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- 10:30 pm—Event Closes ( Have a Safe Ride Home )

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Dear Brothers, and Friends of AHEPA,

We are pleased to celebrate AHEPA's Garden State Chapter #517 Event. We are delighted you have joined us and welcome you for this long-awaited event.

Your support has helped us in undertaking a national initiative for the fundraising of the AHEPA's Service Dogs for Warriors program. The program was presented at the 2016 National Convention and was received with great emotion and pride. The program raises much needed funds to purchase service dogs that rehabilitate wounded warriors suffering from PTSD.

In addition, your support also provides funds that allows us to donate to additional Philanthropic endeavors including Ronald McDonald House, AHEPA District 5 Cancer Research Foundation, Fulfill of Monmouth, and Ocean Counties (Food Bank), just to name a few.

Much appreciation to our sponsors who participated in taking an ad in our journal, which further assists our chapter in fulfilling our goals and programs. We ask that you patronize and support our sponsors.

In addition, we would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the brothers of Chapter 517 for their hard work, generosity, and determination in organizing this memorable event.

On behalf of the AHEPA Garden State Chapter #517, THANK YOU for joining us, your continued support, and for making this evening once more a success.

Respectfully,

Bill Parlamis – Co - Chairman George Scoullos – Co-Chairman Demetri Orfanitopoulos – Co-Chairman

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I'd like to welcome back everyone to what promises to be another spectacular night enjoying the company of old friends and the excitement of making new ones all while savoring the fine food and spirits that gets carefully planned throughout the year for everyone's enjoyment. If this is your first year joining us, we welcome you and hope you have a great time.

Your support of this event helps many of our philanthropic endeavors. This past year marked a milestone for **AHEPA Service Dogs for Warriors**, a national project that started with our chapter, reaching \$1,000,000 in donations that went directly to helping over 100 veterans suffering from PTSD by matching them with a trained service dog providing comfort, confidence, and safety.

This past year we were also honored by The **Ronald McDonald House** in NYC where for the past 20 years (and counting) our Brothers serve an annual home cooked meal to the residents there, along with supporting several other events to help their cause. The event was well attended by dignitaries throughout the USA and Greece.

We continue to support Fulfill of Monmouth County, The Children's Tumor Foundation, The Cancer Research Foundation, St. Jude's Children's Hospital, St. Michaels Senior Home, The Cyprus Children's Fund and many more good causes in our community.

It takes a lot of commitment and hard work from our Brothers to make events like this come to life. I feel so fortunate to have the support of a great board of directors: Paul Zafariou, VP; Kostas Koufidis, Treasurer; Steve Anasatatos, Secretary; Chris Petrou, Asst. Sec; and Nick Fourniadis, Asst. Treas. My thanks to the chairmen of the event whose hard work behind the scenes is greatly appreciated: Bill Parlamis, Demetri Orfanitopoulos, George Scoullos, Luke Loucopoulos, and all the Brothers that volunteer and generously donate throughout the year.

Most importantly though that without our sponsors and attendees none of this would be possible, so tonight we celebrate YOU for your continued support, encouragement and friendship. We value the relationships we've formed over the years.

Enjoy,

Dimitri Dimitriades

President – AHEPA #517

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At the 2016 AHEPA National Convention George Karatzia, proposed the creation of AHEPA Service Dogs for Warriors. By providing assistance for Veterans who are battling the effects of war and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), this program endeavors to prevent suicide among Veterans in America by providing trained service dogs at no cost to them. After being overwhelmingly approved by the 2016 AHEPA convention body, the Archbishop Elpidophoros renewed support in 2021 and every year since. Today we continue to strive towards preventing suicide among Veterans in our country.

In December 2022, the 6<sup>th</sup> year of the AHEPA Service Dogs for Warriors program reached a new milestone, raising \$1,000,000 and sponsoring over 100 dogs for Veterans.

While we are proud of this milestone and humbled by the support we have received to date, we still have work to do to provide better support and mental healthcare services for Veterans in our country. A 2022 finding from The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs annual report shows suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death among both male and female Veterans aged 18-44. The loss of a Veteran is not just the loss of a soldier, but a friend, sibling, spouse, child, and parent to those who loved them.

The AHEPA Family and our sponsors must continue to work together to help our nation's Veterans find healing and hope after leaving the armed services. With your support, we can continue to provide service dogs to those whose acts of service to us are immeasurable. With your help, we can continue to show our deepest gratitude for the sacrifices of these men and women in the years to come.

