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## AHEPA Mount-Royal Chapter Newsletter

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### Message From Our President

Dear Brothers,

Over 2300 years ago the Greek philosopher Aristotle said ***“What is the essence of life? To serve others and to do good.”***



Volunteering plays a crucial role in fostering community connections and promoting social cohesion. When individuals dedicate their time and skills to help others, they not only support those in need but also create a sense of belonging and shared purpose within their communities. This engagement can bridge gaps between diverse groups, enhancing understanding and empathy. The relationships built through volunteer work often extend beyond the immediate service, cultivating networks that can lead to further collaboration and positive change.

**Volunteering is integral to AHEPA’s mission.** Here are several reasons why it’s essential:

1. **Community Impact:** Volunteers drive many of AHEPA's initiatives, from fundraising events to cultural festivals. Their efforts have a direct impact on enhancing community life and supporting those in need.
2. **Personal Growth:** Engaging in volunteer work helps individuals develop valuable skills, build confidence, and gain experience. It fosters a sense of accomplishment and purpose.
3. **Civic Responsibility:** Volunteering cultivates a sense of responsibility and awareness of social issues. It encourages individuals to become informed and active participants in their communities.
4. **Building Connections:** Through volunteering, members create strong bonds with each other and with the broader community. These relationships enrich lives and strengthen networks, fostering a supportive environment.

**The bottom line is that we all have busy schedules and responsibilities, and if we want our chapter to succeed and grow we must all make an effort to invest a few hours of our time per month to participate in meetings, show up at events and help out. .**

Fraternally  
Timothy P. Tzanakos,  
Chapter President

### Chapter Meeting

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

6:30 P.M.—8:30 P.M.

3700 Rue Griffith

Suite: 67

St. Laurent, Qc., H4T2B3

### Hybrid Meeting Agenda

(On site & Video Conference)

1. Call meeting to Order
2. Opening prayer
3. Roll Call of officers
4. Minutes of previous meeting
5. Business arising from the minutes
6. Correspondence
7. Treasurer’s Report
8. Bills against the lodge
9. Committees
  - Roast ‘n’ Toast event
  - Greek History Tournament
  - Christmas party
  - Valentine’s Ball
10. For the good of the Order
11. Closing prayer
12. Closing of Meeting

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On June 25th, 2024 some of the members of the Montreal AHEPA Family St. Valentine's Ball Committee and the AFCFC Foundation presented the final cheque of \$51,000.00 to the CHU Ste-Justine Foundation at the hospital.

Present were, James Hutchison, PDG23 and Chairman of the St. Valentine's Ball, Sister Zambetoula Betty Drakontaidis, Cochair of the St. Valentine's Ball and Treasurer of the Daughters of Penelope Meandros Chapter 168, Sevasti Tachtsidis, President of Daughters of Penelope Meandros Chapter 168, Honorary Chairperson and MP Emmanuella Lambropoulos and Emmanuel Constans, President of the Canadian Order of AHEPA.



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**Montreal AHEPA Mount-Royal CJ7  
Roast 'n' Toast Dinner & Dance  
In Honour Of Brother, James Hutchison PDG23**



**Saturday, October 12, 2024  
6:30 P.M.**

**Palace Convention Centre  
1717 Boul. le Corbusier, Laval, QC H7S 2K7**

Music by:



**DJ MAMA EITA**  
ALEXANDRA SEVAPSIDI

**\$99<sup>00</sup>**

**Includes**

- 4 Course meal
- 2 Bottles of wine per table
- Cash bar
- Greek Music
- Dancing
- \$500 Door Prize

For MOA, SOP & Students \$80.00  
Raffle tickets will be available for additional prizes

Design: Tzanakos

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Pay for your ticket via Interac e-transfer to: [montreal@ahepa.ca](mailto:montreal@ahepa.ca)

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## Ottawa 6th Annual Golf Tournament.

Congratulations to the Ottawa AHEPA Chapter on the success of their 6th Annual Golf Tournament held on September 8th in memory of Brother Mike Siatras.

The Chapter donated another \$10,000 to the Hellenic School of Ottawa.





## ORDER OF AHEPA ELECTIONS

Dear Members,

We are thrilled to share the exciting results from the 102nd AHEPA Supreme Convention held in beautiful Cyprus on July 25, 2024.

### Re-elections!

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to **Savas Tsivicos**, who was re-elected as the Supreme President of AHEPA. Additionally, **Emmanuel Conostas** will continue to lead as the President of the Canadian Order of AHEPA (COA).

### New Executive Committee

The Supreme Lodge's executive committee comprises dedicated leaders who will guide us through the upcoming year:

- Supreme Vice President: **Chris Kaitson**
- Supreme Secretary: **Dr. Zenon Christodoulou**
- Supreme Treasurer: **Themis Frangos**
- Supreme Counselor: **Demetrios Kirkiles**

We are pleased to announce that **Chris Atsaves** has been reappointed as the Supreme Athletic Director, with **Ted Vitas** continuing in his role as the Supreme Advisor to the Sons of Pericles.

### Canadian Order of AHEPA Leadership

On the Canadian front, the COA has an impressive executive team as well:

- Vice President: **Anastasios Moussas**
- Treasurer: **James Hutchison**
- Secretary: **George Albanis**

### Daughters of Penelope

We also celebrate Margaret Dritsas, who has been elected as the Grand President of the Daughters of Penelope.

Congratulations to all our newly elected and re-elected officers! We are excited about the leadership and vision they bring to our organization.

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## AHEPA Demands Global Release of 'Famagusta' on Netflix

September 9, 2024

Upon news of reports citing Turkish Radio and TV Supreme Council's (RTUK) announcement that popular streaming platform Netflix will no longer be broadcasting "Famagusta," outside of Greece, due to pressure applied by RTUK, Supreme President Savas C. Tsivicos has taken action.

Greek-Cypriot co-production "Famagusta" recounts the story of the 1974 invasion of Cyprus, an event that still deeply affects millions of Cypriots today. However, following lobbying efforts from RTUK, Netflix has made the decision to limit the series to air only in Greece, thereby silencing this vital chapter of history for global audiences.

In a letter to Netflix CEO and Greek-American Ted Sarandos, Tsivicos expresses disappointment in Netflix cowering to RTUK's demands to prohibit "Famagusta" from being viewed by a global audience, and points out what a detriment they are doing to the remembrance of Turkey's brutal invasion of the Republic of Cyprus.

## District Governors Convene in Nation's Capital



During the weekend of September 21st, representatives came from every corner of the AHEPA Domain to Washington, DC in order to participate in the AHEPA Family Leadership Conference and discuss plans for the upcoming year, membership initiatives, and much more.

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