



ORDER OF AHEPA

El Camino Real District #20



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June 2-3, 2023

DoubleTree by Hilton

Santa Ana, California

AHEPA Periclean Award – *Honorable Steven G. Counelis*

AHEPA Philanthropy Award – *John Ohanian*

DOP “Light of Penelope” Lifetime Achievement Award - *Georgia Souris*



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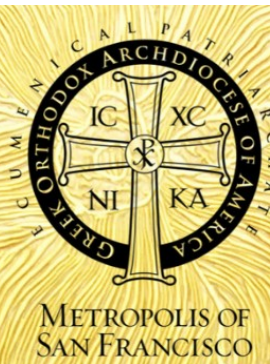
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Thomas provides wealth management services that address the full spectrum of his clients' financial concerns, including investments, family finances, retirement, and estate planning strategies. He enjoys educating people about investing in the markets.

Thomas being first generation born to Greek immigrants. He grew up traveling around Europe with his family. When Thomas grew older, he traveled abroad backpacking around Europe. He is passionate about traveling and running. Thomas has 15 years of experience in banking and investment services, he has a Bachelor of Science degree in Entrepreneurship from Western Connecticut State University and a MBA from Walden University. Thomas serves his community by supporting the AHEPA organization in Southern California.

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METROPOLIS OF
SAN FRANCISCO



SAINT JOHN the BAPTIST
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
ANAHEIM - CALIFORNIA

CONGRATULATIONS

TO OUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS

**HONORABLE
STEVEN G.
COUNELIS**

**AHEPA
PERICLEAN
AWARD**



AXIOS

&

**JOHN
OHANIAN**

**AHEPA
PHILANTHROPY
AWARD**



AXIOS



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF SAN FRANCISCO

ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΑΓΙΟΥ ΦΡΑΓΚΙΣΚΟΥ

May 29, 2023
Martyr Theodosia

Mr. Bill Lambropoulos, President

AHEPA Chapter 411
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Dear Mr. Lambropoulos and Delegates to the El Camino Real
District #20 AHEPA Family 91st Annual District Convention,

I greet you with the grace, peace and mercy of our Lord!

It is my pleasure to welcome the members of the El Camino Real District #20 AHEPA Family to your 91st Annual Convention in Santa Ana, California. It is, indeed, a joy for your members and delegates to come together this weekend to share in fellowship, strengthen the bonds of Christian love, and to celebrate the strong cultural ties of our ancestral homeland of Greece.

I commend the efforts of all those who labored to bring this Convention to fruition, and to extend their hospitality to make this gathering a success for the growth of AHEPA and the promotion of its ideals and mission. I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Honorable Steven G. Counelis, the recipient of the 2023 AHEPA District Periclean Award and to Mr. John Ohanian, the recipient of the 2023 AHEPA District 20 Philanthropy Award. Both of these individuals are men of great character and worthy of these awards. I pray that their example of leadership may inspire the younger generation to continue their good works.

It is my fervent prayer that the Lord will bless you in all your endeavors, granting you His strength, wisdom and love so that all your efforts may bring Him praise and honor always!

With Love in Christ,


Metropolitan Gerasimos of San Francisco



METROPOLIS OF
SAN FRANCISCO

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Rev. Father Christopher Retelas – Presiding Pastor



Saturday, June 3, 2023

To the beloved brothers and sisters of AHEPA and the Daughters of Penelope,

It is with the joy of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ that I extend my prayers and heartfelt love to all you on this joyous occasion of the 91st District Convention of the El Camino Real District #20. For over a century now, AHEPA has continued their mission of faith, philanthropy, education, Hellenism, patriotism, and civic duty, and I pray the Lord continues to bless these good works.

Today is also a joyous day in which we honor and celebrate the hard work and achievements of two dear servants of God and AHEPA brothers, that I can also proudly call faithful parishioners of our St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church in Anaheim, CA.

Receiving the AHEPA Periclean is the Archon Hon. Steven G. Counelis. I have known Steve and his family for years and have grown now to work alongside him and beloved wife Stacia with numerous efforts both at our parish and throughout the Metropolis. Steve has always brought forth a high level of professionalism, assiduousness, and gladness to a broad range of ministries and parish efforts and programs across the board. It brings me great joy to see someone so worthy to receive this due recognition and honor. AXIOS! He is worthy!

When one thinks about the many long time, and incredibly hard-working members of our community of St. John's, everyone knows and is continuously amazed by the perseverance and dedication of the ever-faithful Mr. John Ohanian, who is most worthily receiving the AHEPA Philanthropy Award. From service on Parish Council, to planning the annual parish Greek Festival from top to bottom, to greeting newcomers and families, and countless other efforts and events, he alongside his beloved wife Mary, have been stalwart supporters of our community over the decades that we have all been the beneficiaries of. AXIOS! He is worthy!

