

2018 AWARDS
CEREMONY
and GALA

BEYOND A SCHOLARSHIP



PANHELLENIC
SCHOLARSHIP
FOUNDATION



\$260,000
in Scholarships



45 Exceptional
Recipients



1 Unforgettable
Evening

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Founded in 2002 by **Chris P. Tomaras**, the PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation is a 501 (c)3 not-for-profit organization.

Our Mission is to promote education by providing scholarships and programs to Greek American students who, guided by the values of their Hellenic upbringing, have the potential to become life-long significant achievers and contribute meaningfully to society.

Our Vision is to build a better America through Education and Hellenism.

Dedicated to promoting education and leadership, the Foundation recognizes and honors exceptional undergraduate students of Hellenic descent, supporting their efforts with significant monetary awards based on academic merit and financial need.

As of June 16, 2018, the PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation has awarded \$3,000,000+ in scholarships to 450+ Greek American undergraduate students. These exceptional merit and needs-based students come from 40+ states and hail from 200+ colleges and universities.

CONGRATULATIONS PANHELLENIC SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS CLASS OF 2018



\$3 Million+
in Scholarships



450+
Undergraduate
Students



40+ States
Represented



200+ Colleges
and Universities

| PROGRAM |
THE HILTON CHICAGO

Boulevard Foyer

VIP RECEPTION IN HONOR OF OUR GENEROUS DONORS
AND SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT PARENTS

Grand Ballroom

AWARDS CEREMONY

WELCOME

Kiki Vale—Advisory Board, WMAQ, WBBM

MISTRESS & MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Trish Christakes—2012 PanHellenic Scholarship Recipient, ABC Network
Pete Zervakis—2008 PanHellenic Scholarship Recipient, NBC Network

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Robert A. Buhler

PARADIGM AWARD PRESENTATION

REINCE PREIBUS—2018 HONOREE

Tom Sotos
Secretary, Board of Directors

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THE HILTON CHICAGO

Normandie Lounge

COCKTAIL RECEPTION

Grand Ballroom

ENTERTAINMENT

Yianni Papastefanou & Orchestra

DINNER

GRAND RAFFLE

AFTER PARTY



| ABOUT US |

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Chris P. Tomaras (1937-2015)

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2012 Hellenic Birthright Recipient

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2012 PanHellenic Scholarship Recipient

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2007 PanHellenic Scholarship Recipient

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2015 PanHellenic Scholarship Recipient

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2016 PanHellenic Scholarship Recipient

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2012 Hellenic Birthright Recipient

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— Our —
FOUNDER



Chris P. Tomaras
(1937-2015)

Beloved by many and never forgotten, Chris P. Tomaras established the PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation out of his deep respect for education and his unwavering commitment to philanthropy. He personified the word **Philotimo** – a word that does not have a direct English translation, but can be described as a friend to a stranger, or love of honor.

Each new class of PanHellenic scholarship recipients will never get to know him or what a special person he truly was. Rather than listing a line item biography of where he was born and his countless achievements, we hope to convey who he was as a person to those that knew him and loved him.

Mr. Tomaras had an infectious smile, a whip-smart sense of humor, impeccable style, and the manners and grace of a true southern gentleman. Aside from being known as a successful business man and keen entrepreneur, he was incredibly devoted to his Greek Orthodox faith and the Greek community, not only in the U.S. but around the world. He had strong convictions and beliefs, and always carried himself with honesty, integrity and respect. His work ethic was infectious, and his attention to detail was second to none. He would rework something 100 times until he got it right.

He never gave up or settled for less than *perfect* - and expected the same from those he employed.

While he may have been publicly known for his financial contributions to many worthwhile causes, his special honors, accolades and distinctions, **it is the giving he did when no one was watching that truly set him apart.** He was a mentor to many both young and old, Greek and non-Greek. Mr. Tomaras always had time to lend a helping hand, sit down for a good meal, and tell a story like no one else. If he appreciated an action, he made sure to send a hand-written note, or called to thank you personally.

Chris P. Tomaras devoted the last two decades of his life to developing and growing the PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation. He came in early, left late, put in the hard work, and never complained about it – all qualities of a great leader. Affectionately known as “Mr. T.” by those that loved him, worked for him and with him, he was an inspiring example of what can be achieved through dedication, perseverance, and above all, kindness.

However you choose to define **Philotimo**, he had it.

Although Mr. Tomaras may not be here with us tonight, his spirit lives on in the PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation. With each new initiative unveiled, milestone reached or scholarship awarded – our Mission and dedication to helping Greek American youth pursue a college education will never change. That is our promise to all of you, and to Mr. T.

Thank you for continuing to believe in us.

Vivian Haritos
Director of Development

— The —
CHAIRMAN'S
MESSAGE



Robert A. Buhler

BEYOND A SCHOLARSHIP



Welcome to the 2018 Awards Ceremony & Gala!

This year's Gala theme is *Beyond A Scholarship*. While brainstorming potential themes in January, our goal was to choose a theme that fully encompasses the essence of the PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation, including our growth vision.

The Foundation offers scholarships based on merit and financial need to the most exceptional Greek American undergraduates in the nation. However, the Foundation provides the Greek community with much more. The Foundation offers our scholarship recipients a community of peers, a network of professionals and scholars, outstanding mentors in their respective fields, internship and volunteer opportunities, and a place where Greek American youth can gain guidance and support. Thus, our Gala theme—*Beyond A Scholarship*.

Each day, we strive to honor the mission and vision of our late Founder, **Chris P. Tomaras**, as we support the Greek American community, just as he did. As a not-for-profit organization, we provide financial scholarships to advance education while also nurturing collaboration with our co-partners.

We are proud once again this year to deliver a full **Alumni Weekend**, beginning with a reception Friday evening for our recipients with our Corporate Sponsors, Holland & Knight and College Year in Athens. Additionally, earlier today The Hellenic Initiative generously sponsored a **Mentorship Luncheon** where recipients had the exclusive opportunity to gain career insight from thirteen exceptional mentors (see pages 40–46). It is my honor, together with our Trustees, Board of Directors, Academic Committee, Advisory Board, Junior Board, staff and volunteers to further the mission of the PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation.....*Beyond A Scholarship*.

This evening, we are also honoring the success and accomplishments of our 2018 Paradigm Award Honoree, **Reince Priebus**. Mr. Priebus started out just like many of our recipients, with a strong commitment to his education, a drive to succeed, a strong capacity for civic service, and the guiding light of our Greek Orthodox faith. These attributes of Reince Priebus certainly will inspire our recipients to also become leaders in America.

We also thank our **Academic Committee**, who has worked very hard to select the scholarship recipients. The Committee has made difficult decisions from among an increasing number of exceptional applications received from throughout the United States. We congratulate our PanHellenic "Class of 2018" on their academic achievements, commitment to giving-back to their communities, and dedication to their Greek Orthodox faith and more.

Lastly, we thank all of our generous supporters—without you, none of this would be possible. Tonight we will be highlighting our launch of **The Scholarship Society** with *Scholarship 100* and *Scholarship 50*. We are grateful to those who have already enthusiastically pledged to be a part of The Scholarship Society and look forward to welcoming others.

Thank you and have a great evening.

Σας ευχαριστούμε πάρα πολύ.

WELCOME



Kiki Vale

Kiki Vale is a PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation Advisory Board Member, always willing to lend a helping “voice” to help us succeed. Special thanks to Kiki for lending her talents to our Awards Ceremony Welcome & 2018 Scholarship Recipient biography announcements.

