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Message from the Order of AHEPA District Governor

In September I attended the Governor's conference in Washington DC. There seems to be a misconception as to when the per capita fee is due. **Dues need to be paid PRIOR to December 31, 2006.** National headquarters depend on these funds to operate, support causes, and promote projects. Many members and chapters do not submit their dues until the end of the year. This causes financial strain on the organization, inability to function and additional expenses in reminders and collection efforts.

The District Fall conference held in Waterbury was well attended. Discussions took place regarding membership and scholarships. During lunch, we awarded the District #7 Scholarships. We awarded a total of \$17,000 to ten students for their academic performance, community service and essay. We should be proud of their achievement and as AHEPANs we should be proud for our ability to award them.

In November the District lodge will be visiting the Hartford, CT and Cranston, RI chapters to conduct initiations. The Hartford chapter is inducting two members and the Cranston chapter eight. Congratulations to all.

The holiday season is upon us. I wish all of you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Peace to the World and in our hearts.

Fraternally,
Kip Kyprianou

Message from the Daughters of Penelope District Governor

The leaves have turned many beautiful colors and the Autumn Crispness is in the air. The Daughters of Penelope District 7 are beginning another rewarding year. Our District Liaison for this year will be Zone #3 Grand Governor Christine Constantine from Vernon, ILL. We look forward in working with her and meeting her when she visits at our Spring Conference and/ or Tri-District Convention.

I would like to THANK all the Sisters who attended the Fall Conference held in Waterbury, CT on October 7th. We had 28 Sisters in attendance from the following Chapters: New Britain #138-(8), Waterbury #99-(7), Meriden #76-(6), Newport #49-(4), and Hartford #198-(3).

This year the Daughters of Penelope focus will be "To rekindle the energy and excitement you first felt upon joining the Daughters "Catch the Spirit" and then you need to "Share the Spirit" by spreading this energy and excitement to others." Reach out to a new member or call up a lost Sister to attend the next Chapter meeting or District Conference. Remember the Re-instatement fee is waived for the month of November.

News from the District Governors Conference held in Washington, DC

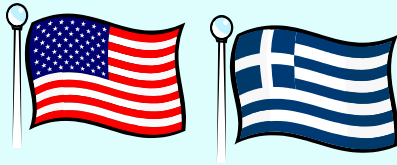
on September 22-24. The 2007 AHEPA National Convention will be held in Denver, CO, 2008 will be Athens, Greece and 2009 will be San Francisco, CA (DOP- 80th Anniversary). Have you purchased your District Raffle Ticket yet? Please support the DOP District and purchase a Raffle ticket for \$10 Tickets are available from any member of the District Lodge. Our 1st Drawing winners are: \$75 Helen Rockas from Fresno, CA and \$25-Diane Petersen from Elk Grove, CA. Our next drawing will be on November 14th at the Hartford Chapter meeting. Thank you for your support. Good Luck to Everyone.

I am looking forward to visiting all our Chapters; please call me to schedule your visit. Remember if there is anything I can do for you.....Please call or email me.
Yours in Theta Pi,

Loukia
Lucia Kazakos

Daughters of Penelope Ares #49 Newport, RI

The Newport chapter of the Daughters of Penelope is celebrating its 70th birthday this year. The chapter was formed in 1936 with twelve members. The celebration will be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2006 in the beautiful new addition to the Aquidneck Restaurant, Aquidneck Avenue, Middletown, RI. The chapter will be combining the annual Christmas Party with Brother AHEPANs that evening. Anyone



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wishing to attend may call Chapter President Ellen Anagnostos at 401-683-4275 for additional information. The officers for 2006-2007 for Ares 49 - Newport now in it's 70th year are:

President - Ellen Anagnostos
V. President - Maria Botelho
Secretary - Angela Volpicelli
Treasurer - Joanne Hologgitas, PhD
(*Congratulations on the Anniversary*)

**Daughters of Penelope
Deucalion #199
Waterbury, CT**

The Daughters of Penelope proudly announce their newly elected members for the following year:

