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The President's Message:

My Fellow Tsintzinians,

Greetings to you all! I hope this Chronicle finds you well. Only a few short months until our reunion is upon us. I'm really looking forward to seeing the familiar faces and those who haven't been able to make it over the past couple years! We are reaching out like never before to share our fantastic experience with others. Our reunion is something unique and special, so please invite any family and friends who have never been but always hear your stories or know that you are always away the last weekend in July. We have a treasure in Jamestown and we should let more people experience why we celebrate our Tsintzinian heritage.

Speaking of celebrations, we have made some wonderful upgrades to the clubhouse! In case you haven't heard, we have air conditioning! The bathrooms have been completely updated and upgraded! We still have some projects on the list and there's always something new to fix with a 100+ year old building but we will get done what we can afford to get done when we can.

On that note, our next project is the kitchen. This past year we slashed the food and labor costs in half by bringing Chrissy and Roger Volk back. The overall poor condition of the kitchen is not how they left it several years ago. Because of such obstacles, the meals suffered a bit and I do apologize for that. We had a meeting on Sunday after brunch regarding plans to improve the situation and we're confident about the improvements to come.

As far as improvements go, we are constantly discussing how we can improve the experience that we all share. Sometimes we try new ideas. Sometimes we bring back old ideas. Sometimes we found ourselves reaching to far. And sometimes we found ourselves needing to focus a little more on certain specifics. You can't please all of the people all of the time but rest assured that we continue to strive for the best.

I implore you to come and visit this summer! Again, I will leave you with this timeless quote from George Gerasimos, who had the idea of our annual convention/reunion -

"Dear young Tsintzinian children: it is your duty to respect this patriotic monument.



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Follow the path which your love has opened for you. Work, that this achievement may become greater and better. We are sure that you will do better, yet if not, at least try to keep it as good and beautiful as today. That will be our sweetest relief after we depart from this world, the relief that our work was done to not perish."

I look forward to seeing all of you this JULY 25th through JULY 28th!
Thank you and God bless!

Blast From the Past: 60s and 70s



Announcements

Georgina Nickles Weds Walter Holder

Georgina Nickles and Walter Holder became Mr. and Mrs. Holder December 27th Georgina is the daughter of Irene Nickles and the late Peter B Nickles. Walter is the son of Jean Holder. Congratulations!!!!



Keep Those Articles and Announcements Coming...

Thanks to all who have helped this paper by sending articles to share with fellow Tsintzinians. It is only with your help that the paper will continue.

Please send news to...

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**Honored and Remembered
Tsintzinians**

Dr. Skevos M. Zervos

Dr. Skevos Michael Zervos, 92, passed away Feb. 18, at home surrounded by family and loved ones.

Born in Youngstown on July 29, 1926, the son of Dr. Michael S. and Chrisso (Petalas) Zervos, they returned to Greece in 1929 as a result of the Great Depression only to return to the States at the outbreak of World War II.

He graduated from South High in 1944. He briefly served in the U.S.



Army before leaving to earn a degree in Medical Surgery from the National and Capodistrian University in Athens, Greece, in 1958.

Dr. Zervos completed his medical residency with the Youngstown Hospital Association, focusing on surgery and family medicine. In 1961, he entered private practice with his father until his passing in 1963.

In recognition of his years of service, former Youngstown mayor, George Vukovich proclaimed April 13, 1983, as "Dr. Skevos M. Zervos Day."

His love for the city and people of Youngstown was only surpassed

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It's Time to Pay Our Dues!

Happy springtime, Tsintzinians! We're looking forward to seeing you over the long weekend of July 25-28. This summer will be the 126th year since our ancestors founded the Tsintzina Society. If you have not yet made your reservations to be in Jamestown, please do so NOW by visiting our website at www.tsintzinasociety.com. You'll see a number of local motels listed there, too. America's Best Value Inn offers a \$5 discount per night specifically for Tsintzinians. The hotel offers continental breakfast, a heated pool, and is about a mile from the clubhouse. But there are plenty of other motels in the area: see website!

Annual dues can be paid at the website, too. It's still only \$40 per adult or senior; \$60 per family; and \$100 at the benefactor level. Our operating expenses are \$24,500 per year to

- ◆ **maintain the clubhouse and its grounds**
- ◆ **pay the bills (electricity, gas, and phone), including the winter heating bills**
- ◆ **pay the property taxes**

We thank you in advance for your generous support!