Kiki is a master interviewer with 25 years of broadcasting experience on Kansas City and Chicago radio. She was a prevalent force at WMAQ & WBBM radio where she was the first female airborne news/traffic reporter in the "Windy City". Kiki's voiceover work has garnered her Omni awards for Evian water and Coca-Cola commercials. These days Kiki enjoys energizing audiences on stage during motivational speaking engagements, and through writing. Her highly regarded “Kefi-That Life Force” column, was published previously in The Greek Star. She's currently working on her first non-fiction book.

The
MISTRESS &
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| MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES |

Trish Christakes

2012 PanHellenic Scholarship Recipient

"This Gala is something I look forward to every year. I've met some of the most important people in my life through this Foundation. I feel beyond blessed and humbled to serve as co-emcee and be a part of this special night."



Trish Christakes is the first female Sports Anchor and Director at the ABC affiliate in Peoria, Illinois. Trish was an inaugural recipient of a Hellenic Birthright grant in 2012, a prior program of the Foundation that made it possible for her to visit Greece *for the very first time*. She graduated from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in 2015 with a degree in Broadcast Journalism and English. During her time at Urbana-Champaign she worked with ESPNU, Fox Sports and Big Ten Network.

| MASTER OF CEREMONIES |

Pete Zervakis

2008 PanHellenic Scholarship Recipient

"The Greek American Community has a strong sense of pride and camaraderie. We look out for our fellow Hellenes. Receiving a scholarship was an example of that, and watching accomplished members of the Greek American Community put their faith in me and my fellow recipients was humbling. Attending the gala led to the connection that helped me obtain my first internship in television news."



Pete Zervakis is a 2008 PanHellenic Scholarship Alumni, who now works as a news reporter at WTMJ-TV, the NBC affiliate television station in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. After graduating with highest, Bronze Tablet honors from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 2011, Pete spent time reporting and anchoring at TV stations in La Crosse, Wisconsin and Madison, Wisconsin before making the move to the state's "Brew City" in January, 2016. Since beginning his career in news, Pete has been recognized by the Wisconsin State Bar Association, the Wisconsin Broadcasters Association, and the Milwaukee Press Club for his work. Pete is an active member of the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church in Milwaukee, where he serves on the parish council.

— The —
PARADIGM
AWARD
HONOREE



Reince Priebus

The PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation is proud to honor 2018 Paradigm Award honoree, **Reince Priebus**. Mr. Priebus currently serves as President and Chief Strategist of Michael Best & Friedrich LLP. Most recently, Mr. Priebus served as White House Chief of Staff, managing White House staff and collaborating with Members of Congress and other key policymakers.

Mr. Priebus was born in New Jersey to parents Dimitra Pitsiladis and Richard Priebus. His father served in the US Army in Ethiopia before meeting his mother in Sudan, where she worked at the American Embassy. Although Dimitra was born in Khartoum, Sudan, her family was originally from Mytilene, Lesbos. The Priebus family eventually moved to the Midwest, settling in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

“As a young kid in Wisconsin, I grew up going to Greek Orthodox Church surrounded by a strong, faith-based community. The values I heard from Scripture and witnessed in the actions of that community helped shape me, and taught me what it means to live a life cloaked in faith and guided by principles,” said Mr. Priebus.

Mr. Priebus volunteered for his first political campaign at the age of 16, before graduating from Tremper High School in Kenosha. He went on to attend the

University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, graduating cum laude with a degree in English and Political Science before attending the University of Miami School of Law.

While attending law school, Mr. Priebus served as Clerk for the Wisconsin Court of Appeals, the Wisconsin Supreme Court, and the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida. He also interned for the NAACP Legal Defense Fund in Los Angeles before graduating with a Juris Doctor with honors.

Mr. Priebus has a long history in politics as a grassroots volunteer, working his way up through the ranks of Wisconsin politics. In 2009, he served as general counsel to the Republican National Committee, before being elected to serve as Chairman in 2011. He oversaw a dramatic turnaround of the Committee—rescuing its finances, repairing its operations, and rebuilding its ground game. During Priebus’ tenure, Republicans expanded their majorities in the House of Representatives, took back the Senate and ultimately, won the presidency in 2016. He left his role as one of the most successful chairmen of either political party in American history.

Mr. Priebus is a proud Greek American, supporting Hellenic issues and bringing them much-needed national attention. He has been a vocal supporter of US-Greece relations and a strong advocate of Hellenic values such as free speech, freedom of belief, and education. In 2011, Mr. Priebus became an Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople, Order of Saint Andrew the Apostle.

Please join the PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation in congratulating 2018 Paradigm Award honoree **Reince Priebus**.

The
ENTERTAINMENT



**Yianni Papastefanou & Orchestra,
with Roula Vassos & Helena Panayi**

Yianni Papastefanou is a gifted and charitable recording artist who has shared his talent performing at events, including the Blue Dream Gala fundraiser, which celebrates the achievements of the Wounded Warrior Project, as well as New York City's Mayor Award for Arts and Culture hosted by Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

Yianni was born in New York City, the son to Panagiotis Papastefanou and Amaila Christodoulakis Papastefanou, a famous traditional Greek singer and recording artist. From a young age, he began his studies in Byzantine music only to lead a male Byzantine choir in his church to this very day. Yianni displayed his love for music and his talent, inheriting his mother's ear and voice for the music that would mold his life. He was inspired by her legacy, as well other Greek vocalists, such as George Dalaras, Antonis Vardis, Yiannis Parios and Haris Alexiou.

Yianni began his career in 1993, singing contemporary hits in various Greek nightclubs and quickly became the "voice" of a new generation for young Greeks who enjoyed music. He has shared the stage with many renowned artists, such as Anna Vissi, Rita Sakelariou, Lakis Halkias, Dakis and Poly Panou. After auditioning for Nikos Zervas, Yianni was selected to travel to Greece and record Nikos' original songs in collaboration with the famous lyricists Vasilis Yiannopoulos, Varvara Kastani and Smaroula Maragoudaki.

Good friend and manager of Spartan Productions, Bobby Karounos, produced the album that is set to be released later this year entitled *Ola Kala*. This album is the next chapter in Yianni's rich journey in Greek music. He dedicates it to everyone who has supported him throughout his career.

Please join us in welcoming **Yianni Papastefanou & Orchestra with Roula Vassos and Helena Panayi!**

The
ACADEMIC
COMMITTEE



A SPECIAL THANK YOU

The Foundation extends a special thank you to the members of the **Academic Committee**. Each year, Committee members review hundreds of scholarship applications, taking months to review each and every application carefully, fairly, and with integrity. We are grateful to our Academic Committee members for their commitment to upholding the high academic standards of the Foundation and its Scholarship recipients.

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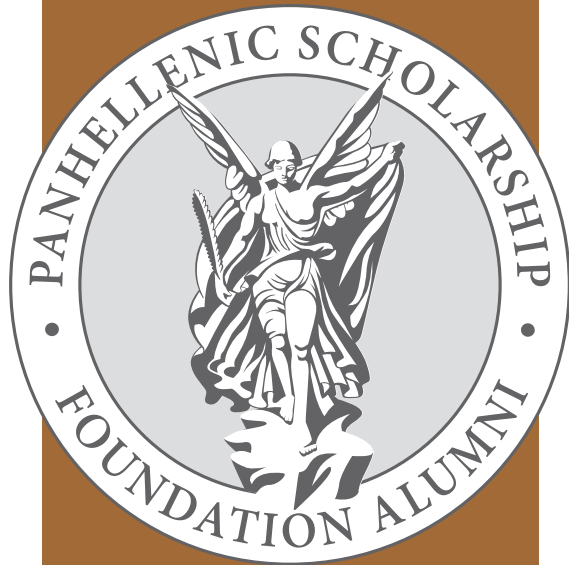
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Music Educator & Music Director
Founder & Director of the Hellenic Choral Society
The Georgia Sfondouris Mitchell Endowment for Music & Arts Scholarships

George Alexopoulos, DA (1933-2017)

Academic Committee Chairman (2002-2015) & Chairman Emeritus



Congratulations

To the 2018 PanHellenic Scholarship Award recipients for being distinguished as this year's most exceptional scholars.

