The Hellenic Society Prometheas of the Washington Metro Area is pleased to report that it has held a very successful fund-raising event to support the victims of the earthquake in Haiti that occurred on January 13. The fund-raising took place at the St. George Greek Orthodox Church in Bethesda, MD on Friday, May 14. The 165 members and friends who attended enjoyed a wonderful Greek musical evening, while they and others who were not able to attend offered generously to this worthwhile cause. Even though four months have gone by, the needs are still many and urgent. It was recalled that Haiti was the first country to recognize Greece’s independence from the Turks in 1821.

The well known musician, Achilleas Papaefthemiou, who devoted his time to this cause (free of charge) along with his band (Kostas Kraniotis, Pavlos Kalimerakis and Irene Fassolakis) and the prominent musicians Panayiotis Haliyannis -klarino and Nikos Halkias -piano, made everyone feel they were in Greece. Beautiful scenes of Greece on the big screen added to that feeling. The program ended with a reception with abundance of food, wine, refreshments and desserts offered by Prometheas and its members.

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