And if you can't make it to Jamestown this year, please DO plan to be there next summer. Convention is always the final full weekend of July.

Margaret Manos, Membership Coordinator

Calling all Family Historians and Amateur Genealogists

Pauline Costianes and Margaret Manos are planning a family history & genealogy research workshop for Jamestown this summer. We'll share info & research tips and talk about ways to save and share family memories. Bring your family trees! Let's see how many cousinly connections we can discover among ourselves.

Meet you in our beautiful air-cooled clubhouse on Saturday afternoon, July 27!



Be sure to join the Tsintzina Society Facebook page!

JAMESTOWN REUNION SCHEDULE

Convention Chairman Update: Hey all! Hope all is well! I have been tasked with building a schedule for the convention and I am excited at the opportunity. Anyone that knows me knows that with our annual convention I love nothing more than for everything to be the same every year so everyone always know what to expect. The problem we have been facing is that a lot of our membership that comes every year is getting older and having the dance start at 10 just is not conducive to a positive experience for this the largest group of annual attendees.

What we tried last year was to have the dance start at a more reasonable hour and keep a DJ on after the band to try to accommodate EVERYONE in having the most enjoyable experience possible. Due to the overall positive response (I know not everyone) and to make sure our senior members and members with young families get to participate as much as possible we will (unless overwhelmingly vetoed) do the same this year.



For food we for a period of time were hiring caterers from nearby businesses to cater the Reunion but due to rising costs and difficulty with proper staffing on their end we have reached out to Chrissy and Roger (our former caretakers) who did an amazing job for many years in seeing to our needs. They tried a couple of new recipes last year and the feedback was mostly positive. Of course we all know that our own yiayias recipe will always be the right way but Chriisi did a great job last year and has already stated that she has ways of improving on last years recipes to bring some of our favorite flavors in to the food this year.

We have tried many times to bring our families together on the grounds with events like Youth Olympics, Bingo, Poker, etc and these our some of my favorite memories from our annual convention. In the past few years more and more families have been spending Friday and Saturday afternoon going on excursions to Beamus Point, golfing, boating, etc. We are going to have as many events at the clubhouse as possible but we dont want to ask people to volunteer to head these events up if there is no interest so this is where I am reaching out to you. We would love feedback on ALL Scheduled events but specifically: what events would you like to see at the clubhouse on Saturday? Greek Dance lessons, Greek cooking lessons, Bingo, Softball, Youth activities??? The list is literally endless.



- ◆ Tentative scheduled events for Thursday are 5:00 Registration, 6:00 Dinner, 8:00 Cards and Boardgames at the clubhouse
- ◆ Tentative scheduled events for Friday are 3:00 Bingo/Registration, 4:00 Dance Lessons, 6:00 Dinner, 8:00 Dancing with Nick Mouganis and the Ageans, 12:00 DJ
- ◆ Tentative scheduled events for Saturday are 2:00 12th Annual Tsintzinian Texas Hold'em Tournament, 3:00 Bingo/Registration, 4:00 Dance Lessons, 6:00 Dinner, 8:00 Dance, 12:00 Hot Dogs from the grill/Raffle, 12:30 DJ
- ◆ Tentative scheduled events for Sunday are 9:00 Breakfast

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by his love of his Greek heritage and Greek Orthodox faith. He was a member of St. John's Greek Orthodox Church in Boardman, serving on the board and was an active member of the Senior Citizens Club. He was a lifelong member of the Order of AHEPA and the Kalyrnian Society in Campbell, as well as serving as past president and board member of the Tsintzinian Historical Society in Chautauqua, N.Y.

Although Dr. Zervos' medical practice and the well-being of his patients came first and foremost, he also loved to spend time on his farm where he raised sheep, horses, and bred champion Weimaraners and enjoyed his customized tractors and nature.

He will be sadly missed by his wife of 48 years, Barbara (Georgetson) Zervos; his three daughters, Chryse (Michael) Ellinos of Boardman, Kaleroy Zervos of Mumbai, India, and Ria (Raul Jimenez) Zervos of San Jose, Costa Rica; and his grandchildren, Isabella and Michael Skevos Ellinos, and Sophia and Nikolas Jimenez-Zervos.

