



September 2022

Dear District, 7 Sisters, warm greetings,

Thank you for placing your trust in me as your District Governor for the 2022-2023 administrative year. It is with humility and pride that I undertake the responsibilities of this position. I aspire to match my predecessors' dedication and commitment to the role and the Daughters of Penelope.

I want to congratulate the newly elected members of the District Lodge and look forward to working with them, as well as our counterparts in the AHEPA. Additionally, I want to congratulate our outgoing D7 Governor, Marianne Boutsoulis, who was elected Grand Governor Zone 1!

At the 2022 Supreme Convention of the Daughters of Penelope, the delegates elected Georgette Boulegeris as our Grand President. She realizes the potential in women and the power of collaboration and as such, has engaged in "The Power of We" campaign to engage women and strengthen the organization.

I am excited and looking forward to working closely with the new Grand Lodge and our D7 chapters. Now that we have regained some normalcy after two years of Covid restrictions, I am hoping that District 7 brings the spark and life back into its chapters. I was inspired by the Growth & Expansion resources on the DOP website (daughtersofpenelope.org), which I plan to share with all our chapters at our Fall conference and/or District visitations. I am looking forward to working together to establish a shared vision for our member and chapters to provide continuity across our District. Additionally, I want to encourage the open communication of issues and difficulties because I believe that together they can be resolved. Embrace the strength of our Sisterhood! Experience the Power of We!

We had a successful New England Regional Convention (NERC / Tri-District) in Hyannis, MA, where the new District Lodges (7, 8 & 9) were elected.

Kudos to the District 7 scholarship recipients! The scholarships were awarded at the Scholarship Dinner held in Waterbury in June. Many, many thanks for the invaluable help from those who set up, served and cleaned up.

A memorable & fun 100th AHEPA Family Supreme Convention was held at Walt Disney World Coronado Springs Resort, July 18 - 24. The 2023 101st Convention will be held in Las Vegas; more information will be forthcoming.

The Northeast Hellenic History Tournament (HHT) is Saturday, November 19, 2022. Registration forms are due September 16, 2022. For more information go to website www.ahepadistrict7.org.

Please save the date: Saturday, October 15, 2022, for our Fall Conference which will be held in Norwich, CT. Please make a point to attend; details will follow.

Yours in Theta Pi,
Elisa Marotta, Governor, District 7