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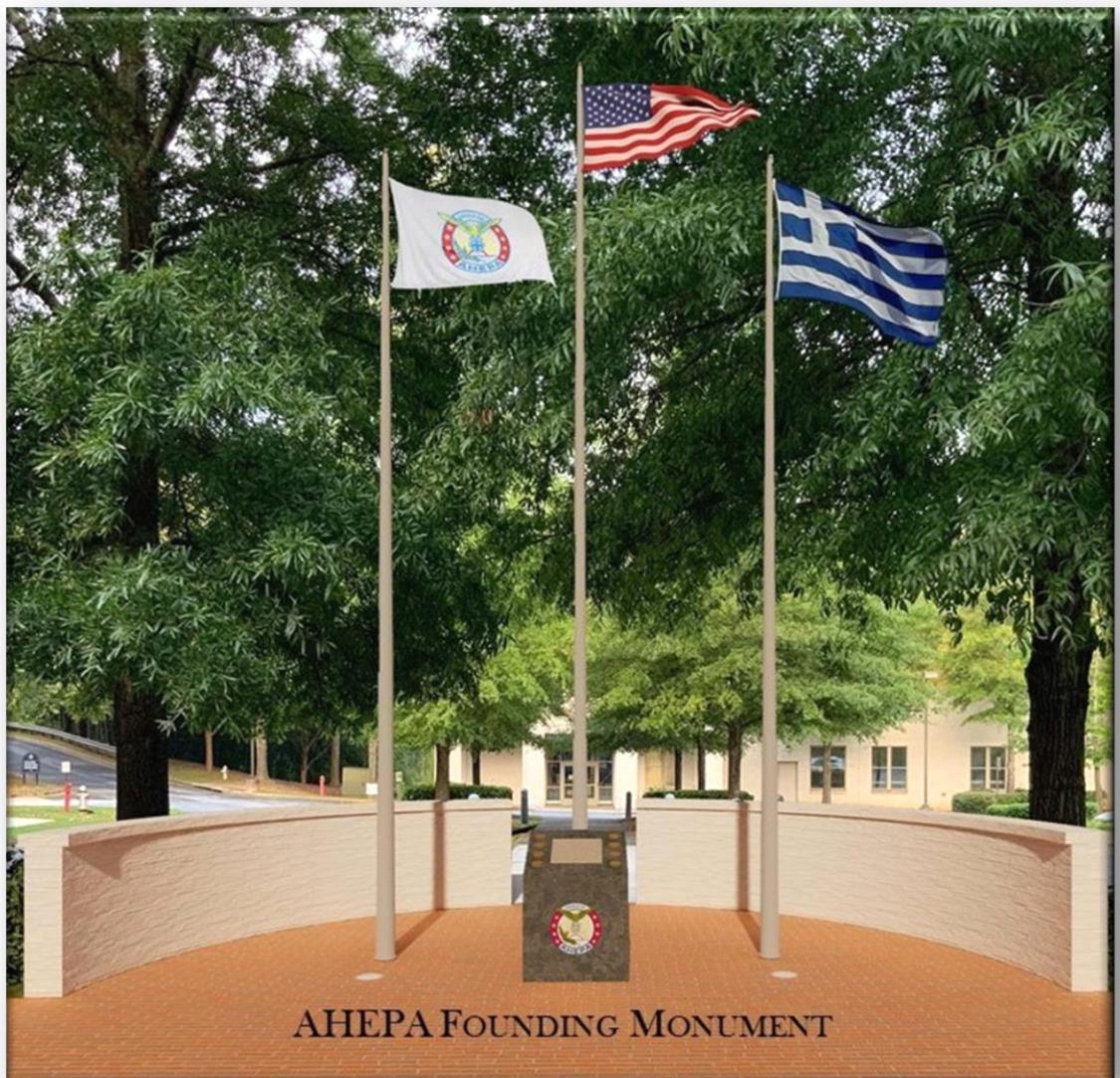
Brothers:

The AHEPA Monument is being constructed in Atlanta to commemorate our 100th anniversary. Although I do understand that the deadline is very close, I wanted to ensure that you and your chapter had the opportunity to participate in this special once-in-a-lifetime occasion.

Fraternally,  
**Gus Angelo**

*District 16 Governor*  
*(713)858-3929*

**AHEPA Founding Monument**





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Dear Friends,

100 years ago, a group of brave and visionary Hellenes in Atlanta created what has become a global organization promoting Hellenism, education, philanthropy, civic responsibility, family and individual excellence. It is time to celebrate this humble beginning and century of service.

