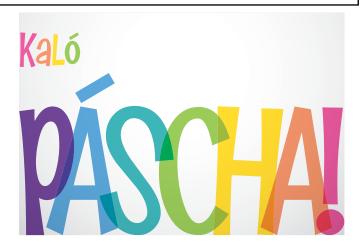


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AHEPA District Governor's Message



Sisters, Brothers:

Spring is once again here. Soon we will be celebrating Easter and Greek Independence Day! Scholarship applications are here and the District Convention is coming up!

The District Lodge visitations to our chapters are completed. On behalf of the Lodge, I would like to thank all the chapters who hosted our visitations for their warm welcome and hospitality. I would also like to thank all the officers of the Lodge for their time and traveling to visit our chapters. We had a chance to communicate the status of the projects and the events planned by the District, as well as listen to ideas and concerns from our members.

By now, all chapters have received a hard copy of the District Scholarship applications. A soft copy can be found on the District website ahepa21.org. The applications are due April 2nd this year, since April 1st is a Sunday. Please encourage qualified candidates to apply! Remember that any student who is a member of the Sons of Pericles or the Maids of Athena is eligible to apply. Applications to SOP and MOA can also be found online on the District website. I would like to remind you that National also offers scholarships and applications can be found on the ahepa.org site. The deadline for these applications is March 31st. In addition to the scholarships, you can also find information about two excellent programs sponsored by AHEPA, the AHEPA Academy and the Journey to Greece, targeting junior high school and college students correspondingly. The scholarship committee is considering to providing scholarships to selected candidates for their participation in these programs.

We are now in Phase III of our St. Nicholas Ranch Dormitory Renovation District project. So far we have collected over \$11,000 towards the \$80,000 goal. Our fundraising continues with a raffle organized by our DOP Sisters. Please consider buying tickets to help us complete the project. District 20 has also promised to raise money for the third phase and District Governor Alex Soles is planning a fund raiser in the next months.

In addition to the Renovation project, the District is planning to participate in the Dogs for Warriors National project. This program is raising funds to purchase service dogs for wounded veterans suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. These dogs are rescued from dog pounds and are specially trained to provide the veterans with their companionship and to assist them in their path to recovery and management of their disabilities. The cost of training is \$15,000 per dog. You can find more information about this program at ahepa-servicedogs.org.

This year we will have the Western Region District Convention at the Atlantis Casino Resort and Spa in Reno, NV on June 21-24. It is hosted by District 17 and includes Districts 17, 20, 21 and 22. It will be a great opportunity to meet and share ideas with fellow AHEPA Family members from the other Western Districts. Convention information, including registration, hotel reservation, album ad contact, etc. is included in this issue of the Traveler and can also be found at the WRDC website, ahepa-wrdc.org. Please book your hotel room early to get the special rate.

Finally, for those of you with Facebook accounts, I would like to point out our Facebook page, AHEPA District 21 (www.facebook.com/AHEPA21). Please visit it to find out the latest news and events from the District and let us know if you like it!

I wish you and your families a Happy Easter, Kalo Pascha!

With brotherly regards,

George Zioulas

District 21 Governor

Daughters of Penelope District Governor's Message



As the Lenten Season begins, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank every chapter for their wonderful hospitality and graciousness. You have honored not only to me but also the District Lodge. I enjoyed my visitations with all the chapters and was happy to hear of I the lovely events and collaborations with one another and the inclusion of others from neighboring chapters for future events.

As you all are aware, the Western Regional Convention will take place from June 21-24 in Reno, Nevada. Chairmen from Districts 17, 20, 21 and 22 and their committees have been busy ensuring that this convention be remarkable and memorable. Please complete your registration form, as well as the ad form for the convention album. All the forms are included in this issue of the TRAVELER.

Our 2018 Supreme Convention is scheduled for July 22-28 in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Please see information in this issue of the Traveler. Chapter Presidents should have already received a packet from National Headquarters with various forms and applications, as well as District forms from me. The forms and payments are due not later than March 31, 2018.

