

Cathedral Tours

Thursday - 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m.

Friday - 1:30, 2:30, 5:30, 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m.

Saturday - 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 5:00 - 6:00 (Great Vespers), 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m.

Sunday - 1:00, 2:00 and 3:00 p.m.

An informative video presentation of the history of Orthodox Christianity. Learn the symbolism of the beautiful Byzantine-style Cathedral. Questions will be answered by Cathedral clergy.

Shops and Displays (S. P. Martel Auditorium)

Gift Shop

Unique gold jewelry, costume jewelry, cookbooks, pottery, imported clothing, buttons, t-shirts, hats, aprons, tote bags, books, artwork, CD's, religious items and Greek Festival souvenirs

Agora

Imported Greek foods

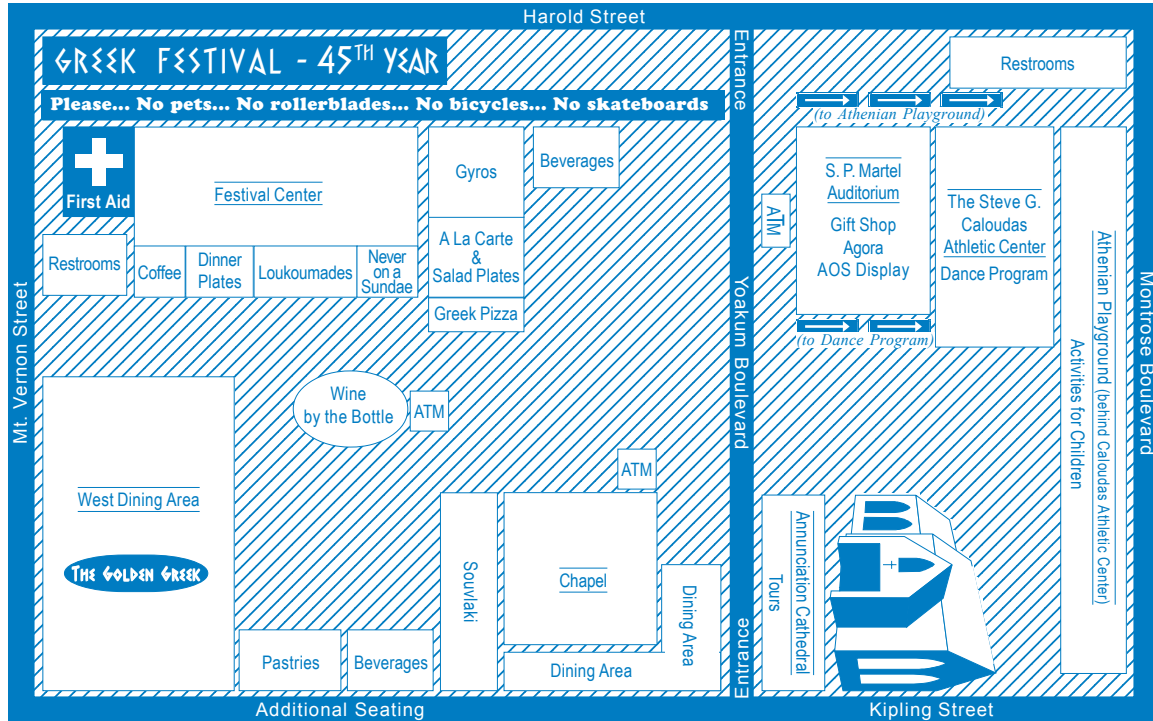
Athenian Playground

Open daily until 9 p.m. (Sunday 5:30 p.m.)- Inflatable play centers and children's refreshments

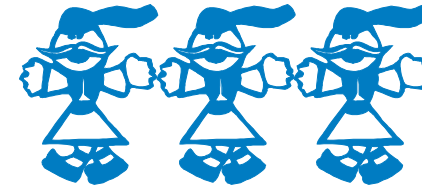
Live Greek Music (Evenings, in West Dining Area)

Live Greek music provided by THE GOLDEN GREEK, Mr. Alex Kalos

OUR SINCERE THANKS TO WAMM (WESTHEIMER/WEST ALABAMA/MONTROSE/MULBERRY) CIVIC ASSOCIATION FOR THEIR PATIENT, COOPERATIVE, GOOD-NEIGHBOR APPROACH TO THE LOGISTICAL CHALLENGES THAT ACCOMPANY THE PLANNING AND EXECUTION OF OUR ANNUAL GREEK FESTIVAL



Please join us again next year
October 4, 5, 6, & 7, 2012



ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL HOUSTON, TEXAS

presents

The Original GREEK FESTIVAL - 45TH YEAR

October 6, 7, 8 & 9, 2011

3511 Yoakum Boulevard — 713.526.5377

www.greekfestival.org

Thursday, October 6

5 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Shuttle 5 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Friday, October 7

11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

5 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Shuttle 5 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 8

11 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Shuttle 11 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 9

12 Noon - 6 p.m.

Shuttle 12 Noon - 6:30 p.m.