May the light of the Triune God continue to bless these brothers and guide the efforts and mission of the AHEPA to bring His love and peace throughout our communities, our country, and our world.

With love in Christ,

Fr. Christopher Retelas

Fr. Christopher Retelas





CONSULATE GENERAL OF GREECE
IN LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, May 2023

Dear members and friends of the AHEPA,

I am honored and pleased to extend to all and each one of you my warmest greetings and wishes on the occasion of the 91st AHEPA El Camino Real District 20 Convention.

I avail myself of this opportunity to recognize the extraordinary contributions of the AHEPA and the tireless efforts of your members in promoting the interests and values of Hellenism. AHEPA has a long record in supporting Hellenic identity, culture, education and philanthropy and it is a beacon of unity in our community.

AHEPA's commitment and motivation to strengthen Greek-American relations and safeguard our heritage, language and cultural identity are still of essential importance and greatly needed. The Consulate General of Greece in Los Angeles always relies on your support and cooperation and is committed to working with you for the benefit of Hellenism.

I would like to express my sincere congratulations to the AHEPA District 20 honorees for 2023, the Honorable Steven G. Counelis, recipient of the Periclean Award, John Ohanian, recipient of the Philanthropy Award, and Georgia Souris, recipient of the Daughters of Penelope Lifetime Achievement Award.

The aforementioned AHEPA honorees are proof that this district is home to a vibrant, hard-working and high-achieving Greek-American community. We are very proud of them and acknowledge their endeavors and the reputation they have built for their community and for their ancestral homeland.

Sincerely,

Ioannis Stamatekos

Consul General of Greece in Los Angeles

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ORDER OF AHEPA

AMERICAN HELLENIC EDUCATIONAL AND PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

E. CHRIS KAITSON
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June 2, 2023



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To the AHEPA El Camino Real District 20
District Convention attendees:

Dear AHEPA Brothers & Sisters,

On behalf of the AHEPA Supreme Lodge I extend my warmest wishes for a happy, healthy, productive and prosperous convention and new year!

Congratulations to the organizing committee, the District Governors and their lodges and all the volunteers for your selfless work, dedication and unwavering commitment to ensuring the success and continuation of our AHEPA Family.

It is my honor to serve as your Supreme Treasurer this year and last. As a 40 year member of this fraternity, I take great pride in seeing the grass roots work our members contribute to their communities. AHEPA began as a grass roots organization helping individuals and now we have grown to an internationally recognized charitable organization around the world.

Through all of my visitations I am continually amazed at the great efforts at the local levels. We make a positive impact on people's lives every day in the communities we serve.

THANK YOU for all you do and thank you for giving me the opportunity to work with you.

Fraternally,

E. Chris Kaitson

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Supreme Treasurer



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April 1, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers,



As you gather at your District Convention, I extend greetings and best wishes to you from the Grand Lodge of the Daughters of Penelope and the entire Global Sisterhood. Throughout the 2022-2023 year “The Power of WE” has illuminated our membership. The programs and philanthropic initiatives undertaken locally, districtwide, nationally, and internationally have propelled our organization to greater heights. I thank you for your dedicated service and your efforts to strengthen our Sisterhood.

As you deliberate at your District Convention, you will reflect on this past year. Be proud of what you have accomplished. Celebrate your achievements. You will plan for the future. Plan with the Good of the Order in your mind and Sisterhood/Brotherhood in your hearts. You will have the opportunity to gather. Take this time to celebrate one another, cherish your role as a Sister/Brother and celebrate the AHEPA Family.

I thank the outgoing District Lodges for their service. I honor your efforts for the Good of the Order and your commitment to the Daughters of Penelope. I congratulate the newly elected leadership. I am confident that you will have a wonderfully productive year with the support and encouragement of your entire District family. Together, the Daughters of Penelope can aspire and accomplish anything! Together the AHEPA Family can achieve and positively impact the community. Continue to celebrate and honor “The Power of WE”- The Daughters of Penelope!

Yours in Theta Pi,

Georgette Boulegeris



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May 10, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers of El Camino District 20,

I extend my best wishes on behalf of all our Sisters from the Grand Lodge. This year has been a year filled with great accomplishments, growth with so many new members, new chapters, reactivation of chapters, in-person events, zone conferences, lots of memories, and new achievements. Again, we have surpassed our goals and have shared with the world the meaning of our Sisterhood: love, excellence, philanthropy, civic duty, and family.

I congratulate the organizing committee, the District Governors, and their Lodges, and all the volunteers and all the Brothers and Sisters, for your selfless work, dedication, and unwavering commitment to ensuring the success and continuation of our Sisterhood and our AHEPA Family.

I wish you all great and productive deliberations during your District Convention and continued success.

