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96TH AHEPA FAMILY SUPREME CONVENTION
 ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY
 HARRAH'S HOTEL & CASINO
JULY 22 - 27, 2018



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 WESTERN REGIONAL DISTRICT CONVENTION
 Districts 17, 20, 21 and 22
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2018 AHEPA FAMILY SUPREME CONVENTION

The 96th Annual AHEPA Supreme Convention is right around the corner and here is the information is to help answer any questions you may have about getting to Orlando. See pages 8-10 for all the details

WHEN:

July 22 – July 27, 2018

WHERE:

Harrah's Hotel & Casino
Atlantic City, New Jersey

See page 8-10 for more info and www.ahepa.org

2018 AHEPA FAMILY WESTERN REGIONAL DISTRICT CONVENTION

The 3rd Western Regional District Convention is just a few days away. If you have not made your arrangements see pages 5-7 for all the details.

WHEN:

June 22 – June 24, 2018

WHERE:

Atlantis Hotel & Casino
Reno, Nevada

See pages 5-7 for more info and www.ahepa21.org

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AHEPA District 21 Governor's Message



Sisters, Brothers:

Summer is approaching and so are the Western Regional District Convention and the District elections.

As we are preparing for the WRDC I would like to remind you of its importance. In addition to being a fun and enjoyable event, it provides a great opportunity to meet with our fellow AHEPANs and exchange ideas that will help to grow and strengthen our Organization and lay the foundation for its success in the future. I

would like to thank the Convention Chairmen and the entire Convention Committee for all of their hard work, preparing a wonderful event at the Atlantis Casino Resort and Spa. I would also like to thank the Reno Chapter for hosting the Greek Night Glendi. Please consider attending!

This was an exciting year for District 21. We had the opportunity to reinstate the San Jose Sons of Pericles and Maids of Athena chapters, increasing the number of SOP and MOA chapters to 5. These young men and women are the future of our Organization and I hope we can continue increasing their membership in the coming years.

We also continued our fundraising for Phase III of the St Nicholas Ranch Dormitory Renovation project. So far we have collected over \$110,000 towards the \$180,000 goal. Our fundraising continues for the remaining third dorm section and the conference room. District 20 has also promised to raise money for the third phase. Let's try finishing it this year!

In addition to the Renovation project, the District is planning to participate in the Dogs for Warriors National project. This program is raising funds to purchase service dogs for wounded veterans suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. These dogs are rescued from dog pounds and are specially trained to provide the veterans with companionship and to assist them on their path to recovery and management of their disabilities. The cost of training is \$15,000 per dog. We have setup a PayPal account to collect money and we will provide more information at the Convention.

In closing, I have really enjoyed serving as your Governor this past year. I had the pleasure to meet many of you during the visitations. I am grateful to my District Lodge for their dedication and loyalty. I would like to thank Lt Governor George Buck, Secretary Alex Mallas, Treasurer Chris Frangos, Marshal Vasili Karapanos, Warden Dr Spiros Kalogeropoulos, Chaplain Steve Miller PDG, District Athletic Director Stamus Cocolos and District Advisor William Anton PDG, for a job well done. I would also like to thank DOP Governor Foula Vasilogiorgis and her Lodge for their support and kindness.

I wish you and your families a wonderful summer and hope to see you at Reno in June!

George Zioulas

District Governor

Daughters of Penelope District Governor's Message



As I write my last Traveler article for 2017-2018, I can't believe the year went by so quickly. It's been an awesome year for me with conventions, conferences, visitations and chapter events. I wish to thank all of you who showed me and my lodge your wonderful hospitality, warmth and love during this time.

I am proud of our District 21 chapters for working so hard to raise money for our organization and supporting various causes within your chapters. I appreciate the Chapters' efforts in growing your membership, collecting unpaid dues, holding fundraisers and improving communications.

St. Nicholas Ranch Dorm Renovation Project – We have completed Phase I and Phase II of the dorm renovation. Our goal for this year is to complete Phase III which is the third dorm section and then the conference room. A special Thank You to all the chapters who are selling tickets for this year's fundraiser. Please send our Lt. Governor Vassiliki Moulas the money and tickets you have sold to date ... and please continue to sell any tickets you still have left. Please bring any unsold tickets to the WRDC in Reno so we may continue to sell tickets there until the drawing.

Our Convention in Reno is just two weeks away. I hope you have registered your delegates and made your reservations. The WRDC is every other year and what a wonderful way to meet Brothers and Sisters from the other Districts.

I would like to extend my gratitude to AHEPA District 21 Governor George Zioulas, the AHEPA District Lodge and Chapter members throughout the District for their kindness and support.