President: Cassie Skabardonis
Vice President: Panagiota Albini
Treasurer: Athena Ziogas
Corr. Secretary: Gina Kotsaftis
Rec. Sec: Laura Petrakopoulos

On June 11, the Waterbury AHEPA Chapter 48 hosted the annual scholarship luncheon. The Daughters awarded five scholarships. The scholarships were awarded as follows:

Sadie Barchini-
Martha Chekas Memorial Scholarship
Jamie Crowell-
Bess Bonnell Memorial Scholarship
Dina Rocco-
Sophie Lintgeris Memorial Scholarship
Michael Carrington-
Daughters of Penelope Scholarship
George Tinios-
Daughters of Penelope Scholarship

We congratulate all of these young adults and wish them all the best in the year to come. The DOP Waterbury Chapter #199 hosted their First Annual Fall into Fashion Runway Show. This event was held at the Holy Trinity in Waterbury and displayed fashions from Bella Boutique in Middlebury, CT. The event was a tremendous success and a portion of the proceeds went to aid a Dialysis Treatment Center in Greece.

On October 7, Waterbury AHEPA and DOP hosted the fall

Upcoming Events

**AHEPA District #7
Spring Conference**
Saturday, April 28, 2007
St. George Church
New Britain, CT

**Tri District Convention
NERC IX**
June 1-3, 2007
Holiday Inn Mansfield, MA

Supreme Convention
July 9-14, 2007
Adams Mark Hotel
Denver, CO

conference. The following Deucalion sisters were in attendance: Penny Albibi, Cassie Skabardonis, Penny Pecka, Anastasia Persico, Sonia Velezis, Athena Ziogas, Myrsini Papoutsis and Laura Petrakopoulos. *Upcoming Event!!! The 3rd annual Festival of Tables will be held Sunday November 5 at 2pm at the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church. All proceeds raised are for the DOP scholarship fund.

**AHEPA Chapter #110
Rose of New England
Norwich, CT**

The Chapter continues to meet on the forth Tuesday of each month. At our September meeting we had a guest speaker, Brother Peter Patsouris presented a lecture on Hellenism and the Greek Culture.

The chapter presented a 25 year membership pin to Brother Richard Hominski.

Norwich #110 volunteered to assist in hosting the AHEPA Northeast Leadership Conference which was held October 28th at the Mystic Hilton. Supreme President Gus James and Supreme Vice President Gus Stefanadis were present at the day long conference.

*Order of AHEPA
Chapters of District #7*

CHAPTER: Charter Date

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Secretary

#48 Waterbury: April 23, 1924

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#58 Hartford: February 8, 1925

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#62 Bridgeport: April 5, 1925

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johnaf13@hotmail.com	

#90 Danbury: January 22, 1926

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#98 New Haven: March 5, 1926

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#99 Stamford: March 5, 1926

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niketes@yahoo.com	jcocolis@rc.com

#106 Providence: May 30, 1926

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#117 New Britain: September 29, 1926

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#126 Meriden: November 27, 1926

John Stargu	Adam Mantzanis
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#245 Newport: November 24, 1929

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#250 New London: February 16, 1930

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#387 Norwalk: June 25, 1953

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#418 Danielson: May 14, 1962

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Daughters of Penelope Meriden, CT

On September 29, 2006 Sisters Mary Petrus, Denise Halepas, Helen Ladas, and Margaret O'Dishoo attended the Wildwood, NJ AHEPA weekend. A great time was had by all, it is highly recommended by the sisters who attended the weekends festivities. Sister Margaret O'Dishoo will be cruising the Mediterranean seas this month, Lucky Marge.