ΚΑΙ ΕΙΣ ΑΝΩΤΕΡΑ

| 2018 PANHELLENIC AWARD RECIPIENTS |

In Alphabetical Order



Sophia Nicole Andricopulos
Accountancy, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Sophia will be a senior at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign studying Accountancy with a minor in French and a Leadership Certificate. She is a recipient of the AHEPA 13th District Scholarship as well as the Peter J. Economos Scholarship. Sophia is excited about interning with PwC in their Chicago office this summer and hopes to return there full-time after graduation.



Yanni Angelides
Biomedical Engineering, The Georgia Institute of Technology

Yanni is pursuing a Biomedical Engineering degree and Computer Science minor at the Georgia Institute of Technology. He is the owner of Agona LLC, creator of the Soccer Sock. Yanni aspires to start his own BME company that creates oncological devices that will one day be in Forbes Top 30 Under 30. He is a recipient of Georgia Tech Faculty Honors and starter on the soccer team.



Vasiliki Argeroplos
Economics, Vanderbilt University

Vasiliki is a rising sophomore at Vanderbilt University. Her planned major is Economics with two minors in computer science and business. Her involvements on campus include student government, Greek life, and membership in Students Consulting for Non-Profit Organizations(SCNO). Through founding her own nonprofit, Okay to Play, she has received the Prudential Spirit Award as well as the Presidents Volunteer Service Award.



Harris Avgousti
Biology, University of Pennsylvania

Harris is currently attending the University of Pennsylvania, Class of 2021. He is majoring in Biology with a concentration in the mechanisms of disease control, as well as minoring in Economics. Harris plans on pursuing a medical degree. Currently, he is president of Penn Hellenic as well as a Student Researcher at the Perelman School of Medicine in Radiation Oncology.



Alexander Bilzerian
Physics, Cornell University

A junior at Cornell University, Alexander is pursuing a Physics major and a Creative Writing minor. At Cornell, he has taken on executive board roles in his fraternity, Pi Kappa Alpha, and was honored by the English Department for a collection of his poetry. Alex hopes to someday, somehow use his knowledge of the natural sciences to make a difference in the world of medical physics.

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Sofija Chroneos

Sculpture and Art Education, Boston University

Sofija is a sophomore at Boston University, where she is pursuing a combined five-year BFA in Sculpture and MA in Art Education. She has made the Dean's List with Distinction each semester. Sofija co-founded the undergraduate art magazine, *Squinch*, and volunteers weekly in public schools. In her future teaching practice, Sofija aims to defend creative opportunities for youth.



Anastasia Dalianis

Ethics, Politics, and Economics, Yale University

Anastasia is a freshman from Park Ridge, Illinois attending Yale University, where she plans to major in Humanities. She is a National Merit Scholar and has received various academic and musical awards throughout high school. Outside of class, she writes for Yale's satire and literary magazines. Anastasia has played cello for ten years and is involved in several orchestras at Yale. After college, she would like to pursue a career that involves writing.



Paul DeBassio

Biology, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Paul is a rising sophomore at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY. He is majoring in Biology and on a Pre-Medical track, hoping to become a Hematologist Oncologist. He graduated Summa Cum Laude in high school and was inducted in the National Honor Society, the Math Honor Society, Tri-M Music Honor Society, and Spanish Honor Society.



Ruby Duffy

Social Studies, Wesleyan University

Ruby is a rising sophomore at Wesleyan University. She is majoring in The College of Social Studies, a multidisciplinary program focusing on the study of history, government, economics, and social theory. This year, Ruby was acknowledged for high academic achievement and was named on the Dean's List. After college, Ruby plans to attend law school and pursue a career in law.



Nickolas Eliadis

Religious Studies, Hellenic College

Nickolas is a second year Seminarian at Hellenic College in Brookline, Massachusetts, majoring in Religious Studies. He plans to go on to get his Master of Divinity Degree from Holy Cross, and one day, God willing, become a priest of the Greek Orthodox Church. He has made the President's list three times and has received Hellenic College's Chrysostom Scholarship. Nickolas has been selected to attend the Asia Minor Travel Seminar this summer in Greece.

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Namie Fotion

Biology, University of California, Los Angeles

Namie is a freshman at UCLA majoring in biology with the ultimate goal of becoming a well-respected doctor in the field of medicine. She has been awarded as an AP Scholar with Distinction and a FAITH Endowment Scholarship. She has also been recognized and awarded for her artistic skill by the Southern California Rotary Clubs.



George Gemelas

Ethics, Politics, and Economics, Yale University

George is a senior at Yale University. He is majoring in Ethics, Politics, and Economics with a concentration in urban resilience. At Yale, George plays viola in the Yale Symphony Orchestra, works for the Yale Program for Climate Change Communication, and is the Greek American liaison for Yale's Hellenic Society. He hopes to launch himself to the front lines of urban innovation.



Nicholas Georgiou

Computer Engineering and Computer Science, University of Virginia

Nicholas is a junior at the University of Virginia, double majoring in Computer Engineering and Computer Science with a minor in Engineering Business. He is a member of Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society and has received Intermediate Honors at UVA and Dean's List honors every semester and plans to go to graduate school. He has been an executive officer of UVA's Hellenic Society for two years.



George Giakoumakis

Computer Engineering, Capitol Technology University

George is a junior at Capitol Technology University majoring in computer engineering with a focus in astronautical engineering. He is currently working on NASA's Coordinated Applied Capitol Technology University Satellite (CACTUS-1) mission that will capture low-Earth orbit micrometeorites to demonstrate a cost-saving method of cleaning the atmosphere. George is currently on the Dean's list and has received the St. Nicholas Philoptohos Scholarship and the Rhodian Society of Maryland Scholarship.



Christina Hanos

Biology, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Christina is a biology major at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in a 7-year medical program affiliated with Albany Medical College. She plays for the RPI field hockey team and is part of the Student Athletic Advisory Committee. She has maintained a 4.0 and is part of the Dean's Honors List as well as the National Field Hockey Scholar of Distinction list. She is very proud of her heritage and went to Greece last year through the Heritage Greece Program with The American College of Greece.

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Geoffrey Hazard
Computer Science and Engineering, Brown University

Geoffrey is a rising second-year student at Brown University, where he studies Computer Science and Engineering. He designs and sews clothes, puts on ancient theater plays in Greece, and hopes to combine traditional knowledge with technical solutions that empower small-scale communities.



Katerina Kerastaris
Public Health, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Katerina is a pre-physician assistant sophomore at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, majoring in Public Health. She has maintained her Dean's List status for the past three semesters. Katerina was recently invited to join the National Society of Collegiate Scholars chapter at the University of Massachusetts and was also recognized by the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi. Upon graduation, Katerina will attend a Physician's Assistant program. She hopes to work in a hospital setting for a few years prior to attending medical school.



Raphael Anastassios Kirou
Biological Sciences, Cornell University

Raphael is a freshman studying biological sciences at Cornell University, with a planned minor in applied economics. He is on the Dean's list and an active member of Cornell Orthodox Christian Fellowship. In high school, he was a member of the National Honor Society, a National AP Scholar, and a finalist at the New York City Science and Engineering Fair for his research on tuberculosis. Raphael has plans to become a physician-scientist in clinical immunology.



