



AHEPA Family Convention District 16 & 17
June 26-28, 2026

Early Registration Deadline extended until May 20, 2026!



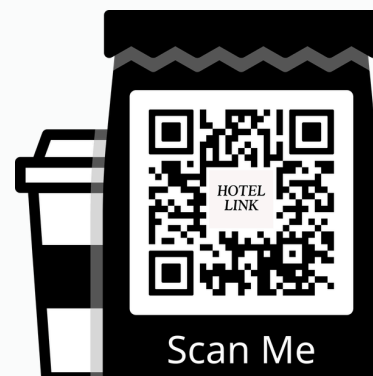
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Schedule of Events



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Hotel Block
Deadline June 4

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Dear AHEPA Family-

The members of AHEPA #311 and Daughters of Penelope Hecabe #185 cordially invite you to attend our Joint Convention to be held this June in historic San Antonio.

Founded over 300 years ago, San Antonio is a city right in heritage, culture, and tradition. Delegates and guests will have the opportunity to experience the city's renowned hospitality, vibrant downtown, and historic landmarks, including the world famous Alamo, a symbol of courage and perseverance in Texas history. This year also marks the centennial of our own St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church. It's a wonderful time to be here!

This joint convention will provide a meaningful opportunity for fellowship, collaboration, and the continued advancement of our shared missions and values. We are honored to host this gathering and look forward to welcoming members, families, and friends from across the region for several days of meetings, cultural experiences, and social events.

We sincerely hope you will join us for this special occasion and allow us the pleasure of welcoming you to San Antonio this June.

Please feel free to reach out to any of the Tri Chair committee members whose contact information is listed below.

Sincerely,
Sandy, Greg and John

link for packet- <https://dop105dallas.org/d16-17-convention/>

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Book the Date!

Thursday, 6/25/2026

- 6:00 to 8:00 PM – Registration open
- 5:30 to 7:30 Complimentary cocktails – lobby for registered guests

Friday, 6/26/2026

- 6:30 to 9:30 AM Complimentary Breakfast for registered guests or \$35
- 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM – Registration/Information table open
- 9:00 AM to 3:00PM open time recreation
- 12:00 PM to Hospitality Suite opens (closed during mtgs and events)
- 3:30 to 4:30 PM DOP meet and greet
- 5:30 to 7:30 PM Complimentary cocktails – lobby for registered guests
- 7:00 to 9:00 PM Welcome Reception/ Fajita Station

Saturday, 6/27/2026

- 7:00 to 10:30 AM Complimentary Breakfast for registered guests or \$35
- 7:30 AM - PDG/DOP District 16 Meeting – Empire Room
- 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM– Registration/Information Table open
- 8:30 to 9:00 AM – General Session – all four groups in room Majestic A & B
- 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM AHEPA 16 & 17 DOP 16 & 17 Maids & Sons
- Lunch is on your own
- 2:30 to 3:30 PM – Joint General session
- 5:30 to 7:30 PM Complimentary cocktails – lobby for registered guests
- 6:00 PM – Dinner Dance Banquet check-in table opens and Cash Bar
- 6:00 PM to 9:30 PM – Silent Auction open
- 7:30 PM – Sit down for dinner
- 8:30 PM – Program and announcements
- 8:45 PM to 10:00 – DJ Dance music
- 9:45 PM Silent Auction results announced.
- 10:30 PM Event closes

Sunday, 6/28/2026

- 7:00 to 10:30 AM Complimentary Breakfast for registered guests or \$35
- 9:00 AM Orthros with Liturgy to follow at St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church



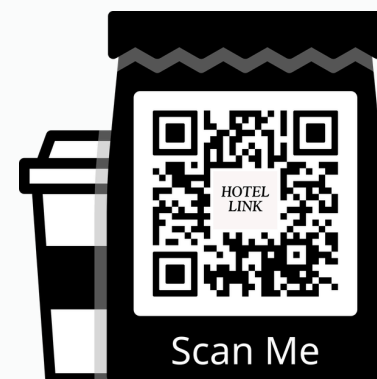
Lobby Space at Host Hotel



View from Host Hotel



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SUMMARY INFORMATION

Make Plans to Attend Now!

HOTEL INFORMATION:

Embassy Suites / Hilton Riverwalk Downtown is located at 125 E. Houston St., San Antonio, TX 78205. Prior to June 4th, prices are \$199 + taxes for 2 room suite and includes breakfast. Please call (210) 226-9000 and reference the special rate code **CES900** or use the following registration link: bit.ly/4bOUThc. Special parking arrangements forthcoming.

