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HOTEL
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND**

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O HEAVENLY KING

Tone 6

Adapted by: Andrew Cvercko

O HEAV-EN - LY KING, THE COM-FOR-TER, THE SPIR-IT OF TRUTH,

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WHO ART EVE - RY - WHERE AND FILL-EST ALL THINGS. TREA-SU-RY OF BLESS-INGS,

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AND GIV - ER OF LIFE; COME AND A - BIDE IN US, AND CLEANSE US FROM

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F.O.C.A ANTHEM

Words and Music by
Anastasia Karrioto

Faith of our Fa - thers Ho - ly Or - tho-dox,
Pray, Stu - dy, To - il, Al - ways be tem - per - ate.

we will per - pe - tu - ate in this land that's free.
This, our - mot - to and proud are - wel

Keep the tra - di - tions that bind us to - ge - ther,
For it will guide us in all our en - deav - ors,

true to our he - ri - tage, and the F. O. C. A.
In all our aims and hopes for the F. O. C. A.

The Opening Procession Order

1. Member with Icon of All Saints of N. America
2. Member with Icon of St. Andrew
3. Member with U.S. Flag
4. National Spiritual Advisor
5. National President
6. National Vice President
7. National Recording Secretary
8. National Treasurer
9. Immediate Past National President
10. Past National Presidents
11. District Governors
12. Present Hierarchs

PEOPLE: O, Lord, save Thy people / and bless Thine inheritance / grant victories to the Orthodox Christians / over their adversaries / and by virtue of Thy Cross / preserve Thy habitation.

Opening Service of Prayer at a National Convention

Deacon: Bless, Master.

Priest: Blessed is our God, always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen. O Heav-enly King, the Comforter, the Spir-it of Truth; who art everywhere and fil-lest all things. Treasury of Bles-sings, and Giv-er of Life: come and a-bide in us, and cleanse us from every im-pur-ity, and save our souls, O Good One.

The Great Litany

Deacon: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy. (sung after each petition)

Deacon: For the peace from above and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy churches of God, and for the union of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: For His Beatitude, our Metropolitan_____, and for His (Eminence, Grace) our (Archbishop, Bishop)_____, for the honorable priesthood, the deaconate in Christ, for all the clergy and the people, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: For the President of our country, for all civil authorities, and for the armed forces, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: For this city, for every city and country, and for the faithful dwelling in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: For seasonable weather, for abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: For travelers by land, by sea, and by air; for the sick and the suffering; for captives and their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: That the Lord will hear the voice of petition of the members of this Convention Gathering and fulfill all their good desires and intentions, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: That He will send down the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, opening our minds and lips and enlightening our hearts, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: That He will grant us the Wisdom which stands by His Throne, making it abide in their hearts and teaching them what is for the good of His Holy Church, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: That they may wisely remain constant in the Orthodox Faith and in all good works, a joy and comfort to all people and a strengthening of the Holy Church, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: That He will look down with His Merciful Eye on His Church and upon this Convention Gathering, bestowing the grace of wisdom upon its endeavors in the successful building up of the life of the Church of our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: For the members of this Convention Gathering, who have travelled from throughout this country, awaiting the Grace of the Holy Spirit, and needful of God's help and protection, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: That He will instill in the members of this Convention Gathering oneness of mind, harmony of spirit, good intentions and wise action for the benefit of his Holy Church, let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon: Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

Deacon: Commemorating our most holy, most pure, most blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-Virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and each other, and all our life unto Christ our God.

People: To Thee, O, Lord.

Priest: For unto Thee are due all glory, honor, and worship: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

God is the Lord

Deacon: In the 8th Tone: God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.

People: *God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!*

Deacon: All nations surrounded me; in the Name of the Lord I withstood them!

People: *God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!*

Deacon: I shall not die, but shall live, and recount the works of the Lord!

People: *God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!*

Deacon: The stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner. This is the Lord's doing; and it is marvelous in our eyes!

People: *God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!*

Troparions

People: (TONE 8) Blessed art Thou, O Christ our God,/who hast revealed the fisherman as most wise,/ by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit,/ through them Thou didst draw the world into Thy net,/ O Lover of man, Glory to Thee!

People: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

People: (TONE 4) Andrew, the First-called of the Apostles/ brother of Peter, the foremost disciple,/ entreat the Master of all,/ to grant peace to the world,/and to our souls great mercy.

People: Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

People: (TONE 4) Steadfast protectress of Christians,/ constant advocate before the Creator:/ do not despise the cry of us sinners,/ but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith./ Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos,/ for you always protect those who honor you.

Prokeimenon / Epistle / Gospel

Deacon: Let us attend!

Priest: Peace be unto all.

Reader: And to your spirit.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the 4th Tone: Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper the work of our hands.

People: *Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper the work of our hands.*

Reader: Yea, give success to the work of our hands.

People: *Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper the work of our hands.*

Reader: Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us.

People: *And prosper the work of our hands.*

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading is from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians.

Deacon: Let us Attend!

Reader: Brethren, I do not cease to give thanks to you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which He has called you, what are the riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of His power in us who believe, according to the working of His great might which He has accomplished in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and made Him sit at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in that which is to come; and He put all things under His feet and has made Him the head over all things for the Church, which is His Body, the fullness of Him Who fills all in all.

Priest: Peace be unto you, reader.

Reader: And to your spirit, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Gospel Reading

Deacon: Wisdom! Let us attend! Let us listen to the Holy Gospel.

Priest: Peace be unto all!

People: And to your spirit.

Priest: The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

People: Glory to Thee, O Lord, Glory to Thee!

Deacon: Let us Attend!

Priest: At that time, the Lord said, "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.

Or what man is there among you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent? If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!

Litany of Fervent Supplication

Deacon: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great goodness, we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Deacon: Again we pray for His Beatitude, our Metropolitan _____, and for His (Eminence, Grace), our (Archbishop, Bishop)_____, for priests, deacons, and all other clergy; and for all our brethren in Christ.

People: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Deacon: Again we pray to the Lord our God, that He will look with mercy upon the members of this Convention Gathering, and will send down into their hearts, their minds, and their lips the spirit of wisdom, of understanding, of godliness and of His fear; enlightening their minds with the light of His gracious understanding, that they may be adorned with all good works for the glory of His most holy name; for the benefit of His Holy Church; let us say: O Lord, hearken and mercifully have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Priest: Hear us, O God our Savior, the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of those who are far off upon the sea; and how mercy, show mercy, O Master, upon us sinners, and be merciful unto us. For Thou art a merciful God and lovest mankind, and unto Thee do we ascribe glory, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

Deacon: Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: O God, our God! Thou hast adorned us with Thine image and given us a free will. When Thou didst enter into the Temple in the middle of the feast, O most compassionate Master, Thou didst teach the people who were amazed at Thy doctrine, for David says: Come to me, children, and I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Thou didst teach wisdom to Solomon. Look down even now, O Maker and Creator, upon the members of this Convention Gathering, and grant the wisdom and understanding that they may learn Thy holy will; warm their hearts in love for Thee and for their neighbors; guide them on the way of truth and righteousness, keeping their hearts from all evil; unite them in one mind and in one heart, and let mutual love abide in their midst; bless them for the doing of good and useful things. We pray Thee, O most merciful Lord our God, the God of every compassion and consolation: Do not turn away Thy face from them, nor deny them their longing, for they have set their hope on Thee. Grant them peace and serenity, a unity of spirit, concord and fruitful action, and all things needful for their temporal and eternal life. Thou knowest our needs, and dost grant and fulfill our requests even before we make them.

For Thou art the God powerful in mercy and gracious in strength, and to Thee are due all glory, honor, and worship; to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

The Dismissal

Deacon: Wisdom!

Priest: Most Holy Theotokos, save us!

People: More honorable than the Cherubim/ and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim/ without defilement you gave birth to God the Word/ True Theotokos we magnify You!

Priest: Glory to Thee, O Christ our God and our sure hope, glory to Thee!

People: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages, Amen!

Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Most Blessed Master, Bless! (sung in the presence of the Metropolitan)

Master, Bless! (sung in the presence of the Bishop)

Father, Bless! (sung when not in the presence of a Hierarch)

Priest: May He Who sent the most Holy Spirit from heaven upon His holy disciples and apostles, in the form of fiery tongues, Christ our true God, through the prayers of His most pure Mother; of St. Andrew, the First-called of the Apostles, the Patron Saint of the Fellowship, of the holy and righteous ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna; and of all the saints; have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loveth mankind.

People: Amen.

Eis Polla eti Despota! (sung in the presence of a Hierarch)

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****POLICY AT CONVENTION SESSIONS****

It will be the primary objective of the Chairman to help expedite the business which must be covered at this Convention. In doing so, if the Chair at times appears to be arbitrary, he begs the indulgence of the Delegates.

