

PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

The unseasonably warm weather is making it difficult to enjoy the “feeling” of the season, as I sit down to write my last Chronicle article for the year. In the midst of my family frantically preparing for the Christmas, with countless trips to the attic to uncover mountains of decorative lights, ornaments, wrapping paper & bows, with the Christmas china prepared for its short debut and our endless hectic trips to the malls to secure the right present for each relative, I try to concentrate on what it is that I want to share with you.

It is the Christmas rush that keeps repeating as an image in my mind. That original rush, the first Christmas rush, the frantic rush of Mary and Joseph to find a warm, suitable shelter for the birth of the baby to be called Immanuel, meaning “God with us”.

Without success, Mary and Joseph went from place to place in hope that someone would allow them in to fulfill the prophecy that “a virgin shall give birth”. There was no room, no place.

With today’s Christmas rush, we still find it very difficult to allow the baby Jesus in, into our homes, into our hearts. After all, there are celebrations, presents and ornaments in our way.

May your Christmas be a simple one, one focused on the reason for the Holiday. The birth of He who comes to save His people from their sins. May it be about Jesus and about us letting him into our lives.

On behalf of the Parish Council, I wish you a very Merry Christmas to you, your families and friends and a New Year of Faith, Hope & Love.

John Lignos, Parish Council President

PHILOPTOCHOS:

Dear Members & Parishioners,

We would like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year. May our Lord Jesus Christ, whose birth we celebrate, bring Peace on Earth and an abundance of good worldwide.

Philoptochos started the New Ecclesiastical year full of new ideas and ready to work. In September, we held a reception after Vespers celebrating the Name Day of the Patron Saint of our Metropolitan Cathedral, St. John the Theologian. His Eminence, Metropolitan Evangelos of N.J., officiated together with his Chancellor, Father Stavropoulos, and many other Priests. I would like to thank the Chairladies and all of the ladies who baked, cooked and served, and a special thanks to our chef, Mr. Tsokanos. Thank you ladies and gentleman.

In October, we held our general meeting, “Wine, Meze and Membership.” It was a beautiful event. After business, we watched a dvd celebrating the 75th Anniversary of our Philoptochos. The Chairladies and their committee did an outstanding job. Thank you!

December’s Holiday Bazaar was very successful. A heart felt thanks to all who worked and contributed to its success. A big thanks to Kontos Foods, Fantis Foods, Mr. Menegatos and the Ladies who made the delicious spanakopites and pastries, and of course all of you that supported us.

Also in December, we had our Christmas Party at the Clinton Inn. It was a great evening and very well attended. Thanks to all for a well planned event.

Philoptochos celebrates its 75th Anniversary in 2006/2007. 75 years of Philanthropy and the tireless efforts of all the

Philoptochos sisters who have touched numerous lives on local, national and international levels. Within these last two years, our National Philoptochos alone has donated \$3,000,000.00 million dollars. This excludes money individual chapters have given to various people and charitable organizations.

Our Philoptochos donated beyond its obligations to the Metropolis and National level, including St. Michaels, Reed Academy for Autistic Children, Ronald McDonald House, Greek Children Cancer Fund and Hope for Life. We also fulfilled our pledge to our Cathedral.

A new year is upon us and we need all of your help! Please join the Philoptochos! You can start by attending the General Meetings and events below: (Save the dates!)

1. January 14th, 2007 - Vasilopita
2. January 17th, 2007 - General Meeting with "Pampered Chef"
3. April 26th, 2007 - Fashion Show

Our sincerest condolences to our Past President, Mrs. Mary Skafidas, on the loss of her husband John. May his memory be eternal. Mr. Skafidas was a big asset to our community; he was always helping and working for the good of our Cathedral. God bless your memory, John, you will be missed.

Once again, have a Merry Christmas and a Wonderful New Year!

Harriet Nikolaidis, President

PTO/MOTHERS' CLUB:

Both Greek School and Sunday Church School are in full swing. (In

September there was an Agiasmo for Greek School, and in early October Father John performed the Agiasmo for Sunday School. Our enrollment for both schools is at an all time high!

