District Governor’s Bulletin

Greetings Sister!

What a last few months it has been! First I would like to thank the delegates at the District 20 Daughters of Penelope Convention in Chandler for entrusting me with the office of District Governor. I am blessed to have a great group of women serving on the District Lodge with me. They are: Mary Bowen, Lt. Governor, Niki Pallas District Secretary. Martha Dratsiotis District treasurer. Rene Grevas District Marshall, MOA Advisor TBD and Cathy Keyser PDG District Advisor. Our new Grand Lodge Liaison is Beverly Kennedy Grand Lodge Governor from District 21. Her email is capoodlegirls@gmail.com. They are an experienced group and I will continue to call on them for their help and expertise as we move forward. I would also like to thank Cathy Keyser for all the help and advice she gave me during my tenure as District Secretary. I would especially like to thank Aegina 340 in Chandler for the outstanding job they did this year and their service to District 20. They put on a great Sisterhood Conference in April hosting participants from District 17, 20, 21 and 22,and members of the Grand Lodge. This was followed up a short eight weeks later hosting the District 20 Convention.

The Convention was a great one. We exchanged many ideas about projects and fundraising. The two most lucrative appeared to be the Dove Memorial and contacting a consignment store for a chapter. Members bring their donations in with any profits going to the chapter. For more complete details please feel free to email me at the email address posted on our District website. The events were well planned and we enjoyed the fellowship as we made future plans. Although all the events were wonderful the one that rally stood out for me was the cocktail hour followed by a performance by Vasile the well-known Greek comedian. He was on a real roll that evening and kept us in a constant state of laughter. The food was fabulous-the crab cakes were some of the best I’ve ever had. Congratulations all around to Aegina 340 and their members.

It was requested that I send out the various websites I presented for information about Greek events and news.. So I will use this opportunity to send them out now. They are as follows:

Pappas Post, Kathemerini in English, World Wide Greeks,, Greek Reporter, Greek Boston, Living in Greece,, W.I.N Hellas, American Hellenic Council, Living in Greece, Rome and Byzantium,, Diane Kochilas, and the Byzantine Legacy. I have also started a Twitter account for our District. It is Daughters of Penelope District 20. There are many more sources and links to be found on that page. Please feel free to follow it as it helps grow our presence in the digital world. I will also be posing information about events on that page as well.

Our first event will be a multi-chapter visitation October 19 in Anaheim at St. Jon the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church from 10: 30AM -2:30PM. More details will forthcoming in future bulletins. But mark your calendars now to attend. Last year’s multi-chapter visitation was very successful and we hope to replicate it this year.

I would like to also officially extend the sympathies of our District to the Ventura and Santa Barbara chapters and their members concerning the terrible tragedy over the Labor Day weekend. And as always we stand ready to help if there is a need concerned with this terrible tragedy.

Yours in Theta Pi,

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