



## Communiqué from AHEPA CANADA President

*Issue #9, March, 2016*

*Dear Brothers, Sisters and Friends,*

*With this communiqué I am sharing with you some news of my activities as President of AHEPA Canada along with highlights of some of the marvellous work and achievements that Ahepans across Canada are doing for Hellenism and our Communities across our country.*

### **AHEPA Canada President Visits District 26**



With Gus (Takie) Niketas, President of the Victoria Chapter of AHEPA at Beacon Hill Park in Victoria. The Mile 0 is the start of the over 8,000 km Trans-Canada Highway that spans the entire length of Canada. It is also home to a statue of the legendary Terry Fox who ended his run to raise money for cancer research across Canada.



With Rev. Fr. Evangelos Aravantinos of the Ypapanti Greek Orthodox Church in Victoria and Vancouver Chapter President and Past District 26 Governor Dino Kourtessis



At the Cultural Museum of the Ypapanti Greek Orthodox Community in Victoria



Chapter Meeting of Victoria Chapter on January 8, 2016



From L-R: Ted Raptis, John Laliotis, Gus (Takie) Niketas, Victoria AHEPA Chapter President, Ken Matziorinis, Canadian President of AHEPA, Dino Kourtessis, Vancouver Chapter President and Past District 26 Governor, Gus Raptis Standing: Nick Tsahtsarlis, Christos Margaritis, Paul Vasilakopoulos, Alex Niketas, George Liaros, Christos Pandelidis



With AHEPA Life Members Gus Raptis, Ted Raptis and Alex Niketas



In front of the British Columbia Legislature in Victoria, B.C.



Drawing inspiration from Terry Fox to spread the AHEPA message across Canada



Ken Matziorinis and Dino Kourtessis, in front of the Statue of Nike, Greek Goddess of Victory. Sculpted by Greek sculptor Pavlos Angelos Kougiomtzi and donated to the City of Vancouver with AHEPA's help to commemorate the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympic Games. It stands on a prominent intersection steps away from the Olympic cauldron.



With Paul Michael, Past Chapter President of Vancouver and Past District 26 Governor of AHEPA in front of the Olympic Cauldron



With Paul Michael and Dino Kourtessis at Vancouver's Stanley Park



Canadian President of AHEPA Ken Matziorinis with members of the Vancouver and Burnaby, B.C. Chapters. From L-R: Sitting Dino Kourtessis, Vancouver Chapter President, Ken Matziorinis, Canadian President of AHEPA, Father Constantinos Economos, Consul General of Greece to Vancouver Elias Kremmydas, Father Timotheon and Father Demetrios Partsafas. Standing: Toulia Mesotopitis, Nick Mesotopitis, Mike Kontogeorgiou, Burnaby Chapter President John Prevolos, Bernadette Falias, Costas Falias, Christos Christodoulou

**Celebrating Theophany at Kitsilano Beach in Vancouver, January 10, 2016**



Theophany in Vancouver, Father Constantinos Economos of Vancouver, Father Timoleon from East Vancouver and Father Dimitrios Partsafas lead the procession to sanctify the waters of the sea.





With Greek Consul General Elias Kremmydas







The Cutting of the Vasilopita Ceremony at Vancouver's St-George Greek Orthodox Church



Speaking at the Theophany Luncheon with President of Hellenic Community of Vancouver Effie Kerasiotis

AHEPA Family of British Columbia Scholarship Dinner, Vancouver, January 9, 2016



With Co-Chairs of the Scholarship Dinner Bernadette Falias and George Vassilas



Nick Mesotopitis handing out a scholarship



Nicholas Prevolos handing out a scholarship



Rev. Father Constantinos Economos

**AHEPA Family of British Columbia gave out \$10,000 in scholarships to deserving students**



Paul Michael handing out a scholarship



Dino Kourtessis handing out a scholarship

**AHEPA Comedy Night, Ottawa AHEPA Chapter, January 31, 2016**



Our own and beloved Angelo Tsarouchas



Ellen Karis



The Ottawa Brothers were joined from Brothers from Montreal, Toronto and Kitchener



