



Daughters of Penelope District 20 April 2023 Bulletin



Kali Anastasi kai Kalo Pasha - Happy Easter Everyone!!!

New District Lifetime Achievement Award – The District Lodge has established the *Light of Penelope Lifetime Achievement Award* to be presented for the first time at the 2023 District Convention in Santa Ana, CA, during the evening banquet on June 3, 2023. The award is being presented to an individual who has been described as the “walking billboard” for the Daughters of Penelope by virtue of the countless applications she has endorsed for new initiates. She always has an application form in her purse. Looking at the characteristics and virtues described in the Daughters of Penelope Ritual, and discovering each member should aspire to: Cultivating Truth, Goodness, and Beauty through purity of thought, loyalty, and patience, this inaugural award will be presented to **Georgia Souris**, Aegina 340, Chandler, AZ.

A 59-year member of the DOP, Georgia was initiated into Medea Chapter #128, Chicago, Illinois, in 1964. She was an active member while getting married (Peter Souris-1966); pursuing a career using her degrees in Sociology and English; giving birth to two boys (Nick & Steven); and contributing to her church community. Moving to Arizona in 1994, Georgia was a participant in the re-establishment of Aegina 340 and held every chapter office except treasurer. She progressed to District Lodge activities and was elected District Governor and District Penelope of the Year. Attendance at both District and National conventions as a delegate has been an annual adventure for many years enjoyed by Georgia and her husband Peter (Peter was presented with the AHEPA Lifetime Achievement Award earlier this year.) When asked, she will tell you, “I firmly believe in the ideals and principals of the AHEPA Family.” **AXIA Georgia AXIA.**



Western States Sisterhood Conference 2023 has been moved to Thursday, May 11, 2020, from 5-7 p.m via Zoom. Additional details can be found on the attached flyer.

District 20 Membership Update: (reported to the District Governor) Initiated: Veronica Wilson – Delos 103, Santa Barbara, CA; Faith Rice – Phoebus #146, Tucson, AZ; and Penny Adams, Aegina 340, Chandler, AZ. Any more out there? Let me know cnsgreekg@aol.com.

Deadlines are fast approaching for El Camino Real Scholarship applications (April 21st); Registration Forms for District Convention (May 19th); Ad Copy for the District Convention Souvenir Album (May 21st); Year-end chapter reports and district obligations (May 15th); and...

Plan your Officer Elections and Delegate elections to take place March, April or early May. District Convention will take place the first weekend in June, earlier than usual, and the Delegate Reporting Form is due May 15, 2023. All forms available at dopdistrict20.org.

District Convention June 2-3, 2023. Delegates must purchase the entire registration packet to be seated to vote. (Mandates page 2, #7) All forms available at AhepaDistrict20.org

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