Respectfully in Theta Pi,

M. Dritsas

Margaret Dritsas

DOP Grand Secretary

“The Power of WE”

WELCOME TO THE 2023 DISTRICT 20 CONVENTION AHEPA and DAUGHTERS of PENELOPE



Welcome Brothers and Sisters of AHEPA! Thank you all for taking time out to attend this year's District 20 Convention. I look forward to spending time with each of you over the next couple of days!

On behalf of District 20 Chapters of AHEPA and DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE, I want to extend sincere "Thanks" to our Convention Host Chapter 411 – Anaheim, CA. Coordinating this 2-day event is not a simple task. It takes teamwork and commitment to create a space where new ideas can be exchanged, membership growth planned, and above all, where fellowship prevails.

District 20 has grown its membership significantly since our last Convention. Both AHEPA and the DAUGHTERS have good news to share about these positive changes.

We're experiencing a renewed attraction to the principles of Hellenism from our younger adults; an exciting view into the future of our philanthropic organizations. They will embrace the time-tested ideals of our organizations with new and exciting relevance; apply the highest and best use of technology and social media; and communicate with greater speed and efficiency in the promotion of Community, Outreach and Fellowship. I believe AHEPA is positioned for an exciting future.

Our founders had the vision, our community had the need, and the future laid in the hands of those who were dedicated to the tenets of AHEPA and the principles of Hellenism. I believe they all would be proud today, and especially excited for the next generation of AHEPANS and DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE.

Enjoy the Convention...let's make this an epic event!!

Fraternally yours,

Pete Marudas

D.L. Pete Marudas
Governor, District 20
El Camino Real





*Daughters of Penelope
El Camino Real District 20*

*District Governor
Carol Stathopoulos*



Welcome Delegates and Visitors to the 2023 District Convention

Ninety-four years ago, the dream of the Daughters of Penelope became a reality. Forty-three years ago, I began the trip along the DOP path of knowledge and service in the small Delos #103 Chapter in Santa Barbara, CA. Today I am a member of the largest chapter in the district, Aegina #340 of Chandler, AZ, chartered in Tempe, AZ. I moved to Arizona 10 years ago based on the secure friendship of the Sisters I had met and worked with at District events over the previous 33 years. Elaine Hatupis, Georgia Souris, Maggie Thomas, and many, many others who “adopted me” into their desert families without question and with lots of love, mutual respect, and kindness. The AZ DOP Family.

This weekend, we again have the opportunities that were given to me over the past 43 years. We will stand on the foundations of what has come before us: Constitution, Ritual, Mandates, and Traditions. We will recognize the need to adjust and move forward, with courage to meet the future. Our organization will change to meet the challenges before us. Together, we will progress. “The Power of WE”

To each of you individually, my hopes and prayers for good health. To remember loved ones lost this past year. To accept God’s grace to relieve grieving. To push forward together in Sisterhood to greater accomplishments for the Order of the Daughters of Penelope. My wish is to see your beautiful smiles as we gather again this weekend.

I wish you good deliberations in ΘΠ,

*Carol Stathopoulos, District Governor
June 2023*



Order of AHEPA
Disneyland Chapter #411
Anaheim, California



June 2, 2023

Dear AHEPA Family Delegates, Friends, and Guests:

On behalf of the members of AHEPA Anaheim Disneyland Chapter #411, I extend our most heartfelt welcome to the 2023 El Camino Real District 20 Convention! We trust you will enjoy your stay in Orange County and we hope for a productive, successful and memorable convention for all its participants.

Since the Anaheim Disneyland Chapter was chartered on April 10, 1962, its members have been leaders and active participants in innumerable Hellenic cultural events and Greek Orthodox Christian activities throughout Orange County and beyond. We are proud of the legacy left to us by our past members and we strive to emulate them in all our present and future endeavors.

We are particularly proud to serve as hosts of this year's district convention where we will honor two preeminent individuals in our community. The **Honorable Steven G. Counelis**, Judge of the Superior Court of the State of California and Archon Regional Commander for Southern California, will be presented the 2023 AHEPA District 20 Periclean Award, and **John Ohanian**, 25 year AHEPA member and longtime member of St. John the Baptist in Anaheim, will be presented the 2023 AHEPA District 20 Philanthropy Award. In addition, the Daughters of Penelope District 20 Lodge will be honoring **Georgia Souris** with the 2023 Daughters of Penelope Lifetime Achievement Award. Congratulations to all of these worthy honorees!

Our sincerest thanks go out to all the members of our Chapter who participated in the preparation of this wonderful event, and to the District Lodges for their helpful guidance. Any success we achieve will be a direct result of their invaluable assistance.

We would be remiss if we did not recognize the tragic, untimely passing of our dear Brother Brent Noyes, long time President of the El Camino Real District 20 AHEPA Scholarship Foundation. We will profoundly miss his wisdom, leadership, and well-established love for helping students achieve their education dreams. May his memory be eternal.

