ST. ATHANASIUS THE GREAT CHOIR TO HOST ANNUAL LENTEN RETREAT AT THE NEW ST. METHODIOS RETREAT CENTER, CONTOOCOOK, NH - SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 2010

The St. Athanasius the Great Choir of Arlington, MA invites everyone to their annual Lenten Retreat. This year’s event will be held for the first time at the new St. Methodios Retreat Center at the Metropolis camp grounds in Contoocook, NH. A full day of events has been planned which includes a fireside chat with His Eminence, Metropolitan Methodios, informative workshops with New England clergy, including Fr. Nicholas Kastanas and Fr. Agathonikos Wilson, meditation on the beautiful camp grounds, participation in the Great Vespers at the camp chapel of St. George, refreshments and a gourmet Lenten buffet. A bus will depart from St. Athanasius Church, 4 Appleton Street, Arlington, MA at 7:30 a.m. and will leave for home at 7:00 p.m. You do not have to be a choir member to attend this retreat. See the attached flyer for more details. Please call Stella Pathiakis at 339-222-2629 to make reservations.

METROPOLIS OF BOSTON FEDERATION OF GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH MUSICIANS CONFERENCE 2010 HOST SITE, MUSIC, CONDUCTOR AND ORGANIST HAVE BEEN SELECTED!

- The Executive Committee of the Metropolis of Boston Federation is pleased to announce that this year’s Annual Conference will be hosted by the St. Athanasius the Great Church during the weekend of November 5, 6 & 7, 2010. We will again be chanting the choral setting of the Divine Liturgy by Dean Limberakis.

Gregory Condakes, choir director at St. Demetrios Church in Weston, MA has been selected to serve as the guest conductor for this year’s Conference. Greg is a very talented musician and gifted conductor who has served his church and the Federation in many ways. Greg is a former District 4 Supervisor, has been a clinician for several highly successful and well received CMI workshops and is a recipient of the Archbishop Athenagoras I Award for service to the Federation. He has also recently composed his own Liturgical Setting. This music was performed at a concert in May, 2009, honoring the 50th Anniversary of the St. Demetrios parish.

Athena Marken, organist at St. Demetrios Church in Weston will accompany the Conference Choir on the organ. Athena is the Federation secretary and was last year’s Conference organist, as well!

If you do not have a copy of the music, it will be available at all the Area Conference Music Rehearsals. Rehearsals are being scheduled and will begin shortly after Pascha. Please check our online calendar and the Mini Acouste Key for dates and more information. We look forward to seeing you in Arlington!

KALI SARAKOSTI! The Executive Board of the Metropolis of Boston Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians would like to extend to you its best wishes as we enter Great and Holy Lent. May we all continue to fill our Churches with the beautiful and meaningful hymns of the season during every service that we will participate in, starting with the Heretismoi (Salutations) and continuing with the Sundays of Lent and Holy Week through Pascha.
Conference 2009, Hosted by the St. Nicholas Parish, Portsmouth, NH, A Tremendous Success! - Conference 2009, held from Friday, November 6 through Sunday, November 8, 2009, was a wonderful weekend filled with worship, fellowship and the unsurpassed warmth and hospitality of the St. Nicholas choir and community. The entire parish, starting with Fr. Angelo Pappas, went out of their way to make all the Conference attendees feel a part of the St. Nicholas family. Guest conductor and composer of the Conference music, Dean Limberakis, was a delight as he entertained the musicians with his endless wit and charm. Guest Organist Athena Marken didn’t miss a note as she made the portable keyboard sound like a proper church organ, keeping up with Dean and the choir and the sometimes demanding score. Other highlights included the awarding of the first-annual MBFGOCM Scholarships to Katharine Jordan, from St. George, Lynn, MA and Evangeline Condakes, from St. Demetrios, Weston, MA, and the first “Years of Service Awards” to church musicians from throughout the Metropolis. Everyone was even treated to a trolley ride through the historic New Hampshire Seacoast on Saturday afternoon and an authentic New England Clam Bake at the Saturday night banquet. A special thank you to Jim Maheras, the entire coordinating committee and the many out-of-town guests who joined us. Portsmouth proved that a smaller parish can host a Conference and make it memorable for all.
A professionally recorded CD from the MBFGOCM 2009 Conference at St. Nicholas Church in Portsmouth, NH is available for purchase. The CD features the entire Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with the choir singing the music arranged and conducted by Dean Limberakis.