Business of this Convention will be conducted according to the Constitution and By-Laws of the F.O.C.A., supplemented by Robert's Rules of Order as revised.

However, it must be remembered that, " ... the great purpose of rules and regulations is to serve the will of an Assembly rather than restrain it; to facilitate and not to obstruct the expression of delegates ... " Rules are designed to protect the minority and need not be enforced when there is minority to protect.

Accordingly, the Chair wishes it to be known that it stands ready at anytime to assist delegates in the explanation of motions, advise them on points of information and, if necessary, to help in the phrasing of motions. Any Delegate should feel free to express him/herself on any subject and to offer motions on same regardless of his or her lack of knowledge of parliamentary procedure. Parliamentary procedure, as such, will not be used to obstruct any business of this Convention.

A standing rule permits Alternates to be seated with Delegates on the Convention floor and permits them expression of opinion subject to recognition by the Chair, although only the Delegate (or Alternate acting as a Delegate) is permitted to vote.

We will adhere to the Agenda as outlined, and if it becomes necessary, in the opinion of the Chair, to limit debate and number of speakers, it will do so.

The Chair, in exercising its authority, will attempt to;

1. Assist in expediting business.
2. Restrain members when engaged in debate.
3. Enforce observance of decorum and order.
4. Inform Delegates on points of order.
5. Confine debates to questions and not personalities.
6. Prevent object of meeting to be defeated by persons using parliamentary form which results in the obstruction of business.

Every Delegate present is entitled to be heard and to make motions. The Chair will help whenever called upon to do so. While this is absolutely true, Delegates must refrain from monopolizing the floor and from speaking more than twice on the same subject.

Do not be overly concerned with "Parliamentary Procedure". All rules and regulations will be applied to help rather than hinder the conduct of business.

The Chair will try to be as informal as possible and make sure that everyone has a chance to be heard and have their feeling made known.



NOTE:

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AGENDA AND SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

95th Annual F.O.C.A. Convention Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor Hotel Baltimore, MD

- A. Administration Secretary Pickersgill
- B. Baba's Auction. Mencken
- C. Chapel. Key Ballroom 1 – 6
- D. Plenary SessionsKey Ballroom 7 – 12
- E. RegistrationKey Ballroom East Foyer

Friday, July 15th, 2022

- 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. RegistrationKey Ballroom East Foyer
- 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Board of Trustees Meeting Holiday Ballroom 6
- 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. RegistrationKey Ballroom Foyer
- 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Convention Welcome Reception. Holiday Ballroom 6

Saturday, July 16th, 2022

- 8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Registration.Key Ballroom Foyer
- 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Baba's Auction Open Mencken
- 9:00 a.m. **PROMPTLY** Opening Processional &. Key Ballroom 7 – 12

PLENARY SESSION I

- 1. Opening Service/Panikhida V. Rev. Nicholas Wyslutsky
- 2. Calling Convention to Order by the President Allison Steffaro
- 3. National Anthem/FOCA Anthem. Allison Steffaro
- 4. Roll Call of Members: National Board of TrusteesDanielle Ilchuk
Delegates and Life Members
- 5. Welcoming RemarksConvention Chair
- 6. Appointment of Parliamentarian Allison Steffaro
- 7. Appointment of Credentials Committee Chair. Allison Steffaro
- 8. Introduction of Guests. Allison Steffaro

Agenda and Schedule of Events (Continued)

- 9. Updates and Questions/Comments from the Floor on Reports of:
Executive Board
District Governors
Administrative Secretary
ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN JOURNAL/Admin. Services
Department Directors/Committees
Auditor

- 10. Navigating the Future of the FOCA - Open Forum
 - Virtual Outreach
 - FOCA proposal to the All-American Council
 - Reimagining the National Convention

- 11. Appointment of Temp. Chair for Nominations
Report of Nominating Committee Chair
Nominations for National Offices

- 12. Convention Announcements Dn. Peter Ilchuk

- 2:00 p.m. Private Tour of the “Charm City” Meet in Main Lobby

- 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers Chapel

- 5:00 p.m. Evening at the National Aquarium 501 E. Pratt Street

- . Dine On Your Own

Sunday, July 17th, 2022

- 8:45 a.m. Board of Trustees Assemble

- 9:00 a.m. HIERARCHICAL DIVINE LITURGY Chapel

- 11:30 a.m. –
1:00 p.m. Baba’s Auction Open Mencken

- 12:30 p.m. Banquet Doors Open Holiday Ballroom 6

- 1:00 p.m. Convention Banquet. Holiday Ballroom 6

- 4:00 p.m. Baba’s Auction Drawing Mencken

- 6:00 p.m. Evening at B&O Railroad Museum 901 W. Pratt Street

Agenda and Schedule of Events (Continued)

Monday, July 18th, 2022

9:00 a.m. **PLENARY SESSION II.**Key Ballroom 7 – 12

1. Annual Convention Bid
 - A. 96th (2023) **OPEN –**
 - B. 97th (2024) **OPEN –**
 - C. 98th (2025) **OPEN –** (Site of 21st All American Council)
2. Unfinished Business
3. Remarks by His Beatitude Metropolitan TIKHON and Guest Hierarchs
4. New Business
5. Re-opening of Nominations for all Offices
6. Election of National Officers
 - A. President
 - B. Vice President
 - C. Recording Secretary
 - D. Treasurer
7. Installation of Officers – Past Presidents V. Rev. Nicholas Wyslutsky
8. Adjournment of Convention
9. Closing Service V. Rev. Nicholas Wyslutsky

Closing Service of Prayer at a National Convention

Deacon: Bless, Master.

Priest: Blessed is our God, always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen. O Heav-enly King, the Comforter, the Spir-it of Truth; who art everywhere and fil-lest all things. Treasury of Bles-sings, and Giv-er of Life: come and a-bide in us, and cleanse us from every im-pur-ity, and save our souls, O Good One.

Reader: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us ! (3x)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages, Amen.

O Most Holy Trinity, have mercy on us! O Lord, cleanse us from our sins! O Master, pardon our transgressions! O Holy One, visit and heal our infirmities, for Thy name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Priest: For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory: of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

God is the Lord

Deacon: In the 4th Tone: God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.

People: *God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!*

Deacon: All nations surrounded me; in the Name of the Lord I withstood them!

People: *God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!*

Deacon: I shall not die, but shall live, and recount the works of the Lord!

People: *God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!*

Deacon: The stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner. This is the Lord's doing; and it is marvelous in our eyes!

Troparions

People: (TONE 4) We Thine unworthy servants, O Lord,/ grateful for the blessings Thou hast given to us,/ always praise, bless, and thankfully glorify Thy loving kindness,/ crying to Thee with love and humble submissiveness:/ O Savior and Benefactor, glory to Thee.

People: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen

People: (TONE 3) O Mother of God help of Christians,/ you have favored us with your protection!/ We your servants gratefully cry out to you: Hail, Most Pure Virgin Theotokos!/ By your prayers deliver us from every calamity,/ for you are a speedy helper in time of trouble.

Litany of Fervent Supplications

Deacon: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great goodness, we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Deacon: Furthermore, we pray for His Beatitude our Metropolitan _____, and for His (Eminence, Grace) our (Archbishop, Bishop) _____, for the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America, for priests, deacons, and for all our brethren in Christ.

People: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Deacon: May our thanksgiving be as sweet-smelling incense before Thy majesty, most merciful Master. In Thy love for mankind, always send down Thy rich blessings upon Thy servants. Deliver us from the assaults of our visible and invisible enemies; preserve Thy Holy Church; and grant all Thy people health, virtue, and length of days, we beg Thee, most bountiful King; incline Thine ear to our prayer, and speedily show mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Deacon: O Lord, who didst accompany Luke and Cleopas on the road to Emmaus, and didst make them to return to Jerusalem with their hearts burning with the joy of Thy Resurrection; send Thy grace and divine blessing to accompany Thy servants, all the members of this Convention Gathering, as they return to their homes and guide them in every good work, to the glory of Thy Holy Name. Preserve them in health and bring them safely to their destinations, we beg Thee, our merciful protector, hear us and have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Priest: Hear us, O God our Savior, the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of those who are far off upon the sea; and how mercy, show mercy, O Master, upon us sinners, and be merciful unto us. For Thou art a merciful God and lovest mankind, and unto Thee do we ascribe glory, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

Priest: Peace be unto all.

People: And to your Spirit.

Deacon: Let us bow our heads unto the Lord.

People: To Thee, O Lord.

