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From Father George



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to Frieda Mookas on being named Philoptochos' "Mother of the Year". We're All Proud of You- May God Bless You Always!

Dear Parishioners:

Christos Anesti

(Please read "The Screwtape Letters" by C.S.Lewis)

A couple was leaving church after Sunday services. "Did you see that designer suit on the women in front of us?" the wife asked. "And the hat on that woman across the aisle? And the frilly blue dress on the woman sitting to your left?"

"Well, no," the husband was quick to confess. "I'm afraid I dozed off." She gave him a sharp look. "A lot of good church does you."

In "The Screwtape Letters" C.S.Lewis shows how temptation comes anywhere, anytime, but especially when we are at prayer or worship. Screwtape was one of hell's under-secretaries who had agents on earth. He would write letters to his agents, informing them how they should keep their charges from worshipping God. One day an angel wrote telling him that his charge had joined a church, and wondering how he should handle the situation.

Screwtape wrote back to his agent suggesting that he never leave him, that he go with him to church. There he was to try and by all means to distract his charge from true worship by whispering to him that the usher is a hypocrite, by getting him to concentrate on what people are wearing, by day-dreaming, by thinking of possible business deals, etc. "Above all," said Screwtape, "never let him see the Church with all its banners flying. For at that sight all of hell trembles.

What is our agent doing to us during Church?

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CHURCH FATHERS SPEAK

The more a man's tongue flees talkativeness, the more his intellect is illumined so as to be able to discern deep thoughts; for the rational intellect is bemuddled by talkativeness.--St. Isaac the Syrian

President's Message

by Bill Parlamis

As we live in an era when time is a precious commodity, Kimisis is truly blessed with Stewards who contribute their time, and talents for the good of our community.

When we are faced with new challenges and there is a sense of fatigue or despair, someone comes along and adds new strength and enthusiasm. When a person gives of themselves, there is a reinvigorated energy that is felt by the community.

We have witnessed examples of dedication that have spanned decades, and many that have recently begun. I have been fortunate to learn so much from our selfless Parishioners that provide a source of inspiration.

Although we come from different backgrounds, our common bond is our faith and love for our church. I look forward to continued growth of our Parish, and anticipate a more active role from many new stewards of our Church.

Last month, the Metropolis Clergy Laity Conference honored the following three worthy members of our commu-

nity representing the Parish Council, Ladies Philoptochos, and GOYA.

Charles Gavaris, has served 21 years on the Parish Council, and was Architectural Chairman for the Building Committee during the development and construction of our Church and Community Center. Charles also has served our Church in many other ways such as Annual Raffle Chairman, and Interior Fund Committee.

Paraskevi "Vivi" Argyrou has served our Parish as Treasurer of Philoptochos, and BAHA. In addition to being our GOYA advisor for many years, Vivi was also Greek School Director. A tireless worker, I cannot think of one festival or fund raiser that Vivi wasn't working hard for our community.

Michael Teevan has been an active member in just about every youth organization our community provides. They include GOYA (President), Kimisis Dancers, Bible Study, Boy Scouts, Basketball, Altar Boys, Sunday School (Student & Teacher), and more. This fine young man certainly has a bright future, and I wish him well.

Congratulations to Frieda Mookas on being named Philoptochos' "Mother of the Year". This honor is very well deserved and couldn't have gone to a more worthy woman. Frieda is always there to meet, greet, and share kind words. Her caring, loving, and comforting demeanor is something we all cherish.

Congratulations and best wishes to the Class of 2008. May every success be yours, and good luck in all your future endeavors. Lastly, I would like to extend all our Parishioners and the entire Kimisis Community my wishes for a restful, happy, and safe summer.

PLEASE NOTE:

40 DAY BLESSINGS

Starting in June

40 day baby blessings will take place after church has been dismissed, after the Antidoron has been distributed to the congregation.

