



# YANKEE NEWS

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## AHEPA

### *District 7 Governor's Message*

George A. Rados

Brother AHEPAns, With our Spring Conference rapidly approaching and most of the District's Convention details in the good hands of our Lt. Governor, it seems that our Yankee News periodical publication is resurrected! I surely hope and wish the same with some of our Chapters, which have become too silent lately! The District officers are still willing to commit to any task each individual Chapter sees there is a need for! Please, contact me and we can make arrangements for visitation(s). I do not need formality! All I need is dates to choose schedule and co-ordinate!

Meantime, I wish you and your families happy Easter and keep-up the faith in yourselves, for you are the ones who can make the difference through action, nobody else! Kalo Pasha, kali Anastasi!

Fraternally yours,  
G.A. Rados, District 7 Governor.

## Daughters of Penelope

### *District 7 Governor's Message*

Donna E. Rados

Congratulations on the new issue of the Yankee Newsletter! The Newsletter is the best means of communicating with all the chapters in our district.

I find that as I visit my chapters, there is an atmosphere of isolation. One way we can address this problem is from reading about the events and accomplishments of each other. We can benefit from sharing ideas on recruiting to fund raising and everything in between. I urge all to support this publication.

We find ourselves in an era that lacks the desire to join and be part of organizations. This is evident in our less than successful year of initiating new members. So, therefore, our task is a difficult one but not an impossible one. Those of us that feel the status quo will keep our beloved order in tack are incorrect. Look around! There are prospective members waiting for you to approach them. Publicize the order wherever you go or whatever you do. Be a walking commercial!

To all chapters I say, thank you for all your work. I look forward to seeing you at the District Convention in June.

Yours in Theta Pi,

Donna E. Rados  
District Governor

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## Chapter News

### *Chapter 110*

Tony Petros

The Rose Of New England Chapter 110, of Norwich has 93 members on its rolls and plans to initiate about 5 more in the next few months, according to chapter President Sotero Daniska. Upcoming events are the chapter's participation in the District Conference, with at least 3 members planning to attend. On May 23rd the chapter will host its annual AHEPA Memorial Service at the Holy Trinity GO Church. This has been an annual event for the past 30 years. Chapter members sit as a group during the service.

On June 29th, the chapter will conduct its annual Awards Night Dinner Meeting. Chapter officers will be installed, Ahepan & Community Service Awards are presented and about \$3,000 in community grants will be made to area non-profit organizations by the Norwich AHEPA Foundation.

The Norwich AHEPA meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month, at the AHEPA 110 Senior Citizens Project on 380 Hamilton Avenue, in Norwich. Norwich has two senior citizens projects with 92 apartments and has a third one under construction with an additional 46 apartments. Construction is expected to be completed around August 1st.

### *Chapter 90*

Tony Vournazos

Danbury Chapter 90 had an active year in terms of membership growth and activities promoting Hellenism. Last year our Chapter welcomed 10 new members and reinstated 1 old member. The new

members joining AHEPA were Michael Driscoll, Petros Filippakos, Nikolaos Gkanatsios, Georgios Koutsogeorgas, Leonidas Papadopoulos, Nikolaos Pertesis, Petros Petsas, Peter Stefanopoulos, Donald Zolan, and Pat Storino. The reinstated member was

## Chapter News Continued

Anthony Dworetzky. Our President, Bill Giannakakos received an award from the District for Hellene of the Year.

Among the activities our Chapter undertook were: a breakfast featuring Thea Halo, author of "Not Even My Name" the story of the Pontic genocide, Microcosmos Concert with benefits going towards our scholarship fund, a blood drive to benefit the American Red Cross, Cooley's Anemia Fund Drive, and Valentine's Day Dinner Dance with benefits going to YASA. Also, notable is the announcement of this year's scholarships totaling \$10,000.

Our Major fundraiser for this Year will be sponsoring the Greek Comedians Vassili and Santis on September 25 , 2004. All chapters are welcome.

Congratulations to the new Miss AHEPA!

### *Chapter 6*

Miss Sadie Bachini, from the Waterbury Maids of Athena was crowned miss AHEPA, at a competition held by AHEPA District 6, in New York. She participated at the March 25th Greek Independence Day parade in NYC. Having won that title, she'll compete at the National AHEPA competition, during the Convention in Miami Fla., on 7/17/04. She was and is sponsored by our Waterbury Chapter of AHEPA, the Daughters of Penelope, the Sons of Pericles and the Maids of Athena of the same city Chapter. She's going to be recognized at the Awards Night of our District, sometime late May or in June (to be announced at conference day).

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### SPRING CONFERENCE

PLACE: WATERBURY, CONN.

TIME: AFTER CHURCH SUNDAY, APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>.

Event: Spring '04 Conference

### SUMMER CONFERENCE

PLACE: MIAMI, FLA.

TIME: MONDAY, JULY 18<sup>TH</sup>.

Event: Summer National '04 Conference