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## Message from the **Order of AHEPA** District Governor

Dear Brothers,

By the time you read this, the Hellenic History Trophy Day will itself be part of Hellenic history. I hope you had a chance to participate and feel proud of our collective accomplishment. When the district and the chapters work together, we can accomplish more. Please let me know how you feel about planning a similar tournament for 2010.

For the short time remaining in 2009, I urge every chapter to strive to meet or exceed the membership challenge I issued last summer, namely, to show a year-to-year increase of at least one member. To do this, you will need to:

- 1. Identify, sign up and initiate as many new members as you can.
- 2. Identify and sign up as many delinquent members as possible.
- 3. Collect all membership dues in an organized manner and pay your dues to national before the deadline of December 31.

I will be personally following each chapter's progress on this last metric (national dues payments) and will be calling the presidents of chapters that appear to be falling behind until they catch up.

As we turn to our plans for

next year, there should be no surprises. We need to continue to work on promoting Hellenism through education, philanthropy and civic responsibility. We need to strive to increase our membership for the benefit of our community. And we need to find ways to convince all five of our Connecticut US Representatives to join the Hellenic Caucus (both Rhode Island congressmen are already members!)

Please help me keep in touch by inviting me to your chapter meetings. And help keep the Yankee News relevant by continually sending your chapter news to Brother John Grossomanides.

Best wishes to you and your families for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Fraternally,

Nicholas Nikas

### Message from the **Daughters of Penelope** District Governor

As I compose this message to you, we approach the holiday season; the season of Faith, Hope and Charity. It is the season of family gatherings and other means of shared camaraderie. It is also the time of gift exchanging and mailing of cards, the yearly custom of "keeping in touch". And in the end we have again renewed friendships, enjoyed family and hopefully had a

season of the aforementioned attributes.

In many ways, The Daughters of Penelope are themselves a "holiday season" of Faith, Hope and Charity. Faith; as a Christian organization, the Daughters share a strong faith in God. Hope; we cultivate the hope of patience and loyalty in our families, neighbors and community members. Charity; our organization is all about philanthropy exhibited by our contributions to various causes. All of the above make our organization one to be proud of. I ask all of our sisters to pledge themselves to foster those qualities within their chapters and their communities.

Thank you to all the sisters who joined together in Niantic for our Fall Conference where I witnessed many dedicated women who exhibit all of the gualities I mentioned. However, we need to add those women out there who may only have to be asked. When I joined the organization many years ago, it was because a friend asked me. Look around, someone is waiting to be asked. Don't pass up the opportunity to bring your friends and family into the fold of Faith, Hope & Charity. Yours in Theta Pi, Donna Rados, PDG

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**District Governor** 





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

The Chapter #110 held their Raffle Drawing on Wednesday, September 30, 2009 in a full house of AHEPANS, Family, and guests. The winner of the Pickup truck was Jason Joubert of Baltic.

On Friday, November 13, 2009 the Norwich Chapter hosted Supreme President Nicholas Karacostas and Executive Director Basil Mossaidis for a Cocktail Reception and a Town Hall Meeting at the Charles "Dino" Pappas Community Center.

On November 24th, the chapter initiated **Andreas Bisbikos** of Colchester, CT, **Nick Kilimos** a businessman from Norwich, CT, and **Christopher D.** 

**Coutu** State Representative of the 47th District, Nor-wich, CT.

## AHEPA Chapter #117 Elpis

### New Britain, CT

By George Rados

Here is some news from New Britain, At our first meeting of the year 2009-10, the Brothers under the leadership of our President Jack Isaac voted to provide Scholarships in the amount of \$26,000 to thirteen students, which was given out at our Annual Christmas dinner/dance held on Saturday, December 12, 2009.

We are sponsoring the expenses of our community's 'Katihitiko'/Sunday School, as well as those of the Greek School, for the students for our Church member-families. For our Christmas dinner/dance, we will provide all the New Britain community with donations to the Mayor's annual programs for needy, along with two other worthy Organizations within the city.

