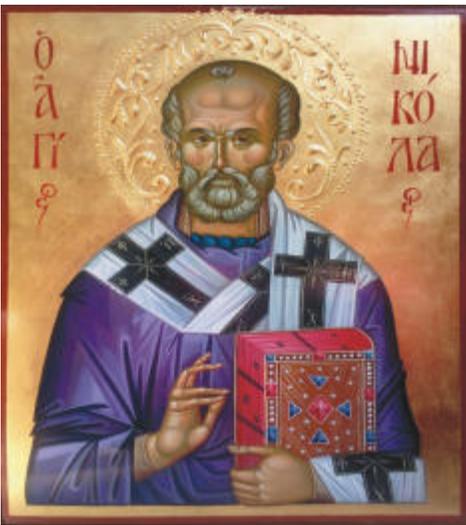


# THE ECHO



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ERNIE'S CATERING  
(586) 286-8435  
April 2021

Beloved Parishioners,

No other Feast moves the hearts of the Orthodox Christian as does Pascha. We call it the Feast of Feasts and the Festival of Festivals. It is a deep fountain of fresh cool water to all who have been left worn, tired and thirsty from the difficult journey through this life. It is the shining of lamp of unending joy to those who are happy, and the comforting balm to those who are sorrowful, it is the promise and irrefutable proof of the resurrection to those who are mourning, it is clothing to those who are naked, food to those who are hungry, visitation to those who are ill, or alone. In a word, **it is the advent of the very Kingdom of God.**

One could call Pascha Paradise on Earth, but we had a paradise on earth and we lost it through sin and the rejection of God. It is more, infinitely more valuable to all of us, than the paradise that Adam and Eve lost. This Paradise of Pascha will never end! It will never be marred by human sin, or any evil. It is impervious to ever assault of every passion. In Pascha, no evil thing can remain, neither greed, nor selfishness, nor anger, nor hatred, nor jealousy, nor self-hatred, nor judgmental spirit. Every passion of the flesh: gluttony, lust, distorted thinking of any and every kind, all of these pass away in the φώς λαρόν, in the gladsome light of Pascha.

We Orthodox Christians know, as perhaps the world tells us it is impossible to know, that such a place exists because we have entered it! It is why we stand with such anticipation in the darkness of the church with our expectant and outstretched hand holding our unlit candle ready to receive, as it breaks forth from the tomb, the light of the resurrection. When the priest calls out, in tremulous voice, "Come Receive the Light from the Light that is Never Overtaken By Night" our own hearts leap and run and dance to meet it. And it is in that moment that we know it is all true, that God's love is the most powerful thing that will ever exist, it is older than creation itself, more vast than the heavens, that it fills everything with light, that no darkness can remain in its presence. Christ is Risen and the Demons are fallen, Christ is Risen and the tombs are emptied of their dead, Christ is risen and every tear from every face will be wiped clean and each face anointed with the oil of gladness, for those who love His Appearing, and we will all together enter into the joy of our Master.

Father Michael and I wish you all the deepest joy at the Resurrection of our Savior and encourage you to make the remainder of the services and *\*askesis* of the Lenten Journey your greatest priority so that together we might receive, with new found joy, Pascha, the Pascha of Salvation, our Lord's Pascha.

*\*askesis* includes but is not limited to fasting, chastity, forgiveness of those who have hurt us, vigil, prayer, almsgiving and works of compassion.

Rev. Fr. Paul A. Patitsas

## Council Report

### Coronavirus Containment Actions

For Divine Liturgy and other services, the check-in remains present at the administration area entry. The protocol of temperature check, masks and social distancing in the church also stays in place.

Catered events are managed separately from Church events by Ernie's Catering and are subject to the State of Michigan executive orders plus any Oakland County orders. All catered events require masks and social distancing.

The Metropolis of Detroit issued an updated set of guidelines for Coronavirus procedures and directives. Discussion ensued with the agreement that we will target Mar 15 as a date where we can communicate to our ministries about the ability to meet in person. We all want to get everyone back in-person, but "let's start small and stay safe". These new directives also allow our caterer to open up operations a bit more. Contact George Manolios with any feedback or inputs to our decision-making process as they apply to our parish: some areas require Parish Council approval. It takes all 18 of us on the Council, plus our two clergymen, to come up with a cohesive plan for next steps to open up our facility a bit more and with safety in mind.

