

TSINTZINIAN CHRONICLE

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The Convention Starts JULY 24th, 25th, 26th 27th

The dates now are set and the works are in place. This year will hopefully become another great event as was the 1996 Convention. One of our biggest challenges this year will be to get our members to commit and donate a few hours of their time during the conventions. The following are the areas that we need assistance: the membership desk, the KENTRIKON, parking assistance for the evening dances, ticket collection, the bar, and general assistance.

In the past years it's generally the same people who always commit, and give up their time to meet with their families while trying to serve our membership. We the BOARD ask each and everyone to donate just few hours to cover these important areas.

In the next issues of the Tsintzinian Chronicle we will publish and update the major events for the four days of the convention.

THURSDAY NIGHT

- 6:30 PM Great Tsintzinian COOKOUT. Enjoy the outdoors and get the chance to relax before the main events.
- 8:00 PM Enjoy an evening of dancing to Greek music. The bar will be open and setups will be provided.

FRIDAY

- Friday Registration starts at 8:00 am.
- BREAKFAST will be served until 11:00 am. There is not a better BREAKFAST in town for the price.
- Friday's Dinner served at 6:00 PM
- Friday's Children's Talent Show at 7:00 PM
- Friday's Dance 9:30 PM till 2:00 AM

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The President Speaks

Dear Members:

This is the second issue of The Chronicle this convention year and we hope that you continue to enjoy the articles and news that is made available to you.

As most of you know, once a year we plan to have a fundraising program. The purpose is to improve your property or to add to the general development fund. Last year we drew from our development fund to purchase a much-needed lawn tractor and plow, and also added playground equipment and a basketball court. This year we would like to blacktop the driveway area near the clubhouse. Walking on the stones and mud has drawn numerous complaints, especially from the ladies. In our next issue of The Chronicle, we will have estimates for these projects and hopefully make a successful appeal to our most generous members. Also, we would appreciate suggestions and comments.

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Convention Starts

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SATURDAY

- Registration all day.
- Breakfast @ 8:00 AM
- Family tree planting ceremony
- Family Photo sessions
- Special presentation (afternoon) to be announced
- Tsintzinian ART's festival 12:00 PM until 2:00 PM
- Photo Session 5:30 PM
- Dinner at 6:00 PM
- Dance from 9:30 PM until 3:00 AM
- The Great Coney Island Hot Dogs midnight

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

SUNDAY

- Good-bye's & Sendoff Breakfast. 7:30 till 10:00 AM
Be sure to read the Tsintzinian Chronicle for all the latest and greatest happenings!

Family Tree Planting

For the first time last year in the history of the Tsintzinian Society, there was an official tree planting ceremony. The Gregory family gathered their youngest and most senior members to share in this memorial event. The tree that was chosen was a Red Crimson Maple from the local tree merchant. The planting of trees on the property is not only for the beautification of the grounds but to replenish the downed and dying trees. It also is in memory of our past family members and to our future generations. It is a tree that we could watch grow from year to year to share with our children and their children into the future. The Board is now accepting names of families that would be interested in planting their family tree on the grounds. Ground stakes will

mark pre-assigned areas. The Board has information on which varieties are most suited to the area. The State of New York & Pennsylvania Departments of Agriculture have knowledge of which brand of trees will be disease free and have little maintenance, and give a nice bloom during the season of the convention. If your family would like to plant a tree this convention year, and would like to pick out special spot, please contact the Board or the Convention Chairman at the address of the Tsintzinian Chronicle, and we will forward your request. It's such a beautiful feeling to go back and see your family tree growing along with your children and representing your family roots. Believe me I know. We planted the first one last year.

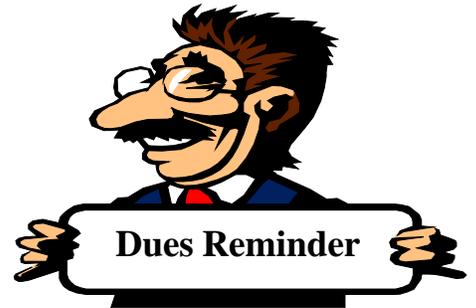
President Letter

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Thank you—We take this opportunity to thank all that have donated for all phases of our financial needs and we are approaching our goal that will free us of our long-term concerns.