Panagiota Kitsopoulos
Mechanical Engineering, Case Western Reserve University

Panagiota is a sophomore Mechanical Engineering major and Biomedical Engineering minor at Case Western Reserve University. She was awarded the university's Junior/Senior Scholarship and is on the Dean's Honors List. She was born on the island of Crete and later moved to Germany to complete the International Baccalaureate (IB) program. After achieving a degree in engineering, she intends to pursue a PhD.



Alessandra Koinoglou
Finance, The Ohio State University

Alessandra is a first year Honors student at The Ohio State University. She is a Finance major with a minor in Economics. Alessandra graduated high school Summa Cum Laude, was a Presidential Scholar, and was in the National Honors Society. At Ohio State Alessandra is in the Hellenic cultural fraternity, Sigma Epsilon Phi and other service organizations. She wishes to either pursue a career in wealth management or corporate law.

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Elias Kotsis
Music, University of Pennsylvania

Elias is a junior at the University of Pennsylvania who is majoring in Music and minoring in Theatre Arts. He is the Chair of Front Row Theatre Company, Penn's socially-relevant, student-run theater company. He hopes to compose music for theater and has had original music performed in the New York Musical Festival, the Philly Fringe Fest, the Edinburgh Festival, and several short films. This summer, Elias will be interning with Warner Bros. Theatre Ventures.



Petra Kyriakopoulos
Accounting and Finance, Elmhurst College

Petra, a sophomore at Elmhurst College majoring in Accounting and Finance, has received Honor Roll distinction every semester. When not occupied with studies she is planning club events or on duty at work. Petra's interests include playing the clarinet, soccer with friends, and mentoring students at school. Her career goals include earning CPA recognition and providing satisfaction for clients.



Leonidas Lavdas
Electrical Engineering, University of Florida

The oldest of six children, Leonidas is a freshman at the University of Florida studying electrical engineering. He was Valedictorian of Vanguard High School in Ocala, FL, completing the International Baccalaureate program. He is a University of Florida Presidential Gold Scholar and is active in several organizations including the Orthodox Christian Fellowship, Greek American Student Association, racquetball team, and IEEE.



Darden Livesay III
Journalism and Political Science, University of Connecticut

Darden is a junior at the University of Connecticut double-majoring in Journalism and Political Science. He recently interned with the Greek America Foundation, where he is interning again this summer. He is a Dean's List student, recipient of the Sheehan Family Journalism Scholarship, and former news director at UConn's radio. Darden is also a language enthusiast.



Georgia Margiotis
Psychology and Education, Adelphi University

Georgia has now completed her third year at Adelphi University in Garden City, NY. She is an Education and Psychology major and hopes to work for the New York Department of Education as a Special Education Elementary teacher upon completion of her degree.

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Victoria Martine
Biology and Spanish, Indiana University

Victoria is a sophomore at Indiana University studying Biology and Spanish. She hopes to pursue a career in medicine. She is also a member of the Hutton Honors College. At school, she participates in Orthodox Christian Fellowship, Spanish Theater, and volunteers at the IU Auditorium. She is looking forward to taking Greek language in the fall.



Elias Mastakouris
Political Science, Yale University

Elias is a sophomore at Yale University studying international security and political theory. He is the director of the Peace and Dialogue Leadership Initiative, a Yale-West Point foreign policy group, and a member of the Yale Hellenic Society. After graduation, Elias hopes to serve in the United States Military, either as an infantry or surface warfare officer. He eventually hopes to pursue a career in national security or federal law.



Melina Megaridis
Bioengineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Melina is a rising senior studying bioengineering with a minor in technology & management at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She is a Cancer Research Scholar and James Scholar. Melina is also President of the Habitat for Humanity club and a member of the Biomedical Engineering Society. After she graduates, she would like to work in industry, hopefully designing medical devices or prosthetics.



John Melizanis
Economics, University of California, Berkeley

John is currently a student at the University of California, Berkeley, studying Economics with a double minor in computer science and data science. John has founded and worked with many start-ups in the Tri-State area and is currently working with multiple start-ups in the Bay-Area relating to Social Media, Machine Learning, and Algorithm stock trading.



Manousos Papadakis
Mechanical Engineering, Illinois Institute of Technology

Manousos is a rising sophomore currently attending the Illinois Institute of Technology. He is majoring in Mechanical Engineering, following a career path to become an engineer in the automotive industry. Manousos is on the Dean's List at IIT, prior to college he was in the National Honors Society, the National Technical Honors Society, and was a recipient of the STEM + scholarship, Heald Scholarship, and the Pancretan Association of America Venizelion Scholarship.

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Ari Papahronis
History and Political Science, Columbia University

Ari is a freshman at Columbia University majoring in History and Political Science. After college, he hopes to attend law school and pursue a career as an attorney. In college, he is on the Dean's List, a tour guide on campus, an active member of the political community, treasurer of the Pre-Law Society, and runs a homeless shelter in the city weekly.



Athena Patitsas
Public Policy Analysis and Modern Greek, The Ohio State University

Athena is a senior at The Ohio State University pursuing a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Public Policy Analysis in the John Glenn College of Public Affairs. She also has a second major in Modern Greek and a minor in German. Athena has worked as an intern in several agencies including at the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's Office of Communications and Legislative Affairs in Washington, DC.



Peter Prastakos
Chemical Engineering and Applied Mathematics, Yale University

Peter is a rising sophomore at Yale University, double majoring in Chemical Engineering and Applied Mathematics. He was born and raised in Athens, Greece and moved to Tenafly, New Jersey before starting high school. He graduated Valedictorian of his class and won multiple awards in state and national science competitions. His primary interests lie in the areas of renewable energy, water scarcity, and sustainable development.



Matthew T. Pusic
Communications and History, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Matthew is a rising junior at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, majoring in Media Studies. He is an active member of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, works with the Saint John the Merciful Outreach Ministry, is a member of AHEPA, and has danced with The Athenian Owls. Matthew is an Eagle Scout and at UNC-G, he has been on the Dean's List and the Chancellor's List.



Sophia SáPonte
Spanish, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Sophia is a rising sophomore at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. She studies Spanish in hopes of teaching others and exploring the world. She is on the Dean's List and is a member of the meditation and outdoors clubs. In high school, Sophia was in the National Honors Society, Yearbook Club, on the Robotics Team, and continues to participate in many community service activities.

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Ellen Schooley

Early Childhood Education, The Ohio State University

Ellen Theana Schooley graduated in Spring 2018, summa cum laude from The Ohio State University and received her B.S. in Education. She was a member of Mortar Board National College Senior Honor Society, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Sigma Epsilon Phi, a Greek cultural and social fraternity on OSU's campus. She plans to become an elementary school teacher and school counselor.



Konstantinos G. Sellas

Computer Science, DePaul University

Konstantinos is a freshman at DePaul University, currently studying Computer Science with a focus in Software Development. His desired career path is developing code for automated systems. He received the Glenbrook South technology award for a homework agenda app he created his senior year. He also received the distinguished Principles Award while at Glenbrook South High School.



Athena Sferas

Bassoon Performance, University of Southern California

Athena is finishing up her freshman year majoring in bassoon performance at the University of Southern California. She enjoys exploring all aspects of music like conducting, music industry, and arts leadership. She also enjoys community work and has served as a guest performer for Title 1 schools and serves as a teacher at a community music center. Athena's dream job is to become a studio musician.



