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His Eminence shares a quiet supper with Archons of the National Council

The National Council of the Order of St. Andrew the Apostle stood up to greet with applause His Eminence, Archbishop

lakovos, as he entered with His Excellency, Metropolitan Silas of New Jersey and His Grace Bishop Philotheos of Meloa to partake of a dinner in His Honor at the Stanhope Hotel on October 10, 1995.

several matters of importance to the

Order. It was the first time the National Council members gathered again after the summer recess and there were plenty

of issues to be discussed.

For the Archons, this was a solemn occasion, and the first opportunity for them to speak to His Eminence after the announcement of His resignation.

The dinner, which was also designed to serve as a meeting between His Eminence

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Top center: His Eminence, Archbishop lakovos responds to the Archons praises. Counter clockwise: National Commander Dr. Chris Philip (with back to camera); His Excellency, Metropolitan Silas of NJ, His Eminence, His Grace, Bishop Philotheos of Meloa, Archon Andrew Athens, and (partially hidden) the Rev. Dr. Milton Ethimiou. Embracing His Eminence, from left: Archons Chris Daphnides, Gus Vellios (holding the Archbishop's arm), Dr. Kirk Kalemkeris, His Eminence, Dr. George Kiriakopoulos, Dr. Anthony Limberakis (with back to camera), T. Peter Limber, and (partially shown) John Mavroudis. Bottom left photo: The gathering applauds their leader. Clockwise: Bishop Philotheos, Andrew Athens, John Panas, Rev. Dr. Milton Efthimiou, T. Peter Limber, Judge Nicholas Tsoucalas, Dr. Chris Philip, and (with back to camera) Metropolitan Silas (bottom right photo).

A.H.E.P.A. Chosen To Receive 1996 Athenagoras Human Rights Award

The American Hellenic Education and Progressive Association, an organization which was founded in the 1920s in Atlanta, Ga., and has since grown into a respectable world-wide organization has been chosen by the Order of St: Andrew the Apostle as the collective recipient of the 1996 Athenagoras Human Rights Award. The coveted award, was bestowed in past years to personages such as His Eminence, Archbishop Iakovos, former U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Regional Commander Andrew Athens, former NYU President John Brademas, U.S. Senator Paul Sarbanes, Commander Emeritus of the Order Dr. Anthony G. Borden, the Hon. Edward J. Derwinski, formerly of Dept. of Veterans Affairs and the late H.A.N.A.C. founder George Douris.

This is the second time that the Athenagoras Award will be bestowed to an organization instead of an individual. Two years ago, it was presented collectively to the National Philoptochos Society, and accepted by several past presidents of this national philanthropic organization.

The Athenagoras Award is presented during the Annual Banquet, held traditionally on the Saturday preceding the Sunday of Orthodoxy. The Archon-candidates are invested in the Order during a colorful ritualistic celebration officiated by the Archbishop during the Hierarchical Liturgy at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity in Manhattan. A day earlier, they are presented to the rank and file of the Order during the proceedings on Saturday during that important event, and they actively participate prior to the Annual Banquet.

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National Commander meets with Greece's President during Archdiocesan reception



With His Eminence, Archbishop Iakovos at his side, the President of the Republic of Greece (second from left) warmly greets the Order's National Commander Dr. Chris Philip.

The Order's National Commander, Dr. Chris Philip attended the reception extended to the President of the Hellenic Republic, the honorable Constantinos Stephanopoulos by the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America at noon time on Wednesday, October 18, 1995. The Greek President was received by His Eminence, Archbishop Iakovos, and there was an air of cordiality as the states-

man was buoyed when greeted, upon entering, by the staff of the Archdiocese singing the Greek National Anthem.

After attending private services at the Chapel officiated by His Eminence, the dignitaries, including official representatives of Greece and Cyprus, moved to an upstairs reception room to partake of a sumptuous lunch.

Archon Chimples is named Businessman of the Year

A fervent supporter and benefactor of the church for nearly five decades and the founder of the Committee for the Archbishop lakovos Library. Archon George Chimples was recently the recipient of the Businessman of the Year Award. The award was presented to the Cleveland, OH, Archon during a Religious Heritage of America's National Awards Program, held in Atlanta, GA.

The Businessman of the Year award, is presented by the interfaith, non-profit organization RHA. It is awarded to business and professional people who have made an impact for good on national or community life by applying religious principles in their daily lives and within their profession or industry. Archbishop lakovos and Archons Andrew Athens and Arthur C. Anton are past recipients of this award.

