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Created to foster communication among Orthodox Christian theologians in the US and abroad, the Orthodox Theological Society in America has as its primary aim the study, elucidation, and further development of Orthodox theology.

The 2006 annual meeting will be held at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA, June 7-9, during which the annual Florovsky Lecture (open to the public) will be given.

Alumni Association of St. Herman Seminary

Alumni Association of St. Tikhon Seminary

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The OPF is an international association of Orthodox Christians who study and advocate on issues of peace and conflict in local, national and international contexts. The North American chapter operates with the endorsement of SCOBA.
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Orthodox Fellowship of the Transfiguration
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*The Orthodox Fellowship of the Transfiguration is an inter-Orthodox association of Orthodox Christians, endorsed by SCOBA, which seeks “to proclaim the ecological mission of the Orthodox Church as the reconciliation of all things in Christ.”*

Orthodox Inter-Seminary Movement [OISM]
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OISM’s mission is to create a closer fellowship among students enrolled in Orthodox Christian schools of theological education, affirming the common traditions and gaining an appreciation of other cultures and traditions. OISM hopes to promote understanding and unity among all Orthodox Christians and build a network for future clerical and lay cooperation.

Initially organized in the 1960s to foster closer relationships between students of canonical Orthodox seminaries in the US and Canada, OISM was recently revived. Seminaries active in OISM include Christ the Savior Seminary, Johnstown, PA; Holy Cross Seminary, Brookline, MA; St. Herman Seminary, Kodiak, AK; St. Tikhon’s Seminary, South Canaan, PA; St. Vladimir’s Seminary, Crestwood, NY; and St. Andrew Seminary, Winnipeg, MB.

Each member school is provided the opportunity to elect two members to serve on the executive board, and associate member schools are granted one member to serve on the executive board. Membership is open to all SCOBA jurisdiction seminaries, and associate membership is granted by vote of the general assembly. OISM meets twice annually - once during the fall semester and once during the spring semester, on a rotating basis at membership seminaries. Elections are held during the spring semester meeting.

Charitable Groups

International Orthodox Christian Charities [IOCC]
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Established in 1992 by the Standing Conference of Canonical Orthodox Bishops in the Americas, IOCC is the official humanitarian aid agency of Orthodox Christians throughout the US and Canada. All contributions are tax-deductible as IOCC is a US government registered 501(c)3 charity.

Russian Orthodox Theological Fund, Inc.
PO Box 36
Bowling Green Station
New York, NY 10274

The Russian Orthodox Theological Fund, established in 1955, is a non-profit lay organization assisting the Church in the education of pastors. ROTF provides scholarships to candidates for the priesthood and financial assistance to researchers, authors, and publishers in theology, history, and liturgical music. Scholarship applications must be submitted through a seminary and require the seminary’s recommendation. Contributions are tax-deductible.

Religious Books For Russia, Inc. [RBR]
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RBR was founded in 1979 to provide religious books for Orthodox Christians in the Soviet Union. Since it is now possible to publish and distribute religious literature in Russia, RBR assists with the publication in Russia of the best contemporary Orthodox theological and educational materials. Books are distributed throughout Russia from RBR’s storage place in Moscow. All contributions are tax-deductible.
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Mission / Evangelization Organizations

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The Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC), an inter-Orthodox international mission agency, helps Orthodox Christians under SCOBA respond to Christ’s call to make disciples of all nations. The Mission Center sends people to serve around the world, as longterm missionaries or as members of short-term mission teams.

OCMC supports the development and work of indigenous leaders, including clergy and laity, and helps to build up Church infrastructures, outreach projects and vibrant eucharistic Orthodox communities through the sending of missionaries, mission teams and financial assistance.

Fraternal Groups

Association of Romanian Orthodox Ladies’Auxiliaries of America [ARFORA]
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222 Orchard Park Dr.
New Castle, PA 16105-3018

ARFORA was founded in 1938 to support the work of the Romanian Orthodox Episcopate on the national level. Among its many activities, ARFORA holds an annual Congress.

Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America [FOCA]
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Organized in 1927, the FOCA is a national organization open to all Orthodox Christians seeking fellowship and service projects. In 1994 the OCA Holy Synod recognized the FOCA as an official arm of the Church. In 1998, delegates to FOCA’s National Convention adopted the organization’s new name, the Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America, in place of its previous title, the Federated Russian Orthodox Clubs.

FOCA is active on the national, district, and local chapter levels. The senior division embraces members 18 years of age and older, while the junior level serves youth ages 10 through 18. Metropolitan Herman is the FOCA’s Spiritual Leader.

FOCA is dedicated to building fellowship among Orthodox Christians through service and mission and has contributed to the Church’s charitable, missionary, and educational work. The United Fund provides grants to OCA seminaries and assistance to missions. The junior program offers numerous youth programs and ministries. The FOCA also publishes The Orthodox Christian Journal.
Orthodox Brotherhood of Canada
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Office 306-761-2379
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The Orthodox Brotherhood was founded in 1975 as an adult fellowship of men and women of the Romanian Orthodox Episcopate that supports and promotes diocesan ministries throughout Canada.

Loyal Christian Benefit Association
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Web www.lcba.com

The Loyal Christian Benefit Association (LCBA) was founded in 1890 in Titusville, PA. The Orthodox Society of America merged into the LCBA in 2003 and the Orthodox Division was established. Membership is open to all Christians. The LCBA is dedicated to protecting and caring for the church, family and future through our fraternal outreach, branch activities, and product line.