George J. Dusckas M.D.

George J. Dusckas, M.D., age 100, of Millcreek Township, passed away on Friday, March 8, 2019.

He was born on December 7, 1918 in Titusville, PA, the son of the late Anna and John Dusckas. He was a graduate of Cambridge Springs High School, cum laude, in 1936, attended Clarkson College in Potsdam, NY prior to receiving his medical degree from the University of Pitts

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burgh in 1945. Dr. Dusckas served his country with honor and distinction as a Captain in the US Army Medical Corps during WW II. Dr. George did a four-year residency in Ear Nose and Throat at Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, MI, practiced in Erie, PA for 46 years, and at the Veterans Administration for ten years.

He was a life-long member of the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church where he received "Father of the Year" in 1990.



He enjoyed all kinds of sports; especially the University of Pittsburgh Basketball and Pittsburgh Steelers Football.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lola, of twenty-seven years, who passed away in May of 1977. He is survived by his daughters: Ann Haller (David), Karen Martin (Jack), Sallie Capotis (Homer); one son, George J. Dusckas, Jr. (Gretchen), all of Erie, eleven grandchildren: Charla Hammel (Mike), Anna Haller, George Dusckas, III, Alexander Martin (Rachelle), Zachary Dusckas, M.D., Amanda Wawrzyniak (Andrew), Alexandra Pribonic (Anthony), Andrew Martin, Christopher Capotis, Ariadne Capotis, Georgia Capotis, and nine great-grandchildren:

A 2-story Greek restaurant and market opens in Midtown

Fournos Theophilos — a Greek-focused restaurant and market reminiscent of the Eataly food hall — debuts in **Midtown** this week, bringing with it an all-day Mediterranean menu, yogurt bar, and bakery.

Starting Thursday, October 4, the two-story restaurant will offer breakfast, lunch, and dinner, as well as quick bites prepared by chefs **Yannis Tsiakos** and **Dionisis Liakopoulos**, who are from Greece. The ground floor of the 5,200-square-foot space at 45 W. 45th St., between Fifth and Sixth Avenues, will be a fast-casual venue, while the upstairs portion will be reserved for table-service seating.

Pastries and sandwiches are on that first floor, offering Greek pies like the spinach-onion-and-dill-filled *spanakopita* and "pie cups," which Liakopoulos



describes as a deconstructed version of traditional Greek pies. A yogurt bar will also be there, and a separate market will offer a selection of products like olive oil from southern and western Greece, Kalamata olives, and spreads for purchase. Coffee, milkshakes, and smoothies will also be available.

An open kitchen sits at the back of the space, where diners can order larger entrees, salads, sides, and soups. The two floors fits up to 80 diners total, with half downstairs and half upstairs, but the upstairs portion is reserved for table-service only. Take-out will also be offered, and a brunch menu is in the works. No dish will be priced over \$12, Liakopoulos says.

The interior takes inspiration from Greek bakeries with white tile, natural wood, and black metal decor. Dishes prepared by Tsiakos and Liakopoulos are intended to stay true to the flavors of their native country, from pastries like cheese-filled Cretan pies drizzled with honey to larger entrees like the braised lamb leg and chickpeas.

Liakopoulos, who previously worked at shuttered UES Greek spot 1633, says he and his partner found that most Greek restaurants in the city are too similar. Fournos is meant to be a broader showcase of Greek fare that matches what the duo knows from their home country. Instead of offering one Greek salad option, the restaurant will serve four variations of salads, including one made with roasted cherry tomatoes, sea salt, aged vinegar, and feta.



Eataly-like food halls that revolve around one cuisine are picking up steam in NYC. There's Japan Village, a big Japanese-themed food hall and market set to open fall in Industry City; and Mercado Little Spain, which will offer Spanish dining from several restaurants and stalls set up within the Hudson Yards development slated for completion in spring 2019. And there's also Le District, a French market and restaurant complex that opened in 2015.

Greece Culture

<https://www.greeka.com/greece-culture/>

Greece is a country of great interests and diverse cultures, influenced by its location, at the junction between the East and the West and by the many occupations of the Greek people throughout history.