Mr. Chimples who served on the Archdiocesan Council since appointed by His Eminence to the post in 1962, was its Financial Chairman for 24 years before resigning recently.

A major benefactor of the Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology as well as St. Basil Academy, he is also a member of LOGOS.

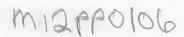
Archon Demetriou dies in Florida

Archon Theodore P. Demetriou, a former New Yorker who retired in 1989, moving to Fort Lauderdale, FL, died there in November. He was 69.

Mr. Demetriou, who was a Florida State Commander and had demonstrated great dedication in the Order by being a dynamic force in organizing meetings to promote its cause, bore the title of Archon Ekdikos.

He was New York educated, having earned his B.S. from New York University and his MBA from Long Island University. He was an Insurance Consultant who taught at Queensboro and LaGuardia Community Colleges, courses related to Insurance Principles and Insurance Contracts.

He is survived by his wife Joanne, son Peter, and daughter Evan, as well as three grandchildren.





His Eminence replies to the Archons remarks. Flanking him, but hidden from the camera are His Excellency, Metropolitan Silas (right), and His Grace, Bishop Philotheos of Meloa (left). From left background: Dr. Jean Pappas, John Panas, Rev. Dr. Milton Efthiniou. Dr. Kirk Kalemkeris, Dr. George Kiriakopoulos, T. Peter Limber, Judge Nicholas Tsoucalas, Gus Vellios, Ted Demetriou, Nicholas Bouras, Vice-Commander Tasso Manessis and National Commander Dr. Chris Philip (with back to camera).



Regional Commander and President of UHAC, Archon Andrew Athens (standing), recalls the Archbishop's deeds, while His Eminence, seated next to His Grace, Bishop Philotheos of Meloa, listens.



The National Commander, Archon Dr. Chris Philip (counter clockwise), discusses issues with Vice-Commander, Archon Tasso Manessis and the Order's Historian, Didaskalos Tou Genous, Archon Deno Geanakoplos.

HIS EMINENCE SHARES A QUIET SUPPER (Continued from Page 1)

and the members of the National Council of the Order, began with an invocation, after which, each individual Archon of the National Council rose to address their beloved religious leader.

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Archon after Archon expressed their feelings towards the man who led the Greek Orthodox Church in the Americas for thirty-five years, and their deep regrets at the news of His impending retirement. Each of the National Council members had praise for Him for His deeds, guidance and wisdom.

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In response, a visually moved Archbishop lakovos thanked all those in attendance and counseled them to persevere in their commitment as the pillars of the Ecumenical Patriarchate and to have faith in the work of God. It was an outpour of love for a Leader who had guided the Order, indeed each individual Archon, through every critical decision towards achieving their goals as the Protectors of the Throne of St. Andrew in the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople. They contemplated the qualifications needed by His successor who is destined to fill his shoes. They spoke of how streamline Americans were planning to honor Him by naming State-owned edifices after Him. It was a bittersweet occasion where those in attendance felt the pride of being part of His Eminence's flock, while experiencing the sadness of knowing that their Leader was to depart.

After enjoying a very gracious meal, the Archons in attendance gathered around Archbishop lakovos to seek His blessing and to once again assure Him of their love and devotion.

UHAC Communique tells of Success in Mission to Greece

In a letter addressed to the Rev. Dr. Milton Efthimiou, Director of Inter-Church and Ecumenical Affairs and Executive Officer of the Order, UHAC officials speak of the success in their quest to convince American officials of conditions in Cyprus and Albania. UHAC National Chairman, Archon Andrew Athens, Philip Christopher and Andrew Manatos who signed the letter, are enthusiastic with the results attained.

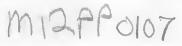
"After many years of trying to take to Greece and Cyprus the Chairman of the House International Relations Committee or the Senior White House official involved in our issues," reports the letter, "we finally succeeded in both areas. Both Chairman Ben Gilman (R-NY) and Senior Presidential Advisor George Stephanopoulos indicated that they came away from the trip with a better understanding of the issues and a greater enthusiasm to make progress on them." The two American officials received in-depth briefings on the mistreatment of the Greek minority in Albania as well as an understanding of the issues involving the Turkish aggression and occupation of Cyprus.

