Order of AHEPA 76th Annual District 20 Convention June 7-10, 2007

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Long Beach Chapter No. 342
Long Beach, California



June 7, 2007

Dear AHEPA Family,

On behalf of the officers and members of Long Beach Chapter #342, it is my pleasure to welcome you to Long Beach for the 76th Annual District Convention of El Camino Real District 20.

It is our privilege once again to serve as the host city for the convention. The convention committee has been working very hard this past year in order to offer you a wonderful District Convention.

We would like to offer our heartfelt congratulations to this year's prestigious Periclean Award recipient, Mr. Nikiforos Valaskantjis. A special thank you to my convention committee for an excellent job.

Thank you for being with us and we hope you enjoy your stay here in Long Beach. It is our hope that our deliberations will be productive and we have a memorable convention.

May God bless you and keep you well until we meet again at next year's District Convention.

Fraternally yours,

Louie Kouremetis
President, Long Beach Chapter #342
Convention Co-Chairman



Daughters of TenelopeMinos Chapter No. 159
Long Beach, California



June, 2007

Dear AHEPA Family, Delegates and Friends:

Welcome! The Daughters of Penelope, Minos Chapter #159 extends its sincerest greetings to all attendees of the 76th Annual El Camino Real District #20 AHEPA Family Convention at the beautiful Marriott Hotel in Long Beach, California.

Your Convention Committee has been working diligently this past year in order to offer you the best possible District Convention.

We want each of you to enjoy your time spent here this weekend with the hope that you will come away with a worthwhile learning experience, filled with knowledge and information that you can take back to your respective chapters to share with your members.

We also hope that each attendee will be inspired with new and fresh perspectives of what our beloved Daughters of Penelope embraces. We anticipate that you will learn what we represent, with our philanthropic, educational, civic, and cultural endeavors throughout the history of our organization.

I am looking forward to meeting new and/or prospective members, as well as seeing friends of many years again. Do enjoy your District Convention and don't hesitate to ask if there is anything our committee members can do to make your stay more enjoyable.

Sincerely in Theta Pi,

Cacherine Vackrinos

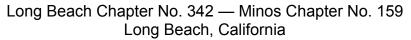
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President

Minos Chapter #159 Long Beach, California



Convention Committee





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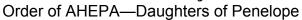
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Convention Program





6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Registration - All Orders— Earhart Room

Friday, June 8, 2007

8:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.	Registration - All Orders	Earhart Room
9:00 a.m 9.30 a.m.	Opening Ceremonies - All Orders	Salon A & B
9:45 a.m 10:15 a.m.	Election of Convention Officers	
10:30 a.m 12:00 p.m.	Business Sessions - All Orders	
·	Ahepans	Salon A & B
	Daughters of Penelope	
	Officers Reports & Appointment of Committees	J
Noon - 1:30 p.m.	Past District Governors Luncheon	
1:30 p.m 2:30 p.m.	Presentation by Dr. John Triantafyllos	Salon A & B
2:30 p.m 5.00 p.m.	Business Sessions - All Orders	
	Ahepans	Salon A & B
	Daughters of Penelope	
6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.	Cocktails / Reception	J
7:00 p m - 10:00 p m	GRAND BANQUET	Grand Ballroom

Saturday, June 9, 2007

8:00 a.m 12:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m 10:30 a.m.	Registration - All Orders	
	(Conference/Convention City, Scholarship)	
10:45 a.m 12:00 p.m.	Business Sessions - All Orders	
Noon - 2:00 p.m.	Scholarship Foundation Luncheon	Salon A, B & C
2:15 p.m 5:00 p.m.	Business Sessions - All Orders	
	Ahepans	Rickenbacker Room
	Daughters of Penelope	
6:30 p.m Midnight	GREEK GLENDI at Long Beach Airport Man	riott Hotel

Sunday, June 10, 2007

9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy at Assumption Church

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11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour in the Patio Area

American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association AHEPA

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The Officers and Members of the Long Beach Chapter #342 Order of AHEPA Extend to all Convention Participants a Warm Welcome

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We congratulate the 2007 Periclean award recipient, our own Chapter member, Brother Nikiforos Valaskantjis.

