



# Daughters of Penelope

## Capital District No 3

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Dear Sisters,

As fall approaches, I hope your summer was pleasant and you are ready for a new year in your Chapter. Thank you for taking the office of President. The Lodge looks forward to hearing from each of you with news of your Chapter's activities.

After the District Governors Conference on September 16-17, 2011, I will send a letter with any further information. But, for now, I wanted to share the results of the National Convention held in Miami, Fl. from July 19-23, 2011.

The Daughters had 107 delegates and the business of the Convention was completed on Friday. The delegates had plenty of time to sightsee or relax in the (hot) sun. District #3 only had 3 delegates and me. We send best wishes to Mary Georghiou who was unable to attend due to her health. She has always attended! Maybe next year, District #3 will have more Daughters attending.

The new officers of the Grand Lodge are:

Grand President	Nickie Stamoulis, Seminole, Fl.
Grand V. President	Joanne Saltas, Murray, Utah
Grand Canadian President	Christine Andrews, Alberta, Canada
Grand Secretary	Anna-Helene Panagakos, Brooklyn, N.Y.
Grand Treasurer	Demi Thomas, Ridgewood, N.J.
Grand Gov. Zone 1	Maria "Cookie" Patelos, Albany, N.Y.
Grand Gov. Zone 2	Connie Pilallis, Boca Raton, Fl.
Grand Gov. Zone 3	Barbara Miligos, Houston, Texas
Grand Gov. Zone 4	Cleo Rumpakis, Portland, Or.
Grand MOA	Melva Zimach, Charleston, S.C.

### National Projects chosen:

Mandatory

DOP Foundation  
Penelope House  
Penelope's Place

Voluntary

U. of Miami Sylvester Cancer Center  
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation  
Penelopean Day Care Center, Athens, Gr.

**Penelope of the Year:** Congratulations to Despina Chrisohou from

District #24, Chapter 295.

**Growth & Expansion:** Chair Nickie Stamoulis, Grand V. President announced the following winners:

District w most new members	District 11
Runner-up	District 20
Chapter w most new members	Chapter 215, Dist. 8
Runner-up	Chapter 91, Dist. 5
Chapter w largest # increase (<50)	Chapter 420, Dist.17
Runner-up	Chapter 419
Chapter w largest # increase (>50)	Chapter13, District 11
Runner-up	Chapter 53, District 1
District w most reinstatements	District 8
<b>Runner-up</b>	<b>District 3</b>
Chapter w most reinstatements	Chapter 215, District 8
Runner-up	Chapter 91, District 5
District w largest MOA increase	District 5
Winner of 6 day trip with the most 1 <sup>st</sup> endorsements	Mary Pruitt, District 20 Torrance, Ca.

District #3 did receive a nice certificate for being the runner-up, but let's strive to be in the winner's column next year!

**National DOP Headquarters:** Executive Director, Elena Saviolakis, reported there is an updated membership brochure available, for free, from Headquarters. So, all who are in charge of membership in your chapters can use this tool for attracting new members. As always, information is available on the DOP website, [www.daughterofpenelope.org](http://www.daughterofpenelope.org). There are now over 5,000 Daughters emails on record who will receive the Grand Presidents newsletters online.

The next National Convention will be in **Las Vegas** at the Monte Carlo Hotel from **August 19-24, 2012**. Cities hosting in the following years are **Orlando, FL., New Orleans, La,** and **San Francisco, Ca.**

**District Ahepa-Daughters:** District #3 Ahepa Lodge included me in a teleconference on July 11th. They will have a workshop in Bethesda, Md. on October 15<sup>th</sup>. With the success of last year's mid-year conference hosted by the Richmond Ahepa and Daughters, another mid-year will be hosted by the Williamsburg Ahepa Chapter on February 4, 2012. More information will follow.

The Hopewell Ahepa family will host the next District Convention. Date will be determined soon.

**Trio-Gram** - District Governor Demetrius Govotsos hopes to have 2 issues of the Trio-Gram this year. Chapters, please assign a member to send articles and/or pictures to Brother Luc at [loucash@comcast.net](mailto:loucash@comcast.net) as soon as possible. The first deadline is October 15, 2011. This is a great way to showcase your activities and advertise coming events.

Our District Lodge will meet towards the end of August to further plan our year. Please, communication is so important and we want to visit you all. Let us know your activities so we can visit. Expect to hear from me soon to set up a time to visit.

Below is your Lodge Liaison Officer:

Lt. Governor, Jackie Anas, PDG    Kirki #313, Hermione #11

Treasurer Geri Hasapis                      Venus #102, Kitmene #70 Hestia #416

Secretary Loretta Kirk                      Charis Eleni #337, Harmonia #366, Antikleia #68

Marshal Katherine Matrakas              Helle #283, Arion #298, Alcemene 27

Governor Kathy Matthews                  Princess Anne #284, Agave #224, Vesta #237

**We are here to help.** Do not hesitate to contact us.

May God bless you and your chapter. I look forward to this year and may we have many good accomplishments and continue to support so many worthy charities.

Love in Theta Pi,

*Kathy Matthews*

District Governor

Has your Chapter sent in the officers elected for 2011-2012? Loretta and I are waiting!