

# Η ΦΩΝΗ ΤΗΣ ΑΧΕΠΑ



## Prime Minister, CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations on your re-election to the post of Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia. As the President of one of the largest Australian Hellenic community organisations in our great state, I have had an excellent working relationship with the previous Coalition government and look forward to developing that relationship further. Given your deep knowledge of Hellenic history and culture, as well as the significant human and historical ties between Australia and Hellas, the Order of AHEPA NSW would be honoured to assist in planning for you to visit Hellas and Cyprus next year. 2016-17 marks significant anniversaries in Australian Hellenic history: the Centenary of the Macedonian Front in World War One and the 75th anniversary of the Greek Campaign (including the Battle of Kreta) in World War Two. Both of these campaigns involved over 65,000 Australian men and women. AHEPA NSW believes it would be most appropriate for the Prime Minister to visit the battlefields where they served and the cemeteries where almost 1,000 of them lie at rest. Following the conclusion of the Gallipoli Campaign, a number of Allied forces (including Australian servicemen and nurses) were sent to the port city of Thessalonike in northern Hellas. Amongst those who



Η νεοεκλεγθείς βουλευτής της έδρας Chisholm της Μελβούρνης, κα. Julia Banks, με τον πρωθυπουργό Malcolm Turnbull στη περιοχή Oakleigh. Ύστερα από τη περιοχή St George του Σύδνεϋ, η περιοχή της Μελβούρνης έχει τον πιο συμπαγή ομογενειακό πληθυσμό.

served there was Stella Miles Franklin, one of your state's most famous writers. Her experiences in the Scottish Women's Hospitals in Thessalonike and the area of Lake Vergoritiss (then known as Ostrovo) inspired writings that are still highly regarded today. Twenty-five years later, the Second Generation ANZACs returned to those same battlefields in northern Hellas, this time to defend democracy against the Nazi invaders. Outnumbered and outgunned, the Anzacs were forced to retreat down the mainland and across the Aegean to the island of Kreta. Following a heroic stand, some were evacuated to Egypt. However, over 5,000 Anzacs were left behind as prisoners-of-war, the second largest such group in Australian history. Your reputation as a long

time friend of the Australian Hellenic community has meant that your re-election to the post of Prime Minister has been welcomed by large sections of our membership. The Order of AHEPA looks forward to working with you on a state visit to the Hellenic Republic, in achieving parliamentary recognition of the Genocides of the indigenous Armenian, Assyrian and Hellenic peoples, and other issues of concern to the members and friends of the Order of AHEPA NSW. Congratulations once again. Looking forward to working with you.

Yours sincerely,  
13 July 2016  
Mr John Kallimanis  
Grand President

## Dear Linda, CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations on your election to the post of Member for Barton in the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia. As the President of one of the largest Australian Hellenic community organisations in our great state, I have had an excellent working relationship with the previous Member for Barton, and look forward to developing a similar relationship with yourself. The Order of AHEPA NSW would be honoured to assist in planning for you and other indigenous parliamentarians to visit Hellas and Cyprus next year. 2016-17 marks significant anniversaries in Australian Hellenic history: the Centenary of the Macedonian Front in World War One and the 75th anniversary of the Greek Campaign (including the Battle of Kreta) in World War Two. Both of these campaigns involved over 65,000 Australian men and



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## Ημερολόγιο της ΑΧΕΠΑ

**Κυριακή 24 Ιουλίου:** Κατάθεση στεφάνων και Πορεία διαμαρτυρίας για τη 42η μαύρη επέτειος της τουρκικής εισβολής στην Κύπρο. Στο Κενοτάφειο του Martin Place, Sydney, από τις 1μμ.

**Σάββατο 30 Ιουλίου: Τμήμα Ανατολή.** Συμπόσιο «Αντάμωση» για τα 60 χρόνια του Τμήματος. Στο σπίτι της ΑΧΕΠΑ, 394-396 Princes Highway, Rockdale, από τις 7μμ. \$25 το άτομο. Για να κλείσετε τις θέσεις σας, τηλεφωνήστε στους: Χρήστο 9559 2156, Κώστα 9316 9798 ή Γιάννη 04323 47500.

**Sunday 21 August: Education Seminar around using Greek Cafes and Milk Bars of Australia.** by Effy Alexakis and Leonard Janiszewski to teach History and Modern Greek in Australian classrooms @ AHEPA Hall, 394-396 Princes Highway, Rockdale, from 4pm.

**Κυριακή 28 Αυγούστου: Ημέρα της ΑΧΕΠΑ – ΑΗΕΡΑ DAY.** Θεία Λειτουργία και Μεσημεριανός Δείπνος.

«Η ΦΩΝΗ ΤΗΣ ΑΧΕΠΑ» με τον Γιώργο Γιακουμίδη, κάθε Κυριακή 8-9μμ στο 2NBC FM (90.1FM)

«ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΤΗΣ ΑΧΕΠΑ» με την Λίτσα Διακοβασίλη, κάθε Τετάρτη 12-1μμ στο 1683AM

«ΠΝΕΥΜΑ, ΦΩΣ, ΑΓΑΠΗ» με τον Κώστα Καποδίστρια, κάθε Πέμπτη 6-8μμ στον Ράδιο Γαλαξία (Channel 151.850 / galaxias.com.au)

«ΕΥΘΥΜΑ ΚΑΙ ΣΟΒΑΡΑ» του Ιδρύματος Κωστής Παλαμάς της ΑΧΕΠΑ, κάθε Σάββατο 1-2μμ στο 2MM (Σύδνεϋ 1665AM, Wollongong 99.3FM και Darwin 1656AM). Διαδύκτιο: [www.2mm.com.au](http://www.2mm.com.au)