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Daughters of Tenelope

Minos Chapter No. 159 Long Beach, California

The Officers and Members of the Minos Chapter #159 Daughters of Penelope

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GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA

AHEPA 20 District Governor

Dear Members of AHEPAN family,



It is with particular joy that I offer my warm greetings and heartfelt best wishes as you gather for the Annual District Convention of the Ahepa District #20.

In its many and varied initiatives, AHEPA has sought to strengthen the Greek-American community, promote the values of Hellenism, and foster civic engagement, by affirming and facilitating the talents, abilities, and gifts of succeeding generations of Greeks and Greek-Americans.

In so doing, the members of AHEPA have labored to manifest throughout the larger society the quality and extent of the Hellenic and Orthodox Christian inheritance in ways that enhance identity, achievement, and commitment to serving those in need.

I pray that you will continue with renewed vigor to marshal and to organize the collective capacity of our people to advance our faith and culture within the context of the commonality of values we share with this blessed nation. With my gratefulness to the Almighty God and to you for your valued efforts and initiatives and my best wishes for a convention filled with Christian fellowship, I remain,

With paternal love in Christ,

Archbither

† DEMETRIOS Archbishop of America Holder for Metropolitan Gerasimos letter



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rev. John J. Roll Proistamenos

Dear Members of AHEPA, Supreme President, Officers of the AHEPA family,

I greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

As the Priest of our newly consecrated Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church and the entire Assumption family, it gives me great joy to welcome you to our "koinotita" and to the beautiful South Coast city of Long Beach, California. Having just moved here from Salinas with my family, I can tell you from personal experience that Long Beach is a warm and wonderful community with a very big heart. It is truly a blessing to have our Assumption AHEPA Chapter # 342 and their sisters, Daughters of Penelope, Chapter # 159, host the 76th Annual Convention, District 20, in our hometown. Please take the time to enjoy our Long Beach community while you are visiting.

I have only the highest admiration for the Philanthropic AHEPA organization. As a recipient of more than one scholarship during my years in the Seminary I am cognitive of AHEPA's commitment to the men striving for the Holy Office of the Priesthood and sincerely grateful for the educational assistance that I received.

Further, because of my family ties to AHEPA in the Pacific Northwest, my father, father-in-law, brother-in-laws and a long list of other family members are all Ahepans, I am well-informed of the aspirations for the future of AHEPA on the West Coast. I am also happy to add that I recently made my intentions known to the Assumption Parish of my ambition to become a member of the AHEPA brotherhood.

Friends, I hope and pray that the good Lord grants all of you the inspiration and strength to continue with your compassionate and generous dedication to the Orthodox faith, church and needs of the community, here and throughout the nation.

As you gather together, May the God of peace empower you with His love and bless this very important convention with great success.

In Christ's love,

Father John Roll

Holder for Gus James letter

Holder for Lee Millas letter



Order of Ahepa Board of Trustees



June 1, 2007

Dear Brothers of District 20,

My best wishes to the entire Ahepa Family of District 20 in your successful deliberations at this District Convention. I sincerely wish I could have been with you on this occasion, as I would have enjoyed it as much as I did your mid-year Conference in Palm Springs this past winter.

Brother Peter Triantafyllos and his District Lodge (including his brother John, the Lieutenant Governor), are to be congratulated for a most successful year in promoting Ahepa and its programs. That success is measured by the interest and dedication of your members, among whom I am privileged to claim many as true friends and brothers. My thanks to all for your support, especially my dear friend and Member of the Board of Trustees, Brother Steve Tripodes, and Past Supreme Governors Chris Zazas and Lyle Hochberger.

Unfortunately, you, we and all Ahepa lost a Great Man in Pete Kotzambasis, who left us much too early and reminded us how truly precious life is. We will always remember his many achievements and the memories that will never be forgotten.