CONSECRATION COMMITTEE NEWS

By Gregory Ploussas

The Consecration Ad Journal and Commemorative DVD have finally arrived. A complimentary copy of the Ad Journal will be distributed to all Kimisis members and commercial advertisers. For the next few weeks, the Ad Journal can be picked up after Church during coffee hour. Gregory Ploussas, Costa Phillipou and Rosa Tumazos will be distributing the Ad Journal in the Community Center. At this time, I wish to thank the Ad Journal Committee, our commercial advertisers and our Community members who contributed to the Journal, which made it a suc-



cess. This Ad Journal has been the most successful in the history of our Community. I want to especially thank Gus Liapis, our graphics consultant, and Rosa Tumazos, our layout coordinator, who spent countless hours making this a professional-looking Journal.

The Commemorative DVD is also now available. For those who have reserved a copy, please see Gregory Ploussas, Costa Phillipou or Demetri Orfanitopoulos during coffee hour after Church for the next few weeks to obtain your copy. If you have not reserved a copy, it is not too late. Copies are available for \$25.00 per copy. You

can reserve a copy by filling out the form in the KCU or on the Kimisis website or contacting the above people. I would also like to thank the DVD Committee for their time and effort in producing and editing the DVD. They took two days of videos, or about twenty-four hours of camera footage, and condensed it into two disks covering the entire weekend.

CHAPTER 517
SEVENTH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Garden State Chapter 517 of Holmdel, New Jersey is sponsoring its Seventh Annual Golf Tournament on Monday, October 6, 2008. The event is being hosted in order to raise funds for the Ronald McDonald House, Cancer Research Fund of the Fifth District, our Chapter's Scholarship Fund and Saint Basil's Academy in Garrison, New York.

We have reserved the Bamm Hollow Country Club in Middletown for the outing. A 1:00 PM shotgun start will initiate a fun day of golf, food, raffles and prizes. A hole-in-one for a 2008 Mercedes has been sponsored by Contemporary Motor Cars of Little Silver. Registration begins at 11:00 AM with a barbeque lunch served at 12:00 noon and a cocktail hour and awards banquet beginning at 7:00 PM. All prizes and awards will be presented at the awards banquet.

Corporate and individual sponsorships are welcomed and will be displayed the day of the event. Sponsorships range from \$150.00, \$250.00, \$500.00, \$1,000.00 and \$2,500.00 depending upon level of sponsorship.

Reservations to play are \$225.00 per golfer, which includes lunch, greens fees, golf cart, beverage cart, locker room facilities, cocktail hour and awards banquet. Non-golfers are welcome to attend the barbeque lunch at a cost of \$25.00 or the cocktail hour and awards banquet at a cost of \$50.00 per person. For information or reservations, call (732) 727-5500.

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BOY SCOUTS/CUB SCOUTS

By Lucy Milonas

Best wishes for Safe and Healthy Summer to all our Kimisis families and we look forward to a fresh start this Fall with an exciting program planned.

Spring Flowers

We hope the Kimisis Community enjoys the flowers that have been planted by the scouts. This Community service project is one that the scouts look forward to, to give back to our church.

Spring Clean-up

Thank you to all the Scouts, Parents and Leaders that took the time to come and volunteer their help at Kimisis Spring Clean-up Day. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Year End Advancement

The final Awards night was held on May 21, 2008, where our some of our Scouts earned their ranks and advanced onto the next in Scouting. Good Job and congratulations to them and their families.

Boy Scouts

The Climbing Merit Badge was awarded to Greg Marinos, Michael Emanuel Simon, Nicholas Cestone, Billy Bartos, John Bartos,

Andrew Robbins, Nik Bistromovich, Chris Sharick, and Harry Papasavas.

The Personal Fitness Merit Badge was awarded to Greg Marinos, Michael Emanuel Simon, Nicholas Cestone, Bill Bartos, John Bartos, Andrew Robbins, Nik Bistromovich, Chris Sharick, Harry Papasavas and Alex Milonas.

