



Communiqué from AHEPA CANADA President

March, 2015

Dear Brothers,

With this communiqué I once again would like to share with you some highlights of my activities as your President since my December Communiqué along with highlights of much of the marvellous work and achievements that Ahepans are doing across Canada.

Montreal Chapter Initiation of New Brothers to the Order, January 21, 2015



Vasilopita Cutting at Hellenic Community Centre in Montreal, January 21, 2015



With Montreal AHEPA and DOP Chapter Presidents Jimmy Dionissopoulos and Alexandra Sevapsidis

Ottawa Chapter Annual Comedy Night starring Jim Dailakis, January 30, 2015



With Ottawa Brothers, Chapter President Nikos Hatzitheodosiou (centre) and Bill Bakalis, District 23 Governor who was on Chapter Visitation to Ottawa



With District 23 Governor Bill Bakalis from Kitchener, Ontario and First Secretary of Hellenic Embassy in Ottawa Lambros Kakissis

Montreal AHEPA Family 16th Annual St-Valentine's Ball raised \$38,000 for educational technology needs of Greek Schools Socrates and Demosthenes, February 14, 2015



Cheque presentation with members of Committee James Hutchison, PCP Lazarus Kalipolidis, PCP Frank Antoniou, Grande Treasurer of the MOA and Co-Chair Effie Sapuridis, Gloria Countourellis, Demetris Yantsulis, Alexandra Sevapsidis, Andreas Crilles, VP of HCGM, Chris Adamopoulos Principal of Socrates-Demosthenes, Yanni Panagiotou and Ken Matziorinis



The Co-Chairs of the Ball Organizing Committee, PCP Frank Antoniou and Grande Treasurer of the MOA Effie Sapuridis



Montreal Chapter President Jimmy Dionissopoulos with Tony Loffreda, Executive V.P. of the RBC (left) and Chris Adamopoulos, Principal of Socrates-Demosthenes Greek Schools (right)



Your Canadian President addressing the 250 guests in attendance

From my recent Visitation to District 24, 4 Chapters in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, February 27 – March 8, 2015



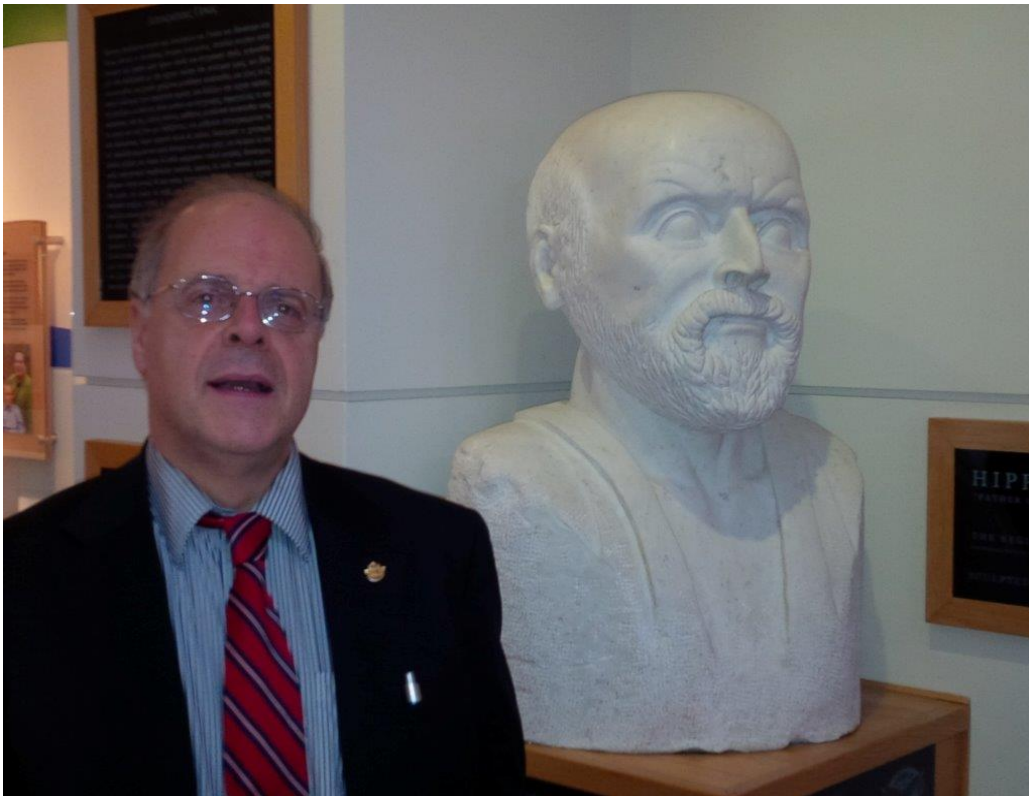
With Regina AHEPA Members. On my left Bro. John Hatzitolios, Chapter President