In closing, let us approach this convention's activities mindful of the goals and ideals of the AHEPA Family and with a desire and commitment to do our very best to make our organization healthy and vital well into the future. Again,

Fraternally,

Basilios K. Lambropoulos, PDG

President, Anaheim Disneyland Chapter #411



Remembering those who have gone before us...

May their memory be eternal...

Theodore Alavizos
Christopher August
Theodore Bizakis
Chris Boukidis
Larry Chrest
Jim Christides
Jim Dorlis
Nicholas Dovalis
Charles Garrity
Nick Geris
George Glavas
John Harris
George Harvelos
Tom Hassapis
Theodore Kaiser
George Kane

George Kezos
James Kolias
Tom Lambros
John Limberakis
Christ Manes
John Manolas
Terry Mantotos
Spears Martin
George Massouris
George Moutsatsos
Peter Panagos
Frank Pappas
George Pappas
Spero Pergakes
Hercules Pipinos
Tony Petros

Constantine
Poledouris
Constantine
Poulidis
Guy Rodgers
Chris Sarantos
Timothy Sarres
John Siamas
James Spire
George Spyras
James Stavropoulos
Michael Thames
James Tsirikos
Kenneth Ulam
Peter Vratos





AHEPA Disneyland Chapter 411

Anaheim, California



Back Row (standing L-R): Harry Benetatos, Mark Vasquez, James Papastathis, Alex Soles (PDG, PSG, Chapter Co-Recording Secretary), John Ohanian, Argyri Dimopoulos, Tony Georgopoulos, Paul Bogris, Dino Basdakis (PDG, PSG), John Kapogiannis, Tom Papadopoulos, Chris Turner, Nick Angelos, Chad McLain, Kostas Kapogiannis, Ted Karnezis, Steve Kallaos, Kostas Kalaitzidis, Dimitri Gamvrellis, Chris Minoudis, Spiro Rados

Seated (L-R): Nick Perdaris (PDG, PSG), Fr. Nicholas Milatos, Chris Mellas (PDG, PSG, Chapter Corresponding Secretary), Nick Kokkinos (LG), Bill Lambropoulos (PDG, Chapter President), Ted Glavas (Chapter Treasurer for life), Larry Halfhill (Chapter Co-Recording Secretary, Fr. Chris Retelas, Tom Moore

Welcome to Southern California

The Members of Anaheim Disneyland Chapter #411,
Proud Hosts of the 2023 El Camino Real District 20 Convention
Welcome You to Orange County, California!

Wishing for a Productive, Memorable, and Joyful Convention!



ORDER OF AHEPA



Whereas, the supreme lodge of the order of ahepa having received a petition from:

George D. Ahannos
James G. Gantes
Nick Geris
Theodore H. Kaiser
George C. Kezos

Christ S. Manes
John E. Manolas
Stanley K. Papoutsis
William P. Pappas
Hercules J. Pipinos

Peter N. Petropoulos
Emmanuel G. Protonotarios
Jim G. Tsirikos
Kenneth Ulan
Peter G. Vratos

of the city of Anaheim, county of Orange, state of California
praying to be a constituted chapter of said order, under the name of Disneyland
chapter no. 411, established on the tenth day of April, 1962, and whereas,
petitioners pledge their support and obedience to the constitution, by-laws, rituals,
mandates and laws of the supreme convention, and of the rules, regulations and
directives of the supreme lodge, and of the district convention and district lodge
within its gubernatorial district, and

Whereas, the supreme lodge, acting under the authority granted it, reposing full
confidence in said petitioners, hereby authorizes and empowers the said chapter to
be constituted and function as a subordinate chapter thereof, to do and perform
all acts and things as are prescribed by said constitution, by-laws and ritual subject
to such restrictions as are, or to be prescribed by the constitution, by-laws, ritual,
laws, and mandates of the supreme convention and of the rules, regulations and
directives of the supreme lodge, or under the authority, thereof.