Priest: O Lord, Jesus Christ our God, the God of all mercies and bounties, Whose mercy cannot be measured and Whose love for man is an unfathomable deep; with fear and trembling, we bow down in adoration before Thy majesty, unprofitable servants that we are. We humbly thank Thee for the blessings Thou hast given Thy servants who have participated in this National Convention. We glorify Thee, we praise Thee, we sing to Thee, our Lord and Master and defender; we bow down before Thee and beg for Thy boundless mercy. As Thou has graciously received Thy servants' prayers and granted them, so also deliver Thy Church and preserve us from every hostile assault. Grant us peace and tranquility, that Thy faithful people may grow in virtue and love for Thee, and may partake of Thy benefits, and so we will always offer thanksgiving to Thee, together with Thine Unoriginate Father, and Thy Most Holy, and Good and Life-Creating Spirit, God glorified in Three Persons, and will joyfully sing to Thee; Glory to Thee, O God our Savior, unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

Installation of National Officers

Priest: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

Having been elected a member of the Executive Board of the Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America at this (year) National Convention, do you humbly accept this office?

Elected Officers: *I humbly accept this office.*

Priest: Do you promise to Almighty God that you will zealously, honestly, and voluntarily with diligence and fear of God, fulfill the duties of our office, according to the Canons of the Holy Orthodox Church and the By-Laws of the Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America?

Elected Officers: *I do promise.*

Priest: Do you promise to faithfully administer the duties of your office upholding not your personal interests but the Glory of God, the welfare of the Holy Church and the salvation of your soul?

Elected Officers: *I do promise.*

Priest: Do you promise that you will uphold the pursuance of peace, tranquility and brotherly Christian love among our membership to the best of your ability for the ensuing year.

Elected Officers: *I do promise. In witness to my oath and solemn promise, I kiss the Life-creating Cross of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ.*

The Dismissal

Deacon: Wisdom!

Priest: Most Holy Theotokos, save us!

People: More honorable than the Cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than Seraphim, without defilement you gave birth to God the Word, True Theotokos we magnify You!

Priest: Glory to Thee, O Christ our God and our sure hope, glory to Thee!

People: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages, Amen!

Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Most Blessed Master, Bless. (sung in the presence of the Metropolitan)

Master, Bless. (sung in the presence of an Archbishop or Bishop)

Father, Bless. (sung when the spiritual advisor conducts the installation not in the presence of a Hierarch)

Priest: May he who send the most Holy Spirit from Heaven upon His Holy Disciples and Apostles, in the form of fiery tongues, Christ our True God, through the prayers of His most pure Mother, of St. Andrew, the First-called of the Apostles, the Patron Saint of the Fellowship, of the Holy and Righteous Ancestors of God Joachim and Anna; and of all the saints; have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loves mankind.

People: Amen!

Eis Polla Eti Despota! (Sung in the presence of a Hierarch)

Deacon: Intones a Many Years for the newly elected and installed National Officers.

Glory be to Jesus Christ!

Dearly beloved in the Lord it is hard to believe that it has been 2 years since we have last met in person to discuss the efforts and future of our beloved FOCA. The past years of Pandemic, Separation, and Isolation have proven to be some of the most difficult in our history. Yet, they have also been full of many blessings and opportunities. During that time the executive board and I sought to find ways to keep our organization active and relevant by developing ways to continue our efforts of fellowship, education, charitable endeavors, and faith. We also began the conversation of how we might serve the Church better by utilizing our newfound tools. Below are some of the highlights of what we accomplished.

Some National Spiritual Advisor activity highlights from this past 2 years:

- Coordinated with E-Board members as needed or required.
- Participated in E Board Conference Calls & E Board and Trustees Meetings.
- Organized and Hosted 1 and 2 Annual Virtual St. Andrew's Day celebrations, gathering faithful and clergy from across the U.S.
- Created the FOCA YouTube channel.
- Developed and hosted 3 Virtual Youth Retreats, 2 During Great Lent and a Virtual Tour of St. Tikhon's Monastery. These retreats gathered children from across the country and several Jurisdictions
- Developed and hosted 2 Virtual Tours, One on the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem and another on the Holy City of Bethlehem which raised several thousand dollars for the FOCA United Fund.
- Coordinated the first Virtual Lenten retreat for adults.
- Coordinated First Annual FOCA Virtual Christmas and Pascha concerts gathering choirs from across the U.S. and viewers from around the world.

OUR FOCA's Future: Our time apart has allowed the members of the executive board not only to seek out new ways for us to carry out the directives of our organization, but also to think about what our organization will look like in the future. We looked at difficult trends and topics and discussed how we might better serve the Church moving forward. These discussions led to meetings with His beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon, the members of our board of trustees and many clergy and faithful in our dioceses and parishes. We hope that this discussion will continue and lead to a proposal for the All American Council that will solidify our future for years to come.

Juniors: It has become the feeling of the Executive board that every child and young person in our parishes should be automatically a member of the FOCA. If one of the greatest concerns of our organization is youth, then no youth should be excluded from membership. This will require some work and creativity from us to move on from a chapter and dues membership to universal membership with universal benefits.

Our Greatest Need: In order to set the course for these proposed ideas there is one thing we need more than anything else. It is not money, or the endorsement of the FOCA or the OCA. Our greatest need to make this dream a reality is YOU! Two or three individuals can not accomplish this. The FOCA has long prided itself on being the best at Fellowship, Philanthropy, Faith and Education. If we hope to see our organization thrive in the future it will take a village. A village of individuals willing to offer a portion of their time to a greater goal, working together with others to be the best we can be. We invite you to join us on that journey.

Memory Eternal: We call to remembrance our members, our FOCA friends, who have fallen asleep in the Lord this past year. We pray that God grant them eternal rest in His Heavenly Kingdom where there is life everlasting. **MEMORY ETERNAL!**

MANY YEARS! We pray that God will grant His continued blessings upon all the members of the FOCA. May He grant us his continued choice blessings! **MANY YEARS!**

In Conclusion: These past few years have certainly not been what any of us expected they would be. On top of all the challenges we normally face, the current pandemic has presented us with new and certainly unthought of ones. It most certainly wasn't what I expected in my first years as National Spiritual Advisor. Though difficult it has caused us to look at and utilize new ways to assemble, have fellowship and even pray. I commend our executive board for their dedication and determination to continue to move our organization forward. Though we suffered the disappointments on not holding our first youth rally or our Convention in Minneapolis we continue to look forward and to set a course of prosperity for our organization and are glad the Lord has blessed us with the opportunity to assemble once again here in Baltimore.

As we go forth from here, let us tell our story as Archbishop Michael has encouraged and urged us to do through the years.

It has been a pleasure, privilege to serve as the National Spiritual Advisor. As I complete my third year as the National FOCA Spiritual Advisor, I express my sincere gratitude to His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon, our national spiritual leader who appointed me to this position based on the recommendation of the Executive Board and Board of Trustees.

My thanks to our Hierarchs, and the chancery staff and administrations of the OCA. And Thanks to those whom I served with this year - with the leadership of our president, Allison Steffaro, and to the members of the Executive Board and Board of Trustees.

Many thanks to His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon, our hierarchs, and chancery staff for their continued support in the strengthening of our synergistic and symbiotic relationship as we continue to work together on common goals and their implementation in order to build up of our Church and for the Glory of God.

Special thanks to Archimandrite Sergius, Fr. Paul Jannakos, Fr. Ilya Gotlinsky, Fr. Benjamin Tucci, Fr. Timothy Hojnicky, Fr. Gabriel Bilas, Fr. Andrew Nelko, Matushka Elizabeth and Gabriella Wyslutsky and Anastasia Bohush for offering their time and talents to help make successful our Virtual Retreats and Tours.

National Spiritual Advisor Recommendations:

1. A regular formal meeting with Metropolitan Tikhon, Primate of the OCA and our National Spiritual Leader, Fr Alexander Rentel, Chancellor to provide updates and to continue our work on common goals.
2. Letter to the Hierarchs of our church requesting that a FOCA information packet with the letter of His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon, Video and additional informational material of the organization be distributed to their respective diocesan parishes.
3. Discussion regarding future National Convention formats and locations.
4. Development of Steering committees to continue and develop the work we have begun.
5. Coordinate and make a visitation to seminaries to do a presentation on the F.O.C.A.
6. Consider a Junior FOCA member address our convention plenary session.

Visitations

Since our last National Convention, our organization, like all others, had to suspend its “normal” activities during Covid. Our executive board felt the need to come up with ways to keep our members connected during this difficult time in a creative way using the internet and social media to meet the spiritual and fellowship needs of our membership.

While I did not have any official visitations due to Covid we all had the opportunity to come together to pray, learn and enjoy music.

St. Vladimir’s Camp July 2021

St. Tikhon’s Seminary December 2020/2021

Spiritual Activities

I would like to thank our Spiritual Advisor Fr. Nicholas Wyslutsky for not only guiding me but our organization through this most difficult time. Fr. Nicholas made sure that we were able to pray together as well as continue our religious education as adults and youth. It was his vision and hard work that enabled us to come together in a variety of spiritual and fellowship events. In November of 2022 via Zoom a St. Andrew’s Akaathist was led by Fr. Nicholas Wyslutsky as well as 4 priests who served virtually from across the country. This service was so well received that we continued the event this past November.

