

TSINTZINIAN CHRONICLE

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Looking Forward To Seeing You

Dear Fellow Tsintzinians,

Once again we have turned a full circle and the year has passed. Time is approaching, "July 24th-thru the morning of the 28th" is just around the calendar end. Try making the Tsintzinian Convention the yearly meeting place and gathering grounds for that special family get together. Last year 419 people came to this great event, the largest crowd since 1946. This year it will even get bigger and better. Share with your families the many events that are posted in the Chronicle. Alex Gregory Jr. will once again manage the food department side of the Convention with great menus for dinner assisted by the Chief Chef from the Toftree Resort in State College, PA., and once again serving the best breakfast and the best price in town. The dinner this year will be more expedient and once again served the good old fashion way with our senior children serving the food for both Friday and Saturday nights. Prior to the main serving, bowls of Greek Salad will be on every table, with the finest FETA cheese, Kalamatas from our land back home, fresh baked bread prepared locally, and the famous Tsintzinian BUTTER. Mr. and Mrs. Vlahos have once again volunteered to make that very special Coney Island sauce as they have been famous for from the Busy Bee Restaurants. Like last year I will start driving pass the church again on a daily bases and pray for good weather. We have the band that kept playing until 4:30 AM in the morning with that great clarinetist to entertain us. There will be "Greek" dance lesson on Friday and Saturday afternoon by Pauline Costionis. It was also suggested possibly between band breaks to learn some New Greek dance steps. We have had many inquiries from families who want to participate in the family tree program. At the end of this month wooden stakes with markers will be placed in the ground so that you may choose your special spot to plant your family tree. We will be asking for sponsors to furnish one of the 7 rooms upstairs in the clubhouse. These rooms are to be furnished so that when members come to the Jamestown/Celeron area other then Convention dates, they will have a nice place to stay and enjoy not only the historical clubhouse and the beautiful lake, but also other local and major events in the area. Please make it a safe trip, and hope to see you at the Tsintzinian 1997 Convention

Sincerely,
John Gregory
Chairman

Raffle Ticket by Mail WIN BIG MONEY\$\$\$ **\$1,000.00**

Now available by mail. You can purchase your raffle ticket by sending in the money to the Tsintzinian Chronicle. We will forward the funds to the treasurer and your winning ticket will be sent to you. As always the donation of the ticket is \$50.00. All proceeds go to the building fund.

First prize 1,000.00
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Drawing held JULY 26 -1997 only 200 tickets printed Even if you feel you can't come to the convention you can purchase and win \$\$\$\$\$\$. We will call any winner not present at the time of the drawing, so include your phone number.

**Convention Itinerary
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REMEMBER MEMBERSHIP DUES Deadline June 20th.

We at the Chronicle really messed up on the last issue and forgot to publish that the dues go up after April 30th. So the Board of the Directors has extended the deadline until JUNE 20th. We hope that we have not inconvenienced you and once again apologize. The following is a membership dues schedule:

Single Membership \$25.00
Family Membership \$35.00
Student Membership \$20.00

After June 20th

Single Membership \$35.00
Family Membership \$55.00
Student Membership \$25.00

Membership Registration at the Convention

Family Membership \$65.00

Band Renews Contact for 1997 Convention

The Band that everyone enjoyed last year by dancing until 4:30 in the morning will once again entertain us at this year's Convention. Dr. Sam Chianis will again appear with his clarinet & many other exotic instruments. The band under the direction of Mr. Nicholas E. Mouganis will start 10:00 PM on both Friday and Saturday nights. Tickets will be collected at the door for the dance.

Tsintzinian Convention Calendar of Events

THURSDAY NIGHT:

6:30 PM: Great Tsintzinian COOKOUT. Bring your own picnic dinner if you choose. Limited food will be provided. Enjoy the outdoors and get the chance to relax before the main events. Charcoal grill will be provided.

7:30 PM: Enjoy an evening of dancing to Greek music provided by the CD's. Kentrikon will be open.

FRIDAY:

Friday Registration opens.

8:00 AM: BREAKFAST being served until 11:00 am. Another great special for a great price THE best in town.

2:30 PM: Historical Presentation of the Tsintzinian Movement By Peter Dickson followed by group round table & question and answers and the history of your relatives.

4:00 PM to 5:30 PM: Board Meeting and Open to the general membership. Directors Meeting Officers Elections.