If you would like a copy of this memorable Liturgy, please send $17 (includes shipping) per CD to:

Dean Limberakis
% Hellenic College
50 Goddard Avenue, Brookline, MA 02445

Please make checks payable to: MBFGOCM

The 50th Anniversary Concert by the St. Demetrios Choir of Weston, held on May 30, 2009, has been professionally recorded and is available for purchase. The CD features favorite hymns of the choir and the debut of the original composition for the Divine Liturgy, written and conducted by Greg Condakes.

If you would like a copy of this beautiful concert, please send $18 (includes shipping) per CD to:

John Morakis
% St. Demetrios Church
57 Brown Street, Weston, MA 02493

Please make checks payable to: St. Demetrios Choir

HAS YOUR PARISH SENT IN ITS 2010 MBFGOCM MEMBERSHIP FORM AND STEWARDSHIP?
Please ask your Choir Director to fill out the attached form!

To submit information for the Mini Acoustes Key:
Send to
George Theodossiou
E-mail: gtheodossiou@msn
Deadline Date: March 25, 2010
The Metropolis of Boston Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians is honored to recognize the loyal stewardship of its church musicians who have served milestone years of service in their parishes. At every Sunday’s Divine Liturgy celebrated throughout the year and at many other services, the church musician joins the priest in chanting hymns and responses to the glory of God. They have given their time and talent week after week and year after year. Thank you to these devoted servants of our Church!

50 Years

Annunciation Cathedral – Boston, MA
Mary Critikos 55
Theodore Critikos 50
Kay Geanakakis 50
Philip Kallan 51
Angela Karikis 50
Chris Kladitis 50+
Constantine Limberakis 67
Mary Perdikes 50

Annunciation Church – Cranston, RI
Emmanuel Mihailides 63
Ethel Pappas 50
Helen Pappas 65
Mary Samaras 50

St. Demetrios Church – Weston, MA
Dido Argyrople 56
Christina Rotondi 50
Chris Tzellas 57

Annunciation Church – Brockton, MA
Diana Cauldwell 69
Anne Ellard 50+
Christine Karavites 50+

St. Luke Church – East Longmeadow, MA
Ann Flynn 60
Artemis Romell 66

25 Years

Annunciation Cathedral – Boston, MA
Theophania Galatis 30

Annunciation Church – Brockton, MA
Ona Calogrias 47
Pat Giannakoulis 37
Paris Kampanelas 32
Sophia Lucas 30
Bill Marathas 30+
Heidi Mason 25+
George Theodossiou 25
Rita Zivzes 30

Annunciation Church – Cranston, RI (Cont.)
Zoe Mitrelis 35
Julia Papadoulas 30
Roula Poyous 25
Koula Rougas 30
Katherine Silva 35
Ellie Strekouras 25
Helen Trikoulis 25

Dormition of the Virgin Mary Church – Somerville, MA
Evelyn Galatis 42
Angela Good 32
Anthoula Rozakis 30
Isithoros Rozakis 28
Carol Salvo 41
Irene Splagounias 33

Annunciation Church – Cranston, RI
Irene Apostolou 35
Thelma Carpetis 35
Elizabeth Degaitas 25
Voula Degaitas 35
Maryanna Floskis 30
25 Years

Holy Trinity Church – Holyoke, MA
Ronnah Belageron 25+
Sophia Chioles 25+
Victoria Kaloroumakis 25+
James Maynard 25+
Janet Maynard 25+
Electra Petropoulos 25+
Maria Tongelidis 25+
Arthur Verdi 25+
Dennis Verdi 25+

