

## **Stockton Trustee Dean Pappas and Wife Zoe Commit \$250,000 to Establish Greek Art and Architecture Fund for Students**

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**Galloway, NJ** - Dean C. Pappas, a member of Stockton University's Board of Trustees, and his wife, Zoe S. Pappas, today committed \$250,000 to the University Foundation to establish a Greek Art and Architecture Fund that will provide students with new learning experiences.

"Zoe and I want to give Stockton students the opportunity to develop a deep appreciation for Greek art and architecture, which are pillars of Western civilization and embody Greek culture's principles of excellence and reaching one's full potential," Trustee Pappas explained.

The Dean C. and Zoe S. Pappas Greek Art and Architecture Fund will be used to provide Stockton students with a variety of opportunities to learn through study tours, museum trips, visits from noted scholars, access to scholarly materials and other experiences that go beyond the classroom. The gift was signed during a Board of Trustees meeting.

"Stockton University is incredibly fortunate that Dean and Zoe Pappas have such vision and the enduring commitment to provide our students with opportunities to expand their range of interests and deepen their knowledge of the world," said Acting President Harvey Kesselman. "This gift adds another facet to the living, learning legacy they have established at Stockton for students and the whole community."

The Pappases previously donated \$1 million to establish the Dean C. and Zoe S. Pappas Visiting Scholar Endowment Fund to bring noted scholars and thought leaders to the University for classes, workshops and public events. Retired Associate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, the first woman appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court, was the series' inaugural speaker.

The new fund will be administered by the director of the Dean C. and Zoe S. Pappas Center for Hellenic Studies, with approval from the dean of the School of Arts and Humanities and in  
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accordance with University policies. Stockton's Interdisciplinary Center for Hellenic Studies is being renamed to honor the Pappases' generosity and commitment to scholarship. In 2012, they had donated \$150,000 to endow the work of the center.

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**Photo caption:**

Dean C. Pappas, a member of Stockton University's Board of Trustees, and his wife, Zoe S. Pappas, committed \$250,000 to the University Foundation to establish a Greek Art and Architecture Fund that will provide students with new learning experiences. Pictured from left to right during a July 8 signing ceremony are: Richard Dovey, incoming chair of the Stockton University Foundation, Dean and Zoe Pappas, and Acting President Harvey Kesselman. Standing behind them are: Demetrios Constantelos, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, and Dr. Tom Papademetriou, associate professor of History.

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