foundation, presents 2006 Appeal of Conscience Award to John A. Catsimatidis, member of L100 Executive Committee.



Alexander Xenopoulos presents 2006 Phidippides Award of Hellenic Public Radio COSMOS FM, to L100 member Kyriakos Tsakopoulos (r).



George D. Behrakis, L100 Chairman, Archbishop Demetrios, former New York City Mayor David Dinkins, Paulette Poulos, Greek Consul General Catherine Boura and John Kaiteras, Executive Director of HANAC at HANAC's dinner honoring Ms. Poulos.



Paulette Poulos receives honors at HANAC dinner (Hellenic American Neighborhood Action Committee) from Evangeline Douras, Chairman.



L100 **New Members**

Archdiocesan District of New York
Michael and Eleni Bapis
Michael and Cheyne Beys
New York, NY
Dr. George Carayannopoulos
John and Helen Psaras
Brooklyn, NY

Metropolis of Chicago
Nicholas and Katherine Manos
Riverside, IL

Metropolis of Boston Frances Demoulas Kettenbach Boston, MA

Metropolis of Denver
Michael and Katherine Johnson Denver, CO

Metropolis of New Jersey
Aristides and Gloria Duzoglou
Arthur and Constance Fecera
George and Patricia Siganos

Saddle River, NJ
Wyomissing, PA
Longport, NJ

Metropolis of San FranciscoIsidoros and Maria GarifalakisVancouver, WAMichael J. KartsonisLaguna Niguel, CAGeorge and Michelle KokalisScottsdale, AZ



Michael Beys, former federal prosecutor in the U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of New York, presents first check in joining Leadership 100 to Paulette Poulos and Andy Athens, Founding Member and first chairman.

£100 **Fulfilled Members**

Metropolis of Chicago Nicholas and Katherine Manos Riverside, IL

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Canonsburg, PA
Frank and Athena Sarris
Canonsburg PA

Frank and Athena Sarris

Metropolis of Detroit

Canonsburg, PA

Elias and Katie Chinonis Grand Blanc, MI Nicholas and Konstantina Stavropoulos Bloomfield Hills, MI

Correction
George and Bessie Psihas Rochester Hills, MI

Metropolis of New Jersey
Dr. George and Carol Galifianakis
Salisbury, MD



Michael Bapis of Morgan Stanley presents his first check in joining Leadership 100 to Chairman George D. Behrakis.

ln Memoriam



<u>Metropolis of Pittsburgh</u> Peter Zikos

McMurray, PA

<u>Metropolis of Atlanta</u> Speros P. Theofilos

Odessa, FL

<u>Metropolis of Detroit</u> Theodore Floridis

Dayton, OH

Metropolis of New Jersey

Charles Sosangelis Wilmington, DE

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.

MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL



L100 member Ernie Anastos, Anchor of WNYW Fox 5 News, visits Paulette Poulos and Vice Chairman Stephen G. Yeonas at L100 offices in Olympic Tower, New York.



Membership Drive



New L100 members Isidoros and Maria Garifalakis (r.) at San Francisco dinner with Fr. John Bakas, Paulette Poulos and Fanis Economides.



Tykye Camaras, Metropolis of San Francisco Membership Chairman for Orange County, addresses L100 membership meeting.



Chris Caras (far left), Metropolis of San Francisco Membership Chairman for Los Angeles, at L100 membership meeting.

Funding Our Future Moves Toward Goal

unding Our Future membership events in Denver, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Orange County, California have taken Leadership 100 more than halfway toward its goal of 50 new members in 2006, with 28 new members. With major events still to take place in Cleveland and Boston and personal contacts being made around the country, especially in Chicago and New York, the goal is expected to be reached or exceeded by Christmas. Total membership is now 698.

In addition, the new program to reach out to younger members, known as L100 Partners, has been launched under the chairmanship of Michael Bapis of New York. Leadership 100 will sponsor a Christmas reception for young professionals in the New York area December 14 in the Olympic Tower Atrium.

The number of fulfilled members has continued to grow and now stands at 297. With only three names more, we will complete a third plaque to be erected at the Archbishop Iakovos Library and at L100 offices.

Plans are underway to complete the *Funding Our Future* campaign and initiate a new multi-year effort, the 25th *Anniversary Fund*, with the goal of increasing Leadership 100 membership to 1,000 and the endowment fund to \$100 million by the 25th Anniversary of Leadership 100 in 2009.

