



HERITAGE GREECE ALUMNI IN SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA



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PRESERVING & CELEBRATING HERITAGE

NHSTALKS

The National Hellenic Society extends our warmest regards and best wishes to our members and friends. Let us be grateful that despite the sacrifices and interruption of our routines most of us have what we need with our health at the top of the list.

The Heritage Greece Program has been postponed until next year. The Program's spirit lives on as students from our partner institution, the American College of Greece conduct Greek language lessons for the Heritage Greece Alum and this year's Heritage Greece candidates. The informal sessions are for beginner, intermediate and advanced students, and open to NHS members and their families (contact us for more info).

The NHS is also launching a web-based series of special presentations featuring NHS members and other experts on a wide range of themes and topics. *NHS Talks* will be hosted by NHS member, John Metaxas, a

network news anchor presently on CBS and Bloomberg Business Radio.

NHS will also launch the NHS *Heritage Greece Plus* Program. A featured series that centers around *A Guide to Greek Traditions and Customs in America* authored by Marilyn Rouvelas, the wife of NHS Board Member, Manny Rouvelas. The book and program will showcase all things Greek and will be co-hosted by the anchors of radio program, Radio Olympus, a popular show previously featured on WTOP news network in Washington.

Season III of, *My Greek Table*, will air on Mothers Day Weekend on PBS Stations nationwide. The award winning series will focus on Greek island and coast area culture, traditions and their *kouzina*. Master Chef Diane Kochilas will provide us a needed escape by bringing a little bit of Greece to our homes. NHS and several NHS members and their companies are sponsors of *My Greek Table*.

Thanks to our members support, ideas and engagement, we shall celebrate, disseminate and pass on our incredible Heritage to future generations!



Celebrating Heritage

NHS members enjoy an exclusive luncheon and tour at the Metropolitan Museum of Art with Curator in Charge of Greek & Roman Art, Sean Hemingway, Grandson of the legendary, Ernest Hemingway.

NHS Chapter Highlights



Photos

Top: NHS NY lunch with special guest speaker Dr. Stelios Papadopoulos; Middle: NHS Boston Chapter Members experience a Greek Wine Dinner Tasting; Bottom: NHS DC Mentor/Mentee Meet & Greet gather to benefit Heritage Greece/Heritage America and PanHellenic Scholarship Alumni.

NHS Chapters

NHS Chapters celebrate Hellenic heritage through fun, informative and inspiring events. For updates, check the [NHS' website](#).

NHS New York



Congratulations to NHS Co-Chairs and Dr. John Frankis and his team for hosting the first annual Heritage Greece Poker Tournament. The event raised over \$100K for Heritage Greece Scholarships. Thanks to Dr. Frankis, NHS will sponsor 100+ Greek American students on the 2021 Heritage Greece Program. Dr. Frankis' daughter, Lia, attended the Heritage Greece Program in 2018. Dr. Frankis saw the impact and the benefits of the Program first-hand. This inspired him and his team to ensure that other students have the opportunity to participate in this life-changing Program. **AXIOS** Dr. Frankis!

NHS HERITAGE GREECE ENDOWMENT

NHS is grateful to NHS members, Sotiri and Lea Soupata, for their \$100K pledge to launch the NHS Heritage Greece Endowment Program which will forever secure the long-term future of NHS' signature Program. Thanks to Lea, who served as a senior executive at UPS (Director of Human Resources) for serving as a mentor to several Heritage Greece Alumni.



Support for the 2019 Heritage Greece Program by the Elios Charitable Foundation and American Hellenic Council, Hellenic Heritage Foundation, Behrakis Family Foundation and individual NHS members' grants ensures continued growth of the Heritage Greece Program.

IN MEMORIAM



NHS dedicates this Newsletter to our beloved First Lady of the American College of Greece, the late Susan Horner. Our sympathies and best wishes to Dr. David Horner and his family. We cherish Sue's memory, smile and the impact she had in shaping the Heritage Greece Program. In her memory, NHS will establish the Sue Horner Memorial Scholarship Award commencing with next year's Heritage Greece Program. We celebrate her life in tandem with the 200 year anniversary of Greece's War of Independence representing freedom, democracy, and hope. Her Memory Eternal!