In general, the Greeks are particularly proud of their culture and speak of their country with an intense passion, feeling that the **culture in Greece** is a definition of their national and ethnic belonging. Traditions, religion, music, language, food and wines are the major composites of the culture in Greece and constitute the base for those who wish to visit and understand today's country.

Greek Culture: Aspects of the culture in Greece

Below we propose information about the main aspects of the Greek culture today: language, traditions, religion, food, music and more.



Language

Language constitutes one of the most important elements of the Greek culture. Modern Greek language is a descendant of the Ancient Greek language and is affiliated to the part of the Greek or Hellenic branch of Indo-European. The first written Greek was found on baked mud tablets, in the remains of the Knossos Palace of Crete island. Linear A and Linear B are the two most ancient types of written language in Greece.

History

Greece is a country with a very rich history from Bronze age, to classical period, Roman period, Ottoman period and more. It also famous worldwide for many **famous people** and their actions throughout centuries. This section proposes information about the history of Greece but provides also information about the significance of the flags, a list with most famous archaeological sites, historical monuments and Unesco Sites in Greece.

Geography

Geographically Greece is a mountainous peninsula surrounded by water. Due to the 13,676 km of coastline and the 2,000 **Greek islands**, of which only 168 are inhabited, the Greeks developed since the ancient times a strong connection with the sea. This is why the Greeks have a long tradition in navigation, ship building and marine trade, which historically led to interconnection with other people. As the country is located on the corner spot between Europe, Asia and Africa, the Greek culture is actually a mixture of European and Eastern elements.

Greek Websites

These are a couple Greek websites that have interesting articles:

Greek News, Food and Recipes from Greece

<https://www.pappaspost.com/>

Culture in Greece and society today

<https://www.greeka.com/greece-culture/>

Culture of Greece - history, people, clothing, traditions, women, beliefs, food, customs, family

<https://www.everyculture.com/Ge-It/Greece.html>

Greece Genealogy Genealogy

https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Greece_Genealogy

Your Ethnic Heritage › Greek Genealogy

<https://www.familytreemagazine.com/premium/greek-genealogy-research-guide/>

Greek Genealogy

<http://hellenicgenealogygeek.blogspot.com/>

Spartan Roots

<https://spartanroots.wordpress.com/>

Hellenic Genealogy Blog

<https://gkfamilytrees.wordpress.com/2014/02/23/georgia-keilman-stryker/>



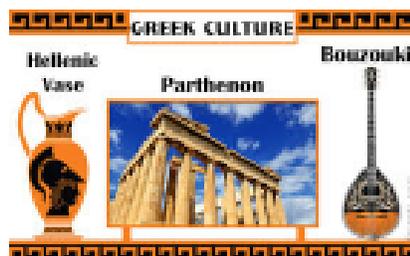
Greek History Timeline

- 3000 BC:** Minoan civilization begins on Crete
- 1550 BC:** Mycenaean culture develops on the Greek mainland
- 776 BC:** First games held at Olympia
- 546 BC:** Persian Empire conquers Greece
- 431 BC:** Peloponnesian War breaks out
- 336 BC:** Reign of Alexander the Great begins
- 146 AD:** Romans conquer the Greek Empire
- 1054:** The Great Schism divides the Catholic church
- 1453:** Constantinople falls; Ottoman Turks invade Greece
- 1821:** Greek War of Independence begins
- 1833:** Greece becomes a kingdom
- 1896:** First modern Olympiad held in Athens
- 1912:** Balkan Wars with Turkey begin
- 1946:** Greek Civil War begins
- 1952:** Greece joins NATO
- 1967:** Giorgios Papadopoulos leads a military coup
- 1974:** Turkey invades Cyprus
- 1975:** Democracy is restored
- 1981:** Greece joins the European Community (now Union)
- 2004:** Athens hosts the Summer Olympics
- 2010:** Greece faces a major debt crisis

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Traditions & customs

Traditions in Greece and Greek Islands either have a religious character or come from paganism. Furthermore, most of the traditions and festivals still followed and celebrated today are religious. That is why so many panigiria are organized in the country, which are actually religious celebrations of saints followed by traditional music and dance in the square of the village. These panigiria are a strong element of the Greek culture and take place all year round, especially in summer.



