

AS OF 1990 Material Compiled and dated

- 1880- Names of Individuals here
- 1890 Names of other arrivals
- 1900- First Church gathering
- 1901-First Constitution
- 1905- Letters of Agreement to Purchase Church Bldg.
- 1910-Original Deeds to Church
- 1908- Charter of Community
- 1913- Bills
- 1915 Baptizmal Records
- 1919-Ladies Society Founded
- 1921 Petition to Court
- 1921- Ladies Society deased to exist Feb
- 1926 Hellenic American Educational Society
- 1933 -discontinued
- 1935- FEB 30th, Union formed between Evangelismos & St. Geor
  
- 1926- Greek Ladies Society "Nausica" organized
- 1926- John Creticos Served as Creek Consul before it moved to New York
- 1925- Formation of St. Georges' Church
- 1941 Athena Society Fund used to purchase Chestnut Street "Diogenis"
- 1945- St. Demetrios Church formed by Evangelismos (Father Sta)
- 1950- Cemetery at Fernwood plots purchased by Church Evangel
- 1947- First issue of newsletter "FOS" (the Light

1890

Εὐδαιμόνιος	Βασίλειος
Γαλαξίας	Παύλος
Σεβαστιανός	Παύλος
Τεσσαρταίος	Παύλος
Τεσσαρταίος	Δοκίμος - ο Μανασσῆς
Τεσσαρταίος	Τραβήσας
Δυοῦριος	Βασίλειος
Βασίλειος	Γαβριήλ
Παρακλῆτος	Γαβριήλ
Βασίλειος	Γαβριήλ
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Σταμάτιος	Μηνόμοιος
Δυοῦριος	Μηνόμοιος
Τεσσαρταίος	Μηνόμοιος
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November 18th, 1989

ing the Records Copied to Date from the Originals which are to be  
sed in the Museum-Library upon its establishment, are as follows:

EVANGELISMOS CHURCH

MEMBERSHIP LISTS

1907  
1909  
1920 to 1926

CONTRIBUTORS & DONATIONS

1902  
1907  
1909  
Pledges-1921

BY-LAWS & CONSTITUTION

1907  
1907  
1915  
1918  
1925

COPIES OF MINUETS

1908

BAPTIZMAL RECORDS STUBS

1908 1918 1927 \*\*\*\*\*5 books  
1911 1919  
1921 1923

LEDER BOOK-Receipts & Expenses

1907 1936  
1914 1942  
1910 1915  
1914 1925

LISTS

pages-new members  
pages old members

AGREEMENTS

CHURCH PURCHASE 1908  
ADDITIONAL 1911  
5 lots  
MORTGAGE BOND & WARRANT  
RS

Letter John Creticos to Committee-1917

CHARTER

1908

CHECK STUBS

1929-1931  
1938-1940

OTHER SOCIETIES

ATHENA -LADIES PHILOTHRAMPIC  
BY-LAWS- 1919  
MEMBERSHIP-1919

1920  
1921  
1922

Treasurers Book

DISOLUTION 1940  
NAUSICA Membership-1921

DIOGENIS-GREEK SCHOOL

CONTRIBUTIONS  
HELLENIC-AMERICAN SOCIETY (Educatic

BY-LAWS- 1925  
AHEPA BY-LAWS

1925

PANHELLENIS UNION

Letter-1911  
Proceeds- 1911  
By-Laws  
1910  
1912

MEMBERSHIP DUES

1911 to 1912-1914

GREEK AMERICAN VOTERS LEAGUE

By-Laws-1934

ST. GEORGES CHURCH

Membership - 1930 s

NATIONAL HERALD NEWSPAPER

four letters to John Creticos  
1918-1919

SCHOOLS

Police protection Letter 1926

COURT PROCEEDINGS

BILL IN EQUITY-Stephano vs Creticos  
FARMAKIS

CEMETERY

PHOTOGRAPHS

King Constantine of Greece

LISTS OF NAMES

1889 1891-arrivals  
1890 Lists of Priests

5) CHRONOLOGIC RESUME

Since 1970 seamen sailing under various flags visited Port of Phila.  
First name mentioned, one SKOPELITIS or MCRYOS (supposedly from island Skopos)  
Another mentioned John PSABIANOS (supposedly from Island Psara)  
1883 John D. FARMAKIS from Tsitsina Sparta (candy stores)  
1885 I.P. FARMAKIS  
1890 These names were known to be in Phila.

