

"It Takes A Village" To Raise Children

On his way to Wall Street to stir up interest with investors for a \$12.5 billion bond deal targeted at replenishing the state's coffers, California State Treasurer Phil Angelides was honored as the keynote speaker at the Trinity-Anza grand opening instilling hope to a sold out crowd of judges, probation and police officers.

by **Frances Larose**

"Unless we work with these troubled kids, we as a society will pay a price," stated Angelides. Turning to Fr. Tom Avramis, Greek Orthodox Priest and CEO of Trinity Children and Family Services, he said, "You are all doing the Lord's work."

Angelides was referring to the opening of one of the largest vocational treatment facility for adjudicated youths in the country, Trinity-Anza. The new 900-acre state-of-the-art facility will be one the most comprehensive rehabilitation sites in the United States providing training and skills to enable the boys to re-enter their communities with practical skills such as construction trades, land and wildlife management, basic fire-fighting, warehouse management, landscape design, culinary arts, printing, graphic arts, food service and restaurant management. A major emphasis will be placed on a highly structured educational and interactive vocational program. Class sizes will average between 12-15 students, and the staff-to-student ratio will be 1 to 4. Classes are both academically accredited and certified.

This past fall about 30 teenagers moved into the former Los Angeles Laborers' Union Training site. The facility expects to be at its state-licensed capacity of 159 boys within six months. Run by Trinity Children and Family Services, the site is the eighth major residential treatment campus operated by this organization, the largest nonprofit provider of childcare services in California. In addition to their residential sites, Trinity programs are currently being analyzed and implemented in other areas.

Another featured speaker at the event was Stanford University Professor of Child Psychiatry Dr. Hans Steiner, an internationally recognized research leader in the

A Well Known and Respected Philosophy That The Greek Culture Has Embraced For Thousands of Years



A panoramic view of the Trinity-Anza Campus

treatment of children's psychiatric problems. He provided an overview of his report, "The Trinity Children and Family Services Program: A Continuum of Care for Severely Disturbed Children and Adolescents," where he credits Trinity for developing effective pathways in fighting adolescent delinquency. Steiner praised the organization for their excellent understanding of troubled teenagers and offered accolades in terms of Trinity's innovative approach for the future.

"Trinity's treatment principles are solidly in line with current understanding," said Dr. Steiner. "The agency's exceptional continuum of care provided by the residential program is both helping children to lead happier, fuller lives, and making a significant contribution to the treatment of these juveniles and the prevention of incarceration."

"We believe so strongly in our programs, staff and administration that we asked Dr. Steiner to evaluate Trinity's behavior modification and treatment model, Group-Centered Leadership (GCL). In order to continue growing and helping these children, we felt an unbiased review of our program was needed to continue to advance our efforts. Dr. Steiner's find-

ing validate our efforts and positions our program nationally in the forefront of services to children," said Fr. Tom Avramis.

Trinity-Anza was developed as a response to the State of California's request for programs dedicated to the treatment and rehabilitation of at-risk children. It is a fully developed campus and will be the largest facility of its kind in the country. Verne Lauritzen, field representative on

behalf of Senator Ray Haynes from Riverside County, recognized the agency by presenting Fr. Avramis with a California State Senate certificate in "Recognition of the Dedication of the Opening of the new Trinity-Anza facility." Other guest speakers included Former U.S. Congressman Michael Huffington and a representative on behalf of Riverside County, Supervisor Jim Venable.

Trinity is dedicated to giving children a second chance and providing them with the tools they will need to succeed in life. The organization promotes healing and encourages family reunification. Founded in 1966, Trinity is licensed by the states of California, Texas, Nevada, Utah and Colorado. The Greek Orthodox agency seeks to empower children who have dealt with little in life except hardship. Over the past 35 years, Trinity has provided hope and safety to more than 30,000 damaged children and the organization continues to set the standard for childcare services throughout the country.

Trinity Children and Family services currently operates eight major residential/treatment programs, five off-campus group homes and serves children ranging in age from 7 to 18 years old regardless of their ethnic, cultural, or religious background.

For more information on the Trinity programs call: 1-800-KIDS 730, Ext #3 or visit www.trinitycfs.org.

CLERGY UPDATE

Ordination to the Diaconate:

Papadopoulos, Panteleimon – Archbishop Demetrios, St. George, Norwalk, Conn., July 1

Konstantinos Kalogridis – Archbishop Demetrios, St. George Church, Piscataway, N.J., July 22

James Gardikes – Metropolitan Maximos, St. Gregory Palamas Monastery, Hayesville, Ohio, Aug. 4

Priesthood

Deacon Konstantinos Kalogridis – Bishop Dimitrios - St. Demetrios, Jamaica, N.Y., Aug. 26

Deacon Adamantios Metropulos – Metropolitan Methodios, Sts. Constantine and Helen, Cambridge, Mass., May 21

Deacon Peter Stratos – Metropolitan Anthony, St. Nicholas Church, Northridge, Calif., June 29

Deacon Apostolos Hill – Metropolitan Isaiah, Assumption Cathedral, Denver, July 15