The AHEPA Service Dogs for Warriors program is thankful to AHEPA Chapter #517 for their continued support of the AHEPA Service Dogs for Warriors Program Best Wishes for a Successful Cigar Night

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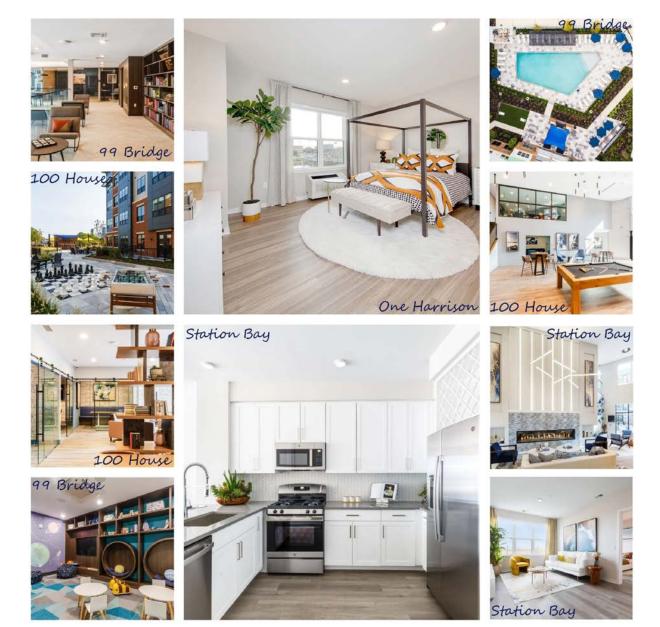
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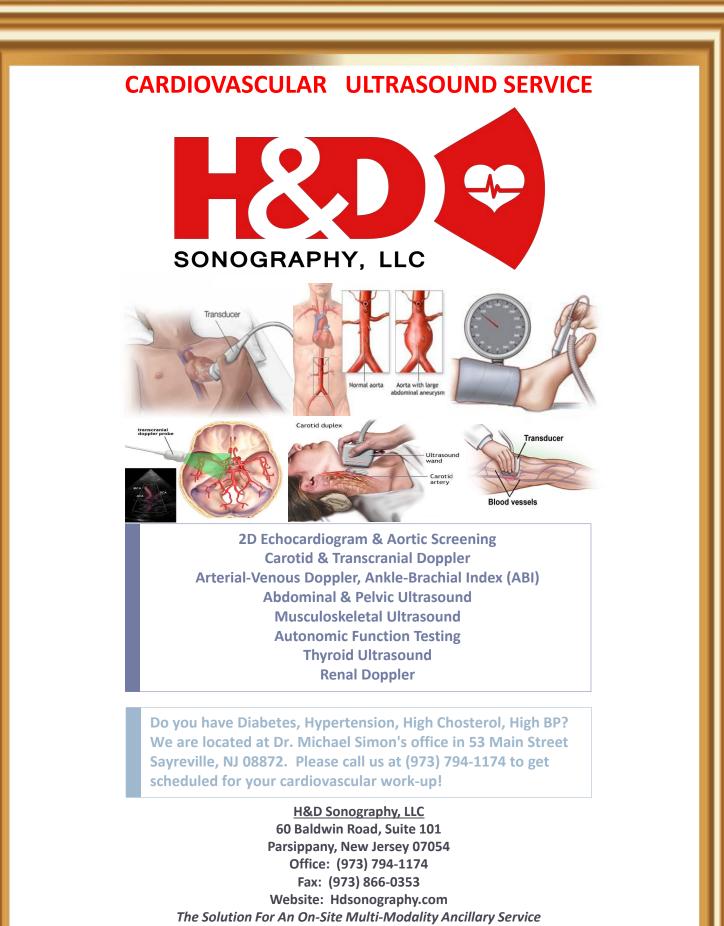
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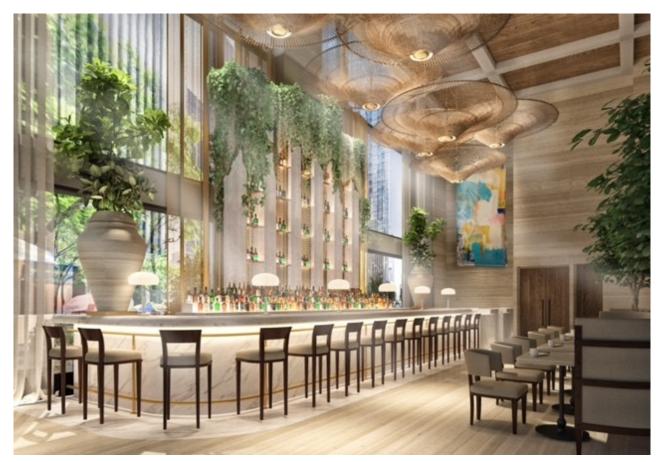
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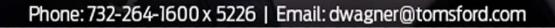