EUTHEMIOS & SAVAS PAPAPAVLOU from Kyparisia  
HARRY & NICK ZAVAKOS from Sparta  
DEMETRIOS ECONOMOU from Macedonia  
DASCALPOULOS from Patras  
EVANGELOS KALPOUZOS from Athens  
BASILIOS ATHANASIOU from Athens  
GEORGE DLPSIS (the butcher)  
GEORGE GENOVEZOS  
BASIL, PETER, and THANASIOS GAZETOS  
STAMATIS SIRIANOS  
DEMETRIOS NICKOLADIS & GEORGE NICHOLAIBIS  
EVANGELOS KATZAROS & PETER KATZAROS  
NICK DAKSIAS  
AYAPIS KALPOUZOS & EVANGELOS KALPOUZOS (candy stores)  
DEMETRIOS KRISPIS  
KALAFALIS SERIANOS  
JOHN FIFTOS  
F. FANTAROS  
KARAKALIOS

1900 CONSTANTINOS AND STEPHANOS STEPHANO from Epiros arrived in Phila.  
NICKOLAOS BLASOPOULOS from Ithica  
HARRY PORIAZIS from Lemnos  
1900: John LITRAS, FRANK POLITIS, JOHN NESTOPOULOS, -from ICARIA and SAMOS

arrived in PHILADELPHIA, and being a teacher, was also asked to participate as CHANTER in services held with small group of seamen etc. officiated by a priest being one of the STEPHANO BROTHERS.

Around this time the first wives arrived, being Helen Farmakis, Basilike Zavakos, Efterpe Poriazos and others. Young ladies were invited by their brothers to come to AMERICA and were either introduced or already promised before their arrival. Some of the young girls started to work at the cigareete manufacturing plant together with their brothers or friends and marriages ensued.

Though the Stephanobrothers first sold cigareetes they made by hand on push carts vended in the street, the CUBAN War resulted in the popularity of cigareetes and the business flourished. Other men opened grocery stores, butcher shops, florists, rooming houses, tailors, etc. Most shops were in the society hill area from Gaskill Street, west to 12th street from Locust street and South to Pine Street. The Polites Florist was next to the John Wanamaker Store on Chestnut Street at 13th, When the 69th Street elevated opened. Polites opened a shop at the terminal and John Creticos was Bookkeeper and Manager there. It was then that some families started moving to West Philadelphia. Before that time, the Sunday walks to the city resevoir which is now the location of the ART MUSEUM was the usual outing for the young men most of whom were in their late teens and were rooming in homes located along the parkway, now replaced by the road.

At the arrival of ARCHEMEDRITE NATHANIAL SIDERIS from Kinourias, there was none <sup>but</sup> the Synod in Athens to appoint priests

Priest THEODOROS PROUSIANOS arrived in 1904 from Messina

107: Priest DEMETRIOS PETRIDES arrived from SAMOS and it was through his efforts that organization really began when he left in 1912, he moved to Atlanta Georgia where he died.

112: Priest CHRISTOS KAPLANES from Eupheos arrived and stayed only a few months

112: Priest CHRISTOS ANGELOPOULOS from Aryolidos. He established the first Greek afternoon school in Phila. at the church.