I offer my sincere love and appreciation to the District Lodge officers who served with me over this past year ... Vassiliki Moulas, Barbara Takanikos, Laurie Sahines, Aida Nassar, Kathy Leles, Beverly Kennedy and Linda Belba. I truly value your support, your dedication, and your outstanding teamwork.

I wish you all a wonderful summer and whatever you do, enjoy the time with your family and friends. I look forward to seeing you at the WRDC Convention in Reno and the Supreme Convention in New Jersey.

Love in Theta Pi,

Foola Vasilogiorgis

District 21 Governor



SAVE THE DATES - JUNE 21-24, 2018

Make plans to attend our Biennial Multi-District Convention in Reno, NV where you can meet and share ideas with fellow AHEPA Family members from Districts 17, 20, 21 and 22, encompassing CO, ID, NM, WY, AZ, CA, HI, UT, NV, OR, WA, and AK.

Venue – Atlantis Casino•Resort•Spa – recipient of the AAA Four Diamond award. Atlantis offers free shuttle service every 30 minutes from the Reno airport and free valet & self-parking. AHEPA rates available 3 days before/after the Convention. Make hotel reservations directly with the Atlantis. An AHEPA Convention rate code will be provided with future communications. Golf Day and extra events will be available.

Convention & Event Registration – Delegate pricing includes Welcome Night, Greek Night Glendi, Scholarship Luncheon, and Saturday evening Banquet. Individual event tickets will be available for non-delegate spouses and guests. Registration forms with all event details will be available soon.

Convention Website – AHEPA Western Regional District Convention website is available. Delegates will be able to register on-line and pay by credit card through PayPal. Visit us at <http://ahepa-wrdc.org> for complete Convention information and updates.

Find us on **facebook** <https://www.facebook.com/AHEPA.WRDC/>

Business Meetings – District meetings will be held individually. Eight meeting rooms have been reserved to accommodate each District's AHEPA and Daughters meeting schedules. (All Districts will join together for the four social events.)

Travel to Reno – Convention chairs are working on potential Convention rates with Southwest Airlines and will advise if available. Reno is also serviced by Amtrak and the station is approximately 4 miles from the hotel.

Convention Album – Album chairs will be communicating album ad information and rates. This will be an exciting opportunity to be included in the AHEPA Family Western Regional District Commemorative Convention album.

SEE YOU IN RENO!



EVENT REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, May 15, 2018**

WRDC 2018 information: contact@ahempa-wrdc.org, Website: ahempa-wrdc.org

NAME DISTRICT # CHAPTER #

AHEPA DELEGATE DOP DELEGATE AHEPA ALTERNATE DOP ALTERNATE NON-MEMBER GUEST

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AHEPA & DAUGHTERS DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES MUST PAY FOR THE COMPLETE PACKAGE

Convention Registration Packages & Tickets	Cost per Person	Number	Total Cost
AHEPA/DAUGHTERS Registration Package (select meal choice please) Includes: Welcome Night, Glendi, Scholarship Luncheon & Gala Banquet	\$ 180	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Scholarship Luncheon Meal Choice <input type="checkbox"/> Stuffed Pork Chop <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	**\$200 (After MAY 15, 2018)		
Gala Banquet Meal Choice <input type="checkbox"/> Beef/Salmon petites plate <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian			
GUEST Registration Package (non-AHEPA or DOP) (select meal choice please) Includes: Welcome Night, Glendi, Scholarship Luncheon & Gala Banquet	\$ 160	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Scholarship Luncheon Meal Choice <input type="checkbox"/> Stuffed Pork Chop <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	**\$200 (After MAY 15, 2018)		
Gala Banquet Meal Choice <input type="checkbox"/> Beef/Salmon petites plate <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian			
SONS OF PERICLES & MAIDS OF ATHENA Registration Package (select meal choice please) Includes: Welcome Night, Glendi, and Scholarship Luncheon	\$ 100	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Scholarship Luncheon Meal Choice <input type="checkbox"/> Stuffed Pork Chop <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	**\$125 (After MAY 15, 2018)		

Individual Event Purchase	Cost per Person	Number	Total Cost
Welcome Night - THU, JUN 21 @ 6:30 PM	\$ 30	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Glendi / Greek Night - FRI, JUN 22	\$ 65	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Scholarship Awards Luncheon - SAT, JUN 23 (select meal choice please) Scholarship Luncheon Meal Choice <input type="checkbox"/> Stuffed Pork Chop <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	\$ 40	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Gala Banquet - SAT, JUN 25 (select meal choice please) email for kids pricing Gala Banquet Meal Choice <input type="checkbox"/> Beef/Salmon petites plate <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	\$ 75	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Guest Name(s)

