## District 20 Lt. Governor Report by Dean S. Tripodes

## **Visitations**

I visited the following fifteen (15) chapters during the 2002-2003 Ahepa year:

District	Chapter	Chapter Name	Location
20	152	Hesperia	Los Angeles, California
20	220	Ventura	Ventura, California
20	223	San Diego	San Diego, California
20	233	Neptune	San Pedro, California
20	243	Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara, California
20	275	Arizona	Tucson, Arizona
20	302	Arrowhead	San Bernardino, California
20	314	Las Vegas	Las Vegas, Nevada
20	318	Hollywood	Hollywood, California
20	342	Long Beach	Long Beach, California
20	373	Rose Bowl	Pasadena, California
20	412	San Fernando	San Fernando, California
20	442	Burbank-Glendale	Burbank-Glendale, California
20	454	Tri-City	Chandler, Arizona
20	527	Orange Coast	Irvine, California

## Accomplishments

Working with Supreme Governor Lyle K. Hochberger and Board of Directors Member Steven G. Tripodes, I created the first draft of District Lodge job descriptions and submitted them to the Legislation Committee for consideration as an addition to our District Bylaws. I referenced the 2002 Ahepa Constitution, the 2002 Ahepa Bylaws, the 2002 District Bylaws, and asked for input from all senior District Lodge members.

Working with Christine Haidos, the El Camino Real District 20 Scholarship Foundation, and graphic artist Michael Gallanes, I created a glossy tri-fold marketing brochure for the Scholarship Foundation. 5,000 copies were printed and are available at this District Convention in Long Beach, California to assist chapters with their recruitment and marketing efforts.

I developed the second annual Ahepa Family Networking Conference held at the District Convention in Long Beach, California. I created the second annual Ahepa Networking Directory, distributing 500 copies at the District Convention as well as posting it on the District website www.ahepa20.org/directory. The directory includes basic information on our organization, its history, as well as contact information. The number of business submissions

quadrupled this year. It can be used as a new member welcome packet. Special thanks to Nick Edwards and Queen Beach Printers who made a substantial donation to the printing.

I maintained the Ahepa 20 District website, **www.ahepa20.org** throughout the year at no charge. I fulfilled e-commerce orders for all items including online District Conference and District Convention registration.

In January 2003, I attended the District Conference in Tucson, California. With District Governor Chris Mellas' assistance, we made a live presentation on the District website.

In January 2003, I visited St. Anthony's monastery along with other members of the District Lodge.

I attended the Tournament of Roses® Coronation luncheon along with other members of the District Lodge.

In October 2002, I attended the Rose Bowl Chapter's annual Halloween glendi and dance.

In July 2002, I attended the Supreme Convention in New York along with other members of the District Lodge.

## Recommendations

As mentioned last year, I recommend that we start to record our history and try to keep "how to" information available on the District website. Two years ago when I took over as District Secretary, I received nothing — no jewels, no briefcase, no forms, nothing at all. If we post our information on the website, it will not only be available to District and Chapter officers, it will be there for candidates who may want to know what responsibilities are required of a particular District Lodge office.

I strongly urge that all candidates for District Lodge be at the minimum, proficient in the Internet including both e-mail and web browsing, and word processing. I recommend that all candidates try to learn the spreadsheet application Microsoft Excel, the slide show application Microsoft PowerPoint, and the desktop publishing application Microsoft Publisher.

I recommend that the District Lodge work with the Ahepa Affinity Partners, such as Cartan Travel, to create benefits for members. Once those benefits are defined/created, a tri-fold brochure should be created to help market our organization.

Sincerely,

Dean S. Tripodes
District Lt. Governor