St. Demetrios Church – Weston, MA
Mene Aliapoulios 29
Phillip Chomo 37
Peter Condakes 33
Stephen Condakes 35
Georgia Cosmopoulos 39
Evelyn Mancuso 36
Norman Mancuso 45
Janet Prifti 31
Pauline Travers 28
Nikki Trogos 25

St. George Church – Lynn, MA
Sophia Iuanow Argeros 29

St. George Church – Pittsfield, MA
Menelaus Amandos 25+
Mrs. Menelaus Amandos 25+
Christina Giannaris 25+
Zacharias Giannaris 25+
Pota Heliotis 25+
Carolyn Janssen 25+
Dorothea Karras 25+
James Panos 25+
Alexander Tenentes 25+
Anastasia Zarvis 25+

St. Luke Church - East Longmeadow, MA
Lorraine Ahladas 41
Constance Cokkinias 30
Andrew Dratelis 30
Lynne Georgeopolus 30
Doris Henault 38
Meri Kassanos 30
Karen Louis 39
Cindy Rodolakis 45
Anita Themistos 33

St. Nicholas Church – Portsmouth, NH
James Maheras 36

10 Years

Annunciation Cathedral – Boston, MA
Fay Andreadis 10
Joy Hathaway 10
Colleen Palmer 12
Paula Papadopoulos 13
Peter L. Pappas 20+
Heather Peterson 15
Roberto Poli 12
Demetrios Yiannacopoulos 20

Annunciation Church – Brockton, MA
Priscilla Giannouloudis 10
Aristofanis Krikis 20+
Pauline Walter 15

Annunciation Church – Cranston, RI
Athena Barchi 10
Phyllis Michaelides 10
A. Tom Philis 10
Mary Lekas Picozzi 20
John Proyous 10
John Psikakos 10
Savvas Rougas 12

Dormition of the Virgin Mary Church – Somerville, MA
Toula Dres 10
Pauline Karavakis 10
Mary Limberakis 21

St. Catherine Church – Braintree, MA
Evelyn Czaja 10

St. Demetrios Church – Weston, MA
Gregory Condakes 21
Eleni Condakes 12
Joanna Krasinski 16
Athena Marken 12
Maria Marmarinos 10
Arthur Papas 21
Debbie Rempis 14

St. Luke Church - East Longmeadow, MA
Louis Demosthenous 22

St. Nicholas Church – Portsmouth, NH
Catherine Dawson 11
Valerie Filias 10
Donna Lynch 10
Patricia Maheras 11
TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!
PARISH MEMBERSHIP LIST FOR 2010
(January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010)

The Metropolis of Boston Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians (MBFGOCM) exists for the benefit of all parishes in the Metropolis of Boston. It also serves as the liaison between each local parish and the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese’s religious choral group, the National Forum of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians, which provides many resources to each parish and Choir Federation. MBFGOCM’s ability to support Church Musicians is dependent upon the financial support from its choirs, organists, psaltai, and individuals.

Now that we are at the start of our fiscal year (January 1 - December 31), we take this opportunity to invite you to submit a Choir Membership List, along with your Annual Stewardship Membership of $100, and mail them to: Andrew Marken, 4 Garrison Ln, Southborough, MA 01772.

Thank you for your prompt response!

