

Nick Aroutzidis elected as new Canadian President of AHEPA

It is with pleasure that AHEPA CANADA announces the election of Nick Aroutzidis to the position of President, AHEPA Canada. Nick was elected to this position at the AHEPA National Convention, which took place in Athens Greece in July 2008. Nick has been a vital member of the Lord Nelson CJ2 Chapter in London Ontario for more than 15 years and brings a wealth of experience and an unmatched enthusiasm to this position

Nick Aroutzidis was born in Athens Greece in 1957 to Harito and Theodora Aroutzidis, brother to Maria Aroutzidis. He completed his primary and secondary education in Greece and in 1978 immigrated to London, Ontario, Canada. In 1980, having completed an intensive program in English proficiency, as well as grade 13, he began his studies in Applied Mathematics at the University of Western Ontario. While an undergraduate at UWO he served as President, Vice-President and Secretary of the Hellenic Students' Association. He also founded the "Rendezvous with Greece", a two hour information radio program in London, Ontario (CHRW – radio station) which he ran for 12 years. After graduating from UWO, Nick attended the University of Waterloo where he completed his undergraduate and graduate degrees in Civil (Structural) Engineering.



In 1989 Nick moved to the city of Stratford, Ontario and joined a local engineering firm. He received his Professional Engineering status in 1991 and his designation as Consulting Engineer in the Province of Ontario in 1994. That same year he founded his own engineering consulting firm in Stratford. As the business grew, Nick expanded by opening a second office in London, Ontario. In 2007 he opened his third office in Kincardine, Ontario. He is currently the Senior Managing Partner for NA Engineering Associates Inc. Nick is a member of the Professional Engineers of Ontario (Designated Consulting Engineer and Building Design Specialist), the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers, the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, the Canadian Home Builders Association, the Canadian Institute of Steel Construction, and is also a member of the Association of Professional Engineers Nova Scotia.

Nick has been a member of AHEPA for over 10 years and has held various offices. He has served as Secretary, Vice-President, and President of the London (CJ2) Chapter. He has served as Lt. Governor and District Governor of the District 23 Lodge. He is a member of the AHEPA Foundation of Canada and, most recently, he served as Chairman of the 2008 District Convention. Nick has been AHEPAN of the year in 2008.

Nick's motto has always been "service above self" and has remained true to this ideal through his involvement with many organizations. He has been on the Board of Directors for the United Way Perth, a member of the Directors of the Stratford Cullitons Hockey Club, a member of the Directors of the Huron Perth Lakers Minor Hockey Club, General Manager for the Huron Perth Lakers Major Midget Program, Chairperson and member of the committee for LACAC (Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee), Director for the Stratford and Area Builder's Association, Member of the Committee of Adjustments for the City of Stratford, Ontario, President and member of the Board of Directors for the Rotary Club of Stratford and Tavistock, Ontario, and Chairperson for the Rotary Respite House. In 2006 the Rotary Club of Stratford honored him with the Paul Harris Fellow this is the highest recognition for a Rotarian.

He is a member of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in London, Ontario where he has served on several committees over the years. At present Nick resides in Stratford, Ontario with his wife Virginia (formerly Virginia Sinioris) and their children Mary-Ellen, Haritos and Vlasis.

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