AHEPA Mother Lodge Chapter #1 invites you to an amazing, inspirational, and enjoyable “**Centennial Celebration Weekend**” June 23-26, 2022, in Atlanta, Georgia, where AHEPA began. Together with you, we will all celebrate the past, present, and future.

The **Centennial Celebration Weekend** begins the evening of June 23rd with inspiring and informative presentations by local author Stephen Georgeson and historian Dr. Victor Polizos. They will discuss the early years of Greek immigration and the heroic origins of AHEPA. Learn the stories of how its founding members fought against discrimination and prejudice, and for freedom and a better life for all.

Information will follow regarding golf and three-on-three basketball tournaments which will be held over the weekend. The morning of June 24th will feature gatherings of the various groups within the AHEPA Family followed by an AHEPA Family and friends luncheon. The day’s activities will conclude with a casual evening of fellowship over some hearty Southern cuisine.

On Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> you will have a unique opportunity to leisurely visit AHEPA’s **TRIBUTE to Hellenism and Olympism** Sculpture in Centennial Olympic Park, the largest aquarium in the United States, Civil Rights Museum, College Football Hall of Fame, World of Coca Cola, Martin Luther King memorial and other Atlanta landmarks.

A highlight of the weekend will occur Saturday afternoon with the dedication of the **AHEPA Founding Monument**, the first permanent tribute honoring the memory of our visionary founders that will serve to educate and encourage all future generations. Following the dedication, we will come together for a very festive **Centennial Celebration** dinner and dance.

Our **Centennial Celebration Weekend** will conclude Sunday morning with the Divine Liturgy at the Annunciation Cathedral where we will celebrate an *Artoklasia* (prayer for the living), a Memorial (prayer for the departed), and a farewell coffee hour.

To participate in this once-in-a-lifetime **Centennial Celebration Weekend**, visit our special website: <https://www.ahepa100.org>.

Join us as we honor those who bravely came before us and celebrate our past, present, and future work to promote Hellenism, education, philanthropy, civic responsibility, family and individual excellence.

Sincerely,

The 2022 AHEPA Centennial Celebration Committee





## THE AHEPA FOUNDING MONUMENT Dedication Saturday, June 25, 2022

It is with great excitement that we look forward to celebrating the 100th anniversary of AHEPA's founding centennial in Atlanta - where it all began - on June 23-26, 2022. In addition to the events of the weekend, we will be commemorating this milestone with the dedication of the **AHEPA Founding Monument** to honor the memory of our eight founders: Harry D. Angelopoulos, John D. Angelopoulos, George Campbell, James Campbell, Nicholas D. Chotas, George A. Polos, Spiros J. Stamos, and James N. Vlass.

To honor the significance of our founders' lasting achievements, the Atlanta AHEPA Chapter #1 is sponsoring the establishment of the **AHEPA Founding Monument**, together with the Atlanta Daughters of Penelope Chapter #53. We would like to invite you to join us in supporting this symbol of our founders' legacy by donating to the AHEPA Founding Monument. We are hopeful that this monument will serve as a reminder to future generations of Greek Americans of the contributions of the AHEPA family - past, present, and future. We hope that you will consider partnering with us by making a tax-deductible donation to honor our founders as we embark on a celebration of this tremendous organization which has brought joy, fellowship, and dedication to service for so many of our AHEPA family members.

As you know, these men were inspired to serve as our trailblazers navigating the many issues faced by their newly established Greek American communities. It was their desire to support one another that provided the motivation to establish an organization, AHEPA, to assist with their community's assimilation into their new country.

Since its founding, AHEPA has served as a beacon of education, philanthropy, civic responsibility, family and individual excellence, and Hellenism. Over the last century, hundreds of AHEPA chapters have been established with this shared vision in mind. The impact of our founders cannot be underestimated, and we can look back at the last hundred years with honor and pride. Thanks to the dedication and hard work of these men, thousands of deserving people have been awarded scholarships, given the opportunity for safe and affordable housing, and held up the tenets of the American dream as principles by which to live.

The dedication of this monument will take place during the AHEPA Centennial Celebration weekend on Saturday, June 25, 2022, at the Thalia N. Carlos Hellenic Community Center adjacent to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral. We will then come together for a very festive Centennial Celebration dinner and dance Saturday evening.

Come and be a part of the celebration. Come and be a part of AHEPA history. Come to Atlanta - where it all began.

