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and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!



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## ***AHEPA District Governor's Message***

### ***Season's Greetings!***

As the Winter Edition of the Ahepa Traveler goes to press the holiday season is upon us. I hope that everyone had a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving with your families.

As we approach the end of 2013, your District Lodge has been very busy with chapter visitations, the Fall Conference, and the planning of the 2014 Western Regional District Convention in Reno NV. The Lodge has also been keeping track of our per-capita obligations as we are fast approaching the 12/31/2013 deadline. Chapter Presidents and Secretaries, please stay on top of your membership and get your per-capita payments into to the District and Headquarters.

We are half through our chapter visitations and looking forward to continuing our visits starting in January 2014. To date, we have visited Stockton, Modesto, Reno, and Fresno. Each chapter did an outstanding job of hosting their respective visitations. I believe that the new visitation format has gone over extremely well. We learned much as to the needs of each chapter and this Lodge will work hard to help the chapters reach their goals.

Last month, the San Jose Ahepa Family hosted the 2013 Fall Conference. The Ahepa Silicon Valley Chapter #251 and the Daughter's of Penelope Daphne #29 did the District proud with a fantastic Fall Conference. We were honored to have Brother John Galanis, Ahepa Supreme Secretary in attendance as well as Sister Anna-Helene Grossomanides, DOP Grand Vice-President. Both gave wonderful speeches that I hope will inspire us to be better Brothers and Sisters by helping the Order of Ahepa and Daughter's of Penelope continue to grow and thrive.

It was a very long day for me as along with District Treasurer Alex Bazos, we traveled from the Fall Conference in San Jose to Fresno to attend a dinner in honor of the Ahepa Fresno Chapter's 85th Anniversary and St. George Greek Orthodox Church's 90th Anniversary. In attendance was Supreme Secretary John Galanis as well as Supreme Governor George Booras and his wife PSP Joanne Booras. It was a wonderful evening learning about the history of the Fresno Chapter as well as its place in the founding of St. George's. Brother and MC George Gianopulos did a fine job taking us back to a time when the Order of Ahepa played a very large part in the founding of many Greek Orthodox communities in the United States of America.

I was honored to be able to attend the Daughters of Penelope Eos Chapter # 1 Founders Day Luncheon. I really enjoyed the afternoon and was happy to see many of my Ahepa Brothers in attendance. The District was also honored to have DOP Grand President Joanne Saltas attend the luncheon. It was great seeing the Grand President support such an important event. I would like to thank the Eos Chapter for putting on a great luncheon and showing me excellent DOP hospitality.

....and finally, our District 21 website should be completed very soon with the DOP being added starting in January. The 2014 Ahepa District 21 Scholarship applications should be ready to go after the first of the year. The application will be available to download on our website and will also be available from each chapter. Please check with your chapter Secretary. Sometime after the first of the year, the 2014 Western Regional District Convention Registration packages will be available. The convention will have its own website with important information as well as the Registration Forms and the ability to pay for your registration through PayPal. Stay tuned for more...

I would like to wish the members and their families of the District 21 Ahepa Family a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy, and Prosperous New Year!

Fraternally,

***Tom Chiarchianis***

District #21 Governor



## *Winter Greetings from your District Governor*

It's that wonderful time of the year as we prepare to celebrate the holidays with our family and friends and remember those that are less fortunate than us all over the world. We must be grateful for our children, extended family and friends who support us in all we do to make a difference, to achieve and to

prevail. Below are our accomplishments and what we have to look forward to in 2014:

**Fall Conference:** Congratulations to the San Jose AHEPA Family for hosting a wonderful and well attended Fall Conference on November 9, 2013, with over 65 Sisters and Brothers in attendance. A very gracious thank you goes to the San Jose AHEPA Family for hosting the Fall Conference. It was well attended and very organized. We were fortunate to have in attendance our Grand Vice President Anna Helene Grossomanides, Grand Treasurer Jan Spanos and District #21 Liaison Diane Petersen. Highlights of the day were receiving information on the Western Regional Convention and Scholarship packets for 2014, distributing raffle tickets for the Daughters of Penelope District 21 raffle and a pop quiz was given to the sisters on the Daughters of Penelope. Following the conference, sisters toured the Senior Center at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and were quite impressed!

**Founder's Day:** On Saturday, November 16th, Eos Chapter #1, the Mother Lodge of the Daughters of Penelope, hosted a luncheon for the 84th Anniversary of our founding at the Hilton Hotel in Burlingame. Our special guests for the day were Grand President Joanne Saltas and our Executive Director Elena Saviolakis. Other members of the Grand Lodge, Past Grand Presidents and Past District Governors were also in attendance to join the festivities. Special thanks to the Founder's Day Committee who ensured that everything went as planned: Elaine Makras, Marion Parishis, Yvonne Stamatakis, Foula Vasilogiorgis, Vaso Moulas, Christi Tsiplakos, Eva Skoufis, May Kireopoulos, Stella Kyriakis, Diane Antonis, Charlyn Fotinos, Penelope Wasley, Annette Chiappari, Yvonne Chiappari and Sophia Goultas. Congratulations Sisters for a job well done!

**District 21 Raffle:** Our 2013-2014 Daughters of Penelope raffle tickets were passed out at the Fall Conference in San Jose along with posters, general information and directions. The grand prize is a Samsung tablet worth \$400.00. Tickets are to be sold at \$20.00 a piece and the winner will be drawn at the Western Regional Convention in Reno, Nevada in June 2014. Please contact Lt. Governor PJ Rishard for more tickets and information at prishard97@comcast.net. All proceeds go towards District Scholarships, so let's sell every single one! It's up to all of us to make it happen!

**Daughters of Penelope Scholarship:** Scholarship packets for 2014 were distributed to all Presidents at the Fall Conference. Please make sure you read all the guidelines necessary to ensure the eligibility of our young women and men who apply. Application packets are to be postmarked and sent certified mail by April 1, 2014 to Chairman Mary Gavrilis. For further information, please contact Mary at 209-574-9500 or by email at gavrilis1@sbcglobal.net.

**Sisterhood Conference:** You will soon be receiving information about the Annual Sisterhood Conference which will be hosted by District 21 on Saturday, April 5, 2014 in Sacramento. Sisters Jan Spanos and Diane Petersen are co-chairing this special event and I urge every chapter to have at least two representatives present for a full day of information and collaboration. I hear there will be a few surprises that day as well!

**Western Regional Convention:** Make plans now to attend the 2014 Western Regional Convention at the Atlantis Spa and Resort in Reno, Nevada on June 19-22, 2014. Districts 17, 20 and 22 will be joining our District 21 for days of collaboration and fun. Standard room rates are \$99.00 + tax and the daily resort fee of \$12.00 has been waived for the Convention. An AHEPA Convention rate code will be provided with future communications. Delegate and guest registration rates are \$175.00 which includes Welcome Night, Greek Night Glendi, the Scholarship Luncheon and Saturday evening Banquet. Registration forms with all event details will also be available soon. Take a peek at the AHEPA Western Regional Convention website at <http://ahepawesternregion.org/> for convention information and details.

