

2010 NATIONAL PHILOPTOCHOS BIENNIAL CONVENTION



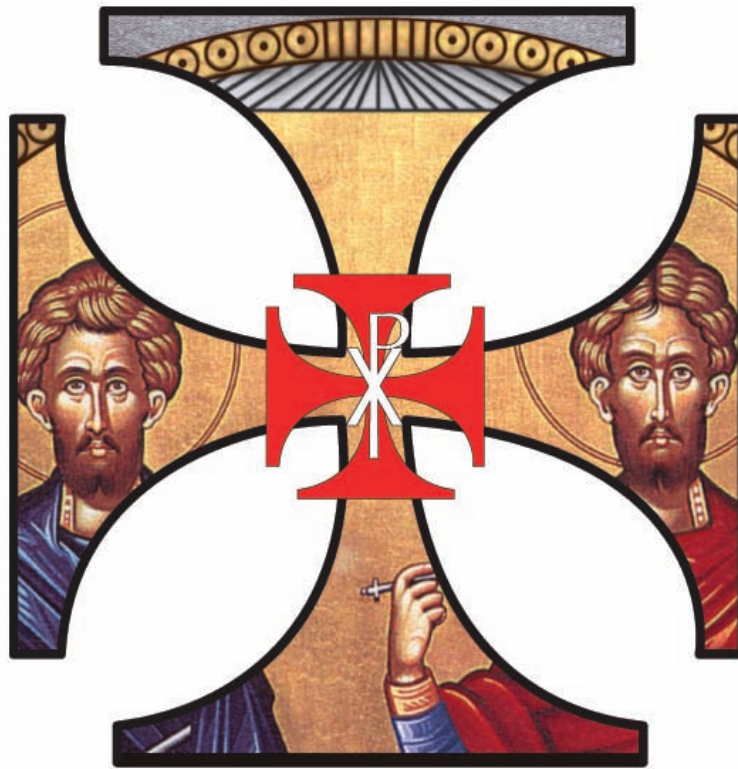
COME AND SEE

*Witnessing our Faith in Christ
through Works*

ATLANTA MARRIOTT MARQUIS, ATLANTA, GA

JULY 4-7, 2010

National Philoptochos Society





GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA
GREEK ORTHODOX LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY, Inc.

March, 2010

Dear Chapter President and
Members of the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society,

Kali Tesserakosti.

The period of Great and Holy Lent prepares us for Holy Week, the Crucifixion and the joyous Resurrection of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. It is an appropriate time for Philoptochos women to affirm our relationship with the Lord, to strengthen our bond with one another through love and to renew our commitment of agape and compassion with those in need.

In order to effectively map the future of our mission and continue to serve others, thorough and organized planning is required. The vehicle to promote growth and expand reach is the 2010 National Philoptochos Convention which will be held in Atlanta, Georgia from July 4 through July 7, 2010.

This Convention is an opportunity to share the spirit, camaraderie and fellowship with our fellow Philoptochos sisters. It provides a forum for review of existing programs, analysis of finances and forward planning. Chairpersons Helen Ballerano, Diane Tseckares and Georgia Vlitas are planning engaging presentations, enlightening cultural events and informative discussion groups.

Your input has been greatly considered in planning this Convention. To ensure that the Philoptochos mission continues for many generations, your participation at the Convention is required and necessary. It is your Society and the success of Philoptochos is a function of the total sum efforts of all the great women that comprise our beautiful organization. You are charged with serving those in need and you have demonstrated your strength and commitment to continue your passion for excellence for the Glory of God, striving steadfastly to respectfully serve others with love.

You are invited to make a difference. Please attend and participate in what the Chairpersons Helen, Diane, Georgia and Host Committee Chair Evan Scurtis assure will be a most important, productive and enjoyable conference. I look forward to greeting you in Atlanta and sharing this important time with you.

In Christ,

Aphrodite Skeadas

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National Philoptochos President

PHILOPTOCHOS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS JULY 4-7, 2010

ATLANTA, GA

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(subject to change)

SATURDAY, JULY 3

- Convention Registration
- National Board Meeting

SUNDAY, JULY 4

- Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
- Delegate Orientation
- Opening Ceremony
- Budget Preview
- Bylaws Review
- Resolutions Committee

MONDAY, JULY 5

- Keynote Address by
His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios
- Philoptochos General Assembly
- Membership Workshop/Breakout
“Invite, Embrace, Involve”

TUESDAY, JULY 6

- Philoptochos General Assembly
- Leadership Workshop
- Discussion Groups

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7

- Philoptochos General Assembly
- Social Services Panel Discussion
- Awards Presentations
- Chapter Challenge

HIGHLIGHTS

A CULTURAL EXPERIENCE

Immerse yourself in an American experience that you can only enjoy in Atlanta, GA. From its celebrated landmarks to its undiscovered neighborhoods, the sights and sounds inspire millions of visitors every year. Packed with famous sights, free attractions, and an endless calendar of special events, Atlanta, GA offers year-round inspiring experiences.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Focusing on three topics of interest, the discussion groups will provide delegates with an opportunity to maximize their involvement in the Society's future.