In addition, we will continue our support to the St. George Library, the two golf tournaments which raise money for our Church and our Hellenic Affairs department as needed. We thank the brothers who helped at our mini festival (Nov. 6 and 7) and wish the best of health for Brother

# **Upcoming Events**

#### AHEPA District #7 Spring Conference April 17, 2010

Norwich AHEPA Senior Housing 380 Hamilton Ave. Norwich, CT 10AM

AHEPA Supreme Convention Montreal, Canada July 12—18, 2010 Delta-CentreVille Hotel

Lampros who is sick and recovering.

As a last note, we wish to all our Brothers and Sisters throughout the AHEPA domain our best for happy holidays and a healthy New Year!

## AHEPA Chapter #48 Waterbury, CT

By Alex Boutsioulis

Our Chapter organized an overnight trip for 24 fellow AHEPAN's and their families to a Baltimore Oriole - Boston Red Sox game -Baltimore's Camden Yard, August 1 and 2nd. The Chapter held its 13th Annual AHEPA Chapter 48 Golf Tournament on Sunday, September 13th at Waterbury's Western Hill Golf Course. The 2009 golf tournament honored the late C. Charles Chekas, Waterbury's Past District 7 Governor. Our Monthly Dinner Meetings are held at the Waterbury Holy Trinity Community Center on the last Monday of each month at 7 PM . Congratulations to Manolis Sfinarolakis being elected Supreme Secretary of the Sons of Pericles, 3rd highest national position, Congratulations to Manoli. Congratulations to our recent 50 Year Life Members - Rev. Father Stephen Natsis, Louie Lintgeris and George Zikos. They were honored at our Chapter Meeting on October 26th dinner meeting and were presented 50 year pins by Supreme Vice President John Grossomanides.



## AHEPA and Daughters of Penelope Fall Conference Summary

By Helene Moran

The Fall Conference was held as scheduled at the Niantic Ahepa Housing Facility on Saturday, October 24. Registration was taken by the Sons of Pericles, President John Ververis, Vice President Dean Tzetos and Secretary Steven Gagas of Waterbury . Morning coffee and as well as the delicious Moussaka luncheon were graciously served by brother Ahepans of New London. All the Daughters lodge officers were in attendance except secretary, Sister Ellen Anagnostos, PDG; who was under the weather. In her absence, sister Lucia Kazakos, PDG, took minutes. Running true to form, Sister Ellen sent in the Tri District convention minutes which were distributed to the chapter presidents and/or delegates who attended the convention. There were 16 sisters in attendance representing Hartford, Meriden, New Britain, Newport, and Waterbury. The Newport chapter had the most sisters present. Way to Go Sisters!!! It was great seeing sister Esther Mitchell, PDG; she continues to be a member at large. If there are other sisters within the district without a chapter you too can be members at large by paying your annual dues. Contact our District Governor, Donna Rados, PDG @ 860-635-5602 for further information. Sister Anna Helene Panagakos Past Grand Governor from District #6 and Nancy Geourntas, the wife of Ahepa Supreme Governor, Region 4 Alex G. Geourntas also attended our conference.

Ahepa Governor, Nick Nikas, discussed the actives for Saturday, November 14, The Hellenic Trophy Competition, that will be held at Norwich Free Academy. In addition to awarding the winning team of the Hellenic Trophy 3 Competition, the District Scholarships will also be presented at the dinner following the presentation of Socrates by Yannis Simonidis. In the meantime, on the same day, back in Hartford/Wethersfield several Ahepa dignitaries will be present for the long awaited dedication of the addition of AHEPA 58 II apartments at the Wethersfield location.

The financial status of the District was discussed. The chapters are being asked to support the district by selling their 10 tickets. District Advisor to the Maids, Sister Penny Pecka of Waterbury has offered a personal prize (\$50 Macy's Gift Certificate) to the chapter that sells the most raffle tickets. Remember this is the only fund raiser of the district. Sister Ellen Anagnostos, PDG and Sister Joanne Hologgitas, PGP sold a significant number of tickets while at the National Convention. We are grateful for their continuous endeavors.