Happy Birthday to Sister Artemis Nemphos, PDG and Chapter President. Sister Eva Kokis became a grandmother again, she now has two granddaughters. Congratulations!! Sister Lillian Tella, PDG and Brother Val Tella celebrated their wedding anniversary, may they celebrate many more. Sister Mary Petrus accompanied by her son Jim traveled on a fantastic trip to South America. Sister Denise Halepas has two granddaughters that are attending the University of Connecticut in Storrs. We wish them the Best of Luck!! Some of the sisters are helping at the St George Philoptochos with their fashion show. The chapter hosted a pancake breakfast for the community in October as one of their fundraisers. The new chapter officers for 2006-2007 are:
President: Artemis Nemphos
Vice President: Eva Kokis
Rec. Secretary: Irene Katechis
Corr. Secretary: Lillian Tella
Priestess: Koula Alexopoulos
Marshall: Pat Pappas

AHEPA Chapter #387 Norwalk, CT

Chapter President Nico Papadopoulos sends his regards, all the Papadopoulos's are doing well, George, Nick, John, and Chris. Officers for 2006—2007 are:
President : Nico Papadopoulos
Secretary: Nick Papadopoulos



AHEPA Chapter #117 New Britain

On September 24th, 2006, the Chapter sponsored the play "The Apology of Socrates" at the St. George Cultural Center. It was a memorable performance and all those present were very much impressed with the program. We were very happy our esteemed District Governor was present, along with the District Governor of the Daughters. Representative and Brother Dimitrios Giannaros also attended. We also had a number of Educators from Central Connecticut State University, Trinity College, some from area high schools, and some from the Medical field. Attendees were both of Greek and non Greek descent (which was the aim of promoting the play). This was the first of a series of Cultural events the Chapter has planned. The events are a co-operative project with the Eretria Chapter of the Daughters.

On October 8th, 2006, the Chapter awarded \$23,000 in scholarship, to twelve students. The event was held inside the Church with all the parishioners in attendance. Next, on October 28th we held our Cultural and historical presentations, the documentary "The 11th Day", the story of Cretan heroic resistance against the mighty Nazi war machine, during World War II. This is offered to the greater New Britain Community, free. The chapter held a meeting with Brother John Melanopoulos at the AHEPA Housing Project in Hartford in hopes of building a housing project in New Britain.

The Lions Club of New Britain held its annual luncheon on October 17, 2006 and AHEPA was invited to provide a speaker on a Greek Mythology and its hidden reality theme. The theme was the Argonaut expedition. The speaker Brother George A. Rados received a standing ovation for his 35 minute presentation. The Daughters

Chapters of New Britain and Meriden with the AHEPA are planning a Founders Day event, on November 19th, 2006, all are welcomed to attend! Finally, the New Britain/Meriden Chapters will hold a Christmas Party in New Britain on December 2, 2006

AHEPA Chapter #58 Nathan Hale Hartford, CT

The AHEPA chapter helped celebrate the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of St George Cathedral. A substantial contribution was made to the dedication of the St. Nectarios Shrine during Archbishop Demetrios' visit on November 4, 2006. The chapter is planning on sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Mobile Drive to be held at the church hall on Wednesday, December 27. This is the first time our chapter has been involved in working with the Red Cross..

An initiation ceremony was held on November 16, with the District Governor officiating. Under the direction of Brother Mo Moshovos membership continues to be an important activity of the chapter and two new members were initiated.

The additional housing for the AHEPA Home is well underway. Under the direction of Brothers Art Poly and Andreas Kapetanopoulos the building is on schedule to be finished towards the end of this year. We are very proud of this accomplishment.

In the future we are planning a golf tournament to aid the church and a dedication ceremony of the Phase II of our AHEPA Senior Citizen Elderly Housing Project.

AHEPA Chapter #126 Archimedes Meriden, CT

The chapter re-elected John Stargu as the chapter president for the fifteenth consecutive year.

AHEPA Chapter #90 Danbury, CT

The chapter sponsored the Last Fridays Film Festival showing "The 11th Day" and "Me ti Lampsi Sta Matia (With the Light in Our Eyes)" on Friday October 27. Complimentary pasta and salad buffet were served to all those attending the event held at the Community Hall of the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in Danbury, CT

The 11th Day a well-received 2004 documentary produced by Greek-American filmmaker Chris Epperson that chronicles the critical Battle of Crete; a seminal event of World War II in which Hitler's elite paratrooper force was decimated and, according to most historians, delayed the Nazi invasion of Russia. Me ti Lampsi Sta Matia a moving classic 1960s film that takes place during the Nazi Occupation of Greece was presented in Greek with English subtitles.

