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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Members,

I hope you are safe, well, and enjoying this lovely autumn weather and colorful fall foliage at outdoor events such as pumpkin or apple picking, or even just from your own backyard! As we open our Club's 85th year in these unique times, our calendar of events is necessarily light, and at this

time, entirely virtual. We are hopeful the situation will improve in the new year.

On Saturday, September 26, we presented our first virtual College/ Career Panel Networking Event, co-hosted by AHEPA Camden Chapter 69. High school and college students who attended heard information about college costs and how to pay for them. Serving as panelists were graduate students and young professionals from various fields such as Law, Business, Engineering and Health Care. They described their college and graduate school experiences and spoke about their careers. The event was recorded and once it has been edited, we will announce where and how it can be viewed. Many thanks to Board Member Kostas Vrontis for organizing this event for the Club.

This year marks the 2500th anniversary of the Battles of Thermopylae and Salamis. Join us from the comfort of your home as **Dr. Jeremy McInerney**, Professor of Classical Studies at the University of Pennsylvania, presents a virtual program on the events of 480 BC and the legacy of these two crucial battles in world history. The event will happen on Thursday, October 22 at 7:00 pm and is free and open to the public, so tell your friends! See page 3 for details on connecting to the program on Zoom. This program was originally scheduled to be presented in March, but was postponed due to the pandemic. We thank Board Member **Kostis Kourelis** for working with Dr. McInerney to bring us this virtual event.

Please join us in welcoming our newest Board member, **Joseph Antonakakis**. Although Joseph has only recently joined the Club, he has attended many Club events and is also the recipient of two Club scholarships. He is a 2020 graduate of Rutgers Law School and he sat for the New Jersey Bar Exam in October. We look forward to working with Joseph and we believe his ideas and background will be an asset to the Club.

With the end of the year quickly approaching, annual giving may be something you are thinking about for philanthropy, generosity, or tax benefits. We hope you will consider a gift to the Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia Scholarship Fund, either in cash or in the form of appreciated securities. Please see our website www.hucphiladelphia.org for more information. Consult with your tax professional to determine your most tax-efficient option. If you have questions, please email us at hucphiladelphia@gmail.com

Looking forward to "seeing" you at our Zoom lecture program on October 22!

Kind regards,

Zoe Tripolitis

President

UPCOMING EVENT

THERMOPYLAE AND SALAMIS: THE BATTLES FOR EUROPE?

Speaker: Jeremy J. McInerney, PhD Professor of Classical Studies

University of Pennsylvania

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2020, 7:00PM ET (rescheduled from March 26, 2020)

Please see page 3 for more details. This event is free and open to the public, so please invite your friends.

ΠΑΙΔΕΙΑ (*PAIDEIA*) is the ancient Greek word for learning or education. The lifelong pursuit of *PAIDEIA* was set by our Founders as the Club's main objective; eighty-four years later this ideal continues to inspire us.

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to our newest member, **Joseph Antonakakis!** At the September Board meeting, Joseph was appointed to a 2-year term on the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors is pleased to present the following applicant for membership:

Nicholas Stamatiades

1208 Hollis Avenue Cherry Hill, NJ 08002 Tel: 609-760-9550

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Nicholas earned a BSc and MBA from Rutgers University. He is the Chief Business Affairs Officer for the Cooper Medical School at Rowan University.

The above applicant shall be considered elected unless written objection is filled with the corresponding secretary **Nick Linardopoulos** (nick.linardopoulos@comcast.net) within 10 days of publication.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The electronic version of the 2020-2021 Membership Directory will be sent to all members this month. Printed copies will be mailed to members who do not receive our emails and others who request them.

Please continue to send us updates when your information changes so that we may keep our list current.

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THANK YOU NOTE FROM A SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

We continue to receive correspondence from our Scholarship recipients and are pleased to share them with our members.

To The Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia Scholarship Committee,

My name is Demetrios Tripolitis, I am the 2020 recipient of the Chios Society of Philadelphia "Koraes" Scholarship. I would like to thank the Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia for their ongoing promotion and support of education. I am proud to be of Hellenic and especially of Chian descent and the son of longtime HUC members. The scholarship will be used to further my education.

My sincerest gratitude,

Demetrios S. Tripolits

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Membership Renewal notices for the 2020-21 fiscal year will be mailed to all members in October. Kindly remit your dues to Membership Renewal Chair **George N. Pappas**, 401 Cooper Landing Road, Suite C8, Cherry Hill NJ 08002 as soon as possible. For your convenience, debit/credit card payments can be made online at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/huc-annual-dues-2020-2021-tickets-112820446994

STAY CONNECTED

The HUC Website has been revamped with more photos and up to date information about our events. Visit our new Donate, Membership, Events, and Scholarship pages for all the latest about the HUC.

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Congratulations to our Scholarship Winners! Καλή Πρόοδο!



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My/Our gift to the Hellenic University	Club Scholarship Fund is \$		
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UPCOMING EVENT

THERMOPYLAE AND SALAMIS: THE BATTLES FOR EUROPE?



10 Euro coin honoring Themistocles and the Battle of Salamis

SPEAKER: Jeremy J. McInerney, PhD

Professor of Classical Studies Department of Classical Studies University of Pennsylvania

DATE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2020 (rescheduled from March 26, 2020 TIME: 7:00 PM



2 Euro coin commemorating the Battle of Thermopylae

Professor McInerney writes...

With the 2500th anniversaries of Thermopylae and Salamis looming this year, it is fitting to stop and reevaluate these crucial battles in world history. Former Greek President Pavlopoulos has recently claimed, "Greece, faithful to its historic legacy, remains a kind of 'outlying border' of the West toward the East – presenting through its free spirit and civilization, a genuine and altruistic defense of peace, freedom and democracy." But the events of 480 BC have left a complex legacy, both inspirational and more troubling. This lecture presents an account of the events of 480 BC and attempts to evaluate the legacy of the Persian Wars for the Greeks and for the West.

Join us on Zoom for this important Program – rescheduled from March 26, 2020 because of the coronavirus pandemic:

 $\underline{https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85632421155?pwd=ZXhQbXZraHJYeEttSjRtOGZvdEpKZz09}$

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