Again, I wish all a fruitful and progressive Convention and hope to see you in Denver this July.

Sincerely & fraternally,

Lee J. Millas, Chairman Ahepa Board of Trustees



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April 22, 2007

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The AHEPA District Lodge welcomes all AHEPA Family members and friends to the El Camino Real District #20 76th Annual Convention June 8-10, 2007 at the Long Beach Airport Marriott Hotel.

As we look forward to a productive weekend session and enjoying each other's company during the social events within our AHEPA family, I would like to acknowledge and applaud AHEPA Chapter #342 Long Beach and the Minos Chapter #159 (Daughters of Penelope) for its hard work in hosting this year's convention.

The convention committee has worked diligently in planning a wonderful weekend to bring all of us together. Their efforts and attentions can not go unnoticed. Thank you again AHEPA Family of Long Beach for your hard work and dedication!

This will be a memorable and enjoyable weekend for everyone!

Fraternally,

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Peter Triantafyllos, District Governor-El Camino Real District #20



Daughters of Penelope

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Dear Ahepa Family:

I am pleased to address the El Camino Real District #20 annual Ahepa Family District Convention. I bring you heartfelt greetings from my colleagues of the Grand Lodge and myself. To the hosting chapters AHEPA #342 and Minos #159 of the Daughters of Penelope, I wish you much success.

It is once again that time of year to gather as an AHEPA Family and conduct the business of our respective Orders with harmonious deliberations. By working together we each can meet and exceed the goals that have been set forth.

To the Sisters of El Camino Real District 20, remember that if we want to continue the rich heritage of the Daughters of Penelope, each and every one of us need to bring forth our talents and ideas, because you the members are an invaluable part of your Chapters and District.

Again, I wish you good deliberations and that we all work together for the "Good Of Our Order".

With Love in Theta Pi,

Grand President
Daughters of Penelope



Long Beach, California District 20 AHEPA Convention June, 2007

Dear AHEPA family,

It gives me great pleasure to be serving as your Laison Grand Governor. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to listen to all of your achievements as well as your concerns. Thank you for keeping me informed of your chapter events, change of officers, and projects.

I have always felt at home belonging to El Camino Real District 20, and now this year I have been able to serve you in a larger capacity and with great pride.

May this convention be happy and productive and bring us closer together for the good of AHEPA.

In Theta Pi,

Løis L. Kotzambasis

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Daughters of Penelope

El Camino Real District #20 76th Annual Convention Marriott Hotel, Long Beach, CA

June, 2007

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the AHEPA family:

On behalf of the District Lodge I want to extend a very warm welcome to all members and guests of the 76th Annual Convention of El Camino Real District #20 in Long Beach, CA.

Our warmest appreciation and thanks are extended to Long Beach AHEPA #342 and Minos #159 for their many hours of commitment to ensure the success of this Convention.

We traveled to all chapters of District 20 this past year and we were delighted to be in the company of newly found friends and old friends who inspired us with their warm hospitality and made us feel at home. Every chapter has its own ideas through their talented members as they are continuing to forge ahead with great momentum.

The determination of these members is what inspired us most and that is what makes the Daughters of Penelope successful today. We encourage you to continue your support with confidence so that we can continue to preserve Hellenism, Education, Philanthropy and Individual Excellence.