On behalf of the District Lodge – PJ Rishard, Beverly Kennedy, JoAnne Panagopoulos, Litsa Miller and Helen Sexton - I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

In Theta Pi,

**Kathy Leles**

District #21 Governor





ORDER OF AHEPA  
SUPREME LODGE HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN HELLENIC EDUCATIONAL PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

Date: November 2013

To: AHEPA Chapter Presidents/Secretaries  
AHEPA District Governors  
AHEPA National Officers

Brothers:

AHEPA has been working closely with the Archdiocese of Greece to raise money for the work of the APOSTOLI mission which feeds Greek citizens severely affected by the dire economic turmoil in Greece. AHEPA has raised approximately \$160,000 and sent \$10,000 a month to Greece over the past 16 months. Every \$10,000 donated provides five hundred families of four members with packages of dry food supplies lasting for twenty days. Our AHEPA members in Greece are actively involved in distributing the supplies and assuring that the food reaches the intended recipients. The AHEPA logo on each package informs the benefitting family that AHEPA is the donor.

Tragically, the economic situation in Greece is worsening. Unemployment is running at 30 percent and at over 60 percent for those under the age of 30. Children are fainting in schools because they have not eaten. Families are leaving their children at churches and orphanages in order to have them fed.

AHEPA must increase our fundraising efforts to help address this intensifying crisis and to help feed the children of Greece. As we gather around bountiful Thanksgiving tables and Christmas trees surrounded by gifts, let us share our blessings with those most in need.

Therefore, AHEPA is committed to raise an additional \$200,000 to feed the children of Greece. This will feed 10,000 families! We ask every chapter to donate a minimum of \$12.00 per member to this cause. If a chapter has 50 members we ask that it donate not less than \$600. This endeavor by our philanthropic fraternity is worthy of our effort and energy.

We want to feed as many children as we can. **Think of AHEPA and think of the children of Greece.** Your chapter's donation will help save the lives of many children. Please make your chapter check payable to the *AHEPA Charitable Foundation* and earmark it for *Feed the Children of Greece*. Send it to AHEPA headquarters so that those in severe need can share the joys of this holiday season.

Fraternally,

Anthony Kouzounis  
Supreme President

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## FREE TRIP TO GREECE, ATHENS MARATHON

**AHEPA Athens Marathon Team 2013**

***Running the Course of the very first Marathoner***

**Race day: November 9, 2014**

**Register now to run as part of Team AHEPA!  
or**

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## 2014 Journey To Greece

**The Ninth Annual**

**AHEPA / University of Indianapolis  
Journey to Greece Summer Program**

**Session 1: June 24 - July 12, 2014**

**Session 2: July 15 - August 2, 2014**

**Sessions 1 & 2: June 24 - August 2, 2014**

**For more information visit:**

**www.ahepa.org**



### ***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***

*Join Team USO-AHEPA and Make a Donation*

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## SAVE THE DATES - JUNE 19-22, 2014

**Make plans to attend our first 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. Standard Room Rates \$99 plus tax – Luxury Tower Rates \$119 plus tax. Standard \$12 per day resort fee has been waived for Convention. 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.

**Convention & Event Registration** – \$175 per delegate – 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** – An AHEPA Western Region District Convention website is being developed. Delegates will be able to register on-line and pay by credit card through PayPal. Visit us soon at <http://ahepawesternregion.org/> for complete Convention information and updates.

**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 first AHEPA Family Western Regional District Convention album.

## SEE YOU IN RENO!

## Golden Gate District 21 Schedule of Visitations & Events 2013-2014

**January**

11	Saturday	Oakland, Vallejo & Walnut Creek	Ascension Cathedral, Oakland
18	Saturday	Sacramento	Annunciation Church, Sacramento
25	Saturday	San Jose & San Mateo	St. Nicholas Church, San Jose

**April**

5	Saturday	Sisterhood Conference	Sacramento - Location TBA
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**June**

19-22	Thurs – Sun.	Western Regional Convention	Atlantis Hotel & Casino, Reno, NV
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**July**

21-26	Mon – Sat.	Supreme Convention	New Orleans, LA
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## BEING A DAUGHTER OF PENELOPE

By Diane Petersen

Grand Governor Zone IV

Liaison to District 21

Little did I realize when I was asked to join the Daughters of Penelope in Fresno Leto Chapter #71, it would lead me on a fabulous journey which included meeting our founder Alexandra Apostolides.

After I was initiated into Leto Chapter #71 (36 years in February), the President appointed me to the office of Warden.

THAT'S RIGHT! What do you give the new neophyte-- an appointed office.

But then we uprooted and moved to northern California, just as I was getting into the swing with the Fresno AHEPAN Family. Moving back to northern California brought another adjustment to my life: getting involved with Artemis #5 Sacramento and the Sacramento AHEPAN Family.

THAT'S RIGHT! What do you give the newest Daughter of Penelope in your Chapter—you give her an appointed officer position, some committee work, elected officer positions, and elect her delegate to the conventions.

Going to meetings, attending Daughters of Penelope events, AHEPA Family events, conferences, and conventions.

THAT'S RIGHT! What do you give the Daughter of Penelope who likes to attend events, activities, and conventions—elect her to the District Lodge, appoint her committee chair(s), National position(s) and elect her to the Grand Lodge.

Enjoying the events, activities, conferences and conventions meeting AHEPA Family members from throughout the United States, Canada, Greece, and Australia have opened up a whole world of family and friends.



# *Prevail*

## **Grand President's Theme for 2013-2014**

### **Today We Celebrate Founder's Day!**

The Daughters of Penelope were founded on November 16, 1929. Today we recall the wisdom and vision of our founding Sisters when they formed the first Chapter, EOS No. 1, in San Francisco. At the age of 33, Alexandra Apostolides was inspired and encouraged by members of the AHEPA to form a women's organization to work with AHEPA. She gathered 25 women together to form the Daughters of Penelope.

Alexandra was instrumental in establishing 95 additional chapters of the Daughters of Penelope and became the first Grand President in 1931. She advocated the pursuit of knowledge and higher learning. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of California, a great accomplishment for a woman at that time, particularly one born in Greece who had immigrated to the United States with her father at the age of 10.

Alexandra was a poet and a writer. She envisioned a more progressive and involved role that afforded Greek American women the opportunity to greatly contribute to both their Hellenic and American communities. Alexandra emphasized the importance of ethnicity and patriotism and consistently stressed the importance of kindness and love towards one another.

Alexandra was an inspiration to all who met her



## EOS #1 Chapter

### FOUNDERS DAY LUNCHEON

by Marion Parashis

The 84th Anniversary of the founding of the Daughters of Penelope was uniquely celebrated at the Hilton Hotel in Burlingame, Ca. on November 16, 2013 and hosted by the Mother Lodge, San Francisco's EOS#1. Grand President Joanne Saltas, Grand Treasurer Jan Spanos, Grand Governor and District 21's Liaison Diane Petersen, District 21 Governor Kathy Leles, and the DOP Executive Director Elena Saviolakis attended this amazing luncheon. Why "amazing"? EOS#1 had no Founders Day Chairman, and the Officers and Board led by President Sister Elaine Makras were the Chairmen working in unison with the love and support that EOS#1 can claim. Brother Ahepans led by District 21 Governor Tom Chiarchianis and President Elias Tsiknis from the Golden Date Chapter #150 also were present to share in the celebration. Brother Pete Kireopoulos assisted Sister Stella Kyriakis with the photography. This year EOS#1 proudly announced their Penelope of the Year Sister Foula Vasilogiorgis and her achievements. AXIA! A special congratulations went to Sister May Kireopoulos for being voted District Daughter of the Year. EOS#1 is blessed! The camaraderie was outstanding as the Ahepan Family of Sisters and Brothers were rekindling friendships and exchanging beautiful stories with the same unity and respect that they are known to enjoy. Ke To Xrono!

















