

Daughters of Penelope District 20 Summer 2023 Bulletin

There has been a "break" in the weather...only 109 degrees today (7/17) compared to 118 degrees two days ago – and it's cloudy! And so it goes in Arizona...and next week in Las Vegas. Bring Summer clothing and lots of water. Fans too. Come prepared! Carol Stathopoulos 2023-2024 District Governor

District Convention hosted by the AHEPA Disneyland Chapter in Anaheim, CA, the first weekend of June included a shortened agenda, lots of unexpected surprises, some delays, a Sunday Brunch at church, and some hope to regenerate a chapter or two in the District. We welcomed Grand Secretary Margaret Dritsas and her poodle. Roll Call occurred, committee meetings began, and the delegates settled into the work of the convention. The evening was free to enjoy the restaurants in the surrounding neighborhoods, especially in the area of South Coast Plaza. Saturday morning highlight was the report of the District Project – Water with Blessings – and the announcement our district was going to present the project for national consideration at the Supreme Convention in Las Vegas. Mary Pruitt was selected District Penelope of the Year. After a joint AHEPA/DOP session and Annual Scholarship Meeting, elections were held (see below) and the convention was adjourned. Evening activities included presentation of the first ever DOP Light of Penelope Lifetime Achievement Award to Georgia Souris of Aegina #340 and a surprise award from the District Lodge to the District Governor. Totally unexpected – the Sisters of the District Lodge were very good at keeping a secret, that everybody knew about, but me. Thank you to all and to everyone who attended the convention.

Supreme Convention – Las Vegas, Nevada – July 23-28, 2023

A week from today the Supreme Convention takes place in our own "back yard". A full week of meetings and activities are scheduled. Check the National DOP or AHEPA websites. Of particular note, will be the scheduled presentation of **Water with Blessings** at the National Projects Committee scheduled for Monday, July 24 beginning at 3:00pm in Skyview 2. We will be last to present and were given a 5:15 pm approximate presentation time. Support from District 20 Delegates would be greatly appreciated.

Your new District Officers elected at the District Convention:

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