Philippos Sourvinos

Public Policy and Theatre, University of Maryland, College Park

Philippos is a rising second year Public Policy and Theatre Double Degree student at the University of Maryland. In addition, he is a member of the Honors Humanities Living Learning Program within the Honors College and plans to pursue a career in sustainable development. Philippos is an AP Scholar, on the Dean's list, and an accomplished vocalist.



Matthew Szekely

Music Education, Kent State University

Matthew is a rising senior at Kent State University, working toward a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education. After graduation, he plans to obtain a high school band teaching position and work toward a Master's Degree in Percussion Performance. Matthew has received the John Phillip Sousa Award, the Kappa Kappa Psi / Tau Beta Sigma Outstanding Sophomore Musician Award, and is a brother of Kappa Kappa Psi, a national band honor service fraternity.

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Nicole Tank

Veterinary Science, The University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Nicole is a rising senior majoring in Veterinary Sciences at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She is pursuing her lifelong dream of working with animals and hopes to attend The Ohio State University's Veterinarian program. At the University of Nebraska, Nicole is on the Dean's List, is in the Top 10% of the College of Agriculture Science and Natural Resources, in Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society, and Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society.



Christina Panagoulia Triantafillopoulos

Business Administration, University of Michigan

Christina is a rising senior at the University of Michigan- Stephen M. Ross School of Business. With a major in Business Administration and a Minor in Modern Greek Studies, Christina is interested in pursuing a career in the business field. Eventually, she hopes to attend law school. Christina has been involved with the Hellenic Student Association, Delta Sigma Pi International Business Fraternity, and will be serving as the President of the Ross School of Business for the 2018-2019 school year.



Niki Tselepidakis

Biomedical Engineering and Spanish, Johns Hopkins University

Niki is a junior at Johns Hopkins University completing a double major in Biomedical Engineering and Spanish with a minor in Mathematics. She is on Dean's List, is vice president of the Latin Dance Team, and is secretary of both club field hockey and the Hellenic Students Association. Her goal is to attend medical school upon graduation and become a cardiologist.



Felicia Varvaras

Vocal Performance-Opera, The Boston Conservatory

Felicia is a rising senior at The Boston Conservatory majoring in Vocal Performance. This past summer, she made her international debut in Budapest, Hungary starring as Marika in Cheryl Kemeny's operetta, "Hungarian Nights" at the Erzsébetligeti Theater and on MTV Magyar Television. She recently performed in the Boston Conservatory's main stage opera "Dead Man Walking" in November 2017. Aside from performing, she is hoping to earn her certification in Music Therapy from the Berklee College of Music.



Maria Zarifis

Human Biology and Society, University of California, Los Angeles

Maria is a sophomore studying Human Biology and Society in the Honors Program at the University of California, Los Angeles. She is a member of Bruin Belles Service Association, an organization committed to service and women's leadership. She works for UCLA Health in a vascular surgery clinic and plans to pursue a health-related career, with a current interest in becoming an occupational therapist or physician assistant.

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Elias Mastakouris
Yale University, Political Science

Lying in my bed every night as a child I always loved hearing my father recount the oral lore from his village in Mani. While most American children idolize Superman or Luke Skywalker, I found my role models in my father's stories about King Leonidas and Petros Mavromichalis. My father inspired within me a youthful passion for Hellenic culture which was further bolstered by irreplaceable memories in Greece from my childhood.

As I have grown older, my Hellenic identity has matured and blossomed with me. As a student of international relations, political theory, and history, Hellenism has become the centerpiece of my academic career. I am endlessly fascinated by the political philosophies of Plato and Aristotle, the grand strategies of the Athenians and the Spartans in Thucydides, and Herodotus' revolutionary approach to history. After I achieve fluency in modern Greek, I intend to study the ancient Greek language in order to unlock these sacred texts and further explore them in my studies. Furthermore, due to my interest in American foreign policy, I have begun conducting research on NATO and the history of American involvement in Europe. I hope to pursue a dual bachelors-master's program in political science, focusing on the trilateral relationship between Greece, Turkey, and the United States and its effects on the NATO alliance.

Like my intellectual interests, my career goals have been profoundly shaped by my Hellenic identity. Raised by a Maniot and a Spartan, I have developed a conception of citizenship that requires a robust commitment to my country. Consequently, after graduation, I intend to become an intelligence officer in the United States Navy and subsequently attend law school. Eventually, I hope to pursue a career in international law or diplomacy, with a focus on American involvement in the Mediterranean basin.



Athena Patitsas

The Ohio State University, Public Policy Analysis and Modern Greek

I am a member of two distinct worlds. In one I am American; in the other I am Greek. Each of these worlds has undoubtedly had a tremendous impact on my identity, my future, and my aspirations, and each has uniquely manifested itself in my undergraduate career.

As an undergraduate student, I have chosen two majors. Each represents one of my identities. The first is Public Policy Analysis. Through this coursework, I've gained the skills and knowledge I need to become a dedicated public servant and advocate for the betterment of the country and communities I have grown up in. The second is Modern Greek. Through this coursework I have increased my Greek language skills and learned the influence of Hellenism on modern Greek society and Greek Americans. Although my two fields of study are different, this combination has given me a unique set of tools to fulfill my dream.

My dream is to dedicate my career to public service and the betterment of society. Public Policy Analysis lends itself to this goal, and my experiences interning for a federal agency, a statewide political campaign, and a local county commissioner have all helped me prepare for public service. What is less obvious, however, is the role that Modern Greek Studies, my Greek identity, and Hellenism play.

Through learning about Hellenism both as a child and in my undergraduate classes, I've learned that the Greeks were and are a people of honor, integrity, and wisdom. By embodying these values of Hellenism that I have inherited, I will become an impactful, virtuous, and upright public servant. As an American, I am motivated to create progress and change in the world, but as a Greek American, it is the values of Hellenism and my unique perspective that provide me the tools to succeed.



Darden Livesay III

University of Connecticut, Journalism and Political Science

I'm a quarter Greek, and during my younger years I didn't totally understand the profundity of cultural identity. Even in that time, though, my Hellenic heritage always yielded more significance to me than my others, as my Pappou is a literal "off-the-boat" immigrant and I was baptized Greek Orthodox from infancy.

However, everything changed when I went to Ionian Village in summer 2015. I was finally mature enough to experience, appreciate, and fall in love with the rich elements of Hellenism, Orthodoxy, *parea*, *filoxenia*, history, music, dancing, and so on.

Since going to Ionian Village, my Greek ancestry has become an integral part of who I am and I've also gotten more involved in the culture. I started learning Greek language and dance, joined my school's Hellenic Student Association, and have traveled to many different places all around Greece, including my Pappou's home village.

Although I remain unsure of exactly what I want to do as a career, my ultimate goal is to make sure I can always connect it to the Greek community, whether it be via philanthropy, charity, volunteering, or other means.

Last summer, for example, I interned with the Greek America Foundation, which supports numerous educational, philanthropic and humanitarian programs intended to bring people in closer touch with Greek heritage and ideals. This position allowed me to utilize professional skills such as logistics coordination, interpersonal communication, leadership, multimedia and foreign language proficiency; however, what excites me most is that I was applying these skills in an emotionally compelling context: the promotion, preservation and perpetuation of Hellenism.

Now I'm looking forward to spending the upcoming summer working with the foundation once again, where I'll continue to not only develop professional characteristics, but also to make more long-lasting connections within the Greek American community.