#### In Memoriam May his Memory be Eternal

We are sadden to announce the passing of **Past District Governor**; Nicholas P. Giatrelis, 84, of 85 Park Avenue, Hamden, passed away Nov. 5, 2009. Mr. Giatrelis was born in Pawcatuck, CT. June 10, 1925, son of the late Peter N. and Mary Boulas Giatrelis. He was a graduate of Cheshire Academy and University of Connecticut. He worked as a sales representative for many years. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy with 148th Seabees in the Asiatic Pacific War Zone. He was past president of the North Haven Rotary Club; Past President of New Haven Chapter 98, Order of AHEPA; Past District Governor of Yankee District No. 7 and Supreme Board of Trustee of the Order of AHEPA, and was a member of Trumbull Lodge No. 22 A.F.&A.M. He is survived by a daughter, Deana Townsend of Hamden; three sons, Peter N. Giatrelis and Terry (Michele) Giatrelis, both of North Haven, and Nicholas (Maureen) Giatrelis of Northford. A sister, Penelope "Penny" (Louis) Basil of Stamford; and 7 grandchildren.

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## AHEPA Chapter #245 Maud Howe Elliott Newport, RI

By Steve Jennings

There is great news and for a change all good. Our future membership is growing! Leon and Debra Amarant have been blessed with a young boy who will be named Aristotelis after his grandfather. Congratulations to the parents and to Brother Telly and Sister Leeza Amarantidis. Brother David and Adeline Jasinski welcomed a new baby brother for William. He will be named Harry James. Also, a new baby sister for Lilliana was born to Michael and Sarah Redman She will be named Stella Elizabeth and is the grandchild of Brother Steve and Betty Jennings and greatgrandchild of Sister Nina Bozes.

We welcome back Brother Peter Bitzileos from his trip to Greece and had a visit to Newport by Brother Tony Lascaris who resides in Greece now. Brother Tony donated a four-disc set of the Athens Olympics to the chapter.

Get well wishes to Brother George Baker who is recuperating at Newport Hospital and then at home. Also, Brother Chris Stefanopoulos continues his recuperation, get well soon. The chapter hosted the coffee hour after church on Sunday, October 25 in celebration of OXI Day which occurred on October 28<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you to the 74.2 % of the membership paid up for 2009. The chapter is continuing the process of revitalizing the chapter's web site. The chapter now has an IRS Section 501(c) 3 designation through its Ahepa Newport Foundation and is able to accept any type of tax-deductible donation for its charitable and scholarship programs.



## AHEPA Chapter #90 Danbury, CT

By Kip Kyprianou

The Danbury Chapter 90 held a pot-luck dinner on October 24th. The event was attended by about 35 people and it was open to the entire community. The AHEPA movie "Ripples" was shown and some attendees expressed an interest in becoming AHEPA members. Chapter 90 benefactor Deno Macricostas was in attendance with his wife Marie.

On November 4th we initiated three new members, **Constantine Katsileros, Antonios Tontisakis, Manos Vogiatzis** and we reinstated Dr. James Kotsanos, MD a beautiful dinner was prepared by Dino Kolitsas.

## AHEPA Chapter #58 Nathan Hale Hartford, CT

The Chapter proudly held a ribbon cutting of the Phase II Hartford #58 Senior Citizen Elderly Housing project on Saturday, November 14, 2009 in Wethersfield, CT. A number of dignitaries where in attendance our own President of the AHEPA National Housing Arthur Poly, Mayor of Wethersfield Donna Hemmann, and CEO AHEPA Management Company Paul Hulse.