## *Daughters of Penelope - Founder's Day - November 16th*

*by Kathy Leles, DG*

On the exact date of the founding of the Daughters of Penelope, our Sisterhood gathered with the sisters of Eos#1 to celebrate its birthday. It was truly a day to celebrate the Daughters of Penelope organization, its lodges, its chapters, its goals, its women. It was a day to celebrate Alexandra Apostolides, a woman who in the 1920's had a vision and a goal to establish a women's organization that would rise above all others. She achieved that goal on November 16, 1929 and it is because of you that our

organization is still thriving, achieving and prevailing. On Saturday, we celebrated you, the women in the room and our supporters, spouses and children, and those that were not able to be with us that day. Sisters, you have truly risen to the occasion that our founder Alexandra wanted you to. Continue to assist the community near and afar, promote education, cultivate the ideals and traditions of Hellenism and the spirit of Penelope – our sisterhood. Keep achieving and prevailing to better and higher heights. Congratulations!



(left – right) District 21 Treasurer, JoAnne Panagopoulos; Executive Director, Elena Saviolakis; District 21 Governor Kathy Leles; Grand President, Joanne Saltas; Vaso Moulas & Marion Parishis, Founder's Day Committee Members.



From the top clockwise: • Your 2013-2014 District 21 Lodge Kathy Leles, District Governor; PJ Rishard, Lt. Governor; Beverly Kennedy, Secretary; JoAnne Panagopoulos, Treasurer; Litsa Miller, Marshal; Helen Sexton, PDG & Advisor

• District Governor Tom Chiarchianis & Grand Treasurer Jan Spanos

• Lt Governor PJ Rishard & James Dariotis, PDG AHEPA

• District Governors of District 21 Order of AHEPA & Daughters of Penelope Tom Chiarchianis & Kathy Leles

• District Lodge Officers and Sisters from Sparta # 18 and Phaedra # 64 raising their glasses and toasting in celebration of Founder's Day!



*Daughters of Penelope - Visits, Conference & Events Fall 2013*





## San Jose Daphne Chapter #29

by Laurie Sahines, PDG, Corresponding Secretary

It's has been a while but our Daphne #29 chapter of the Daughters of Penelope have been very busy and are very excited for this new year.

First and foremost I would like to introduce to you our new board:

President: Cathy Photopoulos

Vice President: Elizabeth Fkiras

Recording Secretary: Linda Belba

Corresponding Secretary: Laurie Sahines

Treasurer: Andrea Papa

We are very happy to have three new faces and they have landed with their feet running!

Our year has started with our 10th annual Tea. We shook it up a bit and changed it to a wine tasting but of course we kept our traditional hat parade. We were supported once again by our Ahepa chapter and even had them strutting down the runway. Samantha from Mani Imports did a very nice presentation of the wines of Greece. Mani Imports was very generous in donating the wine so you know we were well taken care of. Music was provided by Bobby Kaliviti, Evan Veloudis and Leftheri. It was wonderful to see everyone up and dancing to their wonderful sounds. We even got a special treat - Sylvia Gundunas Kaliviti honored us with a beautiful song to close out our program. But of course we certainly can't thank enough the Tsigaris' brothers - Nick, Nick and of course Nick for their wonderful donations and the great mezethes they provided.

November 9th our San Jose Ahepa Family hosted the District Conference. It was a very successful event with over 70 Sisters and Brothers in attendance. Among our attendees were members from the Ahepa Supreme Lodge Brothers George Booras, Supreme Governor District 8 and John Galanis, Supreme Secretary. Representing us from the Daughters of Penelope Grand Lodge were our own Sisters Diane Peterson, Grand Governor, Zone 4 and Jan Spanos as well as Grand Treasurer as well as Sister Anna Helene Grossomanides, Grand Vice President.

We are also very excited to have initiated two Sisters into our Chapter, Zaren Stouros and Maryann Barrous as well as Joann Cox who re-instated. We have still a few in the wings so look for a very exciting year from the Daughters!

Future events consist of:

### Annual Ornament Exchange

Sunday, December 1, 2013 at the home of Christine Sarantinos.

### Ahepa Annual Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 11, 2013. Dinner and Chapter Awards to be held at the Flames Eatery, San Jose.



*The Hat Parade*



*Dora and Janie Koumousakis sisters sporting their hats*



*Jim Alexander (wine critic), George & Rachel Zioulas, Bill Christie enjoying the wine tasting event.*

## Fresno Chapter #151 News

by Chris E. Rockas, PSC

WOW! What a banner year 2013 turned out to be for our chapter. We had events and projects, after events and projects, and ended up closing our 85th Anniversary Year by a most successful banquet on Saturday, November 9, 2013 at the well known Pardini's Restaurant with over 175 participants. Our banquet was in conjunction with the celebration of the 90th Anniversary of the Fresno Greek Community of St. George. (In many respects the two entities are one and the same.

Chairman of this unforgettable event was our Golden Gate District Marshal, Brother George Gianopulos. (Pictured with Supreme Secretary John Galanis seated). He gave a very memorable power point presentation of "Fresno Greek Town" of the 1920s, 1930s and 1940s. This brought many fond memories to most of



us present that were born and raised there. Brother Chris E. Rockas, Past Supreme Councilor, gave a presentation honoring American Greeks of or generation who were the first in Fresno to become judges, physicians, dentists, attorneys, educators, engineers politicians, TV personalities, etc. Believe me, there were more proportionately than other

ethnic groups in our part of the country. Also honored were members of our Fresno Ahepa Family who became district and supreme lodge officers. Ahepa was thanked for the encouragement those individuals were given advancing in their chosen professions to become a credit to themselves and to our Greek Community as well as our country.

Our chairman had a video message sent by Fresno Mayor Ashley Swearington, who was our of town, lauding the Hellenes of Greater Fresno for their good families, law abiding work ethic and contributions to the general welfare of Fresno. A resolution lauding us as an ethnic group came from the State of California Legislature and from the U.S. Congress through Congressman's James Costa's office. Also a letter of congratulations came from Metropolitan Gerasimos who was unable to attend due to a prior commitment.

Also attending our banquet and representing the Ahepa Supreme Lodge was Supreme Secretary John Galanis and Supreme Governor George Booras with wife, Past Grand President of the Daughters of Penelope, Joanne Booras. Our District Governor Tom Chiarichanis and

several District Lodge Officers were also present.

Over the 85 years of its existence, our chapter has made great strides in some events that other chapters have yet to equal. Such as:

1. Chapter #151 was the first Ahepa Chapter west of the Mississippi to host an Ahepa National Convention (1929).
2. During the Second World War our chapter sold more war bonds than any other ethnic group on our area. (over \$100,000).
3. Started and every year promoted our Greek Food Festivals. (The 2013 Greek Food Fest welcomed over 22,000 visitors and guests).
4. District Governor, Brother Robert Sexton was successful in bringing to the Ahepa families of our domain the Dawson, New Mexico mine disaster which killed many Greeks. Memorial services were held in every Greek Orthodox Church on Sunday, October 20, 2013 throughout the Ahepa Domain (100th Anniversary of the Dawson mine disaster).
5. On Sunday, November 10, 2013, Fresno Ahepa Chapter established a stone memorial honoring the only American Greek soldier from Fresno killed in the Second World War - Staff Sergeant William Licouris of a U.S.A. Bomber Corp (Brother Peter Rockas led the project).



