

AHEPA Chapter #517 of Holmdel, NJ
Honored at Ronald McDonald House NYC
Dec. 12, 2022



Supreme President Jimmy Kokotas with Dr. Ruth Browne, President & CEO of Ronald McDonald House NYC accompanied by members of Chapter #517

AHEPA Chapter #517 of Holmdel, NJ shared the honor of being recognized along with Daughters Medusa Chapter #345 of Long Island, NY as Ronald McDonald's NYC Greek Division honorees at a Christmas Dinner held at the NY Athletic Club on Dec. 12, 2022

Chapter #517's president Dimitri Dimitriades spoke that evening about their start of supporting the house over 20 years ago from the vision of their Brother Jim Nikitopoulos and his wife Angela who had the unfortunate need to stay at a house while their son, Steven was receiving treatment at The Children's Hospital. Having been served a home cooked meal by a family who volunteered their Christmas Eve to help others, he was determined to pay it forward in memory of his son and began an annual tradition of hosting a dinner for its guests. It is the most anticipated event of the year (and for the past 20) for the brothers who with the help of Loucas Soficli and Florio Petrou cook, prepare, deliver and serve dinner for up to 100 guests staying at the house.

Supreme President Jimmy Kokotas spoke about the synergy of the organization amongst all branches of AHEPA sharing the common goal of helping the house and how rewarding to have Brothers, Daughters, Sons & Maids celebrating their achievements together.

The evening's attendees included representatives from the Archdiocese, Greece and Cyprus Consulates, Supreme lodge of the Sons and Maids, District Governor of the Daughters Lainie Christou and many dignitaries throughout the metropolitan area.



Ahepa Chapter #517 President Dimitri Dimitriades along with Brother Jim Nikitopoulos and Supreme President Jimmy Kokotas accepting the award accompanied with Fr. Panagiotis Lekkas and brothers of the Chapter.