DELEGATE/ALTERNATE REGISTRATION:

Delegate / Alternate Registration \$250 prior to May 5

There is discounted registration for Sons and Maids. Children under 12 included with paid parent registration.

After May 5 - Registration will be \$275

Delegate Registration Includes: Hospitality Suite, Welcome Reception Friday Night, Meet and Greet on Saturday Afternoon, Banquet and Dance on Saturday Night, and Silent Auction.

AD BOOK PRICING:

Inside Front Cover	\$400
Inside Back Cover	\$400
Back Cover	\$400
Full Page	\$250
Half Page	\$125
Quarter Page	\$100

ONLINE REGISTRATION:

<https://qrco.de/bgh5T2>



SILENT AUCTION DONATION

Text: Mary Scopas at (512) 757-0387 or email maryscopas@gmail.com

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Commerorative Album Contract

The sponsor agrees to pay the sum of \$ _____ for a _____ page sponsorship ad in the District 16 and District 17 AHEPA/DOP Convention Album, subject to the terms below. Please submit sponsorship information and payment as soon as possible. **DEADLINE May 18, 2026**

Sponsor: _____ Business: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
 Signature: _____ Date: _____ Check No: _____ Paid online: _____
 Chapter Name and Number: _____ Chapter City: _____

SPONSORSHIPS:

___ Inside Front Cover	\$400
___ Inside Back Cover	\$400
___ Back Cover	\$400
___ Full Page	\$250
___ Half Page	\$125
___ Quarter Page	\$100

CONTENTS AND LAYOUT OF AD:

Provide ad text and layout (PDF or JPEG). Camera Ready High Resolution Preferred. Business cards, artwork and photographs may be included. If you need help creating an ad, Nichole can assist. Send her an email with questions: nmwaggoner@gmail.com

For Logistic Questions Text Nichole Waggoner Gambulos at 713-402-8418
 Ad Submission Questions Text Meredith Rokas at 210-912-0234

Please Mail this Contract, the Ad and Check payable to: AHEPA Chapter 311
 Mail all three to:

DOP Hecabe # 185
C/O: St. Sophia's Greek Orthodox Church
Attn: Meredith Rokas
2504 N. Saint Mary's Street
San Antonio, Texas 78212



CONTRACT TERMS:

- All submissions are subject to approval by the Album and Convention Executive Committee.
- Sponsor agrees to indemnify and defend AHEPA, the Committee and publisher against legal action based upon libelous statements or unauthorized use of photographs or other material in connection with the Sponsor's content submitted and placed in this Convention Album.
- Please furnish the ad in PDF or JPEG format, or material for the ad in the form of camera-ready art, business card, letterhead or printed text. If art or design is not furnished, the text content will be prepared and set in type as determined by the Album Committee. Email to Nichole or upload image using QR code.
- Sponsor agrees to pay the amount selected above for the ad size requested prior to the deadline above.

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Advertising in the AHEPA / Daughters of Penelope ad book (often called a program book, commemorative album, souvenir book, or yearbook) at the June district convention is a meaningful and practical way to contribute to the AHEPA Family while gaining visibility within the community. These ad books are standard for AHEPA and Daughters of Penelope (DOP) district (and supreme) conventions, distributed to all delegates, attendees, chapters, and sometimes shared digitally or in print as a keepsake.

Support the good that AHEPA and Daughters of Penelope do. AHEPA (founded 1922) and DOP (founded 1929) promote Hellenism, education, philanthropy, civic responsibility, and family excellence through scholarships, disaster relief, community service, hospitals/clinics support (e.g., in Greece), youth programs, and advocacy for Greek American issues. Convention ad books are a key fundraiser that sustains these efforts at the district level. Your ad contributes to the mission without a large donation—many are affordable (e.g., partial pages, full pages, or sponsorship tiers), and even small ads add up to make a big impact on charitable and educational work.

Additional practical perks from similar past district conventions:

- Ads are often kept as mementos, so your message has lasting exposure.
- Some districts offer digital versions for wider reach.
- It shows solidarity and pride in the AHEPA Family—many members, chapters, and businesses advertise to say "thank you" or "we're here together"



Scan QR code to submit your information to place an ad.

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We are looking for items to be donated for the silent auction at the District 16 & 17 Convention this summer.