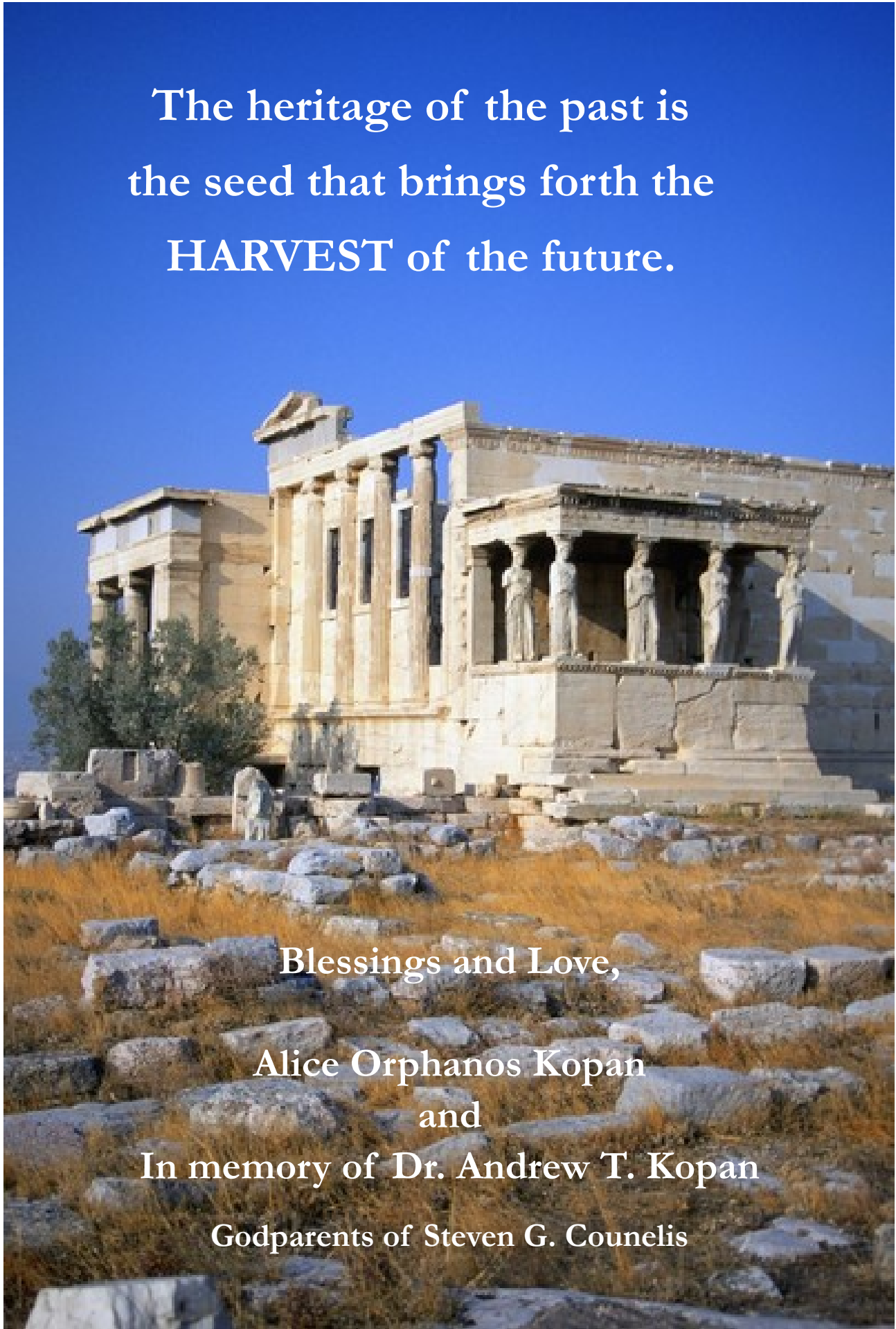
In witness whereof, and by virtue of the authority in us vested by the supreme
lodge of the order of ahepa, we hereunto affix the seal of said order and subscribe
our names hereto, this fifth day of July, 1962.

supreme lodge, order of ahepa

Nicholas Soffianos
supreme president

Nicholas J. Schizas
supreme secretary





The heritage of the past is
the seed that brings forth the
HARVEST of the future.

Blessings and Love,

Alice Orphanos Kopan

and

In memory of Dr. Andrew T. Kopan

Godparents of Steven G. Counelis

AHEPA District 20
Periclean Award
Honorable Steven G. Counelis



A parishioner of Saint John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church in Anaheim, California, the Hon. Steven G. Counelis was invested as an Archon by His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew on October 31, 2021 and conferred with the Offikion *Nomophylax – Νομοφύλαξ* [Keeper of the Law].

Archon Hon. Counelis is Judge of the Superior Court of the State of California in the County of Riverside. He graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Government, and with his Juris Doctor degree, from the University of San Francisco. As a college student, he served at the United States Supreme Court, in the Office of the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice. Prior to being elected to the Superior Court in 2010, he served as a Deputy District Attorney for seventeen years.

Throughout his life, he has been active in a number of parish leadership roles. The Ascension Cathedral in Oakland, California was the parish in which he was raised and where he participated in all ministries, in particular the liturgical choir. For several years, he held each officer position on the Parish Council of Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church, San Bernardino, California. He currently serves as Chair of the “Prepare the Way” Strategic Planning Committee of St. John the Baptist parish, as well as the high school Sunday School instructor and a liturgical choir member.

In 2016 he was elected by the Metropolis of San Francisco Assembly to serve on the Metropolis Council, and has done so to the present. Archon Counelis and his wife Stacia, with the blessing of Metropolitan Gerasimos of San Francisco, reestablished the Young Adult League (YAL) Conference Ministry of the Metropolis of San Francisco. They have served as the Conference Advisors since its renaissance in 2018, and continue to guide and mentor the Young Adult Conference Committee in the execution and planning of the annual Conference.

