

***It's All Greek to Me...An Evening with Olympia Dukakis
Benefits the Hellenic Cultural Center of the Southwest and
Wilhelm Scholê International***

HOUSTON, November 21, 2010 – A festive and glamorous evening took place on November 20, 2010 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Houston, Texas where Event Chairman, *Dr. Carolyn Farb* interviewed Acclaimed Actress, *Olympia Dukakis* in a fascinating Up Close and Personal Conversation. *Dr. Nicholas Checkles*, President of the Hellenic Cultural Center of the Southwest, presented a special gift to *Ms. Dukakis* and the Order of Socrates Award for Citizenship & Philanthropy to Global Philanthropists *George and Angelina Kostas*. Their daughter *Cynthia Kostas* accepted the Award on behalf of her parents. *Dr. Marilyn Wilhelm*, Founder • Chairman • President of Wilhelm Scholê International presented the Cosmopolis Award to President Emeritus of Boston University, *Dr. John Silber* for his heroic contributions to the renewal of the Western tradition in education. Coming in from Boston to accept on *Dr. Silber's* behalf was *Herb Golder*, Editor-in-Chief of ARION, the acclaimed classics periodical.

No detail was overlooked from the sumptuous haute cuisine Greek dinner created by the Hyatt Regency's *Chef Jean Moysan* and the Greek wines generously donated by *JANCO Foods*. The Imperial Ballroom was transformed into a magical setting with beautiful floral arrangements provided by *Flowers by Nino* and elegant table linens provided by *Distinctive Details*. There was a lively performance by the *Olympian Dancers in traditional Greek folk costumes*. *Bob Boudreaux* served as Master of Ceremonies and *Judge Eric Andell* was the Big Board Auctioneer. Guests danced into the evening to the music of *Alex Kalos* "The Golden Greek."

Among the Grecian Chic attending the event: *Alex and Lindsay Mousoudakis, Allison Boone, Javier Moreno Valle, The Duke and the Duchess de Gramont, John M. Tsacrios, Jr., Sue Trammell Whitfield, John Danielson, Devinder and Gina Bhatia, Cathy Cagle, Nancy Ames and Danny Ward, the Consul of Greece Alexandra Theodoropoulou and Kostas Kouzas, Natalia Cokinos Oakes, Anthony Kouzounis and Millie Roche, Ernest and Katia Papavasiliou, Mike Spartalis, Thomas and Anna Au, Albert and Anne Chao, Charles Foster and Lily Chen Foster, Dr. Anna Belcheva, Dempsey and Mary Prappas, Luciano and Ilaria Topi, and Olympia Dukakis' cousin Perry Mavrelis.*

The Mission of the Hellenic Cultural Center of the Southwest is to promote an understanding of the rich history and legacy that the Hellenes have given to civilization and to present the saga of triumphs and sacrifices that were made. These include contributions to language, government, arts, architecture, athletics, science, medicine, and philosophy. The Hellenic Cultural Center's outreach efforts benefit all groups and individuals in Houston and the Southwest Region through educational and cultural programs.

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