TOTAL REGISTRATION AND/OR INDIVIDUAL EVENT PAYMENT ENCLOSED

Please include payment for total registration and/or individual event purchase payable to AHEPA WRDC 2018. Mail registration form and payment to - AHEPA WRDC 2018, Attn: Carol Stathopoulos 3065 E. Packard Drive, Gilbert, AZ 85298

Convention registration with payments* can be made on the WRDC website: <http://ahempa-wrdc.org/> *fees apply

NOTE: Make Hotel Reservations Directly with Atlantis, Reno

Phone # (800) 723-6500 Email reservations@atlantiscasino.com <http://atlantiscasino.com/>

Include Discount Code - AHEPA - in Phone, E-Mail or On-line Hotel Reservation Request Hotel Registration

Convention Headquarters Atlantis Casino Resort Spa, Reno, NV

****48-hour cancellation policy applies for hotel**

The special room rate will be available until May 15th or until the group block is sold-out, whichever comes first.

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2018 AHEPA WRDC GOLF DAY

TO BENEFIT THE AHEPA FAMILY DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIPS

Thursday June 21, 2018
1218 Golf Club Drive
Reno, NV 89519

Golf Package: \$100 per golfer/\$400 per foursome
Includes: Green Fees, Cart, Range Balls, Box Lunch, & Welcome Night
at Atlantis Casino Resort

Check In: 11:30 am Lunch: 12:00 pm
Tee Times Start @ 1:09pm

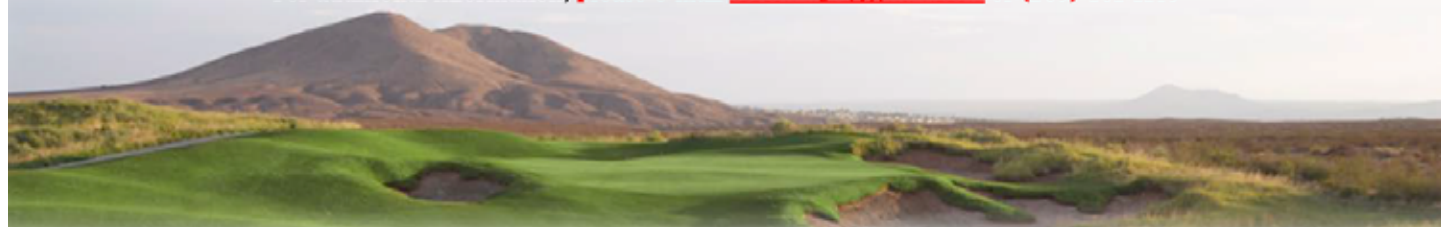
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For additional information, please e-mail 59tommyc@gmail.com or (209) 401-1179



MEET US IN ATLANTIC CITY!

Join the AHEPA family July 22-27, 2018 at Harrah's Marina Resort Hotel in Atlantic City, NJ!

Sunday, July 22, 2018

AHEPA Family Convention Welcome Event 8pm

Monday, July 23, 2018

Registration 9am
Opening Ceremonies 9am-10am
General Sessions Begin 10am
Evening Event 7pm

Tuesday, July 24, 2018

Registration Continues
AHEPA General Sessions
AHEPA Family Greek Night Extravaganza
AHEPA Poker Tournament

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

Meetings Continue
AHEPA Family Athletic Luncheon
Local AHEPA Family Event
Late Night DJ Party