6. Our biggest and most major first project (international in scope) was the establishment of a vehicle whereby we can advance "Hellenism" throughout the world but presently in the U.S.A. Canada and Western Europe. We are having DVDs produced to be given free of charge to major colleges and universities to be shown in their history departments so their students can be educated in "Our Greek Heritage - The Greek Foundation of Western Civilization."

In the meantime, may all of our Brothers and Sisters have a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!



## Fresno Leto Chapter #71

by Dr. Eleni Rotous Rockas

"Beautiful young people are accidents of nature,  
But beautiful old people are **WORKS OF ART.**"

--Eleanor Roosevelt

Autumn is here and the leaves are falling. We hope you enjoyed your summer as much as we did.

Our grandiose GREEK FESTIVAL in August found all of our members selling many precious items at the Daughters of Penelope booth we named, "**Yiayia's Attic**". It was filled with a variety of 'stuff' that our members donated...jewelry, books, dishes, suitcases, lamps, etc. The public went wild and bought everything!! We contributed all of the cash to our beloved church. The hardworking sisters who chaired this event were: Cindi Boukidis, Madelyn Jones, and Vera Margiolas. Dorothy Papangellin served as advisor.

**BRUSH YOUR TEETH!!** Our sister, Mina Prathaftakis Lighthall, dental hygienist, gave a very informative talk to the Daughters and Ahepa members, "**How to maintain your periodontal health.**" "Brush for two minutes twice daily and floss once a day. Visit your dentist once or twice a year." Eat lots of fruits, vegetables and whole grain foods. Eat less sweets, meat, and fatty foods. **EAT HEALTHY.**

A big "**THANK YOU**" to our Corresponding Secretary, Cindi Boukidis, for creating our new **MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY**. It contains e-mail addresses as well as current addresses. She encourages members to send her updates and sends us reminders of events by e-mail. "Cindi, you are a wonderful addition to our chapter."

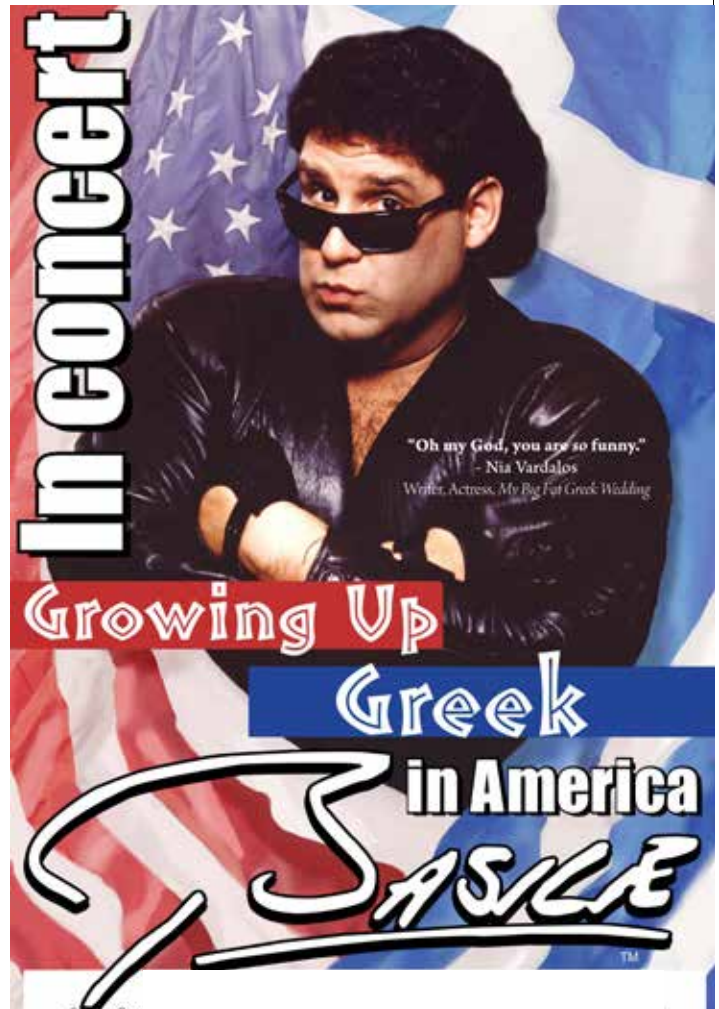
Sister Vera Margiolas joined the Susan G. Komen Walk/Run on October 26th. Our chapter offered her our sponsorship.

On November 2, we held our annual District Lodge visitation. Chairing this event was: Bess Pappas, Anne Kossaras and Madelyn Jones. Our District Lodge Officers offered us many great ideas to put into use in our chapter.

We are looking forward to our annual Daughters/Ahepa Christmas dinner at Ovidio's Italian Restaurant on December 7. We are planning a Past President's Luncheon in January and a Girls Day/Night out in March.

Wow!!! Our chapter keeps us happy and engaged in lots of enjoyable activities. Have a **HAPPY THANKSGIVING**, a **MERRY CHRISTMAS**- Kala Xrouyena !!! and **HAPPY NEW YEAR**-Eftihes to Neon Etos!!!

## SACRAMENTO AHEPA #153 Presents



**April 26, 2014**

**Hellenic Cultural Center  
614 Alhambra Blvd.  
Sacramento CA 95816**

**No Host Cocktails 5:30PM to 6:30PM  
Dinner 6:30PM to 8:00PM  
Basile in Concert 8:00PM**

**Tickets \$50.00  
or \$460.00 per table of 8  
Ages 18 and under \$30.00**

**For information and reservations call  
(916) 865-4030**

## EOS #1 Chapter

*CHRISTMAS WITH EOS #1*

*by Marion Parashis*

EOS#1 did it again! December 4, 2013, prior to this awesome Daughters of Penelope Mother Lodge meeting and before the Brother Ahepan Golden Gate Chapter #150 simultaneous meeting in another room, a spirited, festive Christmas party with food, drink, laughter and terrific camaraderie took place. It was sincerely heartfelt, because not only did these two wonderful groups of Sisters and Brothers entertain each other with stories of old, but also each individual brought toys for tots, canned goods, and clothes for the needy to be given to Pacifica Resource Center where families in need can benefit. God has blessed us with people from all walks of life who love giving and thinking of others to join together to be miraculous with their unselfishness. Christmas is a time of renewal of what is important and what should be priority. Getting new members to continue to be philanthropic is totally number one! Where else but in these two Chapters can new Sisters and Brothers be initiated during this holy, spiritual, enchanting season. Yes, EOS#1 initiated two new members and our Brother Ahepans initiated a new member as well. Pleasure and business was combined in a unique time in a unique setting with a unique group of outstanding individuals. Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Blessed New Year to all in this notable and phenomenal Family!









## 2013 FALL CONFERENCE - NOVEMBER 9 - SAN JOSE







*At the Fall Conference held in San Jose, District Governor Tom Chiarchianis presented “Ahepan of the Year” award to Bill Anton; “Chapter of the Year” award to Silicon Valley Chapter President Dr. George Zioulas; and “President of the Year” award to Modesto Chapter President Stamus Cocolis. Congratulations!!!*





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# ORDER OF AHEPA

American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association

Golden Gate District No. 21

Educational Foundation

**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

December 2, 2013

To: Scholarship Committee  
Chapter Presidents

The Order of AHEPA, District 21, is accepting application for this year's Scholarship Program. Enclosed are a number of applications for your use as members of the Scholarship Committee. The application package includes a transmittal letter to the student, application form, and checklist for the sponsoring Chapter. Applications are being mailed to all Chapters.

