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The Daughters of Penelope Honors the National Philoptochos Society with Inaugural Philanthropy Award

WASHINGTON (March 24, 2015)—The Daughters of Penelope (DOP), a leading international women’s organization, presented the National Philoptochos Society with the DOP’s inaugural Philanthropy Award at a reception held in honor of the National Philoptochos Society, March 20, 2015, at the General Federation of Women’s Clubs Headquarters, Washington, D.C.

“We honor the National Philoptochos Society for its implementation of philanthropic programs to benefit the community,” DOP Grand President Anna-Helene Grossomanides said.

Arlene Siavelis Kehl, First Vice President, National Philoptochos Society accepted the award on behalf of National Philoptochos President Maria Logus.

The event also served as a fundraiser for the campaign to rebuild Saint Nicholas National Shrine at World Trade Center.

Entertainer Kalomira, Greece’s sweetheart and pop phenomenon sang the Greek and American national anthems.

Dignitaries in attendance included: His Grace Bishop Sevastianos of Zela, who represented Archbishop Demetrios and read a letter on his behalf; Eleftheria Aristotelous, second secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Cyprus, who represented Ambassador George Chacalli; and several national board members of the National Philoptochos Society and DC-area parish priests.



Left to Right: First Vice President of National Philoptochos Society Arlene Siavelis Kehl, His Grace Bishop Sevastianos of Zela, and DOP Grand President Anna-Helene Grossomanides



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A number of Daughters of Penelope Grand Lodge officers, past and present, attended, including: Past Grand Presidents Dr. Mary Filou, Elaine Kevgas, Joanne Saltas, and Evellyn Tsiadis; Grand Vice President Connie Pilallis, Grand Secretary Jan Spanos, Grand Governor Zone I Julia Collins, District Governor No. 3 Kathy Matrakas and MOA Past Grand President Stephanie Maniatis.

Past AHEPA Supreme President Dr. John Grossomanides also attended.



Above Left Photo - Left to Right Back Row: DOP Past Grand President Joanne Saltas, DOP Past Grand President Elaine Kevgas, DOP Past Grand President Evellyn Tsiadis, MOA Past Grand President Stephanie Maniatis, and DOP Grand Governor Zone I Julia Collins. Left to Right Front Row: DOP Grand President Anna-Helene Grossomanides and DOP Grand Secretary Jan Spanos. **Above Right Photo** – DOP Grand President Anna-Helene Grossomanides, First Vice President of National Philoptochos Society Arlene Siavelis Kehl, His Grace Bishop Sevastianos of Zela , DOP Past Grand President Evellyn Tsiadis and National Board Members of the National Philoptochos Society

The mission of the DOP, an affiliate organization of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA), is to promote the ancient Greek ideals of Education, Philanthropy, Civic Responsibility, and Family and Individual Excellence through community service and volunteerism.

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