Smyrna Is Topic of Lecture

"The Tragedy of Smyrna" was the topic of a one hour lecture and slide show by Archon Chris Daphnides, at the Cathedral of St. John the Theologian in Tenafly, NJ, on Monday evening, October 16, 1995.

The erudite speaker who hails from Constantinople and is an authority on the subject of the Asia Minor Holocaust, presented a dramatic view of the events leading up to the destruction of this gem of the Asia Minor coast by a detachment of the Turkish Army.

Following the Lecture and Slide show, the speaker fielded questions from the capacity gathering, after which refreshments were served.



Order of St. Andrew is responsible for Washington activities for Patriarchate

In late 1994 and early 1995, the Order of St. Andrew worked with the U.S. Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. to develop a report about the status of the Patriarchate. The Library of Congress issued a report entitled "Relations Between the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate and the Government of Turkey with Special Reference to the Greek Orthodox Theological Academy of Chalcis — a Preliminary Report."

Members of the Order of St. Andrew, working on behalf of the Order, have secured a commitment from a very senior official at the U.S. Department of State to institute an annual report to Orthodox Christians in America regarding the status of the Patriarch, the Patriarchate and the school at Halki. The Order intends to maintain the precedent of such a report to Orthodox Christians. Such an annual report will help maintain our government's focus on the Fanar and Halki, regardless of who may be occupying the White House.

The Order, in cooperation with the Coordinated Effort of Washington, D.C., instituted a nationwide letter writing campaign for the Patriarchate. It was immediately followed by an approximately 50 percent increase in the House of Representatives in the number of cosponsors for the sense of the Congress resolution regarding the Patriarchate introduced by Congressman Michael Bilirakis (R-FL) in the U.S. House of Representatives and Senator Olympia Snowe (R-ME) in the U.S. Senate.

A key member of the U.S. Senate is presently preparing a letter to the president of the United States, urging America to undertake a major effort to improve the circumstances for His All Holiness Patriarch Bartholomew I, the Patriarchate and the Theological School at Halki. His letter will be the first step in an ongoing effort by this Senator, working with the executive branch, to improve circumstances at the Fanar and at Halki.

Dr. Kalemkeris honored for 40 years in medicine

Kirk P. Kalemkeris, M.D., distinguished physician and surgeon was honored recently for his 32 years of dedication and commitment to Pascack Valley Hospital, Westwood, New Jersey.

Pascack Valley Hospital is celebrating 35 years of providing the "Miracle of Medicine" through quality medical care. Archon Kalemkeris was honored during the Physician's Recognition Dinner on October 26th at the Pearl River Hilton.

Celebrating his 40 year Anniversary as a Medical Doctor, Kirk Kalemkeris has also received awards from the Nurses of Pascack Valley Hospital in 1987, and from the Board of Directors of Pascack Valley Hospital in 1989 for "the supportive, skillful, and compassionate care that he gives to his patients."

The Regional Commander is a well known author and guest lecturer of medical, national, and ecclesiastical issues, most notably the Holocaust of Asia Minor.

Nazi Occupation of Crete theme of Archon's new book

John Alexander, a youth graduating from high school in 1940, was only too happy to join his parents and sister on an extended vacation on the island of Crete for a visit with his paternal grandparents. But the joy of the Mediterranean sojourn was destroyed by the ominous advance of the axis forces. The Alexander family was trapped on the island when the Germans invaded it, and were forced to share the same fate as the Cretans, a fate of savage Nazi tactics, burnings and executions. Because John's father hid three British escapees in his home until they could be evacuated, the Gestapo broke into his home and killed him, throwing the younger Alexander in prison to rot. But he escaped and fled to the mountains, where he swore to avenge his father's murder.

If the saga above is moving, it's because it's taken from the latest book by G.C. Kiriakopoulos, The Nazi Occupation of Crete, 1941-1945 (Praeger Publishers, pp. 236, \$55.), who also has written Ten Days To Destiny: The Battle For Crete, 1941, which was internationally acclaimed as the most authentic documentation of that battle by those same people who fought it. G. C. Kiriakopoulos is a Professor of Dentistry at Columbia University and is a highly decorated combat veteran of World War II. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Great Britian, and as an Archon of the Order of St. Andrew, he is a member of the National Council and a State Commander in the N.J. Diocese.

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Thousands attend Archbishop's Nameday Banquet at The Hilton

More than 2,000 persons turned out to honor Archbishop Iakovos with a show of love and profound respect at his 29th Annual nameday banquet, October 21.