In order to fulfill our mission to provide religious education, Fr. Nicholas engaged Fr. Ilya Gotlinsky who took the membership on a virtual tour of The Lord’s Crucifixion during great Lent and the Holy Land during Advent. Both of these tours were attended by hundreds of households. Not to forget our younger members, our youth had the opportunity to attend two virtual Youth Retreats; these were given during Great Lent and Advent as well. Once again, we were able to provide an opportunity for hundreds of our Orthodox Youth from the US (including Alaska) and Canada to gather to learn about our faith.

As Orthodox Christians we are blessed with beautiful liturgical musical arrangements and the choirs which sing them. During the Advent season, a call was placed for parish choirs from across the country to participate in a Christmas concert to broadcast live the day after Christmas. Many Choirs from across the OCA participated in this event, to date, over 2,000 people have had the opportunity to experience the beautiful signing of our Lord’s Birth. With the success of this event, we asked choirs to submit pieces for a Pascal concert. This was broadcast on St. Thomas Sunday and like the first was a beautiful collection of songs from the Paschal Liturgy. You can enjoy both of these concerts on our YouTube page

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9yPeZIKg5JZUj1n5mgDYRA>

OCA/FOCA

In March, the members of the executive board had the opportunity to have a virtual meeting with His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon. We had a very productive meeting discussing the needs of the OCA in regards to Youth and Young Adults and how we as the FOCA can fill those needs. At the conclusion of this meeting, the executive board was asked to send a report to be read at the Holy Synod later that month. Our letter documented the current situation of our youth in the OCA and how we can assist in fulfilling those needs.

In addition to the letter sent to the Holy Synod, we submitted a report to be included in the 20th AAC report book. Below is an excerpt from my report for the AAC report book on how the FOCA can work with the OCA in fulfilling the needs of the Orthodox Youth.

At the most recent FOCA convention, a report was given regarding the status of youth needs in the OCA. It was observed that there was a need to have organization to move forward for the youth in the United States of America. Rev. Fr. Dimitri Ressetar, of blessed memory, stood at the microphone and stated, “we already have that. It is the FOCA.”

As an official organization of the Orthodox Church in America, the FOCA remains steadfast in our commitment to working in collaboration with the OCA Holy Synod of Bishops, Chancery Staff, and members of the Department of Youth, Young Adults for the Glory of God. This relationship ensures that we can continue to promote our mission of fellowship and the joining together of Orthodox Christians in service to other members of our Orthodox faith as well other charitable causes. It also affords us, as individuals, the opportunity to strive to be good stewards of the talents and resources with which we have been blessed. Membership in the FOCA provides the network, leadership, and resources by which we can accomplish this on a large scale outside of our individual parishes. What we do, we do together in faith and love, for the Glory of God.

Communications

I would like to personally thank Imm. Past President Marge Kovach for all her hard work keeping our organization informed on all activities. She has been working with Phil Tesar in getting information to our membership through various electronic channels such as our website, Facebook page and email communications. As we return to “normal” activities, we encourage chapters and districts to send details about upcoming events; you can either use the “Communication Request” form on the homepage of our website or send an email to focacommunicaitons@gmail.com

Outreach

Gifts of Love-

Throughout the pandemic, our members have continued to support our Gifts of Love campaigns. We have given over \$000000 to the Dioceses of Alaska in 2021 and are currently collecting funds for Youth Activities at the AAC and other venues/events

Seminarian Support-

While we were only virtually coming together as an organization, our membership was still able to fill the Christmas wish lists of over 100 seminarian families at St. Tikhon's and St. Vladimirs and sent over \$20,000 to St. Herman's in Alaska during the two year pandemic.

Juniors

Our Youth had the opportunity to attend two virtual Youth Retreats; these were given during Great Lent and Advent as well. Once again, we were able to provide an opportunity for hundreds of our Orthodox Youth from the US (including Alaska) and Canada to gather to learn about our faith.

St. Vladimir's Camp was able to hold Junior Olympics last summer and will continue to hold a full summer camp schedule again this year.

Conclusion

For more than nine decades, the Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America has been assisting in the work of the Church while providing practical means for Orthodox Christians to endure lasting friendships on a local and national level. While we were very successful with continuing activities during the pandemic, we need to look to the future and use our years of experience to reach beyond our comfort zone.

Recommendations:

1. As a convention body I am recommending that we discuss the following topics during the Saturday convention session:
2. Reimagining the National Convention- (Discussion not to be limited to) the type of location, time of year, activities, regularity of the convention
3. Scholarships- look at the current requirements for judging scholarships; could/should Church activities and charitable works have greater weight?
4. How can we improve the use of current technology not only for communication but for spiritual, educational and fellowship outreach activities?
5. Use the talents and expertise of our membership to help facilitate the development and implementation of youth activities for the National Church in coordination with local Diocesan youth coordinators.

It is my goal to walk away from each of these talking points with at least one or two concrete action items that will be completed in the next calendar year.

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever! As I write this report, it is hard to believe that we have not met as a physical body for over three years in Columbus, Ohio. What we have weathered in that time is nothing less than miraculous as being touched by the hand of God. So many lives, businesses, schools, hospitals, senior living facilities, and even houses of worship have been rocked to their foundation by the tragedy of covid-19. Our beloved FOCA lost members to this pandemic of the century; may their memory be eternal. So much of what we do was forced to cease as in-person activities. At a time when some were already questioning our future from within the organization, we were forced into hibernation. It was truly a sad move beyond any human control.

Through prayer, vigil, and fasting, we survived as the FOCA. As you have already gleaned from our spiritual advisor's and president's reports, the executive board chose not to hibernate in a dormant state. No other arm of the Orthodox Church attempted to do as much as we did to bring people together of all ages to embrace the tenets of the FOCA. We did not silently rest. The successes were many and the complaints few. There was no outcry from within to do more. In fact, we had many, many non-FOCA participants join the virtual activities with the realization that none of it would have happened without the sponsorship of the FOCA.

That being said, discussions have evolved over the past few years within the executive board, fully recognizing that we are at a crossroads. What we have accomplished over the past few years is past. What we have attempted to present for the upcoming convention is a framework for discussion to plot the course for the organization to move forward. Whether being involved for five months, five years, or fifty years and more, everyone has wonderful memories of the FROC/FOCA. We now have to utilize the energy that created those memories and thrust forward with zeal to further the strengthening of the Church through the works and support of the FOCA.

This is not an easy path. The easy path is to quit now, dissolve the FOCA, and blame it on lack of participation or any number of other reasons. That is not who we are or ever can be. We are an arm of the Orthodox Church in America; the Orthodox Church that proclaims, "This is the Faith of our Fathers" (7th Ecumenical Council). We cannot succumb to pressure for an easy path. Yes, we have smaller membership; so does the majority of many religions in the United States. That is not an excuse to stop working.

We propose taking this convention time to really come together and collectively work out our future. If we are not the ones to assist, then who? We have the experience, the network, and the drive to get things done. Every time that the Church has called on the FROC/FOCA, we have responded. Perhaps it is that still, small voice that we are not listening for that is calling us. We must continue these spiritual efforts.

I do not have any feeling of ill will to any who would move to dissolve the organization. Everyone who will be present obviously has a vested interest our Orthodox Faith here in America. What I ask each of you to do is search your hearts and bring to this convention the spirit of the ideas that worked in the past and tested ideas that you know work today. Nobody can brainstorm like the FOCA! The proof has existed for 95 years.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Church through the FOCA.

FOCA Proposal

We are the Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America, an official organization of the Orthodox Church in America, and our mission is to proclaim, share and reveal our Orthodox Christian Faith through service, fellowship and example. We strive to accomplish this by:

- studying the tenets of our Faith
- support and encourage Orthodox Youth ministries
- support and encourage missionary growth of our church
- encourage and promote unity among all Orthodox jurisdictions
- establish practical means for Orthodox Christians to endure lasting friendships on local and national levels through networking
- provide educational, cultural, social and athletic activities for the people of our Orthodox Faith

The FOCA has, from its founding, served as an arm of the Orthodox Church here in North America. Throughout its history, the former FROC and now FOCA has responded to the most urgent of needs in our church. Looking at the last few years, it has become increasingly apparent that one of the most urgent needs in the OCA is that of serving our youth.

At the most recent FOCA convention, a report was given regarding the status of youth needs in the OCA. It was observed that there was a need to have organization to move forward for the youth in the United States of America. Rev. Fr. Daniel Ressetar, of blessed memory, stood at the microphone and stated, “we already have that. It is the FOCA.”