The Chapter is working very hard on membership reinstating and initiating the following new Brothers: **Demitrios Giannaros, James Psaras, John Giarenakis, Father George Zugravu, Nick Varunes,** 

**and Michael Emmanuel**. We hope to grow to seventy five members by February 1, 2010.

## AHEPA Chapter #62 Bridgeport, CT

By Jim Yeotsas

On November 1st Gus Vlastaris and Jim Yeotsas organized a trip to the Circus in Bridgeport for the entire AHEPA Family. We extended an invitation to the parish of The Holy Trinity Church. A great turnout of ninety two people attended, and a great time was had by all. This was a perfect opportunity to promote Ahepa to our community. { *See pictures on Page 5*} In addition, in July we sponsored a trip to the ballpark and organized a night at the Bridgeport Bluefish as an Ahepa outing. Chapter 62 is quickly becoming the "in" club to be associated with. We're planning a Hockey Game event in the near future. The camaraderie that is being seen is amazing. The Daughters of Penelope in conjunction with the Ahepa are organizing a charity drive to collect cold weather clothes for needy families in the greater Bridgeport area.

Our officers for 2009-2010 are as follows: President– John Bochanis, Vice President– Dimitri Yeotsas, Secretary– Alex Vlantes, Treasurer– Chris Savides, Asst Secretary- Van Hatzis, Chm Board of Governors– John Frangenes.

# Tà vἑa

Brother **John Melanopoulos** has retired from the AHEPA Management Company after twenty years of service. John is back in Connecticut living on the shoreline of Old Lyme and has rejoined the Hartford Chapter #58.

**Paul Economou,** grandson of Past District Governor Peter Demos is a trader for Pershing, LLC in New York City.

Sister **Myrsini Papoutsis** has recently been hired by Fairfield University as the Assistant Dean/ Director of Graduate Programs for the Charles F. Dolan School of Business. Myrsini has over ten years experience working in higher education working primarily with graduate students. She previously worked for Northeastern University and Post University.

Congratulations to *Lukia and Tony Kazakos* who will celebrate their 26th Wedding Anniversary on October 2nd. Χρονια Πολλα!!

November Happy Birthdays to Brother *Kevin Danielson*, *Nick Karacostas, John Grossomanides* who celebrated their birthday, Να τα Εκατοστισεις! Get Well Soon to Tom Nicholau and Joe Hominski!

## **Chapter News**

### Winthrop #250 News



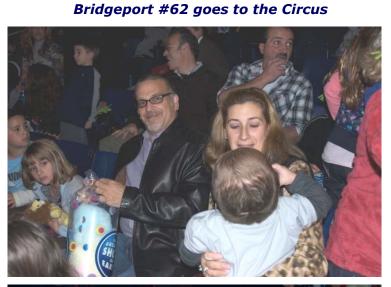
(L-R) Tony Aretakis and Kevin Burke work the Gyro both at the Niantic Festival on July 18th



Brother George Mitchell supervising the crew in Niantic



(L-R) Winthrop Chapter President Demetri Tasoulas, and Chapter Vice President/ Scholarship Chair John Fakis present a New London Chapter Scholarship to Alexa Houston of East Lyme, CT









Bridgeport AHEPA has a family night at the circus, fun by all.

#### Winter 2009

## Scholarship Awards Banquet held on November 14, 2009



Past Grand President Joanne Hologgitas and District Governor Nick Nikas present Sadie Barchini of Waterbury, CT with the Angelo and Mary Pappas Scholarship



Daughters of Penelope District Governor Donna Rados presents the Samuel Nakos Scholarship to Georgia Louka of Waterbury



Past Supreme Secretary and Board of Director Terry Mitchell presents the Peter E. Mitchell Scholarship to James Crowell of Waterbury, CT.



Past Supreme Secretary George Anagnostos presents the Angelo-Mary Pappas Scholarship to Angela Yeotsas of Bridgeport, a senior at Pratt Institute, majoring in Art Ed.