The application must be completed, verified, and endorsed by the sponsoring Chapter President and Scholarship Coordinator. The eligibility requirements are listed on the front page of the application. Letters of recommendation and transcripts are to be mailed to the Foundation Chairman whose address is listed on the last page. The due date is April 1, 2014. Allow sufficient time for transcripts and letters of recommendation. A checklist is provided for your assistance. **ALL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS MUST BE SENT BY CERTIFIED MAIL ONLY.** Please stress the proper mailing to all applicants.

This program is available to all Ahepans, Sons of Pericles, Maids of Athena, or children of Ahepans, with certain conditions, orphans of Ahepans, Grandchildren of Ahepans, or deceased Ahepans. The eligibility requirements are listed on the first page of the application. Please go over the application carefully with the student.

The number of awards is dependent upon the scholarship funds available for the year. It is imperative that the application is complete and submitted on time. The decisions of the Scholarship Committee and the independent evaluator are final.

We are requesting that all successful Scholarship Candidates be sponsored and enrolled as a member of the AHEPA family for the first year. This may help students, especially those away from home, to connect with the local AHEPA family for fellowship and those holidays away from home.

Fraternally,

**Nick Pries**

Foundation Board Chairman

1420 Courtyard Drive, San Jose, CA 95118 (408) 978-8321 Email: xioti12@yahoo.com





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# ORDER OF AHEPA

American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association

Golden Gate District No. 21

Educational Foundation

Nick Pries, Board Chairman

December 2, 2013

Dear Applicant,

We are accepting applications for 2014 AHEPA District 21 Scholarship Program. This program is available to all members of the Order of AHEPA, Sons of Pericles, Maids of Athena who have been in good standing for a minimum of three consecutive years, children of AHEPA members and, under certain conditions, orphans or grandchildren of AHEPA members. A detailed or more complete list of the eligibility requirements is provided on the first page of the application packet.

To be eligible for consideration, your application must be completed and endorsed by your local sponsoring AHEPA Chapter President or Chapter Scholarship Chairman and the AHEPA Chapter Secretary. Two letters of recommendation and transcripts are to be mailed with scholarship application. A checklist is provided for your assistance. **APRIL 1, 2014** is the **absolute deadline date** for all application materials.

A one page essay is required and must be included with your application material. This essay must focus on your own personal goals, ambitions and commitment to making this a better world for all. You may wish to draw upon the influences of your Hellenic heritage, your parents, your parish and community. Two current wallet size photos of yourself are required and must be attached to the application. These will be used only for the Scholarship Awards Program and the District 21 newsletter, *The Traveler*. If you are selected, you will be notified by mail.

Our Scholarship Program seeks to recognize outstanding youth within District 21 and their scholastic and community achievements. Support for our scholarships comes from AHEPA members and friends of AHEPA who value the importance of higher education. Their tireless efforts have made these scholarship awards possible. We hope that you will consider membership in any of the branches of the Order of AHEPA and provide your own support to funding scholarships to future students. Above all, we encourage you to fully utilize the gifts that God has given to you.

The number of awards presented is dependent upon the scholarship funds available for this year. Because of the competition, it is imperative that the application be accurate, neat, complete and submitted on time. Applications which do not meet these requirements will be denied further consideration for approval. The decisions of the Foundation Board and the Independent Evaluator are final. **There are no exceptions, extensions or appeals.**

We wish you success in the application process.

Respectfully,

**Nick Pries**

Foundation Board Chairman

**PLEASE NOTE:** Most high schools and colleges receive a high volume of requests for transcripts and letters of recommendation during the Spring months. It is highly recommended that you get your request to these schools **EARLY** and follow up to make certain that all materials are mailed out before the April 1st deadline. ***Late mailings from these schools will disqualify your application.***

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**2014**  
**Golden Gate District 21 AHEPA**  
**EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION, CHECKLIST, For Students Use

Please read the *Eligibility Requirements*. The scholarship must be applied to the Fall or Winter Semester of the year awarded. If the scholarship is not used during that period, it shall be forfeited. The Applicant may apply for an AHEPA Scholarship another time without prejudice. Your application, including two letters of recommendation and most current transcript must be complete and postmarked no later than **April 1, 2014**. You and the local AHEPA Chapter President/Scholarship Coordinator shall be responsible for the application's completeness and timeliness.

1. Name, personal and educational information \_\_\_\_\_
2. Photographs (two wallet-size) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Statement of accomplishments \_\_\_\_\_
4. Letters of Recommendation (2). Included \_\_\_ or by separate cover \_\_\_\_.
5. Most current transcripts. Included \_\_\_ or by separate cover \_\_\_\_.
6. Signed Counselor/Principal Statement \_\_\_\_\_
7. Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_
8. AHEPA Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_
9. AHEPA Chapter Endorsement \_\_\_\_\_
10. AHEPA Chapter President/Scholarship Chairman Signature \_\_\_\_\_
11. AHEPA Chapter Secretary Verification and Signature \_\_\_\_\_
12. One page typed essay enclosed with application (see Note 5, page 4) \_\_\_\_\_
13. Review one more time and postmark by **certified mail only**  
no later than April 1st. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Faxed documents are not acceptable.**

**NOTE: RETURN THIS CHECKLIST WITH YOUR APPLICATION**

The Foundation Committee does not have any flexibility if the application is not complete or is not mailed on time.

If you have any questions, contact the Foundation Board Chairman, Nick Pries at (408) 978-8321 or by Email: xioti12@yahoo.com.





## American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association Golden Gate District 21 Educational Foundation 2014 Scholarship Application

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

Scholarships are offered to qualified applicants each year. The number of Scholarships is dependent upon the funds raised and available each year. Recipients will receive their awards after proof of registration in the college or university of their choice has been provided to the Chairman of the Educational Foundation.

An Applicant must meet all of the following requirements:

#### **A. Organizational Affiliation:**

1. Be a member in good standing of the Order of AHEPA, Sons of Pericles or Maids of Athena for a minimum of three (3) consecutive years, **OR**
2. Be a child of an AHEPAN who has been in good standing for a minimum of three (3) consecutive years at the time of submitting their application, **OR**
3. Be a grandchild of an AHEPAN who has been in good standing with a minimum of three (3) consecutive years of membership at the time of submitting their application, **OR**
4. If the applicant is a child of a deceased AHEPAN who has been a member for thirty-six (36) consecutive months prior to death, the applicant is eligible. If death occurs at any time within the last twelve (12) months of the deceased AHEPAN'S membership, the applicant is considered eligible.

#### **B. Residency Requirements:**

1. The applicant must be a resident of AHEPA Golden Gate District 21. This includes local residents who are attending college away from home.

#### **C. Verification and Endorsement:**

1. The application must be verified and endorsed by the local AHEPA Chapter President and/or Scholarship Chairman, and the Chapter Secretary.