On October 26th, we hosted our annual OXI Day Celebration. Our dedicated teachers, along with our principal Anna Megaris, once again helped to make it a successful program. With our new sound system, the children were able to perform without worrying about wires on the stage. Also, Mrs. Dallas had the opportunity to use the new CD player for the children's vocal ensemble, which was very enjoyable. We would like to thank our chairladies Georgia Economos and Gina Tzavelis and our hospitality chairlady, Pat Tolos for coordinating this wonderful event. A special thanks goes out to Helen Lambiris for being our in-house photographer. Look for your children's beautiful face in the local and Greek papers as well as our bulletin boards.

When people hear Tricky Tray, they envision a beautifully decorated room, and an evening filled with fun and excitement. However, there is much work that goes into that evening. Our chairladies, Audrey Soussou and Valerie Kovanes have outdone themselves this year! Thank you ladies for your hard work! The prizes were outstanding, and the evening was our biggest success to date. We had over 400 people in attendance despite the nasty weather. There are many people who worked very hard to make this evening successful. We would like to thank Father John and our entire community for their continued support! Joanne Lallos, Christine Barbarise and Polly Mikelis need a special thank you for the behind the scenes work they did. Pat Tolos did a wonderful job coordinating all the refreshments! We would be remiss if we didn't thank our entire board for putting the gifts together, wrapping, running the gifts to the winners, setting up and cleaning up! A special thank you goes to Stacey Savava for being our announcer on such short notice. With such wonderful

people to work with, we can't help but be successful!

On Saturday, November 25th the PTO/MC treated our Sunday School and Greek School students to a holiday performance of *It's A Wonderful Life* at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn, NJ. It was a wonderful production that put everyone who attended in the Christmas spirit! A special thank you goes out to our chairladies, Gena Dongaris and Phyllis Turrin.

The next event that we will be hosting is The Three Hierarchs, which will be held on January 28th. The Greek School students will be celebrating the Greek Letters and Language! Please join us for refreshments in the Cultural Center.

On behalf of the entire PTO/MC Board, we would like to wish our family of St. John the Theologian a Blessed Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year!

*Christalla Papas, Stacey Kontolios;
Co-Presidents*

KALI PAREA:

Kali Parea has started the 2006-2007 Ecclesiastical year with an active calendar of events and with a strong influx of members. At this time, over 100 have paid dues for this new year and we are still going strong.

At the first meeting in September, we showed the wonderful Greek documentary "The Eleventh Day". We are very privileged to have a wonderful Sony projector and a large screen, which were donated to Kali Parea by Mr. and Mrs. Alex Mataras and their daughter. We hope to show films to our group and to have movie dates open to the parish members at some time in the future.

In September, Kali Parea had a guided tour of The Cloisters in Fort Tryon Park in upper Manhattan. Afterwards, the group had lunch at the New Leaf Café, also in Fort Tryon Park.

In October, a group of 32 members went on a great trip to Niagara Falls, Niagara-on-the-Lake and Toronto. Highlights included the Maid of the Mist, dinner at the revolving Skylon Restaurant high above the Falls, and a suburb dinner in the Greek section of Toronto (with delicious food, Greek music and dancing). Best of all, we were snowed in and spent an extra day at the Falls, due to an early, record-breaking snowstorm that hit Buffalo.

Also in October, we held our Annual Brunch, which was a sell-out and which turned out to be a resounding culinary and financial success. The credit belongs to the principle chef, Paul Cocotos, and the excellent crew that helped him. In addition, our thanks go to all the members who helped set up, serve and clean up afterwards. The proceeds will be donated to St. John's for the purchase and installation of a security system for the church office.

At our October general meeting, a representative from the Shriners spoke to the group and showed a video about the Hospital for Crippled Children and the wonderful work The Shriners do for children.

During the busy month of October, a few members attended the hilarious Greek play, "Friday the 13th" at the Greek American Performing Arts Center in Astoria, New York. They also had dinner afterwards at a local Greek restaurant.

In December, several members will attend a performance of "Christmas Inn" at the Westchester Broadway Theater in Elmhurst New York. Kali Parea's annual Christmas Party will be held at Madeleine's Petit Paris. In January, the group will go to see a performance of "Brooklyn Boy" at the Little Firehouse Theatre in Oradell preceded by dinner at Ronnie's Hot Bagels on Kinderkamack Road, also in Oradell.

We invite you to join this active group. We welcome everyone 55 years and over. The general meetings are held once a month, usually on the fourth Wednesday of the month, at 1:00 PM. Annual dues are \$10 per person. If you have any questions, speak with any Kali Parea board member on Sundays after church, or call me at 201-567-5848.

