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EVENT	Honor visit of Archbishop Michael to Chicago
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OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Dinner to honor the visit of Archbishop Michael to Chicago. Members of OY (Orthodox Youth) L to R: Bishop Gerasimos of Chicago, Van Paleologos, Andrew Kopan, Jim Koulogeorge, George Andrews, Archbishop Michael, a visiting priest, Chris Kalogeras, Taki Adinamis (the president of the Central Council) and Ted Thalassinos. Col. Yeftushenko standing in background. The main purpose of extending the hospitality of the OY was to get acquainted with the new Archbishop, to propose making the OY a national organization and to have the Archbishop Athenagoras' edict, that only Greek be spoken in the church, lifted and English permitted, as almost none of the youth comprehended what was going on in the services. We must have made a good impression on the Archbishop because he agreed to the formation of a national OY, which was then named GOYA. He also lifted the restriction on the use of English by sending out an encyclical the very next day.

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