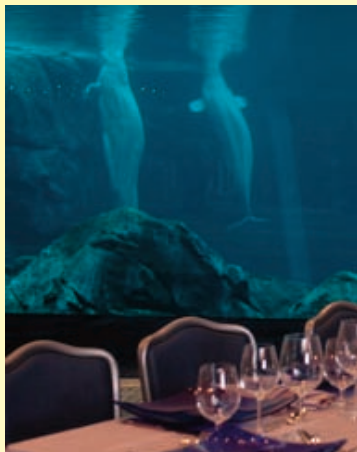
HOSPITALITY

Enjoy Atlanta, GA's dining and nightlife. Creative chefs and restaurateurs are opening hip new eateries in every corner of the city, showing off fresh flavors in innovative American and international cuisine.

PHILOPTOCHOS CHALLENGE

We challenge our members to make Philoptochos more fulfilling and rewarding for both the giver and the receiver. Your example will inspire and excite those who are to follow in the future. This is a challenge worth taking.

Just a few attractions



The Georgia Aquarium

225 Baker Street Northwest
Atlanta, GA 30313
Phone: 404.581.4000
www.georgiaaquarium.org



Description:

Dive into a one-of-a-kind aquatic experience at the world's largest aquarium, the Georgia Aquarium! Get up close with gentle whale sharks, toothy sand tiger sharks, graceful beluga whales, playful sea otters and aquatic animals from around the globe. With the largest collection of aquatic animals, you are sure to see things you've never seen before!



Inside CNN Atlanta

Categories: Landmarks & Historical Buildings, Television Stations
Neighborhood: Downtown
190 Marietta St NW
Atlanta, GA 31132
Phone: 404.827.2300
www.cnn.com/tour/atlanta
Please call 404.827.2300 or 1.877.4CNNTOUR Monday – Friday between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:30 pm to make a reservation

Description:

Journey into the heart of CNN Worldwide and get an up-close look at global news in the making. Inside CNN is a 55-minute guided walking tour with exclusive, behind-the-scenes views of Atlanta's CNN studios and an exciting glimpse of news and broadcasting in action from CNN world headquarters.



Stone Mountain Park

1000 Robert E. Lee Drive
Stone Mountain, GA 30083
Main Park Entrance
(some map programs)
U.S. Highway 78 East, Exit 8
Stone Mountain, GA 30087

OPEN: 10am-8pm
Stone Mountain Park's Customer Service Center
1.800.401.2407 outside metro Atlanta



Description:

Stone Mountain Park is home to the world's largest piece of exposed granite rock and is the state's most visited attraction. With more than 3,200 acres of natural beauty, the park offers families recreational activities, special events, lodging and camping. Plus, new in 2008 is Sky Hike, the largest family adventure course in the treetops. Also see the Skyride, Paddlewheel Riverboat, Antebellum Plantation & Farmyard, The Great Barn, Scenic Railroad, Ride the Ducks, Great Locomotive Adventure, Golf, museums and the 1870s town of Crossroads® which includes live shows, craft demonstrations, shopping and dining.



High Museum of Art

1280 Peachtree Street NE
Atlanta, GA 30309
(404) 733-4444
www.high.org

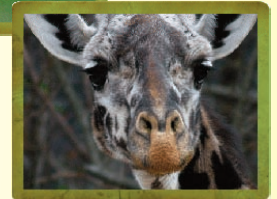
Description:

The High Museum of Art is the leading art museum in the southeast. Expect a broad, diverse selection of art comprising 19th/20th century American works, European paintings, decorative arts, African, African-American art, photography, and modern and contemporary art. The High is currently involved in a three-year partnership that brings treasures from the Musee du Louvre to the city.



Zoo Atlanta

800 Cherokee Avenue Southeast,
Atlanta, GA, 30315
404) 624-9453
9:30AM-5:30PM, ticket booths close at
4:30PM
www.zooatlanta.org



Description:

Located in historic Grant Park, Zoo Atlanta features more than 200 species of animals from the African plains and Asian forests. See Bornean Sumatran orangutans, Asian small clawed otters and Sumatran tigers, plus a pair of Giant Pandas and a new panda cub. The Ford African Rain Forest houses one of the largest captive gorilla populations in North America with a total of 24 gorillas..



World of Coca-Cola

121 Baker St. NW
Atlanta, GA 30313-1807
404. 676.5151
www.worldofcoca-cola.com

Description:

From a multi-sensory 4-D theater, a marvelously restored 1880s soda fountain, a one-of-a-kind World of Coca-Cola glass bottle produced in a real, live bottling line, to an opportunity to sample nearly 70 different beverages from around the world, you'll experience something inviting around every corner.