Eagle Scout

Congratulations to John Lynk on completing his requirements for his Eagle Scout award. He joins Michael Peters (2005), Thomas Alne (2006), Michael Englis (2007), Bill Callis (2007) and Ted Callis (2007) as Boy Scouts from Kimisis to earn this distinguished honor. Our best wishes to John and his family for continued success in the future.

Father/Son Campout

We had our annual event where Dads and their sons go back to nature in our own backyard! They cooked their meals, had a scavenger hike and had fun around the campfire at night. Thank you to all our fathers for their help and support. All had a terrific time!

Gettysburg Trip

On the weekend of the May 30th, the Boy Scouts will be visiting Gettysburg National Monument. They will enjoy the hiking and exploring American history.

Father's Day Picnic

We look forward to our final event of the year – a Father's Day Family picnic at Holmdel Park on Sunday, June 15, 2008. It is a time when all families come together and enjoy some outdoor fun and games.

Boy Scout Summer Camp

During the week of July 20 – July 26, 2008, the Boy Scouts will attend summer camp at the Forestburg Scout Reservation in Forestburg, New York.

Information

Boy Scouts is open to all boys ages 6-17. In the fall we look forward to adding to our ever-growing Scouting family. If you are interested in your son joining our scouting adventures, please call Jim Marinos (732-739-9486), Nick Englis (732-591-0563), Matt Bistromovich (732-863-1822) or George Marinos (732-780-7193).



G.O.Y.A. OLYMPICS

by Bill Parlamis

On May 24, and 25, the New Jersey Metropolis GOYA Olympics were held in Elizabeth, NJ. Events included track & field, swimming, volleyball, and the annual Chris Gacos Memorial Marathon.

Most of the running preliminaries, swimming, and volleyball events took place on Saturday at the Dunn Sports Center of Elizabeth H.S. The GOYAn's enjoyed an entire day of fellowship and spirited competition. Later that evening, a Dinner Dance was held at the Sheraton Hotel in Newark in which medals were awarded for the Indoor Olympics held earlier in the month.

On Sunday, all participants attended Divine Liturgy which was also held at the Sheraton. The Olympiad then moved to Williams Field for the Opening Ceremony, which included a brilliant performance of the National Anthem by our very own Nicolette Mavrolean. Spectators then enjoyed the exciting finals of the running events, as well as all of

the field events, including long jump, shot put, softball toss, and the marathon.

His Eminence Metropolitan Evangelos of New Jersey, addressed all present, reminding our young people that they are all winners in the eyes of their church, parents, and peers. His Eminence also thanked all organizers, coaches, advisors, and parents for their support of the youth.

I had the pleasure of coaching our GOYA participants, as they displayed true sportsmanship, and well represented our community. Our Kimisis Participants were:

Alaina Bontales, Alex Kartsakalis, Alexis Marinos, Christina Marinos, Daphne Bistrimovich, Connie Protentis, Michelle Parlamis, Dina Tampasis, Chrysoula Tampasis, Natalia Lehaf, Nick Englis, Steven Marinos, George Lehaf, Harry Papasavas, Greg Daniele, and Anthony Favara.

Medals were awarded to the following:

Greg Daniele received 4 Gold Medals in Swimming—50meter freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, and 4X50 freestyle relay.

Alaina Bontales received Gold in the 4X50 relay freestyle swimming, Silver in the 50 meter freestyle swimming, Silver in the 100 meter dash, and Bronze in the 400meter run.

Nick Englis received Gold in the 4X50 relay freestyle swimming, Silver for the 50meter backstroke.

Daphne Bistrimovich received Gold in the 100 meter dash

Christina Marinos received Gold in the 4X50 meter freestyle swimming

Harry Papasavas received Gold for Table Tennis at the Indoor Olympics.

I wish to thank advisors Theodora Papasavas, Tom Protentis, and chaperones Lisa Marinos, and George Marinos for attending throughout the weekend.

I would also like to thank Matt Bistrimovich for coaching volleyball, Cheryl Bontales for serving at the water table, Jim Marinos, and Steve Bontales for helping with the field events, and marathon.

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