



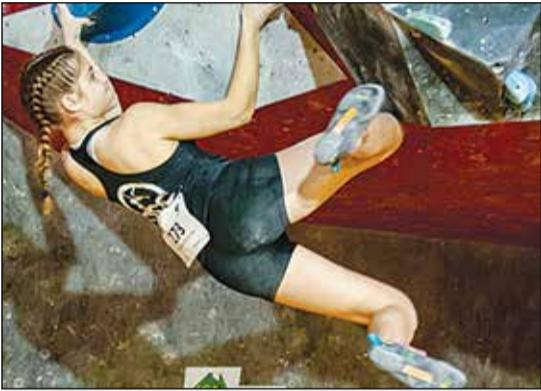
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AUSTRALIAN NEWS

NATIONAL BOULDERING COMPETITION Great achievement by young Theodora



The 15-year old Theodora Kasimidou from Adelaide came 4th in Bouldering at the National Youth Climbing Championships held in Sydney on 24-26 May 2019. With this performance of hers, she met the selection criteria for the 2019 Australian Sport Climbing Development Youth Boulder Team. Theodora also competed in lead and speed climbing over the following days and her total national ranking brings her in the 6th position overall in her age category.

Her coach, Adam Clay as well as the owners of the Adelaide Bouldering Club, where Theodora trains, feel very proud for her and mentioned: "... her hard work has been rewarded with an invitation to join the Australian Development Team. Congratulations Theodora, you work so hard, this is well deserved..."

Theodora participated

in the national Youth Climbing Championships as a member of the South Australia Youth Climbing Team, having won the State Boulder and Lead titles many times.

For the young Greek-Australian, who originates from Corfu, her 4th place in this year's Championships and her selection for the Australian Sport Climbing Development Youth Team was the result of hard work, intensive training and absolute devotion to her goals.

On the other hand, this means a lot of travelling around Australia to participate in training camps and to train under the instructions of the national coaches of Sport Climbing Australia, which significantly increases the cost of her preparation for future competitions. Young Theodora, will now have to search for sponsors who would be willing to help her with the cost of her travels and training.

New Archdiocese leader arrives in Australia

Over one hundred supporters of the Greek Archdiocese gathered at Sydney international airport last Tuesday to greet Archbishop Makarios, the new Primate of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese.

The Assistant Bishops of the Archdiocese, the Clergy, the Monastics, and the faithful, together with representatives of the state and federal authorities, offered a warm welcome to the new Archbishop.

"I want to assure you that this day, this moment is precious and unique in my heart and my life," Makarios said.

"I am aware that this day is vital for the future of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia...I come from afar, but I feel I am coming home because of our common ecclesiastical roots," he added.

"From this day until my last breath I belong to Australia...I vow before the Australian flag," he said to the assembled crowd.

The new leader was recently appointed by the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Istanbul, to replace the late Archbishop Stylianos who died in late March 2019.

Debt record of \$21.3 billion to pay for State projects

The South Australian Government is hoping interest rates will stay low for years to come as it borrows big to fund a major infrastructure program. South Australia's debt will rise by 57 per cent to \$21.3 billion by 2022-23, in order to pay for major infrastructure projects including the North-South Corridor.

Despite a \$517 million write-down to GST revenue revealed in this year's Federal Budget, Treasurer Rob Lucas is budgeting for a \$94 million surplus in 2019-20, with surpluses slowly increasing to \$251 million in 2022-23.

Premier Steven Marshall said the budget was "firmly focussed" on "growing the South Australian economy".

"Despite this very significant writedown we have a massive investment in our roads, in our regions, in our health and education system," he said.

Among the new spending, the Treasurer announced a \$104.5 million housing stimulus package "in recognition of the softer outlook for housing construction".

Interest-free loans of up to \$10,000 will be available to help low-income earners with home deposits — the Treasurer insisted there wasn't the money to fund a state-based first home

owners grant.

The budget also includes \$21.4 million to build 90 new housing trust homes, and \$21.1 million for home maintenance and upgrades.

The Treasurer has not cut into services as deeply as he did in last year's budget, but there will be changes that will sting some services.

