

AUTHOR MAKES GOOD ON HIS PROMISE

Doing good on his promise, author Nicholas D. Kokonis recently presented Mr. Jim Karalekas, Former Supreme President of Pan-Arcadian Federation, with a check from the proceeds of the first edition of *Arcadia, My Arcadia*.



(Picture1) Mr. Jim Karalekas, and author Dr. Nicholas D. Kokonis

Arcadia, My Arcadia is the elegantly and dramatically told story of a poor, courageous country boy (Angelos Vlahos) who struggles to decide his own fate in the decade of the 1950s in worn-torn Arcadia.

Written as a personal hymn to the ordinary men and women of the world who chased their dream and caught it abroad, this award-winning, inspirational story is particularly noted for its humanistic values, including family, education and faith in the unlimited potential of every human being.

Comparing it to Richard Wright's *Black Boy* and Benjamin Franklin's *Autobiography*, some critics hailed *Arcadia, My Arcadia* as "a masterpiece." Others said that it is "pure gold—one of its kind book!" and "the legend of all immigrants." For still others, "it must enter our home like a loved one who was missing for years."

Featured in the media here as well as abroad, the book and its author have been receiving many honors and distinctions, including an recent invited interview on *Comcast Newsmakers*.



(Picture 2: Lisa Aprati and author Nicholas D. Kokonis)

Conducted by Lisa Aprati, charismatic television personality and Alderwoman, the interview will air on *CNN Headline News* at :24 and :54 minutes past the hour, beginning Monday, April 23 and running until Sunday, April 29. Viewers should check their local cable guide for channel listing.

Comcast *Newsmakers* is an award winning news program that features elected officials, community leaders and people making a difference across Chicagoland.

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