#### **D. Grade Point Average:**

1. **UNDERGRADUATE APPLICANT**
  - a. Exhibit scholastic excellence in High School or College Prep School maintaining a 3.0 GPA **OR** has attended a college or university full time for one (1) year maintaining a 3.0 GPA.
  - b. Provide evidence of leadership qualities, church participation and community service.
2. **GRADUATE APPLICANT**
  - a. Exhibit scholastic excellence and maintain a minimum of a 3.0 GPA.
  - b. Provide evidence of leadership qualities, church participation and community service.

#### **E. Previous Recipient:**

Applicant must not have been a previous recipient of a District 21 Scholarship, and is eligible for only one District 21 Scholarship. HOWEVER, a graduate applicant who has received a scholarship award as an undergraduate student may apply for a Graduate student award.

#### **F. Board review and Announcement:**

The Educational Evaluator is solely responsible for the evaluation of all eligible applicants. The Foundation Board will announce the results in writing no later than May 15.

**APPLICANTS: CHECK YOUR WORK FOR COMPLETENESS AND**  
**MAIL BY CERTIFIED MAIL ONLY. NO FAXED DOCUMENTS ACCEPTED**

**DISTRICT 21, ORDER OF AHEPA  
EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION - 2014**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School/College/University now attending \_\_\_\_\_

Do you qualify through: \_\_\_\_\_ Order of AHEPA \_\_\_\_\_ Sons of Pericles \_\_\_\_\_ Maids of Athena

Chapter Name \_\_\_\_\_

City of \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATIONAL GOALS:**

Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Location of College \_\_\_\_\_

Include 2 recent  
wallet size photos  
(non returnable)

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

1. Honors Received: \_\_\_\_\_

2. List school activities (memberships, societies, athletics, offices held. Special interests):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. List of Church, Civic, Community and Other activities: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



**ORDER OF AHEPA AFFILIATIONS:**

Father \_\_\_\_\_ Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Grandfather \_\_\_\_\_ Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

***The following endorsement is to be completed by the local Sponsoring AHEPA Chapter:*****AHEPA CHAPTER VERIFICATION AND ENDORSEMENT**

The \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter City \_\_\_\_\_

AHEPA Chapter Number \_\_\_\_\_ recommends \_\_\_\_\_

as a candidate for District Scholarship Award. Eligibility is based on the following sponsorship.

Member Name \_\_\_\_\_, Relationship, \_\_\_\_\_

is a member in good standing and is a \_\_\_\_\_ year member as of \_\_\_\_\_. (date)

The Applicant meets all the requirements  
of the Scholarship Program and the  
application is deemed complete.

\_\_\_\_\_  
AHEPA Chapter President/Scholarship Chairman

Tel. ( )

I certify that all information regarding the  
sponsorship membership status in  
AHEPA has been verified.

\_\_\_\_\_  
AHEPA Chapter Secretary

Tel. ( )

**COUNSELOR'S or PRINCIPAL'S STATEMENT (High School)****OFFICE OF REGISTRAR (Undergraduate or Graduate)**

Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

If available, SAT Score \_\_\_\_\_ ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Based on \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:**

The following persons, not related to you, are writing letters of recommendation which must be submitted with the scholarship application to the Chairman of the Educational Foundation Board and **will be postmarked no later than April 1, 2014.** (*One letter must be from a teacher, counselor or administrator from your school.*)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

1. Complete Application, and all related materials must be signed and postmarked **NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2014.**
2. Official Transcripts from High School(s) or College(s) to be sent with scholarship application directly to the Foundation Board Chairman **NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2014.**
3. SAT or ACT Scores (if applicable) by counselor or principal with additional comments, if necessary.
4. Two letters of recommendation from persons not related to you. One must be from a teacher, counselor or administrator. **NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2014.**
5. **A ONE page essay** describing your goals and ambitions.

**APPLICANT SIGNATURE**

Enclosed is my one page essay describing my goals, ambition and the impact of this scholarship as I go forth in search of my future.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**MAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sponsoring AHEPA Chapter President or Scholarship Chairman, and Secretary **MUST** review this application, before **YOU** mail it. Mail your completed application by **certified mail only** with all supporting documentation, postmarked on or before **April 1, 2013** to:

**Nick Pries, Chairman of the Board**  
**AHEPA Golden Gate District 21 Educational Foundation**  
**1420 Courtyard Drive**  
**San Jose, CA 95118**

Questions? Contact Foundation Board Chairman Nick Pries at (408) 978-8321 or email: [xioti12@yahoo.com](mailto:xioti12@yahoo.com)





# **GOLDEN GATE DISTRICT 21**

## **Daughters of Penelope**

### **Scholarship Program**

**Proudly Announce the 2014 Scholarship Awards**

#### **Undergraduate**

**(available to both female and male students)**

DOP Past District Governor's League - \$2,000

District 21 Scholarship - \$1,500

District 21 Scholarship - \$1,500

District 21 Scholarship - \$1,000

(in Memory of Cowan & Rosina Kennedy)

District 21 Scholarship - \$1,000

(in Memory of Gus Stratigopoulos)

District 21 Scholarship - \$1,000

(in Memory of James Karneges, USMC)



#### **Graduate**

**(available to female students only)**

Angela Mouroufas Memorial Scholarship - \$2,000

Ekaterini Tsakopoulos Memorial Scholarship - \$2,000

Kalliopi Alexopoulos Memorial Scholarship (Medical Field Only) - \$1,000

#### **Re-Entry/Continuing Education**

**(available to female students only)**

District 21 Scholarship - \$1,000

**Any Questions Contact:**

**Mary Gavrilis**

DOP District Scholarship Chairman

4029 Holly Field Court

Modesto, CA 95356

Phone: 209-574-9500

E-mail: [gavrilis1@comcast.net](mailto:gavrilis1@comcast.net)



**Scholarship Applications are available on the new District 21 Website**  
**(Available in January 2014)**

**PLEASE NOTE: APPLICATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 1, 2014**

## Daughters of Penelope Golden Gate District 21

### 2014 *District Scholarship Program*



### ATTENTION CHAPTER PRESIDENTS

***To avoid any confusion, please destroy all past Scholarship packets***

***All information has been updated for the 2014 Scholarship Program***

Attached is the **2014 District Scholarship Program** Information that needs to be available to any potential applicant who is qualified to apply. Each applicant should receive one copy of the following:

1. Introductory letter from the DOP District Scholarship Chairman
2. 2014 District Scholarship Award Announcement
3. 2014 District Scholarship Application (fillable)
4. 2014 Mandatory Scholarship Application Checklist

**From November 2013 to March 2014 it would be beneficial to announce in your chapter bulletins and any other form of communications within your communities that the 2014 District Scholarship Application is available. At the 2013 District Convention, it was passed that the Undergraduate Scholarships will be available to sons, daughters, grandsons or granddaughters. We are pleased to announce that we have six(6) Undergraduate Scholarships to award.**

**Please stress the following important information:**

- ☒ **Announce Award Types-** See copy of 2014 District Scholarship Award Announcement. Note that one Graduate Award is for a woman pursuing a career in the medical field.
- ☒ **APRIL 1, 2014 IS THE DEADLINE** to send applications. All requested materials **MUST** be postmarked by the deadline date and sent to the District Scholarship Chairman by **CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT.**
- ☒ **2014 Scholarship Award** Announcement, Application, Mandatory Checklist and Introductory Letter can be found on the **District 21 Web Site (available January 2014)** or from the DOP Chapter President and the DOP District Scholarship Chairman.
- ☒ **It is very important that the “Endorsing Chapter Page”** of the application be completed by the Chapter President and Secretary or the application will be disqualified.

