

# AHEPA D7 HELLENIC HISTORY TOURNAMENT AT A GLANCE

## Summary

### WHAT

- A competition among high school students on their knowledge of Hellenic history
- A \$3,000 prize for the winning team = \$1,000 per team member, and
- A \$1,500 prize for the second team = \$500 per team member

### WHO

- Any student who is in grades 8-12 during the 2009-2010 academic year, and
- Who is a resident of CT or RI (or is associated with a Greek community in CT, RI, or Pittsfield, MA), and
- Who either knows or wants to learn something about the 3,500 year history of the Hellenes (Greek speakers)

### HOW

- Form, join or be assigned to a three-student team
- Register by May 31, 2010 (mail registration form + \$25 or \$10 if book not needed)
- Receive a book on Hellenic history that also provides bibliography for further reading
- Prepare by reading it and other books during the summer
- Take part in a one-day quiz-show-type single-elimination tournament in the fall
- Win matches by answering more multiple choice questions than the competing team
- Be a member of the teams that participate in the final match

### WHEN / WHERE

- Saturday, November 20, 2010
- St Barbara Greek Orthodox Church, 480 Racebrook Rd, Orange, CT 06477

### INFORMATION

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## Clarifications

- Students who are in 12th grade in the spring of 2009 are eligible to participate, even though they will be college freshmen on the date of the competition (Fall 2010). The only limitation is whether they would be willing to make the trip from their college location to Orange, CT
- There is no commitment to limit the questions and answers only to items discussed in the Hellenika book. There is, however, an intention to base many of the questions on that book

## Key points

- You should not feel intimidated. Hellenic history is not taught in US schools in any kind of detail, so most if not all your competitors will probably start at the same level of knowledge (or lack of it). The difference will be made by the amount of preparation each team does during the summer
- This is not a test, it's a contest. There is no minimum score. Your team wins if you have at least one point more than the competition
- This is a team competition, so you can maximize the chances that your TEAM will win by assigning each of the three question categories (Ancient, Roman/Byzantine, Modern) to a different team member

## Differences from 2009

- Eighth graders in the spring of 2010 are now eligible to participate (in 2009: started with 9<sup>th</sup> graders)
- The prizes are fixed at \$3,000 and \$1,500 for the top two teams (in 2009: depended on number of participants and potentially included third place prizes)
- Prospective participants MUST belong to a three member team and MUST be sponsored by their local chapter of AHEPA (in 2009: not required)
- The tournament will be cancelled if the total number of registrants is less than 30 (in 2009: less than 6)
- The registration fee is either \$25 if "Hellenika" book is required, or \$10 if not (in 2009: it was \$20)