16: AARCHEMEDRITE DEONESIOS PAPDATOS from Zakentho

IN this period many more seamen settled in Philadelphia and worked as painters for the PAINTING CONTRACTING FIRMS started by JOHN NESTOPOULOS, JAMES CHALLIS, JOHN CRETICOS

IN 1912

- 1910: 250 volunteerers "IEROS LCHOS" formed unit to defend Macedonia from P
- 1912: PAN-HELLENIC UNION of AMERICA order in Boston, New York, Buffalo forme
- 1912: JOHN CRETICOS reporter for ATLANTIS
- 1914 JOHN CRETICOS SUBSTITUTE CONSUL served until 1926
- 1919: LADIES SOCIETY "ATHENA" formed
- 1921: TWO PARTY- Royalists & Venizelos created rift in churches
- ST. GEORGES CHURCH COMMITTEE MEMBERS: GEORGE MANOS, PETER ICANIDES,  
ARISTIDES KAZICHRISTORGEORGE TSEKOURAS JAMES PAMARK
- 1922: REFUGEES ARRIVED FROM ASIA MINOR
- 1923 TROOP "LEONIDAS" formed as volunteers to fight Turks
- 1925 BISHOPS ALEXANDER(Royalist), BISHOP VASILIOS( Venizelist) recalled to GR
- 1925: HELLENIC AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY FORMED
- JOHN HARALAMBOPOULOS, EUSTATHIOS KATAPODIS, NICK MBAKOUYIANNIS, JOHN  
APOSTOLOS, CONSTANTINE SPANOS, JOHN DEMETROPOULOS, TAKIS SKOMPAKOS,  
PHILIPPOS HARRIS, DEMETRIOS LAMBRINIDES, PETER VALIANOS, JAMES JORDAN  
CONSTANTINE CONSTANTINOS, PETER LADIKOS,  
OFFICERS: JOHN FARMAKIS, ARISTIDIS YIOKAS, HARRY CORONEOS, JOHN CRETIC  
JOHN ECONOMAKOS SOCRATES BOUTSIS
- GREEK SCHOOL OF WEST PHILADELPHIA ESTABLISHED at 57th & Market Street
- 1926: GREEK LADIES SOCIETY "NAUSICA" organized at Evangelismos church
- 1926: JOHN CRETICOS served as GREEK CONSUL before consulate was moved to Nev
- 1931: ARCH-BISHOP ATHENAGORAS arrived in the United States as neutral repre<sup>ati</sup>
- 1932: FIRST CHOIR organized at Evangelismos church under EUREPIDIS DEMETRIOU  
and first Sunday School - upon his departure John Creticos remained as choir ma<sup>until 194</sup>
- 1933: GREEK GIRLS EDUCATIONAL CLUB formed in PHILA. \*
- 1934: GREEK AMERICAN VOTERS LEAGUE formed in Phila.
- 1935: Temporary union of Evangelismos church and St. George's church formed  
under auspices of GOCP  
because St. George's had closed due to financial difficulties.
- 1936: First order of AHEPA formed in Phila.
- 1937: MEEROFORÉE, ladies auxiliary formed at St. George's
- 1938: DIGGENES-- Greek School located at 5818 Chestnut St. \* PF
- 1942: ST. DEMETRIOS CHURCH bought and established by Greek Orthodox Communi
- 1944: Return of Veterans begun (list of army, navy, marine and air-corp hono
- 1951: CEMETERY PLOTS bought by church at FERNWOOD CEMETERY

November, 1902 elected nine member committee

president; Constantine Diamantopoulos

Treasurer; John P. Farmakis

secretary; Harry Poriazos

Demetrios Ekonomos

John Greticos

John Litras

Thomas Pappas

Constantine Kefalan

James Assimopoulos

priests;

1904; Rev. Theodore Proslanos

1907; Rev. Demetrios Petrides

Societies; (velvne) PHILOPATRIA -education

(Monastery) PATRIS -

PHILADELPHIA -mutual, beneficial

PAN\*HELLENIS

\*The church is not small, it is quite large, it is we who are small.  
we must exchange spiritually, christian-wise, patriotically, in order  
to build large churches

Head- Holy synod of Greece -1920 - Evangelismos church, neutral

Royalists- Bishop Vasilios

Venizelops- Bishop (ARCH) Rodostolou Alexander

1925- Rev. John Danaskos- excommunicated by patriarch of Constantinople

1930, two party bishops left U. S. being recalled by Holy synod of Greece  
and patriarch of Constantinople (first, national, second, religious)

1931- Athenagoras arrived in America as neutral, but showed partiality to  
ST. GEORGE (venizelistic)