Since that statement, under the leadership of our spiritual advisor, Fr. Nicholas Wyslutsky, the FOCA has sponsored virtual tours of numerous places and multiple youth retreats. Most recently, the FOCA has held virtual retreats serving youth from multiple jurisdictions far beyond the members of the organization. This is true to the intent of the FOCA in providing “for the people of our Orthodox Faith.”

Among the immediate ideas that we propose are:

Planning committee for youth ages toddler to teen

Planning for high school ages

Planning for college ages

Planning for post-college to 35/40

Planning for middle-agers

Planning for 50 and above

Planning for focus on family

Each diocese provide a clergy and lay person to work with the FOCA in each of these areas. We will find people in the FOCA that have ideas that are relevant for each of these age groups and work with them to move forward.

We are not looking to increase membership in the FOCA. We are looking to be the fine print sponsor at the bottom of the page.

RECORDING SECRETARY

DANIELLE ILCHUK

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

MARGE KOVACH

As Immediate Past President, I have responded to emails and phone calls as needed as well as participated in Executive Board Conference Calls and Zoom meetings.

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Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America							
Income Statement and Budget Comparisons Report							
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022						PROPOSED For Year Ending JUNE 30, 2023	
BUDGET			FINAL				
INCOME							
Membership Dues							
Senior Dues	\$ 21,000		\$ 16,885		\$ 18,000		
Junior Dues	1,000		805		750		
Total Membership Dues		22,000		17,690		18,750	
National Convention							
Profit Share					2,000		
Total National Convention		0		0		2,000	
Fellowship Sports Activities							
Summer Sports Tournament	400		494		400		
Junior Summer Sports Tournament							
Total Expenses					0		
Sports Endowment Fund Subsidy			0		0		
Total Junior Summer Sports Tournament				0		0	
Total Sports Tournaments		400		494		400	
St. Andrew's Appeal							
Commission Income of 5%		300		53		100	
Other Fund Drive Commission Fees		200		30		50	
Other Income		0		7,000		0	
TOTAL INCOME		<u>\$ 22,900</u>		<u>\$ 25,267</u>		<u>\$21,300</u>	

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Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America					
Income Statement and Budget Comparisons Report					
EXPENSE	YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022			PROPOSED For Year Ending JUNE 30, 2023	
	BUDGET		FINAL		
Travel					
Executive Board	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -
Convention Planning & Operating	0		0		0
Administrative Secretary	0		0		0
Junior Department	0		0		0
Other Department Directors	0		0		0
Total Travel		0		0	0
Administrative Secretary					
Contracted Secretarial Services	6,000		6,000		6,000
Medical Benefits	5,252		5,252		5,252
Total Administrative Secretary		11,252		11,252	11,252
Administrative					
Insurance - All Liability	3,000		1,966		2,000
Website, Support and Supplies	350		312		350
Website Administrator Stipend	2,400		2,400		2,400
Miscellaneous	0		172		0
Office Supplies	100		96		100
PayPal Processing Fees	0		155		200
Postage	350		528		500
Telephone	700		748		700
Secretarial Service Office Rental	1,800		1,800		1,800
Off-Site File Storage Rental	1,500		1,242		1,300
Offset - Admin Building Sales Proceeds	(3,300)		(3,042)		(3,100)
Total Administrative		6,900		6,377	6,250
Orthodox Christian Journal					
Advertising & Subscription Revenue	0		(45)		(50)
Layout Editor Stipend	800		450		800
Postage	500		437		500
Printing	1,875		1,813		1,875
Total Journal Costs		3,175		2,656	3,125
Fellowship Scholarships					
Application Fee Revenue	0		0		0
Administrative Expenses	0		0		0
Total Scholarships		0		0	0

Projected Year, Info as of 05/31/2022				Page 3 of 5	
Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America					
Income Statement and Budget Comparisons Report					
	YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022			PROPOSED	
	BUDGET		FINAL	For Year Ending JUNE 30, 2023	
Junior Department					
Convention Activities	0		0		0
Fellowship Kidz Convention Activities	0		0		0
Conference Calls / Travel	0		0		0
Celebration of Faith	500		0		500
Total Junior Department		500		0	500
Sports Endowment Activity					
Tournament Prizes	500		500		500
Junior Summer Olympics Prizes	0				0
Committee Travel	0				0
Interest Income from Sports Endowment	(750)		(972)		(750)
Transfer from Endowment Fund Principal	250		472		250
Total Sports Department		0		0	0
Mission Ministries Department					
Convention Ad Book			300		0
All American Council Exhibit Booth			500		
Virtual Retreats Honorariums			300		
St Andrew Appeal Offset 2021			(1,878)		0
Total Mission Ministries Department		0		(778)	0
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 21,827		\$ 19,507	\$21,127
NET INCOME (LOSS)		\$ 1,073		\$ 5,761	\$ 173

Projected Year, Info as of 05/31/2022										Page 4 of 5	
Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America											
ST ANDREW'S APPEAL											
DISBURSEMENTS OF ALLOCATED AND UNEARMARKED FUNDS											
2010 - 2022 CAMPAIGN YEAR											
<u>CHARITY</u>	<u>DONOR DESIGNATED AMOUNTS</u>	<u>LESS: 5% COMMISSION</u>	<u>AMOUNT AFTER COMMISSION</u>	<u>CONVENTION APPROVED % ALLOCATIONS</u>	<u>ALLOCATION OF UNEARMARKED FUNDS</u>	<u>TOTAL FUNDS TO BE DISTRIBUTED</u>					
Unearmarked	\$ 1,056.00	\$ 52.80	\$ 1,003.20	0%	\$ (1,003.20)	\$ -					
St. Tikhon's Seminary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%		0.00					
St. Vladimir's Seminary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%		0.00					
St. Herman's Seminary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%		0.00					
Christ the Saviour Seminary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%		0.00					
William Fekula Scholarships	0.00	0.00	0.00	50%	501.60	501.60					
Junior Department/Youth Ministries	0.00	0.00	0.00	50%	501.60	501.60					
St. Vladimir's Ohio Camp & Retreat Center	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%		0.00					
TOTAL	\$ 1,056.00	\$ 52.80	\$ 1,003.20	100%	\$ -	\$ 1,003.20					

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Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America			
2011 - 2022 Specific Donations			
St Andrew's Appeal			
	Cleveland #4/6	\$	750
	Madison		306
	Total	\$	1,056
Gifts of Love			
	Jersey City	\$	875
	Cleveland #4/6		500
	Harrisburg		300
	Edwardsville		100
	Phoenix		100
	St Andrew's #220		50
	Madison		200
	Lenten Virtual Retreat		1,103
	Total	\$	3,228
Ukrainian Relief Collection			
	Payment directly to OCA	\$	1,480
	Payment directly to IOCC		2,776
	Total	\$	4,256

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY**SANDRA KAPLAN**

	<u>SENIORS</u>		<u>JUNIORS</u>	
<u>CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>6/30/22</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>6/30/22</u>
64 Berwick	4	--	--	--
199 Harrisburg	33	35	27	26
212 Alpha, NJ	16	15	--	--
234 Chapter-at-Large	7	6	--	--
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	60	56	27	26
 <u>COLONIAL DISTRICT</u>				
78 Trenton	17	26	--	--
79 Washington	14	14	--	--
2 Philadelphia	21	20	--	--
131 Baltimore	16	15	--	--
229 Bethesda	28	20	--	--
235 Chapter-at-Large	1	2	--	--
256J Columbia	--	--	12	7
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	97	97	12	7
 <u>NEW JERSEY DISTRICT</u>				
30 Passaic (SS P&P)	13	--	0	--
44 Singac	14	12	--	--
66 Passaic	15	16	--	--
97 Bayonne	18	14	--	--
129 Jersey City	13	13	--	--
167 South River	23	22	0	0
209 Garden State	12	12	--	--
240 Chapter-at-Large	4	3	--	--
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	112	92	0	0

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY-(Cont'd)**SANDRA KAPLAN**

	<u>SENIORS</u>		<u>JUNIORS</u>	
	<u>2021</u>	<u>6/30/22</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>6/30/22</u>
<u>OHIO DISTRICT</u>				
4/6 Cleveland	61	50	21	13
7 Cleveland (Cathedral)	9	13	--	--
13/84 Lakewood	4	2	--	--
17 Warren	--	--	--	6
20/32 Akron	36	30	7	9
27 Campbell	69	64	9	6
220 Maple Heights	16	13	--	--
241 Chapter-at-Large	--	--	--	--
254 Columbus	16	16	15	19
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	211	188	52	53
 <u>PITTSBURGH DISTRICT</u>				
1 N.S. Pittsburgh	6	8	19	19
5 Ambridge	0	13	0	0
35 Donora	0	12	--	--
58 Weirton, WV	17	17	5	3
109 Canonsburg	24	25	12	10
243 Chapter-at-Large	--	--	--	--
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	47	75	36	32