The Government has also announced \$550 million for a new Women's and Children's Hospital to be spent after June 2020.

However, the Treasurer Mr Lucas wants the health system to reduce its expenditure by \$169 million next year. This could mean the reduction of health employees by around 1,140.

Up to 1588 public servants may be cut next year by the State Government. It is also looking to make "operational savings" of millions of dollars from other sectors such as education

Opposition Leader Peter Malinauskas said budget also revealed tax hikes worth about \$353 million.

Mr Malinauskas said the government was hitting South Australians' hip pocket by jacking up everyday expenses, including motor registration, drivers' licence renewal, public transport fares,



Premier Stephen Marshall and Treasurer Rob Lucas

hospital car parking as well as increasing business expenses.

He said the Government's plan to hike the solid waste levy by 40 per cent would increase every home owner's council rates.

"Steven Marshall promised lower costs, yet every time South Australians drive their car, catch public transport or even put out their wheelie bin, he is hitting their hip pocket," Mr Malinauskas said.

"Struggling South Australian families will bear the brunt of the Marshall Government's second Budget as increases to a raft of everyday fees and charges hit

the family budget", SA-BEST has warned.

SA BEST MLC and Treasury spokesperson, Frank Pangallo, said Dozens of fees and charges — including car registration, public transport fares and traffic fines — are about to increase by up to five per cent, well about the inflation rate of 1.3 per cent.

"Households are also likely to bare the brunt of a 40 per cent hike in the waste levy — from \$100 a tonne currently to \$140 a tonne — which is charged to local councils, but which SA-BEST fears will be on-passed to households and businesses via their council rates", he said.

Australian Cypriots remember 1974 tragic events

Australian Cypriots will commemorate the 45th anniversary of the tragic events of 1974 in Cyprus. On 15 July 1974, the military junta of Greece, in collaboration with the Cypriot terrorist EOKA B' organisation staged a military coup to overthrow the legitimate Cypriot Government of President Makarios. Hundreds of supporters of the legitimate government were murdered in the days that followed.

The Coup, gave Turkey the opportunity to invade with a 40,000 strong army, and occupy 1/3 of Cyprus using their air force and 250 tanks on the pretext that they were doing so in order to protect the Turkish Cypriots.

The Justice for Cyprus Coordinating Committee SA

(SEKA), in association with the Cyprus Community of SA Inc, once again have organised a series of protests on Sunday 14th of July and Wednesday 17th of July 2019, to mark the 45th Anniversary of the Turkish Invasion of Cyprus.

These events are an expression of solidarity and support to the people of Cyprus and a mark of honour and respect to those who lost their lives in the struggle for democracy and freedom during the events of 1974.

On Sunday 14th of July at 10.00am there will be a memorial service at the Greek Orthodox Parish of Saints Raphael, Nicholas and Irene, 232 Gorge Road, Athelstone, SA, 5076

A wreath ceremony will take place at 1.15pm at the Cyprus Community of SA, 6-8 Barrpowell street, Welland.

On Wednesday 17 July at 7.00pm the Cyprus Community will host a speech on current developments in Cyprus by an official representative of the Republic of Cyprus, accompanied by the High Commissioner of the republic of Cyprus in Canberra, Ms Martha Mavrommatis.

Refreshments and canapés will be provided. You will also have the opportunity to meet and speak with the members of the community and discuss the recent events in Cyprus, in an informal and friendly atmosphere.

For yet another year the Turkish military occupation, forcible division, violation of

human rights, massive illegal Turkish settlement, cultural destruction, property usurpation and ethnic segregation imposed since the bloody 1974 invasion remain as the main characteristics of the status quo on the island.

The Justice for Cyprus Committee pledges to continue the efforts to promote a just and viable solution that will end the Turkish military occupation and help to reunite the island and its people.

On 14 July, 10.30am the Greek Orthodox Community of SA will hold a memorial service at the Cathedral of Archangels Michael and Gabriel, Franklin Street, City, for those who died defending democracy in Cyprus on 15 July as well as those who fell during the Turkish invasion.

National Volunteer Parade

National Volunteer Week is an annual celebration to acknowledge the generous contribution of our nation's volunteers. Volunteering Australia was pleased to announce the theme for National Volunteer Week 2019 — "Making a world of difference". Having this as a theme, volunteers from all over the country have celebrated this week.