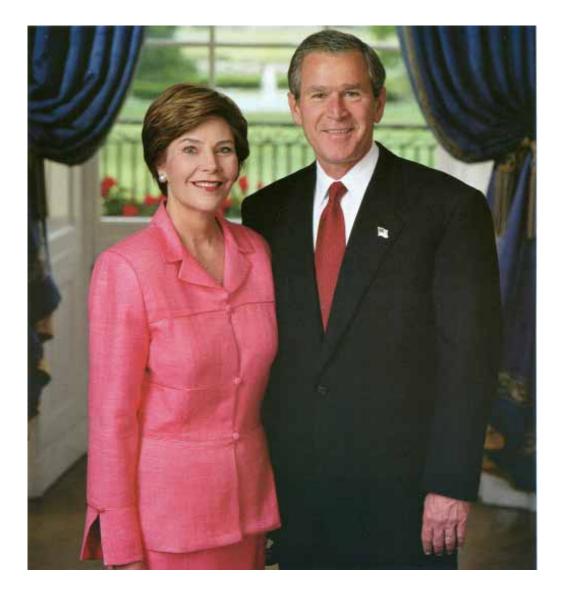
Our sincere congratulations to all Chapter presidents and officers for their commitment this past year and our best wishes to the newly elected officers.

Wishing you a very productive Convention.

Regards in Theta Pi.

Georgia Gastouniotis

District Governor

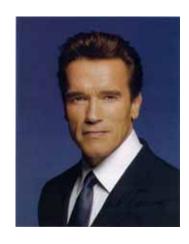


Thank you for your support and friendship as a Charter Member from California. With your help we can make America stronger, safer and more prosperous.

Best Wishes,

Laura Bush Jan Bl





GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

AMERICAN HELLENIC EDUCATIONAL PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

I am pleased to extend warm greetings to everyone gathered for the Annual District Convention.

California is home to a vibrant and thriving Greek-American population whose values and traditions have strengthened the Golden State and contributed to its continued progress and prosperity.

This convention promotes educational development and cultural understanding, and I salute your steadfast commitment to honor the contributions of Hellenism.

On behalf of all Californians, I send my best wishes for a memorable event and every continued success.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger

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American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association

Dear Friends:

I commend the AHEPA for their passion and dedication to promoting education. The many scholarships you have provided have made a profound difference in the lives of many. Education has always been one of my highest priorities and I truly appreciate your efforts to improve this field. Through your noteworthy leadership, remarkable achievements, and spirit of community activism you promote important civic involvement and philanthropy.

As your United States Senator representing the State of California, I am pleased to offer you my best wishes for a most successful and enjoyable event.

With warmest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

Dianne Feinstein

United States Senator



Message of the Consul General of Greece to the AHEPA-DISTRICT 20 2007 CONVENTION

(June 8, 2007)

Dear AHEPA Members and Friends,

On the occasion of your 2007 Convention, it is my pleasure to greet you, the Brothers and Sisters of AHEPA's El Camino Real District 20, and congratulate you on the conclusion of your work and for all your achievements and devotion to this organization.

AHEPA has been instrumental in supporting Hellenic tradition and culture, education, philanthropy and family values for almost four generations now. You have been active in strengthening and promoting the Greek-American community in the then-new social environment and, at the same time, successfully safeguarding our heritage.

Today, you can be proud of your past record and be optimistic for the future. Thanks to its strong leadership throughout the years, AHEPA is apace with the developments of the 21st century and emerges as a strong organization both in the social and the political environment, in the United States and abroad.

The Greek Government and the Consulate General in Los Angeles always rely on your support and cooperation and are committed to working with you for the benefit of Hellenism.

With my highest esteem and my best wishes,

Dimitris Caramitsos-Tziras Consul General of Greece

CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS



It is with great pleasure that I extend my congratulations and best wishes to the AHEPA Family on the occasion of the 76th Annual El Camino Real District 20 Convention.

As a proud member of AHEPA myself for more than 30 years, I take this opportunity, once again, to salute with admiration and respect its great accomplishments and very important contributions to our community, Hellenic heritage and our country the United States.

As the Honorary Consul General of Cyprus in Los Angeles, I would like to convey my deep gratitude and thanks for the most valuable support AHEPA has given to the just cause of my small island of birth. This support I am sure will continue because it is still much needed. I am also grateful for all the help I have received personally, from the local chapters of AHEPA, in the execution of my official duties.

Nikiforos Valaskantjis, recipient of this year's Periclean Award, richly deserves this honor. He is an inspiring American success story and a generous philanthropist and benefactor of our community. I have known Nikiforos and his family for many years, and I warmly praise them for all their achievements.