Thank you all once again very, very much.

Pete Lambros



1997 Paid Members

The following is a list of paid members for the 1997 year as of March 14:

Andrews, Diane; Andris, Leon N.; Andris, Vanessa; Apostolou, George; Benekos, John P.; Brahos, James G.; Bukes, George S.; Camarinos, Tasso E.; Canelos, Bessie J.; Caravasios, George N.; Catsaros, Chris; Chacona, John G.; Chacona, Loy; Chacona, Nicholas J.; Chronis, Michael L.; Clinger, Richard G.; Colivas, Michael A.; Conomikes, Peter S.; Costianis, Chris L.; Costianis, Leonidas C.; Coustenis, Corneila; Cummings, Nick P.; Davis, Stephen C.; Demas, Michael; Dusckas, Constance J.; Dusckas, George J.; Dusckas, Nancy; Dusckas, James W.; Farmakis, Thomas N.; Gregory, John S.; Gregory, Nancy; Haller,

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In Search Of:

Each Chronicle we will be asking our members for certain articles of historical importance and items that they may be discarding or just tired of storing. We would appreciate your help.

The Clubhouse needs the following items:

- Dehumidifiers of any size
- Strands of Christmas tree lights in working condition (preferably outside lights)
- Volunteers to paint the Convention Hall, Boardroom & Historical Library (Pete Dickson has already volunteered and is looking for help. Donna Gregory is drafting the designs for the Boardroom in the era of the first meeting from the 1920's.)
- Old garden hoses (please not torn or unusable)
- A fax machine of modern vintage (must work)
- Answering machine, modern vintage in working order.
- More high chairs
- Plumbers to volunteer to snake "rotor-router" the kitchen pipes prior to the convention
- Tsintzinian's that are in the printing business, to achieve a lower printing cost for the Chronicle
- Businesses to advertise @ \$25.00 per advertisement in each

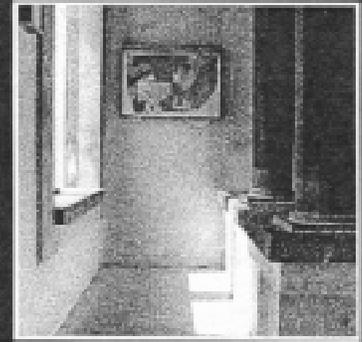
Chronicle to defer the cost of printing and mailing.

- Volunteers to help at the registration desk
- Volunteers to help make curtains & drapes for the main hall & Board Room.

Advertising in the Tsintzinian 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 issues get sent overseas to introduce the Tsintzinian Chronicle to where we might find lost relatives and historical information about our past. There

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are Congressmen, Senators, and even the White House that receive a copy of Chronicle. This year we are about to prepare documents to send a copy

of the Chronicle to the National Congressional Library for documentation and for people researching about our past history. 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.

FETA CHEESE: A Greek Tradition

Written by Demetra Gregory

According to the International Dairy Foundation, the main characteristic in classifying cheese is texture. Therefore, according to its consistency, we distinguish the following categories: soft, semihard, hard and fresh uncultured cheeses.

Feta is considered to belong to the soft cheese category because it is strained as much as to contain humidity up to 50 percent.

It is the most usual Greek cheese made of sheep milk, or half sheep and half goat milk, which matures in salt water (almi).

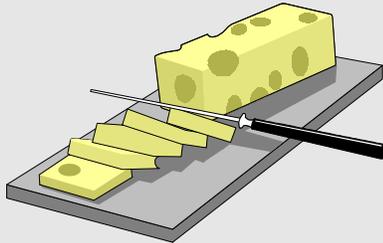
Feta cheese has a clean, snow white color with a pleasant, soft, sour taste and rich aroma. The mature Feta cheese should not exceed 56 percent humidity and it should contain at least 43 percent fat. Feta is the purest of all cheeses as it expires in a short period of time since it contains no preservatives.