John A. Payiavlas, national membership Chairman and all Metropolis membership Chairmen will meet at the 16th Annual Conference in Naples, Florida February 1-4, 2007, to develop strategies, planning and regional goals for the new campaign.



National Membership Chairman and former L100 Chairman John A. Payiavlas with L100 members, Mike and Laura Manatos, and former L100 Chairman Arthur C. Anton (r.).



OCF Grows With L100 Support

oston, MA – Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) continues its fantastic growth as a vital ministry of the Orthodox Church with its recent full time hiring of Rev. Fr. Kevin Scherer as the Executive Director of OCF and Mr. John Stonestreet as full-time OCF Chaplain in Charlotte, North Carolina. Fr. Scherer will be the first full-time Executive Director since the initial establishment of Orthodox campus ministry over 30 years ago. The OCF Team of four full-time staff are dedicated to the mission given to OCF from the hierarchs to become the Church on the college campus—ensuring each student has the opportunity to stay connected to the church.

OCF is a recent recipient of an Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Endowment Fund grant. OCF is honored to partner with Leadership 100 to serve Orthodoxy by providing a transition for our young adults from college and reintegrating them into our parishes. The grant enabled OCF to establish an Executive Director position to lead the OCF ministry.

"There is nothing more critical to the future of our Orthodox faith in America than to minister to our youth, especially as they are intellectually and spiritually challenged and their values tested during their college years," said George D. Behrakis, Chairman of Leadership 100. "Leadership 100 is proud to support such a needed and significant outreach program as the Orthodox Christian Fellowship."

As well as maintaining the Boston office, Fr. Scherer will organize national and local events, solicit grants and acquire funding, facilitate communication between the National OCF Office, local chapters, and all OCF chaplains. Additionally, Fr. Scherer will further develop and execute the OCF's vision and mission with its Board of Directors.

Fr. Scherer comes to the OCF after having spent the previous four years at St John's Antiochian Orthodox Church in Orinda, California. A 1990 graduate from San Diego (CA.) Christian College where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Theology, Fr Scherer went on to receive a Master of Divinity degree from Saint Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, in 2002. Fr. Kevin and his wife, Robin, are the parents of three children: Hannah, 10; Julia, 6; and Clare, 4.

During his pastorate at St John's, Fr. Scherer established a national teen program, Orthodox Youth Outreach. The purpose of the pro-

gram is to encourage youth to live out their faith through Christian service to others. Fr. Kevin hopes to bring some of the same ideas that are successful with Orthodox Youth Outreach to his new position with the OCF.

The Chairman of the Board of Directors of OCF, the Rev. Mark Leondis, spoke of his excitement with these milestone achievements: "With Fr. Kevin now at the helm of OCF, I am more hopeful than ever before about our ministry and our ability to attain our goal of having the Orthodox Church present in the faith-challenging environment of the college campus. Additionally, having John present full-time on the campuses in the Charlotte area is another watershed event as we begin to realistically put our resources where they are needed to have the proper impact to stem the exodus of our young people from the Church."

Mr. Stonestreet comes to the OCF as a result of a request made by the Charlotte Orthodox community. The locally funded North Carolina OCF Chaplain program serves as the model for other communities throughout North America. A 2006 graduate from St Vladimir's Seminary, Mr. Stonestreet will minister to students, concentrating mainly on three campuses: Duke University, North Carolina State University, and the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. Although his immediate focus will be on these three campuses, Mr. Stonestreet will coordinate regional events and visit surrounding schools as his schedule permits. His presence should serve to significantly change the Orthodox campus ministry environment in North Carolina.

Together, Fr. Scherer and Mr. Stonestreet will join the current National OCF team of Mr. Joseph J. Samra III, the Program Director; and the Program Coordinator, Ms. Veronica Stavila. Mr. Samra's work will expand to include development, while continuing to oversee all national programs. Ms. Stavila will work with Mr. Samra to expand the national programs and will continue to be the primary contact point between the national office and the local chapters.

"I am extremely excited to be a part of the OCF team," Fr. Scherer said. "To help nurture and shape the future of the Orthodox Church on the North American continent is unbelievably exciting. The OCF will continue to assist in shaping future generations of Orthodox workers in Christ's vineyard."



George D. Behrakis, Chairman, presides at officers meeting at L100 offices. Vice Chairman Stephen G. Yeonas at right and John Sitilides, Grant Committee Chairman and George Safiol, Audit Committee Chairman seated to left.



George Safiol presides at Audit Committee meeting. Peter Vlachos is seated at left with James Pantelidis.



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