Petra Antonia Kyriakopoulos

Elmhurst College, Accounting and Finance

My name is Petra Antonia Kyriakopoulos, and just like the meaning of my name I am as strong as a rock. Like a rock, I can weather a multitude of conditions. Just this past Spring following into Fall, as a full time student I held down two jobs while also attending to club activities. Naturally, that would exhaust anyone but over the years I have learned to effectively manage my time. We live in a world in which we can produce handheld computers to fit in our pockets, virtual reality headsets, and GPS devices that can guide us to our destination. However, when it comes to large issues such as reforming the financial system, healthcare issues, or other real world problems, we lose our sense of innovation and do not know where or even how to start.

My dream is to help our society realize such problems exist and implement long term objectives that will help us manage such issues and prevent any possible disastrous events. I picture a world in which I can help ease or eliminate the stress money causes on individuals, families and the society as a whole. By pursuing a degree in Accounting and Finance I hope to be able to fulfill that dream.

Hellenism has influenced these future aspirations through the simple word of Philotimo. Being brought up in a Greek household Philotimo personified itself. Existing as the most important word in the Greek language, this small word encompasses so much feeling. I have strong feelings and a compassionate desire to help other people through the small yet powerful word which has embodied my every move. Greek people as a whole are very hardworking and industrious. Like my predecessors, I am a hard worker and strive to learn, teach, and implement innovative ideas.



George Giakoumakis

Capitol Technology University, Computer Engineering

I was born on the Greek island of Rhodes in the small village of Archangelos. As a young child, I always seemed to have a fascination with the stars. I remember looking up at the blue sky as my mother and I walked to the olive groves in our village, asking her questions, which she had no answer for. I knew from a very young age that I wanted to have a career as an engineer.

As I grew older, I had a dream of one day being able to build something that could go into space and explore the heavenly bodies that I had been so curious about. That dream began formulating when mother decided to move to the United States in search for a better education for my sister and I. We lived with my grandparents for nine years until my mother could purchase a small home not too far away.

In those nine years, I was going to regular school during the day and Greek school in the evenings. On Saturdays, my mother would take me to bouzouki lessons to learn new Greek songs that I could play for my grandparents. On Sundays, we would all go to church at St. Nicholas, where I was an altar boy during the church service and attended Sunday school afterwards.

My mother made sure that even though we weren't in Greece, we would always hold on to our strong Greek heritage. Hellenism has always played a big role in my life. Growing up in a Greek community has offered me many personal development skills that I wish to carry and hopefully be able give back to others in the future. It has paved the path which I am on today and has been a motivating factor for my success.



George Gemelas

Yale University, Ethics, Politics, and Economics

Through my major, I've realized the city—the polis, the most basic unit of governance—is crucial to address rapid climatic and technological instability of our era. More than national or state government, cities can cultivate feelings of ownership and belonging, respond to sudden change, and actually get things done. However, our cities need to innovate to be nimble in these volatile times. And at our fingertips social media and internet technologies can help steer us to the ideal model the Ancient Greeks gave us, a polis that is participatory, communitarian, and nobly-guided.

I'm drawn to civic duty, and I dream of being at the front lines of urban planning and innovation. I want to work in social entrepreneurship to employ 21st century technologies for urban change.

My Greek heritage, particularly the prioritization of community, equips me to work in urban change. I grew up as a third-generation Greek American in the Indianapolis metropolitan area. I was involved in church, Greek school, chanting, festival dancing. I've realized that *philotimo*, Greek vibrancy and the stewardship of my family and church have emerged as pillars in my own way of life. Community investment is a priority for me; I'm my best when facilitating connection and building relationships.

Community-orientation underlies the work I'm most proud of. My climate projects, particularly at the Yale Program for Climate Change Communication, have focused on bridging conservative communities to climate action. Currently, I'm building student coalitions around bipartisan climate action. I've also invigorated my interpersonal communities: I've participated in the planning of my residence hall the past three years, recruited hordes of Greek Americans to the Yale Hellenic Society, and taught English to New Haven immigrants.

Strategically building communities to revitalize cities—that's my dream. It's the way I can pay forward what Greek communities have done for me.

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Welcome Reception

Sponsored by Holland & Knight and College Year in Athens (CYA)

6:00 pm

Holland & Knight
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Weekend Kick-off party

9:00 pm—midnight

Greektown Chicago

9 Muses

315 S. Halsted Street
Chicago, IL 60661

JUNE
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Mentorship Luncheon

Sponsored by The Hellenic Initiative in partnership with PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation

11:00 am—2:00 pm

The Racquet Club of Chicago
1365 N. Dearborn Street
Chicago, IL 60610

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HIS EMINENCE METROPOLITAN NATHANAEL OF CHICAGO Metropolitan of Chicago

*Boston University, ThD, Bioethics • Boston University, STM, Christian Ethics
Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, MDiv • Hellenic College, BA*

His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael graduated from Hellenic College (BA, 2000) and from Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology (MDiv, 2003). He earned an STM (2003) in Christian Ethics and a ThD (2007) in Bioethics from Boston University. Fr. Nathanael has also studied the History and Ethics of Public Health at Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health.

He has served as a guest professor of Orthodox Christian Ethics and Bioethics at Fordham University, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, and Saint Vladimir Theological School. He has authored numerous articles in theology and bioethics. He has delivered a series of presentations to clergy of the Archdiocese and to regional pan-Orthodox clergy associations.

Metropolitan Nathanael is a brother of the historic monastery of St. George Epanosifis in Crete, Greece. As a parish priest in Manhattan, Metropolitan Nathanael developed a unique urban ministry, Orthodox Professionals in Action (OPA), which provided over 400 young professionals the opportunity to minister to the most vulnerable in society.

From September 2013-March 2018, His Eminence served as the Director of the Office of Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. In this capacity, he managed and cultivated relationships between the Archdiocese and numerous religious organizations, think tanks, non-governmental organizations, and Permanent Missions to the United Nations. He also served as Director of the Archdiocesan Committee on Science and Technology (AACST).

His Eminence coordinated the Archdiocesan commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the March on Selma (2015) and represented the Archdiocese on the National Council of Churches (NCC) Special Task Force to End Racism in America. He serves as a member of a special non-partisan and interreligious working group in Washington, D.C., which seeks to advance religious freedom and pluralism in the Middle East. He is also a member of Tanenbaum's Communications Committee. During his tenure at the Archdiocese, Metropolitan Nathanael also served as the Executive Assistant to the Chairman of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the USA and on the Assembly's Secretariat. His Eminence also established a Graduate Fellowship Program that provided graduate and post-graduate students the opportunity to serve the Church at the United Nations.

In 2016, Metropolitan Nathanael attended the Holy and Great Council of the Orthodox Church and assisted the press office of the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

On February 7, 2018, the Holy and Sacred Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate unanimously elected him Metropolitan of Chicago, succeeding His Eminence Metropolitan Iakovos of blessed-memory. He was ordained a Bishop on March 17th in the Holy Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, New York, and WAS be enthroned on March 24th in the Holy Cathedral of the Annunciation, Chicago.

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NICHOLAS W. ALEXOS

*DENTSPLY SIRONA Inc., Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
University of Chicago Booth School of Business, MBA • Loyola University, CPA, BBA*

Mr. Nicholas W. Alexos has been an Executive Vice President of DENTSPLY SIRONA Inc. and its Chief Financial Officer since November, 2017. He previously served as the Managing Director of Madison Dearborn Partners, L.P. since 1993 and served on its healthcare team. He was also a Vice President at First Chicago Venture Capital and The First National Bank of Chicago from 1988 through 1993. He has been a Director of VWR International LLC, Walgreens Infusion Service, Sirona Dental Systems, Team Health Inc., Performance Health and various other companies. He also has served on numerous charitable and non-profit organizations including the Children's Inner City Educational Fund, Lake Forest Country Day School, Metro Squash, University of Chicago Booth School of Business Council and Boys and Girls Clubs of Chicago and has recently been appointed to the Harvard School of Dental Medicine Advisory Board and the board of The Hellenic Initiative. Mr. Alexos received an M.B.A. from University of Chicago Booth School of Business and a B.B.A. from Loyola University, is married and has three teenage children.



