



# ΠΑΙΔΕΙΑ

## HELLENIC UNIVERSITY CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA

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APRIL 2019

### FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Fellow Members,

It is early April and our thoughts turn to spring and the Easter season! It is also time to reflect on our history and sense of community. This year the HUC will be participating with the greater Greek community in a number of events surrounding the Greek Independence Day parade on April 7th, the theme of which is "Remembering the Pontic-Greek Genocide." The HUC will be joining our brother and sister organizations in the Philadelphia area to march in the Parade.

Our first special event is an enlightening presentation by Dr. Thomas Savvidis from The Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, on Monday, April 1st. Dr. Savvidis will be presenting "Remembering the Pontic-Greek Genocide of 1913 to 1922" at Drexel University. On Wednesday, April 3rd we are hosting the first Greek Film Night in Philadelphia at the Ritz Five in partnership with The Hellenic Film Society of New York. We will be showing "Genocide - A True Story"; to be immediately followed by the award winning film "Jamaica". Professor James DeMetro will be introducing "Jamaica" and sharing his insights about the film. This is the first of what we hope will be several collaborations with The Hellenic Film Society in the years to come.

Of course, our biggest event of the year is coming in May, and this is the "Spring Bash" on Friday, May 3rd at the beautiful Arts Ballroom in Philadelphia. Chair Dr. Ellie Kelepouris has been working very hard with her committee to host a fun and unique event. We will have live music, abundant food, open bar, and a special time for young professionals to attend with reduced pricing. Please make your reservations now and get your tables together! This is our annual fundraiser for the Scholarship Fund; raising

money for the Fund is one of our core tenets. We hope that you can join us at the Bash, and/or support us as a Sponsor or Donor.

We look forward to seeing you at all of the special events and programs we have worked very hard to bring to our community over the next couple of months!

Kind Regards,

Andrea Lazare Tsapralis

President

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

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*Purchase tickets by April 1st*

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*RSVP by mail or online*

#### SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS DINNER

Thursday, May 30, 2019

ΠΑΙΔΕΙΑ (ΠΑΙΔΕΙΑ) is the ancient Greek word for learning or education. The lifelong pursuit of ΠΑΙΔΕΙΑ was set by our Founders as the Club's main objective; eighty-two years later this ideal continues to inspire us.

## MEMBER NEWS

If you or your loved ones have news you would like to publish in the HUC Newsletter, please email Dorothy Hazan at [hazand@pennlaw.upenn.edu](mailto:hazand@pennlaw.upenn.edu).

## GREEK FILM NIGHT AT THE RITZ FIVE

On **Wednesday, April 3rd**, HUC is partnering with The Hellenic Film Society of New York City to host a **Greek Film Night at the Ritz Five in Philadelphia** (214 Walnut St, Philadelphia, PA).

The event will begin at 7:00 PM, with a short film, **Genocide—A True Story**, reflecting on the horrors endured by the Greeks of Pontos between 1914 and 1922. Afterwards, please stay for the award-winning film **Jamaica**, with an introduction by Professor James DeMetro.

Tickets are \$12 and may be purchased at <https://greek-filmnightritz.eventbrite.com>.

*This event is the first in a series of collaborations with the Hellenic Film Society. We hope you will join us again in October for a three-day Film Festival at the International House in Philadelphia.*

## GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

The **Greek Independence Day Parade**, sponsored by the Federation of Hellenic American Societies of Philadelphia will be held on **Sunday, April 7, 2019**. This year the Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia will once again participate in this annual event which celebrates our Greek Heritage and commemorates the Greek Day of Independence. **We invite all our members as well as their families to join us and march behind our proud Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia banner!**

We will meet at 1:30 pm across the street from the Logan Hotel (18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway) and then line up in formation by organization. The parade will begin promptly at 2:00 pm and proceed down the Parkway toward the Art Museum. Please wear your HUC jacket or Blue and White attire. Greek costumes, Greek and American flags are welcome. We hope to see you on the Parkway!



HUC at last year's parade.



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- HUC is on Instagram! Follow us @HUC\_Philly for pictures of our events and pictures of our members, updates about our events, and generally fun content!
- And, of course, follow the HUC on Twitter @HUCPhilly

If you have photos from any of our events that you would like featured, message them to any of our social media accounts!



The Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia is planning a wonderful celebration of our Club and our Scholarship Awards Program. Join us on **Friday, May 3, 2019** at the **Arts Ballroom, 1324 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA** for our **HUC Spring Bash**, a fun evening of cocktails (open bar), hors d'oeuvres, dinner, dancing to Greek and American music by Seizmos and the company of friends and family.

You should have already received your invitation to our HUC Spring Bash. This year, we are offering three ticket options including a special price for Young Professionals. An invitation flyer is also included in this newsletter. You may also RSVP at [www.hucspringbash.eventbrite.com](http://www.hucspringbash.eventbrite.com).

The HUC Spring Bash is the major fundraiser for the **HUC Scholarship Program** and we look to its success to continue the exceptional scholarship opportunities we offer to so many students in our area. **Ellie Kelepouris**, the chair of this event, is working with a wonderful committee of individuals to plan a terrific evening. We hope you will support us in our endeavor to continue promoting access to higher education within our community.