Presidents of Creek Orthodox Community Of Philadelphia Since 1902

1902 Constantine Diamantopoulos  
1903 "  
1904 "  
1905 John P. Farmakis  
1906 "  
1907 "  
1908 "  
1909 "  
1910 Constantine Stephano  
1911 John P. Farmakis  
1912 "  
1913 Constantine Farmakis  
1914 James Androutsos  
1915 "  
1916 John Economakos  
1917 John P. Farmakis  
1918 "  
1919 "  
1920 "  
1921 "  
1922 James Androutsos  
1923 "  
1924 "  
1925 "  
1926 "  
1927 "  
1928 John Douvries  
1929 Constantine Psidas  
1930 John Economakos  
1931 "  
1932 M. Prismon  
1933 Steven Fesides  
1934 "  
1935 "  
1936 George Zangakis  
1937 "  
1938 Harry Coroneos  
1939 Peter Carras  
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1943 John Creticos  
1944 "  
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1948 Spiros Kyriakatos  
1949 "  
1950 Leonard Vatikiotis  
1951 Basil Christodoulou

Treasurer of Greek Orthodox Community of Philadelpa since 1902

1902 John P. Farmakis  
1903 "  
1904 "  
1905 James Assimopoulos  
1906 "  
1907 "  
1908 Peter Stephano  
1909 "  
1910 John Farmakis  
1911 Peter Stephano  
1912 Frank Politis  
1913 Nickolas Nanos  
1914 John Creticos  
1915 George Coroneos  
1916 "  
1917 Frank Politis  
1918 Constantine Stephano  
1919 "  
1920 "  
1921 James Androutsos  
1922 Constantine Stephano  
1923 Frank Politis  
1924 "  
1925 "  
1926 Naoum Pericles  
1927 Chris Liacouras  
1928 John Economakos  
1929 Spiros Morphesis  
1930 Basil Millionis  
1931 K. Dromazos  
1932 P. Papageorge  
1933 Demetrios Paffas  
1934 "  
1935 "  
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1937 "  
1938 Chris Anthony  
1939 M. Bendos  
1940 "  
1941 "  
1942 Mike Lacopoulos  
1943 "  
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1950 "

Secretary of Greek Orthodox Community of Philadelphia since 1902

1902 Harry Poriazos  
1903 "  
1904 John Litras  
1905 "  
1906 Saratas Zavakos  
1907 John Creticos  
1908 "  
1909 "  
1910 "  
1911 James Androutsos  
1912 John Creticos  
1913 "  
1914 "  
1915 "  
1916 John Brouzon  
1917 "  
1918 Pericles Antoniadis  
1919 "  
1920 "  
1921 "  
1922 Sotiris Picoderopoulos  
1923 "  
1924 "  
1925 "  
1926 Gus Psidas  
1927 John Creticos  
1928 Philip Harris  
1929 M. Demetropoulos  
1930 E. Tsouris  
1931 Basil Milionis  
1932 D. Sotirellis  
1933 Basil Milionis  
1934 "  
1935 John Creticos  
1936 "  
1937 "  
1938 Emmanuel Economos  
1939 Emmanuel Eratsis  
1940 Chris Stephano  
1941 K. Zapheropoulos  
1942 P. Papageorge  
1943 Chris Stephano  
1944 "  
1945 "  
1946 James Papademetriou  
1947 "  
1948 Clyde Mager  
1949 John Creticos  
1950 Athanasis Christakis  
1951

