Mid-Eastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians

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2016 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Socrates Papageorgiou, from Ann Arbor, Michigan has been a member of the St. Nicholas church choir of Ann Arbor since about the age of nine. He is also a member of the parish dance group, altar boy, and Epistle Reader. In school, Socrates was a member of various school vocal groups, the National Honor Society, and sports teams. Socrates is the recipient of the *Hadgis/Amerdes Memorial Scholarship* and is attending University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Juliana Pastelas, from Ann Arbor, Michigan has been a member of the St. Nicholas church choir of Ann Arbor since around age of fifteen. She is part of GOYA, dance group, and is substitute organist in the choir. While in high school, she established a student orchestra that performs at hospitals, malls and memory care centers in the Ann Arbor area. She was even able to secure funding from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs to purchase equipment. Juliana spent the summer at an OCMC mission trip to an Albanian orphanage. Juliana is the recipient of the *Hadgis/Amerdes Memorial Scholarship* and will be attending University of Cincinnati in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Constance Poplos, from Memphis, Tennessee, has been involved with the Annunciation choir since around age eight. She is not only involved in the choir and junior choir, but chants in church, is involved in GOYA, the parish dance group, Greek School, and taught at vacation church school. Constance also volunteers her time with the Elpis Philoptochos in feeding the needed in the Memphis area and volunteers at the LaBonheur Children's Hospital. Constance is the recipient of the *MEFGOX Memorial Scholarship* will be attending St Louis University in St. Louis, Missouri.