



OBJECT ID 2012.14.6

OBJECT NAME Photograph

DATE CREATED 1940s

OBJECT ENTITIES  
 Andreakis, Tessie (is related to)  
 Anastasakis, (is related to)  
 Tzakis, Marianne (is related to)  
 Tzakis, Andrew (is related to)  
 Tzakis, Dennis (is related to)

ACCESS POINTS  
 Military  
 Red Cross  
 uniform  
 World War II  
 WWII

#### OBJECT DESCRIPTION

A photo of the Red Cross Nurses of Chicago Greek Unit, "He Hellas". Donor's mother is 2nd from the left in the first standing row.

Image is on photo paper and is relatively old, and has significant wrinkling and tearing in the bottom left section. It also has a slight roll to it from its time kept rolled up.

#### ORIGIN

These women, including the donor's mother (2nd from left, first standing row), were part of a special division of the Red Cross in Chicago during WWII.

Donor's mother and father (Marianne & Nick Tzakis) were born in Cephalonia and Crete, respectively. Donor's father left Crete for Odessa, Russia where he was a purveyor of meats for export to various restaurants. During the Russian Revolution, shortly after WWI, he immigrated to the US.

Donor's mother arrived in the US in 1922 from Cephalonia without a job. She married Donor's father upon arrival and had three children, including the donor.

#### CITATION

Photograph, 1940s, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://hellenic.whirlihost.com/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 05/18/24.

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