

GOYA News

Sights and Sounds 2024 is in the books and we couldn't be any prouder of our Annunciation GOYAns! We would like to thank the following people:

Father John for his spiritual guidance; Yianna for returning this year to lead and organize all the events the children participated in - choral speaking, English play, group song, group dance, and Greek folk dance; Maria McNally and Rubena Papakirk for taking the role of Sights and Sounds advisors; Olga Econome for sewing our backdrops together and fixing all our Greek costumes; Steve Giannos for assisting us with our window prop; Mitch Papakirk and PJ Giannoumis for always lending a hand with setting up props and everything else we ask of you; to our parents who transported props and for all your support these last 2.5 months!



Our church was in charge of snacks throughout the day. Thank you to Harvest Produce (Bougioukas Family) for donating all the fruit and to our PTO for donating all the snacks.



To our former GOYAns who came out last week, THANK YOU for remembering how much it means to have our community support us at Sights and Sounds. You made our day Elena, Katerina, Anna, Catherine, Tina, and Angela!

Special shout out to our "first-timers" in Sights and Sounds: Ellie, Alexia, Christina, Alexandros, Stathis, Alkis, and Teddy!

Congratulations to our Seniors on their last SnS: Ally and Teddy. Thank you for doing this one last time.

Special notes...

Yianna Franchetti, you lead our GOYAns with enthusiasm and excitement while keeping everyone in check. Your relationship with our youth is commendable and we can't thank you enough for doing this one last time. Please know that the door will always be open to you... and your great ideas. We wish you all the best for your growing family!

Alexandra McNally, year after year you have been our leader in Sights and Sounds. You have written original pieces for choral speaking and English plays. And you have always stayed positive by lifting everyone's spirit - the glue that keeps our team together on such a stressful day. On behalf of your fellow GOYAns, we see you and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

Mrs. Maria McNally, congratulations on your very last Sights and Sounds (as a parent, of course)! Since 2009 you have been involved with GOYA, even as an advisor for a while. Your attention to detail and reminders of all things small and large do not go unnoticed.

I'm not sure how I would have functioned without you these last few years. You stepped up to the plate to take care of costumes, ordering props, organizing supplies, and the countless other things that aren't SnS related - the list can go on and on. Most importantly, you lead by example and treat all our GOYAns like your own, and for this I thank you.

And the winners are...

In the Sights categories:

- Acrylic painting 3rd place (Jr) Maria Makrisis
- Cake decorating 1st place (Jr) - Maria Makrisis
- Cake decorating 1st place (Sr) - Efianna Giannoumis
- Charcoal 2nd place (Sr) - Efianna Giannoumis
- Color Photography 1st place (Sr) - Teddy Dalson
- Jewelry 1st place (Jr) - Christina Stathis
- Knitting/Crocheting 1st place (Sr) - Kyra Cardenas
- Pottery/Clay 3rd place (Jr)- Ellie Giannos



In the Sounds categories:

- Oral Interpretation 2nd place (Sr) - Alexandra McNally
- Piano (beginner) 2nd place - Marko Papakirk
- Strings Classical (beginner) 1st place - Marko Papakirk (Cello)
- Lastly, thank you to those parishioners who came to St. Demetrios to support us!



Και του χρόνου!



Evgenia (Gina) Giannoumis

Help Wanted

The middle and high school years are an exciting time for our youth and the support they receive from our church community is pivotal in creating a solid foundation in our faith. Our GOYA is in search of a new lead advisor: someone over 21 (does not have to be a parent) who is passionate about our faith, leads by example, and does what is best for the greater good of our children.

If you are interested or know someone who is, please see me, Gina Giannoumis, or email goya@anngoc.org - Thank you!

