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# HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD GOES TO CHICAGO'S ATHENS AS **ARCHONS HOLD BANQUET, GET NEW MEMBERS INVESTED**

Secretary of the Department of Veteran Affairs Edward J. Derwinski delivered a message from President Bush, introduced the award recipient Andrew A. Athens to a packed house in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria, and joked that Athens, perhaps single-handedly caused the collapse of the Third Reich. The close friend of the honoree who saw action in the European theater during World War marks followed by the National Commander Archon Aktouarios Dr. Chris Philip. At the conclusion of his remarks, Dr. Philip presented to the Archbishop a check in the amount of \$50,000, earmarked for the Scholarship Fund of the Holy Cross Theological School in Brookline, MA. The donation underlines the serious task undertaken by the Order to lend their support to every worthwhile project of the Church



Andrew Athens clutches the bust of former Patriarch Athenagoras in his hands after receiving the coveted award from His Eminence Archbishop lakovos (right), who is applauding while Dr. Chris Philip, National Commander of the Order (left) looks on.

and the Patriarchate. Immediately after this presentation by the National Commander, the Order's Executive Officer, Rev. Dr. Milton Efthimiou, who just returned from a World Church Conference in Australia, introduced the Archon candidates. Included in the list of the prominent candidates were author Harry Petrakis, Florida Judge Constantine Lantz, Washington's Andrew Manatos, and New Orleans Captain Lucas Ktistakis.

His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos delivered the Invocation assisted by His Grace Bishop Vsevolod of Scopelos of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church in America and Canada, while he received assistance from the Rev. Nicholas Magoulias for the Benediction. The Primate also delivered the response after the recipient of the Athenagoras award, visibly moved took the podium to thank the Order for the honor.

The National Chairman of the United Hellenic American Congress (UHAC), Mr. Athens is the President and a life member of the Archdiocesan Council, the highest office a lay person can hold in the Greek Orthodox faith. He is a Great Benefactor of the League of Greek Orthodox Stewards, and served as past president and chairman of the Building Committee of Sts. Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church-in-Glenview, IL.

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II, also made light conversation as he related the first meeting between Athens and his wife Louise, who also sat at the dais among the luminaries. The Banquet was held on Saturday, February 23, 1991, as part of the traditional celebration of the Sunday of Orthodoxy. It was followed the next day by an archierarchal liturgy at the Holy Trinity Cathedral, during which 34 candidates were invested into the Order.

At least two Rhodes scholars were present during the affair. The first was Master of Ceremonies, U.S. Senator Paul Sarbanes, and New York University President and former Congressman John Brademas. Brademas, who holds the title of Archon Megas Hartofylax made the re-



Left to right: Ted Prounis, Ed Derwinski, Michael Jaharis, Jr., and Dr. Chris Philip.

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#### Lincoln Center Affair To Boost Patriarchate

The National Council of the Order of St. Andrew has voted unanimously to pursue the possibility of planning a concert by the New York Philharmonic to beneift the Patriarchal Institutions, including the School of Theology at Halki, Balukli Hospital and Home for the Aged, and the Patriarchate. Dr. Anthony J. Limberakis, a Philadelphia radiologist and Council member, suggested the concept and was advised by the full Council to pursue the matter with great diligence. Meetings are currently underway with Mr. Stephen Stamas, Chairman of the Board of the New York Philharmonic, to formulate a specific program tentatively scheduled for 1992. Early plans call for a possible reception, banquet and concert to be held at the home of the New York Philharmonic, The Lincoln Center in New York City. A long lead time is anticipated for this gala event in order to coordinate the many logistical and practical challenges expected. More details will be forthcoming as they become available.



Anthony Limberakis: Coordinates auspicious event.

#### **Will Advise Philoptochos**

Queens County (N.Y.) Judge, the Honorable Yorka Linakis has been appointed Legal Advisor to the National Philoptochos Society. As such, she will be apprised of all legal matters concerning the nationwide philanthropic organization of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America. Yorka is the wife of the late John Linakis whose untimely death in Florida a few weeks ago left a vacuum in Greek American circles, as well as the Order of Saint Andrew the Apostle of which he was a very prominent National Council member.