Religion

Religion plays an important role in the understanding of daily culture. The 98% of the Greeks are Christians Orthodox. The rest of the population are Muslims, Roman Catholics and Jewish. Greece and Russia are the only countries to have such a big proportion of Christians Orthodox. The Orthodox Church forms the third largest branch of Christianity, after the Roman Catholics and the Protestants.



Music

The Greek music is of unbelievable diversity due to the creative Greek assimilation of different influences of the Eastern and Western culture of Asia and Europe. Music in Greece has a long history dating from the ancient times, during which poetry, dancing and music were inseparable and played an important part in the ancient Greek everyday life and culture.

To see the entire article go to <https://www.greeka.com/greece-culture/>

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Please send me feedback at geosfikas@gmail.com with your opinions, feedback, and what events would keep you and your families at the clubhouse for the day to mix and catch up with each other.

Again this schedule is tentative and I hope you all take the time to send feedback. What would you like to see added to the schedule, removed from the schedule, changed on the schedule, etc? This convention is for ALL of you the members and if there is something we CAN do to make it a better experience I will bend over backwards to make it happen. Hope to hear from you soon and look forward to seeing you all at the end of July!!!

Hotels and Motels in Jamestown

America's Best Motel

(716) 488-1904
1 mile
620 Fairmount Avenue
Jamestown, NY 14701

Quality Inn (formerly Comfort Inn)

(716) 665-3670
7 miles
1980 E. Main Street
Falconer, NY 14733
\$109 – 129
5-15 rooms can be blocked off
They can do a special quote// month
headsup

Budget Inn

(716) 665-4410
6 miles
214 E. Main Street
Falconer, NY 14733
\$70 – 80

Hampton Inn & Suites

716 484-7829
4 West Oak Hill Road
Jamestown, NY 14701

La Quinta Downtown Jamestown

(formerly Best Western)
(716)-484-8400
3 miles
200 West Third Street
Jamestown, New York, 14701
\$159 -164-179
Lq7203gm@laquinta.com

Clarion Jamestown

(866)-538-6194
3 miles
150 W. 4th Street
Jamestown, NY 14701

Comfort Inn Jamestown

(716) 664-592
4 miles
2800 N. Main St. Extension
Jamestown, NY 14701

Tsintzina Dues

The Tsintzina Society relies on dues to pay the bills and maintain the building. Please take part in your Society and pay your 2019 dues. Use the enclosed form on page 9 or use the Paypal site from the Tsintzinian website. Remember, to enjoy and secure our heritage, pay your dues. Thank you and make plans for the convention.



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Come to the Tsintzina Society Reunion

July 25 – July 28

Dues are an important part of maintaining our clubhouse and our Society. Please pay your dues.



You can pay your dues, donate money, or pay your registration fee for the Reunion using Paypal on our website at <http://www.tsintzinasociety.com>.

This year's Reunion will mark the 126th Anniversary of the Tsintzinian Reunion. Celebrate this milestone with us by attending the 2019 Reunion!!!

THE TSINTZINIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA



Dear Tsintzinians,

Every year we ask you to pay dues. Your contributions keep our society going year-round, not just one weekend a year. We ask you to pay dues every year even if you do not attend the annual reunion. Why? Because without your dues money, we cannot keep the club in operation.

A few families routinely donate more than their share to help the society build up and maintain its reserves. We are endlessly grateful for their generosity, but we know it is unfair to ask them to be stewards for the whole society. It is up to each one of us to contribute the money the society needs to remain viable. This year we are asking all of you to contribute a little more than dues.

We need a new roof and still have not raised the necessary funds. We have been patching the leaks, but the roof is old and worn out. A new roof will cost a minimum of \$40,000. We do not want to completely deplete our endowment fund; therefore, any extra funds you contribute beyond your dues will go directly into the endowment fund. We thank you in advance for this support.

Our yearly operating expenses are \$22K per year. We use your dues payments to:

- maintain the clubhouse and rounds
- pay the bills (electricity, gas, and phone), especially the winter heating bills of about \$250 per month
- pay the property taxes

Our young people are stepping up to pay their dues early this year because they want to support the heritage their elders have given them. Please join them in supporting our society. Σας ευχαριστούμε!

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