### Meal Delivery Program

The program will "start small" with a meal delivery target of every two weeks to those interested, with food preparation on Thursdays and delivery on Fridays and Saturdays. The food will consist of both Greek and American cuisine. The goal is to be able to ultimately offer this program to all shut-ins of Greek Orthodox faith in southeastern Michigan. It is not a "food for the needy" program, but instead a program for those who are shut-in or unable to travel and a small way to "share the love". Sam Backos of Ernie's Catering has been a tremendous help to assist the organization and planning. Thank you to Pat and Cindy Crosson for their tremendous leadership to start this program. A nutritional profile for the meals to be made available will also be forthcoming.

## Announcements

### FUNERALS

Mary Buhalis + Jan 16  
Calliope Pervolarakis + Feb 19  
Stavros Mitropoulos + March 12

### FEBRUARY BAPTISM

Athina Irene Papisifakis  
Daughter of Nicholas E. &  
Sarah E. Backos Papisifakis  
Godparents: Nick & Amanda Lionas

### Y.A.L

We had a great time at *Night with God* on March 19. YAL would like to extend a special thanks to our guest speaker Nick Lionas! In addition to *Night with God*, we also continued our Saints & Feast Days Series on Instagram. If you or someone you know may be interested in joining the group, please reach out to [YAL@stnicholastrov.org!](mailto:YAL@stnicholastrov.org)

### YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING

The Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, is requiring and mandating that all youth workers will have access to Praesidium's online abuse prevention training and screening packages using the Armatus® Learn to Protect System. The training session/videos needs to be completed every year and the background check every two years. You will be receiving reminder emails from them indicating their records show that you have previously completed training in the past and are due for additional abuse prevention training in Praesidium's Armatus Learn to Protect System.

You will need to log in at <http://praesidiuminc.com/login> to see your updated requirements. If you cannot remember your password, please click the link on the login screen to reset your password. The Praesidium Support Team is also available to help you log in or connect with your organization. Please feel free to reach out to them at [support@praesidiuminc.com](mailto:support@praesidiuminc.com).

Thank you for your continued dedication and commitment to a safe environment!

## AHEPA Chapter 40 News



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Aside from giving scholarships, the District #10 Educational Foundation has been mentoring our past recipients in an effort to support and advance the careers of our youth.

Our mentoring committee was formed with this goal in mind.

Recently, a Senior Attorney and past recipient contacted and informed me that they were seeking to hire a recent law school graduate who has passed the bar. This position has potential for long-term and secure employment. If you have any such candidate in mind, please contact me and I will put them in contact with the Senior Attorney.

Fraternally,  
Dino Stathis  
Chairman, AHEPA District #10 Educational Foundation  
313-727-8877

### ARGONAUTS

The Saint Nicholas Argonauts hope you are healthy and safe. We are still going through difficult times, but Vaccinations are easier to get, and we hope that all eligible persons will be able to get them soon.

We missed seeing you in Church, and getting together for our monthly luncheons. We have to follow the directions of our Metropolitan.

If you need assistance for anything, please let us know.

*Sincerely, The Officers of Saint Nicholas Argonauts.*

### CAREFUL IN THE NARTHEX!

Though we might be all tired of COVID-19 safety measures, it is still important ESPECIALLY IN THE NARTHEX that we maintain social distancing, wear our masks correctly, and keep our conversation to a minimum.

Please arrange to socialize outside the church whether in the parking lot or your homes, but in church please respect safety measures that are in place. For more information related to our COVID-19 protocols and procedures please visit our website.

*~Thank you for your support and cooperation.*

### Daughters of Penelope

The D.O.P Chapter #66 wish to thank you for supporting our Maple Foods and Spring Flower Sale.

We truly appreciate each and every sale made! Our profit is supporting a student scholarship in May 2021 at the District #10 Convention

### METROPOLIS of DETROIT SUMMER CAMP (MDSC)

Camper registration opens on March 15!  
We are moving forward with hope and a mission to gather safely in Rose City for the 2021 camp season, but also working on a backup plan should our circumstances change.

We welcome registration for campers entering grades 3-11 for Weeks 1-5 and entering grade 12 or first year of college for Week Zero. Note, our capacity will be adjusted this season, so don't wait to register! Staff positions are also available for ages 17 and older. Please visit [www.gomdsc.org](http://www.gomdsc.org) to register and learn more about our camp programs or call us at **248-909-6372** for more information.