Russian Brotherhood Organization of the USA [RBO]
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Philadelphia, PA 19130
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Web www.rbo.org

The RBO is a fraternal benefit society open to all Orthodox Christians.

Russian Orthodox Catholic Mutual Aid Society of the US
10 Downs Dr.
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18705
Office 570-822-8591

The ROCMAS is a fraternal benefit society with over 150 local chapters throughout the U.S. Membership is open to all Orthodox Christians.

Youth, Young Adult, and Campus Ministry Organizations

American Romanian Orthodox Youth [AROY]
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Southfield, MI 48075-4032
Home 734-646-6420
Web www.aroy.org

Founded in 1950, AROY is a federation of parish junior and senior youth clubs dedicated to Orthodox Christianity through faith, knowledge, and good works. AROY is especially supportive of the religious education and camp programs of the Romanian Orthodox Episcopate. It also sponsors scholarship funds for diocesan seminarians and holds an annual convention in August.

Eastern Orthodox Committee on Scouting
Rev. Luke Uhl, Spiritual Advisor
George N. Boulukos, Director
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Freeport, NY 11520
Office 516-868-4050
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Web www.eocs.org

Founded in 1955, the EOCS was one of the first cross-jurisdictional enterprises of the Orthodox Churches in North America, and now operates under the aegis of SCOBA. It coordinates and organizes Orthodox Christian Scouting activities throughout the United States.
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Web www.ocf.net

Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) is the official campus ministry effort under SCOBA. An inter-Orthodox effort, it guides and supports local OCF chapters through communication with the larger Orthodox community, national programs, and the development of resources for Orthodox college students.

Social Service Institutions and Organizations

Orthodox Christian Adoption Referral Service [OCARS]
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Established to offer alternatives to abortion for mothers faced with unplanned pregnancies, OCARS also assists Orthodox Christian families who wish to adopt. OCARS is currently active in the placement of children from Russia. OCARS is not an adoption agency, but guides families in completing the requirements for adoption according to the adoption laws of their respective states.

Orthodox Christian Association of Medicine, Psychology, and Religion [OCAMPR]
V. Rev. Niko Graff, President
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Jacksonville, FL 32207
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OCAMPR provides a vehicle by which helping professionals work together and share in Christian fellowship. The inter-Orthodox Association is a forum that facilitates communication concerning important matters of our time, and serves individuals and the community.

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Email info@tolstoyfoundation.org
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Since 1988, Project Mexico has been involving young people in the alleviation of suffering by building homes for Mexico's poor. In 1996 the St. Innocent Orthodox Orphanage in Tijuana opened, providing a home for teenaged boys who live on the streets or who have been put out of other orphanages and would otherwise be left to fend for themselves, and is the only facility dedicated to teenaged boys in Tijuana and one of only four in the entire country of Mexico.

SS. Cosmas and Damian Adult Home / St. Ireney Chapel
Argyra Lapchuk, Administrator
2099 Forest Ave.
Staten Island, NY 10303
Office 718-720-8800
Fax 718-447-8095
Web www.saintcosmasanddamian.org
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Zoe for Life
Paula Kappos, President
3352 Mayfield Road
Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118

Zoe for Life is a support organization, endorsed by SCOBA, for women in crisis pregnancies. It aims to offer emotional & spiritual support, to provide confidential access to existing professional agencies, and to connect interested women with potentially adoptive Orthodox Christian families.

Benefits Programs
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Elizabeth Kondratick, Coordinator
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Syosset, NY 11791-0765

Health and Life Insurance
Health and life insurance plans are available to clergy and full-time Church workers of the Orthodox Church in America.

OCA Pension Plan
The OCA Pension Plan is administered by the Pension Board. See page 40 for more information.

Personal Assistance Program
An official program of the OCA established with the blessing of the Holy Synod of Bishops for clergy, clergy families and all church workers. CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANCE for PERSONAL PROBLEMS, call 1-800-889-4055

Media Organizations

Orthodox Christian Network - “Come Receive the Light” Radio Program
Chuck Powell, Media Director
Toll-free 877-2RECEIVE
Web www.receive.org

A commissioned agency under SCOBA, OCN is an inter-Orthodox media network that seeks to establish a national media presence for Orthodox Christianity in America by producing the nationally distributed radio program “Come Receive the Light.”

Voice of Orthodoxy
PO Box 743
Office 914-337-1910
Hartsdale, NY 10536

The Voice of Orthodoxy is an association of Orthodox Christians that prepares and broadcasts services, homilies and catechetical talks in Russia. Friends of the Voice of Orthodoxy was established in 1984. With the Russian Church facing the challenge of evangelizing a great number of people with little or no understanding of the faith, assistance is more important than ever. Contributions are tax-deductible.
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*The FOS is composed of bishops, priests, and laity, as well as dioceses, parishes, auxiliary organizations, and others committed to the wise use of their time, talents, and treasures. See page 124 for more information about FOS.*

### Century Association of St. Tikhon's Seminary

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### St. Vladimir’s Seminary Bookstore

575 Scarsdale Rd.  
Crestwood, NY 10707

Office 914-961-2203  
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Email bookstore@svots.edu  
Web www.svspress.com

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St. Tikhon’s Rd.  
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South Canaan, PA 18459

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Orthodox Publications

Commemorative List of Departed Servants of Orthodoxy in North America
*The Diptychs: A remembrance list of clergy, monastics, educators, and leaders.*

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- Proverbs 22:6

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