The officers for 2006-2007 for the chapter are:
President: Plato Demos
Secretary: Tony Vournazos

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Brother **Senator Leonidas P. Raptakis** a Senator for the State of Rhode Island is the Secretary for the Committee on Judiciary, he is on the Committee on Environment & Agriculture, and on the Joint Committee on Highway Safety. He represents the 33rd District.

Brother **Dr. Ted Malahias**, DDS, is a partner at the Bridgeworks Family Dental Center in Groton, CT. He is residing in Waterford, CT with his wife Joanne and daughter Constancia. He is a graduate of the State University of New York Stony Brook Dental School and received his undergraduate degree at Albany College of Pharmacy.

Brother **Peter Patsouris**, Norwich, CT is a Professor of History at the Three River Community College in Norwich, CT.

Sister **Myrsini Papoutsis**, M.S.

has recently been hired by Post University in Waterbury CT as an Associate Director of Graduate and International Admissions. Her job entails developing both graduate and international departments. Post Univ. offers a Master of Science degree in Human Services.

Future degree programs being developed include Masters of business, education, and computer technology programs. She is also responsible for all aspects of international admissions. She previously was employed by Northeastern University and has held several positions there.

Brother **Demo Angelopoulos**, Brett Rathi, Scott Williams, and John Grossomanides Jr. won the Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Foundation

Golf Tournament held September 30th. at the

Weekapaug Golf Course in Westerly, RI. One member of the foursome Brett Rathi had a hole in one on the Par 3 seventeenth hole to lead the victors.

Brother **Milan Kukich**, Norwich #110, is the President of the Parish Council of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church of Norwich, CT. Mel is completing his second year as president. Milan, wife Mindy, daughter Sarah, and son Michael live in Niantic, Ct.

Congrats to **John and Jeanne Fakis**, PDG, on the marriage of their son Nicholas to Delia, on October 28, 2006.

Congratulations to **E. Peter Mitchell**. Archbishop Demetrios of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese has appointed Terry to the Board of Trustees of Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology. Installation of the new Board took place on September 12th, in

Brookline, MA.

Congratulations to Sister Esther Mitchell on her appointment to the National Philoptochos Board of Directors. This is Esther's fifth two year term on the Board.

DOP Did you know.....

District # 7 DOP has 38 Life Members and 286 Members
Charter Dates:

Bridgeport-08/26/1935
Newport- 02/21/1936
Meriden- 02/19/1939
New Haven-04/12/1945 (Inactive)
New Britain-07/12/1945
New London-11/03/1946
Hartford-02/13/1949
Waterbury- 01/30/1949
Danielson- 10/16/1983

Athena Damaskos is a 67 year member (Initiated 03/19/1939). She is the longest living member in our District, she is 96 years old.

In Memoriam

Brothers, Sisters & Friends:

We regret to inform you of the passing of Past Supreme President Justice Nicholas Coffinas on September 2, 2006. Brother Nick was a lifelong AHEPAN and was instrumental in implementing many programs throughout his service. He served as a two term Supreme President in 1960-1962.

May his memory be eternal.

Letter from the Editor

Corrections, in the last issue Mike Stamos should have been listed as PDG from Hartford and Peter Stamos PDG from New Haven.

The Chapter number for the Bridgeport chapter was listed as Chapter #48-they are #62; Waterbury was listed as #62 they are Chapter #48. Oops I'm sorry.

Any chapter news is welcome, please forward to: yan-keenews@ahepad7.org.