See page 13 for the flyer.

### AHEPA SCHOLARSHIP

Applications for graduating high school seniors and university level (sophomore through professional graduate school) are available online [www.ahepadistrict10.org](http://www.ahepadistrict10.org) and then select Educational Foundation. The AHEPA Scholarship deadline is **April 1, 2021.**

Anyone who needs assistance please call Milton Gust at **248-689-4156.**

# The people we are, the God He is.

*Holy Week deepens our self-understanding. It encourages us to read our own person into the diverse characters encountered in the services and scripture readings, pushing us further into the complexity of our souls.*

**Saturday of Lazarus** Holy Week begins on the Saturday of Lazarus, where Christ raises his beloved from Lazarus from the dead. The witness of this miracle lends us courage as we approach the long and sometimes difficult week ahead, giving us a foretaste of Christ's universal triumph over death in the person of his friend Lazarus.

**Palm Sunday** On Palm Sunday we join the crowds of Judea and receive Christ into Jerusalem with palms and celebration. Shouting "Hosanna in the highest!" we marvel at God's humility, watching as Christ the king enters His holy city seated on donkey. Knowing what lies ahead, we are moved at the Lord's nobility as we see Him approach the site of His voluntary passion.

**The Bridegroom** The week opens with the celebration of four Bridegroom services, on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening. These services make us eager maidens, awaiting the appearance of their bridegroom. Some of us are well-prepared, with oil to last even through an unexpected delay. Others of us have readied in a hurry, and our lamps lose light before "the middle of the night." At these services we look honestly at how we've prepared, in our Lent and in our life, and wonder if we are ready to receive the bridegroom Christ. Even as we lament our neglect, we are grateful to find that we still have time. We tell ourselves not to be "borne down with sleep," but instead to rouse ourselves and cry: "*Holy, Holy, Holy are You, our God, save us.*"

**Healing Unction** When Wednesday comes, we find ourselves standing amongst the crowds of Palestine. Just as those crowds saw Jesus heal the sick, raise paralytics, cleanse lepers and enliven the dead, we ourselves experience God's healing and forgiveness through the Service of Unction. This joyful moment, occurring right before the final Bridegroom Service on Holy Wednesday, gives us relief in the middle of a long week and bespeaks the joy still to come.

**The Last Supper and Eternal Sacrifice** Holy Thursday morning augments this joy, and Wednesday's oil of forgiveness is sweetened by the very bread and blood of life. Beholden, we hear what the disciples heard at the Last Supper: "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life."

**The Crucifixion** Night, though, precedes the dawn. Before the Resurrection there is Crucifixion, and on Holy Thursday Night we aren't faithful disciples but rather Judas himself. We hear our own voices in the belligerent crowd and are brought to tears by the moments in our life when we have not only ignored God but fought against Him. We consider that we, too, may have shouted: "Crucify him! Crucify him!"

**The Lamentations** Thus, when Holy Friday shows us Christ dead on the Cross, we lament the tragedy of human decision. Tears of our own repentance fall on His lifeless corpse, and we sing regretful dirges. We want Christ back, and we want Him alive.

**The Proto-Anastasi** On Holy Saturday morning, life begins again. It pulses underground, and Christ's Resurrection is seen first by the dead in Hades. Prophets watch as their prophecies are fulfilled, and the faithful voices of the Old Testament urge Christ upward, shouting: "Arise O God, and judge the earth; for you shall take all nations to Your inheritance."

**Christ is Risen!** Finally, the Resurrection service comes. Christ is to appear on the earth, and all people will see that death has been destroyed. As we ready our family and make our way to church late Saturday night, we retrace the steps of the myrrh-bearing women. Bearing the fragrance of repentance, and the spices of anticipation, we come together at the tomb of Christ. We find the stone-home of death empty, and an angel sitting on a shattered coffin. "You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified? He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him!" Gabriel's words awaken us and decimate our sorrow, and, upon hearing his joyful message, we take it up ourselves: "Christ is risen from the dead, trampling Death by death, and bestowing life to those in the tombs!"