For the second year in a row, the Greek Orthodox Community of SA participated in the Annual Volunteer Parade on Monday 20/5/2019. There were hundreds of volunteers from different organisations walking proudly from Torrens Parade Ground to Victoria Square. The official launch of National Volunteer Week occurred at 12 pm and everybody was invit-

Community Life



Volunteers of the Greek Community participating in the Volunteer parade during National Volunteer Week 2019

ed to join in the Celebratory Sausage Sizzle at 12.30 pm. It was a wonderful morning.

A big "thank you" to all our

volunteers and staff who participated in the parade and a big "thank you" to Volunteering SA for organising it.

Demetris Christofias dies



The Former President of Cyprus (2008 - 2013) died last week in Nicosia aged 72. Demetris Christofias visited Adelaide on three occasions, as AKEL General Secretary in 1991, President of the House of Representatives in 2006 and President of the Cyprus Republic in 2011. Demetris was loved and respected by the Adelaide community and he will be remembered as the president of the people.

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Cultural, social and political events in South Australia

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Students of the Adelaide High School were hosted by the Greek Orthodox Community SA's church of Saint Nicholas at Thebarton at their monthly community lunch in June. The students had the opportunity to interview elderly members of the Greek community about their migration and settlement in Australia. In the photo, the students with the president of the ladies auxiliary of Saint Nicholas, Elizabeth Georgacopoulos



Members of communities affiliated with the Federation of Greek Orthodox Communities of Australia, from South Australia, NSW and Victoria met in Adelaide last week and discussed national issues of concern to the community



A High Tea Fundraiser in support of Kidney Transplant and Diabetes Research was held very successfully at the Woodville Town Hall on Saturday 22 June. In the photo, from left, Margaret and Kerry Harrigan, Professor Toby Coates and Helena Kollias

TINA KARANASTASIS

South Australian Greek woman recognised for her work with new migrants and refugees



Not-For Profit sector. She has worked with the Migrant Resource Centre, Ethnic Affairs Commission, Migrant Health Unit of the SA Health Commission, Multicultural Communities Council of SA and Ethnic Link Services at Uniting SA. Tina was also a founding member of the Migrant Women's Emergency Support Service, the Multicultural Respite and Dementia Service within Woodville Domiciliary Care and the Multicultural Advocacy and Liaison Service of SA.

Tina Karanastasis is perhaps best known for her role as Regional Coordinator with the Office of Multicultural Affairs within the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, a position she held for seven years in the 1980s and 1990s. The National Agenda for a Multicultural Australia, the commissioning of an extensive collection of Policy Options Papers, and the roll out of the Australian Government's Access & Equity and Community Relations Strategies resulted in what many have described as the 'Golden Years of Multiculturalism'. As the Regional Coordinator

for South Australia, Tina was responsible for implementing these strategic initiatives on the ground and for consulting widely with all sectors of the South Australian community. This included establishing and chairing the Commonwealth

Agencies Access and Equity Network to oversee the implementation of departmental Access and Equity Plans.

In 1989, Tina was awarded an Australia Day Achievement Medallion by the Australia Council for her contribution to the work of OMA and for her

service to South Australia's multicultural communities. In her voluntary capacity, Tina has held the positions of Senior Deputy Chair with the Federation of Ethnic Communities Councils of Australia (FECCA) and National Chair of Welcome to Australia.

A total of 993 Australians received awards in the general division and 221 people received meritorious and military awards in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours List.

Ten Greek-Australians are included in the list Australia wide with Ms Athena (Tina) Karanastasis, from Hawthorne SA, being the only South Australian to receive the AM in the Order of Australia Division for her significant service to the multicultural community of South Australia.

As the daughter of Greek immigrants who settled in South Australia in the 1950s, Tina's experiences of the hardship and discrimination experienced by 'new Australians' left a very strong imprint, which ultimately led to a long and fulfilling career in multicultural and ethnic affairs.