6:00 PM: Dinner served (Ticket event)

7:00 PM: Children's Talent Show

10:00 PM till 2:00 AM: Main Dance (Ticket event)

Midnight snacks (Ticket Event)

SATURDAY:

Saturday: Registration all day.

8:00 AM: Breakfast

11:00 AM: Family tree planting ceremony

12 Noon until 4 PM: Family Photo sessions. Make arrangements with Karen Vournakis and sign out for time during registration. (for pre appointments contact Karen at her studio at 803-723-3921.

12:00 Noon - 4:00PM: Tsintzinian ART's festival (meet the artist's and view there work)

3:00 PM: Special presentation (afternoon) "Changing times and the need for changes". By the President of the Society. Question & Answers after session.

5:30 PM: Photo Session

6:00 PM: Dinner (Ticket Event)

9:30 PM until 3:00 AM: Dance (Ticket Event)

12 Midnight: Coney Island HOT DOG's and Midnight Snacks (Ticket Event)

There will be many additional events that will be happening during Friday, Saturday, and Sunday morning.

SUNDAY:

Sunday: Goodbye & Send-off Breakfast.

Membership Cards-Hotel Reservations

We will not be mailing out your cards this year. Instead you can pick them up at the time of registration. This decision was made to save on additional costs for postage and mailing supplies. You will need your membership card when you checkout of the participating discount hotels in order to receive the discount. Please inform the hotel at the time of your reservation that you are part of the Greek (Tsintzinian) convention as not everyone has done so and the hotel needs this information. Many hotels are already booked as of 5/18/97 and others are getting filled very quickly, so make sure you have a warm bed bath awaiting you.



Participating Motels for Membership Discounts:

Holiday Inn - 716-664-3400 - 2 Miles to Clubhouse - Downtown Jamestown - +100 Rooms

Holiday Inn - 814-726-3000 -12 Miles to Clubhouse - Warren, Pennsylvania - +100 Rooms

Red Coach Inn - 716-763-8548 - 1 and ½ Miles to Clubhouse - Lakewood, New York - 50 Rooms

Non Participating Discount Motels

Comfort Inn - 716-664-5920 - 3 Miles to Clubhouse - 2300 N Main Street - 80 Rooms

Colony Motel - 716-488-1904- 1 Mile to Clubhouse - 620 Fairmount Avenue - 45 Rooms

Heritage House Motel - 716-665-4410 -4 Miles to Clubhouse - Falconer, New York - 40 Rooms

Motel 6 - 716-665-3670 -3 Miles to Clubhouse - Falconer, New York - 60 Rooms

Webbs Captain Inn - 716-753-2161 - 10 Miles to Clubhouse - Opposite Chau Institution - 60 Rooms

Fair - Last Resort

Fairmont Motel - 716-763-9550 - 1 and ¼ Miles to Clubhouse - Lakewood

Pagus Motel - 716-763-9247 - 1 and ¼ Miles to Clubhouse Lakewood

Star Motel - 716-763-8578 - 1 and ¼ Miles to Clubhouse Lakewood

Financial Support Needed

Financial support needed in many areas. Please send anything you feel your family can afford at this time. Donations of safe and working cribs with mattresses, high-chairs, and play pens would be greatly appreciated. We are constructing a nursery on the 2nd floor of the clubhouse. Additional donations are needed for the following: donations to keep the Tsintzinian Chronicle operating 4 times a year and donations to upgrade the Board Room. Please specify where you would like your donation applied.

Children Play Room

Yes, there will be a children play-room this year. We have found that there is a large room off of the main dance floor. This will be perfect for the older and younger kids to sit and watch movies, play games or be with each other. You are invited to bring videos to share for the weekend. A TV and VCR will be provided. Your children can put their hand in the decoration of the walls by painting or drawing on the wall supervision will be provided.

Auxiliary News

If you are not a member and would like to be, please contact Annette Mavrophilios 410-337-0807 There are many things we can work towards together for the continual growth and improvement of our unique organization.

Honored and Remembered Tsintzinians

The Tsintzinian Chronicle at the present has no source for information as to when we lose our Tsintzinians friends, relatives, and family members. We at the Tsintzinian Chronicle would appreciate hearing from our members when you know one of your brothers or sisters has passed away. The only information we have received are the following. Our deepest and warmest sympathy to all the families.

Mrs. Bertha Corvello, Sayre, PA.