District 21 Scholarships have been distributed to all chapters. You may get applications and the information packet on our website – www.dop21.org or contact Linda Belba, at: ljbelba@yahoo.com.

We are now in Phase III of our St. Nicholas Ranch Dormitory Renovation Project. The Daughters are selling the raffle tickets for one for \$20 and three for \$50. Our goal is \$80,000. So far, we have collected over \$11,000. Please contact Vaso Moulas, our Lt. Governor, if you need additional tickets.

Don't forget that our membership contest is still ongoing. Send a copy of the application of your new initiates and reinstatements to our District Secretary, Barbara Takanikos. The deadline is May 1, 2018.

Please remember to create committees to choose your chapter's Penelope of the Year and Daughter of the Year. This is a thoughtful way to show your appreciation for dedicated members

On behalf of the District Lodge – Vaso Moulas, Barbara Takanikos, Laurie Sahines, Aida Nassar, Linda Belva, Beverly Kennedy and Kathy Leles – I wish the AHEPA Family a blessed Easter season and look forward to seeing you at the District Convention!

Love in Theta Pi,

Foula Vasilogiorgis

District 21 Governor

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Monthe Kofos Memorial Golf Tournament March 11-17, 2018 Wild Dunes Resort Charleston, SC

AHEPA Athletics, in an effort to continuously offer top quality events, is proud to announce the upcoming Monthe Kofos Memorial Golf Tournament to be held at the fabulous Wild Dunes Resort in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina. They feature 2 championship golf courses, the Links and the Harbor, as well as wonderful amenities for everyone in the entire family. Wild Dunes is just minutes away from historical downtown Charleston, which features the best in food and nightlife in the Low Country of South Carolina. Come join us for a fabulous week of fun, fellowship, and amazing golf!



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The preliminary pricing is as follows and is subject to change:



2-bedroom resort view condos based on quad occupancy: 4 nights/3 rounds package- \$543.25 6 nights/5 rounds package- \$802.19

*Ocean front houses available upon request that can house up to 6 people! Contact Sandy Papadopoulos at 678-860-6564 (sandypap@gmail.com) for more information.

We look forward to seeing everyone in Charleston!



SAVE THE DATES - JUNE 21-24, 2018

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

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

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

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



https://www.facebook.com/AHEPA.WRDC/

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

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

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

SEE YOU IN RENO!



EVENT REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, May 15, 2018**

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

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Phone # (800) 723-6500 Email reservations@atlantiscasino.com http://atlantiscasino.com/
Include Discount Code - AHEPA - in Phone, E-Mail or On-line Hotel Reservation Request Hotel Registration Convention Headquarters Atlantis Casino Resort Spa, Reno, NV **48-hour cancellation policy applies for hotel

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

WRDC2018 Rev: 12/2/17



2018 Commemorative Album Ad Contract

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT

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

Copy and Contract Regulations:

Email capoodlegirls@gmail.com

- All copy and advertisements are subject to approval of the Convention Committee. Committee approval shall not relieve advertiser of its obligation
 to defend and indemnify as provided below.
- E-Mailed photos in PDF, TIF or JPG format are preferred. Otherwise, photos must be glossy finished. (Resolution 300 DPI Minimum) All payments and materials must be received by the deadline of May 10th for guaranteed placement in album.
- The advertiser agrees to protect, defend and indemnify AHEPA WRDC 2018, its individual members and the publisher against any claim based on libelous statements, unauthorized use of photographs or other material, or any other matter based on or used within the advertiser's ad.
- Requests for photographs to be returned must be in writing. Please provide a self-addressed stamped envelope.