Vangie George, Vice-President

LADIES & GENTS CLUB OF ST. JOHN:

We began the new ecclesiastical year with our annual Autumn Jubilee on October 14th, featuring the original work of talented artists from our community. Throughout the evening, we had the opportunity to experience and appreciate a wide selection of beautiful artwork and handmade jewelry displayed by each artist. A delicious dinner and dessert complemented the event. It was a wonderful evening enjoyed by all.

We are eagerly awaiting the arrival of new altar boy robes that are being hand made in Russia. We expect to receive them before Christmas.

Please remember to reserve the date for our Valentine Soirée dinner dance, to be held at the The Estate at Florentine Gardens in River Vale, NJ on Sunday, February 11, 2007. Entertainment will be provided by Vali Music.

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year!

Nancy Kontos, President

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE:

The rehabilitation and waterproofing of our Church Dome is the largest project we embarked after the expansion of the early 80's. We are pleased to announce that this project is successfully completed, and

thanks to the generosity of our parishioners it is paid in full! As we previously announced, the contract project cost is \$410,000. This price included the inspection and cleaning of all of the mosaics inside our church. Based on our regular inspections during construction, the contractor did an excellent job in terms of workmanship and quality. As such, the committee asked the contractor to perform additional needed work at our facility, which included:

- Sealing of the walls, windows and all seams and flashings at the areas below the dome roof.
- Repair the overhead cracks at the marble archway in front of our Church and re-point all of the stone joints.
- Repair the deteriorated tile floor inside the kitchen and seal the drainage trough in order to stop the water leaks in the locker rooms below.
- Reseal deteriorated concrete joints at the eastern gym/hall entrance stairway.

The committee negotiated a price of \$16,500 for this additional work (contractor's proposal was \$25,000). Therefore, the total cost for the dome and the additional work is \$426,500., which is below the \$450,000 budget approved by our General Assembly.

Going forward, the Building and Grounds committee is keeping very busy with a lot of other necessary maintenance and/or emergency repairs to our Church facility. As we mentioned in earlier publications, the majority of our church facility is approaching 40 years old. Some of the original systems such as the air-conditioning units, boilers, kitchen equipment, etc., have surpassed their life expectancy and the need for their replacement is quickly approaching. For all of us to be informed, below is an updated list of some of the repair/maintenance needs that the Building and Grounds committee has prioritized and put together with an approximate budgetary cost:

Project Description	Budgetary
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	Cost
Replace Church entrance doors	\$35,000 to 40,000
Parking lot pavement repairs, sealing & re-striping	\$25,000 to 30,000
Replace the original 30 Ton multi-zone HVAC unit	\$50,000 to 60,000
Replace the two original AC units for the Church	\$50,000 to 60,000
HVAC duct cleaning and other cleaning/repairs	\$ 6,000 to 8,000

As you can see, our Church facility is in serious need of costly maintenance repairs and/or improvements. Please continue to support the efforts to preserve what others created for us to enjoy. It is now our responsibility to maintain and improve our Church facility for our children and future generations to enjoy.

We would like to thank all who came forward and contributed towards the maintenance and preservation needs of our Church. If you would like to make a donation or would like to partially or fully sponsor one of the above listed projects, please see Father John Alexandrou or one of our Parish Council members.

We wish everyone Merry Christmas and Healthy and Happy New Year!

Sincerely,
CoChairs Stavros Kamilaris & Nick Katsapis

GOYA:

The Greek Orthodox Youth of America here at St. John the Theologian, has been very active so far this year. We have been a part of numerous competitions already in these few months, and have also done a plethora of work in order to keep our organization strong.

At the Mr. and Miss GOYA Pageant this past October, our Mr. GOYA representative, Anthony Kinnis, won the Pageant. Our Miss GOYA representative, Christina Guliadis, was the First Runner Up. A special congratulations goes out to both GOYAnS, who did a terrific job representing St. John's GOYA.

Also, we have just completed our latest fundraiser. We are very grateful to Kontos Foods for helping us with our fundraiser, and to Mrs. Maria Kamilaris for running the fundraiser. We sold various Hellenic dishes, such as spanakopita, tiropita, baklava, and many other tasty dishes. This was a very successful fundraiser, and we will be looking to make it even more successful for the upcoming Christmas Season.