In a professional career spanning almost four decades, Tina has held senior management and policy positions within the State and Federal Governments, as well as the

The Greek Orthodox Community of S.A. presents

TAVERNA

60's Dress up Night
with 'MUSIC 3000'

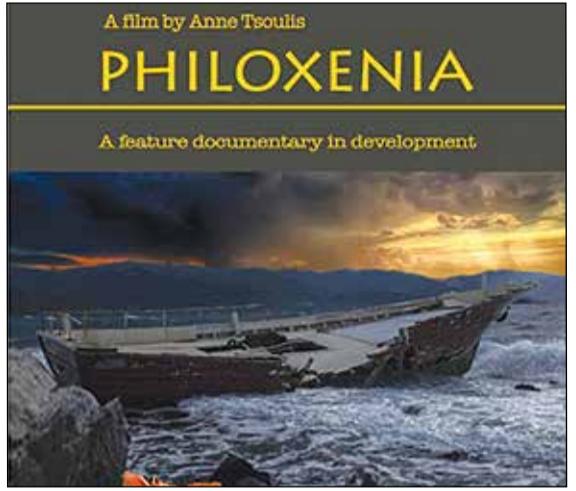
Saturday 13/7/19

Polixeni Nick Arabatzis

Olympic Hall
288 Franklin Street,
Adelaide, at 7.30pm

Entry \$20 (food not included) Tel: 82314307 for bookings

NOT TO BE MISSED BY ANYONE! New documentary highlights Greek Philoxenia!



Shining Catalina Productions is excited to announce the development of the new feature documentary, PHILOXENIA, produced by Alison Wotherspoon and written and directed by Anne Tsoulis.

PHILOXENIA is a frequently used Greek word not found in any other language, meaning a welcoming of strangers. Its antonym is xenophobia.

PHILOXENIA is a 90 minute feature length film that tells an epic story of what happened on the Greek island of Lesbos between May and October 2015 during the height of the Syrian war when Turkey opened the floodgates. In this five month period approximately 400,000 asylum seekers made the perilous 10 kilometre journey by boats across the Mytilini Strait to the shores of Lesbos and the villages of Petra, Eftalou and Skala Sikamineas.

For the local residents it was a catastrophe.

To add to the crisis unfolding on Lesbos the global community was completely absent. It was left up to the locals to rescue and care for these asylum seekers landing in up to 100 boats a day. The local residents received no support from the Greek or foreign government, nor from international and UN organizations to assist in the rescue and shelter of these desperate asylum seekers. For the rescue missions, these villages collectively had only two doctors, their small fishing boats, the food on their tables and shirts on their backs to help and assisted up to 2000 refugees

landing on their shores each day. The peaceful life on the island changed dramatically.

PHILOXENIA is told through the eyes of the citizens of Lesbos as they experienced the crisis during that five month period. With no help coming from outside, an intimate drama played out between the villagers and the refugees as we will witness in the film.

The Adelaide Film Festival has already committed part of the funding for the film to screen at their next festival in October 2020. We now need to raise the rest of the budget. We are communicating with you today to ask if you can support us in our efforts to bring this story to screens.

Towards this end, the project has been accepted by Documentary Australia Foundation (DAF) for tax-deductible and philanthropic donations. You can watch the teaser, get more info and donate to our crowdfunding on the DAF site <https://documentaryaustralia.com.au/project/philoxenia/>

All donations are tax deductible and will assist us greatly to tell this amazing story of heroism and to promote the word and the concept of PHILOXENIA, in a time when xenophobia has caused so much damage to our society. Our personal mission is to see "philoxenia" become a commonly used word in public discourse, just as it is frequently used in Greece. If you would like to know more please do not hesitate to contact us.

From the producers

Greek Orthodox Community SA

**OLDER PEOPLE SERVICES HELPLINE
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At GOCSA, we operate a free Helpline to provide information and to assist referrals relating to aged care services and support that are important to older people living in the Community. Our knowledgeable Greek and English speaking staff can assist you to,

- Navigate My Aged Care website to access community services
- Understand your rights as an older person in the Community
- Understand how the new Adult Safe Guarding Unit may help protect your rights and safety
- Provide your feedback to the CALD communities for service improvement
- Understand the variety of home and community services available to you at GOCSA