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TO: District #6 DOP Chapters
FROM: District #6 DOP Governor

February 1, 2023

Happy Galentine's Day to all! Yes, I did say Galentine's. What more special way to spend your month than with your DOP Sisters indulging in some fattening but delicious chocolates, silly poems, sharing romantic memories of how you met your husband and other events in honor of love during the St. Valentine's month.

Growth, leadership and friendship. It is there for thee with the DOP! Where you are always supported and have someone with whom you can laugh and cry. I know that I have a forever sisterhood in the Daughters throughout the world and that we are going to continue to grow and learn until we are old and gray. I know our Sisters will always have our back, continue to push and inspire us to succeed in everything we do. Through the organizing of philanthropic events, DOP has taught us confidence, leadership, support, passion and what a true sisterhood means. I can only hope you all feel the same way.

REMINDERS:

- Please mark your calendars for date change: The District 6 Convention will be held on Saturday, June 17th, 2023 with a Meet and Greet on June 16th. Location has been changed to Terrace on the Park in Flushing (Queens) N.Y. with the Holiday Inn Express & Suites in Woodside (Queens-NYC) N.Y. WE NEED ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT BY PURCHASING A JOURNAL AD FROM YOUR CHAPTER AND MOST IMPORTANTLY YOUR ATTENDANCE. ALL CHAPTERS MUST AND SHOULD HAVE DELEGATES REPRESENTING THEM, EVEN IF IT IS 1 or 2.
- Please start collecting 2023 Per Capita in January, it is \$40 per person and should be submitted monthly to DOP Headquarters. Please do not wait until the end of the year!! Further, if you have submitted 2023 Per Capita in the past few weeks and only submitted \$35 per person please know that you still owe an additional \$5 per person.
- The next Penelope Scroll deadline is May 15, 2023, please encourage any and all articles from your chapters and submit them to penelopesscroll@gmail.com.
- The District 6 fundraiser, of the Theta Pi-ΘΠ pins, is available. We will be distributing them in person through our travels or mailing them to chapter Presidents.
- The District 6 Scholarship applications are attached to this letter. Please start thinking of potential candidates in your communities and begin distributing applications.



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As stated in my last letter, in the coming months I will offer an icebreaker game or activity that you could use to spice up the regular monthly meetings. Try them! You could have a few laughs and some deep thoughts after the business is completed.

Icebreaker Game #2: The Hypothetical Millionaire Philanthropist Question

You can tell a lot about someone by discovering what social issues matter to them and why. Who knows, you may find your soul sister who shares your passion for animal rights. Or a friendship may blossom when two women connect over their support of the organic food movement. Whatever the cause, we all have the desire to be altruistic and give in some way. This ice breaker activity will allow you to get a glimpse into all of the big hearts in your DOP chapter. It's also a great exercise in honoring and respecting the differing values that your sisters undoubtedly have. So, present this scenario to your sisters:

You have been gifted one million dollars. The only catch is that you have to donate all to one charity, organization, group, or person, and the donation will be made anonymously. Who would you donate it to, and why?

Give them a few minutes to give it some thought, and then let the ladies take turns sharing their answers with the group. You may be surprised to learn that one sister would donate to Habitat for Humanity because she used to volunteer with them, or that another sister has a soft spot for goats and would give all of her money to Goats of Anarchy. We all want to make the world a better place, but the fun of it is that philanthropy means something different to each one of us.

In closing, I thank you for all your continuous support and trust in my leadership. Along with my counterpart, Governor Dean Moskos, we have been attending various events together and showing a strong Empire State AHEPA Family unity. I look forward to the visitations with all of the chapters.

With love in Theta-Pi ΘΠ,

Lainie Damaskos-Christou, DOP District 6 Governor