Our sports programs are also performing very well, as both our boys' basketball and girls' volleyball teams are having a very successful season. Furthermore, for the Jersey City Tournament, both our girls' basketball and boys' volleyball teams will be looking to win the respective competitions.

A Late Recap on the Junior Olympics: Olympics Results

- 2nd Place Senior Boys 800M Run- Michael Connoly
- 1st Place Junior Girls 4X100M Relay
- 1st Place Junior Boys 50M Freestyle- John Zavolas
- 2nd Place Junior Boys 50M Freestyle- Alexi Corey
- 2nd Place Junior Boys 50M Backstroke- Alexi Corey
- 3rd Place Junior Boys 50M Breaststroke- Alexi Corey
- 1st Place Mixed 200M Freestyle Relay

We would like to wish everybody a happy and healthy New Year.

George Soussou, GOYA President
JOY:

It is hard to believe that December is upon us and that everyone is preparing for the Christmas season. We would like to wish everyone a Joyous Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year.

Joy's first meeting of the year began with our Ice Cream Social and elections of our

Joy officers on October 20th. We are proud to announce this year's Joy officers:

President - Annamaria Louloudis
Vice-President – Zachary Tzavelis
Secretary – Alexander Mikelis

On November 3rd, we held our Harvest Ball at the Father Tsamutalis center with music, dancing and food. We all had a lot of fun dancing to American and Greek songs and it was especially nice to see the children dancing the kalamatiano with Father John!!!

On December 1st, we got together in the Atrium to get into the Christmas spirit. We made Christmas tree ornaments, listened to Christmas music and sipped hot chocolate while talking about the tree meaning of Christmas. We are also currently working on an ongoing project. JOY would like to make 100 school kits for needy children through the IOCC's (International Orthodox Christian Charities) "gift of the Heart" program. We are planning to collect money from the community to achieve this goal on Sunday, December 10th after church service. Please support us!!!

On December 15th, JOY will be hosting a Christmas Ice Skating Party at the Mackay Ice Arena at 6:30 pm.

More upcoming events for the New Year:

- January 19th – God parent gift craft
- February 2nd – Movie Night
- February 16th – Gym night
- March 2nd – Bowling
- March 11th – Loukoumades sale
- March 16th – Joy in Church
- April 20th – Fire/first aid training
- May 4th – End of year party

It is never too late to join JOY!!!!

Gena Dongaris and Irene Ferranti
JOY Advisors

BOY SCOUTS:

The scouts were pretty busy since the summer! Our activities started out with summer camp. It was a week of merit badges, advancements and scouting fun. Many of the scouts got five merit badges. We were also able to go swimming, mountain biking, rock climbing and do many other fun activities such as archery and rifle shooting.

The first weekend of September we went to Jocky Hollow. We hiked far and camped out eating delicious dehydrated food. A few weeks later we went to the EOCS retreat. It is a religious retreat at St. Basil's Academy, up the Hudson River with a beautiful view of West point. We had the Seminarians from Holy Cross teach us about various religious topics, and camped out in the forest.

This month we went hiking in Ringwood State Park on a nice crisp morning and saw the beautiful views and enjoyed the cool fresh air. Finally we attended a winter camping training course. We learned about what type of equipment to use, clothes to wear, food to eat, and what to do in a cold weather emergency. This training will hopefully help us if we go camping in the snow in January. Some of us will sleep in the Cabin, some will sleep outside in tents! I can't wait!!!!!!!!!!!!

Kirk Coyle, Senior Patrol Leader,
Troop 25

GIRL SCOUTS:

Currently, at St. Johns, there are several levels of Girl Scouts. Daisies for Kindergarteners, Brownies for girls grades 1-3, Junior Girl Scouts for grades 4-6 and Cadets for grades 7-9. We have continued to grow strong and have fun. This article is a perspective from one of our Junior Girl Scouts.

Troop 653 Junior Girl Scouts of St. Johns the Theologian are currently working

toward our bronze award. The Bronze award is the highest award a Junior Girl Scout can earn. Earning this award shows that a girl has made a promise to help others improve her community and world to become the best she can be. There are four requirements a Junior Girl Scout must meet to earn this Award. First you must create a project then earn two badges related to towards that project. You must then complete one of the girl scout signs, this is the second step. The signs are stars, rainbow, sun and world. Third, the Junior leadership award or badge option. We earned a junior aid patch. Finally we write a summary describing the plan and reason for selecting our project. We are working hard towards gaining this award.