2009 District #7 Scholarship Award Winners with District #7 Scholarship Chair PGP Joanne Hologgitas and DG Nick Nikas



Rhode Island State Senator Lou Raptakis presents a District #7 Scholarship to Matoula Tsetsos of Waterbury, who is attending the University of Connecticut



District Governor Nick Nikas presents Manolis Sfinoralakis with the District #7 AHEPAN of the Year Award



District Governor Nick Nikas presents Waterbury Chapter Paul Velezis with the District #7 AHEPA Chapter of the Year Award



District Governor Nick Nikas presents Past Supreme Secretary George Anagnostos of Newport, RI with the Hellenic History Trophy

#### Winter 2009

### Hellenic Cultural Corner

## Hellenic History Tournament: A Day for the Ages!

On Saturday November 14<sup>th</sup>, the Hellenic torch was passed to the next generation by the AHEPA Yankee District #7. Sixty high school students, their families and friends, including many philhellenes, flocked to Norwich Free Academy (NFA) in Norwich, CT for the 1st Annual Hellenic History Tournament.

Twenty teams from Connecticut and Rhode Island gathered to respond to questions about Greek history. Teams from ten of fourteen of the chapter in the District were present: Bridgeport, Danbury, Hartford, New Britain, New Haven, Norwich, Stamford and Waterbury, CT, and Newport and Providence, RI participated in the event.

Nineteen matches were necessary to determine the winning team. The winners were Alexander Antonopoulos, James Demetriades and Hristos Giannopoulos of the "Dragon Team" representing and sponsored by the Newport Chapter. They each received a trophy and a cash prize of \$1,200. Second place went to Dylan Farley, Harry Koutros and Marissa Marandola of the "Spartan Rams", representing and sponsored by the Providence chapter. The Third place went to Dan Pisowloski, Jonathan Sheffield and Jenny Yee of "Veni, Vidi, Vici", one of the four teams from NFA, sponsored by the Norwich chapter. To note, fifteen of the sixty participants were not of Greek descent.

Many others made this program a success, First Mrs. Nina Barclay, a NFA teacher of Latin and Greek, who was the faculty contact. The district chapters provided over \$5,000 to fund the prizes, that made the whole event successful The multiple choice questions were provided primarily by Dr. George Melikokis, Principal of Jamaica Greek American Day School. Additional questions were provided by Dr. James A. Poulos, Alumnus of the Univ. of Manchester, UK, Department of Middle and Near Eastern Studies.

A highlight of the day was an introductory inspirational speech by Nicholas Karacostas, AHEPA Supreme President, who asked the participants to "always remember who you are and where you came from", and to appreciate and cherish Hellenic values, culture and education.





The winners were Alexander Antonopoulos, James Demetriades and Hristos Giannopoulos of the Dragon's and the Newport AHEPA



District Governor Nick Nikas with introductions and rules for all the contestants.



Supreme President Nick Karacostas addresses the crowd.



The Game Show format was enjoyable, entertaining, and enlightening. A Great Day, all that was missing was Vana White.



(L-R) SVP John Grossomanides, SP Nick Karacostas, DG Nick Nikas, DLtG Emmanuel Moshovos, and DT John G. Grossomanides

The Second place team of Dylan Farley, Harry Koutros and Marissa Marandola of the Spartan Rams and the Providence RI AHEPA

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## Highlights Greek Night at Dodd Stadium August 24, 2009







George Grossomanides, SG-Alex Geourntas, DG-Donna Rados, and PDG-Ernie Pool



Joe and Helen Hominski; (smiles everyone smiles)



John Fakis, George Ballasi, Michael and Tony Aretakis: Thank you New London Chapter!

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Marina, Alexander, Rose Ann and Dimitri Giatrakis in the front row; (Dimitri is smiling because Greece beat Ukraine) and next row Bob and Kaye Booth check out the game

Fun Night for ALL



Left: Nick Kilimos and son Taso, Nick was just initiated in to the Norwich Chapter #110

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John G. Grossomanides throwing out the first pitch



## American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association AHEPA District Seven Scholarship Award Application for 2010

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Applicant must be currently attending college or postgraduate school and plans to enroll as a full-time matriculated student in the next academic year.

The applicant must satisfy **one** of the following:

The applicant is a member of an AHEPA family organization of District Seven or The applicant is a child of a member of an AHEPA family organization of District Seven. Both MUST be in good standing (paid per capita) Nationally and in the District. In addition, the applicant must satisfy all of the following:

The applicant or the parent of the applicant must complete one year/12 months of membership in an AHEPA family organization prior to the deadline of this application.