Mrs. Doris Vlachas Barth, Fredonia, NY

Mr. Nicholas G. Geracimos, Board Member & Past President of our Tsintzinian Society, Shillington, PA

Stella Ziska, Past President of the Tsintzinian Women Auxiliary, Liverpool, NY

George P. Macheras, Tsintzinian Golf Member & Arranger of our yearly Golf Tournament, Lexington, VA.

John Peter Laskaris, Wilmington, DE

George K Nickles, Barnesville, Ohio was living in Colorado

Connie Coustenis
 Pota & Steve Davis
 Mary Demas
 Peter W. Dickson
 Sophie & John Dunne
 James N. Duskas
 George & Cornelia Dusckas
 Nancy Dusckas
 Connie Dusckas
 Nick Economy
 Thomas & Miriam Farmakis
 Fr. Nicholas & Joanne Ferencz
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 Charles & Cleo Gorant
 Nancy Gregory
 Dean & Elizabeth Gregory
 Dr. John & Donna Gregory
 Nicholas & Rena Giannoucos
 James & Denise Gianoukos
 Peter & Magda Hatzis
 Debbie & Everett Hoeg
 Ted & Phyllis Houvouras
 Mabelle Isenberg
 George Johnson
 Amanda Karakantas
 Dr. Frank Karfes
 Peter Lambros
 George Laskaris
 Peter & Helen Laskaris
 George A. Laskaris
 Edward & Thelma Laskaris
 Konstantine & Georgia Leventy
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 Marian Lipsius
 Nick & Matoula Lykos
 Adrianna & Robert MacGuffie
 Peter Manos
 Thomas & Terry Manos
 Nick P. Manos
 Patricia & James Mason
 Jack & Karen Martin
 Harriet Mitchell
 Cessandra & Tom Moore
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 George & Dr. Aleki Nickles
 Katherine "Zeke" Nicholakis
 Nina & Craig Nickles
 George & Bertice Pappas
 George & Kathleen Peterson
 Anne Phillips
 Dr. Dean & Barbara Poolos

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:

New & Paid Members

Joanna C. Allis
 Phoebe Andris
 Arthur & Demetra Anargyros
 Bertha & Gus Anton
 Leon & Robyn Andris
 Fred & Sandy Andrews
 Diane Andrews
 Vanessa Andris
 Madeline Apostolou
 Nicholas & Barbara Apostolou
 Dr. Richard & Matoula Avdul
 James & Bessie Brahos
 John & Lillian Benekos
 Peter & Olga Benekos
 Catherine & George Bukes
 James G. & Lillian Burlotos
 Tasso & Mary Camarinos
 Bessie Canelos
 Sallie & Homer Capotis

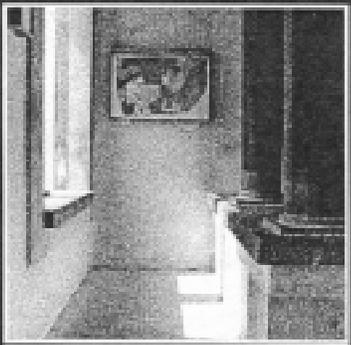
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 Nicholas & Marie Carayanis
 James & Connie Caravasos
 Chris & Helen Catsaros
 Michal & Canella Colivas
 Loy Chacona
 Michael & Martha Chronis
 Nicholas J. & Martha Chacona
 Nicholas J. & Jean Chacona
 Maria Chacona
 John & Julie Chacona
 Christine & Richard Clinger
 Nick P. & Ellen S. Cummings
 Peter S. & Connie Conomikes
 George & Joan Constantitikes
 Chris & Aleka Costianis
 Nicholas Costianes
 Lee Costianis
 George P. & Vaia Costianes

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Advertise in the Chronicle

The Advertising team at the Chronicle has decided to make the advertising a little easier this year by offering only one size [business card size] for advertising in the Tsintzinian Chronicle for 1997. Last year was a poor year for advertising and only a few less than 3 per issue really placed any advertisement in the paper. We need all the support that we can get. To print and send the Tsintzinian Chronicle 4 times a year costs about \$750 plus dollars each time. We are sending the Chronicle to about 850 to 1000 actual subscribers and another hundred to state, local and federal government officials. Some of our dues support the mass undertaking of making this Chronicle come true. We would like to see some of the cost burden defrayed from membership dues so hopefully it supports itself. I believe that this can be done by a small amount of advertising 4 times a year by your support. Thank You For Your Support.

