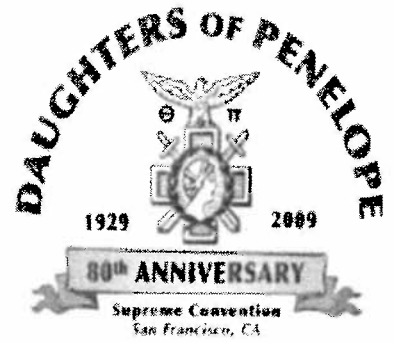




District Governor's Bulletin

"We are Family"

Fall 2009



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District 5 Convention 2009

It was a fun, fast convention this June in Jamesburg, NJ and I would like to thank the brothers of AHEPA Chapter 72 and sisters of Altes 163 of Trenton for that. From the opening ceremony Friday night through the banquet Saturday night everything ran smoothly. Friday night was a time to sit in a relaxed atmosphere and socialize with our brothers and sisters.

Saturday's deliberations ran so smoothly and quickly, thanks to our Convention Chair Evellyn Tsiades, and the cooperation from all the sisters in attendance, that we had time to relax before the evening's banquet. The luncheon gave us a wonderful opportunity to again socialize with our fellow AHEPA brothers while presenting awards. Congratulations to all our Chapters for their achievements and to our District Penelope of the Year Sister Eleni Parlapanides.

I was privileged to have wonderful group of women stand with me at the convention to be sworn in as the District Lodge, Karen Marousis will be my right hand as District Lt. Governor, Rula Thasites will again be filling the role of District Secretary, and new to the Lodge this year are Marcella Calagias from Trenton as our District Treasurer and Eleni Parlapanides from New Brunswick as our District Marshal, Demi Thomas will take the position of District Advisor.



Thelma Firestone, Jane Allen, Hope Demity and Lee Milas happily register delegates at convention



Thelma Firestone, Hope Demity and Jill Belviso have fun with Lee Milas with the door prize auction at the DOP Convention Luncheon



District Governor Demi Thomas and 2008 Penelope of the Year Alice Kartikis award Eleni Parlapanides 2009 Penelope of the Year



2009-2010 District Lodge
 Governor Robin Papagiannis
 Lt. Governor Karen Marousis
 Secretary Rula Thasites
 Treasurer Jill Belviso standing in for
 Marcella Calagias
 Marshall Eleni Parlapanides
 Advisor Demi Thomas

Getting to Know the New Governor

I know that most of you probably already know who I am, but for those of you who don't, I am Robin Papagiannis, District 5 Governor for 2009-2010.

I have been married for 24 years to a wonderful man, Kostis. He was fresh off the boat (plane) from Greece when we met, and I knew no Greek, but it has worked out nicely. We have three children, Nikolaos 23, Mary 19, and Zoe 18. Our youngest, Zoe, left for school in Rhode Island this fall. So instead of having empty nest syndrome I am being nervous over being your District Governor.

I converted to Greek Orthodoxy in 1995 the same year I was invited to join Daughters of Penelope. Both proved to be a wonderful thing for me.

I served the District Lodge as the District Marshal/Treasurer in 2004-2005, Treasurer in 2005-2006, Secretary 2006-2008, Treasurer 2008-2009 and now am pleased to be District Governor.

We Are Family

My theme for this year is "We are Family" and as the song says I have all my sisters with me. I am looking forward to a year filled with a growing numbers of sisters and hopefully having our AHEPA family grow by the addition of Maids of Athena chapters to compliment our many Sons of Pericles chapters. I believe it is due to the wonderful support all the brothers and sisters give their respective Lodges that we are able to accomplish so much each year.

Here is to a wonderful year for the Daughters of Penelope and AHEPA of District 5.

"We Are Family"

Everyone can see we're together
 As we walk on by and we fly
 just like birds of a feather
 I won't tell no lie all of the
 people around us they say can
 they be that close
 Just let me state for the record
 We're giving love in a family
 dose
 Living life is fun and we've just
 begun to get our share of the
 world's delights high hopes we
 have for the future
 And our goal's in sight
 no we don't get depressed
 Here's what we call our golden
 rule have faith in you and the
 things you do
 You won't go wrong
 This is our family Jewel
 We are family
 I got all my sisters with me
 We are family
 Get up ev'rybody and sing

Be sure to visit the District 5 websites

AHEPA: <http://www.greece.org/ahepa/d5/>

DOP: <http://worknotes.com/NJ/Wyckoff/District5DOP/>

AHEPA and DOP District 5 Lodges enjoyed a joint lodge meeting in Aug.