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY-(Cont'd)**SANDRA KAPLAN**INDEPENDENT CHAPTERS

	<u>SENIORS</u>		<u>JUNIORS</u>	
	<u>2021</u>	<u>6/30/22</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>6/30/22</u>
43 Endicott, NY	15	12	57J Cohoes, NY	2 2
50 Edwardsville, PA	6	5	94J Minneapolis, MN	38 40
94 Minneapolis, MN	30	--	_____	_____
96 Burr Ridge, IL	10	10		
121 St Tikhon's	0	27	40	42
146 Chicago, IL	11	11		
162 Burbank, IL	7	--		
171 Madison, IL	18	19		
219 Phoenix, AZ	24	23		
232 CAL-Anthracite	1	1		
233 CAL-Atlantic	8	7		
236 CAL-South	5	3		
238 CAL-Michigan	1	1		
239 CAL-Midwest	4	8		
244 CAL-Upper NY State	3	3		
	_____	_____		
	143	130		

REACTIVATED CHAPTER

17J Warren, OH

INACTIVE CHAPTERS

30J Passaic, NJ

30 Passaic, NJ

64 Berwick, PA

94 Minneapolis, MN

162 Burbank, IL

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY-(Cont'd)

SANDRA KAPLAN

10 YEAR DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON
DECEMBER 31, 2011 TO DECEMBER 31, 2021

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
ANTHRACITE	23	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ATLANTIC	67	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL PA	113	102	102	97	90	77	73	70	67	63	60
COLONIAL	170	157	148	136	116	123	129	135	133	108	97
MICHIGAN	8	8	9	9	8	6	5	4	3	-	-
MIDWEST	122	120	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NEW JERSEY	211	209	184	179	175	159	153	130	131	120	112
OHIO	304	307	306	284	279	275	262	249	245	228	211
PACIFIC SOUTHWEST	24	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PITTSBURGH	121	120	111	110	109	102	101	99	99	73	47
SOUTH	16	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
UPPER NY STATE	55	46	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
INDEP. CHAPTERS			260	227	193	218	215	202	193	152	143
SENIOR DIVISION	<u>1234</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>1120</u>	<u>1042</u>	<u>970</u>	<u>960</u>	<u>938</u>	<u>889</u>	<u>871</u>	<u>744</u>	<u>670</u>
JUNIOR DIVISION	<u>418</u>	<u>429</u>	<u>404</u>	<u>384</u>	<u>343</u>	<u>279</u>	<u>269</u>	<u>265</u>	<u>263</u>	<u>208</u>	<u>167</u>
	<u>1652</u>	<u>1629</u>	<u>1524</u>	<u>1426</u>	<u>1313</u>	<u>1239</u>	<u>1207</u>	<u>1154</u>	<u>1134</u>	<u>952</u>	<u>837</u>

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT

GARY D. LELO, GOVERNOR

DISTRICT OFFICERS:

Spiritual Advisor: Very Rev. John Onofrey
Governor: Gary D. Lelo
Lt. Governor: Gregory Ressetar
Secretary: Nicholas Ressetar
Treasurer: William Dupkanick
Immed. Past Gov: Nicholas Ressetar
Nominating Committee: Matushka Theodora Ressetar (1-year term) and
Joan Dupkanick (3-year term)

DISTRICT CHAPTERS:

Chapter #199 & 119-J Harrisburg "O" Club, Harrisburg, PA
Chapter #212 St. John's Senior "O" Club, Alpha, NJ
Chapter #234 Central PA District at Large

NEWS:

Our district experienced the loss of our past District Spiritual Advisor, the Mitered Very Rev. Daniel Ressetar, who served us faithfully for so many years. Memory Eternal!

We welcome the Very Rev. John Onofrey as our new District Spiritual Advisor.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

We presented one \$1000 scholarship to a Saint Tikhon's Seminarian in 2020 and 2021.

SOCIAL:

After COVID restrictions lifted, we were able to hold our District Orthodox Family Picnic in July 2021 at Knoebel's Amusement Park. There were many Orthodox parishioners from area churches that attended the event. Many thanks go out to Greg Ressetar, Bill and Joan Dupkanick for making them a success.

SPORTS:

This year's National Summer Sports Tournament will be sponsored by St. John's Senior "O" Club, Alpha, NJ on August 19 & 20, 2022 at Green Pond Country Club, Bethlehem, PA.

GOALS:

With only two active chapters, our district is still strong and working together to make it strong and for the future of the FOCA.

Fraternally,

Gary D. Lelo
Central PA District Governor

COLONIAL DISTRICT

WALTER C. ALESEVICH, GOVERNOR

Spiritual Advisor	V. Rev. Theodore Boback	#131
Governor	Walter C. Alesevich	#79
Lieutenant Governor	Paul Fedoronko	#82
Treasurer	Francine Brady	#78
Corresponding Secretary	Diana Haverlack	#229
Recording Secretary	Larry M. Skvir	#82
Two-Year Nominating Committee	Fr. Dcn. James Magruder	#131
One-Year Nominating Committee	Marcella Hydock	#229

CHAPTERS

- # 78 St. Vladimir's "R" Club - Trenton, New Jersey
- # 79 Nation's Capital "R" Club - Washington, DC
- # 82 St. Stephen's Orthodox Catholic Fellowship - Philadelphia, PA
- #131 Vladicon "O" Club – Baltimore, MD
- #229 St. Mark F.O.C.A. - Bethesda, MD
- #235 Colonial District Chapter-at-Large
- #256-J St. Matthew's—Columbia, MD

RELIGIOUS/EDUCATIONAL

The 2021 District Religious Education Day was to be hosted by the Nation's Capital "R" Club in Washington, DC. However, due to COVID restrictions at the Cathedral and in Washington, it was not held during the Nativity Fast; we are hoping that the restriction will be eased and it will be held during Great Lent. As information, the 2022 District Religious Education Day is to be sponsored by the Nation's Capital "R" Club, in Washington, DC, at a date to be determined (likely during the Nativity Fast).

Elizabeth (Betty) Slanta formerly of the Nation's Capital "R" Club has done and continues to do a great service for the Orthodox Church as a member of the Board of Directors of the Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC). Although she is no longer a member of the Fellowship, she provides extensive assistance to the Nation's Capital "R" Club.

During late 2022, the Chapters of the Colonial District, through the Gifts of Love, will again demonstrate their support for this effort which will benefit the Internal Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC), headquartered in Baltimore, which is the site of this year's America Council of the OCA. The District also supported the youth activities for the All-America Counsel.

At its District Convention, the Colonial District is undertaking, as a District project (with assistance from each Chapter), to support monetarily the amount of \$100 per month for a seminarian family at St. Tikhon's Seminary, the recipient recommended in coordination with the seminary's Dean and the district's Spiritual Advisor.

ATHLETIC

This year's District Bowling Tournament will take place in Bethesda, MD and will be hosted by the St. Mark F.O.C.A. at a date and locations to be determined, either before or after Great Lent and Pascha. We hope that the weather will cooperate with our day of sportsmanship and fellowship.

The district hopes to continue to bowl three games with at least one of the games being played under regular bowling rules. However, the other games are geared to create more "fun" and participation--9 tap (knocking down 9 pins counts as a strike). We hope to replicate the attendance from several years ago, with about 50 bowlers participating. We have adopted this approach since only about ten bowlers have bowled more than once since the last district tournament. After bowling, the participants will worship together and likely enjoy a sumptuous banquet put on by our St. Mark hosts. I don't expect the bowlers to be disappointed.

We hope that the National Bowling Tournament and National Basketball Tournament (or a junior gathering) will proceed, after a two-year hiatus.

JUNIORS

We hope that applications are made from both National Scholarships and the Fr. Alexander Federonko (Colonial District) scholarship and that we can start a Colonial District trend of winning scholarships. Concerning the juniors from St. Vladimir, Nation's Capital, St. Mark, Vladicon, and St. Stephen's, the core group either lacks full-time leadership from the Senior chapter, vary in ages for a cohesive group, or have graduated and moved away. We are hoping to reinvigorate the youth to reactivate these chapters.

National scholarships will be awarded this year. Both the National scholarship and the Colonial District are administered by the national Fellowship; the application can be found at <http://www.orthodoxfellowship.org>. The deadline has not been established, but the time will likely be the end of May.

SOCIAL

St. Stephen's OCF, hopefully, will again host the Novogodny Ball (the 84th edition) at the Radisson Trevoze Hotel, in Philadelphia (a new/old venue) on Martin Luther King weekend in January, 2023. It was not held due to COVID in 2021 and 2022. As have been done in the past and reinstated over the last several years, the Colonial District is holding its Winter Board of Trustees

been on that weekend. Congratulations go out to the Cox “boys”, members of St. Stephen’s OCF, who are continuing the tradition. It remains a very successful way to ring in the new year (“Russian style”). The event will again be started off with a dinner followed by the dance. This year’s edition was especially memorable since it marks the 84th Annual Event. This is a milestone which everyone should be proud of, since it is not often that an event has such longevity, especially in Orthodox America.