At this first major event honoring him before his retirement next July, an array of dignitaries from religious, business and politics, both here and abroad, expressed their admiration and appreciation for his 35 years at the helm of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America. John W. Georgas, the chairman of the Committee for the Archbishop Iakovos Library, served as the Toastmaster.

Speakers included Archbishop Stylianos of Australia, chairman of the Patriarchal delegation visiting the United States; President of Greece Constantinos Stephanopoulos; President of Cyprus Glafkos Clerides, who bestowed upon the Archbishop the Grand Cross of Merit, his nation's highest honor; the Senior Advisor to President Clinton George Stephanopoulos and many others.

The National Commander of the Order, Dr. Chris Philip sat at the dais along with Archons Andrew Athens, Demitrios Moschos, Philip Christopher, Andy Manatos, Peter Kourides, John Plumides, the Honorable Nicholas Coffinas, Ernie Anastos and Judge Nicholas Tsoucalas.

A highlight of the evening at the New York Hilton was a five-minute videotaped appearance by Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, projected on two large screens. His All Holiness expressed his best wishes to Archbishop Iakovos and sought to reassure the audience over their anxiety in the wake of His Eminence's announcement that he intends to resign.

Another video, a 10-minute "Illuminations" program tribute to His Eminence, included messages from first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, John Cardinal O'Connor of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York and the Rev. George Bacopulos, former Archdiocese chancellor.

In his comments, George Stephanopoulos read a congratulatory letter from President Clinton, and praised Archbishop Iakovos' courage in the civil rights movement. He recalled the powerful image of the Life magazine cover photo of March 26, 1965, which showed His Eminence standing with Dr. Martin Luther King at the Selma, Ala., courthouse steps.

Stephanopoulos said the picture conveys the image of someone "fully Orthodox, fully Greek and fully American at the same time," the image which His Eminence has sought to project for the Church in America.

Moschos called upon the audience to honor the six principles which His Eminence has followed: unity and loyalty to the Ecumenical Patriarchate, his commitment to the royal priesthood and laity, his insistence that we integrate into American society, his personal commitment to civil rights, commitment to the community and the importance of reflecting love to all Christians and Jews, and Hellenism as an example of excellence.

In his response after the speeches, the Archbishop told the audience, "We have gathered here to re-commit ourselves to the ageless faith of Christianity and to dedicate ourselves to His one Catholic and Apostolic Church." He urged them to "battle together against human cruelty" and to "combat all evil."

"You are my crown and my honor," he said, "may the love of God be reflected in you always."

Admiral Kalleres speaks during Archons' gathering in the Capital

The dymanic remarks made by Admiral Michael Kalleres during a gathering of Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in the area of the nation's Capital served as an inspiration to them as well as a motivation to donate towards the many benevolent causes espoused by the Order. Twenty Archons participated on October 4, 1995, in

Left to right: Nick Gretakis, Ike Pappas, Harry Magafan, Mimi Tsintolas and Prof. Dimitrios Kousoulas.

the sumptuous luncheon extended at the Greek-owned Alfio's restaurant in Bethesda, MD, hosted by the tireless Regional Commander Harry Magafan.

As the main speaker, Admiral Kalleres stressed the needs to preserve our traditions, strengthen family ties and pass on to our children the teachings of our Orthodox Christian faith. "In this way," Admiral Kalleres said, "we assure the country and our Omogeneia, of decent, productive, successful citizens."

His speech was followed by an exchange of views among participants, which included five Archons visiting from the area of Norfolk and Virginia Beach, VA, among whom was Virginia State Commander Nikos Gretakis. The discussion revolved primarily around the decision by His Eminence, Archbishop Iakovos to retire from his position effective July 29, 1996. Everyone present agreed that the selection of a worthy successor is of utmost importance, and that this candidate, selected by the Ecumenical Patriarchate ought to be familiar with the special needs of the Greek Orthodox faithful within this nation and indeed the entire continent.

The Archons participating in the discussion also touched on the fact that many if not most of the parishioners today belong to the second or third generation, with some of

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Patriarchal delegates come to U.S., witness flock's devotion to leader

A number of Archons joined the National Commander, Dr. Chris Philip and the Executive Officer, Fr. Milton Efthimiou, meeting informally with a delegation from the Ecumenical Patriarchate during their 25 day long visit to the United States.