Thursday, July 26, 2018

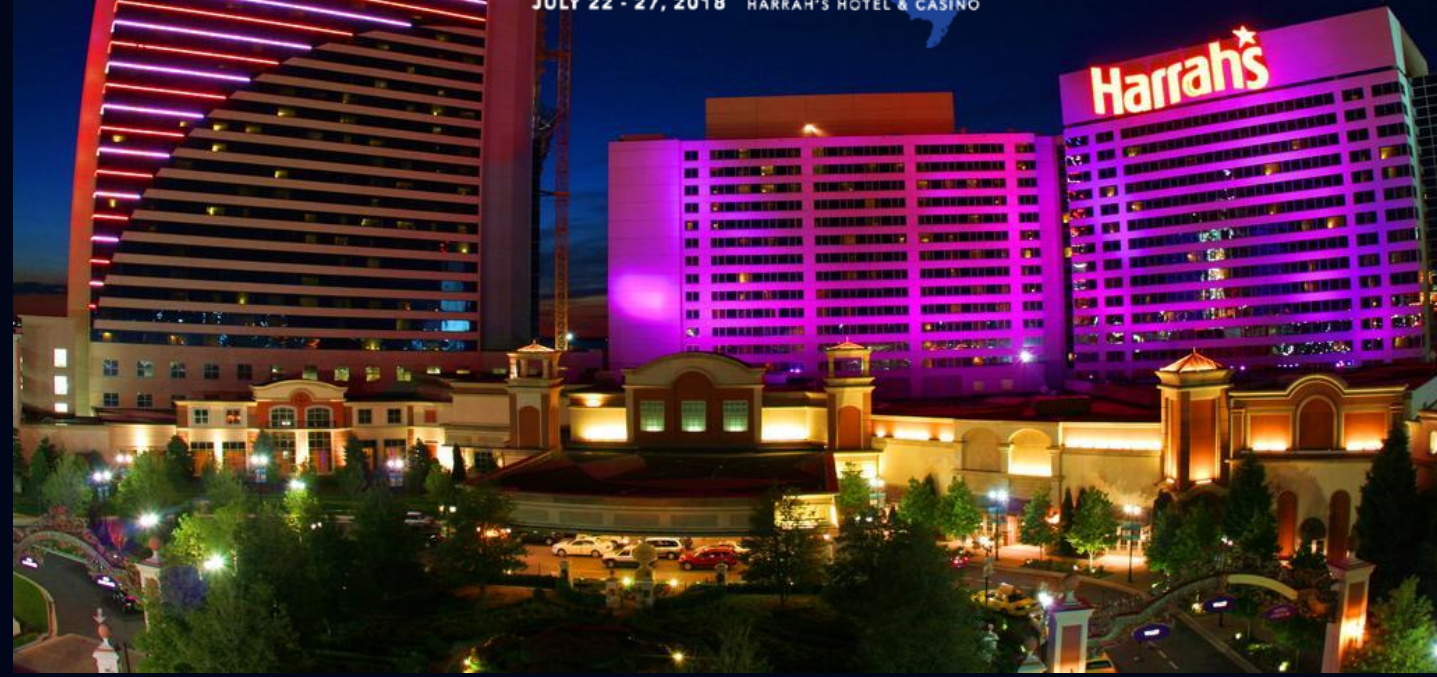
AHEPA Family Elections
DOP Salute to Women
96th Annual Grand Banquet
Late Night DJ Party

Friday, July 27, 2018

SOP & MOA Celebrate the Youth Luncheon
AHEPA Family Installations



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HARRAH'S HOTEL & CASINO
JULY 22 - 27, 2018





6TH AHEPA FAMILY SUPREME CONVENTION
 JULY 22 - 27, 2018
 ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY
 HARRAH'S HOTEL & CASINO

AHEPA HOLD 'EM

TUESDAY, JULY 24
10:00PM

The official poker tournament of the AHEPA Supreme Convention! Space is limited, send \$20 to AHEPA Headquarters to reserve yours today! Once all seats are filled, you will not be able to register to play, so act now!

Checks can be made out to AHEPA Supreme Convention and sent to
 1909 Q Street NW, Suite 500, Washington, DC 20009

\$20 holds your spot, but you will also be required to pay \$70 on site to play
 If you have any questions, call HQ at 202-232-6300 or email ahepa@ahepa.org



Jersey Shore Dance & Comedy Night

The Aegean Duo & **BASILE THE COMEDIAN**

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At the Ahepa Family National Convention \$35 Per Person

Wednesday July 25, 2018
Harrah's Hotel & Casino
Atlantic City, NJ - 8 to 12 PM

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KOULOURAKI 5th Annual "THROW DOWN"

Winner's Prize: \$500

CONTEST INFO

The Koulouraki Contest is back! Do your friends boast that your koulourakis are the best? If so, here is your chance to prove it to everyone at the AHEPA Family Supreme Convention in Atlantic City, NJ!

Here are the Rules:

- 1) Bring one dozen of your absolute best koulourakis to the Supreme Convention. The koulourakis can be sweet or savory.
- 2) Bring an index card listing the ingredients used to make your koulourakis (in case the judges are allergic to any of the ingredients).

The contest will be held **Wednesday, July 25th, at 5pm**. The panel of judges will include the National Presidents of our Orders.

The winner of the Koulouraki Contest will not only take home the title of **BEST KOULOURAKI MAKER** but also take home **\$500!!!** The winner will be announced at the Grand Banquet on Thursday, July 26th.

Entries are limited so register today if you plan on competing. Only registered delegates, alternates, and guests can enter the contest. Please send an e-mail to Executive Director Elena at elena@ahepa.org and indicate you will be a contestant in the Koulouraki Contest.

Good luck and see you in Atlantic City!

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AHEPA/Collegiate division for those over 18

Double Elimination Tournament

Team Fee is \$295 per team (fee is waived for teams joining from outside the In-state area)

*The tournament will take place during the AHEPA Supreme Convention in Atlantic City, NJ from July 23-27 at the Harrah's Hotel & Casino. Rooms can be booked directly through Harrah's for a rate of \$119 (plus fees & taxes) per night.

Visit ahepa.org/convention.htm for more information!