*We are so many people during Holy Week. We are nervous brides, lepers cleansed, disciples nourished, crowds enraged. We are traitors and we are faithful—we are the first to have Christ Crucified, and the first to see Him Risen. Christ, though, is always the same. He loves His bride; He heals His sick; He feeds His faithful; He forgives His betrayers; and, He shows His beloved that even death cannot do them part. Holy Week shows us our changing self and our changeless God. It shows us the Way, the Truth, and the Life.*

**Fr. Michael Manos**

# The Lenten Lecture Series 2021

Here at our beloved Saint Nicholas parish, we have started a new ministry during the Wednesdays of Great Lent; it is the Lenten Lecture Series. We have invited five different speakers this year to illumine us on the topic of “Orthopraxia: Putting our Faith into Action”!

We hope you are enjoying the Lenten Lecture Series 2021 thus far. On each Wednesday of Great Lent, immediately following the Pre-sanctified Divine Liturgy a speaker will address us in our Sanctuary. Parish Ministry Groups are sponsoring each event. The lectures are open to all.

## April 7

**Resilience in the Real World.** Dr. Elaine Kotronakis Harper will speak about reaching out to at-risk youth, the science that supports it, and the faith that carries it. She is a graduate of Hellenic College and holds a PhD in psychology. Her expertise on the topic will help us to identify and aid those who could benefit from early intervention. She will also share from her life how spiritual programs kept her grounded and focused in her most formative years.

## April 14

**Faith in Action ( Part 1)** Fr. Demetrios Andrews, Executive Director of Project Mexico, will speak to us about practical ways that we can put our faith into action today! Since his involvement with Project Mexico, Father Demetrios has expanded the international service reach of our Orthodox Christian faithful here in America. He is coming to share the practical side of spirituality. What does *Orthopraxia* mean for you and me, and what possibilities exist today for service projects to fellow Orthodox the world over and at home?

## April 21

**Faith in Action ( Part 2 )** Father John Chakos, an eminent clergyman of our Archdiocese will tell us about the true story of the establishment and growth of Orthodox Christianity in Guatemala. Fr. John has extensive experience as a mission priest in Guatemala, and will bring us up to date on what’s happening there, the success stories, and the stunning and spiritual accounts of lives transformed by the love of Christians, and The Orthodox Faith in action.

**Presanctified Liturgy at 6 pm. Lecture will begin at 7:15**

**COVID –19 seating restrictions apply.**

For inquiries, please contact Father Paul, or Father Michael at the church 248.362.9575

Presv. Katerina 248.778.6205 or Patti Spiliadis-Bologna  
[pattibologna@mac.com](mailto:pattibologna@mac.com)

This ministry is made possible with the blessings of  
**Metropolitan Nicholas**, and by a grant from the  
**St. Nicholas Endowment Fund**

We look forward to seeing you there!



## BOOKSTORE



### THE AKATHIST HYMN

Prayer Service Book

Author/Translator: Rev. Fr. George Papadeas

Salutations to the Theotokos is prayed the first five Fridays of Great & Holy Lent. The Akathist Hymn is a profound, devotional poem, which sings the praises of the Holy Mother and Ever-Virgin Mary (Theotokos). Pray and follow along the services with your own copy of The Akathist Hymn book. Whether you are present in church or livestreaming from home, this book will help you with the further understanding of this beautiful hymn. Hardcover **\$19.00**



### HOLY WEEK—EASTER

(A Service Book in Greek and English)

Author/Translator: Rev. Fr. George Papadeas

A complete Holy Week and Easter service book, with the original Greek on one page and a new modern English translation on the opposing page. Paragraph formatting corresponds in both languages, making it easy to follow the services in either language. Body text in black and narratives in red. Hardcover **\$30.00**

### The Lucky Egg

By Anna Prokos illustrated

by: Christina Tsevis



Billy can't wait for Easter! His family celebrates with special foods, but he looks forward to the most exciting part: cracking red eggs with his family. Billy hopes his egg will be the lucky one so he can have a year of good fortune. But Billy quickly remembers how fortunate he already is. Follow Billy and his family in another holiday adventure as he learns the story behind Easter and some beloved Greek traditions. Hardcover **\$20.00**

To reserve your copy of these books or for other book or icon inquiries please contact  
Maria Kokkinakis at  
**248-362-9575** or by Email at  
[bookstore@stnicholastro.org](mailto:bookstore@stnicholastro.org)

~ Thank you for supporting our parish bookstore ~

# 2021 St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church Scholarships

Each year St. Nicholas presents scholarships to  
graduating high school students.