Retired Priests

Fr. Nicholas C. Manikas, St. Demetrios Church, Weston, Mass., June 30

Fr. Basil Papanikolaou, St. George Church, Rock Island, Ill., July 31

Fr. Constantine Xanthakis, Annunciation Cathedral, Boston, Sept. 1

Fr. Demetrios Kavadas, Assumption Church, St. Clair Shores, Mich., Sept. 1

Assignments:

Fr. Peter C. Kyriakos, Assumption Church, Manchester, N.H., June 15

Fr. Nicholas Krommydas, St. Demetrios Church, Weston, Mass., July 1

Fr. Stratton Dorozenski, St. Nicholas Church, Troy, Mich., July 1

Fr. George Stamison, Assumption Church, Bayard, Neb., July 1

Fr. Timothy Pavlatos, St. George Church, Eugene, Oregon, July 1

Fr. Anthony Evangelatos, St. Spyridon Church, Newport, R.I., July 1

Fr. Michael Diavatis, Transfiguration Church, Anchorage, Alaska, July 15

Deacon Konstantinos Kalogridis, St. Demetrios Church, Jamaica, N.Y., July 23

Fr. Michael Eacarino, St. Katherine

Church, Falls Church, Va., Aug. 1

Fr. Chris Webb, St. Demetrios Church, Chicago (assistant), Aug. 1

Fr. J. Gabriel Karambis, Annunciation Cathedral, Houston, Aug. 1

Fr. John Roll, St. John the Baptist Church, Salinas, Calif., Aug. 1

Fr. Apostolos Hill, Assumption Cathedral, Denver (assistant), Aug. 1

Fr. Panayiotis Papageorgiou, St. George Church, New Port Richey, Fla., Aug. 1

Fr. Michael Monos, St. Elizabeth Church, Gainesville, Fla., Aug. 1

Fr. George Savas, Assumption Church, St. Clair Shores, Mich., Aug. 16

Fr. Constantine Newman, Annunciation Church, Dover, N.H., Aug. 26

Fr. Nicholas Rafael, St. Nicholas Church, Newark, N.J., Sept. 1

Fr. Constantine Nastos, Annunciation Church, Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 1

Fr. Dean Panagos, Annunciation Cathedral, Boston, Sept. 1

Fr. Athanasios Demos, Chancellor, Diocese of Boston, Boston, Sept. 1

Fr. Adam Metropoulos, St. George Church, Bangor, Maine, Sept. 1

Fr. Charalambos Politis, Sts. Constantine and Helen Church, Webster, Mass., Sept. 16

Fr. Christopher Stamas, St. George Cathedral, Springfield, Mass., Oct. 1

V. Rev. Evangelos Kourounis, St. Demetrios Cathedral, Astoria, N.Y., Oct. 1

Fr. Patrick Cowles, Holy Spirit Church, Rochester, N.Y., Oct. 1

Fr. Nicholas Nichols, Assumption Church, Louisville, Ky., Oct. 1

Offikia:

June 25, Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew bestowed the office of Protopresbyter upon Fr. James A. Doukas.

July 8, Bishop Alexios bestowed the office of Archimandrite upon Fr. Frank Kirlangitis.

July 26, Bishop Alexios bestowed the office of Ekonomos upon Fr. Michael Eaccarino.

Religious Ed. Department's Annual Resource Companion Available

BROOKLINE, Mass. – The fourth edition of The ARC (Annual Resource Companion) is now available from the Archdiocese Department of Religious Education.

by **Rev. Dr. Frank Marangos**

Each year, the ARC is based on the department's annual theme and is dedicated to an esteemed Orthodox educator.

The 2001-02 volume contains 261 pages with 36 insightful essays, and catechetical articles written by Archbishop Demetrios, the archdiocesan metropolitans, clergy, theologians, and seminarians.

Theme of the fourth volume is "The Theology and Dogma of the Orthodox Church" and contains articles that focus on general theology, liturgical/sacramental theology, ecclesiology, spirituality/soteriology, education, anthropology/creation and the environment.

Based on the same theme, the 2002 St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival topics, speaker tips, and bibliography are also included. Therefore, the ARC is a wonderful resource for students and teachers preparing for the oratorical festival.

The Department of Religious Education is advancing a pedagogical agenda that will assist Orthodox Christians of all

ages to better understand the: (a) liturgical, (b) scriptural, (c) theological, (d) canonical and (e) ethical underpinnings of the Church.

To develop such a comprehensive educational vision, The Annual Resource Companion (ARC) was developed in 1998. Each year, another catechetical volume is published by the DRE that focuses on a different aspect of Orthodoxy. The Archdiocese has been establishing an encyclopedic anthology of Orthodox catechesis.

The following three previously published volumes are: Volume I (1998-1999), "The Liturgical Year," Volume 2 (1999-2000), "Holy Tradition," Volume 3 (2000-2001), "The Holy Fathers" and make wonderful companions to this year's edition.

The Department of Religious Education and editor of the ARC recommend the volume to religious educators, clergy, church leaders, youth workers, parents, students and anyone wishing to learn more about their Orthodox faith. All volumes of the ARC can be purchased for \$5 each (plus S&H) by contacting the DRE at (800) 566-1088.

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