ANNA DAVLANTES

*WGN Tribune Broadcasting, Host WGN 720 Radio • Roger Spark Productions, Founder
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An American journalist who is currently the host on WGN 720 Radio. She previously hosted "Good Day Chicago" on WFLD FOX-32 Chicago. She is a five-time regional Emmy award winner, including an Emmy for "Get into The Shark tank." In May 2003, Davlantes broke a story that gained national media attention by being the first to acquire a video showing seniors hazing juniors at a powder puff game in Northbrook, Illinois. The exposure of the powder puff hazing incident at Glenbrook North High School led to national hazing reform. Davlantes appeared on The Oprah Winfrey Show to talk about the problems of youth hazing. In 2005, Davlantes aired a series of reports exposing mob intimidation in Bridgeview, Illinois. She received several threats while investigating the piece. The Chicago Headline Club recognized her work by awarding her the Ethics Award in Journalism.

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MICHAEL KONIDARIS

Macroeconomic Advisers by HIS Markit, Principal Economist

New York University, MA, Economics • Athens University of Economics, BA, Accounting & Finance

Michael Konidaris joined Macroeconomic Advisers by IHS Markit as a Principal Economist in April 2016. His responsibilities include building econometric models, communicating the model methodology and results to clients, and developing macroeconomic simulations of alternative scenarios in support of clients' regulatory stress testing purposes and alternative investment strategies. Prior to joining MA, Michael worked as an economic consultant at Roubini Global Economics' Forecasting Team and as a research intern at The Midway Group, a hedge fund specializing in the U.S. residential mortgage market. Michael also completed his military service as a sailor at the Hellenic Navy and he co-founded and served at the Board of Directors of AUEB's Investment & Finance Club, the first ever Finance club in a Greek University.



STEPHEN J. LIVADITIS

Managing Director-Eastdil Secured, LLC

University of Utah

Stephen Livaditis is a Managing Director and Partner of Eastdil Secured, LLC. He has also served on the firm's Board of Directors and Management Committee. During his 25 years of real estate investment banking experience, Mr. Livaditis has been involved in a number of significant commercial transactions in the US, with a focus on office and retail properties. At Eastdil Secured, Mr. Livaditis' transaction experience includes the two largest office and retail transactions in Chicago history – Willis Tower (\$1.3 billion) and Woodfield Mall (\$1 billion). Mr. Livaditis is a graduate of the University of Utah and a member of the International Council of Shopping Centers and the Urban Land Institute. He is also a general securities representative (GS, S-7) with the National Association of Securities Dealers and an agent (AG, S-63) in the state of Illinois. He serves on the board of directors of the Big Shoulders Fund, an organization that supports inner-city Catholic Schools in Chicago.

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DORETTA MISTRAS

Goldman Sachs, Managing Director

University of Pennsylvania, BA, Spanish & International Studies • University of Pennsylvania, BS Economics

Doretta Mistras is a Managing Director in the Healthcare Investment Banking Group at Goldman Sachs and is responsible for the firm's coverage of the specialty and generic pharmaceutical sector. Ms. Mistras serves on the Investment Banking Steering Committee for both the Women's Network and the University of Pennsylvania Recruiting Team. Ms. Mistras earned a double degree from the University of Pennsylvania, receiving both a B.S. in Economics and a B.A. in Spanish and International Studies.



TIM S. PROVIAS, MD, MPH

Northwestern Medicine, Interventional Cardiology Specialist

Northwestern University • MD Harvard University, MPH • Northwestern University, BA

Dr. Tim Provias is an interventional cardiologist at Northwestern Medicine. He received both his undergraduate and medical degrees from Northwestern University. Between his third and fourth years of medical school, he took a year to complete a Master of Public Health at Harvard University. He then completed his internal medicine and general cardiology fellowships at the University of California Los Angeles, serving as both chief resident and fellow. He returned to Chicago for an interventional cardiology fellowship at Northwestern University and finally completed a fellowship in vascular medicine and intervention at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. He has now been in practice for nearly four years and participates in fellow, resident, and student education. He participates in clinical trials and has been involved in quality improvement. In addition to spending time on the main campus at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, he also currently serves as the director of the cardiac catheterization laboratory at Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital.

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EVONNE SEPSIS

ESC Advisors, Managing Director and Founder
Yale University, MBA • Northwestern University, BA

Evonne Sepsis is Managing Director and founder of ESC Advisors, a boutique investment bank focusing on emerging growth and mid-cap biotech, specialty pharma and diagnostic companies. She has spent the last 18 years in the healthcare sector and has been involved in raising over \$3.5 billion for life sciences companies. Before founding ESC Advisors, Ms. Sepsis headed up healthcare investment banking at Susquehanna Financial Group; and was a Managing Director at C.E. Unterberg, Towbin. Ms. Sepsis started her investment banking career at Salomon Brothers and prior to business school she worked at APM, a healthcare consulting firm. Ms. Sepsis is a member of Northwestern's Council of 100 and is part of the Industry Advisory Group of the Michael J. Fox Foundation. She received her MBA from Yale and her Bachelor's degree from Northwestern.



GEORGIA GIAKOUMIS SPEAR, MD

NorthShore University, Chief of the Department of Breast Imaging
University of Miami, Miller School of Medicine, MD • Northwestern University, BS

Georgia Giakoumis Spear, MD, is Chief of the Department of Breast Imaging at NorthShore University HealthSystem and previously Director of the Clinical Breast MRI Program. She is also a Clinical Assistant Professor of Radiology at the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine. Dr. Spear serves on the Breast Program Leadership Board at NorthShore and is fellowship trained in Breast Imaging. She has a special interest in breast imaging research and participates in many studies, including as primary investigator. Dr. Spear is a board-certified radiologist, residency and fellowship trained at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, where she also served as Chief Resident. She earned her MD from the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine and was inducted in Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society.

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MARIA SPIROPULU, PHD

California Institute of Technology, Shang-Yi Ch'en Professor of Physics
Harvard University, PhD, MA • Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, BSc

Maria Spiropulu is the Shang-Yi Ch'en Professor of Physics at Caltech. She is a world renowned experimental particle physics researcher and a notable mentor of many graduate and undergraduate students. She worked for 10 years at the Tevatron's collider experiments at Fermilab in Chicago and 13 years at the CERN's Large Hadron Collider with leading roles on detector R&D and operations and in the searches for new physics including the discovery of the Higgs boson. She is known for developing the "double blind" data analysis method for the first time in searches for supersymmetry at the Tevatron and inventing the novel "razor" framework for discovery and characterization of new physics. Spiropulu received her PhD from Harvard in 2000 and was an Enrico Fermi Fellow at the University of Chicago until 2003. She moved to CERN in 2004 as a research staff physicist at the Physics Division and was promoted to a senior physicist position at CERN in 2008. She was appointed a Professor of Physics at Caltech in 2009. She is the founder of the Physics of the Universe Summit (POTUS), a meeting held under Chatham House Rules that explores challenges in emerging and cross-cutting areas of science & technology. She is also the founder of the Alliance for Quantum Technologies (AQT), a novel consortium of academic and research institutions, including national laboratories, and industry targeting to accelerate areas in quantum information science and technology through the Intelligent Quantum Networks & Technologies (INQNET) program of work.