All items donated need to have the following information either sent with the item in the mail or brought with the donor. Please text questions to Mary Scopas at (512) 757-0387 or email her at maryscopas@gmail.com

- **Item (ie basket of something; Waterford crystal item)**
- **One sentence description of item**
- **\$ value of item**

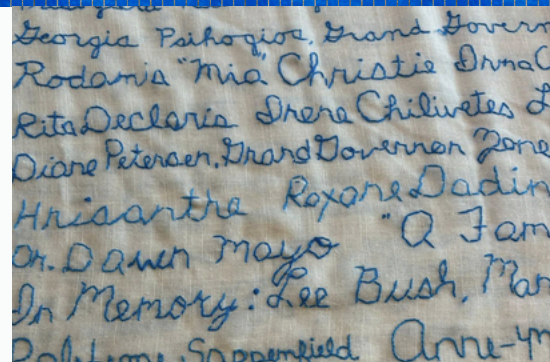
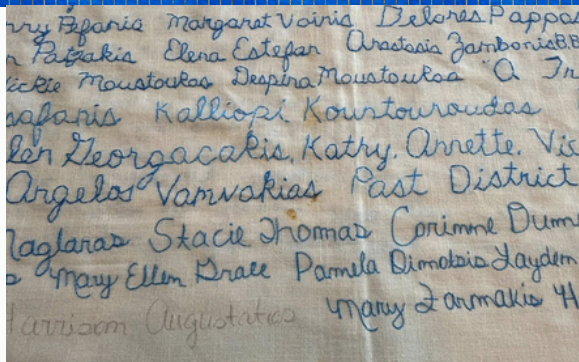
All items being mailed need to be addressed to:

**DOP Hecabe #185
Attn: Mary Scopas
c/o St. Sophia's Greek Orthodox Church
2504 N. St. Mary's Street
San Antonio, TX 78212**

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**Tablecloth Update
April 29, 2026**

Dear Sisters,

As we get ready for the convention, I am excited to undertake the project of continuing the beautiful tablecloth tradition started by previous generations of our sisters.

PDG Paulette Pastor has graciously donated a new tablecloth for the next round of names and I am eager to start. Last month, I had the opportunity to sit down with District Treasurer Cathy Paraschos to pick up the tablecloth and hear more about its history. We went and carefully matched up the correct shade of thread and have 5 skeins on order. There are two tablecloths right now with one being completed and the second one has the names ready for stitching on the last row. The third one from Sister Paulette is a blank slate and awaits a new generation of names.

Here's where I need some assistance. If you know you have a family member listed on the tablecloth, would you either email me or fill out the google form below with their name and what chapter they belonged to and any honors or distinctions- PDG, Penelope of the Year, Daughter of the Year, etc. I would like to compile a digital database for this and be able to present a framework of this at convention. It seems ambitious to work on this just before school ends for the year, but I'm putting it out there anyways! I would love your help and your stories!

My second ask is for you sisters who may have been stitchers or are, I am looking for a hoop buddy/holder to travel with this tablecloth, white gloves for touching the tablecloth when it is on display, and a Nurge rectangular hoop (size large). I usually embroider and cross stitch smaller projects but you can imagine a tablecloth is a slightly heavier weight and needs a more solid frame. If someone has one they could donate, I would really appreciate it.



Thank you for your consideration!

In Theta Pi,
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ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM

Early Registration Deadline May 5th

AHEPA Registration:

Name: _____ AHEPA Chapter # _____ District # _____

Check all applicable fields: PDG Delegate Alternate Guest SOP

DAUGHTER'S Registration:

Name: _____ DOP Chapter # _____ District # _____

Check all applicable fields: PDG Delegate Alternate Guest Maid

Address: _____ City, State, Zip _____

Email: _____ Mobile: _____

Convention Registration Package	\$250 cash or check, \$260 credit	X _____ = \$ _____
	\$200 (SOP or Maid)	X _____ = \$ _____

Hospitality Room, Welcome Reception Friday Night, Saturday Grand Banquet, Dance and Silent Auction

Guest Registration Package	\$180 cash or check, \$190 credit	X _____ = \$ _____
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Welcome Reception Friday Night, Saturday Grand Banquet, Dance and Silent Auction

Welcome Reception Friday Night	\$50 cash or check, \$55 credit	X _____ = \$ _____
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Grand Banquet	\$150 cash or check, \$155 credit	X _____ = \$ _____
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Optional \$25 donation to support the convention

Make Checks Payable to : AHEPA 311

Mail Checks to: DOP Hecabe # 185

C/O: St. Sophia's Greek Orthodox Church

Attn: Kathy Kaberides

2504 N. Saint Mary's Street

San Antonio, Texas 78212

Pay online here:



Register online:



Grand Total: _____

Please alert us of dietary needs, special meal requirements, allergies, or kid's meals with your registration form.

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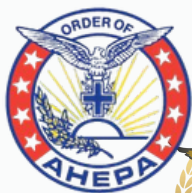
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Payments and QR codes

Pay fees here:



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Google link to upload art work



Conference Schedule



Google doc to register



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