



The Mount-Royal Chapter Herald

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Report from the President

Dear Brothers,

As you heard from the press release we issued the night of the St-Valentine's Ball, we have achieved our goal. The Organizing Committee raised the \$58,000 that were remaining to complete our \$250,000 pledge to the Shriners Hospital for Children and the Chairman of the Board of Governors **Dr. Robert Drummond** announced that the education facility at the hospital will be named after AHEPA.

Your Committee worked enthusiastically, feverishly and selflessly to organize a world class event that will stay in the attendees' memories for ever! AHEPA lived up to its reputation of throwing the classiest and most fun filled events in town! The glendi and kefi wouldn't stop until the Reception Hall had to unplug the sound instruments around 3:30 in the morning! The décor and organization was unparalleled. People kept congratulating us all evening and thanking us for giving them a fantastic night.

I must start by thanking and congratulating the Organizing Committee under the very able hands of Bro **Peter Scoufaras** and Sister **Helen Hiotis** for doing a first class job. I need to say that we had a large committee, the tasks were perfectly allocated, our efforts were perfectly coordinated and we performed an amazing act that will be hard to repeat in the future.

I wish to thank our numerous sponsors, advertisers, donors and attendees for their generous and enthusiastic financial support, without which this success would not have been possible. **AHEPA Thanks You! The Children Thank You!**

I am absolutely proud of our AHEPA Family here in Montreal. Six years ago, we were bold, we had a vision, we set a tall multi-year objective of raising a quarter of a million for one of the best children's treatment centers in the world and we made it happen. We worked six whole years with determination, unity and patience and now we will leave our name attached to the education centre of the Shriners Hospital for ever. If anyone asks, what has the Greek community done for our society as a whole, we will be able to say that we have contributed to the educational needs of the children who receive treatment at the Shriners Hospital and that their education facility is named after AHEPA.

NOTICE OF CHAPTER MEETING

Wednesday, February 23, 2011

6:30 P.M. – Mikri Vouli

Hellenic Community Center

5757 Wilderton Street, Montreal

AGENDA

6:30 p.m. Call to Order

Opening Prayer

Roll Call of Officers

Initiation of Sons of Pericles

Reading of Minutes

Business Arising from Minutes

Correspondence

Balloting of New Members

- Dr. Nicolas Abatzoglou
- Mr. Andreas Alevras, CA
- Additional names TBA

Reports:

- President's Report
- Education
- St-Valentine's Ball
- AHEPA Day
- Treasury
- March 25th Parade

New Business

For the Good of the Order

Closing Prayer

8:30 p.m. Adjournment of Meeting

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, March 16, 2011

**“Those who don't care
find many excuses,
those who care find the time”
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I also need to thank all those Brothers and Sisters who have worked for all the past St-Valentine's Ball events and have made today's success possible.

Brothers, as I write these words, the memories of last year's huge success in hosting and organizing the **88th AHEPA Family Supreme Convention** in Montreal are still vivid in my mind. We have built on last year's accomplishment. Now we are on a roll, and what I am visualizing is of the next major project, the organization of our **20th Anniversary Annual Invitational Golf Tournament**. We will make it the biggest and most successful golf tournament ever held in the Greek community of Canada!

I would like to express special thanks to AHEPA Canada President Bro. **Nick Arouzidis** who came once again to our Ball from Stratford, Ontario with his family, Bro. **Tony Mavromaras**, Past AHEPA Canada President and Bro. **Bob Sachenidis** Toronto Chapter Vice President who came from Toronto as well as Bro. **Peter Baltis** who came from the Albany, N.Y. Chapter of AHEPA.

I also want to express my sincere thanks to Bro. **Senator Leo Housakos** for the support he gave us by booking six tables and contributing to the raffle and gracing us with his presence as well as Me **Gerry Sklavounos**, MNA for Laurier-Dorion whose special effort secured our fundraiser a grant of \$3,000 from the Minister of Health of Quebec Mr. **Yves Bolduc**. I also want to thank our new Consul General of Greece Mr. **Thanos Orestis Kafopoulos** for accepting to hold our event under his aegis and attending our event.