## Got a story? We print it

Newsletter is looking for stories involving the Archons whether the story concerns their private life or it is in connection with their involvement in the Order. Please send all items care of the Order's Executive Officer, Rev. Dr. Milton Efthimiou, G.O. Archdiocese, 8 East 79th Street, New York, NY 10021.

Photos relating to the text will also be accepted, but not returned unless accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope.

## CHAMBER DEVELOPMENT'S RANGOS RECEIVES 1991 PATRIOTS AWARD

Archon John G. Rangos, Sr., president and chief executive of Chambers Development Co., Inc., the Pittsburgh-based environmental firm, was presented January 30th with the Congressional Medal of Honor Society's 1991 National Patriots Award in a ceremony in the nation's capital.

The ceremony was part of the Society's annual award dinner at the Sheraton Washington Hotel. The medallion is awarded to distinguished Americans who exemplify dedication to freedom, love for their fellowman, and patriotism. It was the first time the ceremony was held in the capital since the Patriots Award has been established in 1968. Many of the 211 living recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor, including the President of the Society, J. Elliott Williams attended the dinner.

Prior to Mr. Rangos' acceptance, Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs Edward J. Derwinski addressed the guests.



John Rangos with Greek Foreign Minister Adonis Samaras.

The affair was concluded with the presentation by the Military District of Washington of "Old Glory," a historical pageant featuring music, narrative and historical tableaus.

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Metron Steel Corporation which he founded in 1950 in his hometown of Chicago, has completed Officers Candidate School and has seen action in the Middle Eastern and European Theaters during World War II. He was awarded the Bronze Star in the Egypt-Libya campaign and served as Liaison Officer with the Belgian Government. His civic and humanitarian work has raked him countless honors and awards, among which are the Medal of St. Paul and the Gold Cross of the Holy Cross School of Theology, the Ellis Island Award, the Doctor of Letters from the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine, the Gold Cross of the Order of Phoenix from the Greek Government, and the Gold Medal of St. Barnabas presented by His Beatitude Archbishop Chrysostomos of Cyprus.

By Royal Decree of His Majesty King Baudouin of Belgium, he is a Knight of the Order of the Crown, and a Commander of the Knights of the Holy Sepulchre, this oldest honor conferred by His Beatitude Diodoros, Patriarch of Jerusalem. He has been honored by both recent presidents of Cyprus, Kyprianou and Vassiliou, and most recently he was given the JFK Public Servant Award.

Also on the dais were His Grace Metropolitan Silas, Bishop Alexios of Troas, Bishop Timotheos and Bishop Iakovos. Ambassador Andonios Exarchos was there and new Consul General of Greece Andrew Antippas, former Consul General George Assimakopoulos, now Ambassador to Pakistan, Cyprus Vice Consul Demetrios Hatges, and Press and Information chief George Hatzioannou.

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The 34 candidates who received the "Offikion" of the Patriarchate, conferred upon them by the Exarch of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in the Americas, His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos, are as follows:

- Dr. Menelaos Aliapoulios, Aktouarios, Weston, MA
- Andrew C. Andron, Depoutatos, Brookville, NY
- Dr. James P. Argires, Aktouarios, Lancaster, PA
- Prof. Efstathios L. Bourodimos, Notarios, Piscataway, NJ
- Dr. George Christakis, Aktouarios, Boca Raton, FL
- Leo P. Condakes, Depoutatos, Swampscott, MA
- Andreas Costea, Depoutatos, Oceanside, NY
- Dr. Basil G. Delta, Aktouarios, Falls Church, VA
- Christos P. Demakes, Exarchos, Cincinnati, OH
- George P. Demeter, Depoutatos, Boston, MA
- Emmanuel Fellouzis, Exarchos, Clearwater, FL
- Michael Firilas, Depoutatos, Wyomissing, PA
- Dr. George Hardy, Aktouarios, Winnipeg, Manitoba
- Capt. Lucas Ktistakis, Exarchos, New Orleans, LA
- Frank Kuchuris, Depoutatos, Lincolnwood, IL
- Judge Constantine P. Lantz, Ekdikos, Miami, FL
- T. Peter Limber, Notarios, Bronxville, NY
- Dr. Athanasios Mallios, Aktouarios, New York, NY

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#### ORDER'S EXEC OFFICER IN MID-EAST JOURNEY PROMOTING WORLD CHURCH'S QUEST FOR PEACE

