



**2016-2017
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District Governor's Message

Dear Valued Sisters:

Happy Spring and Kali Sarakosti! There are many exciting activities happening in our District. Read more in this Newsletter (and on the District Website) about them. Also congratulations to Erika Pantelatos, the new MOA D-11 Governor!

Thank you to the capacity crowd of over 80 people who attended the March 11th testimonial luncheon in Toledo honoring AHEPA Family D-11 Governors. Our Toledo AHEPA Family hosts from Dodona #24 (DOP), Ypsilanti #118 (AHEPA), and Delphis Katherine #21 (MOA) did an outstanding job with this new testimonial event format. Special thanks to Event Chair Sister Marian Capranica. Bravo!

Soon we will be celebrating the Lord's Resurrection and Pascha on April 16th. This is a time for family to come together, and one family in which we all share is the AHEPA Family. Our AHEPA Family is Christian and includes members who follow either the Western Easter or the Orthodox Pascha. When these dates are far apart in time, it sometimes makes planning DOP activities and fundraisers difficult to accommodate each member. Take advantage of the fact that in 2017 the entire AHEPA Family is on the same schedule (our next chance will not occur until 2025). Plan for a fantastic Spring and Summer with your AHEPA Family!

Joyce Anagnos, DG

Maids of Athena District Governor's Message

Greetings from the District 11 MOA Lodge! Our Lodge continues with our monthly meetings, supporting local chapters and strengthening our relationship with the Daughters of Penelope. We have met with the District 23 MOA Lodge from Canada. It is fun to exchange ideas and support one another. We are excited for the Louisville, Kentucky MOA chapter to be re-activated. Our Lodge is sponsoring a 50/50 raffle to support our worthy causes, with the winner selected at our Convention in June. Please consider supporting us. If interested contact me at erikap@woh.rr.com. Kalo Pascha!

Erika Pantelatos, DG

DISTRICT LODGE FUNDRAISER UPDATE

The "Workless Fundraiser" is here and ends May 1st. By now you should have received from your Chapter President and/or Secretary the letter from DLG Debbie Urse explaining how Chapters and individuals can support this important fundraiser. Some background information: Chapter payment of District Obligations, which were due December 2016, are vital, and the Lodge thanks every Chapter who met that responsibility. Unfortunately, these Chapter payments still do not cover the expenses of the District budget approved at Convention, so additional fundraising is necessary to not only meet the District's own operating expenses, but to also meet the philanthropic targets for the District.

How will we do all of this? Simply put, we are asking for monetary donations in any amount. Generosity is encouraged and will be rewarded at the District Convention for both the greatest Chapter, and individual, support for the "Workless Fundraiser." It's workless because we are asking each of you to take the money that you would have spent on gas, tolls, meals, hotels, raffles, etc. to attend a signature fundraiser (e.g., Festival of Tables, Purse Bingo), and instead send in a check. We're saving the host chapter and Lodge from the work of putting on the fundraiser and risking those expenses; we're saving the donors from the work of attending a fundraiser in the reality of unpredictable weather and health issues; and we're able to focus the donations to go towards the District needs rather than to fund the fundraiser itself. It's a win-win for everyone, and the Lodge sincerely hopes everyone will support it in some way.

[BUCKEYE SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION](#) -All obligations/donations paid to the District by May 1st for the Foundation, a permanent project, goes to the new Daughters of Penelope Buckeye D-11 Scholarship, which will help our youth access higher education. Thank you for growing the fund.

[MAIDS OF ATHENA](#) -Similarly, all obligations/donations paid to the District by May 1st for the MOA, a permanent project, goes to the MOA D-11 Lodge to support their great work. Did you know that for years D-11 had the only MOA Lodge until D-23 in Canada recently formed one? That's international leadership-by-example for our D-11 junior order, and we are very proud to support them. Remember to also support their Lodge's 50-50 raffle by contacting DG Erika Pantelatos.

[NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS](#) -All obligations/donations from a Chapter and individuals affiliated with the Chapter or location and paid to the District by May 1st for NAMI, a 2016-2018 project, will be proportionally paid to the NAMI Local Affiliate serving that D-11 Chapter's location (see list below). NAMI Local Affiliates provide the direct programming that help families and loved ones deal with mental illness in all its forms.

NAMI of Butler County: Middletown Chrysa #100
NAMI of Franklin County: Columbus Penelope #15
NAMI of Greater Cleveland: Cleveland Lefkothea #63, Lakewood Icarus #321 & N. Royalton Erinys #355
NAMI of Greater Toledo: Toledo Dodona #24
NAMI of Greater Wheeling: Wheeling Semale #256 & Weirton Pallas Athene #276
NAMI of Louisville: Louisville Saturn #281
NAMI of Mahoning Valley: Warren Hera #31 & Youngstown Methone #183
NAMI of Montgomery County: Dayton Polydama #111
NAMI of Southwest Ohio: Cincinnati Calypso #13
NAMI of Stark County: Canton Chloris #40
NAMI of Summit County: Akron Themis #24

Thank you, Sisters!

HOW TO GET READY FOR THE DISTRICT CONVENTION

Mark your calendars for the 89th Buckeye District #11 Convention hosted by Polydama #111 and AHEPA #113 from June 2-3, 2017 at the Holiday Inn, Fairborn (Dayton), OH. Registration, hotel, golf outing, and ad book details were mailed to each Chapter and are on the District Website.