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SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

Sponsorships must be received by May 10th for guaranteed Ad placement

DIAMOND LEVEL: \$5,000.00

- Sponsor will be featured at all events
- Preferred placement of full page color ad in the convention album
- Prominent placement of company logo or individual/family name in the Scholarship Program and the Grand Banquet Program
- Company logo or family name placed on the sponsorship page in the convention album
- Prominently placed Table of 8 at the Grand Banquet

<u>PLATINUM LEVEL</u>: \$3,000.00

- Full page color ad in the convention album
- Placement of company logo or individual/family name in the Scholarship Program and the Grand Banquet Program
- Company logo or family name placed on the sponsorship page in the convention album
- Four (4) tickets to the Grand Banquet

GOLD LEVEL: \$1,000.00

- One half page color ad in the convention album
- Placement of company logo or individual/family in the Scholarship Program and the Grand Banquet Program
- Company logo or family name placed on the sponsorship page in the convention album
- Two (2) tickets to the Grand Banquet

SILVER LEVEL: \$500.00

- One quarter page color ad in the convention album
- Placement of company logo or individual/family name in the Scholarship Program and the Grand Banquet Program
- Company logo or family name placed on the sponsorship page in the convention album
- Two (2) tickets to the Scholarship Luncheon

Please include payment for total sponsorship payable to AHEPA WRDC 2018.

Mail payment to – AHEPA WRDC 2018, Attn: Carol Stathopoulos 3065 E. Packard Drive, Gilbert, AZ 85298 Please specify company logo or individual/family name

contact@ahepa-wrdc.org website: http://ahepa-wrdc.org/







2018 AHEPA WRDC GOLF DAY

TO BENEFIT THE AHERA FAMILY DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIPS

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

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

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

Corporate Sponsorships @ \$250
(Company Logo Placed in the Convention Album Sponsorship Page)

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Please make your check(s) payable to: Ahepa WRDC 2018 (Write Golf and/or Sponsor on the Memo Line)
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Tom Chiarchianis 507 Chabot Avenue Modesto, CA 95354

MEET US IN ATLANTIC CITY!

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

Sunday, July 22, 2018

AHEPA Family Convention Welcome Event 8pm

Monday, July 23, 2018

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

Tuesday, July 24, 2018

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

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

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

Thursday, July 26, 2018

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

Friday, July 27, 2018

SOP & MOA Celebrate the Youth Luncheon AHEPA Family Installations



KOULOURAKI 5th Annual "THROW DOWN" Winner's Prize: \$500



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

Here are the Rules:

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

The contest will be held Wednesday, July 26th, at 5pm. The panel of judges will include the National Presidents of our Orders.

The winner of the Koulouraki Contest will not only take home the title of BEST KOULOURAKI MAKER but also take home \$500!!! The winner will be announced at the Grand Banquet on Thursday, July 27th.

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

Good luck and see you in Atlantic City!

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Fax: 202.232.2140
Web: www.ahepa.org & www.daughtersofpenelope.org









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

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

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





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

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

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

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

Scholarship Program Overview prepared by Linda Belba, Daughters of Penelope District 21 Scholarship Chairman