Applicant must have at least a 2.5 GPA.

The application portion of the Verification of Eligibility form, below, must be completed and signed by the Chapter President. Applicants may re-apply if they continue to meet the requirements *and* have not received three previous grants from the Yankee District #7 Scholarship Foundation.

#### AWARDS

Scholarships will be awarded at a special AHEPA District Seven event . Recipients will be notified and be invited as honored guests of the District at the event. Award winner or parent/guardian should attend to receive award. If award winner cannot attend, the committee must be contacted prior to the award ceremony.

#### **FILING**

*All* information requested must be submitted for the application to be considered complete. **Incomplete applications** will not be officially accepted and filed.

Only information requested herein will be evaluated. Letters of recommendations and testimonials are not required. Awards are given primarily on the basis of academic achievement, community service.

All materials requested must be submitted to the Scholarship Committee Chairman, by the deadline.

All materials submitted will be held in strict confidence and are not returnable.

The following materials must be submitted:

This application, filled out, typed or legibly printed in its entirety.

An <u>official</u> transcript from the most recently attended academic institution. Official transcripts must be received directly from the academic institution.

A certificate of enrollment or admission letter from the academic institution you are planning to attend.

On a separate sheet of paper submit a typed essay of at least seven hundred (700) words and no more than on one thousand (1,000) words. Choose one topic from those listed in section five (5) of the application.

The completed scholarship application must be postmarked or handed to the Scholarship Committee Chairman

#### by <u>April 15, 2010</u>.

The completed application package can be mailed to:

#### Dr. Joanne Hologgitas, PGP District #7 Scholarship Chairperson 448 Broadway Newport, RI 02840

#### CONFIDENTIALITY

All the information reported on the scholarship application will be kept strictly confidential. Only the scholarship selection committee will review the information within the application. Applications are evaluated anonymously.

#### PERSONAL DATA

NAME	
PERMANENT ADDRESS	
TEMPORARY ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE and E-MAIL	 

#### 2. VERIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

I hereby certify that		(list applicant's parent or applicant) is a paid-up
member in good standing of Chapter _		, for one year prior to the deadline of this application, located in
the town of	in the state of	
Signed (Chapter President)	Chapter Number	Date

#### 3. EDUCATIONAL DATA

#### SCHOOL MOST RECENTLY ATTENDED

NAME OF SCHOOL	CITY & STATE	DATES ATTENDED	DEGREE AWARDED	YEAR COMPLETED

#### NAME OF COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY YOU WILL BE ATTENDING: \_\_\_\_

# 4. LIST ACTIVITIES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, SERVICE, CLUBS, AND ORGANIZATIONS YOU BELONG TO:

FROM - TO	DESCRIPTION

(Attach additional pages as required)

#### 5. <u>ESSAY</u>

On a separate sheet of paper submit a typed essay of at least seven hundred (700) words on one of the topics below. The essay should not exceed one thousand (1,000) words.

- A. Why I want to become or already am a member of the Order of AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope.
- B. How I have benefited from my Hellenic heritage, what I plan to do to return the favor.

#### 6. HARDSHIP (OPTIONAL)

Are there any family hardship circumstances you would like the committee to consider? (Attach additional pages as required)

#### 7. ENDORSEMENT

I hereby certify that the information furnished in this application and the accompanying documents is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that making false statements will result in having my application rejected. The scholarship committee reserves the right to request additional documentation in support of my statements herein.

Applicant's Signature

Date

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You can find a variety of forms, dates of events, copies of previous newsletters at this website. The national website is www.ahepa.org

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#### *Reminder AHEPA District #7 Spring Conference*

Date: Saturday, April 17, 2010 Place: Norwich #110 Sr. Citizens Housing Building Time: 10AM

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The Bridgeport and Meriden Chapters attend the AHEPA Greek Weekend in Wildwood, NJ October 2-4, 2009