Rev. Dr. Milton Efthimiou, Executive Officer of the Order has been spanning thousands of miles across the globe since last August, in an effort to help defuse the Persian Gulf crisis. The effort was a humanitarian undertaking of the National Council of Churches, and Rev. Dr. Efthimiou, along with Rev. Dr. Robert Stephanopoulos represented the Standing Conference of Orthodox Bishops in America (SCOBA) and its Chairman, Archbishop Iakovos in every phase of the major project. The quest for Peace took the two Orthodox clerics along with their counterparts from a number of faiths and denominations on a lengthy journey that got underway with a stopover in Nicosia, the capital of the Republic of Cyprus. There, the participants were greeted by His Beatitude Archbishop of Cyprus Chrysostomos in his official residence at the Archbishopry, and briefed him on their mission. From there they embarked on a mission which took them to key capitals of the Middle East, including Beirut, Damascus and Baghdad.



With His Beatitude Archbishop Chrysostomos is: Very Rev. Leonid Kishkovsky, President of the National Council of Churches, and the Rev. Drs. Milton B. Efthimiou and Robert G. Stephanopoulos, representing S.C.O.B.A. and its Chairman Archbishop Iakovos. Picture was taken in the Archdiocese headquarters in Nicosia, Cyprus.

## MAESTRO ANAGNOST DEDICATES COMPOSITION TO HIS EMINENCE

Archon Dino Anagnost dedicated his most recent musical composition, Suite on Byzantine Nativity Hymns, to His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos. He also conducted its World Premiere performance on December 15, 1990 at the Candlelight Christmas Concert held annually in the Greek Orthodox Archdiocesan Cathedral of North and South America. Composed for symphonic orchestra, with choral adaptation, the Suite musically integrates ancient and traditional nativity hymns.

Dr. Anagnost has served as Dean of Music at the Archdiocesan Cathedral since 1971. During his tenure, he composed liturgical music for special programming and for ecumenical services, as well as having led the Cathedral Choir.

Music Director and Conductor of The Little Orchestra Society of New York, Metropolitan Singers/The Greek Choral Society, and the Orpheon Chorale, Maestro Anagnost performs over sixty concerts each season. He is also Adjunct Professor of Music at Teachers College, Columbia University.

Archon Anagnost attended the Juilliard School of Music, Harvard, Boston and Columbia Universities. For his continuous activity in philanthropic and civic events in the Greek Community, he was invested into the Order of St. Andrew the Apostle, and presented with the "Offikion" title of Exarchos on March 23, 1986.

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## JUDGE TSOUCALAS NOW IN NATIONAL COUNCIL

The Honorable Nicholas Tsoucalas, judge of the United States Court of International Trade has been named by the Order's National Commander Dr. Chris Philip to replace the deceased John Linakis as a member in the National Council.

Judge Tsoucalas, who was appointed by President Reagan in 1985 to his present post, is a graduate of the New York Law school from where he received his LLB in 1951. He also attended New York University Law School, where he specialized in Immigration Law and Federal Practice and Procedure. He is a former Navy man and has seen action in the European Theater during WWII, and during the Korean conflict where he served onboard the Aircraft Carrier Wasp.

He was admitted to the New York Bar in 1953 and was appointed Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York in 1955, a job he held until 1959. He held a number of prestigious posts, including Acting Supreme Court Justice for the Kings and Queens Counties, and resumed service as Justice of the Criminal Court of the City of New York in 1982, serving until 1986.



He has served in the capacity of President in several civic and church organizations and is a member of Ahepa, Parthenon Lodge. He is married to the former Catherine Aravantinos, and they have two daughters, Stephanie and Georgia Tsoucalas Argyrople.

#### THE ARCHON

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# ARCHON COUNCIL HOLDS MONTHLY MEETING, PASSES RESOLUTIONS

Under the leadership of the Order's National Commander Dr. Chris Philip, the Council has convened regularly between the months of September and March in order to take care of business at hand, and make necessary decisions in connection with current issues.

Key issues on which decisions were made during the period are the following:

• With reference to the letter of His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos to Commander Philip asking for a \$125,000. donation between the Order and the Philoptochos for repairs at the Halki Theological School, the Order has fulfilled its part by donating its share of \$62,500.