FINANCES

The financial situation of the Colonial District is fairly stable. The major funding for the district is the District Convention, the District Bowling Tournament, and the District Stock Awards. The district stock awards will be drawn at a date and location TBD; hopefully we can get back to drawing the winters at the District Bowling Tournament in Bethesda. The district, through its chapters, will continue to support many Orthodox charities including the IOCC, OCMC and seminarians (including the gift card campaign at Christmastime).

MEMBERSHIP

Like virtually all other fraternal organizations, the membership of the F.O.C.A. is dwindling. However, the Colonial District is a bright spot. Indeed, two of its chapters number about the ten largest in the Fellowship (based upon last summer’s numbers). Although overall the Colonial District membership numbers are decreasing, it is retaining members to a greater degree than virtually all of the other districts. While there was some consideration by several of the chapters of going inactive, those chapters have forged ahead and is working to attract new members. We hope to grow the district even more, as two churches are being cultivated for new F.O.C.A. chapters.

DISTRICT CONVENTION

The Colonial District Convention will be held on Saturday, October 8, 2022 at St. Stephen’s Orthodox Cathedral, Philadelphia, PA. sponsored by its chapter—St. Stephen’s O.C.F.

STRENGTHS/WEAKNESSES

- S Within the large area of the district boundaries, the chapters are connected close to a major artery: Interstate 95.
- W Chapters have to travel anywhere between one to four hours to attend other chapter activities.
- S District members are willing to travel the long distance for district activities and bring other members who are unable to drive.
- W If members who normally drive are unable to attend a chapter function, then the turnout is not what is normally expected.
- S The district's financial condition is fairly stable.
- W Only three district events assist in the funding to operate the district.
- S The Membership is extremely active in their respective parishes; although our there are no Junior Chapters in the district, we hope to reactivate some Junior Chapters from our ranks and that a new Junior chapter will likely join us. In addition, we are seeking to encourage other Churches, in our region, to form Senior Chapters to bolster our ranks.
- W Only five Senior Chapters (not counting its Chapter at Large) comprise the Colonial District.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Most of 2020. 2021, and part of 2022 have been a blur. The District has kept things going by virtual meetings and discussions among the District officers.

Although the chapters in the Colonial District have been extremely active in serving their respective local parishes and the Fellowship, one of the major strengths of the Fellowship is the enduring friendships and acquaintances that are fostered among other Orthodox Christians based upon the interaction among fellow Orthodox outside of your parish community. The social facet of the Fellowship should be fostered and even nurtured. A balance between the spiritual and the social, as well as the balance between being focused on your own parish life and the community of the Fellowship, must be stricken and encouraged. Closely related to this comment is that the Fellowship must strive to find its niche, so that it remains attractive for people to join and participate.

COLONIAL DISTRICT-(Cont'd)

WALTER C. ALESEVICH, GOVERNOR

Although activities on the national level were curtailed during the pandemic, there were numerous activities held, including the first and second annual moleben for St. Andrew's Day, several concerts, and activities to keep the juniors in touch with each other. Further, the Fellowship at the chapter and district level must strive to address succession planning for its leadership, since many of the officers have served for numerous years.

On a personal note, after about 30 years as Governor—next year I will be retiring from work and the Governor's position and will be relocating to Connecticut (likely in the fall of 2023). Further, I wish to thank the members of the Fellowship for their outpouring of sympathy on the passing of my mother. May Vera's Memory be Eternal. She is praying for us all and the Fellowship.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Recommendations for the National Convention have been sought over the last several months.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter C. Alesevich

Governor, Colonial District

NEW JERSEY DISTRICT-(Cont'd)

REBECCA KOZAK, GOVERNOR

Executive Board

Spiritual Leader:	Archbishop Michael	
Spiritual Advisor:	Archpriest David Garretson	
Governor:	Rebecca Kozak	Chapter 167 (replacing Stephen Wasilewski)
Lt. Governor:	Vacant	
Secretary:	Danielle Kovach	Chapter 97
Treasurer:	Michael Kupec	Chapter 209
Sports Director:	Michael Steffaro	Chapter 167
Imm. Past Governor:	Daria Miskiv	Chapter 209

Chapters:

- 44 – Signac R Club; Signac
- 66 – St. John O Club; Passaic
- 97 – Bayonne Alpha R Club; Bayonne
- 129 – Jersey City R Club; Jersey City
- 167 – South River R Club; South River
- 209 – Garden State R Club; Various

District Activities & Programs

Many New Jersey parishes are now starting to regain normalcy, now that COVID restrictions are lifting.

On a Chapter level, meetings have taken place and several social events and outings are planned and scheduled for later this summer and early fall. Our NJ District Convention will take place in October/November of this year.

2021 Ohio District Convention

While we discussed many items at the 2021 Ohio District Convention, one of the topics was the virtual presence that the FOCA provided during the prior 18 months. Many virtual events were provided for the membership. I would like to note the following motion passed by the Ohio District:

“Becky Tesar moves that if the National EBoard decides to move forward with the ZOOM membership, the Ohio District will donate up to \$500 to aid or cover the cost. Seconded by Leon Sheean. Motion passed.”

St. Vladimir’s Camp

We canceled our 2020 Camping season, but were able to get out to the property to do some major work, including adding an additional bedroom in the Cooks Cabin and building a pool house. The Cook’s Cabin received a face lift of sorts with new paint in every room.

The Camp Committee met several times via computer to put together the 2021 Camping Season. We did our best to be able to provide our Campers and staff a safe place to spend a week of Camp. We held two successful weeks of Ohio District Camp and are looking forward to being able to host the FOCA Junior Olympics at St. Vladimir’s Camp in 2022.

The Camp Committee met on Saturday, September 4, 2021 at the Camp to take an in depth look at the property and take note of future projects, both large and small. Some of the projects that we will work on include the following:

- Repairs to the Rec Hall roof/Chapel roof and our Tenant’s roof
- Replacing sanitary sewer lines from the Cooks Cabin out and potentially from the bath houses out
- A new pavilion
- Removal of the old Green barn
- The Buttercup Cabin roof

Due to hard work from Dcn. Dan Kovalak, Nick Memorich, Greg Turk and Leon Sheean, we were able to replace the sanitary sewer line from the Cook’s Cabin. We had the job quoted and the quote came back well north of \$30,000, but, because of our tireless volunteers and a donation, we were able to complete the job for less than \$10,000.

Many thanks to everyone who donates to Camp with their time, talents and treasures. Sometimes, just being at Camp for an event sparks memories and leads to donations. We’ve had monetary donations, along with donations from our Amazon Camp wishlist (bit.ly/stvladscampoh). From the bottom of our hearts, thank you!

OHIO DISTRICT-(Cont'd)

MELISSA TESAR, GOVERNOR

Many thanks to Becky Tesar who chairs the Camp Committee St. Vladimir's Camp Clam Bake fundraiser. This year, we were able to hold our Clam Bake on September 25, 2021 at the Woodside Event Center Gym, and we had a record crowd! We thank everyone who attended, donated their time to help, and donated items for our Basket Raffles. We raised just short of \$3,000!!!

The Camp dates for 2022 are:

- ❖ July 3 – July 9 – Ohio District Camp ages 8-11
- ❖ July 10 – July 16 – FOCA Junior Olympics
- ❖ July 17 – 23 – Ohio District Camp ages 12-17

Fundraisers:

300 Club – I am happy to report that the Akron 'O' Club has agreed to take on the annual 300 Club fundraiser. We look forward to attending the event in 2022!

Scholarships

Congratulations to the 2021 National FOCA Scholarship winners from the Ohio District:

- Isabelle Willison – Campbell 27 - \$1000 Klimkosky Scholarship winner with Fred Lewis Honors
- Andrew Rohweder – Akron 20/32 - \$1000 Torsky Scholarship

Congratulations to the recipients of a 2021 Ohio District Scholarship:

- Daria Reimund – Akron 20/32
- Eric Rohweder – Akron 20/32
- Natalie Rohweder – Akron 20/32

In Christ,

Melissa Tesar

Melissa Tesar
Governor

PITTSBURGH DISTRICT

DR. JOHN SCHULTZ, GOVERNOR

COMMUNICATIONS

MARGE KOVACH, DIRECTOR

As Communications Director, I work closely with Phil Tesar to communicate with the membership via email newsletters as well as provide timely updates to our website and Facebook page.

Website: In the past 2 years, the FOCA website had 8K unique visitors and 20K page views. During this two-year period, our site saw a high of 774 page visits during the month of May 2022.