Please spread the word and tell anybody interested to contact Costa Papademetriou as soon as possible

Recent Participants include teams from Denver, Chicago, New Jersey, Las Vegas, Houston, Jacksonville, Boston, Pittsburgh, New York, and both the SOP & AHEPA National Levels



JULY 22 - 27, 2018

**ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY
HARRAH'S HOTEL & CASINO**



The Supreme Convention Hotel is Harrah's Resort & Casino located at 777 Harrah's Blvd in Atlantic City, NJ 08401.

To make a reservation, call (609) 441-5000 and reserve under the Order of AHEPA Rate - Group Code: SH07AH8. You can also make your reservation online at www.ahepa.org/

The Order of AHEPA has secured a rate of \$119 + \$20 resort fee + \$5 tourism fee + taxes.



AHEPA Campaign to Build Saint Nicholas National Shrine at World Trade Center

September 11 was a national tragedy that forever changed America. Nearly 3,000 lives were lost; 39 of who were Greek Americans. Also lost that fateful day was the only House of Worship destroyed by the 9/11 attacks Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church.

The effort to rebuild Saint Nicholas was mired in bureaucracy. AHEPA's "Cut the Red Tape!" campaign proved effective in helping to budge the bureaucracy of the New York/New Jersey Port Authority to allow for the construction of Saint Nicholas at Ground Zero.

Now the time has come to build the Saint Nicholas National Shrine at World Trade Center. AHEPA and its affiliated organizations, the Daughters of Penelope, Sons of Pericles, and Maids of Athena, will support the campaign to build the Saint Nicholas National Shrine by raising funds during the next two years.

ORDER OF AHEPA GOLDEN GATE DISTRICT 21 2018 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Constantine Yerocostas

Sponsor: AHEPA Sacramento Chapter 153

Undergraduate Award: \$3,000

Constantine is a senior at John Adams Academy, Roseville, CA. His personal essay states his desire for a B.S. degree in Biomedical Engineering; he is accepted by UC-Davis to pursue his goal. Constantine has an outstanding academic record with a straight A average, and an SAT score of 1390; ACT of 30. Constantine received the Dean Forman Award, and was elected as Parliamentarian in his school National Honor Society. He is an Acolyte at Annunciation, Sacramento, and will soon be an Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America. Both reference letters are outstanding. His Associate Pastor mentions him being “responsible, dedicated, and morally upright ...” and his teacher mentions his rare excellence in “literature, writing, and discussions”.

Elias Christopher Frangos

Sponsor: AHEPA San Mateo Chapter 392

Undergraduate Award: \$2,500

Elias attends Marshall Ketchum University (MBKU) in preparation to complete a Physician Assistant Certification and is pursuing a Master’s of Medical Science and a Physician Assistant Certification. He was awarded an Emergency Medical Tech Certificate from Skyline College with a 3.7 GPA; he also holds a 3.7 GPA from Sonoma State University with a BA degree in Psychology. His personal essay is well written and expresses his keen desire to “put myself at my patient’s service as their coach, and motivator to change habits for longer, healthier lives.” Elias was VP of P.A’s at MBKU, volunteer at the Belmont Greek Festival, Dean’s List member at San Mateo, Canada, and Skyline Colleges, and other activities. Both reference letters are strong. One letter mentions his “great character” and “dedication to the PA profession”, while the other letter mentions notable “compassion and dedication to the well-being of others.”

Yianni Papadokonstadakis

Sponsor: AHEPA Silicon Valley Chapter 251

Undergraduate Award: \$2,000

Yianni attends Archbishop Mitty High School in San Jose. His goal is a Bachelors and Master’s Degree, with a major in Business from an institution yet to be named. Yianni is well on his way to further success with a 3.7 Total Cum GPA and a combined SAT (1600 scale) of 1310. He lists an impressive number of school, Church, Community and Civic activities. Some of these include: Honor Roll, Certificate in Greek Studies, Journalist (Monarch News) Football, Volleyball, and basketball team membership, GOYA member, Immersion trip to East Los Angeles, and others. His two reference letters are outstanding. For example, his Parish Priest mentions his “pleasant, enthusiastic personality” and “solid foundation in faith and culture”. Moreover, his Counselor mentions him being “one of the most organized teenage boys I’ve ever met.”

Alexander Mathew

Sponsor: AHEPA Reno Chapter 281

Undergraduate Award: \$1,000

Alexander seeks a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science & Engineering; his college is yet to be determined. His personal essay is weak on details, but mentions a desire for further education at the ETH Zurich, Switzerland and some focus on being an entrepreneur. Currently he attends Reno High School with a 4.6 GPA taking “the most rigorous course of study” according to his counselor. He also completed an SAT score of 1430. Alex lists several musical and athletic activities, as well as Church, Civic, and Community activities such as Greek Dance, Feed the Hungry, Reno Jazz Orchestra, and others. Two reference letters are highly supportive (one from his Dentist, and one from his Band Director).

DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE

GOLDEN GATE DISTRICT 21

2018 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS



Jeanine Husam Kaileh

Sponsor: Leto #71 (Fresno)

Undergraduate Award

\$2,000

Past District Governors Scholarship IMO Anne Guy and Manthea Kartinos

Jeanine's impressive accomplishments make her an ideal candidate for the Daughters of Penelope scholarship as she prepares to attend the University of California at Santa Barbara next year. She has earned an outstanding GPA in high school and taken Advanced Placement courses in a variety of subject areas, a stellar academic achievement. Jeanine also serves as the student body president of her school, and has found time to participate in Girl Scouts, the Ivy League Project, and her church. In addition, Jeanine holds down a part-time job, where she is a shift manager. Despite such a full schedule, Jeanine is able to excel in all aspects of her very busy life. Jeanine's goal is to become a doctor and to work with humanitarian projects such as Doctors Without Borders or Medical Teams International. Given her success so far, it is clear Jeanine will continue to achieve any goal she sets before herself.



Mariska Karaszi

Sponsor: Phadrea #64 (Modesto)

District 21 Undergraduate Scholarship

\$2,000

Mariska is currently enrolled at University of San Francisco. Though she has faced serious health challenges both recently and, in the past, she has used those experiences to grow as a person and also to reach out to others who may have had similar hardships. Mariska is committed to her studies in Mathematics, a field not traditionally populated by women, and she founded the Association for Women in Mathematics club at USF, providing support for other young women who want to advance in mathematics. Mariska is also a founding member of the Tri Delta sorority, which works to raise money for St. Jude's Children Hospital. Mariska's incredible drive and focus enable her to hold down not one but two jobs, one at the campus bookstore, and one as a weekend nanny for a child with special needs. She also is actively involved with her church. Mariska embodies the kind of student the Daughters of Penelope strive to reward with scholarships that will support them in their journeys.



Anastasia Alexander

Sponsor: Phadrea #64 (Modesto)

District 21 Undergraduate Scholarship

\$2,000

Anastasia is currently enrolled at Modesto Junior College and plans to transfer to either California Polytechnic State University at Pomona or San Luis Obispo. Her goal is to one day be an architect because she gets great enjoyment and satisfaction from creating something others will enjoy while using her math and business skills to get the job done. Anastasia has done very well academically these past two years, at Modesto JC. In addition to going to school, Anastasia has also worked a variety of jobs. After high school, she helped her parents run the family business. She then worked for a home development company and is currently working for Kohl's. Anastasia has received glowing letters of recommendations from the latter two employers, showing how well she adapts to very different kinds of businesses. Anastasia's parish priest also talks highly of Anastasia's involvement in the church, and her keen interest in the Orthodox Christian faith. Anastasia's ability to succeed in both school and the job market while maintaining her spiritual relationship with her church prove her to be an excellent example of a Daughters of Penelope Scholarship winner.



The 13th Annual Journey to Greece 2018 Summer Program

June 23 - July 21, 2018

Summer of **2018**, study at a fully accredited US University in Greece; learn about modern and ancient Greece. Leave your myth in Greece; see and experience the beauty of the country and its people and earn transferable University credits

Building on the solid foundation of the highly successful Journey to Greece programs that have been offered in every year since 2006, AHEPA and Webster University are once again offering an unforgettable learning experience for new and returning college age students. The **Journey to Greece** program, which is **sponsored by AHEPA**, has been specially designed to immerse young students in a wonderful learning experience celebrating Greek society and culture. **New courses, exciting excursions and special arrangements make the Journey especially attractive to returning students.** AHEPA adult advisors will help supervise the students while they attend the program.

About Webster University

History

Webster University, founded in 1915 with its home campus based in St. Louis, Missouri, USA, is the only Tier 1, private, nonprofit university with campus locations around the world including metropolitan, military, online and corporate, as well as American-style traditional campuses in North America, Europe and Asia. With over 180,000 Alumni and 18,000 students from 50 States and 148 Countries Webster is defining global education for the future. Small, highly interactive classes encourage innovation, collaboration, and self-expression. Students have all the advantages of a student-centered university that supports personalized learning and gives every student an opportunity to excel. Webster University Study Abroad programs are ranked in the top 2 percent by *U.S. News & World Report's* "America's Best Colleges 2017."