List of Committee Members of Greek Orthodox Community since 1902

1902	John Creticos	1902	Demetrios Economou
1903	"	1903	Efthemios Papapavlou
1904	"	1904	"
1905	John Nestopoulos	1905	Saratos Zavakos
1906	"	1906	K. Stephano
1907	"	1907	John Litras
1908	"	1908	Peter Athanasopoulos
1909	A. Scicalides	1909	"
1910	John Litras	1910	John Nestopoulos
1911	John Creticos	1911	"
1912	Elias Katikas	1912	George Nickles
1913	Harry Poriазis	1913	N. Zavakos
1914	"	1914	Constantine Stephano
1915	Sotirios Kozanitis	1915	Angelos Katsaros
1916	"	1916	Zenos Tolios
1917	N. Stavrakis	1917	"
1918	N. Zandis	1918	George Nickles
1919	Harry Poriазos	1919	James Androutsos
1920	James Androutsos	1920	Constantine Stephano
1921	N. Laspas	1921	Frank Politis
1922	John Litras	1922	D. Carazalis
1923	John Economakos	1923	"
1924	"	1924	"
1925	Angelos Katsoris	1925	"
1926	James Carangelis	1926	James Contakos
1927	John Litras	1927	John Economakos
1928	James Karazelis	1928	John Psidas
1929	Phillip Harris	1929	Diamantis Douvris
1930	Steven Fesides	1930	Spros Morphesis
1931	Peter Cosfol	1931	Peter Carras
1932	Basil Millionis	1932	Nick Laspas
1933	N. Papanicolas	1933	Spiros Morphesis
1934	P. Carras	1934	G. Zangakis
1935	Anastasios Tassoukas	1935	"
1936	Harry Coroneos	1936	Peter Carras
1937	"	1937	Alexandros D.D.S.
1938	Mitsos Photiadis	1938	Alex Kostomite
1939	A.E. Miyas	1939	Peter Cosfol
1940	Demetriad Paffas	1940	K. Papadopoulos
1941	"	1941	"
1942	"	1942	P. Papageorge
1943	"	1943	"
1944	S. Angelopoulos	1944	James Papademetriou
1945	James Papademetriou	1945	Demetrios Paffas
1946	Peter Carras	1946	Leonard Vatikiotis

Other Committee Members Seriving Greek Orthodaox Community of Phila.

1902 Thomas Papathomas  
1903 Athansopoulos  
1904 "  
1905 Zvakos  
1906 Stephano  
1907 Litras  
1908 Teleyiadis  
1909 Nannos  
1910 Creticos  
1911 Matsaros  
1912 Creticos  
1913 Andrewstos  
1914 Nannos  
1915 Tolios  
1916 Ayapadopoulos  
1917 Stephano  
1918 "  
1919 Nickles  
1920 Litras  
1921 "  
1922 Bardopoulos  
1923 Pitchonis  
1924 Contakis  
1925 Economakos  
1926 Carazalis  
1927 Pitchonis  
1928 Grivas  
1929 Tsimekas  
1930 Cosfol  
1931 Pitchonis  
1932 Papanickolaos  
1933 Zangakis  
1934 "  
1935 "  
1936 Deliyiannis  
1937 "  
1938 Kokotis  
1939 Mavromatis  
1940 Gregory Caranzalis  
1941 "  
1942 "  
1943 "  
1944 Emanuel Economou  
1945 Angelopoulos  
1946 Corialos  
1947 "

List of Priests of the Greek Orthodox Community since 1902

1902 Nathil Sidaris  
1903 "  
1904 "  
1905 Theodore Prussianos  
1906 "  
1907 "  
1908 Paeo Ferotinos  
1909 Demetrious Petrides  
1910 "  
1911 "  
1912 Christos Angelopoulos  
1913 "  
1914 "  
1915 Deonesios Papadato  
1916 "  
1917 "  
1918 "  
1919 "  
1920 "  
1921 "  
1922 Thomas Daniel  
1923 "  
1923 Nicholas Papanicolaou  
1924 John Danaskos  
1925 "  
1926 "  
1927 "  
1928 "  
1929 "  
1930 "  
1931 "  
1932 Basilios Papanikas  
1933 Costas Hatzidemetriou  
1934 Andrew Lalousis  
1935 J. Papadoniou  
1936 Chrisostomos Morkidis  
1937 "  
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FIRST FIFTY YEARS OF BOARD MEMBER SERVICE OF GREEK-ORTHODOX  
Community Of Philadelphia , Pennsylvania

