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DISTRICT 21 CONVENTION COMING SOON...

District #21 will be celebrating their 2017 Convention with our Brothers and Sisters at the Santa Clara Biltmore Hotel. Chapter 251 of the AHEPA and Chapter 29 of the DOP from San Jose will be our gracious hosts. San Jose always puts on a great show in whatever they host and without a doubt will make this a fine event. I would like to see a large and enthusiastic turnout from all our members in support of the San Jose Chapter.

Phase Two of the Saint Nicholas Ranch Restoration Project is up and running. If you haven't seen Phase One, take a ride and see the magnificent job they did; and number two promises to equal the first phase. I want to thank all that have donated to our project, and much appreciation to all those who worked on finding ways to encourage others to donate. There are too many to thank individually, however, you know who you are and so do I. THANK YOU!!

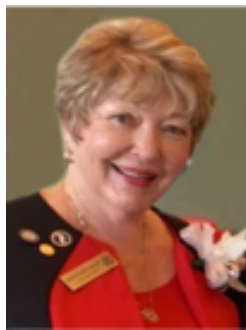
Tom Chiarchianis and Beverly Kennedy, you not only assisted me, you made it work in many ways. As a small group of great people of the AHEPA Family, we have managed to raise funds within two thousand dollars of \$100,000.00. Fifty thousand dollars will start and finish Phase Three. We don't want a handout, just a helping hand. Remember, the Ranch is not for you and me, but for our children and grandchildren.

On Saturday, February 18th, I was fortunate enough to host Supreme President, Andrew Zachariades, to an open lunch attended by 23 members. He is total class and a great President. We had an afternoon with questions and answers, allowing us to further our education of what and how AHEPA operates. You don't often get the Supreme President to accommodate you with a question and answer session. Afterwards, the President insisted on pinning the 30 and 50 year pins on the recipients. To my surprise, he presented me with a beautiful glass trophy from my Chapter as a gesture of appreciation of my two years of service as District Governor. I was shocked and very humbled. Thank you, Chapter #171.

Fraternally,

William L. Anton
 District 21 Governor

Daughters of Penelope District Governor's Message



SPRING ... A TIME OF RENEWAL!

Chapter visitations have been completed, and I am thankful for the warm welcome extended to our District Lodge officers by the Chapters throughout D 21. I believe the communication levels have increased throughout the District with more Chapters now writing brief but informative bulletins and sometimes sharing them with other Chapters. The projects shouldered by some of our Chapters are inspiring and serve as a great example of what a dedicated group of women can accomplish. I hope that each Chapter will sustain a strong effort to increase our District 21 membership and continue to expand our community outreach.

Speaking of projects ... Phase II of our **St. Nicholas Ranch Dorm Renovation** District project is nearly completed. This means that two-thirds of the building's dorm rooms have been renovated. We are now working to procure funding for the last section of rooms (Phase III) as well as the conference room section of the dorm building. Personal, business or Chapter donations for the dorm renovation project would be gratefully received and appreciated. Checks should be made payable to the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco, 245 Valencia Street, 94103. Please note St. Nicholas Ranch Dorm Restoration Project on your check.

Scholarship Applications – District scholarship packets were sent to all Chapters and all information is available on our D 21 website. Daughters of Penelope District 21 has \$15,250 in scholarships available this year. The application deadline is April 1, 2017. Please encourage qualified students to apply!

Greek Independence Day March 25 – Many of our Chapters are planning events centered around this important day for those of Greek descent throughout the world. Please be sure to advise me and the other District Lodge members regarding your planned events.

AHEPA Family District 21 Convention June 23 & 24 – We are looking forward to our annual convention hosted this year by the energetic San Jose AHEPA Family. Our convention venue is the Biltmore Hotel and Suites, 2151 Laurelwood Road, Santa Clara,

CA. Phone (800) 255-9925 ... reference AHEPA or Booking ID # 34145. The convention committee has secured an outstanding rate of \$99 + tax for Single or Double occupancy and \$109 + tax for a Tower Suite. The rate includes a hot breakfast buffet, high speed wireless in rooms and meeting rooms and free guest parking. Rates are good for 3 days before and 3 days after the convention. Registration forms and album details will be forthcoming from the San Jose AHEPA Family. Please make every effort to attend this year's convention. As many of you know, the San Jose family always does a great job, and this year's annual gathering will be well worth attending!