'AN EVENING IN GREECE' the 21st Annual Gala raised \$90,000 for the Regina Palliative Care Inc (RPCI). Since its inception the Regina AHEPA Family together with the Greek Orthodox Parish have raised almost \$2,000,000 for Charities and is one of the two leading charitable benefit events of the city. From L-R, Costa Maragos, MC of event, John Hatzitolios, Chapter President, Ken Matziorinis, Christos Argiriou, Winnipeg Chapter President, Bro Chris Parentes, President of St.Paul's Greek Orthodox Community of regina and Bro Spiro Bonis, Past Chapter President and Co-Chair of Event.



From the Gala event, long standing AHEPA Brothers and Sisters, to the right are John Hatzitolios, Anastasios Hatzitolios and Christos Argiriou, Winnipeg Chapter President who joined me for this event.



Visiting the bust of Hippocrates, donated by the AHEPA Regina Chapter to the Regina General Hospital



Following Sunday Service at St.Paul's Greek Orthodox Church with Rev. Fr. Spyridon, John Hatzitolios and Christos Argiriou and Esteemed AHEPA Brothers, March 1, 2015



A hall bursting with over 750 attendees, a remarkable success!

Visitation to Regular Meeting of Winnipeg Chapter Polikos Astir, March 3, 2015



Group photo following the conclusion of the Winnipeg Chapter meeting. I was impressed by the high participation, with over 50 Brothers in attendance to meet and hear their Canadian President speak. Under Bro. Chris Argiriou's leadership, the Chapter added 28 new members in 2014.



With Chapter President Christos Argiriou and Gus Vardalos, Father of Nia Vardalos and Past Chapter President of AHEPA in Winnipeg



The AHEPA Winnipeg Family Raised over \$100,000 towards the Winnipeg Hellenic Community Centre where it now has a cultural and archival display, office and meeting rooms. The fruits of cooperation between the Church and AHEPA.



An inspirational walk with Mahatma Gandhi, outside Canada's newest museum, The Museum of Human Rights in Winnipeg, Manitoba



From our visit to Manitoba's beautiful neoclassical Legislative Building

Visitation to Edmonton AHEPA Chapter, March 4-6, 2015



Dinner Reception with AHEPA Family in Edmonton, Alberta. From Left, Canadian DOP President Christina Andrews, Canadian President of AHEPA Ken Matziorinis and Edmonton Chapter President Peter Andreoglou, to the right PCP Nicholas Spillios.





Visit to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at the Hellenic Canadian Community Cultural Centre of Edmonton. From left, Pater Andeoglou, Edmonton Chapter President and George Georgopolis, President of the Community



Visiting the Greek School at the Community Centre, President George Georgopolis standing between Brothers Andreoglou and Matziorinis. AHEPA has donated the AHEPA Computer Room and provides support for the Schools. I was impressed by the fact that the tuition for Greek school is free, yes free, compliments of the Greek Community that has no debt and money in the bank. If it is important for our children to know Greek, why not provide it for free? Some good food for thought.



From our visit to the St. George Greek Orthodox Community of Edmonton with Katina Tsiandos. Here too the AHEPA Family of Edmonton has donated an entire Computer Room at its Greek School.



From our visit to the Alberta Legislature with Chapter President Peter Andreoglou

Visitation to Calgary AHEPA Chapter and Echoes of Greece Charity Concert for Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation, University of Calgary, March 6, 2015



From the Echoes of Greece benefit concert that raised \$30,000 for the Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary, Alberta. From L-R: Deno Adams, Calgary Chapter President, Ken Matziorinis, Canadian President, Mrs F. Douros, AHEPA District #24 Governor Vasili Douros, Winnipeg Chapter President Christos Argiriou (who joined me in Calgary as well as Regina) and Peter Andreoglou, Edmonton Chapter President



The benefit concert featured Guitar Master Pavlo and the Edmonton Dance Group Dionysos who gave the audience an unforgettable performance



On Saturday, March 7, 2015 Chapter President Deno Adams took me, the visitin Winnipeg Chapter President and the District Governor to visit the famous Banff Springs Hotel at the Banff National Park at the foothills of the Canadian Rockies, what a sight!

I would like to take this opportunity to pay special tribute and thank my Brothers Christos Argiriou, John Hatzitolios, Peter Andreoglou, Deno Adams and Vasili Douros for welcoming me so warmly and treating me so generously in my District 24 Visitation. They treated me as if I was their own family member. This was a wonderful and unforgettable experience for me that proves how important our brotherhood is and how valuable it is to belong to the AHEPA Family.

Thank you Brothers!

Ken Matziorinis