2018 AHEPA FAMILY SCHOLARSHIPS; ELIGIBILITY AND OTHER GENERAL INFORMATION							
AHEPA Family	URL	Date Due	Mailing Instructions	Organizational Affiliation	Who Can Apply	GPA	Previous Recipient
AHEPA District 21	www.ahepa21.org	April 2, 2018	Your completed application may be sent with all supporting documentation by: CERTIFIED MAIL (Preferred), FEDEX, UPS, DHL with Return Receipt requessted.	Be a member in good standing of the Order of AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope, for a minimum of two (2) consecutive years, OR current members in good standing of the Sons of Pericles or Maids of Athena, OR Be a child of an AHEPAN or Daughters of Penelope who has been in good standing for a minimum of two (2) consecutive years at the time of submitting their application, OR 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	men and women	3.0 GPA	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
DOP District 21	www.dop21.org	April 2, 2018	Your completed application may be sent with all supporting documentation by: CERTIFIED MAIL (Preferred), FEDEX, UPS.	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.	varies. Some men and women and some women only	3.0 GPA	Applicant must not have been a previous recipient of a District 21 Scholarship they are applying for and is eligible for only one District 21 Scholarship.
DOP Foundation	www.dopfoundationinc. com	May 15, 2018	USPS Certified Mail and Return Receipt Requested	Have a current member of your immediate family (father, mother or grandparent) or legal guardian in the Daughters of Penelope or the Order of Ahepa who are active and in good standing for a minimum of 24 continuous months prior to the scholarship deadline date or be an active member in good standing for a minimum of 24 continuous months prior to the scholarship deadline ate in the Daughters of Penelope or the Maids of Athena.	women only		When applying for an undergraduate scholarship, the Applicant must not be a former recipient of an Undergraduate award of the Daughters of Penelope National Scholarship Program. When applying for a graduate scholarship, an Applicant must not be a former recipient of a Graduate award of the Daughters of Penelope National Scholarship Program. Previous Undergraduate Scholarship winners are eligible for a Graduate Award.
AHEPA Educational Foundation (AEF)	www.ahepa.org	March 31, 2018	any delivery service that can ascertain proof of delivery certified mail/return receipt requested or FedEX	Applicant is an active member of the AHEPA Family or applicant is of Hellenic descent or Phil-Helene; the son or daughter of a member of the AHEPA Family.	Men and women		a scholarship recipient is limited to only one scholarship as an undergraduate student and one scholarship as a graduate student.
AHEPA Scholar-Athlete	www.ahepa.org	March 31, 2018	Gregory J. Stamos, Scholarship Committee Chairman, P.O. Box 166, Ansonia, CT 06401	Parent, grandparent or applicant is AHEPA or DOP. applicant is MOA or SOP. Application must include a nomination by an AHEPAN.			
Maids of Athena details on website are from 2017. please check for updates	www.maidsofathena.org	JUNE 15, 2018	MOA National Scholarship PGP Marianthe Kolokithas 111 Knox Abbott Drive Apt #3013 Cayce, SC 29033 certified mail (with return receipt).	Must be a member of the Maids of Athena in good standing for the current year.	women only		





The 13th Annual Journey to Greece 2018 Summer Program

June 23 - July 21, 2018

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

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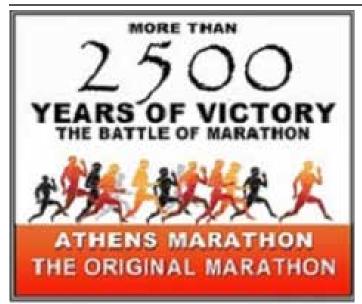


Sacramento DOP Chapter Visitation - Januray 27, 2018



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

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

IN MEMORIUM



James "Jim" Peter Dariotes March 14, 1943 - January 23, 2018

Brother Jim passed away on January 23, 2018, at 74. Beloved son of Gust and Maria Dariotes (deceased). Beloved brother of Thomas Poulas (deceased) and Harry Dariotes. Well loved cousin, uncle and friend. Also survived by aunts, uncles and cousins in Greece.

He was born in Sioux Falls, South Dakota and raised in San Francisco, CA.

Jim was an active member of the Annunciation Cathedral in San Francisco and the San Francisco chapter of the AHEPA. Served as Chapter President, District Governor and an advisor to the Sons of Pericles.

Employed in the commercial restaurant supply and restaurant business and for many years.



Modesto Ahepa Family Crab Fest - February 24, 2018











San Jose Ahepa Family Valentine's Dinner/Dance February 9, 2018

Sunnyvale Agape Grill

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Cioppino Dinner Night





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

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AHEPA Service Dogs for Warriors Program

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

To this end, AHEPA has joined the K9 for Warriors effort (www.k9sforwarriors.org), a life-saving program

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

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

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

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



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



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

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

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





AHEPA Supports Military Family

Reading Program Through The USO!

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

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

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