AHEPA Family 2017 Supreme Convention July 24 – 30 – To be held at Disney's Yacht Club & Beach Resort in Orlando, Florida, the venue provides a great opportunity to plan a family summer vacation around this year's convention dates. Room rates are \$159 plus taxes. Make your hotel reservations **now ... the room block is almost sold out!** Phone the group reservations number (407) 939-4686 to take advantage of the special rate of \$159 plus taxes. You will need your DOP or AHEPA membership number to reserve a room.

Also, if you are attending the Supreme Convention and plan to go to Walt Disney World Theme Park, we have received notice that ticket prices have changed. However, they are providing the AHEPA Family group a "Grace Period" if you would like to purchase your Disney tickets at 2016 prices until **Saturday March 11th at 4:00 PM EST**. After this date, the new ticket offers and pricing will go into effect. To place your Disney ticket order, please visit: <http://disneyurl.com/ahepa17> For more information or to order your tickets by phone, please call (407) 566-5600.

District 21 Daughters of Penelope Website – Our webmaster, Wynn Storton, has refreshed the DOP District 21 website. Please visit <http://www.dop21.org> If Chapter or other information is not correct, please contact me or the webmaster.

"A New "Must Have" Item – District 21 has available customized Daughters of Penelope Key



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cost of \$10 each. You simply hook your keys onto the Key Finder and slip it over the edge of your purse ... eliminating the frustration of digging in your purse to find your keys! The logo is similar to our blue D 21 lapel pins that have been so popular. The words "Daughters of Penelope Est. 1929" encircle the seated Penelope.

Purchase one or several ... it's a great way to show your pride in DOP, a nifty little gift and a convenient and useful item. The DOP Key Finders are available to Chapters and members throughout the country, and we will have them available at forthcoming conventions, conferences and visitations. Please contact District Marshal Aida Nassar at drnassar1@comcast.net or me at capoodlegirls@gmail.com or phone 209-815-6052 if you are interested in this new item.

Hellenic Tour Guide Available – During the Christmas holidays I had a most enjoyable lunch in Portland, OR with Sisters Mary Pazeotopoulos, District 22 Governor and Cleo Rumpakis, a 50+ year member in our neighboring District #22. Sister Cleo has published

"*Hellenic Tour USA*", a travel guide featuring Hellenic sites in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, a brief history of the Greeks in America, and other interesting information. Sister Cleo is making this 392-page volume available to members of the Daughters of Penelope to sell as a fundraiser for their Chapters or Districts or to donate to their local libraries or church library. The regular price is \$15 but they are available to DOP members at \$10 each. Books can be purchased directly from Sister Cleo Rumpakis ... hellenictour@centurylink.net.

We have entered the season of Great Lent and on behalf of the District Lodge – Foula Vasilogiorgis, Vaso Moulas, Cat Andrews, Aida Nassar and Kathy Leles – my very best wishes to each of you and your loved ones for a spiritual and fulfilling journey to Pascha.

Love in Theta Pi,

Bev Kennedy

District 21 Governor



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.



AHEPA FAMILY GOLDEN GATE DISTRICT #21

85TH ANNUAL DISTRICT CONVENTION



JUNE 23 - 25, 2017

*Order of Ahepa - Daughters of Penelope
Sons of Pericles - Maids of Athena*



Convention Headquarters: Biltmore Hotel and Suites • 2151 Laurelwood Road • Santa Clara, CA 95054
Office: 408 346 4718 Reservations: 1 800 255 9925

Host Chapters: Silicon Valley AHEPA Chapter #251 and Daughters of Penelope Daphne Chapter #29

Dear Ahepans and Daughters,

The San Jose AHEPA family is delighted to host the 2017 District Convention. We are looking forward to seeing all our friends and meeting new friends within the fabulous Golden Gate District 21. Here are some of the convention highlights.

CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS: The Biltmore Hotel and Suites is easily accessed off of highway 101 in Santa Clara located close by Levi Stadium, home of the San Francisco Forty Niners, Great America Theme Park and several major Silicon Valley Companies. Room rates are very reasonable and include a hot buffet breakfast. The regular rooms, starting at \$99 + taxes per night, are located in a two story building. The suites, starting at \$109 + taxes per night, are in multi-floor tower. Facilities include a pool, restaurant, workout gym, free Wi-Fi and free parking. You can register by calling 1 800 255-9925 and referencing AHEPA or Booking #34145. You can also register on-line by copying and pasting this the link below in your browser and referencing Booking #34145:
<http://bookings.ihotelier.com/bookings.jsp?groupID=1742982&hotelID=13370>

DELEGATE AND GUEST REGISTRATION PACKAGES: Delegate/Alternate Registration Package \$180 after June 1, 2017 \$200. Guest Registration Package \$160 after June 1, 2017 \$180. Sons and Maids Registration Package \$100 after June 1 \$120. See registration form for additional information.

SOCIAL EVENTS: We are planning a **Golf Tournament** for Thursday, June 22 at Boulder Creek Golf Club in San Jose. Open to members, guests, men and women. **Welcome Night Festivities** will held at the hotel patio area on Friday, June 23rd. The **Scholarship Luncheon** will be held at the hotel on Saturday, June 24th. **The Governor's Reception, Grand Banquet and Glendi** will be held at the hotel Saturday Evening. Following dinner there will be dancing with **LIVE MUSIC** featuring the Plaka Band.

CONVENTION ALBUM: As with previous District Conventions we will publish a Convention Commemorative Album (In color). We invite and encourage the participation of your Chapter with the purchase of a full page ad in album. We hope you will consider including chapter group photos, events or special recognition. We welcome business advertisements, special events, memorials, special achievements, or a special message of support. See Album Contract for rates and details.

Thanking you in advance for supporting the 85th Annual Golden Gate District Convention.

AHEPA Silicon Valley Chapter and DOP Daphne Chapter Convention Committee

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TENTATIVE CONVENTION SCHEDULE

June 22 - Thursday

01:00pm - 05:00pm AHEPA Golf Tournament
Boulder Ridge Golf Club, 1000 Old Quarry Road, San Jose 95123
Lunch - Golf - Awards

June 23 - Friday

08:00am - 09:00am Delegate/Alternate Registration
09:00am - 05:00pm Meetings Napa Valley Room (DOP) and San Jose Room (AHEPA)
12:00pm - 02:00pm Lunch Break (Open)
02:00am - 05:00pm Meetings Napa Valley Room (DOP) and San Jose Room (AHEPA)
06:00pm - 10:00pm Welcome Night Reception - Garden Patio
Appetizers and No Host Cocktails

June 24 - Saturday

08:00am - 09:00am Delegate/Alternate Registration
09:00am - 12:00pm Meetings - Napa Valley Room (DOP) and San Jose Room (AHEPA)
12:00pm - 02:00pm Delegate and Scholarship Awards Luncheon - Salon I and II
02:00pm - 05:00pm Meetings - Napa Valley Room (DOP) and San Jose Room (AHEPA)
06:00pm - 07:00pm District Governor's Reception - Location TBA
07:00pm - 09:00pm Governor's Banquet - Saratoga Ball Room
09:00pm - 12:00am Greek Night Glendi - Live Greek Music - Saratoga Ball Room

June 25 - Sunday

10:00am - 11:30am Church services St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church
1260 Davis Street, San Jose 95125
AHEPA Family Memorial and Artoklasia
11:30am - 12:30pm Coffee, Dessert, Fellowship.



