

**GREEK ORTHODOX LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY, INC.
NATIONAL COMMITTEE REPORT
MAY 23, 2023**



Children's Medical Fund Luncheon Committee

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The Children's Medical Fund Luncheon (CMFL) Committee under the leadership of Stella Piches, Martha Stefanidakis, Marian Catechis and Barbara Vittas has been diligently working to ensure a financial and social successful weekend in Houston, Texas in November 2023. The Metropolis of Denver Philoptochos Chapters are committed to supporting this important ministry and already working on fundraising events to help support this worthwhile cause.

By now, we hope that everyone has made plans to attend and participate in our National Board meeting on Friday, November 10, 2023, followed by a Fabulous Fun Friday night event. On Saturday, November 11, 2023, the luncheon will take place in the beautiful ballroom of the Hilton-Americas Hotel in Houston, Texas. For those who can stay overnight, Liturgy will be celebrated on Sunday at the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral at 9:00 am.

The luncheon will feature the Annunciation Orthodox Middle School Choir presenting a program of patriotic songs and a brief Greek selection too. We are honored to announce that we have secured Dr. Lara Shekerdemian, Pediatrician in Chief at Texas Children's Hospital and Chair of the Baylor College of Medicine Department of Pediatrics as our guest speaker for the luncheon. Longtime supporters of our Archdiocese and Philoptochos, Joni and John Zavitsanos will serve as Masters of Ceremony. And of course, we will be honoring our very own Theone Dickos – 2021 Luncheon Chair.

Finally, our raffle will be awesome. A very heartfelt THANK YOU to so many who have donated incredible gifts. We encourage you to purchase and sell as many tickets as possible. Over 40 items have been donated!

The most important message we have is – We need your support! This luncheon is Philoptochos' major fundraiser for children medical issues. Our committee is working continuously to raise the funds necessary to continue the work done by our previous 18 luncheons. Please give as you are able and attend our Texas style weekend. We promise you will not be disappointed!