Highlights of the District #7 Fall Conference

On Saturday, October 7, 2006 the Yankee District #7 held its Fall Conference in Waterbury, CT at the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church. Waterbury AHEPA Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Stephen Natsis provided the opening prayer. A number of chapters were in attendance: New Britain, Waterbury, Bridgeport, Danbury, Norwich, Providence, Newport, and Hartford. Kip Kyprianou, DG led the discussion with topics related to the District Scholarship Fund, the Yankee News, Hellenic Affairs, and Membership. Past District Governors in attendance: George Rados, John Louziotis, Steve Jennings, John G. Grossomanides, and John Grossomanides.

During the Luncheon, the District presented Scholarship to the 2006 recipients:

Dino Marcicostsas Scholarships:
Kristina Grossomanides, Norwich-AHEPA, is Manchester CC.

Kyrstyna Kazakos, Hartford-AHEPA, attending St Josephs College.

Vasilios Sfinarolakis, Waterbury – AHEPA is attending Keene State College.

Michelle Louka, Waterbury-DOP, is attending the Univ. of Connecticut.

Peter E. Mitchell Memorial Scholarship:

Irene Sitalides, New Britain-AHEPA, is attending St. Johns University.

Mary and Angelo Pappas Scholarships:

Peter Smith, Hartford-AHEPA, is attending Boston College.

George Tinios, Waterbury– DOP, is attending RPI.

Jamie Crowell, Waterbury-DOP, is attending Sacred Heart University.

Ageliki Georgopoulos, New Britain– AHEPA is attending the University of Michigan.

Christina Kostaras, Danielson-AHEPA, attending Wheaton College

The District #7 Spring Conf. will be held in New Britain in April 28, 2007.



Hellenic Cultural Corner

The District Governor and I thought we would try something new. We set aside one page as a Cultural and Hellenic Corner. This issue we focused on the poems of a Nobel winning Greek Author. The poems are in both Greek and English. We hope you enjoy them and the story of ***Odysseus Elytis***. **Odysseus Elytis (The Nobel Prize in Literature 1979)**

Excerpts from: The Nobel Foundation. Descendant of an old family of Lesbos, he was born in Heraclion (Candia) on the island of Crete, November 2, 1911. In 1937 he visited the Reserve Officer's Cadet School in Corfu. Upon the outbreak of the war he served in the rank of Second Lieutenant, first at the Headquarters of the 1st Army Corps and then at the 24th Regiment, on the advanced fire line. During the German occupation and later, after Greece was liberated, he has been unabatedly active, publishing successive collections of poetry and writing essays concerning contemporary poetry and art problems.

During the years 1948-1952 and 1969-1972 he settled in Paris. There, he listened to philology and literature lessons in the Sorbonne and got acquainted with the pioneers of the world's avant-garde (Reverdy, Breton, Tzara, Ungaretti, Matisse, Picasso, Chagall, Giacometti). Starting from Paris he traveled and visited subsequently Switzerland, England, Italy and Spain. In 1948 he was the representative of Greece at the "International Meetings of Geneva", in 1949 at the Founding Congress of the "International Art Critics Union" in Paris and in 1962 at the "Incontro Romano della Cultura" in Rome.

In 1961, upon an invitation of the State Department, he traveled through the U.S.A.; and - upon similar invitations - through the Soviet Union in 1963 and Bulgaria in 1965.

Elytis' poetry has marked, through an active presence of over forty years, a broad spectrum. Unlike others, he did not turn back to Ancient Greece or Byzantium but devoted himself exclusively to today's Hellenism, of which he attempted - in a certain way based on psychical and sentimental aspects - to build up the mythology and the institutions. His main endeavor has been to rid his people's conscience from remorse unjustifiable, to complement natural elements through ethical powers, to achieve the highest possible transparency in expression and to finally succeed in approaching the mystery of light, "the metaphysic of the sun" - according to his own definition. A parallel way concerning technique resulted in introducing the "inner architecture", which is clearly perceptible in a great many works of his; mainly in the *Axion Esti - It Is Worth*.