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In 1917, a handful of Greek immigrants formed what is today one of the largest Greek Orthodox communities in the United States. The vision, foresight and dedication of those few faithful immigrants laid the groundwork for what exists today. From its original location in downtown Houston (what is now Tranquility Park) to the sprawling grounds that border Yoakum Boulevard, Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral has become a major force in the religious and social communities that comprise Houston today. Proceeds from the Greek Festival have helped many people through donations to various charitable organizations, such as Amazing Place, Annunciation Orthodox School (AOS Grant Program), The Beacon, The Bridges to Life, Brookwood Community, The Casa de Esperanza de Los Ninos Inc., Children's Assessment Center Foundation, Covenant House, Elves and More, Emergency Aid Coalition (EAC), Houston Area Women's Center (HAWC), Harris County Sheriffs Reserve, Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston, Make A Wish - Texas Gulf Coast & Louisiana Chapter, The 100 Club, Parents of Murdered Children - Heights Chapter, SEARCH (Service of the Emergency and Resource Center for the Homeless), Star of Hope, Trinity Foster Care, Village Learning & Achievement Center, WAMM (Westheimer/W. Alabama/Montrose/Mulberry Civic Association), Yellowstone Academy, YMCA Partners (Trotter YMCA), YMCA Partners of Youth (Weekley YMCA on Stella Link).

We thank you for your patronage.

AUTHENTIC GREEK FOODS - ALL HOMEMADE!

Dinner Plate \$12.00

A generous serving of *pastitsio* (baked macaroni with beef filling and Romano cheese topped with béchamel sauce); *tiropita* (triangular-shaped cheese-filled pastry); *spanakopita* (spinach and Feta cheese rolled in filo); 2 *keftedes* (spicy meat balls); and *salata* (traditional Greek salad with seasonings, vinegar, olive oil and Feta cheese, garnished with olives, tomato and a salad pepper).

Souvlaki \$7.00

Seasoned and marinated tenderloin cubes with onions, prepared over burning coals

Gyro \$7.00

Succulent slices of lamb and beef served in a hot pita bread with tomato, onions and tzatziki sauce

Pizza

Cheese \$4.00 — Pepperoni \$6.00 — Greek (Spinach, Feta & Gyro Meat) \$7.00

A La Carte

Tiropita \$3.00

Cheese-filled puff pastry

Spanakopita \$3.00

Spinach and cheese-filled puff pastry

Dolmades \$6.00

Four grape leaves stuffed with ground beef and rice

Greek Salad Plate \$6.00 / \$7.00 w/Gyro Meat

Lettuce with tomatoes, cucumbers, sweet onions, Greek olives, Feta cheese and a dinner roll

Beverages

Soft Drinks \$2.00

Bottled Water \$2.00

Texas Coffee \$1.00

Greek Coffee \$2.00

Iced Coffee Frappe \$3.00 Wine (bottle) \$20.00/\$25.00/\$30.00

Beer \$5.00

Wine (glass) \$5.00

Pastries

Baklava - \$2.00

Nuts, butter & spices in layers of filo pastry, topped with honey syrup

Kourambiedes \$2.00

All-butter cookies with toasted almonds, topped with powdered sugar

Finikia \$2.00

Sweet honey cookie with various spices, topped with nuts

Koulourakia \$3.00

Six twisted butter cookies – great for dunking!

Tsoureki \$5.00

A loaf of famous Greek sweet bread

Thea Mary's Rizogalo \$3.00 - also sold at Coffee Station

Rich 'n' creamy rice pudding topped with cinnamon

Desserts

Loukoumades \$4.00

Ten hot honey puffs

Never-on-a-Sundae \$3.00

Vanilla ice cream topped with baklava sprinkles

GREEK DANCE PERFORMANCES - THE STEVE G. CALOUDAS ATHLETIC CENTER

Folk Dance Program performed every hour each evening

Thursday and Friday: Begins at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday: Begins at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: Begins at 4:00 p.m.

Children's Dance Program

Saturday: 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m., and 2:30 p.m.

Sunday: 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m., and 2:30 p.m.

Folk Dance Program

Greek dance, like the Greek language, has retained much of its identity from ancient times. It is a living, vital force in the Greek way of life, and its spirit brings people together with a true feeling of camaraderie. One fundamental aspect of the Greek dance is that, almost always, it is involved with food, drink, music and song, including celebrations for religious festivities, national holidays, and family celebrations such as weddings and baptisms – events that center around the church life of Orthodox Christians.

Basically, the dances are divided into three main groups, and each dance reflects the culture, customs and traditional costume of the particular region. A dance is either from the islands (*neesiotika*); from the mainland (*demotika*); or popular (*laika*), meaning it is danced throughout Greece -- the islands and the mainland.

Boutari Wines

Elios White (\$5.00/glass - \$20.00/bottle)

Crisp white wine with citrus and melon flavors.

Nemea Red (\$25.00/bottle)

Velvety tannins with balanced acidity, ripe cherries, blueberries and chocolate.

Elios Red (\$5.00/glass - \$20.00/bottle)

Smooth red with blackberry, plum and mocha flavors.

Mavrodaphne (\$25.00/bottle)

This port-like fortified sweet wine is tawny in color and has an intense aroma of black currants, black cherries, coffee and mocha.

Retsina (\$5.00/glass - \$20.00/bottle)

A traditional wine that masterfully combines the finesse of the Savatiano grape with pine resin. High acidity with the refreshing taste of eucalyptus.

Santorini White (\$30.00/bottle)

The island of Santorini's soil is characteristically dry, which provides the wine its mineral high acidity and citrus characteristics.

Moschofilero White (\$25.00/bottle)

A refreshing dry white wine with citrus, floral and melon aromas. Well balanced with intense flavor and a long aromatic finish of orange blossom and grapefruit.

Merlot Xinomavro (\$30.00/bottle)

Intense and complex with plum, marmalade of red fruits and berries. Velvety taste with a full-body and a very good balanced flavor of cocoa, coffee and pepper.