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**Chapter Meeting Notice**  
**Wednesday, September 1, 2010**  
**7:00 PM Sharp, Phase IV Meeting Room**

## Board of Governors

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## *Congratulations Ahepa Chapter No. 78*

Voted Ahepa Chapter of the Year at the Montreal Supreme Convention. There are over 500 Chapters in the United States because of our United We Serve Initiative, we took the top honor. Bravo to Brother Nick Gianikos and his committee! Additionally, at the District 12 convention, Brother Nick Gianikos received the Ahepan of the Year Award and Brother George Strogiludis received the Prometheus Award for all their hard work at the Chapter level. This was a Grand Slam year for our Chapter.

Our deepest sympathies go out to Brothers Thomas Kayes, Sr. and Brother Thomas Kayes, Jr. and their families for the loss of their Brother and Uncle Kosmas Kayes. "May his blessed memory be eternal"

The United We Serve Initiative has given birth to Ahepa Cares which is our new Philanthropic endeavor for this year. They have many plans for the future, but have already accomplished the following:

Christian Haven House-25 of our Brothers along with 125 residents and staff were treated to a Railcats baseball game on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Our Chapter donated the tickets and refreshments for all that attended.

Meals On Wheels-14 Brothers and a few wives went through their training program and will begin delivering meals on the first Wednesday of each Month to seniors in our Ahepa Village apartments.  
Rebuilding Together South Lake County-September 18<sup>th</sup> for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year our Chapter will sponsor 3 homes for remodeling. Low income seniors and handicapped persons in need will benefit from our donation of \$4,500.

St. Jude House, Crown Point, a home for battered women will receive our grant of \$2,000 to go towards kitchen improvements. Visit & inspection planned for August 30<sup>th</sup>.

Upcoming projects include Salvation Army, Merrillville Boys & Girls Club, Soup Kitchen in October, Christian Haven House Thanksgiving meal project and Food Pantry Duty. Many more philanthropic projects are in the planning stages. To participate, please contact Nick Gianikos at (219) 769-0396 or [nikogee@aol.com](mailto:nikogee@aol.com)

Athletics-Brother Nick Batistatos took First Place in the Championship Bracket at the Ahepa Regional Golf Outing in Lake Geneva in June. Brother Nick will be invited to the Ahepa National Golf Tournament in Biloxi, Mississippi. At the same outing, Brother Nick Kaiafas took First Place in the Seniors Division. Great job! How do restaurateurs find time to become such good golfers?

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*We are a charitable organization proud of our apartments for the elderly*

Chapter 78 trivia question: How many Brothers named Nick & George?

Welcome to Brother Chris Zeheralis who has been reinstated into our Chapter. Brother Chris originally joined Ahepa 78 in 1946. Welcome back Chris but what took you so long?

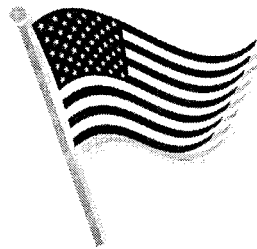
Congressman & Brother Peter Visclosky will be presented with the Ahepa Public Service Award on September 8<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM in our Phase IV meeting room followed by refreshments. All Brothers are invited. If you plan on coming, PLEASE RSVP to Nick Gianikos (219) 769-0396 or [nikogee@aol.com](mailto:nikogee@aol.com).

Committee reports will be requested

Brothers Nick Kavadas & Matt Kochevar were elected District Governor and District Lt. Governor at the District 12 & 13 convention, and Brother Matt Kochevar was elected Supreme Convention secretary in Montreal.

Please welcome our new president Brother Louis Gikas and his new Administration in leading our Chapter into the Ahepa New Year. Please give them your support!

Recently while driving in Colorado I saw a bumper sticker that read "Honk if you love Jesus. Text me if you want to meet him" Please don't drive & text!



**“GOD BLESS AMERICA”      “PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS”**

Trivia answer: 13 Nick's and 12 George's out of 132 members. I feel a challenge coming!