



88th AHEPA FAMILY SUPREME CONVENTION
Delta Centre-Ville Hotel – July 11-18 2010
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The largest organization of Hellenes in the world will be holding its 88th annual convention in Montreal, the week of July 11-18, 2010. AHEPA, the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association, is expecting thousands of people of Hellenic origin from the United States, Canada, Greece, Cyprus, Australia, and other parts of the world to participate in this exciting event. The last time the AHEPA convention was held in Montreal was 50 years ago in 1960.

AHEPA was founded in 1922 in Atlanta, Georgia as an organization that would promote Hellenism, education, philanthropy, civic responsibility and family and individual excellence. The AHEPA FAMILY includes the Daughters of Penelope, which is the women's affiliate, and the Junior Orders, the Sons of Pericles and the Maids of Athena.

The convention will be officially opened at City Hall on Monday, July 12 at 6:30pm. Mayor Gerald Tremblay will be in attendance to welcome the Ahepa Family. The Delta Centre-Ville Hotel will host the delegates during the week long festivities. Meetings will be conducted every day by all four divisions of the Association and Social events are planned for every evening. There will be a Greek Glendi & Casino Night on Tuesday evening, followed by the Stardust Grand Ball on Wednesday night. Thursday, the local chapters will be hosting a Greek Festival à la Quebécoise at La Famille Constantin Cabane à Sucre in Saint- Eustache. The Grand Banquet on Friday night will be the last major evening event with over 800 expected to attend.

Other activities include:

The Salute to Women, a biennial event honoring women of Hellenic descent who are outstanding in their fields, will be held on Friday afternoon. This year, we are pleased to announce that Eleni Bakopanos, Privy Council will be the first Canadian honoured.

There will also be cultural events such as lectures and concerts as well as sports events (golf & basketball) for the athletically-minded.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Delta Centreville from July 11th to 18th!

AHEPA FAMILY SUPREME CONVENTION ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE