



# ΠΑΙΔΕΙΑ

## HELLENIC UNIVERSITY CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA

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### FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Members,

You and your families continue to be in my thoughts as we navigate this challenging global environment. No matter if you plan to be out and about or stay home a little longer, I hope you remain safe and well.

Our Annual Business Meeting was held on Thursday, June 25th. For the first time in our Club's history, we met virtually via Zoom. More than thirty members joined the call and heard a review of the events of the past year, and elected the Officers, Board of Directors, and Scholarship Committee for the coming year. I am proud to serve another term as President of this esteemed organization (my *fourth!*), and I am grateful for your confidence in me. Please join me in congratulating the 2020-2021 Officers and Board Members, and welcoming newcomers **George Tsetsekos** (Vice President) and **Eleni Miltsakaki** (Board Member).

On Sunday, June 28, we celebrated our 2020-2021 scholarship recipients, during our first virtual Scholarship Awards Program. Scholarship Awards Co-Chairs **Anto-nios Zavaliangos** and **Toula Bastas** and their committee organized a beautiful presentation attended by Club members, the scholarship recipients, and their families. It was a wonderful way to meet these young scholars and learn more about their accomplishments and future goals. If you missed it, you can view a recording of the event. (See the article inside this newsletter for the link.)

We are planning an in-person outdoor event on Saturday,

September 19. In conjunction with AHEPA Camden Chapter 69, we are presenting our first Annual College/ Career Fair and Networking Event. We invite high school and college students to attend and network with recent college graduates and (relatively) young professionals to learn about the college experience and potential careers. The event will be held outdoors at St. Thomas Greek Orthodox Church in Cherry Hill, NJ, following appropriate masking and social distancing protocols. More details can be found on the flyer inside this newsletter. If you or a family member would like to participate in this event, please contact **Kostas Vrontis** at [kvrontis@gmail.com](mailto:kvrontis@gmail.com)

I look forward to seeing you soon, perhaps at our College/ Career Fair! Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Kind regards,

Zoe Tripolitis  
*President*

### UPCOMING EVENT

#### ANNUAL COLLEGE/CAREER FAIR & NETWORKING EVENT

*(in Conjunction With)*

**AHEPA CAMDEN CHAPTER 69**

**Saturday, September 19, 2020**

**St. Thomas Greek Orthodox Church  
615 Mercer St, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002**

*Event Will Be Held Outdoors*

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

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

**Joseph Antonakakis**  
 169 William Feather Drive  
 Voorhees, NJ 08043  
 Tel: 609-206-4000  
 Email: joseph@antonakakis.net

Joseph earned a BA from Rutgers University and JD from Rutgers Law School.

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.

## 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.

 Facebook: [www.facebook.com/hucphiladelphia](http://www.facebook.com/hucphiladelphia)  
 Instagram: @HUC\_Philly  
 Twitter: @HUCPhilly

If you have photos from any of our events that you think might be good for social media, message them to any of our social media accounts!

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# ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

This year our Annual Business Meeting was held virtually via Zoom on Thursday, June 25th. We heard Committee reports and elected the new Board of Directors. Thank you to all who were present and participated in this very important Club function.

Congratulations to the newly elected officers, directors, and scholarship committee members.

*President*.....Zoe A. Tripolitis  
*Vice President* ..... George Tsetsekos, PhD  
*Recording Secretary* .....Dimitra Vista, PhD  
*Corresponding Secretary* ..... Nikolaos Linardopoulos, PhD  
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### DIRECTORS

*Nominees for a two-year term:*  
 Kostis Kourelis, PhD  
 Eleni Miltsakaki, PhD

*Continuing the second year of two-year term:*  
 Dimitrios Angelakos, Esq  
 Virginia Botsis  
 Konstantinos Vrontis

*As Past President, Andrea Tsapralis will serve a one-year term on the Board of Directors.*

*The Scholarship Chairperson will also serve on the Board of Directors*

### SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

*Nominees for a two-year term:*  
 Toula Bastas  
 Eirini Daskalaki Staikos, MD  
 Niki Tsetsekos

*Continuing the second year of two-year term:*  
 Evangelia Manos Conroy, Esq  
 Dimitra Tsekoura  
 Antonios Zavaliangos, PhD



# THANK YOU NOTES FROM OUR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

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

Dear Hellenic University Club Scholarship Awards Committee,

Thank you for honoring me with a generous scholarship for the 2020-2021 academic year. I am honored and grateful to be selected as the recipient of the *Paideia* Scholarship. Your generosity helps students like me achieve their goals of earning a college degree.