GREGORY TSONIS, ESQ

Litigation Associate, Kirkland & Ellis
University of Chicago, JD • University of Chicago, BA

Greg Tsonis joined Kirkland & Ellis LLP as a litigation attorney in September 2015. He has experience litigating claims in various practice areas including complex commercial litigation, employment discrimination, and breach of contract and fraud actions involving private equity firms. Additionally, Greg works on various pro bono matters and was a Public Interest Law Initiative Fellow at the Citizen Advocacy Center. Prior to joining Kirkland, Greg worked at Target for over eleven years in various roles, most recently overseeing the Assets Protection department in 22 Target stores with approximately \$800 million in sales volume in the Chicagoland area. His responsibilities included managing a budget of over \$2 million and partnering with various levels of corporate leadership to implement programs reducing shrink and promoting safe and secure stores. Greg received both his B.A. and J.D. from the University of Chicago, and earlier this year was married to his wife Kathy.

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ERIC VASSILATOS
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 University of Iowa, BS Accounting

Vivid Seats marketplace was founded in 2005. Over the following decade, the company has grown to over 2B in annual revenue and has become the 2nd largest resale ticket marketplace in North America. Vivid Seats has developed proprietary technologies and product offerings to deliver exceptional value and service levels to consumers, as well as tools to enable professional ticket sellers to more efficiently operate their businesses. Vivid Seats was recently sold to private equity firm GTCR. Mr. Vassilatos remains Co-CEO of the business.



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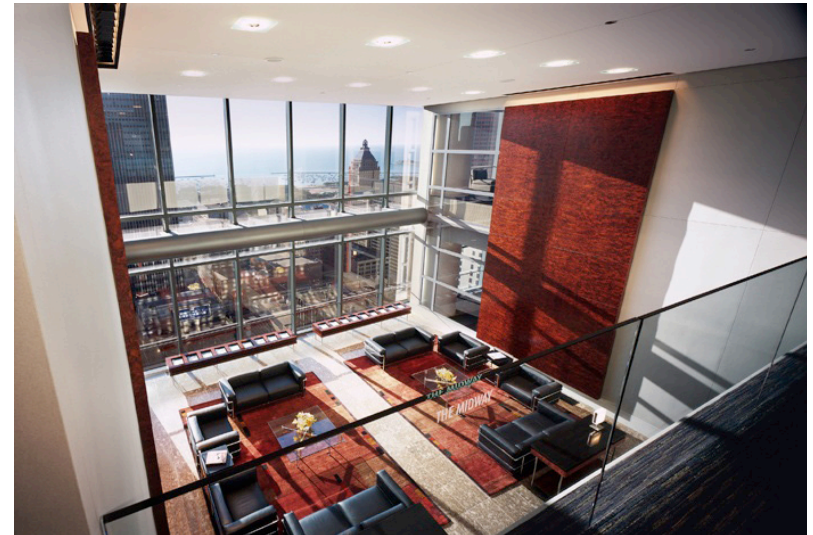


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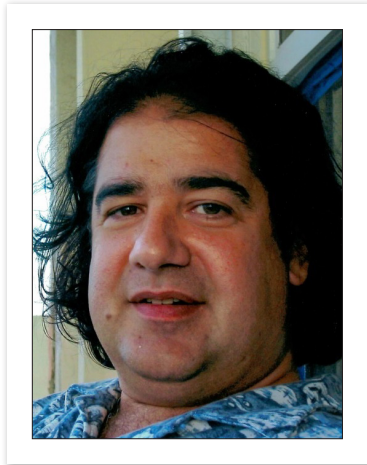
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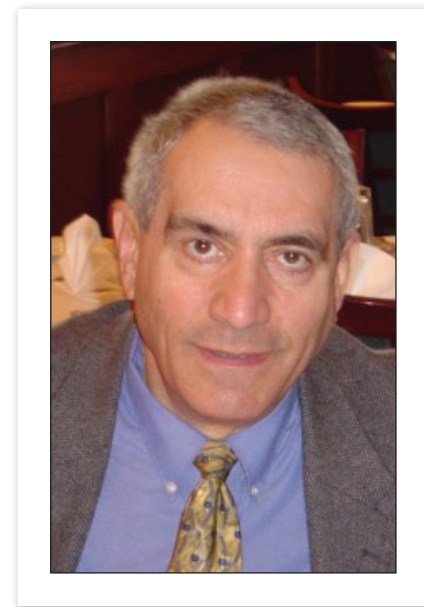
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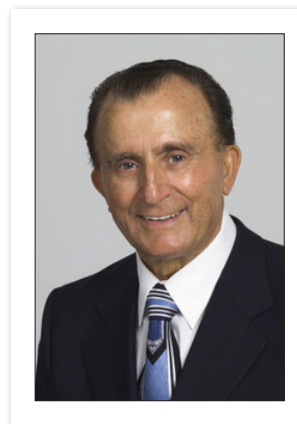
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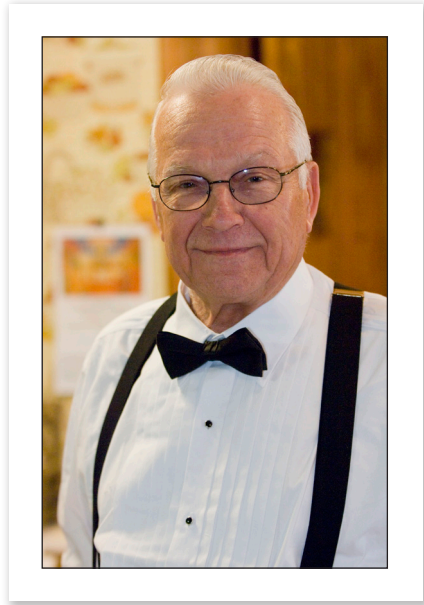
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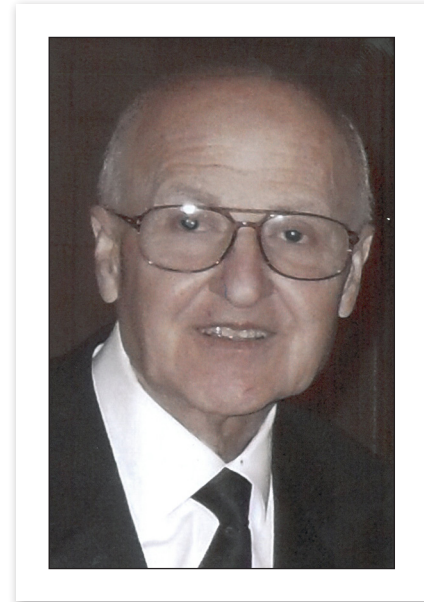
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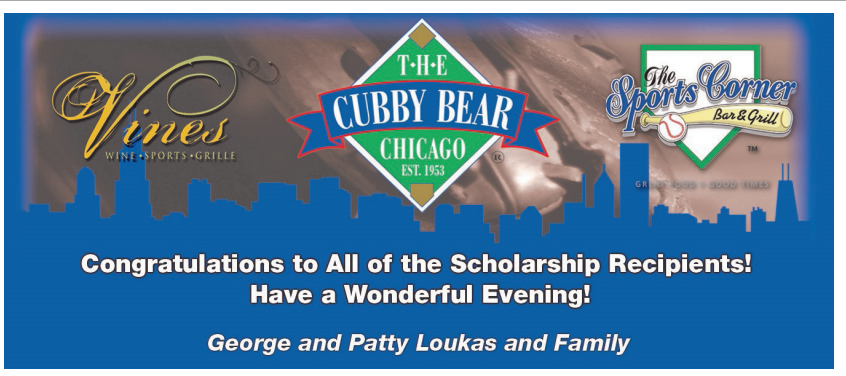
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