Facebook: The FOCA Facebook page has 2,953 followers

Mailchimp: The FOCA email distribution list contains 365 subscribers. 40 newsletters and updates have been sent in the past 2 years with an open rate of between 31.3% - 58.9%

Please remember to forward details and pictures of parish, chapter, and district events for sharing.

Respectfully Submitted

Marge Kovach

ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN JOURNAL

MARGE KOVACH, INTERIM EDITOR

I work closely with Michael Schultz to produce two issues annually. The OCJ is distributed electronically and in print to those who request hard copies.

In 2019, I assumed this position on an interim basis, however I will be stepping aside after producing the convention issue (Summer/Fall 2022). Serious consideration must be given to the organization continuing to produce the OCJ given the lack of material submitted by districts, chapters, and individual members.

Respectfully Submitted

Marge Kovach



Mdm. President, Executive Board, Board of Trustees and Delegates:

Christ is in our Midst!

Introduction

It brings me great joy to greet all of you in person, finally, once again as we gather for the 95th National Convention here in Baltimore. This year brings us renewed hope and excitement as we begin to emerge from the last two long and difficult years. The Executive Board has been hard at work to plan and exciting weekend as we have navigated our lives through turbulent waters.

It was with great sadness that we had to cancel the 94th National Convention that was supposed to be held in Minneapolis. Chapter 94 had a wonderful weekend planned for us and I hope we will have the opportunity in the future to visit the Twin Cities once again. I wanted to thank them once again for all their efforts in planning a great weekend.

It is an honor to be able to join up once again with the Orthodox Church in American while they begin the 20th All American Council. It is always a joy to welcome His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon and all of our Hierarchs to the convention. I do hope you take the opportunity to visit with our beloved hierarchs and share your stories and love for the FOCA.

During the convention in Columbus, I did receive an exploratory bid from Chapter #167 South River to host the convention in the greater NJ area. I thank chapter 167 for submitting their exploratory bid and I look forward to reaching out to them again to restart their desire to host a future national convention.

2019 Convention Financial Results

	<u>Event/Activity</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Profit/(Loss)</u>
1.	All Events/Activities	\$14,698.00	\$13,914.09	\$783.91
2.	Program Book	\$6,140.00	\$374.75	\$5,765.25

CONV. PLANNING & OPERATING DEPT-(Cont'd) DN. PETER ILCHUK, DIRECTOR

5 Year Comparisons

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>SITE</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSE</u>	<u>PROFIT/(LOSS)</u>
2021	N/A	<i>95th National Convention Postponed to 2022 due to Pandemic</i>			
2020	94 th	Minneapolis, MN	<i>Cancelled due to Pandemic</i>		N/A
2019	93 rd	Columbus, OH	\$20,838.00	\$14,288.84	\$6,549.16
2018	92 nd	St. Louis, MO	\$17,867.00	\$18,073.08	\$4,010.05*
2017	91 st	Hershey, PA	\$28,066.60	\$27,201.03	\$6,437.26
2016	90 th	Rosemont, IL	\$33,075.00	\$22,557.97	\$5,873.97
2015	89 th	Atlanta, GA	\$25,460.00	\$15,028.36	\$6,177.69*

Please note: The profit/loss includes the Ad book proceeds and an * indicates a 50% split with the OCA for the ad book proceeds only during AAC years.

Conclusion

On a personal note, I have bittersweet emotions that I share with you that this will be my last convention report as our CP&O Manager. These past 6 years that I have served in this position has been a true blessing for me. I appreciate the trust that the Executive Board and the members of the fellowship has placed in me in planning our national conventions. While I am stepping down from my current position to take on a new role within the Orthodox Church in America, my hope and prayers remain strong for the FOCA and its future. I will continue to be a member of the fellowship as this organization has been very close to my heart and my family. If it wasn't for the FOCA, I wouldn't have had the many opportunities and blessings that I have received being a part of the FOCA.

Thank you to the Executive Board of the FOCA and each and every one of you for your love and friendship which I pray will continue for many years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Dn. Peter Ilchuk

CP&O Director

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT

REBECCA KOZAK, DIRECTOR

NO REPORT

2020 Summer Sports Tournament

Host: Weirton “O” Club

Aug 21-22, 2020

Because of the COVID-19 Pandemic, this was the only National event held by the FOCA in 2020. This was the most attended tournament in many years. Thirty-six golfers, including eight members of the Clergy and one Junior, gathered from eight states ranging from Arizona to Massachusetts. Golf on Friday was at the historic and award-winning Williams Country Club in Weirton, WV. On Saturday, the tournament moved to Highland Springs Golf Course in Wellsburg, WV. The golf course has holes in both West Virginia and Pennsylvania. Following golf on Saturday, the golfers and guests enjoyed an awards banquet.

2021 Summer Sports Tournament

Host: Cap City “O” Club Columbus Ohio

Aug 20-21, 2021

Golf Friday afternoon was held at the Cumberland Trail Golf Club. Its 60 bunkers, undulating greens, and 27 water hazards presented a challenge for the 19 golfers who traveled from 5 states. After golf, everyone enjoyed drinks and conversation on the patio. On Saturday, 21 golfers played the Virtues Golf Club, one of Ohio's top-ranked public courses. With the varied terrain and elevation changes, the course presented different challenges than Friday. The awards banquet was held at the course following golf Saturday.

Thanks again to all the clubs for your sponsorships and for hosting events.

2022 Summer Sports Tournament

Host: St. John’s Sr. “O” Club, Alpha, NJ

Aug 19-20, 2022

Bids have been received for 2023, 2024 and 2025

I have received a request to change the name from NATIONAL SUMMER SPORTS TOURNAMENT to MIKE SNYDER MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING.

I want to increase the prize money from \$500.00 to \$1,500.00. The additional money will be used to add an additional division and have more on the course skill contests.

SCHOLARSHIPS

DANIELLE ILCHUK, ADMINISTRATOR

Despite the pandemic shutting down just about everything, one thing we were able to maintain was the awarding of scholarships! Please see below as a summary for the last 2 years.

2020

5 scholarships totaling \$4,250

- 1 Fekula with Fred Lewis Honors (\$1000)
- 1 Torsky – Engineering (\$1000)
- 3 Fekulas (\$750 each)

2021

5 scholarships totaling \$4,250

- 1 Klimkovsky with Fred Lewis Honors (\$1000)
- 1 Torsky – Engineering (\$1000)
- 3 Fekulas (\$750 each)

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Ilchuk

CONVENTION AUDIT

AUDIT COMMITTEE

TO BE SUBMITTED SEPARATELY

TREASURER'S AUDIT

ANTOINETTE DOROSH, AUDITOR

TO BE SUBMITTED SEPARATELY

Motions of the 93rd Annual FOCA Convention

Saturday, August 31, 2019

MOTION #1

Michael Steffaro, Past President, moves to accept the auditor's report as read by President Allison Steffaro. Alice Woog, Past President/Chapter 94, seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION #2

Deacon Peter Ilchuk, CP&O, moves to award the 95th Annual Convention to the Executive Board to be held in conjunction with the 20th All American Council. Carol Deerson, Past President, seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION #3

Sandy Sauerman, Chapter 167, moves to accept the budget as it appears in the Treasurer's report. Dn. Joseph Shaluha, Cap City 254, seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION #4

Melissa Tesar, Ohio District Governor, moves that the 2020 Gifts of Love recipients be the St. Herman's House FOCUS - Cleveland and the Diocese of Alaska to assist with the 50th Anniversary of the Canonization of St. Herman on the Kodak Island. The first \$5000.00 raised will go to St. Herman's House and the remainder to the Diocese of Alaska. Deacon Joseph Shaluha, Cap City 254, seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION #5

Walter Alesevich, Colonial District Governor, moves to open nominations for the Executive Board. Liz Dutko, Chapter 50, seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION #6

Michael Steffaro, Past President, moves to close nomination and cast a unanimous ballot for Allison Steffaro for the office of President. Carol Deerson, Past President, seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION #7

Lori Kochan, Akron 2032, moves to close nomination and cast a unanimous ballot for Basil Kochan for the office of Vice President. Leon Sheehan, Chapter 7, seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION #8

Dn. Peter Ilchuk, CP&O, moves to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Danielle Ilchuk for the office of Recording Secretary. Michael Herzak, Cleveland 4/6, seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION #9

Fr. Ted Boback, National Spiritual Advisor, moves to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Michael Bowan for the office of Treasurer. Linda Livosky, Chapter 27, seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION #10

Alice Woog, Past President/Chapter 94, moves to close the 93rd National FOCA convention and to reconvene at the 94th National FOCA convention in Minneapolis MN, July 24, 2020. Gary Lelo, Central PA Governor, seconded. MOTION CARRIED.