• The covering of all expenditures for the Luncheon during the Clergy-Laity amounting to \$70,000. was approved and disbursed.

• A motion was passed for the ordering of 250 copies of the Video In Wisdom Let Us Attend in the Greek language. Reportedly the copies are ready for distribution but they have not been released as yet by its Executive Producer, Basil Nikas.

• A motion by Dr. Philip that the Order's album called Archon be revised gained great popularity and was approved. Since many Archons have been added to the fold since the original publication, a new edition will be necessary. Appointed on the Committee responsible for this project are Archons Dr. Papps, Dr. Kiriakopoulos, Prof. Geanakoplos, Archons Mavroudis and Halecky, Jr., who is the Chairman.

• Treasurer Steven Papadatos kept the Council abreast with financial matters through his regular reports, detailing income received and expenses incurred.

• The passing of Archons T. Demetris, A. Sacalis, and J. Linakis was observed with a moment of silence.

• Due to the heavy schedule of its executive officer, the recording of the official minutes at meetings is now the duty of Dr. Anthony Limberakis. The appointment was made by the National Commander. • A discussion initiated by Archon Dr. Kalemkeris and Fr. Efthimiou aimed at exploring the current status of the Halki School. Archons Alexander and Limberakis would like to probe possibilities for the school reopening. It must be noted that the school is kept up and ready to receive students if and when reopening becomes feasible. On the same issue it was announced by Harry Magafan that \$5,500. was raised in the Washington, D.C. area by eight Archons, an event that has come with annual regularity from this prominent Washingtonian.

• Archon Dr. Kiriakopoulos announced that his latest book, *Guns Of Defiance*, was turned into a mini-series for television, and Prof. Geanakoplos was appointed to the Mixed Archdiocesan Council.

• The efforts to promote the Order in the media paid off handsomely. The English version of the Order's video was widely publicized in the Greek press as well as receiving repeated mentions in the Daily News and Newsday. News items relating to the Banquet made all Greek American publications, not once, but between two and three times in each, and that relates to publications located from Boston to San Francisco. We are now in the final stage of postevent promotion, and already many of the publications have devoted pages of photo-reporting on the event. In addition the Religious News Service has circulated the release to all its subscribing newspapers across the United States, with many having picked up and used the news.

• As ratified by the General Assembly during the March meeting, the directors for the three year period ending in 1994 are as follows: Three years—T. Demetriou, Dr. G. Kiriakopoulos, H. Magafan, J. Panas, S. Scopas, M. Therry, K. Vellios, Judge N. Tsoucalas. Two year remainder term—A. Athens, T. Bartzos, L. Dukas, Prof. D. Geanakoplos, Dr. K. Kalemkeris, J. Mavroudis, M. Pagos, Dr. J. Papps. One year remainder term—S. Alexander, N. Bouras, K. Doukas, J. Halecky, Jr., Dr. A. Limberakis, A. Manessis, S. Papadatos, and Dr. L. Siderides.



The November meeting of the National Council took place at the Hackensack, N.J., restaurant of Archon John Mavroudis, the Stony Hill Inn, with a number of issues being discussed after a gastronomical meal. From left to right, standing, John Halecky, Jr., John Panas, Kostas Vellios, Steven Papadatos, John

Mavroudis, and George Possas. Seated, Nicholas Bouras, Nikitas Drakotos, Dr. Kirk Kalemkeris, Dr. Chris Philip, Rev. Dr. Milton Efthimiou, Anastasios Manessis, and Peter Dion.

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- Andrew Manatos, Depoutatos, Bethesda, MD
- Timothy Maniatis, Exarchos, Bethesda, MD
- Mark F. Manta, Depoutatos,
- Palos Heights, IL
- George M. Marcus, Exarchos, Los Altos Hills, CA
- Dr. Louis J. Michaelos, Aktouarios, Largo, FL
- Emmanuel Milias, Depoutatos, Shrewsbury, MA

- Jack T. Mitsakopoulos, Exarchos, Chicago, IL Anthony A. Nichols, Notarios, Chicago, IL
- Peter James Pappas, Depoutatos, Syosset, NY
- Stephen Pappas, Depoutatos, Wyckoff, NJ
- T. Peter Pappas, Exarchos, White Plains, NY
- Mosko Paspalakis, Exarchos, Ormond Beach, FL

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