HOLD CHAPTER'S APRIL MEETING: NOTE THE NEW DISTRICT FORMS DEADLINE IS MAY 1st (NOT MAY 15th) DUE TO NEW DISTRICT CONVENTION DATE. Therefore, be prepared

in April to:

- Elect officers for 2017-2018 and submit Chapter Election Results by May 1, 2017*
- Elect delegates and alternates to District Convention and submit report to Credentials Committee by May 1, 2017 (and submit registrations by May 5, 2017)
- Select a Daughter of Penelope nominee (if any) and submit her application by May 1, 2017
- Select a Penelope of the Year nominee (if any) and submit her application by May 1, 2017*
- Submit District "Workless Fundraiser" donation(s) by May 1, 2017
- Complete In Memory of Forms and submit by May 1, 2017*
- Complete the Year End Report and submit by May 1, 2017
- Immediately pay all District Obligations to be in good standing and seated at Convention
- Vote to place ad and submit by May 5, 2017 to District Convention host

* These national forms are still due to the District by May 1st; the later dates on them are for National.

CONTINUE TO RECRUIT AND REINSTATE: It's never too late because membership runs a calendar year. Once again for the second straight year D-11 ended 2016 as the largest in the worldwide DOP realm with 541 members. Keep up the great work sisters recruiting, retaining and re-instating members. In fact, the final Growth & Expansion contest continues until May 30th: for every 2 new members added to a Chapter by then, one entry goes into a drawing for a \$250 gift card. The Award will be presented at 2017 Supreme Convention in Orlando, FL.

THE LODGE: Considering running for the Lodge? Please do! Qualifications are stated in Art XVII, §4 of the DOP Constitution. Feel free to contact the District Governor or your Lodge Liaison with any questions or ask about submitting your letter of interest.

SUPPORT THE DISTRICT: Please consider individually supporting the "Workless Fundraiser" by May 1st; ask your friends and fellow AHEPA Family members, too.

PENELOPE'S SCROLL: Due May 15th. It's fun and easy for your Chapter to showcase its great work, just in time for the District and Supreme Conventions. Include up to 200 words plus two photos. Instructions are online (www.daughte.org/pdfs/Penelopes_Scroll_Submission_Information.pdf).

PROJECT RECOGNIZE: Many women are eligible for national DOP recognition who currently or previously served in the Armed Services Branches or in the Peace Corp. Send names and contact information (or submit questions) to former Army Health Nurse Captain and Saturn #281 VP, Marsha Serdenis, 4000 Conroy Court, Louisville, KY 40218; (502) 499-1901; jserdenis@gmail.com.

DISTRICT CALENDAR

Consult the District Website (www.buckeyedistrict11.org) for more D-11 and Chapter events and updates.

April 16, 2017 -Easter/Pascha

April 22, 2017 - Lodge Visitation to Chloris #40 & Lodge Meeting #5 (Canton, OH). 49th Annual Debutantes Ball at St. Haralambos GOC, Alex D. Krassas Event Center, Canton, OH, 8 pm, \$25 pp.

April 29, 2017 - MOA Grand President Tria Charnas Testimonial Dinner at St. Paul Hellenic Ctr., N. Royalton, OH, 7 pm, \$65pp or \$50pp for age 21 and under.

May 1, 2017 - **(NEW DATE)** All District Forms & Reports due. Workless Fundraiser donations due, payable to "DOP District Lodge" and mailed to Deborah Urse, Lt. Governor, 5500 Terrace Creek, Dayton, OH 45459.

May 2, 2017 - District Convention hotel reservations for AHEPA Rate due. Holiday Inn, 2800 Presidential Dr., Fairborn (Dayton), OH at (937) 426-7800.

May 5, 2017 - District Convention delegate/alternate registrations (\$145pp DOP/AHEPA; \$75pp MOA/SOP) & Ad Book orders due.

May 8, 2017 - Lodge Meeting #6 (conference call).

May 15, 2017 - Penelope Scroll submissions deadline. **(NEW DATE)**

May 19, 2017 - District Convention Golf Outing registration due. Max 40 golfers.

May 30, 2017 - Growth & Expansion Contest deadline.

June 1, 2017 - Supreme Convention Delegates/ Alternates, Zoe Cavalaras Athletic Award, DOP Athletic Hall of Fame Award application deadlines.

June 2, 2017 - District #11 Golf Tournament at NCR Country Club, 4435 Dogwood Trail, Kettering, OH. Women golfers are encouraged to participate. Greek Night with music by the Greek Tycoons at Holiday Inn Fairborn.

June 2-3, 2017 - District Convention business meetings at Holiday Inn, 2800 Presidential Dr., Fairborn (Dayton), OH. **(NEW DATE)**

June 3, 2017 - Buckeye Scholarship Foundation Awards Luncheon and Grand Banquet at Convention.

June 4, 2017 - Convention related family activities in Dayton area.

June 15, 2017 - National Projects Committee applications, Supreme Convention Grievance Form, Legislation Changes Form, DOP Supreme Convention Ad Book form due.

July 24-30, 2017 - AHEPA Family Supreme Convention in Orlando, FL (Disney Yacht & Beach Club Resorts) (registration details pending).