Feta kinds are produced in other countries such as France, Denmark and Bulgaria. This cheese is NOT Feta. Last year, there was an issue brought to discussion in the European Common Market. Denmark claimed the trademark name for its white cheese products wishing to promote them as Feta cheese. The Danish were asked to vote. In a gallop, the Danish had to connect Feta to a country. They voted in majority Greece. The case was dropped; only Greece has the legal

right to produce Feta worldwide.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Good Feta has few holes or no holes at all.
- Feta has been known since ancient times in this region.
- Feta matures in two months.



- White cheese made of cow milk is produced in European countries and is claimed to be Feta. To Greeks, it is called Telemes (poor quality white cheese, very inexpensive - almost half price).

- Feta is produced of sheep and/or goat milk and is white in color.
- Feta kind white cheese is made of cow milk and is yellowish. To whiten, they add 15-20 mg of chlorophyll for every 100 kg of cow milk. If they add more, the cheese will accumulate a greenish hue.
- Sheep milk - 100 kg produces 25-27 kg of cheese.
- Goat milk - 100 kg produces 16-18 kg of cheese.
- Feta thickens in 34-36°C in 45-50 min., cut ideally in 9 cm. width. It is kept in 2-3°C to be sold.

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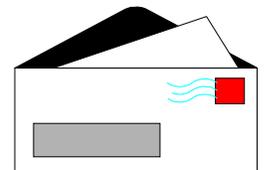
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From The Mailroom:

It's been a great past year here at the Mailroom but many of our members take for granted the enormous amount of work and effort it takes to keep your addresses updated. Close to 4000 Tsintzinian Chronicles were mailed during 1996, and over 237 address corrections were re-mailed to our concerned and important members. Most of the time you do not take the opportunity to send in the free address cards that can be obtained from the U.S. Post Office. We please ask, that when anticipating an address change, take the few moments to send the Tzintzinian Chronicle your new address. The cost of a re-mail is not only expensive but so very time consuming. Thank YOU for your HELP.



THE HISTORY CORNER

Tsintzinian Pioneers 115 Years Ago

An article in Athenian newspaper (Sphaira) 12 May 1882

Courtesy of Peter Dickson (Dikaios)

With surprise we read in yesterday's issue of Aionos, a report in which the writer describes the industrious and tradesmen's spirit of the Maniates, which no one doubts, as well as the development of farming and industry in their area; identifying many of those who emigrated to America as the names of Maniates.

We speak of "the writer" because the Aionos editor knows very well that the village of

Tsintzina, in the demos of Therapnon and Geraki (Geronthrae), from which these emigrants actually originated, are certainly not Maniati villages. These two communities belong to Lakonia, and Lakonia and Mani are different.

Having a detailed knowledge of the villages from which the emigration took place five years ago to America, it is our duty, belonging to the village of Kosma in Selinounta, and knowing most of those who emigrated, to provide information to the public about where they came from and when these men started to emigrate to America.

Five years ago in 1877 the first 12 to 15 men from Tsintzina went to America by chance and went into

various trades and especially the candy business. Since they sent money to their relatives, and some residents here, a second group of 40 went to America to seek the first group in the prosperous United States.

Following the first two groups who showed signs of prospering to their families, we saw in April about 70 arriving in Piraeus (port of Athens) of whom 16 were from

Geronthrae and Selinounto and the remainder from Therapnon, who were wearing European suits. They boarded a ship of the Florio line, and then transferred to another vessel in Italy for America.

But this tide of emigration did not stop because only two months later another 52 strong and healthy young men, who had arrived with axes and picks, and some of them in industry and trade, arrived in Piraeus and there transferred via Paris and Le Havre to cross the Atlantic.