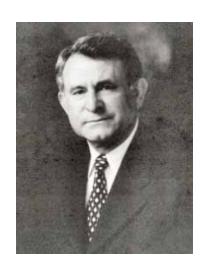
Finally, I congratulate, thank and applaud the AHEPA leadership of our area, the organizing committee and all those who worked hard to make this convention a success.

Andreas Kyprianides Hon. Consul General of Cyprus Los Angeles

June 8, 2007



Periclean Award Winner Order of AHEPA Mr. Nikiforos Valaskantjis



Mr. Nikiforos Valaskantjis was born on May 12, 1941 in a cave on the island of Samos, where his mother was seeking refuge from a German air raid. She interpreted his early birth as a good omen and named him Nikiforos, or bearer of victory.

Despite his somewhat traumatic beginning, Nikiforos' early life followed the path of a typical young man in post-World War II Greece. He did well in school and graduated from the Merchant Academy. This milestone was followed by his enlistment in the armed forces, where he chose to serve his country in the Air Force. Upon completing his military duty, Nikiforos pooled together his hard-earned money and opened a leather business. Unfortunately, tough times followed and he was forced to sell his business.

At this point, Nikiforos made the momentous decision to make his future in America. Risking all that he had, Nikiforos joined the merchant ships in hopes of one day reaching the United States. For three long years he toiled on the ships before finally reaching San Pedro, California in 1966. Nikiforos managed to leave the ship but unfortunately was caught and shipped back to Greece within a week. However, Nikiforos would not be deterred in the pursuit of his dream. In 1968, after two years of hard work he once again arrived in the United States, this time as a legal resident.

Employing the business sense, work ethic and determination instilled in him as a young man, Nikiforos was able to establish himself in the business world and achieve an impressive record of success in restaurants and real estate development. Along the way, he met and married Georgia Kokkinides and had three sons: George, Peter and Perry. Both parents have passed on to their sons the values that they hold most dear: honesty, diligence, determination and, most of all, a profound sense of gratitude toward God and the country that has given them so much.

A lifelong active supporter of the Greek Orthodox Church, Nikiforos was invested as an Archon (Depoutatos) of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in 2002. In 2006, Nikiforos was honored and received recognition for his many services in support of St. John the Baptist Church in Anaheim. Previously in 2004, he was also honored by St. Nectarios Church and Shrine in Covina for his support there. In 2005, Nikiforos was recognized for his dedication and generous donations by the Pansamian Brotherhood "Pythagoras" of New York. In 2001, the American Hellenic Council honored Nikiforos with The Theodore Saloutos Award.

Nikiforos currently serves as president of the parish council of St. Nectarios Church in Covina, California. He also serves as a board member of St. Nicholas Ranch and Retreat Center.

We are proud to honor Nikiforos Valaskantiis as the recipient of the Periclean Award for 2007.



Chapter History

Long Beach Chapter No. 342 — Minos Chapter No. 159 Long Beach, California



History of Long Beach Chapter #342, Order of AHEPA and Minos Chapter #159, Daughters of Penelope

Long Beach Chapter #342 was established on June 16, 1946, and Minos Chapter #159 soon thereafter, on June 3, 1947. The Chapters were active in the Long Beach community from their inception, holding public installations of officers and other events, and supporting the efforts of the local Greek Orthodox Church and community.

Prior to this convention, the Long Beach Chapters played host to a number of District 20 Conventions over the years. These include the 20th Annual Convention in 1951, the 25th Annual Convention in 1956, and subsequently, the 30th Annual Convention (1961), the 42nd Annual Convention (1973), and the 72nd Annual Convention (2003).

Members of the Long Beach Chapters have long been active in the Order of AHEPA at the District and Supreme levels. Four Brothers from Long Beach Chapter #342 have served as District Governors of District 20: Harry Boosalis (1956), Sam Platis (1965), George Achedafty (1981), and Zachary T. Prineas (2004). Brothers Boosalis, Platis, and Achedafty went on to serve at the national level as Supreme Governors.