James Hutchison, Ken Matziorinis, Frank Antoniou, Angelo Tsarouchas, Bill Bakalis



Bill Bakalis, Jim Frabrikis, Angelo Tsarouchas, George Kolokotronis and Emmanuel Constas

**Peter Fragiskatos, M.P. for London Visits Montreal Greek Community**



Zoi Batsis, Eleni Bakopanos, Melanie Joly, Peter Fragiskatos and Helen Christodoulou



Aglaiia Revelakis, Laval City Counsellor, Gerry Sklavounos, MNA for Quebec. Eleni Bakopanos, P.C., Peter Fragiskatos, M.P. Melanie Joly, M.P. P.C. and Thedora Samiotis (Westmount City Counsellor)





AHEPA District #26 Governor and Past Canadian President George Vassilas was happy to host Senator Yonah Martin & Senator Leo Housakos on Sunday January 21 at St. George's Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Vancouver. Senator Housakos spoke briefly and spent much of his time meeting with members of the Hellenic Community. Pictured here with Fr. Constantinos Economos



From District 24 Governor Christos Argiriou's visit to "An Evening in Greece Gala" in Regina, Saskatchewan on March 5, 2016 in support of Regina Palliative Care Inc and Greystone Bereavement Centre. On his left Spiro Bonis, Past Chapter President of AHEPA Regina and on his right Thomas Siarkos, Past Chapter President of AHEPA Regina

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## North American Hellenic Organization AHEPA President visits Montreal



From L-R: Demetris J. Yantsulis, Past Chapter President and President of the Pan-Macedonian Association of Canada, Xenophon Scoufaras, Past Canadian President, Mary Deros, Deputy Mayor of City of Montreal, Effie Sapouridis, Grand Secretary of the Maids of Athena, Ken Matziorinis, Canadian President of AHEPA, Dimitrios (Jimmy)Dionissopoulos, Montreal Chapter President, Alexandra Sevapsidis, President of the Montreal Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope, Mrs. Pat Galanis and Lazarus Kalipolidis, Past Canadian President of AHEPA surrounding Supreme President of AHEPA John W. Galanis



Supreme President of AHEPA John W. Galanis signs the City of Montreal Official Guest Book In the presence of Mary Deros, Deputy Mayor of the City of Montreal.



Supreme President of AHEPA John W. Galanis receives a stamp from Past Canadian President of AHEPA Lazarus Kalipolidis in the presence of Mary Deros, Deputy Mayor of Montreal. This special stamp was issued by Canada Post in 2003 to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of AHEPA in Canada. AHEPA is the only organization in Canada Post's history that has been honoured with the special issue of a stamp in its name.



Supreme President of AHEPA John W. Galanis receives a gift from President of the Pan-Macedonoan association and Past Montreal AHEPA Chapter President Demetris J. Yantsulis in the presence of Mary Deros, Deputy Mayor of Montreal.





Supreme President of AHEPA holds a working session with Ahepans from District #23 in Canada.



Montreal AHEPA Family 17<sup>th</sup> Annual St-Valentine's Ball, February 12, 2016