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NEWS BREAK

Sophia Fessendes, daughter of Katherine "Zeke" Nicholakis, has been assigned in Sicily. Sophia is currently an officer in the U.S. Navy. (Editor) Congratulation Sophia, "It's not the first time that Sicily has been occupied by the GREEKS"

Georgia Irene Capotis was born on March 25, 1997 to Sallie & Homer Capotis of Erie, PA. Georgia is the grand daughter of Dr. George J. & Cornelia Dusckas and of the late Theodora "Lola" Dusckas. Georgia Irene was 8 lbs, 8 oz, and qualified for the Bull's Basketball team at 21 inches LONG. (Editor) Congratulation to MOM and family and Grand Parents. See you at the Convention. The basketball court is in top shape.

(Editor) Thanks to Mary Sperides Karas. She contacted the board to inquire in the family tree planting for this year's convention. Hope to see you at the convention and very willing to assist you in planting of the beautiful tree in remembrance of your family. (Editor's note) We will be giving our membership more names of gardening services in the Jamestown & Celeron area. We are making a special trip this week to check out the qualified merchants for this project.

Congratulation to Mr. Roger Volk and his fiancée Chris. Roger and Chris have been voted by the Board of Di-

rectors and hired as the new General Manager for the Tsintzinian Society Clubhouse. Chris and Roger plan to have their wedding reception at the Clubhouse. More on Roger and Chris in the next Chronicle issue.

(Editor) Thanks to Andrew Gregory for giving up his answering machine to the Society's clubhouse on a temporary basis, even though he does not know about it. It works great "Andrew" and the active number to the Tsintzinian Society is 716-484-9312.

While riding his bike for exercise on the morning just before departing for the Tsintzinian Board meeting. Our Honored Dr. John Vournakis (membership chairman) from the mild town of Charleston, SC was severely bitten by a dog that attacked him while still peddling his bike. We have since learned that John is OK and will be making it to the Convention. (Editor) JOHN, you can't use those nice soft expressions on getting rid of the dog. Next time use GREEK "Feya apo etho skatoulie."

Membership List

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Anna Ross
 Chris & Blanche Seferlis
 Mary-Ann & Paul Scott
 Helen Simos
 Anna & Steve Stathes
 Thomas & Juva-Ann Stefanakos
 Christina Siatras
 John G. & Sharon Stratakos
 Alex & Priscilla Theofilos

George & Dorothy Theofilos
 John & Cherly Treires
 Steven & Joyce Yianoukos
 Sophia Yianoukos
 Thomas & Magdalen Yeotis
 Dr. John & Karon Vournakis
 Chris Vournakis
 Pota Vournakis
 John & Joan Zacharias
 Dr. Skevos & Barbara Zervos
 Sam & Sophia Zacharias

More Ladies Auxiliary News

Introducing the Ladies Auxiliary Officers:

PRESIDENT: Annette (Nickles) Mavrophilipos

I grew up in Parkersburg, West Virginia. I am married to Dimitri Mavrophilipos and have 5 children ages 4 to 19. I am an administrative coordinator at Greater Baltimore Medical Center and am also a registered nurse.

VICE-PRESIDENT: Nancy Costas Breckenridge (Laskaris)

I am a long time resident of Virginia but originally from Scranton, PA. I have 3 children and my mother, Angeline Laskaris Costas is living with me. I am a substitute teacher and full time mother. I have been coming to Jamestown for over 25 years. My children have grown to love it and look forward to coming each year.

SECRETARY: Nancy (Geracimos) Covis

Formally of Warren, PA, I am the daughter of the late Nick Geracimos and Koula Nee Georgetson (Geracimos) Poolos. I married C. James Covis and resided in New Hampshire until his death in 1986. I am a senior secretary at Lucent Technologies and currently live in Bethlehem, PA with my daughter Melanie and my grandson James Anthony Covis. I also have 2 sons, Dean and Jim.

TREASURER: Sharon Stratakos

I am a Tsintzinian through marriage. I have enjoyed my association with club members for many years and it has become a big part of my life. I grew up in Cleveland, OH. I have been treasurer since 1968. John has served on the Board of Directors and is presently the Recording Secretary. We have two sons. We look forward to seeing you in Jamestown.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Last year's convention brought many new things including new officers for the Ladies Auxiliary. We invite all ladies, young and old, to our "GETTING TO KNOW YOU" meeting on Saturday at 4:00 PM. Light refreshments will be served. Popcorn and movies will be provided to entertain young children. Renovations are in the works for a children's room.

