PRESS RELEASE THE AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR GREEK LANGUAGE AND CULTURE AFGLC

The American Foundation for Greek Language and Culture, AFGLC, is happy to announce the official opening of the AFGLC—DELAWARE (TRI-STATE) CENTER. The Center will be headed by the distinguished business leader (retiree) Dr. Peter N. Yiannos as Director and President. Dr. Yiannos is a former vice president in technology for the Scott Paper Company and a leader in several Hellenic-American organizations. His executive committee will consist of three additional individuals. Dr. George Vassilatos, Deputy Director/Vice President is currently a Dupont Fellow, the highest technical level in the corporation. A distinguished international scientist in the chemical industry and a retiree executive from the Dupont Company, Mr. Constantinos (Gus) Georgiou, is the treasurer of the AFGLC Center in Delaware. He has served the Greek-American community in several capacities. Finally, Ms. Stella J. Yiannos, a professional artist and former president of the Hellenic University Club of Wilmington, Delaware, was elected the secretary of the executive committee. The Board of Directors consists of two Senior Advisors. Mr. Antonis Mistras, a senior portfolio manager at Dupont Capital Management, a subsidiary of the Dupont Company, was elected Senior Economic Advisor to the foundation. Dr. Theodore Michell, a distinguished physician in the state of Delaware, was also named Senior Advisor to the AFGLC—Delaware Center, and continues to serve the Greek community in several capacities.

The primary mission of the AFGLC—Delaware Center is to assist in the overall mission of AFGLC in the rejuvenation and enhancement of Hellenism in the United States of America. To accomplish their mission, AFGLC has introduced a dynamic educational process that involves the establishment of INTER-DISCIPLINARY CENTERS FOR HELLENIC STUDIES, ICHS, at various universities across America. Each ICHS consists of five endowed, named professors in Greek philosophy, Greek language, the Orthodox religion, Greek history, and Greek culture. Both the ICHS and the name-endowed professors will be legally structured with the host university in perpetuity. The ICHS Centers emulate the model center ICHS, the "Center of Excellence," that has been established at the University of South Florida. Details of the aims and objectives of the AFGLC-ICHS can be found at our website, www.afglc.org.

The AFGLC—Delaware (Tri-State) Center will be the local supporting nucleus of the future ICHS Center of that region.