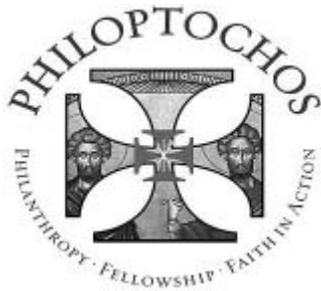
## Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant **must be a high school senior** student, graduating in the Spring / Summer of 2021.
- Applicant must be **accepted or on a wait-list** by an institution of higher learning for the 2021-2022 academic year.
- Applicant **must be baptized or chrismated** an Orthodox Christian.
- Applicant must have parents that have been **members for at least one year** and are in good standing with St. Nicholas.
- The applicant must have at least a **3.0 G.P.A. to qualify.**
- Applicant must complete and submit all of the following:
  - Scholarship application
  - Official High School Transcript
  - Official transcript of A.C.T. & S.A.T. Scores (if applicable).
  - Essay completed on application
  - A letter of recommendation from any one of the following:
    - A high school teacher or counselor or employer or a person unrelated to the applicant, who is a member in good-standing of any Greek Orthodox Church.

**Applications are available on our website at  
[www.stnicholastrov.org](http://www.stnicholastrov.org).**

**Please email completed applications to [Office@StNicholasTroy.org](mailto:Office@StNicholasTroy.org)  
or mail to the church office by May 7, 2021.**  
**NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

*God Bless, our graduates!*



January 2021

Dear Philoptochos Members,

We hope this letter finds you and your family safe and well.

The past year has been one most of us have never experienced before, and one none of us will ever forget. We hope and pray Covid-19 has avoided your families, knowing all too well we have all been affected in many ways, most noticeably not seeing one another at church on Sundays or at monthly meetings.

This year, more than ever, Philoptochos has been called to help those in need. So many in our community: our city, the Metro area, and the state of Michigan, have found themselves in situations beyond their control. Thankfully, we have been able to answer their requests for help. That is because of you. We are blessed with a chapter that is full with members who care. You give of your time, your talents and your treasures.

Because we have not been able to see one another in person, it has been more difficult to keep up to date with our donations and stewardship. *Now is the time to renew your membership with Philoptochos.* It is also the time to invite others to come join us! Parishioners over the age of 18 years old, and members of the church in good standing, are eligible to join.

When completing your stewardship, please remember the first \$15 is sent to the National Philoptochos office and the next \$6 is sent to our Metropolis Philoptochos. Any amount beyond \$21 stays with our chapter to aid our local donations and commitments.

Please complete the attached membership form today and return it with your payment, payable to: St. Nicholas Philoptochos Society. Please mail to:

Paula Kalevas  
Attn: Philoptochos Membership  
2284 Devonshire Road  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302

If you have any questions, of course, feel free to contact me: 248-227-9343.  
If you prefer, you may also renew your stewardship online through the St. Nicholas website at:

**[http://www.stnicholastro.org/ministries\\_and\\_organizations/philoptochos/index.php](http://www.stnicholastro.org/ministries_and_organizations/philoptochos/index.php)**

With Sisterly Love,

Paula



**St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church  
Ladies Philoptochos Society  
760 West Wattles Road  
Troy, MI 48098**

**Philoptochos Membership Form for 2021**

**Chapter 7013**

Stewardship Amount:		
Name		
Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Home Phone		
Cell Phone		
Email		

Please make your check payable to "St. Nicholas Philoptochos Society" and write "2021 Membership" on the check memo line.

Remember, any amount beyond \$21 stays with our chapter to help us meet our commitments and aid to those in need.

Send your payment along with this form to:

Paula Kalevas  
Attention: Philoptochos Membership  
2284 Devonshire Road  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302

Dear Father Paul and Father Michael,  
Dear Parishioners,  
Dear Parents and Friends of our Greek School,

Every year on the 25<sup>th</sup> of March, Greeks throughout the world celebrate a dual holiday. The first reason for celebration is the commemoration of the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary. On this day, we celebrate the proclamation of the Archangel Gabriel to the Theotokos announcing that she would give birth to Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of the living God.