If you or any applicants have any questions, please do not hesitate to call. Thank you for advertising the 2014 Scholarship Program in your **“Chapter Bulletins.”**

**Mary Gavrilis**  
**DOP District Scholarship Chairman**  
 4029 Holly Field Court  
 Modesto, CA 95356  
**Home:** 209-574-9500  
**Email:** [gavrilis1@comcast.net](mailto:gavrilis1@comcast.net)





**Daughters of Penelope  
Golden Gate District 21  
2014 District Scholarship Program**

November 2013

Greetings Prospective Applicant,

The Daughters of Penelope of District 21 have been awarding scholarships to worthy recipients for many years and the 2014 Scholarship Program will be our 47th year of providing assistance in the area of education. The 2014 District Scholarship awards include six (6) undergraduates, three (3) postgraduates and one (1) re-entry continuing education. New for 2014, Undergraduate Scholarships will be offered to both female and male students.

Attached to this letter is the **2014 Scholarship Application** and various other requirements. It is very important that you review the Application so you can familiarize yourself with the items that are needed to complete the form. Reviewing the Application helps save you time and energy. Make sure your Application is professional and complete. **MAKE A COPY OF THE COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR YOUR RECORDS BEFORE MAILING.** The fillable pdf version of the Application will be available on the new District 21 web page effective January 2014.

**Letters of Recommendation** show that certain individuals in your personal life respect your skills and accomplishments. These individuals could be a teacher, counselor, clergy or employer who is willing to write their wonderful thoughts about you and sign their name. You should ask a person who knows you reasonably well. Three (3) current recommendations must **BE DATED** from the following: faculty members and community sources. If questions arise on who receives these letters you may show them the application requirements.

The **DEADLINE** for all required documents is to be postmarked by **APRIL 1, 2014**. Applicants will be disqualified unless each of the items are completed in full as stated on the **"Mandatory Scholarship Application Checklist."** **Mark your calendars so you don't forget!!!**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me. My contact information is below.

Good Luck!!!

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District Scholarship Chairman  
4029 Holly Field Court  
Modesto, Ca. 95356  
Phone: (209) 574-9500  
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## 2014 Scholarship Application Daughters of Penelope of Golden Gate District



The scholarships awarded by the Daughters of Penelope of Golden Gate District 21 are awarded on an academic merit system by a group of unbiased outside evaluators hired by the Daughters of Penelope on an annual basis. None of the members of the evaluation team may have any association with any of the candidates or their families or be members of any branch of the AHEPA Family of District 21.

Applicants are encouraged to read and follow **ALL** of the directions of the Application. Any omissions from the requested materials or lateness of the postmark date will be grounds for finding the Application incomplete and ineligible for any award consideration. Recipients will NOT receive their cash award until proof of enrollment and payment fee is received by the District Scholarship Chairman.

**ALL APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION MUST BE CLEARLY PRINTED  
OR TYPED AND POST MARKED BY **CERTIFIED** MAIL NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2014.**

**SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS ARE NOT RENEWABLE AND AWARDS WILL BE ISSUED TO RECIPIENTS ONLY  
ONE (1) TIME IN ANY OF THE SCHOLARSHIP CATEGORIES**

### A. ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

#### → WHAT THE APPLICANT MUST BE OR DO

1. Be a female or male
2. Be a High School Senior or a recent High School Graduate or attending a Community College or State College or University **BUT** not as a Graduate Student. (*Applicant cannot be a former recipient of an undergraduate award of the Daughters of Penelope of Golden Gate District 21 Scholarship program.*)
3. GPA- Minimum of 3.0
4. Be a member of the Daughters of Penelope or the Maids of Athena of Golden Gate District 21 in good standing for a minimum of **two (2)** years before the application year or have an immediate member of the family (mother, grandmother) who is a member of the Daughters of Penelope of Golden Gate District 21 in good standing for a minimum of **two (2)** years before the application year and attended **four (4)** meetings during the fiscal year **or** is the **daughter, granddaughter, son or grandson** of an AHEPAN of Golden Gate District 21 in good standing for a minimum of **two (2)** years before the application year and attended **four (4)** meetings during the fiscal year.
5. Have the **President** and **Secretary** of the **endorsing chapter** complete the appropriate area of the Application to verify membership of the applicant or immediate family.
6. Type a **one (1)** page essay in English about your educational, vocational and life goals, aspirations and the importance of our Hellenic Heritage.
7. Provide a current **Official** transcript, in a sealed envelope with a Registrar's stamp, from the high school or college currently enrolled in.
8. **Three (3)** current recommendations be dated from the following: faculty members and community sources.
9. The **Application** and **ALL** the required documents **MUST** be included with the applicant's packet of the following items and sent **Certified Mail RETURN RECEIPT** by the **applicant directly** to the **District Scholarship Chairman postmarked by the application deadline of APRIL 1, 2014.**
  - a. An original current **Official** transcript, in a sealed envelope with a Registrar's stamp, from the high school or college currently enrolled in.
  - b. Three (3) current recommendations be dated from the following: faculty members and community sources.



- c. Typed **one (1)** page essay in English about your educational, vocational and life goals, aspirations and the importance of our Hellenic Heritage.
- d. Mandatory Scholarship Application Checklist

**B. ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR COLLEGE GRADUATE AWARDS****→ WHAT THE APPLICANT MUST BE OR DO**

1. Be a **female** and never awarded a Graduate Scholarship by the Daughters of Penelope
2. Be accepted or be currently enrolled in a M.A., M.S., and M.B.A., PhD., D.D.S., M.D or other college or university post-graduate program.
3. Be enrolled for a minimum of **nine (9)** units per **academic quarter/semester**.
4. GPA – Minimum of 3.0
5. Be a member of the Daughters of Penelope or the Maids of Athena of Golden Gate District 21 in good standing for a minimum of **two (2)** years before the application year or have an immediate member of the family (mother, grandmother) who is a member of the Daughters of Penelope of Golden Gate District 21 in good standing for a minimum of **two (2)** years before the application year and attended **four (4)** meetings during the fiscal year **or** is the daughter or granddaughter of an AHEPAN of Golden Gate District 21 in good standing for a minimum of **two (2)** years before the application year and attended **four (4)** meetings during the fiscal year.
6. Have the **President** and **Secretary** of the endorsing chapter complete the appropriate area of the Application to verify membership of the applicant or immediate family.
7. A current **Official** college or university transcript in a sealed envelope with a Registrar's stamp.
8. Type a **one (1)** page essay in English about your educational, vocational and life goals, aspirations and the importance of our Hellenic Heritage.
9. The Application and **ALL** required documents **MUST** be accompanied with the applicant's packet of the following items and sent **Certified Mail RETURN RECEIPT** by the applicant directly to the District Scholarship Chairman postmarked by the application deadline of **April 1, 2014**.
  - a. A current **Official** college or university transcript in a sealed envelope with a Registrar's stamp.
  - b. Evidence of acceptance into the graduate program of choice.
  - c. **Three (3)** current recommendations must be dated from the following: faculty members and community sources.
  - d. Typed **one (1)** page essay in English about her educational, vocational, life goals, aspirations and the importance of our Hellenic Heritage.
  - e. Mandatory Scholarship Application Checklist