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REGISTRATION FORM

AHEPA DELEGATE/ALTERNATE NAME	AHEPA CHAPTER #
DAUGHTERS DELEGATE/ALTERNATE NAME	DAUGHTERS CHAPTER #
ADDRESS	
CITY/STATE/ZIP	
PHONE NUMBER ()	EMAIL

ALL DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES MUST PAY FOR THE COMPLETE PACKAGE

CONVENTION PACKAGES & TICKETS	COST/PERSON	NUMBER	TOTAL
AHEPA/DAUGHTERS Registration Package Includes: Registration Fee, Welcome Night, Scholarship Luncheon, Governor's Banquet and Glendi.	\$180 \$200 (After June 1)		
GUEST Package Includes: Welcome Night, Scholarship Luncheon, Governor's Banquet and Glendi.	\$160 \$180 (After June 1)		
SONS/MAIDS Registration Package Includes: Registration Fee, Welcome Night, Scholarship Luncheon.	\$100 \$120 (After June 1)		
GOLF PACKAGE - Includes: Green Fees, Cart, Lunch, Awards	\$125		
CONVENTION PACKAGES & TICKETS	COST/PERSON	NUMBER	TOTAL
Welcome Night - Friday, June 23 Includes Appetizers	\$30		
Scholarship Luncheon - Saturday, June 24	\$50		
Governor's Banquet and Glendi - Saturday June 24 - Dinner and Dancing	\$75		
Glendi Only after 9:00 PM	\$20		
Please enclose check payable to AHEPA 251 along with this form and mail to: Cathy Photopoulos, 13774 Fortuna Court, Saratoga, CA 95070	TOTAL		

NOTE: The Hotel will accept reservations made by telephone at 1 800 255 9925 or 408 988 8411.
 Reference **AHEPA** or Booking ID #34145 when making reservations.
 Room Rate \$99 or Suites \$109 per night plus taxes. Includes Hot Breakfast Buffet. **Deadline: June 1, 2017**



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AHEPA Family members call the hotel at 407-939-4686 or visit ahepa.org/convention.htm to make a reservation!

Please Note: In order to receive this discounted rate, you need to be a paid member of the AHEPA family. [Join now](http://ahepa.org) at ahepa.org!

NEWSLETTER FROM THE GRAND SECRETARY
DIANE PETERSEN

Being on the Grand Lodge is an exciting adventure. I have traveled as Liaison over the last four years to the South, East, North, West, Western Canada, and British Columbia. Meeting with AHEPA Family members at conferences, chapter meetings, seminars, chapter and District events, Founder's Day, Sisterhoods, District and National Conventions. Traveling by car, plane, Amtrak, and enduring extreme weather conditions from 116 degrees to -5 degrees.

This year my Liaisons are District #4 Pennsylvania and District #10 Michigan.



District #4's focus is Children. Sponsoring the Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh. The Lancaster Chapter did a fundraiser to raise funds for one of our voluntary projects Limbitless Solutions by selling a throw blanket with the Daughter's Logo.

District #10's focus is on Coalition on Temporary Shelters, fundraisers—Betty Boop like aprons and silky scarves.

The Daughters in these Districts have similar ideas for events and fundraisers like District #21's Daughters which cover the following: Festival of Tables, Founder's Day, Mari Gras, Greek movie night, hosting coffee hours, chapter anniversaries, special dinners and luncheons, Thanksgiving and Christmas parties.

BUT NO SISTERHOOD!

On February 23rd I will be back in the air, flying to Mobile, Alabama visiting Penelope House, attending a Grand Lodge meeting, and participating in their Mari Gras Parade. Then on March 30th in the air again, flying to Eastern Pennsylvania for their Eastern Seminar.

We need to increase our membership and bring members back into our District, go to meetings, go to events, go to the Fall Conference, go to the District and National Conventions, and participate in fundraisers. Remember our success in the AHEPA Family depends on YOU.