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Choir Director’s Name
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(Tel. Fax E-mail)

Organist’s Name
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(Tel. Fax E-mail)

Parish Psalti’s Name
Address
(Tel. Fax E-mail)

Youth Choir Coordinator/Director (If you do not have a coordinator, please appoint someone who will be able to work with the Youth Music Ministry in the parishes of the Metropolis of Boston.)
Address
(Tel. Fax E-mail)

Please mail or email (akmarken@comcast.net) your separate list of adult choir and junior/youth choir members, giving each name, address, city, state, zip code, telephone, e-mail address, voice part (s-a-t-b), together with this form and your stewardship ($100) made payable to “MBFGOCM,” to:

ANDREW MARKEN, TREASURER
4 GARRISON LANE
SOUTHBOROUGH, MA 01772
LENTEN RETREAT

Saturday, MARCH 20, 2010

9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

To be held at the beautiful new St. Methodios Faith and Heritage Center

THE ST. METHODIOS RETREAT HOUSE
329 Camp Merrimack Road
Contoocook, NH 03229

A FULL DAY OF EVENTS

FIRESIDE CHAT
His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios

PANEL OF GUEST CLERGY
Presentations and Discussions
Fr. Nicholas M. Kastanas, Fr. Agathonikos Wilson, Fr. Peter Chamberas

REFRESHMENTS BY THE FIREPLACE
WORKSHOPS -Viewing the Icons of Lent
- The Vesper Service

VESPER SERVICE IN THE CHAPEL
GOURMET LENTEN BUFFET

Meditation on the Beautiful Camp Grounds and Forest Trails
(Snowshoes available)

COME AND ENJOY THIS MEANINGFUL PROGRAM

We invite everyone to come and participate in a meaningful day of Orthodoxy at our beautiful new Retreat Center, nestled in the peaceful forests of New Hampshire. Join us in a Fireside Chat with His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios. You will find that this is the perfect place for Lenten meditation, as well as fellowship. Be a part of the in-depth discussions, and build closer relationships with new and old friends.

Presented by the St. Athanasius Church Choir of Arlington, MA
A member of the Metropolis of Boston Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians
Co-sponsored by the National Forum of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians
Through a Grant from Leadership 100

RSVP- Please call to make a reservation.
Stella Pathiakis, Choir Director, St. Athanasius Church, Arlington, MA
Phone: 339-222-2629
Email: stella.pathiakis@comcast.net
St. Athanasius Church- 781-646-0705

Bus to leave St. Athanasius Greek Church at 7:30 a.m.
4 Appleton Street, Arlington, MA

ANNUAL LENTEN RETREAT- 2010

Schedule for the day

7:30 a.m.   Bus to leave St. Athanasius Church, 4 Appleton St. Arlington, MA
9:00 a.m.   Registration and Refreshments
9:30 a.m.   Welcome- Stella Pathiakis
            Opening Prayer- Fr. Nicholas M. Kastanas
9:35 a.m.   Presentation and Discussion: Fr. Nicholas M. Kastanas
9:30 a.m.   Presentation and Discussion: Fr. Nicholas M. Kastanas
10:30 a.m.  Break & Refreshment- Walk on the Camp grounds (Snowshoes available)
11:00 a.m.  FIRESIDE CHAT- His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios
12:30 p.m.  Lunch – Meet our Guest Clergy
1:15 p.m.   PANEL OF GUEST CLERGY-Presentations and Discussion
            Fr. Nicholas M. Kastanas, Fr. Agathonikos Wilson, Fr. Peter Chamberas
3:15 p.m.   Break- Refreshment
3:30 p.m.   Workshops- “The Hymns of Lent” & “How to view the Icons of Lent”
4:15 p.m.   Break
4:30 p.m.   Vesper Services- Chapel (Readings & hymns by participants)
5:30 p.m.   Lenten Buffet
7:00 p.m.   Depart for home

ST. METHODIOS RETREAT CENTER
329 Camp Merrimack Road
Contoocook, NH 03229

DIRECTIONS:
I-93 North past Hooksett to
I-89 North (11 miles)
Take exit 6 for NH-127 toward Contoocook/W. Hopkinton
Turn Right onto Maple St., NH-127 (1.4 miles)
Slight Left onto Kearsarge Ave. (177 ft.)
First Left onto Pine St. (1.4 miles)
Turn right onto Camp Merrimack Road

www.boston.churchmusic.goarch.org