In September 2022, he was appointed Regional Commander of the Order of Saint Andrew for Southern California. National Commander Dr. Anthony Limberakis subsequently sent him as part of a two-Archon team to represent the Order of Saint Andrew and the Ecumenical Patriarchate at the annual meeting of the Warsaw Human Dimension Conference of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) in Warsaw, Poland, where they made poignant presentations promoting the religious freedom of the Holy Mother Church to the 57 member nations. The Archon team held constructive meetings with US Ambassadors and diplomatic delegations from other countries, as well as with civil society organizations dedicated to human rights and fundamental freedoms worldwide.

Our Lord has blessed the honoree with a beautiful and supportive family - wife Stacia, and teenagers Anna and Christos, and he will take every opportunity to travel together wherever and whenever possible.

AHEPA District 20
Philanthropy Award
John Ohanian



John Ohanian was born in Los Angeles in 1932 and is of Armenian (on his father's side) and Irish (on his mother's side) descent. As a child, John was an excellent student and was once advanced a half grade when he returned to public school after three years at Mt. Lowe Military Academy boarding school. The boarding school's strict rules prepared John well for adulthood. John began working at 15 years of age doing basic chores at a local market. It wasn't long before John had saved enough money to buy his first car, a 1942 Chevrolet coupe, shortly after turning 16.

Starting from humble beginnings not long after graduating from high school, John became a highly successful business entrepreneur in a variety of industries. John began his career owned and operated several produce and other markets in Orange County: first a roadside produce stand in Norwalk, then a small market in Fullerton, and finally a much larger market in Buena Park. After selling his market, John embarked on a new career, establishing and operating 20 donut shops under well-known "Jax Donuts" brand name. John was also instrumental in helping his family build the first donut shop in Greece! Later in life, John and his lovely wife Mary veered into a completely new business venture, opening a small, but classy, ladies clothing boutique in Tustin named "La Galleria." Having the store allowed John to devote more time and effort in his volunteer activities on behalf of the community.

John was introduced to the Greek way of life and the Greek Orthodox faith via marriage. In January 1967, John became an active member of the Greek Orthodox Church of Orange County in Garden Grove (later to be renamed the St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church of Orange County in Anaheim). It was there that John's deep Greek Orthodox faith was ignited, and where he learned about the "Greek Drive" (the desire to achieve what to others appeared unachievable) in his fellow parishioners. For nearly 60 years, John has been a leader and pillar of the St. John the Baptist community. Whether volunteering to serve multiple terms on the church building committee, or as Greek Festival or Orange Street Fair chairman, or as a member and President of the Parish Council, or performing any number of other countless tasks for the betterment of the St. John the Baptist community,

John's boundless energy and joyful enthusiasm are an inspiration to all of us. John continues to defy Father Time with his tireless efforts on behalf of the community, and looks forward to the new challenges to come.

New Daughters of Penelope District Award

2023

“Light of Penelope” Lifetime Achievement Award

Georgia Souris of Aegina Chapter #340, Chandler, Arizona, will be the first District



20 Daughter of Penelope to be presented the “Light of Penelope” Lifetime Achievement Award at the 2023 District Convention in Santa Ana, CA. This award is being presented to an individual who has been described as the “walking billboard” for the Daughters of Penelope by virtue of the countless applications she has endorsed for new initiates.

She always has an application form in her purse. Identified by the characteristics and virtues described in the Daughters of Penelope Ritual, each member should aspire to: Cultivating Truth, Goodness, and Beauty through purity of thought, loyalty, and patience. **Georgia Souris** fits these

characteristics beautifully, everyday.

A 59-year member of the DOP, Georgia was initiated into Medea Chapter #128, Chicago, Illinois, in 1964. She was an active member while getting married (Peter Souris-1966); pursuing a career using her degrees in Sociology and English; giving birth to two boys (Nick & Steven); and contributing to her church community. Moving to Arizona in 1994, Georgia was a participant in the re-establishment of Aegina 340 and held every chapter office except treasurer. She progressed to District Lodge activities and was elected District Governor and District Penelope of the Year. Attendance at both District and National conventions as a delegate has been an annual adventure for many years enjoyed by Georgia and her husband Peter (Peter was presented with the AHEPA Lifetime Achievement Award earlier this year.) When asked, she will tell you, “I firmly believe in the ideals and principals of the AHEPA Family.”

AXIA! Georgia AXIA!

Love, Carol S.