We want to thank all the ladies that made baked goods last year. The bake sale was a great success. We are asking for baked goods again this year. GREEK OR AMERICAN SWEETS FOR THE SWEETTOOTHES! We will also be serving Greek coffee from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM Friday and Saturday. Evening hours have not been decided yet. Volunteers are needed to assist in setting up food for late Friday and Saturday night. A sign up sheet will be at our registration table.

The ladies will be raffling door prizes. Membership dues for the Ladies Auxiliary will be only \$10.00 a year. The membership mailing is forthcoming. If you do not receive it, you may pay your dues at the Convention. Don't forget to bake! Feel free to contact me at 410-825-8224 or by mail at 1234 Knightswood Road, Baltimore, MD 21239.

ON A SAD NOTE:

Stella Ziska, past president of the Ladies Auxiliary, died after fighting a valiant battle with her illness. None of us will forget her tireless energy. We extend our deepest sympathy to her son and his family and to her relatives. May her memory be eternal.

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price increase. See the
attached membership
dues form at the end of
the Chronicle.*

TSINTZINIAN SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP STATUS:

J. Vournakis, Membership Secretary

In my report in the December issue of the Tsintzinian Chronicle, I congratulated the Society on having achieved a record year in 1996 in regard to number of paid members. Well, I now wish to provide you with some very significant facts and ask you all to focus on making 1997 an even better year. At this point we are in serious danger of slipping backwards in paid membership. You will see that we have plenty of room for growth, and I am sure that you agree with me that we cannot tolerate a reversal in our Society at this time in its history, as we are making such tremendous progress on so many other fronts.

Here are the facts:

1. The Tsintzinian Society has a membership mailing list that includes approximately 840 names and addresses. Of this list about 410 includes married couples. Thus, we have a total of close to 1,250 individuals, all potential due paying and card carrying members either as part of a family or as an individual. This number does not account for children members of a family, which would add a significant number to the total.

2. In 1996 we had approximately 300 dues paying members, many of whom included married couples. This represents about 36% of the 840 members on our mailing list, and generated approximately \$12,000 in revenues to the society. This was a good result and we should be proud of it!! But, we can do better.

3. Now for the bad news. As of today, only two months before Jamestown, we have only 109 paid memberships, including 65 married couples, or a total of 174 individuals. This represents only 13-14% of our Society's total membership, and revenues of less than \$5,000. This is a very poor result for so late in the year!

Therefore, we are offering the following incentive in order to stimulate you to pay your membership dues well in advance of the Convention; we will extend the time for payment of the reduced dues until June 20th. In other words the membership dues will be as indicated, below:

Family membership \$35.00 (after June 20th \$55)

Single membership \$25.00 (after June 20th \$30)

Senior single membership \$25.00 (after June 20th \$30) (Senior single members are those who are over 65 years of age who have lost their spouse and still wish to remain paid members of the Society)

Student membership \$20.00 (after June 20th \$25)

I hope that this extension of the reduced rates will give you stimulus to get out your checkbook and pay your dues today. We must surpass the final totals of 1996 if we are to continue to develop and improve our summer Convention and the other programs underway. Finally, I wish to inform you that we will be handing out the paid membership cards at the Convention, as we can save postage and mailing costs by doing so.

I thank those of you have paid their dues, and thank in advance those who will pay them prior to the Convention. If we continue to support our Society and work together, we can continue to enjoy this most important Tsintzinian aspect of our lives, i.e. the fruits of our heritage, reflecting on the immense sacrifices made by our courageous forebear's, those women and men who traveled from our Spartan villages to unknown towns and cities in America in which they were able to assimilate, make business and raise families. It is as a dedication to their memory that I appeal to you to support our Society with not only money, but with your participation in any way that you can.

Make plans now

for the 1997

Tsintzina

Convention.

Hope to see you

there!

