

## ***Forever Young***

Forever Young met in November at the church. We were happy to have as our special guest Alex Theodoropoulos who brought his guitar and we all sang along to the lovely old Greek songs. Thank you Alex, and please come again.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, December 2 at 11:00 am, at the church. Our speaker will be Cheryl Hoffman from the Senior Center who will speak to us about drug coverage. This is the time at which you can change if you are dissatisfied with your present coverage. You will be able to ask her questions and advice. Please be on time. Don't forget to bring a Lenten dish. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

## ***Romiosini Dancers***

The ROMIOSINI DANCERS would like to thank everyone who attended and contributed towards the OHI DAY luncheon on November 1st. We hope you enjoyed watching us perform. We were able to raise \$1200 from this great luncheon! And we especially would like to thank everyone who helped prepare the wonderful meal and those who made a donation. If anyone would like to make an additional donation towards our expenses at this year's Hellenic Dance Festival (HDF), please mark your check for "St Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church" and in the memo state: Romiosini Dancers.

We are preparing for HDF which is only a month away. We have choral practices on Sundays immediately after church and then followed by dance practice. We would like to thank Antonia Ioannou, Nota Dukas, Alexandros Theodoropoulos, Dr Michael Rallis and Zaharoula Katsikis for all their time in helping us do our best for this year's performances, and are honored to represent the St. Nicholas community on Jan 15-18th.

## ***GOYA***

The December GOYA meeting will be held on Sunday, December 13 at 2:00 pm at the church.

The GOYA Christmas Social will be held on Friday, December 18 at 7:00 pm at the church.

## ***Philoptochos***

The Philoptochos would like to thank everyone who helped to make our Greek Dinner Fundraiser a success! Due to the generous donations of several of our parishioners, we were able to cover our expenses and everything collected was profit. We were able to raise approx. \$4,700. A special thanks to Chris Tsingelis who donated the moussaka, spanakopita and his cooking expertise! Thanks to the many volunteers who gave of their time. We hope to make this an annual event!

The Philoptochos will be helping 13 needy families in the Wilmington area this year at Thanksgiving. Thanks to those who contributed items for our baskets. Thanks to everyone who has assisted with this project. What a joyful feeling to know how many families we are helping. Many are families we have helped over the years and they anxiously wait for our annual visit!

The Christmas Brunch will be held at the home of Daphne Snow on Saturday December 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:30AM. We hope to see all our members there. If you haven't joined our organization yet, please come! We will have membership cards available and a small gift for all new members! Members may select an angel from the Christmas Tree in the Hellenic Center and bring gifts back to church. Make this a special Christmas for a child in need!

If you have someone in your family who celebrates their nameday on Dec. 6 (St Nicholas Day) please contact Kitsa Wiersteiner or Tia Saffo. They are coordinating the special coffee hour to be held after Divine Liturgy on Sunday Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>. We want to make this an extra special event as we celebrate the nameday of our beloved church, St Nicholas. Remember no meat or dairy since we are in the Christmas Fast.

The Philoptochos is selling Greek Pastries, Sweet Breads, Spanakopitas, and Tiropitas for the holidays. Let any Philoptochos Board member know and we will be happy to assist you.