On behalf of the members of the Atlanta AHEPA Mother Lodge Chapter #1 - past, present, and future - we thank you for your consideration. To contribute, go the website [ahepa100.org](http://ahepa100.org) toolbar or mail in a check.

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# AHEPA Founding Monument

Dedication June 25<sup>th</sup>





**Ticket Information**  
*Atlanta's Centennial Celebration*  
*June 23 - 26, 2022*

**Discounted weekend package: \$165.00 PER PERSON**

*This discounted package includes all three paid events. For a la carte ticket pricing, see below.*

**A la carte ticket information**

*Please note: the below information contains details on events for which a paid ticket is required.*

Friday, June 24

12:30 - 1:30 pm

Lunch: \$20.00 PER PERSON

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Southern Nights Dinner: \$40.00 PER PERSON

Saturday, June 25

6:00 - 9:00 pm

Centennial Dinner and dance: \$125.00 PER PERSON

9:00 pm

Dance only: \$25.00 PER PERSON

**Please complete payment information below.**

Date	Event	Price per person	Number of tickets	Total
June 24	Lunch	\$20		\$
June 24	Southern Nights Dinner	\$40		\$
June 25	Dinner & Dance	\$125		\$
June 25	Dance only	\$25		\$
Discounted weekend package		\$165		\$

**Grand total:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

We offer three ways to pay: Check, Debit/Credit Card, or Online at [www.AHEPA100.org](http://www.AHEPA100.org). If paying by card, please complete form and mail to address below. Please make checks payable to AHEPA 100 and mail to: AHEPA 100 c/o William Simitzes, 980 Ashebrooke Court NE, Marietta, GA 30068.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Card number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CCV: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**The deadline for all ticket purchases is June 10, 2022.**



# AHEPA Centennial Celebration Weekend

June 23-26, 2022

## Participation Form

Reserve a place on the **AHEPA Founding Monument:**

**GOLD, SILVER AND BRONZE** donors will be honored with a name inscribed on the AHEPA Founding Monument Centennial Celebration Plaque and also be recognized in the Centennial Commemorative Album. **Supporters, Patrons and Contributors** will be recognized in the Centennial Commemorative Album.

\_\_\_ \$10,000 + GOLD - Plaque & Full Page in Album - name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ \$5,000 + SILVER - Plaque & Full Page in Album - name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ \$1,000 + BRONZE - Plaque & Album name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ \$500 Supporter - Album name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ \$250 Patron - Album name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ \$100 Contributor - Album name \_\_\_\_\_

*\*All donations tax deductible. The AHEPA Founders Fund was established to honor the eight founding members of AHEPA and to sponsor programs commemorating the ideals of these men and their vision to promote Hellenism, Education, Philanthropy, Civic Responsibility and Family and Individual Excellence. The fund further offers scholarships to individuals pursuing higher education. The Founders Fund is administered by the AHEPA Mother Lodge Chapter No. 1 Educational Fund, a 501c3 organization.*

**Record history in the AHEPA Centennial Commemorative Album:** This album will be a collaborative history of the AHEPA Family. We invite you to honor AHEPA Family Chapter founders; submit articles describing the beginning of your chapter, anecdotes of your chapter's early years, or articles describing major projects undertaken by your chapter in support of Hellenism, education, philanthropy, civic responsibility, and family or individual excellence; and honor your family and loved ones with stories of their contributions to the AHEPA Family. We also invite sponsors to submit advertisements for their businesses.

\_\_\_ \$325 Full Page

\_\_\_ \$200 Half Page

\_\_\_ \$150 Quarter Page

\_\_\_ \$100 Business Card Size

\_\_\_ \$ 25 Patron (one line)

1. **Deadline for submission: May 15.**

2. All submissions must be sent as email attachments to along with the completed Participation Form to: [AHEPA1events@hotmail.com](mailto:AHEPA1events@hotmail.com)

3. All submissions are subject to the approval of the Album Committee.

4. Contributors agree to protect the AHEPA Centennial Celebration Committee against legal action based on libelous statements, copyright infringement, unauthorized and/or improper use of photographs or other material in connection with submissions to this album.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Include name on album submission if applicable, i.e., Tony Poulos for AHEPA # 623)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate PAYMENT METHOD:

\_\_\_ PayPal: email "send money" to [AHEPA1events@hotmail.com](mailto:AHEPA1events@hotmail.com)

\_\_\_ Check: Make payable to AHEPA 100 and mail to: AHEPA 100 c/o William Simitzes, 980 Ashebrooke Court NE, Marietta, GA 30068.