The second reason for our celebration is our remembrance of the struggle of the Greek nation in the year 1821 against the occupation of the Ottoman Turkish Empire. Within a few years after the fall of Constantinople, on the 29<sup>th</sup> of May in 1453, the rest of the Greek regions had been occupied by the Ottoman Turks. Complete lack of formal schooling, destruction of the churches, and heavy taxation were among the difficulties the Greeks faced daily under the new rulers. However inspired by significant intellectuals of the Diaspora and taught in “Krifascholeia” (secret schools) by dedicated Greek Orthodox priests, Greeks kept their love of liberty and their ethnic pride alive. As a result, they never stopped dreaming about a free homeland.

After centuries of unsuccessful uprisings, on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 1821, Bishop Germanos raised the banner of revolution in an act of defiance against the Turks, and marked the beginning of the Greek War of Independence. Famous heroes such as Kolokotronis, Kanaris and Papaflessas and simple Greek citizens fought for whatever they considered most precious in their life: their country, their families, their religion, their values and traditions of justice and freedom.

This year, as we commemorate the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Greek Independence, let us honor all those who sacrificed to liberate our people and our homeland. May this day be one of joy and thanksgiving and may we honor our sacred obligation to offer our heritage and faith to others.

*Χρόνια σας Πολλά!*  
*From our amazing students in our St. Nicholas Greek School*

## **Y.A.L Partnership with FOCUS**

St. Nicholas Y.A.L have partnered with FOCUS Detroit to help create and shape a new outreach initiative called "Outfitted for Good" (OFG). OFG serves as a food pantry and clothing closet out of a shipping container on the property of Oasis of Hope in downtown Detroit.

We will be creating a “spot” for those in need in the downtown Detroit region serving as a one-stop shop. It offers access to basic necessities, such as food, clean and presentable clothing, and hygiene products, as well as serving as a neighborhood staple, focused on cultivating, enriching, and positively shaping the local community and youth.

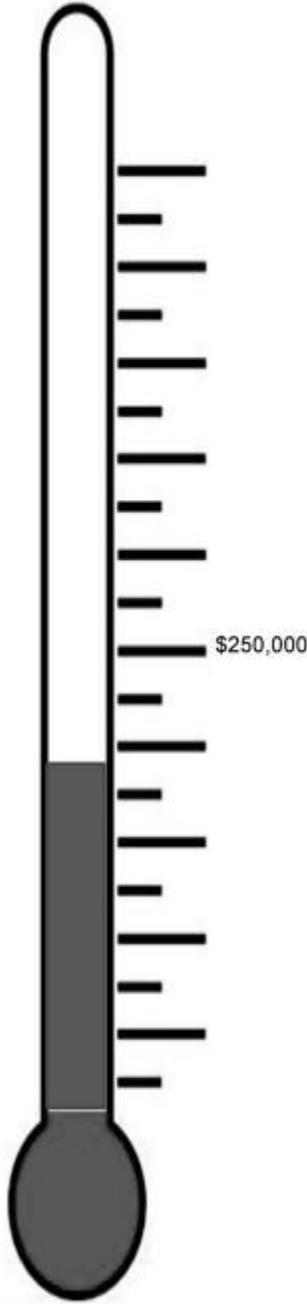
We hope to have workshops for the youth, neighborhood block parties in the summer, and to overall create a centralized place of hope and support. Our purpose is to serve existing needs and fill the gaps that exist while collaborating with existing outreach ministries, community partners, and existing nonprofit agencies. The COVID-19 pandemic has made the need even greater and access to these ministries more difficult.

If you have any questions or would like to get involved, please contact **Fotini Michalakis** [YAL@stnicholastroy.org](mailto:YAL@stnicholastroy.org)

# Stewardship Report Out January/February 2021



**GOAL**  
\$500,000



<b>Number of Pledges YTD:</b>	<b>236</b>
<b>Average Pledge:</b>	<b>\$826</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$194,855</b>
<b>2021 Stewardship Goal:</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>

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<b>Number of New pledges this period:</b>	<b>208 (January)</b> <b>28 (February)</b>
<b>Number of New Stewards:</b>	<b>7</b>

<b># of non pledging contributors:</b>	<b>77</b>
<b>Total donated by Non Pledging Contributors</b>	<b>\$ 16,670</b>

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<b>Expenses:</b>	<b>Planned Budget</b>	<b>\$704,894</b>
	<b>YTD spent</b>	<b>\$76,233</b>

<b>Daily Cost to run our Church:</b>	<b>\$1,931</b>
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### Did you Know:

It's easy to donate online, by just visiting our Website. You can even set up a payment plan that gets pulled right from your credit card