In the Fall, I will be attending The College of New Jersey where I will continue my community service and research as a public health major. After finishing my undergraduate studies, I plan to attend medical school. My ultimate goal is to spread health benefits to people without access to clinical care and advocate for under-represented individuals overseas. This scholarship brings me one step closer to achieving that goal.

My pursuit of higher education would not be possible without the generosity and support of the *Paideia* Scholarship and the Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia. Your generosity motivates me to one day be able to give back and help students achieve their goals, in the same way you have helped me. Thank you once again for this prestigious award.

Sincerely,

*Antigone Antonakakis*  
Antigone Antonakakis

To Members of HUC,

Thank you for awarding me with the Goldie S. Vastardis Memorial Scholarship. I am so excited to use this fund to further my education and achieve my goals.

Sorry to have missed the Scholarship Award Program on Zoom. I was traveling at the time.

Fondly,  
*Sophia Kontos*  
Sophia Kontos

# HUC VIRTUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS PROGRAM

The Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia held a Virtual Scholarship Awards Program on Sunday, June 28th where we introduced and celebrated our 2020-2021 HUC Scholarship Recipients. Although we were not able to meet our recipients in person this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we were able to come together digitally and hear from our accomplished scholars.

If you were not able to join us on the 28th, we have taped the program and invite you to view the proceedings digitally.

The link is:

<https://bit.ly/3ksVHvK>

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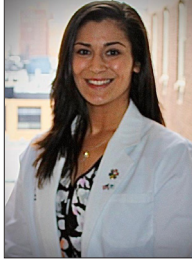
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***Congratulations  
to our 2020-2021  
Scholarship Awardees!***

# HELLENIC UNIVERSITY CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA 2020-2021 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

## GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS



**DIMITRA THOMOPOULOS**  
*Dr. Nicholas Padis  
Memorial Graduate Scholarship*



**ANGELA DOULIS**  
*Maria Galanos Hetos  
Memorial Graduate Scholarship*

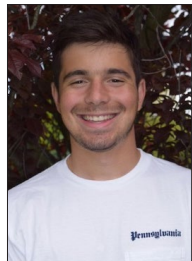


**GREGORY CHINGAS**  
*Kathleen and Nicholas Ffisfis  
Graduate Scholarship*



**STYLIANOS MONOS**  
*Dr. Peter A. Theodos  
Memorial Graduate Scholarship*

## UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS



**HARRIS AVGOUSTI**  
*Dr. Michael Dorizas  
Memorial Scholarship*



**ANGELOS KATAKAKIS**  
*Founders Scholarship*



**ANTIGONE ANTONAKAKIS / CHRISTOPHER TSETSEKOS**  
*Paideia Scholarship*



**SOPHIA THEONI KONTOS**  
*Goldie S. Vastardis  
Memorial Scholarship*



**YIANNIS KARAMITROS**  
*Dimitri J. Ververelli  
Memorial Scholarship for  
Architecture and/or Engineering*



**MELINA DANIILIDIS**  
*George C. Liacouras  
Memorial Scholarship*



**JAIME SOUTOS**  
*Theresa A. Chletcos  
Memorial Scholarship*



**DAPHNE PHILIPPOUSSIS**  
*Nicholas L. Gianopoulos and  
Antoinette Manos Gianopoulos  
Scholarship*



**ELENI CHRISTOU**  
*Cyprus Society Scholarship*



**MIRA HARRIS**  
*Chios Liberation  
Memorial Scholarship*



**DEMETRIOS TRIPOLITIS**  
*Chios Society of Philadelphia  
"Koraes" Scholarship*



## **AHEPA CAMDEN CHAPTER 69 & HELLENIC UNIVERSITY CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Annual College/Career Fair and Networking Event**

- When:** Saturday, September 19, 2020, approx. 9:30 am – 3:30 pm  
**Rain Date:** September 26, 2020  
(Detailed agenda to follow)
- Where:** Saint Thomas Greek Orthodox Church, 615 Mercer St, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002  
(This event will take place outdoors, with appropriate social distancing, if indoor restrictions are still in effect)
- Who Should Attend:** Any students in high school and college (parents also welcome)
- Details:** This event is geared for students interested in learning more about specific college majors and careers, networking with local professionals, and obtaining information on available scholarships opportunities  
(light refreshments will be provided)
- Safety:** Please bring a facemask and stay six (6) feet from each other
- Cost:** This event is free for all attending

Please register at the following link to help us gauge student attendance and interests: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/66BVNFK>





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