The Patriarchal Exarch was sent to the Archdiocese by the Mother Church of Constantinople and was comprised of their Eminences Archbishop Stylianos of Australia, chairman, Metropolitan Demetrios of Sevasteia and Metropolitan Demetrios of Vresthenes. They were met October 10, 1995 at Kennedy Airport in New York by His Excellency Metropolitan Silas of New Jersey and Bishop Philip of Atlanta who represented Archbishop Iakovos.

With deep satisfaction, the Patriarchal Exarchy witnessed the gratitude of the pious flock towards their Archbishop for all he has accomplished.

With deep satisfaction, the Patriarchal Exarchy witnessed the gratitude of the pious flock in America towards their Archbishop for all he has accomplished in their name for nearly four decades. At the

same time, they also attested to their steadfast devotion to the Mother Church in Constantinople which sent them, and in every way has supported, not only the current Archbishop, but also his illustrious predecessors of blessed memory; Alexander, Athenagoras, and Michael.

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From one end of America to the other, wherever they visited, the Exarchy held services and discussions. They saw the emotion and gratitude of the clergy and laity for this direct live communication with the sacred ecclesiastical center on the occasion of the voluntary retirement of their Archbishop Iakovos.

The understandable sorrow for his upcoming departure from office, which many would gladly see postponed for some time, was alleviated to a great extent by the Exarchy's assurances that His Eminence, even after he steps down from active leadership, will not cease to be honored to the fullest extent, and will continue his valu-able service to the Church and her people.

Archons review their guidelines

A draft of a document which will be known as Guidelines for Regional and State Meetings, prepared by National Council member Archon T. Peter Limber, has been mailed to the Order's membership prior to its official publication. It was done in the hope that it will generate comments and suggestions, and in this respect, it was right on target. A number of Archons, including Kimon Doukas, responded with their own remarks.

The "Guidelines" book was created to stimulate activities among the Archons across the U.S., by providing vital information — including up-to-date directories to Regional and State Commanders — by providing this information to them. The Commanders are asked to meet with their constituency, no less than twice a year. The

general purposes of these meetings is to disseminate information about the Patriarchate and the Order, to search for worthy candidate members and to raise funds.

Archon Designs Moscow Banks

The Order's Treasurer, Archon Steven Papadatos, who created the design for many a Byzantine cruciform style churches across the United States, is now expanding outside the boundaries of the Nation.

Archon Papadatos was commissioned last year to design the headquarters of Diolog Bank, a financial institution, in the Russian capital backed by American investors. The architect recently traveled to Moscow to survey the finishing touches of the building and to assess the feasibility of designing two more offices.

Constantinopolitans here, request day of observance of Septemvriana

The Organizations of Constantinopolitans in the U.S. released a statement saying they are setting up a committee charged with the duty of proclaiming a day of annual observance of the Septemviana. It will commmemorate the vandalism and destruction perpetrated against the Hellene residents of Poli on the bleak day of September 6, 1955, also safeguarding against the recurrence of such events, by the Turks. The events in Constantinople forty years agowere the harbinger of what happened less

than two decades later in Cyprus. The aggressor, however, never ceases to take advantage of opportunities, such as the foray into Iraq with the intention of annihilating the Kurds. "We must remember, and remember we will, by dedicating a day of observance," declared a representative of the organization.

The issue is of great importance to the Order, the members of which are the pillars of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, located in the heart of the troubled area.

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the children, a majority of which are the offspring of mixed marriages, belong to the fourth generation. "Archbishop lakovos, in the thirty-five years of his stewardship, led our parishes to unprecedented heights of progress and expansion," said Professor D.G. Kousoulas. "The task of the next Archbishop will be to preserve what has been achieved and to build upon these achievements."

The gathering also touched upon rumors of disagreement between the Patriarchate and the Archdiocese. Unanimously, those in attendance voiced their hope that misunderstandings be resolved at the earliest, for unity within the Church is paramount. An eighty-eight year old Rhodian, Professor Em. Athanasiades reminded those present, that the preservation of unity is the most crucial element for the future. "Those of us who lived through the years of Dichasmos," he warned, "the deep divisions of the twenties and thirties, wish fervently that our Orthodox community preserves unity and omonoia as the apple of our eye.

Contributions collected by Regional Commander Magafan from participating Archons for the Order of Saint Andrew the Apostle rose to a total of \$10,350.00.

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