Of these last two groups, we kept in contact with them for patriotic reasons, and we can provide a list of names obtained after they settled down and requested Greek newspapers and books to be able to obtain some news and keep up the

language. Here are their names:

Athanasios Politis, Georgios Giakas, Zoannis Benekos, Limperis Karavasos, Stavros Farmakis, Athanasios Gregoris, Georgios Giannios, Ioannis Voulomanos, Nikolaos P. Koumountzis, Ioannis Georgitsos, Konstantine Kostolambros, Nikolaos Pierros, Panayiotis Politis, Panayiotis I. Politis, Georgios N. Karavasos, Demitrios Kontos, Konstantine Anastopoulos, Nikolaos Tstetseris, Ioannis Giannios, Panayiotis Gerasirmos, Demitrios Politis, Ioannis Papaianou, Nikolaos D. Politis, Georgios Vlathothannis, Anastasios Liakos, Georgios Vlachos, Ioannis Seferlis, Emmanuel Apostolakis, Athanasios Karoumpas, Ioannis Christopoulos, Ioannis Papayou, Elias Antonakos, Panayiotis Floros, Panayiotis X.

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Where will you be staying during the convention? By Donna Gregory

Have you made your reservations for the upcoming convention? I have, and already many of our members have a nice bed and hot shower reserved for them in July. Don't be caught without a place to stay again this year. Last year many of our members were frantic the last few days and hours trying desperately to find any room in Jamestown and Warren or the surrounding area hotels. Once again some of the Hotels will be offering a discount to our members so make sure you are a member before the convention starts. The same hotels that offered a discount to us last year

have once again rolled out the red carpet. Remember you should request no smoking, cribs, extra cots, and such when you make the reservation. We encourage you to stay in the participating hotels so that we can possibly qualify for a larger discount. Sleep well and don't let the bed bugs bite!



Letters to the Editor:

Q. Is it possible to schedule the photo session later. The Golfers cannot make it in time prior to dinner Saturday night (concerned golfer)

A. Dear Tsintziniian member, Although we can sympathize with the golfers request, the best time to photograph the membership with the best possible lighting outside is that time. The answer would be play 9 holes and make the photo session.

Q. Last year there was restricted parking on the Club House Grounds, during the evenings for the Friday and Saturday night dance. Why?

A. For the safety of all we are now following the State and local ordinances concerning parking and easy

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Panagos, Athanasios Machairis, Panayiotis Poulemenakos, N. Pourtais, Arist. Rifakos, Georgios Lambrakis, Georgios Tsoutsos, Tomas Tsoutsos, Georgios Athanasopoulos, Ioannis Koutsouvitis, Anastasios Koumountzis, Ioannis Koumountzis, Elias Antonakos, Georgios Vlachos, all from Therapnon and Geronthron and Christos Bousanis, Panayiotis Simitzes, Nikolaos Michalaria, Georgios Stembekos, Panayiotis I. N. Sobanis, and Christos N. Tambakis from Seliountos.

A few of these men were under the age of 25, but most were married. According to our information, many others were getting ready to travel from the foregoing "demos" and from Glypias in Kynouria. It is possible that others from Mani and other parts of Greece also emigrated to America for a better future, but no one can deny that for the first time since the pre-historic Greek era, hundreds are leaving for a very distant world, and no one can tell what dimensions this will take.

The four above-mentioned

"demos" are principally agricultural where goats are raised, and it can be understood that this class of persons leave their homeland after the catastrophe they suffered this past winter to the goat flocks, and because of other problems of usury and the large profiteering by the cheese merchants and the other vexations of land owners. (The article concludes with a discussion of the potential evil effects of emigration to America for Greece.)

Letters to Editor

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access to the club house. In order to facilitate the FIRE DEPARTMENT in case of a fire either at the clubhouse or a car or van, there needs to be a cleared "fire lane" maintained at all costs. The Convention Chairman recognizes some of the inconvenience that this may cause. There will be some changes with better lighting in the parking area this year and the front gate in the evenings for the dance ONLY will be opened. This will make it

much easier to drop off your car-load prior to parking on the two assigned parking areas.

Q. Will the dinner serving change this year.

A. ABSOLUTELY (major changes & faster)

Q. Will there be any dance lessons this year.

A. We hope so, Were still waiting to hear and confirm.

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