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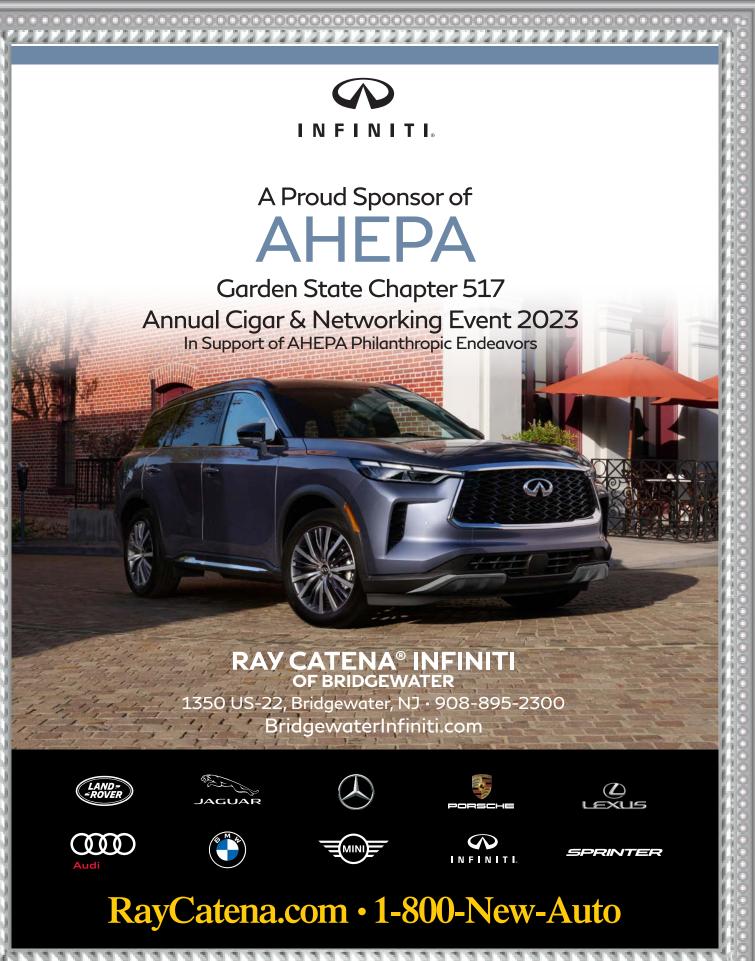


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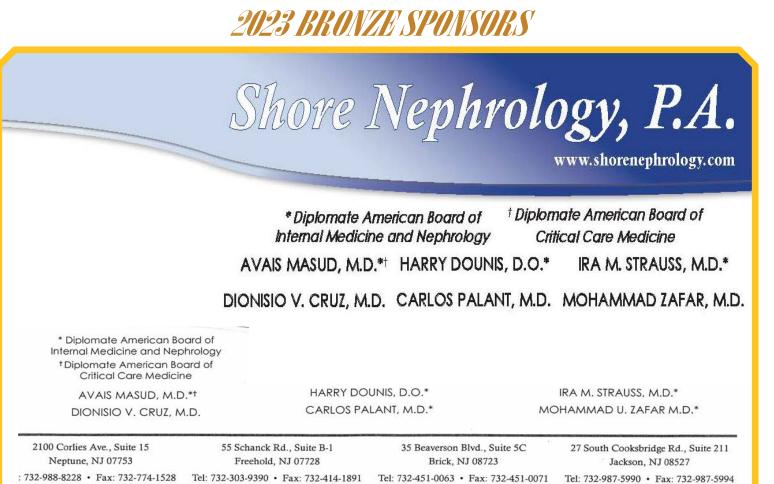
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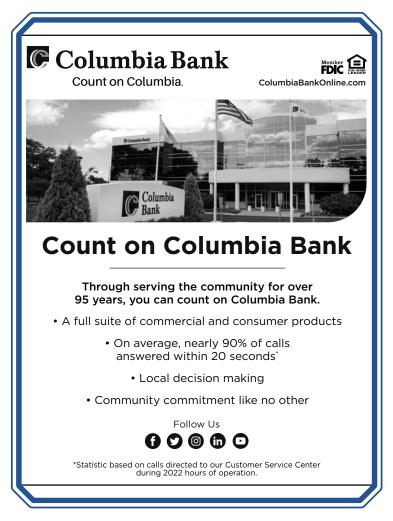
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