**C. ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR THE RE-ENTRY AWARD****→ WHAT THE APPLICANT MUST BE OR DO**

1. Be a **female** and never awarded a Re-Entry Scholarship by the Daughters of Penelope
2. Be accepted or currently enrolled in a college, university, or vocational school
3. GPA – Minimum of 3.0
4. Be a member of the Daughters of Penelope of Golden Gate District 21 in good standing for a minimum of **two (2) years** before the application year and attended **four (4) meetings** during the year **or** is the daughter or granddaughter of an AHEPAN of Golden Gate District 21 in good standing for a minimum of **two (2) years before the application year and attended four (4) meetings during the fiscal year.**
5. Have the **President** and **Secretary** of the endorsing chapter complete the appropriate area on the Application to verify membership.
6. A current **Official** college or university or vocational training center transcript in a sealed envelope with a Registrar's stamp.
7. Type a **one (1)** page essay in English about her educational, career goals and aspirations
8. The **Application** and **ALL** the required documents **MUST** be included with the applicant's packet of the following items and sent **Certified Mail RETURN RECEIPT** by the applicant directly to the District Scholarship Chairman postmarked by the application deadline date of **APRIL 1, 2014.**
  - a. An original current recommendation from each of the following be dated: a faculty member and two letters from a community source. Clergy optional.
  - b. Type a **one (1)** page essay in English about your educational, vocational, life goals, aspirations and the importance of our Hellenic Heritage.
  - c. A current **Official** college, university or vocational training center transcript in a sealed envelope with a Registrar's stamp.
  - d. Mandatory Scholarship Application Checklist.

**NOTIFICATION AND AWARD PROCEDURE FOR  
UNDERGRADUATE – GRADUATE - RE-ENTRY SCHOLARSHIPS**

The District Scholarship Chairman will notify all applicants in writing of their award status at the completion of the evaluation process. All recipient winners are encouraged to attend the **2014 Western Regional Convention in Reno, NV, which is being held at the Atlantis Hotel on Saturday June 21, 2014** to be recognized for your scholastic achievement. To receive the **undergraduate and re-entry award check**, the District Scholarship Chairman must receive proof of registration and payment fee for the fall term from the college or university or vocational training center. The **graduate awards check** is issued in **two installments** and proof of registration and payment fee must be received for the **fall term** and **spring term** from the university. Cash awards will be made directly to the winners.



**2014 DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**  
**Daughters of Penelope Golden Gate District 21**  
 (Application MUST be clearly printed or typed)



First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
Home Address	City	State
Zip Code		
(       )		Telephone Number
		Email

Highest grade/degree completed to date \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Address/City/State of School currently attending \_\_\_\_\_

Are you also applying for a District 21 AHEPA Foundation Scholarship this year? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**-Application must include two identical 2" x 3" Photographs attached here –  
 (Photos will not be returned)**

Name of Father and Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Mother and Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Number of siblings and ages (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of the Maids of Athena or the Daughters of Penelope of Golden Gate 21?

- Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Which Chapter and City \_\_\_\_\_ • No \_\_\_\_\_
- Name of immediate family member who is a member of the Daughters of Penelope (mother or grandmother) or Order of AHEPA (father or grandfather)

\_\_\_\_\_

• Anticipated major field of study? \_\_\_\_\_

• If already accepted, name of school \_\_\_\_\_

What degree(s) do you plan to obtain and in which subject area(s) when do you plan to start attendance of the accredited school \_\_\_\_\_

1. From which community college, college, university or vocational training center do you plan to obtain your degree/certification and when \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



2. How do you plan to finance your next year at college? List tentative percentages for each source cited:

Family assistance \_\_\_\_\_% Applicant's Employment \_\_\_\_\_% Other \_\_\_\_\_%

3. If you are currently employed, how many hours per week do you work? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Estimated cost of education for the coming year:

Tuition \_\_\_\_\_

Educational Supplies (books etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Room and Board/Rent (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Health \_\_\_\_\_

Clothing \_\_\_\_\_

Recreation/Entertainment \_\_\_\_\_

Transportation \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

5. List Scholastic Honors and Awards achieved during the last two (2) academic years

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. List all Scholarships you have received and their respective amount and include the year received

\_\_\_\_\_

7. List Community Activities \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

8. List Church Activities \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*\*\*GRADUATE STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE THIS SECTION\*\*\*\*\***

1. Major Field of Study \_\_\_\_\_

2. What degree(s) do you plan to obtain and in which field of endeavor?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Name of College(s) or University from which you will receive your degree(s)

\_\_\_\_\_

4. When is your anticipated date of graduation from the listed degree programs?

\_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*\*\*THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE ENDORSING CHAPTER \*\*\*\*\***

*Daughters of Penelope • Maids of Athena • Order of AHEPA of Golden Gate DISTRICT 21*

Chapter Name & Number \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter City & State \_\_\_\_\_

The Daughters of Penelope • Maids of Athena • Order of AHEPA is pleased to recommend for consideration  
of a Daughters of Penelope District 21 Scholarship Award  
(Check One)

\_\_\_\_\_ Undergraduate \_\_\_\_\_ Graduate \_\_\_\_\_ Re-Entry Award

The name of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_

We, the undersigned, verify the member of the scholarship applicant or immediate family (mother, grandmother) is in good standing for a minimum of two (2) years before the application year and attended four (4) meetings during the fiscal year or is the daughter, granddaughter, son or grandson of an AHEPAN in good standing for a minimum of two (2) years before the application year and attended four (4) meetings during the fiscal year.

Name of Member \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Has been a dues paying member and in current good standing for \_\_\_\_\_ years.

**Chapter President**

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Chapter Secretary**

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

This Application and all requested materials **MUST** be received by the **District Scholarship Chairman**  
by **Certified Mail RETURN RECEIPT** postmarked no later than April 1, 2014

Mail application packet to

Mary Gavrilis  
DOP District 21 Scholarship Chairman  
4029 Holly Field Court  
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(Email: [gavrilis1@comcast.net](mailto:gavrilis1@comcast.net))

**2014****Daughters of Penelope District Golden Gate 21****MANDATORY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

**Applicants will be disqualified unless each of the items below are completed in full**

- ☐ Scholarship Application - Name, personal and educational information
- ☐ Photographs (two identical Passport size 2" x 3", not returnable)
- ☐ Three **(3)** Letters of Recommendation must be dated: Clergy optional. If an institution is involved the letter should be on letterhead; other letters will be accepted **IF** signed with an address and phone number for verification.
- ☐ Current Official Transcripts in a sealed envelope with a Registrar's stamp from the high school or college currently enrolled in.
- ☐ Applicant's Signature
- ☐ Daughters/AHEPA/Maids Chapter Endorsement (signed by President and Secretary)
- ☐ **A typed** one (1) page essay in English about your educational, vocational and life goal, aspirations and the importance of our Hellenic Heritage.
- ☐ **If applicable**, evidence of acceptance into the graduate program of choice.
- ☐ Review one more time, and send by **Certified Mail Return Receipt** to the District Scholarship Chairman, postmarked no **later than April 1, 2014**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature\_\_\_\_\_  
Date**NOTE: RETURN THIS CHECKLIST WITH YOUR APPLICATION**

If all the requested material is not in your package, your application will be disqualified by the **Evaluator**.  
The packages are sent **UNOPENED** to the **Evaluator**.

If you have any questions, please contact the DOP District Scholarship Chairman

**Mary Gavrilis**  
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