Golden Gate Chapter and Eos Chapter Agape Dinner 2018



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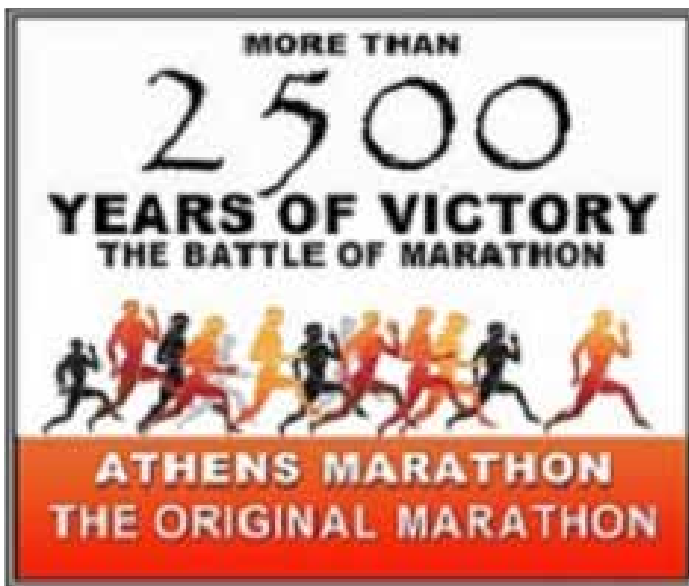
EOS Chapter Daughter and Penelope of the Year



Sophie Makras, Yvonne Chiappari, Daughter of the Year, Kathleen Courtney, Penelope Wasley



Elaine Makras, Christie Tsiplakos, Penelope of the Year and Penelope Wasley



2,500 Years of Heroic Running...The modern Athens Marathon commemorates the run of the soldier Pheidippides from a battlefield at the site of the town of Marathon, Greece, to Athens in 490 B.C., bringing news of a Greek victory over the Persians. Legend has it that Pheidippides delivered the momentous message "Niki!" ("victory"), then collapsed and died, thereby setting a precedent for dramatic conclusions to the marathon.

When the modern Olympic games were inaugurated in 1896 in Greece, the legend of Pheidippides was revived by a 24.85 mile (40,000 meters) run from Marathon Bridge to Olympic stadium in Athens. Traditionally the final event in the Olympics, the first organized marathon on April 10, 1896 was especially important to all Greeks. Greece was hosting those first modern Olympic Games. The Greeks had yet to win a medal, and had one final chance to bring glory to their nation. Twenty-five runners assembled on Marathon Bridge. The starter mumbled a few words and fired the gun, and the race was on. "The excitement of the crowd waiting at the finish line at the newly constructed replica of Athens' ancient stadium was beyond description" writes the Greek historian Quercetani. Spiridon Louis, a Greek postal worker from the village of Marusi and veteran of several long military marches, crossed the finish line a full seven minutes ahead of the pack. His time was 2 hours, 58 minutes, 50 seconds for the 40 kilometer distance. When it was all over nine runners finished, 8 of them Greeks. The host nation was ecstatic, and the marathon was born.



Please Join Us
for the
San Jose Ahepa Family

Annual Barbecue

St. Nicholas Church Courtyard
(Weather Permitting)

Tuesday, June 19, 2018

6:00 pm

\$15.00 per person

Children 12 and Under Free!

Includes; Beverages, Loukaniko,
Souvlaki, Rice, Salads and Dessert.

Open to all - join us for a
great evening of fellowship!



Cioppino Dinner Night *March 17, 2018*

The San Jose Ahepa Family's Cioppino Dinner Night fundraiser was a great success with just short of 200 guests attending. The chefs provided a delicious meal and guests were entertained by Chrysanthe Pappas's wonderful vocal performance.



Daphne Chapter Mother's Day Tea May 5, 2018

The Daughters of Penelope Tea was a success! We advocate for women in need and support our Greek Orthodox community.

Thank you to Cathy Photopoulos for being our hostess for such a great cause!

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AHEPA Family District 21 Project

AHEPA & DOP Chapters



ST. NICHOLAS RANCH BOYS DORM RENOVATION PROJECT

Total project cost \$ 180,000

Completed Phases I & II - consisting of two dorm rooms - at cost of \$100,000

Remaining goal of \$ 80,000 to complete third dorm section (\$50K) and conference room (\$30K)

Your generous contributions will help us reach our Phase III and Phase IV goals.

\$ 180,000
Total Goal

\$ 100,000
Achieved



Project entails new plumbing & fixtures, electrical, flooring, doors, windows and paint.

Individual, corporate or group donations welcomed and appreciated.

Please make checks payable to Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco - indicate AHEPA Dorm Project in memo

Hand checks to Chapter President ... or mail to Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco, 245 Valencia Street, San Francisco, CA 94103

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT !



AHEPA Service Dogs for Warriors Program

So many of our American heroes come home from war physically, but mentally they remain on the battlefield. They are imprisoned by their own thoughts, crushed by post traumatic stress disorder (“PTSD”), which causes 22 veterans every single day to choose to commit suicide rather than live with the effects of their invisible battle scars. AHEPA has decided to join the fight to end the scourge of PTSD.