*1<sup>st</sup> Annual*

**AHEPA District #10  
Educational Foundation  
Golf Outing**



*Honoring Milton Gust*

**Sponsorship  
Opportunities**

**Bronze-\$150  
Silver-\$350  
Gold-\$500**

**Platinum-\$750**  
Opportunity to play in  
Supreme President's foursome

**Benefactor \$1,000**  
Opportunity to partner with  
Supreme President-18 holes

**Grand Benefactor  
\$2,000+**  
Funding the cost of golf for all  
District #10 youth-high school  
seniors and college students

**\$10,000  
Hole In  
One Prize**

**Friday, June 4th, 2021**

**Cherry Creek Golf Club  
52000 Cherry Creek Dr, Shelby  
Charter Twp, MI 48316**

**\$125 Registration Includes:**

- **Continental Breakfast-9am**
- **18 Hole Shotgun Start-11am**
- **Goodie Bag**
- **Awards**
- **Plated NY Steak Dinner  
Dinner Only \$50**

**Ceremonial Tee Off with  
AHEPA Supreme President  
George Horiates!**

**Longest Drive & Closest to  
the Pin Prizes**

**Raffle Prizes**

**Dino Stathis 313-727-8877 | Dr. Evans Farres 313-590-4868**

**Tax deductible checks made payable to AHEPA District 10 Educational Foundation  
1628 Crimson Dr, Troy, MI, 48083**

# AHEPA District #10 Educational Foundation Golf Outing

## Event Details

Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
Cherry Creek Golf Club  
5200 Creek Dr., Shelby Twp., MI 48316

Registration & Breakfast	9:00 am
Shotgun Start	11:00 am
Dinner & Awards Banquet	4:00 pm

## Contest & Course Games

- \$10,000 Hole-in-One
- Longest Drive
- Closest to the Pin

## Raffles

- 50/50
- TV
- Bucket of Liquor

## Driving Range

- Unlimited use with free buckets of balls

## Sponsorship Levels & Opportunities

### Grand Benefactor-\$2,000+

- Funding golf fee for all District #10 High School & College Students
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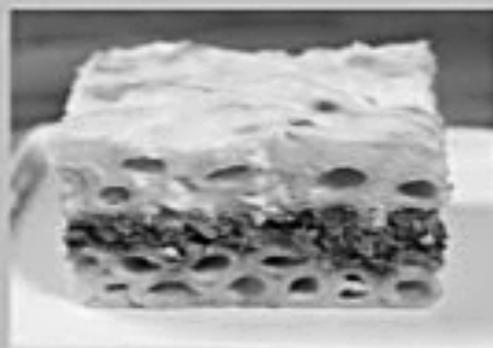
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***Round Pan***

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## ORDER OF AHEPA DISTRICT #10 EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

### High School Graduate Scholarship Application



#### **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:**

The AHEPA Educational Foundation offers financial support to qualified high school students in any academic discipline, applying and accepted by an accredited college or university. This scholarship award can only be used for educational use, tuition and/or books.

#### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (MUST MEET at least ONE of the following conditions):**

Check any that apply ONLY typed applications will be accepted.

- A. Be of Greek descent.
  - B. Parent(s) are currently members of the Order of AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope.
  - C. The applicant is either a Son of Pericles or a Maid of Athena.
  - D. Is a grandchild of a current member of the Order of AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope.
- This scholarship is intended ONLY for graduating High School senior students that are continuing higher education.
  - The scholarship will be awarded with special emphasis on character and intelligence, capacity in chosen field as reflected in school work, scope of interest as reflected in extra-curricular activities, evidence in leadership, and some financial need.
  - The applications will be reviewed by the members of the District #10 Educational Foundation and their decision will be final.
  - The awards will be presented at the time designated for the awards banquet planned for **Saturday, May 22nd 2021**. Please save the day in your calendar.
  - The recipient will be notified immediately after the selection process so that he or she can make arrangements to attend. **(If the recipient is unable to attend the awards presentation, a representative MUST be present in order to receive the award on his or her behalf.)**
  - Applicants MUST USE the scholarship application that indicates the current year on the cover. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

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**Applicants must send their color wallet size photo in JPG format to: [imgust@yahoo.com](mailto:imgust@yahoo.com)**

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Anyone interested or wishing to get an application, please contact:

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AHEPA District #10 Educational Foundation

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**ORDER OF AHEPA DISTRICT #10  
EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**

**College Scholarship Application**  
(Sophomore through Professional Graduate School)



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**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (MUST MEET ALL):** ONLY typed applications will be accepted.