I should also add that among our **Shriners** friends who attended the Ball were **Dr. Robert Drummond**, the Chairman of the Board of the Shriners Hospital, as well as **Richard Brousseau**, Assistant Rabban, **Mike Glezos**, Oriental Guide, **Lyle Byers**, Second Ceremonial Master, **Jean-Baptiste Djigounian** and his wife, Treasurer and member of the board of governors, **Bill Pitts**, Recorder and member of the board. Also attending from the Shriners were **Dr. Neil Saran**, Orthopedic Surgeon, **Dr. Francois Fassier**, Chief of Staff Emeritus, **Sharon Brisette**, Director of Nursing, **Emmanuelle Rondeau**, PR Manager as well as the two teachers of the School, **Maria Caruso** and **Marie Donato**.

There is no way to give you here a complete list of all our illustrious attendees other than mention the presence of Past Canadian AHEPA Presidents **Lazarus Kalipolidis**, **Olga Psilopoulou**, **Fondas Scoufaras**, District Governor **George Vassilas**, past Chapter Presidents **Andre Michalopoulos**, **Peter Papas**, **Stephen Stelliou** and **Demetris Yantsulis**. Special mention also goes to Bro **Jimmy Manolakos** who has contributed over \$60,000 over the years towards this cause. Past Canadian President **Frank Antoniou** has been recovering from a successful heart operation but his contribution could be seen from the Ball **Commemorative Album**, the best ever may I add, that he co-edited along with **Helen Hiotis**

I cannot end this report without noting the exceptional contribution and cooperation we enjoyed from our Sisters, the DOP. The success of this event demonstrates how far we can go when we work together united and with one purpose. Thank you Sister **Hellen Christodoulou!**

Ahepa needs you and you need Ahepa!

Fraternally yours,

Bro Ken Matziorinis

Announcements and Up-coming Events

Congratulations Bro Gerry Apostolatos

We are pleased to inform you that Bro **Gerry Apostolatos** has been elected President of the **Canadian Bar Association, Quebec Branch**. The **CBA** represents over 37,000 lawyers, judges, notaries, law teachers, and law students from across Canada. The CBA is the advocate of all members of the legal profession; it is the voice of and for all members of the profession; it is the premier provider of personal and professional development and support to all members of the legal profession; it promotes fair justice systems, facilitates effective law reform, promotes equality in the legal profession and is devoted to the elimination of discrimination; the CBA is committed to enhancing and protecting the independence of the judiciary and the Bar. The Canadian Bar Association has Branches in each of the provinces. Bro **Apostolatos** is the first President of Greek descent to be elected to this leading position and we are proud of his work and accomplishments.

Congratulations Bro Tom Pentefountas

Congratulations to Bro **Tom Pentefountas** on his appointment as Vice-Chair of the **Canadian Radio-Television and**

Telecommunications Commission (CRTC).

Established in 1976, the CRTC is the federal agency that regulates broadcasting and telecommunications in Canada. This is one of the most senior appointments ever to be made to a member of the Greek Community of Canada. As Greeks and Ahepans we are proud of Bro **Tom's** appointment and wish him every success in his new job and role. It is about time that we see members of our community breaking through the senior ranks of the Canadian establishment and look forward to more such appointments in the future.

Condolences for the passing of Constantine Deros

Our Chapter would like to express our sincerest condolences to Bro **Peter Deros** and Sister **Mary Deros** for the passing of Bro Peter's father Constantine on February 11, 2011. May his memory be eternal and life to us!

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Συνολική Δωρεά ΑΧΕΠΑ στο Νοσοκομείο Παιδών SHRINERS \$ 250,000

Τόκιο, 16^η Φεβρουαρίου 2011

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