MAY THE SPIRIT OF PENELOPE BE WITH YOU



Agape Easter Dinner Hosted By

AHEPA Golden Gate Pacific #150/Daughters of Penelope San Francisco Eos #1



Feasting on the traditional complete Easter dinner:
Lamb with Manestra, Freshly Baked Tsourekí, Green Salad, Easter Eggs,
Galaktobouriko, Ice Cream and Coffee

Wednesday Evening * April 19, 2017**

**Basque Cultural Center
599 Railroad Avenue
So. San Francisco, CA 94080**

Reception at 6:45 p.m. Dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Cost = \$45.00 per person
Tables of 10 available

Please make reservations with **Foula Vasilogiorgis** at: 415-378-7200 or email: ahepaagapedinner2017@gmail.com
or **Christi Tsiplakos** (650) 992-9619 **Eva Skoufis** (650)755-8748 or **Elias Tsiknis** (650)994-3322 and send this form along with
payment to **Christi Tsiplakos** at: **30 St. James Court, Daly City, CA 94015**
MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO EOS#1

Name(s): _____

Number of Tickets: _____ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please make reservations by April 14, 2017

No Cancellations after April 17, 2017

San Jose Daphne Chapter Wine Tasting

The Daughter's of Penelope Daphne 29 had their annual Wine Tasting Fundraiser Event on Saturday January 20th with over 40 guests at the beautiful Almaden Valley home of the Nicholas and Cassandra Skordilis. We enjoyed wonderful European wines presented by Shaji and Vijna Matthews of Sierra Nevada Imports, and a delicious spread of appetizers and desserts to compliment the wines.

Now we welcome you to join us Saturday April 1st for our Annual Cioppino Dinner Fundraiser in San Jose. See you there!

This page and the next include photos from the wine tasting event and the Chapter Visitation held Saturday, January 14th.





District Lodge Visitation



District Lodge Visitation



Cioppino Dinner Night

Entertainment!
Special performance by
Matt Helm
as
Dean Martin



SALAD • PASTA • SHELL FISH IN A DELICIOUS BROTH • DESSERT

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2017

ST. NICHOLAS COMMUNITY CENTER

6:30pm No Host Cocktails 7:30pm Dinner

Early Bird Adults \$45 (After March 20th \$55) • Students \$25



For Reservations and Tickets contact:

Bill Christie Email: billchristie1@mac.com (408) 531-9211

or

Mail: Return lower portion with check payable to AHEPA



Tickets must be purchased in advance - no tickets sold at the door.

Sponsored by San Jose AHEPA and DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE CHAPTERS

RESERVATION FORM (Early Bird deadline March 20th)
Open seating or reserve tables of 8-10 with paid reservations

Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Number ___ of Adult tickets @ \$45 \$ _____ After March 20th \$55 \$ _____

Number ___ of Child tickets @ \$25 \$ _____

Reserve table of 8 @ \$360 \$ _____

Reserve table of 10 @ \$450 \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Make checks payable to AHEPA

MAIL TO: Bill Christie - 3327 Lake Albano Circle - San Jose, CA 95135

Tickets will be held at the door. Please send in reservation by Monday, March 20th



AHEPA VETERANS REGISTRATION

AHEPA Medal for Military Service is awarded to all veterans in Honor of their service to the United States.

“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.



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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.

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Session Dates: June 25, 2017 – July 1, 2017

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AHEPAcademy is a leadership and professional development program that identifies, educates, inspires, mentors, advances, and networks exceptional Greek-American high school students as they progress through their high school, college, graduate and professional careers.

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AHEPAcademy is looking for exceptional Greek-American high school juniors during the 2016-2017 school year with top grades (minimum 3.5/4.0 GPA or equivalent or Top 10% of Class), who exemplify scholarship, leadership, character, participation in extracurricular activities, community service, and involvement in the Greek-American community to apply for selection to this summer's AHEPAcademy on Campus program.

Applications for AHEPAcademy are now available at www.AHEPAcademy.com. The early action deadline for submission of completed applications to AHEPAcademy is April 1, 2017. Please contact AHEPAcademy and your local AHEPA Chapter as soon as possible to indicate your interest in applying for the program and regarding your eligibility to receive a scholarship from your local AHEPA Chapter for your participation in the AHEPAcademy on Campus program.

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