Sofie Batshoun
District Secretary



Rene Grevas
District Treasurer



Linda Kotsakis
District Lt. Governor



Carol Stathopoulos
District Governor



Adrienne Bell
District Advisor, DOP



Frances Weber
District Advisor, MOA



Julie Karoutas
District Marshal

The Sisters of the 2022–2023 District Lodge
Welcome Delegates to the District 20 Convention
In Santa Ana, California

*The El Camino Real District 20 AHEPA
Scholarship Foundation
Announcing*

Brent A. Noyes Memorial Scholarship

*Congratulations and Best Wishes to Our
2023 Scholarship and Grant Recipients*

*Evan Anagnostopoulos * Cleoniki Demetriou*

*Marianna Dick * Giorgia Dolkas*

*Chrysanthe Frangos * George Furgis*

*Troy Gankas * Marianna Halfhill*

*Alyssa Nicole Liaos * Sam Menzelos*

*Anthony Andres Mentas * Carli Alyssa Orcutt*

*Yiannis Paslidis * Sophia Athena Stamatis*

Nia Carol Stratigouleas

*Joseph Bemis * Namie Fotion * Alyssa Lemere*



Brent A. Noyes, President

Anthony "Tony" Stavros, Vice-President

Virginia Noyes, Secretary

Sofie Batshoun, Communications

Carol Stathopoulos, Treasurer

Andrew Ellopoulos, Member

Alex Soles, Member

Chris Compogiannis, Financial Advisor

Remembering 2022 - 2023

Magdeline "Maggie" Thomas

Daughters of Penelope PDG

Alek John Haidos

El Camino Real District 20 AHEPA
Scholarship Foundation Board President

Brent Andrew Noyes

El Camino Real District 20 AHEPA
Scholarship Foundation Board President

Memories Eternal



Carol Stathopoulos, District Governor

*Aegina #340, Chandler, Arizona
Wishes 2023 District Convention Delegates
Great Deliberations!*



Introducing **Aegina's 2023-2024 Officers** (seated left to right): President Theresa Fardelos; Vice President Kathy Sky; Secretary Linda Kotsakis; and Treasurer Francis Weber.

***Celebrating District 20's
2023 Light of Penelope
Lifetime Achievement Awardee
Georgia Souris***



***Remembering Past District Governor
Magdaline "Maggie" Sakiotis Thomas
1935 – 2023***

Daughters of Penelope

Governors of District 20

1940 – 2023

2021 – 2023*	Carol Stathopoulos	1974 – 1975	Katherine Pentogenis
2019 – 2021*	Adrienne Bell	1973 – 1974	Christine Galanis
2018 – 2019	Cathy Keyser	1972 – 1973	Catherine Sullivan
2016 – 2018*	Christine Markos	1971 – 1972	Dorothea P. Golf
2014 – 2016*	Valerie Katsikis	1970 – 1971	Helen Baker
2013 – 2014	Elpiniki Pallas	1969 – 1970	Chris Platis
2011 – 2013*	Pam Martinez	1968 – 1969	Penelope Boukidis
2009 – 2011*	Magdaline Thomas	1967 – 1968	Ruth Jianas
2008 – 2009	Elpiniki Pallas	1965 – 1967*	Effie Leonidas Evangel
2006 – 2008*	Georgia Gastouniotis	1963 – 1965*	Olympia Thames
2005 – 2006	Elaine Hatupis	1961 – 1963*	Myra Tellegen
2004 – 2005	Georgia Souris	1960 – 1961	Christine Janis Moshos
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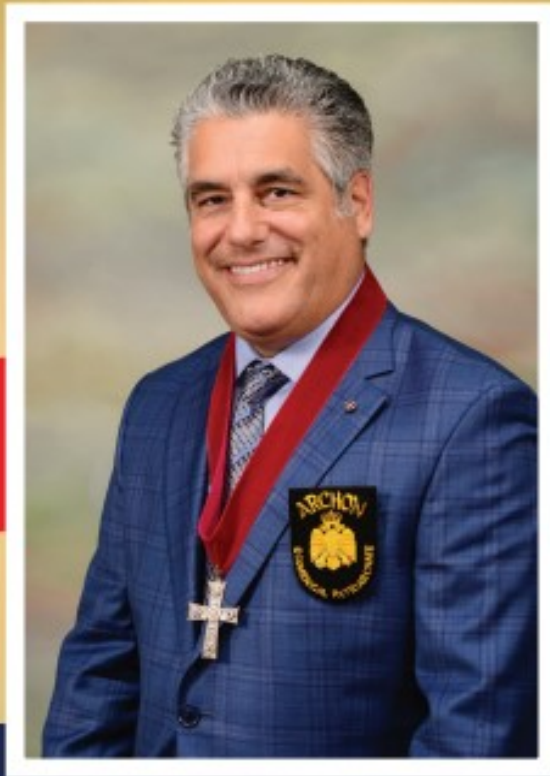


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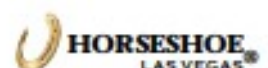
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I would like to thank all my *AHEPA* brothers of our
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for the honor they have bestowed upon me in honoring me
with the *AHEPA Philanthropy Award*.

