

# Hellas Melbourne Among the Greatest Teams of the World

Hellas Melbourne is officially placed in the Pantheon with the greatest football teams of the world since last Tuesday May 11th. Hellas Melbourne was honored in a special ceremony in London, held by FIFA, as the top team for the Century in Oceania. The greatest teams of the rest parts of the world that were honored on the same day by FIFA were Real Madrid (Europe), Penarol Uruguay (South America), Asante Kotoko Ghana (Africa), Al Hilal Saudi Arabia (Asia), Saprissa Costa Rica (Central and North America).

This Gala event, hosted by FIFA "History and Statistics" Committee, honored with their presence many stars of the world's football industry. In the photo you can see the President of Hellas, Elias Athanasakis (right) with the manager of the Spanish national football team (who also coached Real Madrid from 1999 to 2003) Vicente del Bosque, Real Madrid's legend Emilio Butragueño, Chelsea's best striker Didier Drogba, Trimboli and Armstrong, all present at the greatest moment of the greatest team of Australian Football.



## Street in Izmir named after Greek singer

A street in Izmir's Gaziemir district has been named after world-renowned Greek singer Haris Alexiou.

A ceremony was held Saturday in the Aegean district with the participation of Alexiou and other special guests. The street where Alexiou's father was born was named "Haris Alexiou Friendship Street." (foto)

Speaking at the ceremony, Alexiou said she was delighted and honored. "My grandfather, my father and my mother lived on these lands for years," she said. "We are from Izmir and I grew up with songs of Izmir. Today, I am here to



renew the friendship between the two nations."

Gaziemir Mayor Halil Ibrahim Senol, a member of the main opposition Republican People's Party, or CHP, noted the common

history of the Turks and the Greeks.

"Our children will not do the mistakes we and the earlier generations have done," said the mayor. "Their only fight will be for

peace."

Senol said it was an honor to name a street in the district after Alexiou, whose roots lie in Gaziemir and to host her in Izmir.

Alexiou, an advocate of peace and friendship between Turkey and Greece, is considered the most popular singer in Greece.

She has worked with important Greek songwriters and composers, has performed at top musical theaters all over the world and has received several awards. She has recorded over 30 albums and has been featured on albums of other musicians, including the Turkish singer and composer, Zólfó Livaneli.



### Greek Researcher Continues to Be at the Forefront of Fight Against Cancer

Medical researchers at the University of Alberta have published evidence that the orphan generic drug Dichloroacetate (DCA) might be a potential therapy for perhaps the deadliest of all human cancers: a form of brain cancer called glioblastoma.

The report was published in yesterday's edition of Science Translational Medicine, a journal of the American Association of the Advancement of Science.

The multidisciplinary team led by Greek Evangelos Michelakis (foto), published evidence in 2007 that DCA reverses cancer growth in non-human models and test tubes.

DCA alters the metabolism of cancer and the way cancer handles its nutrient fuels, specifically sugars. DCA was able to take away cancer's most important strength, the resistance to death. Since then, several independent groups across the world have confirmed the findings of the University of Alberta researchers.

In the study published today, the U of A team found that DCA works the same way in patients as it worked in lab models. In a small clinical trial the researchers provided evidence that DCA may be safe and potentially effective in some patients with advanced glioblastoma.

## Contribution of the Greek Community to Senior Citizens in Egypt



From now onwards, the stay of senior citizens from Alexandria will be free at the Greek Kaniskerion Old People's Home, in the Egyptian Mediterranean city. The decision, which was received with enthusiasm by the residents of the Old People's Home, was taken by the Community Committee during its last meeting.

As it was stated by the President of the Greek Community of Alexandria, Giannis Siokas, "the aim of the Greek Community of Alexandria is welfare and support for the disadvantaged or lonely community members and not profiting from the Home".

The announcement was made by the President of the Greek Community of Alexandria during the Charity Lunch which was

served – as every year – by the Community. The event was honored by the presence of the Patriarch of Alexandria, Theodore II, who wished joy and health for all and awarded Anna Kalavitis for her long year and admirable contribution to the Old People's Home.

The President of the World Council of Hellenes Abroad, Mr. Stefanos Tamvakis, Members of the Community Committee of the Greek Community of Alexandria, as well as Presidents of many Greek Associations and Bodies of the Greek Community in Alexandria were also present.