



# GREEK OLYMPIC SOCIETY MISSION STATEMENT

## PHILANTHROPY, EDUCATION, CULTURE

**W**e are proud that in the past 10 years our organization, which started as an Olympic Soccer Club in 1967 but was reconstituted and renamed in 1996, has been publishing the periodical Greek Ethos - 2 issues per year - as part of our effort to update and upgrade our knowledge and understanding of our Hellenic heritage.

The mission of the Greek Olympic Society is to promote fraternal fellowship and social interaction among all who embody and embrace the Hellenic principles and traditions. We organize educational and cultural events for our Church community; carry out and finance philanthropic projects; and provide service to our Greek Cathedral and to the Columbus community at large.

Inspired by the scintillatingly successful Olympics that returned to its birthplace in Greece in 2004, we want to continue the celebration of the enduring Hellenic spirit of "always excelling" [αἰέν ἀριστεύειν] by exploring our rich heritage and its relevance to the Hellenic prominence in America!

The mission of Greek Ethos is to enrich our knowledge with the publication of stories and news on our epic past, traditions, language, and religion practiced in freedom in the heart of America.

The goal of Greek Ethos is to raise the awareness of and pride in our ethos and ethnicity so that the next generations will continue to celebrate and preserve the Hellenic traditions and heritage that have inspired the world!

This book is an anthology of articles that have national appeal, and we are offering the book to the rest of the Hellenic communities in the diaspora to upgrade and update their knowledge of our glorious heritage and carry out the cultural activities that were inspired by the Greek Ethos such as Classical Greek Dinner Theater plays, Symposia in the classical tradition of the Golden Ages of Greece.

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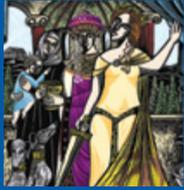
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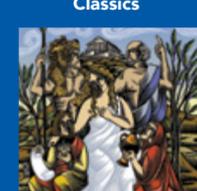
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