Daughters of Penelope District 20 Governors from Minos Chapter #159 have included Theresa Tsanavaros (1956), Ruth Jianas (1966), Chris Platis (1969), Catherine Vackrinos (1989-1990), and Helen Robertson (1993-1994). Past members Lena Gaster and Mary G. Edwards had served as District Lieutenant Governors.

On the following pages we present selections from the historical record of Long Beach Chapter #342, Minos Chapter #159, Sophocles Chapter #237 of the Sons of Pericles, and Corrine Chapter #136, Maids of Athena.

Holder for Nick Edwards historical pages

Welcome to all Members and Friends of the AHEPA Family



We Hope You Enjoy the 76th Annual District 20 Convention

Order of AHEPA Long Beach Chapter #342

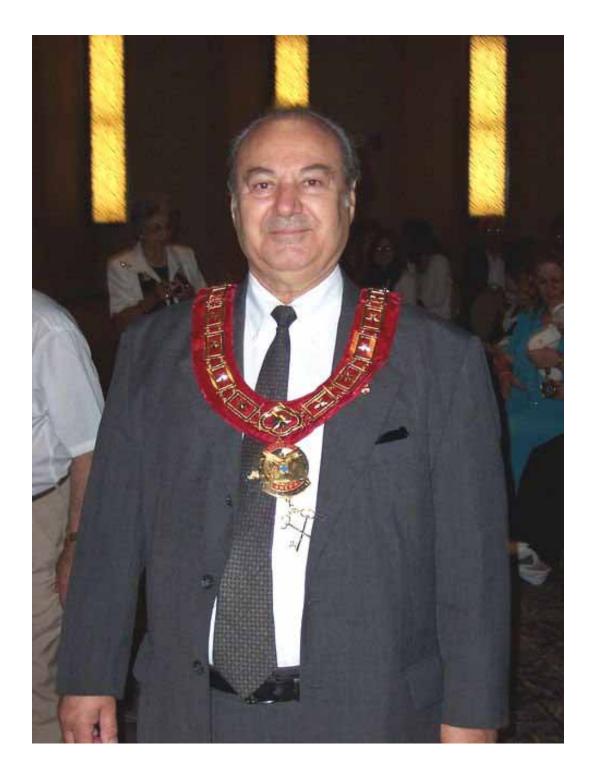
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> Daughters of Penelope Minos Chapter #159

In Memoriam – We Miss You



Ptolemeos "Pete" Kotzambasis



If You Like Sports, You'll <u>Love</u> Our Food! Every creation; salad, sandwich, and **1/3** pound burger, is prepared from the finest and freshest ingredients. and named after a sports great!

Sooo. . . . pick a sport, choose your favorite sports great. and have a meal to cheer about !

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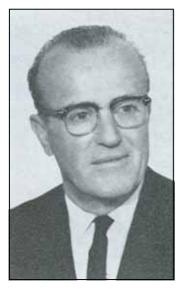
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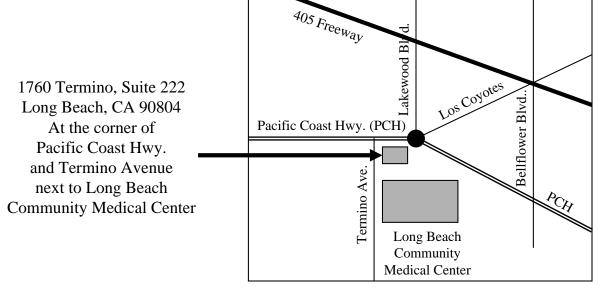
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We love you very much!

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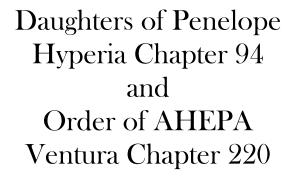
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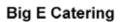
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