Don't forget to submit articles to our own AHEPA Voice to vas@verizon.net and be sure to order your subscription now. If you go to the District 5 AHEPA website you can view the latest issue on line.

Upcoming District Events

- 26-Sept. Dist. Workshop
Aulis #195,
Asbury Park
- 27-Sep 9PM EST
Iron Chef on TV
To see a MOA
Compete
- 02-Oct. Fashion Show
Alexandra #250
Randolph
- 03-Oct. Octoberfest
Icarius #48
Jersey City
- 08-Oct. Gift Auction
Altes #163
Trenton
- 11-Oct. PDG Demi Thomas
Testimonial
- 17-Oct. St Basil Fashion
Show
- 11-Nov. Children's Tumor
Foundation
Benefit Dinner
- 13-Nov. Tricky Tray
Tethys #229
New Brunswick
- 15-Nov PDG Ted Fankidos
Testimonial
- 21-Nov. St Basil
Benefit Luncheon
- 19-Dec. St Basil
Christmas Pageant

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO VIEW
IMPORTANT NEWS FROM NATIONAL
HEADQUARTERS

District News

What a great year District 5 had at National Convention!!!
Xanthus #149, Wilmington was awarded with "Most New Members" for a small chapter.

Agape #336, Wyckoff was awarded with "Most New Members" for a large chapter.

District 5 was runner up for the most new members as a district.

And Congratulations to our own PDG Demi Thomas on being elected to the National Daughters Lodge as National Maids of Athena Advisor. I am sure Demi will do a wonderful job.

With PDG Demi Thomas moving on to National the position of District Lodge Advisor has been graciously filled by PDG Patty Vlahos. Thank you Demi and Patty.

I am pleased to say that District #5
Has 384 paid members as of 4/30/2009 having had 23 new initiates in the last year.

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Planned District Visitations

#48 Icarius, Jersey City	12-Nov
#149 Xanthus, Delaware	
#163 Altes, Trenton	25-Oct
#165 Cadmus, Paramus	
#173 Amphytrion, Newark	22-Nov
	(Sunday)
#188 Kronos, Clifton	24-Oct
	(Saturday)
#195 Aulis, Asbury Park	12-Oct
#229 Tethys, New Brunswick	23-Sep
#230 Nike, Cherry Hill	
#250 Alexander, Randolph	18-Oct
	(Sunday)
#259 Zephyr, Orange	13-Oct
	1PM
	(Tues.)
#336 Agape, Wyckoff	21-Jan-10
#374 Aphrodite, Toms River	-Jan-10
	(Saturday)

AUTUMN DINNER & FASHION SHOW

Hosted by Daughters of Penelope Chapter Alexander #250
St. Andrew's parishioners to model all clothing

Friday, Oct. 2, 2009

STEP UP

To Fashions by
Dress Barn
Event

Featuring
A Special Presentation showing
**Original Designs of
Women's, Children,
And Festivalware**
by
Vaso Constantinou

Zeris Inn
Mountain Lakes, NJ
Cost \$37.00

Four course dinner includes
choice of three entrees

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*All proceeds will benefit Daughters-sponsored charities
& the St. Andrew Greek Orthodox Church.*



2009 - 2010
BIENNIAL REGIONAL BANQUET

in New York!