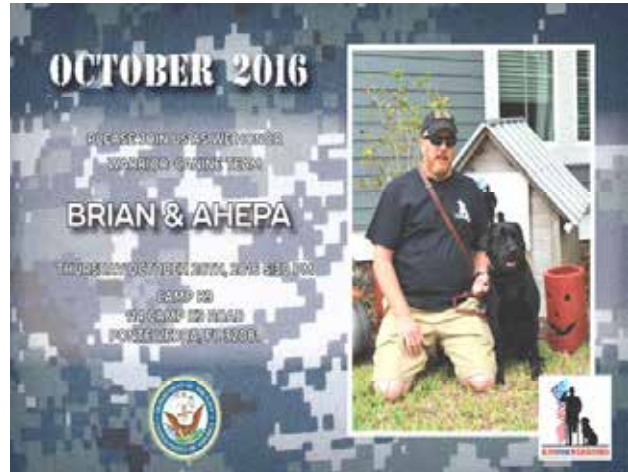
To this end, AHEPA has joined the K9 for Warriors effort (www.k9sforwarriors.org), a life-saving program that pairs a service dog (usually a rescue dog) with a veteran suffering from PTSD. The results are extraordinary. These wonderful service dogs are a proven recovery tool empowering warriors suffering from this debilitating and deadly disease to return to civilian life with dignity and independence. The cost to train a service dog is \$15,000, however there is no cost to the Veteran. The dog is initially trained alone and when paired with a veteran the two spend three weeks training together at the K9 for Warriors facility in Florida.

AHEPA’s involvement with K9 for Warriors was started by Garden State Chapter 517, Holmdel, NJ (www.ahepa517.org). It became a NATIONAL AHEPA PROJECT in July 2016 and is now coordinated and funded through AHEPA SERVICE DOGS FOR WARRIORS, INC., a 501 (c) (3) organization (www.ahepa-servicedogs.org)

We raised enough funds to sponsor four (4) dogs through the end of 2017. We anticipate sponsoring eight (8) dogs in 2018.

Donations have come in from AHEPA and DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE Chapters across the country. Donations are also coming in from

outside the AHEPA domain through community outreach, newspaper and television reporting, and word of mouth. **BUT WE NEED MORE HELP. THIS IS A NATIONAL PROJECT. We need every District and Chapter to get involved and help us reach our goal of 22 dogs per year. No donation is too small or too big. Some chapters have chosen to sponsor the entire cost of a service dog (which gives them naming rights) but not everyone needs to do that. If every AHEPA, DAUGHTERS, MAIDS & SONS Chapter gives what it can annually, we will reach our goal every year! PLEASE JOIN US IN THIS MOST NOBLE OF CAUSES. LET’S SHOW THE REST OF THE NATION WHO THE AHEPA FAMILY IS AND WHAT WE CAN DO !**



Chapter 517 Holmdel sponsored the first service dog and named him AHEPA. On October 20, 2016 AHEPA, graduated with his veteran, Brian.



<https://ahepa-servicedogs.org>
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“The Mission of the Order of AHEPA Veterans Committee is to archive and recognize all veterans of the Order and Hellenic community through sound communication and publication. Furthermore, to conduct fund raising and philanthropic outreach through a cohesive, limited, yet well defined activity that reflects well on the Order of AHEPA and brings credit to the organization at large.”

The AHEPA Medal for Military Service, approved by the 106th Congress, was presented to all AHEPA veterans present at the 34th Biennial Congressional Banquet, March 29, 2000. The Supreme Lodge then encouraged its districts and chapters to present this medal to its deserving veterans unable to attend this banquet. It is this committee’s intent to register AHEPA Veterans and have the AHEPA Medal presented at appropriate events at the District and Chapter levels. Funds collected through this effort cover medal production and other administrative costs to include shipping. Remaining proceeds will be donated to the Wounded Warrior Program annually.

Eligibility requirement for AHEPA Medal for Military Service includes Honorable Service and Discharge. Service includes Active Duty, National Guard, or Reserve status of the United States Armed Forces. REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.AHEPA.ORG. File a copy with your chapter Secretary after registration is complete. Medals are normally shipped in the fall and in time for Veteran’s Day celebrations in November.



AHEPA Supports Military Family

Reading Program Through The USO!

AHEPA National President Dr. John Grossomanides announced the organization's support of military families by selecting the United Through Reading? Military Program as a national service project, working in cooperation with the United Services Organization (USO). United Through Reading is a program that enables service members to video record themselves reading books to their children back home and provides a DVD of the recording and a copy of the book to the child.

Go to the following links to learn more and make a chapter or individual donation for as little as \$10

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