2010 National Philoptochos
BIENNIAL CONVENTION, ATLANTA, GA
SUNDAY, JULY 4 - WEDNESDAY, JULY 7



40TH BIENNIAL CLERGY-LAITY CONGRESS

Atlanta Marriott Marquis Hotel - Atlanta, GA - July 4-7, 2010

GENERAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL DATES

The 2010 Clergy-Laity Congress, National Philoptochos Convention and Young Adult Convention will convene on Sunday July 4-7, 2010 at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis in Georgia.

LOCATION

The Atlanta Marriott Marquis is conveniently located in the heart of downtown Atlanta's Peachtree Center and in close proximity to the Georgia World Center, The Georgia Dome, Philips Arena, the Georgia Aquarium, New World of Coca Cola and Centennial Park.

The Marriott is approximately 20 minutes from Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport. Transportation to the Marriott is available via Airport Shuttle (\$30rt), Marta (\$2.00) and Taxi (\$32)— Prices are subject to change.

ATLANTA MARRIOTT MARQUIS
265 PEACHTREE CENTER AVENUE NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GA 30303
(404) 521-0000

ACCOMMODATIONS

1,663 newly renovated guest rooms including 94 elegant suites with sophisticated style and luxury, over-sized bathrooms, floor to ceiling windows, high speed internet access. Exclusive Concierge Level, Valet Parking, Pool, Health Club.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Reservations may be made by calling the Atlanta Marriott Marquis directly at (404) 521-0000 or Marriott Reservations at 1-800-228-9290. Please tell reservations that you are with the "Greek Orthodox Archdiocese". To be guaranteed our discount rates please make your reservation prior to our cut-off date- **MAY 10, 2010**.

Rates for the 2010 National Philoptochos Biennial Convention are \$169.00 for single, double and triple occupancy. Concierge Level Rooms (limited) are \$184.00. Suites begin at \$350.00. Room taxes are currently 15%.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION

Rates for the 2010 National Philoptochos Biennial Convention are:

- \$550** – Registration Fee for duly elected delegates, Archdiocesan Council, National Philoptochos Delegates
- \$650** – Non-Delegates/Guests (will only receive ticket packet)

The Registration fee is inclusive of all convention meal functions, workshops, forums, registration and collateral materials. The Registration Hours for Clergy-Laity and National Philoptochos are as follows:

- ❖ Saturday, July 3 2:00pm-5:00pm
- ❖ Sunday, July 4 1:00pm-9:00pm
- ❖ Monday, July 5 8:00am-9:00pm

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

- ◆ The National Philoptochos Executive Board and National Board meetings are scheduled for Saturday, July 3, 2010.
- ◆ In 2010 Clergy-Laity will end one day earlier (Wednesday instead of Thursday)
- ◆ The Congress Exhibit Hall will be open from Sunday July 4 through 5:00pm on Wednesday July 7
- ◆ A full package of tours of popular Atlanta attractions will be made available in the Clergy-Laity Congress Registration Area.
- ◆ Tickets for family and guests to attend CLC events will be made available—information will follow
- ◆ Congress Workshops are open to all delegates and guests.

For Further Information Please Contact:

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Sterling Silver Pendant

The Sterling Silver Cross Pendant is 1.8 x 1.8 cm and accompanied by a 20", Sterling Silver link chain, for strength and durability. A pouch for storage is included.....\$30.



Gold Plated Sterling Silver Pin

The Gold Plated Cross Pin includes a quality clutch-back, made from solid brass for durability....\$25.



Gold Plated Sterling Silver Pendant

The Gold Plated Cross Pendant is 1.8 x 1.8 cm and accompanied by a 20" sterling silver link chain. A pouch for storage is included.....\$35.

May be purchased through the Philoptochos Office

(All proceeds from sale of this bracelet support the Social Services)

Sterling Silver Philoptochos Charm Bracelet



*Beautiful Detail of Sts. Cosmas & Damianos
the Holy Unmercenaries and Patron Saints of the Philoptochos\$60.*

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THE 2010 NATIONAL PHILOPTOCHOS BIENNIAL CONVENTION
Atlanta, GA July 4-7, 2010
(National Board Meeting Saturday, July 3, 2010)
REGISTRATION APPLICATION

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

Delegate's Name: _____

Parish Name: _____ Parish Phone: _____

Metropolis _____ Chapter Number: # _____

Parish Address: _____

Delegate's Home Mailing Address: _____

City/State /Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Office : _____ Cell: _____

Delegate's E-mail: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Emergency Contact: _____

Home Phone: _____ Office Phone: _____

Special Medical Needs: _____

REGISTRATION FEE

___ Chapter Delegate	\$550.00
___ Metropolis Board Delegate	\$550.00
___ National Board Delegate	\$550.00
___ Observer	\$650.00

Registration fee must accompany this application. The deadline for application is **May 3, 2010. A refund, less \$150.00, per person, will be granted upon written request, received by June 24, 2010.**

PAYMENT

A check, made payable to: **The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society, Inc.**
in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.

MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION, ALONG WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FEE BY **MAY 3, 2010** TO:

NATIONAL PHILOPTOCHOS OFFICE
Attention Convention Registration
7 West 55th Street, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10019