- Must be a paid member of a District #10 AHEPA, Daughters of Penelope, Sons of Pericles or Maids of Athena by December 31st **2020** and by March 31st for the year **2021**.
- U.S. Citizen, National or Legally residing in the U.S.A.
- Must be a full-time student (12 + credits)
- A cumulative G.P.A. of 3.00 or better.
- Provide an official university or college transcript.
- Provide two letters of recommendation on official letterhead: (1) from your current educational institution; and (2) from the applicant's AHEPA family chapter which must demonstrate active participation and certified membership as stated in the 1st eligibility criterion
- NEED-BASED APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF THEIR INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL AWARD LETTER AND/OR 1040 WITH W-2.**
- Provide a 500 word essay as required in the application
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# April 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent Orthros 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. Y.A.L. Meeting 7:00 p.m.		6 Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	7 Pre-sanctified Divine Liturgy 3 <sup>rd</sup> Lecture 6:00 p.m.	1	2 3 <sup>rd</sup> Salutations to the Virgin Mary 7:00 p.m.	3 Saturday Vespers 5:00 p.m.
11 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent Orthros 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.	5	13 Philoptochos Meeting 7:00 p.m.	14 Pre-sanctified Divine Liturgy 4 <sup>th</sup> Lecture 6:00 p.m.	8	9 4 <sup>th</sup> Salutations to the Virgin Mary 7:00 p.m.	10 Saturday Vespers 5:00 p.m.
18 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent Orthros 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.	12	20 AHEPA Meeting D.O.P Meeting 7:00 p.m.	21 5 <sup>th</sup> Lecture Presanctified Liturgy 6:00 p.m.	15 Argonauts Meeting 11:00 a.m. Men's Group Meeting 6:30 p.m.	16 The Akathist Hymn 7:00 p.m.	17 Saturday Vespers 5:00 p.m.
25 Palm Sunday Orthros 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. Bridegroom Service 7:00 p.m.	19	27 Holy Tuesday Bridegroom Service 7:00 p.m.	28 Holy Wednesday Sacrament of Holy Unction 3:00 p.m. Bridegroom with Unction 7:00 p.m.	22	23	24 Saturday of Lazarus Orthros 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. Saturday Vespers 5:00 p.m.
	26 Holy Monday Bridegroom Service 7:00 p.m.	27 Holy Tuesday Bridegroom Service 7:00 p.m.	28 Holy Wednesday Sacrament of Holy Unction 3:00 p.m. Bridegroom with Unction 7:00 p.m.	29 Holy Thursday Vespers Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 6:30 a.m. Holy Communion 8:00 a.m. The Passion of Christ 6:30 p.m.	30 Holy Friday Reading of the Royal Hours 8:30 a.m. Vespers of the Descent from the Cross 3:00 p.m. The Lamentations 7:00 p.m.	1 May Holy Saturday Vespers Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 8:30 a.m. Resurrection Vigil 11:00 a.m. Pascha 12:00 a.m.

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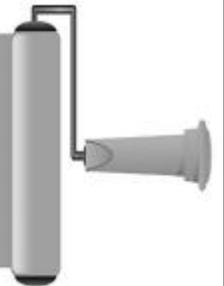
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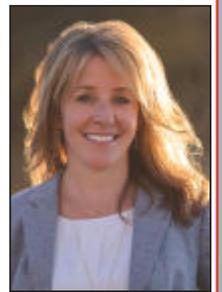
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O Lord, grant that I may meet all that this coming day brings to me with spiritual tranquility. Grant that I may fully surrender myself to Thy holy Will.

At every hour of this day, direct and support me in all things. Whatsoever news may reach me in the course of the day, teach me in the course of the day, teach me to accept it with a calm soul and the firm conviction that all is subject to Thy holy will.

Direct my thoughts and feelings in all my words and actions. In all unexpected occurrences, do not let me forget that all is sent down from Thee.

Grant that I may deal straightforwardly and wisely with every member of my family neither embarrassing nor saddening anyone.

O Lord, grant me the strength to endure the fatigue of the coming day and all the events that take place during it. Direct my will and teach me to pray, and love.

Amen.