Also another highlight of this year is visiting and camping overnight at the Norfolk Aquarium in Connecticut. It was very exciting. The best part was is that we got to sleep with the Sharks!

Thank you, Zoe Ferranti , Junior Girl Scout

Preservation & Beautification:

We're only two weeks away from the celebration of our Lord's birthday, at the time of this writing, and we have just exceeded \$1,000,000 in commitments from our "Preservation and Beautification" project, of which 90% has been collected.

We should all feel proud that we have renovated and beautified our "House of Worship" and completed this project in time for the celebration of Christmas.

We are coming down the stretch and would like to ask everyone who hasn't yet contributed and those who haven't yet paid their commitments to do so. Please be a part of this most successful project and share in its success. The Church belongs to all of us and it's everybody's responsibility to preserve it and keep it beautiful.

We were very fortunate to have added Karlene and Basil Williams to our growing list of Grand Benefactors, who have contributed \$100,000 to our effort. Additionally, quite a few Stewards have sent in additional funds so they could bring their total contribution to \$5,000 and be recognized as a donor on the plaque in our Narthex.

We would like to remind all Stewards that cumulative contributions of \$5,000, \$50,000 and \$100,000 will be acknowledged on the respective plaques in our Narthex, in the same fashion as the Stewards who contributed to the building and expansion of our Church Facility.

In closing, we ask you all to join in the spirit of giving this Christmas and contribute some of the money, that the Lord has blessed you with, to the Preservation and Beautification of our most Holy Cathedral in which we gather to praise Him.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

*Andreas Zigouras, Chairman ,
Preservaton and Beautification Project*

YOUTH SPOTLIGHTS:

Anthony Kinnis won as Mr. GOYA in this year's Mr. & Mrs. GOYA Pageant. Congratulations! Anthony is a 12th grade student at Bergenfield High School. He is a very involved individual in both school-wide functions, as well as church-related functions. He served as GOYA treasurer from 2004-2005, and as GOYA President from 2005-2006. He continues to play an active role in GOYA, and has kept a tremendous commitment to the organization.

He is also an active member of the Bergenfield High School community. He is a member of the Spanish Honor Society, as well as a three-year member of the Varsity Soccer Team. After graduating high school, he plans to attend college in order to receive a degree in a business field.

Christina Guliadis was First Runner Up as our Miss GOYA representative. She is a 12th grade student at Fort Lee High School. She has been an active GOYA member for six years now, taking on the role of Historian during the 2004-2005 GOYA year, and was the Vice President during 2005-2006. Christina is also a very active member of her school's community in Fort Lee. She is an active member of the Interact Club, Student Council, and has been a member of the Varsity Track Team for three years. Christina also enjoys helping prepare the school's yearbook, as a member in the Yearbook Club.

Vasilios Lilikas attained the rank of Eagle Scout in May of 2006. He has been in scouts from Cub scouting and through Boy Scouts serving in various leadership positions, including Scribe, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader and Senior Patrol Leader. "Billy's" Eagle project was creating the computer email list for St. John the Theologian in order to help speed up communication and cut paper use at our Cathedral.

Billy is a sophomore at Northern Valley High School in Old Tappan, and a member of the JV Soccer Team and Varsity Lacrosse Team. He is involved in EMS club, the Medical Careers Club and is certified in CPR and First Aid.

He is also an active member in the Church, involved in GOYA's Greek Theater Group, the soccer and volleyball teams and participated in the Oratorical Festival. He is Valedictorian graduate of our Greek School

Program and an Altar Boy for the last six years.

Billy plans to focus in the field of Medicine when he attends college.

George Sardis attained the rank of Eagle in May of 2006. In scouts as a cub scout, through Boy Scouts for more than 8 years, he served as Quartermaster, Assistant Senor Patrol Leader and Senor Patrol Leader. He helped in the planning and running of the 2006 Twin Valley's Camporee. George's Eagle project was a Community Blood Drive held at St. John the Theologian.

