

# Mother Lodge

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Alexandra Apostolides Sonenfeld\*  
Sophie Canellos\* - Arete Choppelas\* - Effie Choppelas  
Rose Nicholson Klunis\* - Marie Petros\* - Varvara Solon\*

## Daughters of Penelope Past Grand Presidents

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Alexandra Apostolides Sonenfeld (1931-1940)*	Toula Dallas (1980-1981)
Josephine Englezos (1940-1941)*	Sonja Stefanadis (1981-1982)
Maria Z. Harris (1941-1946)*	Maria Spirtos (1982-1983)
Poppy Mitchell (1946-1948)	Elaine Kevgas (1983-1984)
Helen Karagiannis (1948-1950)*	Thalia Banis (1984-1985)*
Irene Cox (1950-1952)	Lillian Demitry (1985-1986)
Pota Saratsis (1952-1953)*	Felicia Papuchis (1986-1987)
Hon. Adeline Geo-Karis (1953-1955)*	Kaliope Xenakis (1987-1988)
Tula Zotaley (1955-1956)*	Becky Demeris (1988-1989)
Zoe Cavalaris (1956-1958)*	Julia G. Constantine (1989-1990)*
Evelyn Mickles (1958-1959)*	Cornelia A. Pappas (1990-1991)
Emily Tamaras (1959-1960)*	Anna L. Topougis (1991-1992)
Evelyn Semos (1960-1961)*	Theodora P. Dacales (1992-1993)
Kay Brotsis (1961-1963)	Angie R. Speliopoulos (1993-1994)
Mary Kapsos (1963-1964)*	Elizabeth Pappas (1994-1995)
Josie Chase (1964-1965)	Mary M. Verges (1995-1996)
Elizabeth Athanasakos (1965-1966)	Joanne V. Hologgitas, PhD (1996-1997)
Zoe Rummel (1966-1968)	Kiki L. Walker (1997-1998)
Alexia Damaskos (1968-1969)	Catherine C. Ferguson (1998-1999)
Joanna Merakos (1969-1970)	Constance Aretos-Banis (1999-2000)
Helen J. Beldecos (1970-1972)	Betty Benjou (2000-2001)
Ellen Lagos (1972-1973)*	Joanne Booras (2001-2002)
Tina Zoumboulis (1973-1974)	Evellyn Tsiadis (2002-2003)
Mary Dinell (1974-1975)*	Angela V. Kavounas (2003-2004)
Katherine Caravasios (1975-1976)	Demetra "Demi" Kapolis (2004-2005)
Ann Morris (1976-1977)*	Mary Boufis Filou, PhD (2005-2006)
Mary M. Georgiafandis (1977-1978)	Georgia A. Psychogios (2006-2007)
Victoria Katsis (1978-1979)*	Karen B. Stamatiades (2007-2008)
Joann Pagonis (1979-1980)	

*\*Deceased*

# *National Penelope of the Year Award Recipients*

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The Penelope of the Year program of the Daughters of Penelope was instituted in 1958. Through this program members at the Supreme Convention each year, select a recipient who is recognized as an outstanding Daughter of Penelope, who excels in contributions and service to the Daughters of Penelope throughout her many years of service, as well as having participated significantly in the Greek Community, to civic and charitable organizations, to various civic endeavors, and has served and provided unselfish assistance to the Daughters of Penelope and her community.

An application form for a qualified member is submitted by a chapter to the District Committee or Chairman. At the District Convention of each District, delegates review and select a District Penelope of the year. A pin is presented to recognize this outstanding award in the District. The District Penelope of the year is then submitted to the Supreme Convention Penelope of the Year Committee Chairman for consideration. At the Supreme Convention delegates on the Penelope of the Year Committee select one member for recognition as the International Penelope of the Year, who represents outstanding and distinguished service to the Daughters of Penelope and her community.

*The following members have been recognized for this distinguished honor:*

1958 Hon. Adeline Geo-Karis, Zion, IL	1984 Edith Makris, Nashua, NH
1959 Joanna Tsamparlis, Tacoma, WA	1985 Athena Laipis, Dover, NH
1960 Irene Gorgan, Waukegan, IL	1986 Sophie Papas, Houston, TX
1961 Joan D. Kiamos, Tucson, AZ	1987 Beth Gregory, Union Lake, MI
1962 Stella Petrakos, Rosemead, CA	1988 Angie R. Speliopoulos, Edina, MN
1963 Kris Ann Vogelpohl, Galveston, TX	1989 Katina M. Booras, Shreveport, LA
1964 Dorothy Stacey, Milwaukee, WI	1990 Sara Angelos, Houston, TX
1965 Patricia Farris, Indianapolis, IN	1991 Dorothy Jenis, Manchester, NH
1966 Ann Sicaras, Hartford, CT	1992 Georgia Apostol, Houston, TX
1967 Catherine Canakes, Sacramento, CA	1993 Mary Georghiou, Alexandria, VA
1968 Vivian Hampers, Grand Rapids, MI	1994 Bessie Thornhill, Windsor, ONT, Canada
1969 Hionia Pipilas, Nashua, NH	1995 Cecilia Koplos, Oakland, CA
1970 Millie Kontos Melton, Portage, IN	1996 Ellen Anagnostos, Portsmouth, RI
1971 Anne Mountanos, San Francisco, CA	1997 Elaine Koutsounis, Des Moines, IA
1972 Susanne Collis, Cazenovia, NY	1998 Athena Economy, Atlanta, GA

1973 Bessie Markos, Ogden, UT  
1974 Frances Mannos, Asheville, NC  
1975 Angie Varlas, Wheeling, WV  
1976 Mariko Drewes, Washingtonville, NY  
1977 Cleo Laras, Middletown, OH  
1978 Despina Veloudos, Dunedin, FL  
1979 Mary Beldecos, Springfield, PA  
1980 Peggy Gekas, Harrisburg, PA  
1981 Kay Diamantidis, Northridge, CA  
1982 Kallie Xenakis, Deerfield Beach, FL  
1983 Lena Simitzi, Ventura, CA  
1999 Joanne Stathes, Silver Spring, MD  
2000 Thalia Vassiliades, Houston, TX  
2001 Maria Pappas, Poland, OH  
2002 Maria Chicos, San Francisco, CA  
2003 Barbara Stavis Wolf, New Orleans, LA  
2004 Olga K. Bush, San Antonio, TX  
2005 Marie Harris, Houston, TX  
2006 Elaine Rice, Peabody, MA  
2007 Joanne Saltas, Murray, UT  
2008 Aglaia Lilli Radu, Warren, OH