Also, I would like to congratulate
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Mary and I thank you again for this honor.

John and Mary Ohanian

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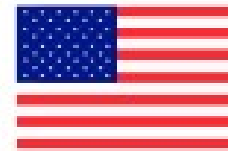
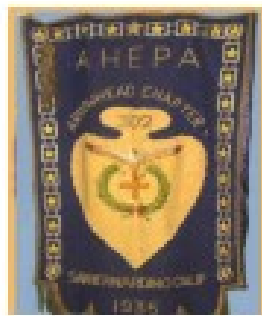
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L to R—Magdeline Thomas, Josephine Avaneas,
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Μητέρα/Manoula,

Congrats on receiving the first Light of
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mentioned to us there are some sisters that have
gone before you that you felt more worthy of
this award. But you should never forget all the
years you have worked closely with your sisters
to bring about change! You are dearly loved!

Love,

Steven and Rebecca



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You have always been the light of my life!

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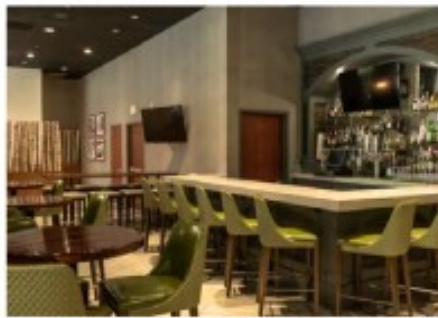
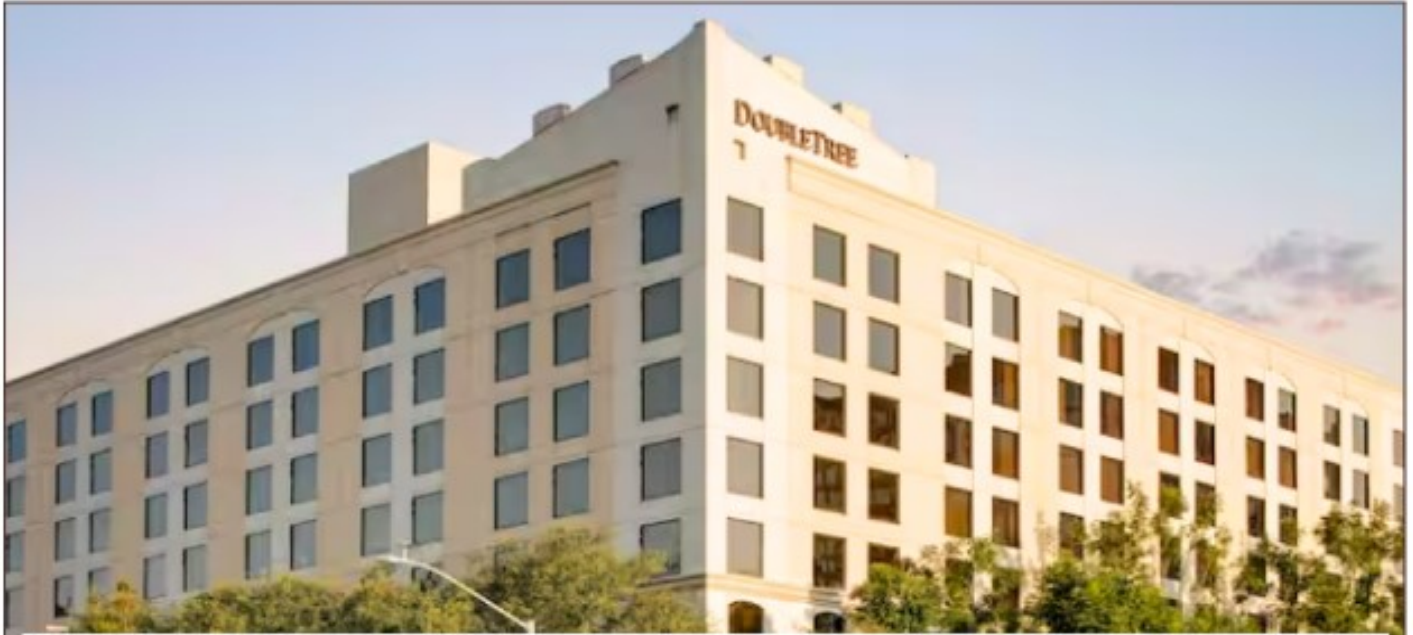
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Steven G. Tripodes

1932 - 2020

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- AHEPA Supreme Governor - 1995-1996
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- AHEPA District 20 Periclean Award - 2011
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Steven G. Counelis

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- **John Ohanian** - AHEPA District 20 Philanthropy Award
- **Georgia Souris** - Daughters of Penelope Lifetime Achievement