Twenty One Years-	JOHN CRETICOS
Sixteen years -	JOHN P. FARMAKIS
Twelve Years -	JAMES ANDROUTSOS
Eleven Years -	CONSTANTINE STEPHANO
Nine Years -	DEMETRICK PAPPAS
Nine Years -	JOHN LITRAS
Nine Years -	PETER CARRAS
Nine Years -	MIKE LACCOPOULOS
Seven Years -	JAMES CARANZELIS
Seven Years -	JOHN ECONOMAKOS
Six Years -	FRANK POLITIS
Six Years -	JOHN NESTOPOULOS
Six Years -	HARRY PORIAZOS
Five Years -	BASIL MILICNIS
Five Years -	LEONARD VATIKIOTIS
Five years -	GEORGE ZANCAKIS
Four Years -	PERICLES ANTONIADIS
Four Years -	PETER COSFOL
Four Years -	STEVEN FESDES
Four Years -	SPIROS MORPHEUSIS
Four Years -	JAMES PAPADEMETRIOU
Four Years -	THOMAS PAPAPAVLOU
Four Years -	CHRIS STEPHANO
Four Years -	SARANTOS ZAVAKOS
Three Years -	CONSTANTINE DIAMANTOPOULOS
Three Years -	JAMES ASSIMOPOULOS
Three Years -	M. BENDOS
Three Years -	SOTERIOS COZANITIS
Three Years -	EMMANUEL ECONOMOU
Three Years -	JOHN CORIALOS
Three Years -	ANGELOS KATSORIS
Three Years -	HARRY CORONEOS
Three Years -	GEORGE NICKLES
Three Years -	PETER PAPAGEORGE
Three Years -	ZENOS TOLIOS
Three Years -	PETER STEPHANO
Three Years -	DEMETRIOS PITCHCNIS
Three Years -	GUS PAIDAS
Two Years -	SPIROS ANGELOPOULOS
Two Years -	JOHN EOURIES
Two Years -	SPIROS KYRTAKAKOS

Minutes of the meeting of the committee of the Greek  
Orthodox Community of Philadelphia.

Today the 4th of June day of Thursday 1908, came  
together the committee of the Greek Orthodox Community  
of Philadelphia at a meeting each present all of the  
Board. (committee)

Immediately the Mr. President announced to the committee  
the efforts the which were put forth by the Mr. Constantine  
Stephano towards establishment of church ownership. Results  
of the efforts of the Mr. President after those of Mr.  
Constantine thereafter and that: at upon 12th Street close  
to Fitzwater Street, Episcopal Church (Saint Stephen),  
towards the Street Catherine built upon a plot of ground  
spacious, having length 180 feet and width 114 feet. That  
church is being sold for thirty five thousand number 35000  
dollars, under the following conditions. Upon the day of the  
signing of the Board, will be deposited 2 thousand dollars,  
on the 1st of October thereafter when will be transferred to  
the mother community, shall be put down ten (10) thousand  
dollars. The balance twenty three thousand dollars, number  
23000, shall be paid within ten decade with interest of 5  
percent. Separate also agreement was made by the committee  
of the aforementioned church about the furniture thereof, each  
of which they shall receive. All of these details shall be  
written within the documents of the property-church-sale.  
As final accomplishment by the Mr. President John P. Farnakis,  
the committee gave complete faith, considered the conditions  
under which was being sold the church, which all the members  
of the committee had visited and seen, by and large considered  
the church suitable for purchase under the conditions as they  
were. Since all decided in unison of brotherhood, towards the  
good of the community and towards testament of the prestige of  
the Holy Orthodox faith since it is planned to conduct the  
Holy sacraments in a worthwhile our own Church, towards these  
ends it was decided therefore to buy this Church on the name  
of the Greek Orthodox Community of Philadelphia as property of the  
this Community and by the inviolable conditions it intends to  
celebrate in every generation the Divine Services shall be  
solemnized in the Greek language. If ever in the future the in  
this city Greek Orthodox Community dissolves or does not exist hope  
rebirth of it, then the church this in any condition it shall  
be found, shall be property of the Government of the Greek  
Kingdom.

Towards affirming the highest judicious presence and acknowledge-  
ment examined and properly confirmed.

The President

John P. Farnakis

The Secretary

John C. eticos

The Treasurer

Peter Stephano

The remaining Members of the Committee

Peter A. Athanasopoulos

John Litras

Sanarias Tsilipidis

Archieb A. Siadinos