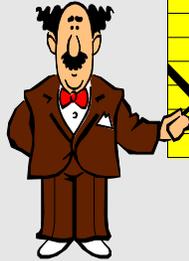
Jamestown, NY, Home Away From Home

Jamestown is a city in Chautauqua County, in southwestern New York, at the southern end of Chautauqua Lake. Jamestown's furniture industry dates from the 1870s. Among its many other manufactures are motor-vehicle parts, plywood, and machinery. Located in a fruit and vegetable-growing region, the city is also the focus of a summer resort area. A community college, a civic center, the Fenton Historical Center, and the Burgeson Wildlife Sanctuary are located here. The Chautauqua Institution (1874), a cultural center, is nearby. Jamestown is named for James Prendergast, who settled the area in 1811; it was incorporated as a city in 1886. Many Swedish immigrants settled in Jamestown in the mid-19th century, and their descendants comprise a significant number of the city's inhabitants.

140th Anniversary Convention: 1857-1997

by Peter Dickson

The Tsintzinian Community in America can celebrate many anniversary dates almost at any annual convention given the long time since they first came to America. But this year's national convention which is the 83rd to be held in a row (except for a couple of wartime postponements in 1917-18 and 1943-45) represents a very special anniversary, the 140th year since the first Tsintzinian arrived in this country. No other group of Americans can stake a claim even remotely close to this extraordinary phenomenon in social-ethnic history. Readers should review the April 1996 issue of the Tsintzinian chronicle which describes the story



about Spiros "Bazounos" Voulomanos who came to America in 1857, sixteen years before Barba Christos Tsakonias (C h a c o n a) . Voulomanos, however, did not play the pivotal role that Chacona did in luring other Tsintzinians to Chicago in the 1870s, 1880s and 1890s. Voulomanos did open the first Greek restaurant in America on Roosevelt Street in New York City near the famous Brooklyn Bridge. Peter Dickson is researching old New York telephone books from the late 1800s in the hope of finding out more about this restaurant and the other Greek businesses like Lekas & Drivas) on this street.

In sharing our fears, we become bolder. In sharing our losses, we become richer. In sharing our mistakes, we become wiser. In sharing ourselves, we become closer. Our lives were meant to be shared. Let's share our lives at the 1997 Convention!

Please cut and return with check



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1997 Tsintzina Society Membership Form

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The Mountain Range of Parnon

by Demetra Gregory (Greece)

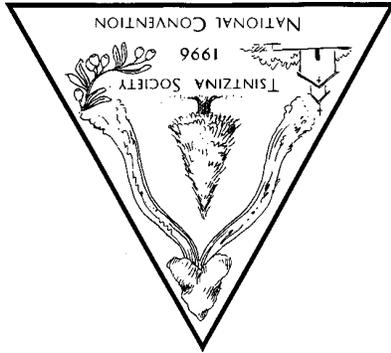
The derivation of its name is the same as the one of mountain Parnitha and Parnassos as well (situated in the region of Attiki). Parnon, so called from ancient sources, means "the shining top". Another name is Malevos, which came from the tribe of Arvanites. The mountain range of Parnon is a residual ridge, starting to rise 25 million years ago quite gently from the plateau. According to mythology, in Parnonas, close to the village, Petros at the top of "Fonemeni" and close to the ancient road to Karra; a village before Arahova, Pausanias (147 BC) had written about three huge rocks which marked the limits of three countries, Argos, Tegea, Lacedaemonia. Excavations around that area has shown an ancient temple devoted to Hermes, protector of the travelers and punisher of the trespassers of foreign

land. Close to those three rocks in Parnonas was a temple devoted to Dias Skotita (Dias of the Darkness) deity of death at the Meleos Drymos.

The mountain range of Parnonas begins in the hills of Pholiana at its north, and it runs for ninety kilometers in the southeasterly direction, reaching at its outermost spurs, the sea north of Monemvasia, near ancient Epidavros Limera. Geographically and geologically, Parnon is the continuation of the inner Arcadian chain known as Skiritis. There's plenty of blue-gray, coarse-grained marble (very durable), crystalline limestone, and schist. Fir woods grow in places at 1,750m. Alpine grasses are the means of livelihood on this area. The west part of Parnon is subdivided into two. The northern part to Goritsa is joined to Skiritis and to the Eurotas furrow as well, expanding to the west

and borders on the Spartan plain further south. Geologically, Skiritis is a continuation of the central Arcadian highlands but like Parnon, is distinguished from them by its substrate of schist. The latter subdivides naturally at Kaltezai into a northern and southern section, the hole forming an inverted triangle thirteen kilometers wide at the base and only four at the apex where it disappears. This mountain range is unique and can be found nowhere else but in Parnonas.

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