



ORDER OF AHEPA

The American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA) was founded in Atlanta, July 26, 1922. AHEPA has become the largest and oldest American-based Greek heritage grassroots membership organization. Its founding is a noble one—to combat the evils of bigotry, discrimination, and prejudice faced by people of all backgrounds. AHEPA also helped Greek immigrants assimilate into American society.

Today, AHEPA brings the ideals of ancient Greece, which includes philanthropy, education, civic responsibility, family and individual excellence to the community through service and volunteerism. Its mission, to promote the ideals of Hellenism, was based on a commitment to humanity, freedom, and democracy - three ideals that had their roots in ancient Greek civilization.

Although a majority of the membership is composed of Americans of Greek descent, application for membership is open to anyone who believes our mission. Notable AHEPANS amongst others were Presidents Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman, and Gerald Ford. With chapters across the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Europe and South America, AHEPA's mission is clearly fulfilling its purpose.

Some of AHEPA's Accomplishments:

- U.S. War Bond Drive, World War II, AHEPA raised \$300 million.
 - In the mid 1970s the AHEPA National Educational Foundation is formed. Over \$3 million endowed at the local, district and national levels.
 - AHEPA Cooley's Anemia Foundation established in the late 1970s to issue grants to medical researchers and doctors to discover a cure for this disease. The foundation issued grants in the amount of \$90,000 in 1997. In 2005, \$50,000 was contributed to Children's Memorial Hospital of Chicago to help purchase the latest in medical technology. In 2011, \$50,000 donated towards research.
 - AHEPA National Housing Corporation formed in 1983 to pursue housing projects from HUD. Today, HUD commitment to AHEPA National Housing Corporation has accumulated to over \$500 million. Over 90 AHEPA Section 202 HUD projects, in 29 states and 41 cities for low-income senior citizens are completed or are in development.
 - AHEPA Bone Marrow Registry established in late 1980s to help find donors for the bone marrow transplants.
 - The AHEPA family raised \$220,000 for victims of the Athens earthquake, September 7, 1999.
 - Over \$150,000 was raised for National Tragedy Relief following the terrorist attacks of September 11.
 - 2012, over \$150,000 raised for Greek aid towards purchase of food for the needy.
- Join AHEPA Today. It is fast and easy. Simply click on the "Join Now" button found at www.ahepa.org.



EUGENE T. ROSSIDES

Gene Rossides is a retired senior partner of the international law firm of Rogers and Wells now Clifford Chance. He served as Assistant Secretary of the U.S. Treasury Department from 1969 to 1973, where he supervised the U.S. Customs Service, Secret Service and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms among others. He served as a U.S. Representative to INTERPOL from 1969 to 1973. In 1982-1984, he served as a member of the Executive Committee of the Grace Commission, the President's Private Sector Survey on Cost Control in the Federal Government.

Mr. Rossides received his B.A. degree from Columbia College in 1949. As an undergraduate he received All-American football honors. He earned his J.D. degree from Columbia Law School in 1952. In 1972, he was awarded the Columbia University Medal for Excellence and the Young Lawyer's Award from the Columbia Law School Alumni Association. In 1994, he received the Columbia College John Jay Award.

Mr. Rossides is the chief import editor since 1979 of the Bureau of National Affairs (BNA) International Trade Reporter and author of its Reference File. He is the author of *Kissinger & Cyprus – A Study in Lawlessness* (2014) published by American Hellenic Institute Foundation, and the editor of *The Truman Doctrine of Aid to Greece: A Fifty Year Retrospective* (1998); *Greece's Pivotal Role in World War II and Its Importance to the U.S. Today* (2001); and *The United States & Cyprus: Double Standards & the Rule of Law* (2002).

From 1958 to 1961, he was Assistant to the Treasury Under Secretary. In 1956-1958, he was an Assistant Attorney General, New York, in the Bureau of Securities. In 1952, he was in the Rackets Bureau on the staff of New York County District Attorney Frank S. Hogan.

He is a founding director of the Eisenhower Institute; the founder and a director of the American Hellenic Institute, Inc. (AHI), and the American Hellenic Institute Foundation (AHIF). Mr. Rossides is a former legal officer for the Air Materiel Command, U.S. Air Force (1952-1953); a member of the Greek Orthodox Church; the Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Fund; the Order of St. Andrews; and the Order of the AHEPA. On October 8, 2014 he received the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the House of Representatives of Cyprus. President of the House, Yiannakis Omirou, presented a medal to Mr. Rossides as a token of their gratitude for a lifetime of dedication to Cyprus and its cause.

He resides in Washington, D.C., with his wife Aphrodite. He has four children and six grandchildren.



Cyprus Children's Fund, Inc.

2015 Annual Testimonial Dinner

Honoring

AHEPA The Humanitarian and Philanthropic Award

and

MR. EUGENE T. ROSSIDES The Cyprus Children's Fund Recognition Award



Saturday, March 21, 2015
6:00 p.m.

Terrace on The Park
Flushing Meadows Park, NY 11368

Cyprus Children’s Fund, Inc.

We care for the children of Cyprus

Origins and Evolution

In the aftermath of the brutal Turkish invasion and occupation of Cyprus in the summer of 1974, Greeks around the world rallied to the aid of the Cypriot people. The Cyprus Children’s Fund, Inc., was established then as a one-on-one sponsorship program. Its primary scope was to provide relief and aid to the thousands of refugee children and their families. Over the years, this program has evolved into one that seeks to assist refugee and non-refugee children alike.

These children are helpless human beings, unable to affect changes in their lives, living under circumstances beyond their control. The Department of Social Welfare in Cyprus refers these children to the Cyprus Children’s Fund, through the Ministry of Labor and Social Insurance. Selection is made after compilation of information and examination of each case; determination of the status is based on strict criteria of need. Many children need emotional support through foster parent contact, as well as financial support, which they receive through the Cyprus Children’s Fund sponsorship of \$20 per month (minimum).

Currently, 40% of the children receiving aid, originate from displaced families. They represent problems of abandonment, single parenthood, substance abuse, neglect and other ills. Other cases include children of parents who battle mental illness and enclaved children (living in the Turkish occupied parts of Cyprus).

Societal Offerings To These Children

The cost of the Cyprus Children’s Fund sponsorship is only 66 cents a day, \$20 per month. Your donation reaches a child in its totality. For this small

amount you can make a difference to a youngster’s life – share your kindness with one of the many children who need the caring of a stranger to help them in their lives. You provide support and security to orphaned, abandoned, underprivileged and enclaved children who continue to live in the Turkish occupied village of Rizokarpaso. For many families, the disintegration of life continues. Many are still caught in the grip of helplessness and dysfunction. A donation is a practical way to provide financial and moral assistance.

CCF Scholarships

Cyprus Children's Fund, Inc grants scholarships to students of Greek and Cypriot descent that study full time in American Universities and who cannot afford tuition on their own. The selection of the awards take place in New York each year, after the applications have been completed (Deadline April 30). The Fund awards an approximate amount of \$50,000 per year.

CCF supports initiatives to help underprivileged Cypriot children

Cyprus Children's Fund supported a newly established organization “The Independent Social Support Body”, with a \$25,000 donation. “The Independent Social Support Body” is headed by the First Lady of the Republic of Cyprus, Mrs. Andri Anastasiades; it aims to help Cypriot students who cannot afford tuition on their own. CCF has also donated the amount of \$43,000 to the Church of Cyprus, in order to support the goal of reducing the struggle of children in poverty.

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