

OBJECT ID	2008.37.63
OBJECT NAME	Block, Printing
OBJECT COLLECTION	Greek Art Printing Company Artifact Collection (is part of)
DATE CREATED	12/1960
MATERIAL	Lead; Wood
OBJECT ENTITIES	Damianos, John (is related to)
ACCESS POINTS	1960 Greek Art Printing Company Newspaper Pammessenian News Pan-Messenian Federation of America print Printing printing block Wood

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Rectangular wood and cast lead printing block. The print image consists of two lines of text. The top line is in Greek and is a large font size. The second line is in English and has text of a smaller size than the first line. The second line provides the translation of the first line, which is: "Pammessenian News."

ORIGIN

Donated by John Damianos. The printing block was used in a linotype printing machine. Linotype presses allowed for the casting of entire lines to be printed at a time. Linotype printing was eventually succeeded by lithograph printing and computer typesetting during the 1960's and 1970's. This printing block was used by the Chicago-based, Greek Art Printing Company. This printing block was used in the printing of the Pammessenian News, which was the official Greek and English-language newpaper of the Pan-Messenian Federation of America. The Pan Messenian Federation, now called the Pan-Messinian Federation of USA and Canada, is a non-profit organization founded in 1945. The Federation works to preserve Greek language, culture, and civilization in Canada and the United States, as well as strengthen the links between Greek-Americans and Greek-Canadians and thier home region of Messenia. Messenia is a region of Greece that makes up the southwest corner of the Peloponnese.

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