As an active member of St. John, George has completed our Greek School program and is an Acolyte on Sundays in Church. As a member of GOYA, he has participated in the Greek Folk Dance Troupe, Greek Theatre Troupe and is presently Treasurer of GOYA. He has also represented the Cathedral for the past two years at the "Exaltation of the Holy and Life-Giving Cross" at Asbury Park.

George is presently a sophomore at Cresskill High School where he is on the JV Soccer Team. He plans to attend a university and major in engineering in the future.

STEWARDSHIP:

With the New Year upon us, it is time to consider your 2007 pledge towards our Cathedral of St. John the Theologian. Remember the importance of the Lord in your everyday life and be as generous as he is loving when you fill out your pledge card!!!

BAPTISMS:

9/23/06 M/M Charles J. Tsetsekas for Carina Alexia with Ria & Michael Pomeranz as Anadochi.

9/24/06 M/M Louis J. Reynolds IV for Evelyn with Athena & Jimmy Kotaras as Anadochi.

9/24/06 M/M Louis J. Reynolds IV for Victoria with Stephanie & Stephanos Servitopoulos as Anadochi.

10/22/06 M/M Elias Jalil Haddad for Mena with Stavro Soussou as Anadachos.

10/29/06 M/M Charles Tsocanos for Maria Christina with Evdoxia Hatziaoannou & Charles Tsocanos as Anadochi.

11/12/06 M/M Nicholas M. Gianos for Angelina Nicole with Elaine Prapas & Steve Tallides as Anadochi.

11/19/06 M/M Nicholas M. Gianos for Angelina Nicole with Elaine Prapas & Steve Tallides as Anadochi.

11/25/06 M/M Adam C. Kambour for Stephen Christian with Peter & Carol Vlahakis as Anadochi.

11/26/06 M/M Thomas Orechhio for Alexander with John & Maria Kanaras as Anadochi.

WEDDINGS:

9/24/06 Pietro Maio & Panagiota Kardasis with George & Irene Dorizas as Paranympfi.

9/30/06 Andrew J. Nation & Sofia A. Pogogeff with Alexandra K. Pogogeff & Matthew Nation as Paranympfi.

10/1/06 Athanasios Hronopoulos & Sandra G. Gutierrez with Panagiota Mish & Danitza Brito as Paranympfi.

10/15/06 Kiriakos Simeonides & Panagiota Dimitropoulos with Spiridon Alexopoulos as Paranympfos.

10/22/06 Michael Papadakis & Carmen Rivera with Peter Chugranis & Tina Chugranis as Paranympfi.

11/4/06 David C. Kenworthy & Nicole A. Pappas with Michael Pappas & Athena Massey as Paranympfi.

11/5/06 Walter Hutchinson & Barbara Zafiris with Anastasia Zafiris & Dimitri Findanis as Paranympfi.

FUNERALS:

9/9/06 Kalipso Kolo

10/31/06 Stella Costa

11/4/06 Anastasia Liakas

11/6/06 John Skafidas

11/17/06 Charles C. Dekis

12/8/06 Josephine Dekis

12/14/06 Tim Koustas

AHEPA:

AHEPA has continued its support of our Hellenic causes in the political, research, educational and philanthropic fields.

On the national front AHEPA's PAC continues to lobby our legislators for support on Issues concerning Greece and the resolution of the Cyprus problem.

Our local chapters have sent money to continue the research for Coolies Anemia which affects many Greeks. The testing has shown promise and is in its final stages. We hope that the end result will bring an end to the disease and bring happiness to parents around the world.

We have also sent money for the local level to support and repair St Basils Academy which recently won its long and drawn out battle in the courts. As an

organization AHEPA will continue its support of all things that concern us as Hellenes.

AHEPA nationally has handed millions in scholarships over the years. The Bergen Knights our local chapter at our church has and will continue this tradition our supporting our children. This year on December 26th at the Coach House in Hackensack the Bergen Knights will Award two \$1000 scholarships to two young adults from St. Johns. Alexandra Popovski and Constantine Callas. These two submitted their applications along with their essays; they were reviewed and named as the recipients. We will have applications in the church office in February for anyone wishing to apply next for year. Those wishing to attend the dinner may contact me or our secretary Jimmy Bayiokos.

We will be repeating our very successful Major Fundraiser from last year on January 18th, same location, same format! Book your seats now.

I wish you all a happy healthy and prosperous New Year.

*George N. Papas, Chapter President
Bergen Knights Chapter #285*