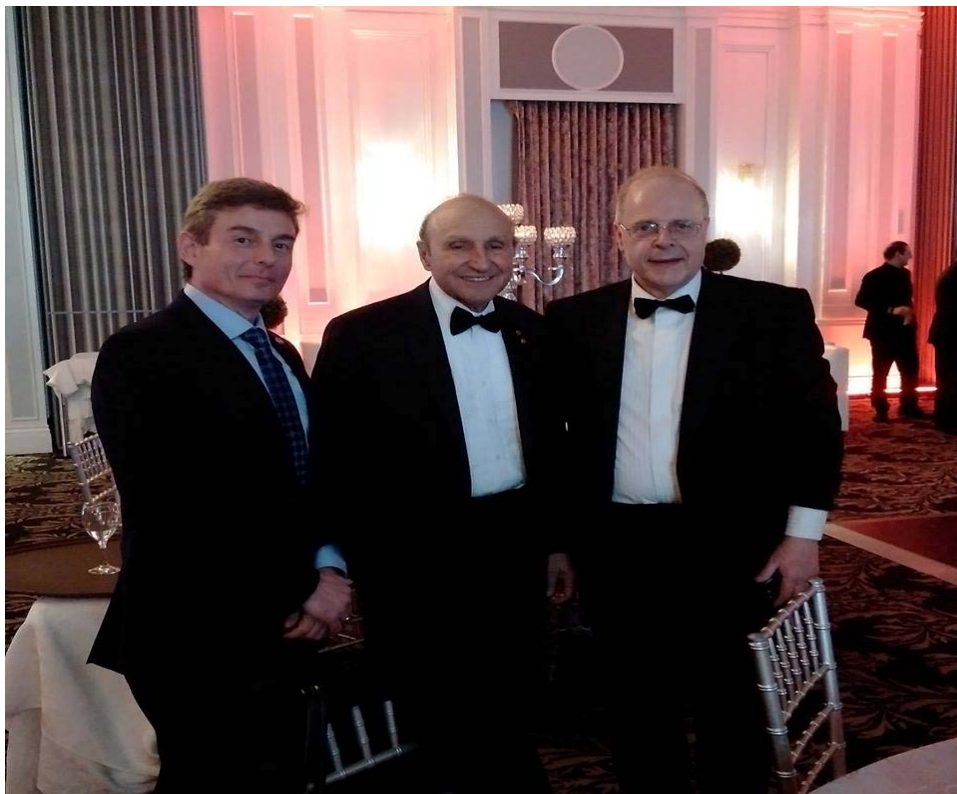
Supreme President of AHEPA addressing the guests at the Ball



The 17th Annual St-Valentine's Ball raised \$52,000 for the Summit School of Montreal that specializes in children with intellectual, emotional and physical disabilities. St-Valentine's Ball alone has raised \$740,000 for children's causes over the years. Congratulations to the Montreal AHEPA Family for their vision, dedication and hard work!



Co-Chairs of St-Valentine Ball James Hutchison and Alexia Moschovas with the winner of the night's treasure box Effie Sapuridis



Supreme President John Galanis with District 23 Governor Bill Bakalis and Canadian President Ken Matziorinis at the Charitable Ball





Past Canadian President of AHEPA Nick Aroutzidis with his wife Virginia



Past Canadian President of AHEPA Frank Antoniou with his wife Elaine



Past Toronto Chapter President Bob Saschenidis, Phylis Smylis, Chrysanthi Tsontaki and Past Canadian President of AHEPA Tony Mavromaras



Past Canadian President of AHEPA Xenophon Scoufaras with his wife Angie



Past Canadian President of AHEPA Lazarus Kalipolidis with his wife Mary



Canadian President of AHEPA Ken Matziorinis with his daughter and Montreal MOA Vice President Angela Matziorinis



Chapter President Dimitrios (Jimmy) Dionissopoulos and Chapter Secretary and Co-Chair of the Ball James Hutchison



Above: Member of the Quebec National Assembly Gerry Sklavounos with his wife Yanaka



Left: Chairwoman of the Summit School Board of Directors Susan Marshall Kasner with her husband



Jimmy Dionissopoulos and James Hutchison with Summit School Treasurer Derek Silverman



The Patron of the night's event Bill Georgoudes of Lanvac Security with his wife who donated \$15,000 for the cause



Grand Treasurer of the Maids of Athena Effie Sapuridis with her mom Ball Co-Chair Alexia Moschovas



Past Montreal Chapter President Ioannis Bougas with his wife Areti



Basil Papaevagelou with his wife



Montreal MOA Executive Angela Matziorinis, Emmanuella Lambropoulos, Kyriaki Skiads and MOA President Helen Felemengos



Brothers, Let us all do our part to achieve our fund raising goal for St-Nicholas Shrine in Ground Zero, New York for Hellenism, our Orthodox Faith and Humanity



*For the upcoming Holy Week and Orthodox Easter*

*Wishing you all Καλή Ανάσταση και Καλό Πάσχα*