Mark your calendars, come and meet friends and make new ones, and join us for the **HUC Spring Bash!** **If you are unable to attend, please consider contributing instead.**

**PLACE AN AD IN OUR  
COMMEMORATIVE  
JOURNAL**

Our Commemorative Journal has become our most successful fundraising tool. We invite you to participate in the Journal that will be published for this event by placing a personal greeting or an ad for your business. By doing so, you will be assisting a student further his or her education. Look for details in the mail and via email in the next few days.

**SCHOLARSHIP SUCCESS  
STORIES:**  
*Ellie Kelepouris Tzarnas, MD*

The mission of our Club and the Scholarship Program are very important to me personally. As a young physician in training, I received financial support and mentoring from the Hellenic Professional Societies to support my travel to national scientific and medical meetings. This was so essential for my career development and advancement in a very competitive area in medicine. I was awarded several small grants which allowed me to present my work at the National Kidney Foundation. I met wonderful mentors and expanded my horizons, allowing me to be competitive for positions in medicine and research. I will be forever grateful for their support. The sums were small but the opportunities I received consequently were huge.

The HUC has distributed over \$750,000 in scholarship funds!! That's an amazing accomplishment! I am asking for your help to further grow and sustain this program for many years to come.

Warm regards,  
*Ellie Kelepouris Tzarnas MD*

**DUES PAYMENT  
REMINDER**

Dues for fiscal year 2018-2019 should have been paid to the Club by December 31, 2018. Reminders were mailed in February. If you have not done yet so, please remit your dues as soon as possible to Membership Renewal Chair **Zoe Tripolitis** (2523 South Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146). We are also accepting credit card payments online at [www.hucdues19.eventbrite.com](http://www.hucdues19.eventbrite.com). Your attention to this message will keep your membership status current and will save the Club the cost of additional mailings. Thank you!

**STAY CONNECTED**

The HUC Website has been revamped with more photos and up to date information about our events. Visit our new Donate, Membership, Events, and Scholarship pages for all the latest about the HUC. Look for our revamped Blog page, which will soon feature Member Spotlights!



# GREEK FILM NIGHT AT THE RITZ

Wednesday, April 3rd at 7:00 p.m.

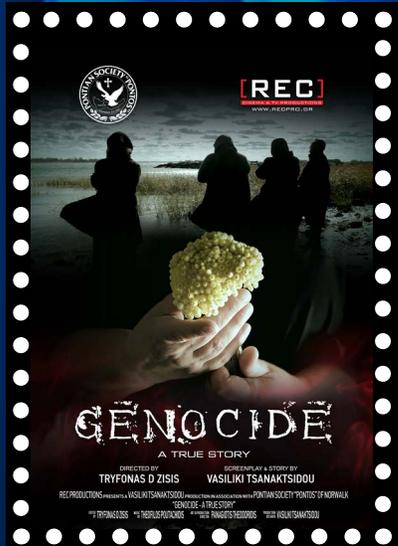
## RITZ FIVE

214 Walnut St, Philadelphia

Tickets are \$12

Reserve your seat now via EventBrite: <https://greekfilmnightritz.eventbrite.com>  
Deadline is April 1st. For information contact [andrea.tsapralis@icloud.com](mailto:andrea.tsapralis@icloud.com)

*THE PROGRAM INCLUDES TWO FILMS: THE SHORT SUBJECT, "GENOCIDE" AND THE FEATURE PRESENTATION, "JAMAICA." FILMS SHOWN WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES.*



A woman in black returns from the past and remembers her suffering, pain and loss during the Pontian Genocide. She revives all the sorrow and suffering of the 353,000 Greeks of Pontos, who lost their lives trying to escape from the massacres and violations that took place from 1914 to 1922.



Two estranged brothers, one a successful television personality and the other a cab driver struggling to pay his bills, are reunited at a crucial time in their lives. The power of brotherly love helps these two polar opposites overcome their differences and teaches them a valuable life lesson.

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# Spring Bash

TO BENEFIT OUR SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Friday, May 3, 2019

Arts Ballroom

1324 Locust Street

Philadelphia, PA 19107

Cocktails, Hors d'Oeuvres, Dinner and Dancing  
to Greek and American Music — 6:30 pm

Hors d'Oeuvres and Dancing Only — 8:00 pm

Music by Seizmos

Open Bar

Cocktail Attire

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DINNER TICKET \$100.00

Cocktails & Hors d'Oeuvres 6:30 pm

Dinner 7:30 pm

Dancing 9:00 pm

\_\_\_\_\_ Reservations at \$100.00/person

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Fund Donation (tax deductible)

Check total \$ \_\_\_\_\_ payable to Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Zoe Tripolitis, 2523 South Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146-1037

Reservations may also be made through

Eventbrite at <http://hucspringbash.eventbrite.com>

Your RSVP is requested by April 26, 2019

For questions, contact Chair, Ellie Kelepouris Tzarnas, MD

(215) 260-0590 or Ek375@drexel.edu

SOCIAL TICKET \$65.00

Cocktails & Hors d'Oeuvres 8:00 pm

Dancing 9:00 pm

\_\_\_\_\_ Reservations at \$65.00/person

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS (age 30 & below)

\_\_\_\_\_ Reservations at \$50.00/person

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