This work - thanks to its setting to music by Mikis Theodorakis - was to be widely spread among all Greeks and grew to be a kind of the people's new gospel. Elytis' theoretical ideas have been expressed in a series of essays under the title (*Offering*) *My Cards To Sight*. Besides he applied himself to translating poetry and theatre as well as creating a series of *collage* pictures. Translations of his poetry have been published as autonomous books, in anthologies or in periodicals in eleven languages. *Odysseus Elytis died on March 18, 1996.*

Page 7 has three poems from Elytis, enjoy.



Ανοίγω το στόμα μου

Ανοίγω το στόμα μου κι αναγαλλιάζει
το πέλαγος
και παίρνει τα λόγια μου στις σκοτεινές
του τις σπηλιές
και στις φώκιες τις μικρές τα ψιθυρίζει
τις νύχτες που κλαιν των ανθρώπων
τα βάσανα.
Χαράζω τις φλέβες μου και κοκκινί-
ζουν τα όνειρα
και σέρκουλα γίνονται στις γειτονιές
των παιδιών
και σεντόνια στις κοπέλες που αγρυ-
πνούνε
κρυφά για ν' ακούν των ερώτων τα
θαύματα.

Ναοί στο σχήμα τ' ουρανού

Ναοί στο σχήμα του ουρανού
και κορίτσια ωραία
με το σταφύλι στα δόντια που μας
πρέπατε!
Πουλιά το βάρος της καρδιάς μας ψη-
λά μηδενίζοντας
και πολύ γαλάζιο που αγαπήσαμε!
Φύγανε φύγανε
ο Ιούλιος με το φωτεινό πουκάμισο
και ο Αύγουστος ο πέτρινος με τα μι-
κρά του ανώμαλα σκαλιά.
Φύγανε φύγανε
και βαθιά κάτω απ' το χώμα συννέφια-
σε ανεβάζοντας
χαλίκι μαύρο
και βροντές, η οργή των νεκρών
και αργά στον άνεμο τρίζοντας
εγυρίσανε πάλι με το στήθος μπροστά
φοβερά των βράχων τ'αγάλματα

Της αγάπης αίματα

Της αγάπης αίματα με πορφύρωσαν
και χαρές ανείδωτες με σκιάσανε
οξειδώθηκα μες στη νοτιά των ανθρω-
πων
μακρινή μητέρα ρόδο μου αμάραντο
Στ' ανοιχτά του πελάγου με καρτέρε-
σαν
Με μπομπάρδες τρικάρτες και μου
ρίξανε
αμαρτία μου να 'χα κι εγώ μιαν αγάπη
μακρινή μητέρα ρόδο μου αμάραντο
Τον Ιούλιο κάποτε μισανοίξανε
τα μεγάλα μάτια της μες στα σπλάχνα
μου
την παρθένα ζωή μια στιγμή να φωτί-
σουν
μακρινή μητέρα ρόδο μου αμάραντο

I open my mouth

I open my mouth and exult the sea
and it takes my words into its dark
caves
and whispers them to its young
seals
at nights that cry for the suffering
of man

I slit my veins and my dreams grow
red
and become a hoop in the world of
children
and bedclothes of young girls who
stay awake
hidden to hear the miracles of love.

Temples in the shape of the sky

Temples in the shape of the sky
and beautiful girls
with the grape in their teeth, you
were right for us!
Birds that annihilate the heaviness
of our heart
the deep azure that we loved!
They are gone, they are gone.
July with the bright shirt
and stony August with his small
uneven steps
They are gone, they are gone
and deep beneath the earth clouds
gathered, throwing up
black gravel
and thunder, the rage of the dead
and slowly moaning in the wind
they came back with their chests
thrust forward
fearsome, the statues of rock.

Blood of love

The blood of love has robed me in
purple
and unseen joys overshadowed
me
I rusted in the south wind of hu-
mankind
distant mother, my unfading rose
On the open sea they lay in
wait for me
With triple-masted warships they
bombarded me
my sin that I too had a love
distant mother, my unfading rose
Once, in July, her large eyes
half-opened deep within me
to light for a moment the virgin life
distant mother, my unfading rose

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