



OBJECT ID	2006.22.8
OBJECT NAME	Plaque
OBJECT COLLECTION	LOUIS MITCHELL ESTATE (is part of)
DATE CREATED	October 18, 1987
MATERIAL	Plastic; Wood
OBJECT ENTITIES	Mitchell, Louis (owned by) Mitchell, Louis (is related to) Payne, Lola (is related to)
ACCESS POINTS	Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church plaque recognition Socrates Greek-American School

## OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church and Socrates Greek American School plaque presented to Louis Mitchell in recognition and appreciation of outstanding services toward the successful celebration of the 90th anniversary of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church and the 80th anniversary of the Socrates Greek-American School  
Presented to Louis Mitchell by Fr. George Kaloudis

## ORIGIN

Holy Trinity began as a small community that was established in 1882 as St. Vladimir's. The first services were held in a house on North Noble Street and later in a rented house on Racine (then Centre) Street near Madison Street. The community then consisted of a small group of Orthodox immigrants from Carpatho-Russia and Galicia. In its early years of existence, the cathedral parish served as a catalyst for the establishment of several other Orthodox parishes in the Midwest. It has served as a means of uniting Orthodox immigrants in the Chicago area, providing the guidance and leadership for several of the Midwest's Orthodox parishes, as it was the first Greek Orthodox Church in the Midwest.

In 1907 the Socrates School opens its doors as the first Greek school outside of Greece in the entire world. Greek language classes are offered to the community at Jane Addams' Hull House on Sunday afternoons and Wednesday evenings. In 1917, the school added English classes and renamed itself the Socrates Greek-American School. It is now part of the Hellenic American Academy and serves pre-K through 8 graders.

#### CITATION

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