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**From the White House to Stockton College:
A Conversation with Mike Emanuel,
Greek-American White House Correspondent, FOXNews**

Galloway Township, NJ- On Sunday, November 7, 2010, at 1:30PM, the Richard Stockton College Friends of Hellenic Studies will present "*From the White House to Stockton College: A Conversation with Mike Emanuel, Greek-American White House Correspondent.*" The White House Correspondent will be speaking on his experiences in the White House under Presidents Bush and Obama as well as the Greek-American experience in the media. In addition, The Eastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians will perform Byzantine hymns and Greek folk songs and Christmas carols. This Annual Friends of Hellenic Studies Scholarship Luncheon will be the first Stockton event to be held at the recently acquired Seaview Resort. The ticket price includes a Mediterranean buffet lunch at 2 PM, prior to the program.

Greek-American Mike Emanuel grew up in Westfield, NJ and attended Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church. He earned his bachelor's degree in Communications from Rutgers University. Mike Emanuel has served as a White House correspondent for FOXNews since the spring of 2007. Previously, Mike was a national security correspondent for the network.

For a period during 2010, Mike filled in at the Pentagon and traveled with Defense Secretary Robert Gates to Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. The trip also included a one-on-one interview with Secretary Gates. During the first year of the Obama administration, Mike traveled extensively on White House trips domestically. He was on Air Force One when President Obama traveled to Fort Hood to attend a memorial Service for 13 soldiers killed in an attack there.

Mike was the only broadcast journalist in Rome to attend President Bush's first meeting with Pope Benedict XVI at the Vatican in 2007 and during President Bush's first visit to Israel in January, 2008, Mike had the unique honor to meeting His Beatitude Theophilos III Patriarch of Jerusalem. As the Bush administration was leaving office in January 2009, Mike secured the final cable news interview with former Vice President Dick Cheney. Additionally, he conducted an exclusive interview with President Bush on July 4, 2008.

The Eastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians (EFGOCM) was formed in 1977 which includes individual church musicians throughout the Metropolis of New Jersey and comprises all of the state of New Jersey, the Philadelphia Metropolitan area of southeastern Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia. These Orthodox choirs have, like others all over the nation, joined together in order to strengthen the quality of Greek Orthodox Church music.

The Rev. Dr. Demetrios J. Constantelos PAIDEIA Award will be presented to Dr. Peter and Stella Yiannos of Wilmington, DE, a dedicated and hard-working couple who have led the way in promoting Hellenic ideals and language both at Stockton College and nationally. In addition to being a founding benefactor of the Interdisciplinary Center for Hellenic Studies with the endowed Peter and Stella Yiannos Professorship of Greek Language and Literature, they have tirelessly dedicated themselves to supporting the various Hellenic organizations such as the American Foundation for Greek Language and Culture (AFGLC) (TriState Chapter and National), the AHEPA, the American Hellenic Institute, the Hellenic Community of Wilmington, and others.

Tickets are \$50 for adults, \$45 for FHS members, \$25 for non-Stockton students and \$10 for Stockton students. For more information, please contact **George Plamantouras, (609) 652-4433** or email at ichs@stockton.edu