featuring

7:00^{PM} EXTRAVAGANT COCKTAIL HOUR
with open bar and hot & cold hors d'oeuvres

8:00^{PM} BANQUET DINNER
with a three course meal
presentations to follow

HONORING

Dr. William J. Tenet, Academy of Achievement Medicine

Demetrios Kaloidis, Philanthropist

U.S. House Representative, Carolyn Maloney (NY),

2009 Pericles Award

U.S. Senator Robert Menendez (NJ),

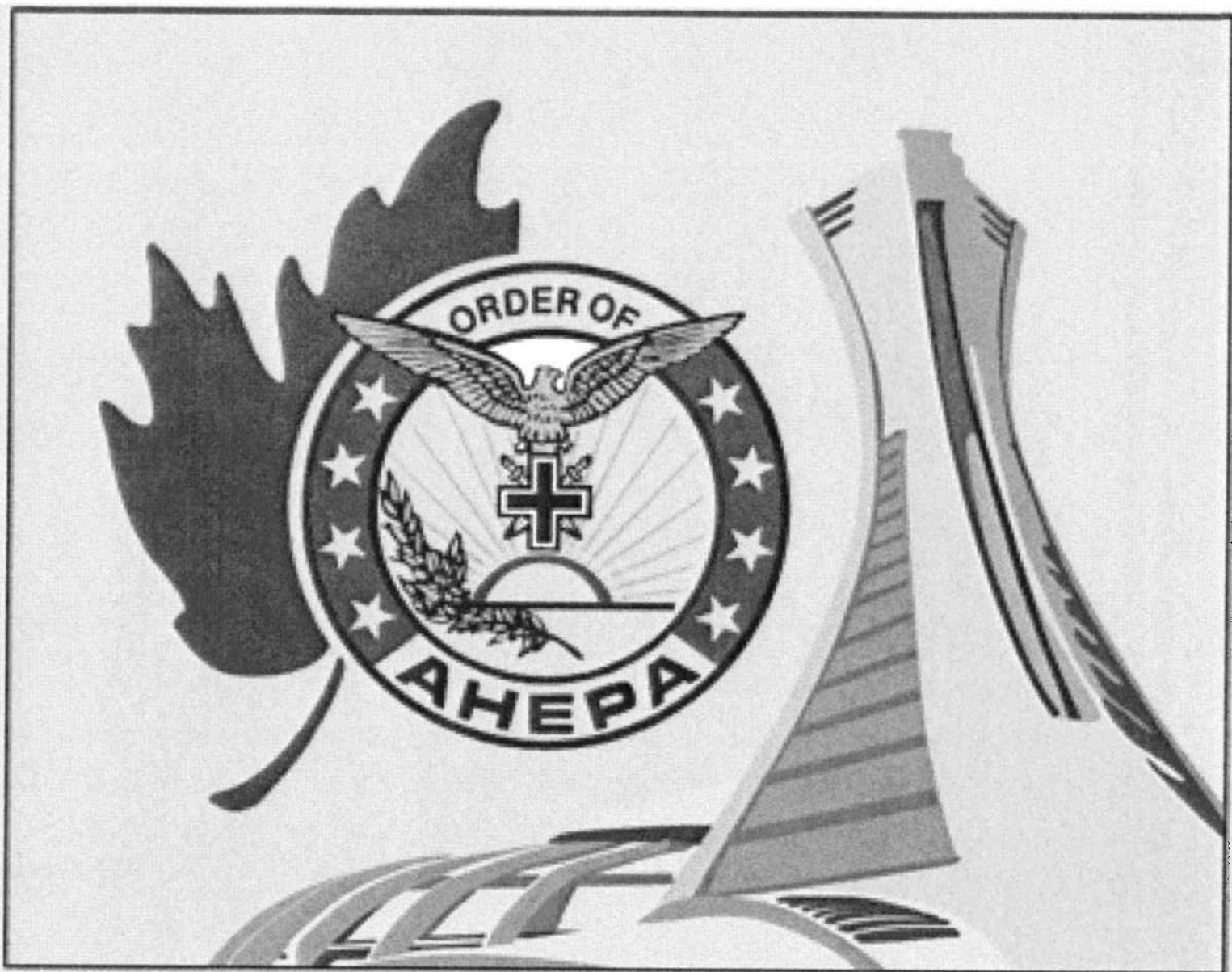
2009 Pericles Award

2009 Socrates Award Winner - TBA

November 21, 2009
at Terrace on the Park, NY
\$100 per person
Business Attire

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2010 MONTRÉAL QC-CANADA

88th AHEPA FAMILY SUPREME CONVENTION

Delta Centre-Ville Hotel - July 11-18